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**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM
FEBRUARY 13, 2017
Executive Session 7:00 PM
Regular Session 7:30 p.m.**

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baumann Present
Mr. Cioppettini Present
Mr. Diegnan Present
Mr. Gisser Present
Mayor Orban Brown Present

Also Present: John M. Mills, III, Esq., Township Attorney
Debbie Bonanno, Administrator
Mary Beth Zichelli, Township Clerk

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Mendham was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to the Daily Record, Observer Tribune and the Star Ledger on January 7, 2017. Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board in the Township Offices and Notice was filed with the Township Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor presented a plaque honoring Sarah Dean Link for her twenty-six years of service on the Environmental commission. Ralph Rhodes was present to accept her award.

The Mayor announced the following:

A Recreation Resources Town Hall Meeting will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Friday, February 24, 2017.

Volunteer Appreciation Night was a success and the Township appreciates all the volunteers. On a sad note, the Mayor announced the passing of John McDonough III, former Chief of Raiston Firehouse.

Mr. Cioppettini announced the Mendies event will take place on April 7th at the Brookside Community Club. Tickets are \$50 and \$60 at the door.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 24, 2017, regular session

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Gisser seconded. Mr. Baumann abstained. All other members present voted to approve.

January 24, 2017, executive session

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Diegnan seconded. Mr. Baumann abstained. All other members present voted to approve.

HEARING PERSONS PRESENT

Mayor Orban Brown announced that they will have two hearing person present portions of the meeting, but asked that people choose one or the other to speak at and keep it concise.

Bob Wolk, 12 Cooper Road, stated the budget presentation was nicely done and also said it would be helpful to know the carrying cost of Pitney and asked for an update to Pitney. The update will be given at the February 28th meeting.

Peter Dumovic, 3 Shelton Road, praised our CFO for a good budget presentation and also expressed his concern for the high raise in taxes. He praised the transparency and he wanted to know when the real number would be available. Mr. Cioppettini said he hoped to have the budget introduced by March.

Patricia Zimmerman, 3 West Main Street, stated she thought the Committee has done a wonderful job in hiring Karen, Debbie and Mary Beth.

Michael Merritt, 73 Mountainside Road, thanked the Committee for their transparency and glad for two hearing persons present.

Chris Baumann, Committee member, expressed his thoughts regarding debt and the desire to talk about it more in public.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 2017-1 ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING REGULATIONS

Mayor Orban Brown read the ordinance by title and called for a motion. Mr. Gisser moved. Mr. Diegnan seconded. This ordinance will be on for second reading and public hearing at the February 28, 2017 Township Committee meeting. This ordinance defines the penalties if an owner of COAH property does not comply with the regulations. Mr. Mills stated the original ordinance will have to be amended at a later date once the State passes the new COAH laws. All members voted to approve.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2017-26

AUTHORIZING ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE NJPDES/TWA APPLICATION FOR HILLANDALE BLOCK 100 LOT 17.03

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Diegnan seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-27

INTENT TO AWARD A CONTRACT SUBJECT TO NJDEP APPROVAL

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Gisser seconded. Mr. Diegnan recused himself. All other members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-28

AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Diegnan seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-29

AWARDING CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES RE; MENDHAM SEWER EAST FACILITY UPGRADE

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Diegnan seconded. Mr. Diegnan abstained. All other members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-30

APPROVING RAFFLE LICENSE

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Diegnan seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-31

APPOINTING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Diegnan seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-32

APPOINTING FRANK V. CIOPPETTINI JR., DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 13 THROUGH 18, 2017

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Gisser moved. Mr. Diegnan seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-33

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Gisser moved. Mr. Cioppettini seconded. All members present voted to approve.

DISCUSSION

The Administrator gave the following updates: interviews are being conducted for the DPW opening, the promotional process for the Chief of Police is going on, great progress has been made for Mendham Sewer East and the new phone system should be installed by the end of the month.

The Mayor asked Mrs. Zichelli to send a letter to all residents within 200' of the fields and parks to invite them to the Recreation town hall style meeting.

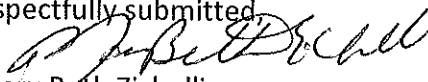
HEARING PERSONS PRESENT

Seeing no one wished to speak, the Mayor announced the Committee would go into executive session and reconvene after that. The time was 8:28.

ADJOURNMENT

The Township Committee reconvened in regular session and motioned to adjourn at 9:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Beth Zichelli
Township Clerk