

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING – November 17, 2014**

Mayor Allen *calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.* announcing that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

PRESENT: Mayor J. Allen, Deputy Mayor B. Muir, Mrs. B. Fort, Mr. F. Gatti

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator V. Mekovetz, Attorney S. Dragan

ABSENT: Mr. T. Auriemma

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Clerk read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION
EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 *et seq.*, the Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist and desires to authorize the exclusion of the public from the portion of the meeting in accordance with the act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the specified subject matter as set forth in the following Exhibit “A.”

EXHIBIT A

| <u>Subject Matter</u> | <u>Basis Of Public Exclusion</u> | <u>Date Anticipated When Disclosed to Public</u> |
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| PBA Local 317..... | Contract Negotiations..... | Certain information at the discretion of the Township Committee tonight...other information will remain confidential |
| Professional Services / Animal Control | Contract Negotiations..... | “ “ “ |
| ECHO Unit (Block 41, Lot 1)..... | Contract Negotiations | “ “ “ |
| Peter & Grace Reno..... (Block 66, Lot 53) | Contract Negotiations..... | “ “ “ |
| Absolute Fire Protection Co. Inc..... | Contract Negotiations..... | “ “ “ |
| Lorenzen (Block 44, Lot 4.02)..... | Contract Negotiations..... | “ “ “ |
| Executive Session Minutes..... • November 3, 2014 | Attorney-Client Privilege..... | “ “ “ |
| Ryland Developers, LLC..... | Litigation..... | “ “ “ |
| Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; Block 56, Lots 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 39, Lot 24 & Block 67, Lot 2 (Solberg Aviation)..... | Litigation..... | “ “ “ |

It is anticipated at this time that the stated subject matter will be made public on or about the time set forth in Exhibit “A.”

2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

The meeting reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Allen led those present in the *Salute to the Flag*.

Executive Session:

Contract Negotiations / PBA Local 317

Mayor Allen stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

Contract Negotiations / Professional Services / Animal Control

Mayor Allen stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

Contract Negotiations / ECHO Unit (Block 42, Lot 1)

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to authorize Attorney Dragan to draft a contract allowing the ECHO unit to remain on the property for *family members use only*, in addition to removing the stove so it would not be an official apartment and at the time the property is sold, the approval for the cottage would expire and be removed unless the new property owners wish to appear before the Zoning Board for a variance, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Vote the following was recorded:

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|-------------|-------|
| Mrs. Fort | - Aye |
| Mr. Gatti | - Aye |
| Mrs. Muir | - Aye |
| Mayor Allen | - Aye |

Contract Negotiations / Peter & Grace Reno (Block 66, Lot 53)

Mrs. Allen recused herself from this matter.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Gatti to authorize Attorney Dragan to draft a contract to purchase this property in the amount of \$38,000, to be executed upon the receipt of the funds from Transco as part of the diversion process, seconded by Mrs. Fort and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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|-------------------|-------|
| Mrs. Fort | - Aye |
| Mr. Gatti | - Aye |
| Deputy Mayor Muir | - Aye |

Contract Negotiations / Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc.

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to approve the contract with Absolute Fire Protection Co. through the H-GAC Buy Cooperative Purchasing Program in the amount of \$517,237.00 to replace the totaled Readington fire truck, with 100% of the cost to be funded through the insurance carrier, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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|-------------|-------|
| Mrs. Fort | - Aye |
| Mr. Gatti | - Aye |
| Mrs. Muir | - Aye |
| Mayor Allen | - Aye |

Contract Negotiations / Lorenzen (Block 44, Lot 4.02)

A MOTION was made to authorize Attorney Dragan to draft a contract for the purchase of 19 +/- acres, as per state approved appraisal in the amount of \$14,000 per acre, for a total of \$266,000 as part of the Transco diversion process, seconded by Mrs. Muir and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mrs. Fort - Aye
Mr. Gatti - Aye
Mrs. Muir - Aye
Mayor Allen - Aye

Attorney-Client Privilege / Executive Session Minutes / November 3, 2014

This matter was deferred to the next meeting due to a lack of quorum.

Litigation / Ryland Developers, LLC

Mayor Allen stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

Litigation / Solberg Aviation / Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; Block 56, Lot 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 39, Lot 24 and Block 67, Lot 2

Mayor Allen stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Allen read the following statement:

All items listed with an asterisk "*" are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member or citizen requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

Administrator Mekovetz requested that the *Approval of Minutes of the November 3, 2014 meeting* be removed due to a lack of quorum and also *Item #6 under New Business* be removed from the Consent Agenda.

- * 1. ***Resolution Authorizing Awarding the Contract for a Kenworth T37 Fire Truck***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2014-104

***TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
RESOLUTION***

WHEREAS, the Township of Readington wishes to purchase a fire truck for the Readington Volunteer Fire Company to replace a 2003 Kenworth Fire Truck that was involved in an accident on March 1, 2014 and determined to be beyond repair by the Township's insurance carrier, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (b) P.L. 2011, c. 139 was enacted into law permitting agencies to use national purchasing cooperatives; and

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2014, the Township Committee approved Resolution #R-2014-89 to join the National Cooperative established by Houston Galveston Area Council "H-GAC," and

WHEREAS, Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc. South Plainfield, NJ has been awarded H-GAC'S Contract #FS12-13 JE03 for the period between December 1, 2013 through November 18, 2015; and

Resolution #R-2014-104 cont'd:

WHEREAS, the Fire Department was not able to find a suitable or similar replacement for this truck under a NJ State Contract; and

WHEREAS, if this truck was purchased directly from a vendor the cost would be approximately \$20,000 higher; and

WHEREAS, purchasing through H-GAC will save substantial time that would be needed to research, develop and review technical specifications on the part of the Fire Company, Purchasing Agent and Township Attorney; and

WHEREAS, purchasing through H-GAC substantially expedites the procurement process, offers volume purchasing discounts and will provide assistance in the administration of the contract for this purchase; and

WHEREAS, as required the Notice of Intent to Award Contract under a National Cooperative Purchasing Agreement was published on September 26, 2014 and no objections have been received to date; and

WHEREAS, H-GAC has reviewed the quote provided by Absolute Fire Protection through H-GAC's Contract FS12-13 and finds the pricing to be in compliance with the terms of the contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Readington does hereby award the contract for a Kenworth T370, 2-door Commercial Cab rear 3000 Gallon Tanker, Wet Side Body, Tandem Axle, 500 GPM Pump, plus options, to Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc. South Plainfield, NJ in the amount of \$519,237.00 pursuant to their proposal submitted in response to the H-GAC "Request For Bids" dated August 13, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cost of this purchase will be 100% funded through the Township's insurance carrier.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution along with the purchase order for this award shall be forwarded to H-GAC so the necessary order confirmation can be prepared by them and sent to the contractor as authorization to proceed.

- * 2. **Release of Board of Health Escrow Fees** (Shepherd / Block 38, Lot 84)
- * 3. **Release of Board of Health Escrow Fees** (Wilkinson / Block 97, Lot 2.17)
- * 4. **Tax Lien Redemption (Block 39, Lot 21.19)**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

READINGTON TOWNSHIP

HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 39, Lot 21.19 and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lienholder the redemption amount.

Tax Lien Redemption Resolution cont'd:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$61,083.14, plus a premium paid in the amount of \$22,500.00, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2012-009, to the lienholder, Ridgeback Ventures, LLC.

* 5. ***Tax Lien Redemption (Block 86, Lot 4)***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

***READINGTON TOWNSHIP
HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY***

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 86, Lot 4 and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lienholder the redemption amount.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$36,299.65, plus a premium paid in the amount of \$4,000.00, known as Tax Sale Certificate #11-12, to the lienholder, FWDSL & Associates, LP.

* 6. ***Tax Lien Redemption (Block 21.04, Lot 507.02)***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

***READINGTON TOWNSHIP
HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY***

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 21.04, Lot 507.02 and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lienholder the redemption amount.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$5,327.35, plus a premium paid in the amount of \$9,000.00, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2014-002, to the lienholder, BV001 Trust.

* 7. ***Tax Lien Redemption (Block 87, Lot 14)***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

READINGTON TOWNSHIP

HUNTERDON COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an interested party has paid to the Tax Collector the amount necessary to redeem the lien on Block 87, Lot 14 and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Tax Collector to refund to the lienholder the redemption amount.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee that the Treasurer be authorized to refund the redemption amount of \$10,179.28, plus a premium paid in the amount of \$24,100.00, known as Tax Sale Certificate #2014-019, to the lienholder, BV001 Trust.

- * 8. **Payment of Bills** – (Complete bill list is on file in Clerk’s Office)

| <u>Fund Description</u> | <u>Fund No.</u> | <u>Received Total</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| CURRENT FUND | 4-01 | \$ 627,015.88 |
| TRUST FUNDS | X-03 | \$ 17,743.92 |
| MISC REFUND, COUNTY TAX, LIENS | X-05 | \$ 194,514.16 |
| PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS | X-06 | <u>\$ 141,259.72</u> |
| TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS | | \$ 980,533.38 |

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Fort to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

- Mrs. Fort - Aye
- Mr. Gatti - Aye
- Mrs. Muir - Aye
- Mayor Allen - Aye

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC for items listed on the agenda only

Donald Baldwin, Morning Star Road, commented that the Reno property is completely landlocked therefore making it virtually inaccessible to any development and opined that perhaps there would be more attractive properties to purchase.

Paula Baldwin, Morning Star Road, questioned that since Reno property is only five (5) acres in an eight (8) acre minimum AR zone, why is the Township spending money on this property and not looking elsewhere to preserve land.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

As it was after 7:45 p.m., **A MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to adjourn the regular meeting to hold a Public Hearing, seconded by Mr. Gatti with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

A Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Property (Block 32, Lot 12 & Block 34, Lots 10/11, Owner: Fallone at Readington LLC) in and by the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, Appropriating \$430,000 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$408,500 Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance Part of the Cost thereof

◆ **Ordinance #21-2014**

Mayor Allen stated that the purpose of this acquisition is to satisfy the Township obligation for Council on Affordable Housing Third Round Certification requirement. Mayor Allen continued that with an already owned Township property abutting these three parcels this would make an approximate ten (10) acre area in the VR zone, available for a possible future senior development in a walkable area and also fulfill the low and moderate income housing. Mayor Allen explained that Readington Township collects a state mandated 1.5% of the assessed valuation from developers at the time of the Certificate of Occupancy for the Housing Trust Fund which funds the Township's efforts to comply with COAH.

Mayor Allen asked if there were any comments from the governing body.

Mrs. Fort opined that this purchase makes good sense for the future COAH obligations.

Mayor Allen asked if there were any comments from the public.

John Broten, Dogwood Drive, questioned what the plan was to utilize these parcels and within what timeframe. Mr. Broten further questioned if the Township had looked at any existing vacant or foreclosed properties which would satisfy this same requirement.

Paula Baldwin, Morning Star Road, asked what the COAH requirement is based on and if it was necessary to obtain two (2) appraisals on the property.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Fort to close the Public Hearing and open the regular meeting, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

A Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Property (Block 32, Lot 12 & Block 34, Lots 10/11, Owner: Fallone at Readington LLC) in and by the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, Appropriating \$430,000 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$408,500 Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance Part of the Cost thereof

◆ **Ordinance #21-2014**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Fort to adopt this ordinance, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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| Mrs. Fort | - Aye |
| Mr. Gatti | - Aye |
| Mrs. Muir | - Aye |
| Mayor Allen | - Aye |

CORRESPONDENCE / OTHER INFORMATION

1. Notice of Public Hearing dated November 4, 2014 from Podvey, Meanor, Catenacci, Hildner, Coccoziello & Chattman, P.C. for Ryland Developers regarding **An application made to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Readington with respect to premises known as Block 14, Lots 29.02 and 29.03 on the current tax map which premises are commonly known as 111 and 115 Old Highway 28, Readington, NJ.** No action taken.

OLD BUSINESS

1. ***Proposed Amendment to the Hunterdon County Water Quality Management Plan***

Attorney Dragan stated the County is looking for the consent from the surrounding municipalities who are part of the wastewater management plan to incorporate the municipal chapters of Frenchtown, Lambertville and Stockton into the plan.

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2014-105

***A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE
PROPOSED WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT
(WQM) PLAN AMENDMENT***

"Amendment to the Upper Delaware and Upper Raritan Water Quality Management Plans (WQMP)"

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Hunterdon County desires to provide for the orderly development of wastewater facilities within **Hunterdon County**; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) requires that proposed wastewater treatment and conveyance facilities and wastewater treatment service areas, as well as related subjects, be in conformance with an approved WQM plan; and

WHEREAS, the NJDEP has established the WQM plan amendment procedure as the method of incorporating unplanned facilities into a WQM plan; and

WHEREAS, a proposed WQM plan amendment noticed in the New Jersey Register on October 20, 2014 for the above Amendment has been prepared by the Hunterdon County Planning Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 3rd day of November, 2014 by the governing body of the Township of Readington that:

1. The hereby consents to the amendment entitled "Amendment to the Upper Delaware and Upper Raritan Water Quality Management Plans (WQMP)", and publicly noticed on October 20 2014, prepared by the Hunterdon County Planning Department, for the purpose of its incorporation into the applicable WQM plan(s).
2. This consent shall be submitted to the NJDEP in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Fort to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mrs. Muir and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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| Mrs. Fort | - Aye |
| Mr. Gatti | - Aye |
| Mrs. Muir | - Aye |
| Mayor Allen | - Aye |

2. ***Sidewalk on Main Street***

Mrs. Fort reported on the status of the sidewalk in front of Dr. Suchow's office on Main Street.

NEW BUSINESS

1. ***Annual Resolution to Bank & Reserve the 2014 Municipal Allocation of Hunterdon County Open Space Trust Funds***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2014-106

TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON

Annual Resolution to Bank & Reserve the 2014 Municipal Allocation of Hunterdon County Open Space Trust Funds

WHEREAS:

The Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders has approved an Open Space Trust Fund and established a Municipal Grants Program to provide Program Funds in connection with municipal acquisition of lands for recreation, conservation and general open space purposes; farmland preservation; preparation of plan elements of a municipal Master Plan, and restoration of county owned or municipal owned historic properties, buildings, structures or facilities, etc.

The Governing Body of Readington Township desires to obtain Open Space Trust Funds in the amount of \$95,328 for a future preservation project.

NOW THEREFORE the Governing Body resolves:

1. Vita Mekovetz is authorized to: (a) make an application to the County of Hunterdon for Open Space Trust Funds, (b) provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required for the Municipal Grants Program and (c) act as the principal contact person and liaison of the above named municipality.
2. If the County of Hunterdon determines that the application is complete and in conformance with the Hunterdon County Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Plan and the Policies and Procedures Manual for the Municipal Grants Program adopted thereto, the municipality is willing to use the approved Open Space Trust Funds in accordance with such adopted policies and procedures, and applicable state and local government rules, regulations and statutes thereto. And;
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign and execute any required documents and agreements with the County of Hunterdon for the approved Open Space Trust Funds.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Fort to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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|-------------|-------|
| Mrs. Fort | - Aye |
| Mr. Gatti | - Aye |
| Mrs. Muir | - Aye |
| Mayor Allen | - Aye |

2. ***An Ordinance to Provide for the Acceptance of Certain Easements Dedicated on a Portion of Block 36, Lot 49 in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey from Toll NJ I, L.L.C.***

Mayor Allen stated that there are certain parts of Block 36, Lot 49 that are set aside for conservation and this ordinance will accept those easements to protect them.

The following ordinance was offered for introduction:

***AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN EASEMENTS
DEDICATED ON A PORTION OF BLOCK 36, LOT 49 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON,
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FROM TOLL NJ I, L.L.C.***

ORDINANCE #22-2014

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Readington does hereby accept a “Grant of Easements” document intended to include certain easements on a portion of Block 36, Lot 49 and other properties, granted to the Township by the property owner Toll, NJ I LLC, as shown on a plan entitled “Major Subdivision Plat, Renaissance at Readington, Lot 49, Block 36, Township of Readington, Hunterdon County, New Jersey”, prepared by Control Point Associates, Inc., and filed with the Hunterdon County Clerk on January 12, 2007 with a document reference of 20070112000011920. The easements to be dedicated consist of the following:

- 1) Sewer Easements over portions of Block 36, Lot 49;
- 2) Access Easements over portions of Block 36, Lot 49;
- 3) Storm Sewer Easements over portions of the following blocks and lots: Block 36, Lot 150; Block 36, Lots 155,156, 157 and 158; Block 36, Lot 159; Block 36.01, Lot 1; Block 36.01, Lot 32; and Lots 9, 10, 16,17, 18, 19, 20 and 25; Block 36, Lot 49; Block 36.01, Lots 1-9 and 25-31;
- 4) Sight Triangle Easements over portions of the following: Block 36.01, Lot 1; Block 36, Lots 49 and 150;
- 5) Conservation Easement over portions of Block 36, Lot 49; and
- 6) Detention Basin Easements over portions of Block 36, Lot 49

The legal metes and bounds descriptions of the various aforementioned easements to be accepted are more particularly described in Exhibits A-1 through A-4; Exhibit B, Exhibits C-1 through C-8, Exhibits D-1 through D-6; Exhibit E and Exhibits F-1 and F-2 respectively, of the Grant of Easements document which is on file in the office of the Readington Township Clerk at the municipal building, 509 Route 523, Whitehouse Station, NJ and may be inspected during regular business hours.

The Grant of Easement document provides that the above easements are non-public and that they grant the Township the right but not the obligation to access, maintain, inspect or otherwise exercise enforcement and other rights over the easement areas and the Township accepts these grants under those circumstances.

Section 2. This easement is being acquired pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-3, 4 and 5, et. seq. If the provision of any article, section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such Order or Judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any such article, section, subsection, paragraph or clause and, to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 3. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication according to law and upon recording the Easement and this Ordinance in the Hunterdon County Clerk’s Office.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Fort to introduce this ordinance, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

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| Mrs. Fort | - Aye |
| Mr. Gatti | - Aye |
| Mrs. Muir | - Aye |
| Mayor Allen | - Aye |

The Public Hearing was scheduled for December 1, 2014 at 7:45 p.m.

- * 3. ***Resolution Authorizing Awarding the Contract for a Kenworth T37 Fire Truck***

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

- * 4. ***Release of Board of Health Escrow Fees*** (Shepherd / Block 38, Lot 84)

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

- * 5. ***Release of Board of Health Escrow Fees*** (Wilkinson / Block 97, Lot 2.17)

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

- 6. ***2014 Budget Appropriation Transfers***

Administrator Mekovetz stated that at this time of year funds are transferred to offset a shortage in another line item.

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2014-106

***TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
2014 BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS***

PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:4-58, a municipality may make budget appropriation transfers during the last two months of the fiscal year,

WHEREAS, there appears to be insufficient funds in the following 2014 appropriation account to meet the demands thereon for the balance of the year, viz:

Current Fund:

Other Expenses:

Planning Board
Municipal Court

WHEREAS, there appears to be a surplus in the following accounts, over and above the demand deemed to be necessary for the balance of the current year, viz:

Current Fund:

Salaries and Wages:

Municipal Court
Planning Board
Board of Adjustment

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provision of the NJS 40A:4-58 part of the surplus in the accounts heretofore mentioned be and same hereby transferred to the accounts mentioned as being insufficient, to meet the current demands; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to make the following 2014 appropriation transfers:

Resolution #R-2014-106 cont'd:

| | | <u>FROM</u> | <u>TO</u> |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Salaries and Wages: | | |
| 4-01-107 | Municipal Court | \$ 10,000.00 | |
| 4-01-111 | Planning Board | 2,000.00 | |
| 4-01-112 | Board of Adjustment | 10,000.00 | |
| | Other Expenses: | | |
| 4-01-115-700 | General Liability Insurance | 14,050.00 | |
| 4-01-111 | Planning Board | | \$ 12,000.00 |
| 4-01-107 | Municipal Court | | 10,000.00 |
| | <i>Equipment Purchase – Fire Co's</i> | | |
| 4-01-212-002 | East Whitehouse | | 2,810.00 |
| 4-01-212-003 | Readington | | 2,810.00 |
| 4-01-212-004 | Whitehouse | | 2,810.00 |
| 4-01-212-005 | Three Bridges | | 2,810.00 |
| 4-01-205-001 | Rescue Squad | | <u>2,810.00</u> |
| | TOTALS | <u>\$ 36,050.00</u> | <u>\$ 36,050.00</u> |

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Fort to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mr. Gatti and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

- Mrs. Fort - Aye
- Mr. Gatti - Aye
- Mrs. Muir - Aye
- Mayor Allen - Aye

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Mekovetz stated that she had nothing further to report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Dragan reported that she received the signed deed for Bertrand property today.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Julia Allen

Mayor Allen reported that the Planning Board has the Public Hearing on the Ryland Inn, to incorporate a second banquet hall.

Betty Ann Fort

Mrs. Fort stated that she had nothing further to report.

Frank Gatti

Mr. Gatti stated that he had nothing further to report.

Beatrice Muir

Mrs. Muir updated the Committee of the status of construction code.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Kevin Devine, commented on the demolition of the building located on the Lake Cushetunk walkway to Main Street.

John Rathborne, Chief of Readington Fire, thanked Vita and the Committee for their assistance in the procurement of the new tanker truck.

COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

As there was no further business, ***A MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Fort at 8:47 p.m. to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Muir with vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vita Mekovetz, RMC/MMC/QPA
Municipal Clerk