

December 6, 2007

7:30 P.M.

Stewartsville, NJ

The Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich held a workshop meeting on the above date with the following members present: Mayor William Kanyuck, Committeeman Gurneak, Committeewoman Elaine Emiliani, Committeeman Blaszk, Township Attorney James Pfeiffer, and Township Clerk Kimberly Visconti. Absent from the meeting: Committeeman Visconti

The Flag Salute was repeated

- **Sunshine Law**

"Adequate notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by: 1. Mailing a schedule of this meeting of the Township Committee to the Express-Times, Newark Star Ledger newspapers 2. Posting a copy thereof on the Township Bulletin Board, and 3. Filing a copy thereof with the Township Clerk".

Approval of Minutes: January thru October 2007 - Table until 12/20/07 meeting

Resolution 2007-66 Municipal Tax Lien Redemption

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to approve Resolution 2007-66

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to open the public comment period

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

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Al Snyder of 109 Washington Street – Discussed with the Committee the issue of the petition previously submitted to the Committee at the October meeting, which had 33 signatures on it. He stated that lives of the residents on this street are being disrupted by the truck traffic. Stated that the road has a four-ton weight limit. He informed that Brill Farms and various other trucks are utilizing the road from 7AM – 7PM every day. He stated that it is a residential neighborhood and there is noise pollution, diesel pollution and he is very concerned about the children on this road. Requested once again for the Committee to take action and restrict truck traffic on this roadway and to designate an alternate route.

Kim Rothenbeck of 601A South Main Street – Also discussed her concerns regarding the truck traffic. Informed that her van has been hit by truck three times and that she has a handicap son. She grew up in this town and has lived in her present apartment for the past four years. She informed that not only are the farming trucks disruptive but that her daughters two cars were totaled by a tractor-trailer from out of Canada. Stated that the four-ton weight limit is not being enforced to protect the residents and property. Stated that the farming laws need to be revised.

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to close the public comment period

Voting in favor: Blaszka, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Committeeman Gurneak

Capital Projects Ad-Hoc Committee Presentation

Chairman Joseph Schiller presented to the Township Committee their preliminary findings regarding their research with respect to the task assigned to them on the firehouse. (See copy attached to the minutes of his report)

Resignation / Environmental Commission

Meyra David & Steven Harth

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Blaszkka to accept the resignation of the above mentioned with regrets

Voting in favor: Blaszkka, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Kanyuck

Second Reading / Public Hearing

Ordinance 2007-19

Police Officers Salary Ordinance

Committeeman Blaszkka made a motion, seconded by Mayor Kanyuck to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2007-19

Voting in favor: Blaszkka, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Joe Schiller of Daniel Drive – Wanted to know what this ordinance was about with listing the salaries of the police officers. Mayor Kanyuck explained that the contract was approved and that this was a mechanism to pay the officers through payroll what is stated in the contract. He informed that the officers received a 4% increase and that they are the lowest paid department in the area. Mr. Schiller stated fair enough.

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Committeeman Blaszk made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to close the public hearing on ordinance 2007-19

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Committeeman Blaszk made a motion, seconded by Mayor Kanyuck to adopt Ordinance 2007-19

Voting in favor: Kanyuck
Opposed: Gurneak, Emiliani
Abstain: Blaszk
Absent: Visconti

MOTION DIES

***Second Reading / Public Hearing
Ordinance 2007-25
DPW Salary Ordinance***

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2007-25

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to close the public hearing on Ordinance 2007-25

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Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

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Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to adopt Ordinance 2007-25

Voting in favor: Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: Blaszk

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Court Administrator Resignation

Mayor Kanyuck made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Blaszk to accept the resignation with regrets of Marlene Sullivan as Court Administrator effective December 4, 2007.

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Employee Christmas Party

Mayor Kanyuck informed the Committee that the Christmas party would be held at the Municipal Building starting at 11:30 A.M.

Mayor Kanyuck made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to close the municipal building early on Friday, December 15th at 2:00 P.M.

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Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Committeewoman Emiliani

Morris Land Conservancy Contract

Committeeman Blaszk made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to extend the MLC Contract from 11/4/07 thru 12/31/07 at a cost of \$1,800.

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Committeeman Blaszk

Shared Services Presentation

Brian Valentino, President of Patriot Consulting Group addressed the Committee regarding Shared Services through the Warren/Morris Council of Government.

Open Space

Resignation of David Niles

Mayor Kanyuck made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to accept the resignation of David Niles with regrets

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Economic Development Committee

Committeeman Gurneak informed the Committee that he would like to have a Committee formed to work on bringing in business to the areas permitted in town to assist with ratables.

Municipal Court / Shared Services

Mayor Kanyuck informed the Committee that he would like to explore the possibility of merging our municipal court with Lopatcong Township. He stated that he has discussed this possibility with Mayor Doug Steinhart from Lopatcong Township. He informed by merging the court it would alleviate the need for additional space for the court and it would free up space in the present municipal building, which could possibly be used in the future for the fire department, it would be a reduction in payroll, police department over time. He stated that he would be obtaining financial data from the CFO to forward to Lopatcong Mayor. Committeewoman Emiliani did not agree with this proposal, stating that our court is the biggest court in the area. She feels that more study needs to be done in merging our municipal court. She was angry that this action is being discussed at the end of the year with two members leaving the Committee and a new Committee coming on board in 2008. She argued that this was something that needs to be thoroughly reviewed before any action takes place. She disagreed that the township should provide data to Lopatcong and that she did not want the Mayor to be pursuing this merger without authorization from the Committee.

Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Gurneak to not move forward with the shared services agreement with Lopatcong Township.

Voting in favor: Emiliani, Gurneak
Opposed: Blaszk, Kanyuck
Absent: Visconti
MOTION DIES

Mayor Kanyuck asked Attorney Pfeiffer if he could provide information to Lopatcong. Attorney Pfeiffer advised that the Committee did not vote and authorize him to act on behalf of the Township and provide information or bind the Township into an agreement. Mayor Kanyuck asked if he could on his own provide the financial and statistical information to Lopatcong. Attorney Pfeiffer advised that anyone from the public is entitled to public records and if the Mayor wanted to obtain these records and forward

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them to Lopatcong he could do that on his own, however the Township did not direct him to do that.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Warren and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter-specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed as follows: Contract negotiations, Pending Litigation, Land Acquisition and Personnel
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public at: When a decision has been rendered.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Committeeman Gurneak made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Blaszk a to adopt the foregoing Resolution and enter into Executive Session.

Voting in favor: Blaszk a, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Committeeman Blaszk a made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to come out of Executive Session and reopen the meeting to the public

Voting in favor: Blaszk a, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

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Mayor Kanyuck made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman to approve payment of vacation time of three weeks not utilized for Marlene Sullivan

Voting in favor: Blaszka, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Kanyuck made a motion to appoint Susan Fleming as Acting Court Administrator with a salary increase of \$5,000, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani

Voting in favor: Blaszka, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Kanyuck made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to appoint Leslie Strojleski as Deputy Court Administrator with a salary increase of \$1,500

Voting in favor: Blaszka, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Kanyuck made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to direct the Clerk to advertise the position of Violations Clerk at a salary rate of \$9.00 per hour up for a full time position.

Voting in favor: Blaszka, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck
Opposed: None
Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

First Reading / Ordinance 2007-26 Sex Offender

Committeeman Blaszk made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to approve for first reading Ordinance 2007-26

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

First Reading / Ordinance 2007-27 Rayna

Committeeman Blaszk made a motion, seconded by Committeewoman Emiliani to approve for first reading Ordinance 2007-27

Voting in favor: Blaszk, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion to withdraw the offer to the PBA Contract and enter into renegotiations, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak

Voting in favor: Gurneak, Emiliani

Opposed: Kanyuck

Abstain: Blaszk

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Kanyuck directed Attorney Pfeiffer to notify Labor Attorney Glickman regarding the withdraw of the offer to the PBA Contract. Mayor Kanyuck will notify the Police Chief.

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Committeewoman Emiliani made a motion, seconded by Committeeman Gurneak to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 P.M.

Voting in favor: Blaszka, Gurneak, Emiliani, Kanyuck

Opposed: None

Absent: Visconti

MOTION CARRIED

Kimberly Viscomi, RMC

Township Clerk/Administrator