

PRINCETON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
June 14, 2010

A meeting of Township Committee was held on this date at 7:00 p.m. in the main meeting room of the Princeton Township Municipal Complex, 400 Witherspoon Street.

**NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Clerk read the following statement.

The following is an accurate statement concerning the providing of notice of this meeting and said statement shall be entered in the minutes of this meeting. Notice of this meeting as required by Sections 4a, 3d, 13 and 14 of the Open Public Meetings Act has been provided to the public in the form of the 2010 Schedule of Regular Meetings. On January 3, 2010 at 1:25 p.m., said schedule was posted on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, transmitted to the Princeton Packet, the Trenton Times, the Trentonian, the Town Topics, and filed with the Township Clerk.

**ROLL CALL**

The Township Clerk then called the roll.

Present: Mayor Miller and Mesdames Lempert and Nemeth (8:00 p.m.) and Messrs. Goerner, and Liverman.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mrs. Monzo, and Messrs Kiser, Pascale, Schmierer and Lt. Henderson

**MINUTES**

The minutes of March 31, 2010 were tabled.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Contains items of a routine nature, which are approved by a single vote.

- a. Bills & Claims
- b. Maintenance/Performance Guarantee:
  - Princeton Historical Society, Updike Farm, Reduction of the performance guaranty contingent upon receipt of a new Letter of Credit in the amount of \$229,485.64.
- c. Music Amplification Requests:
  - Susanne Ams, party at 766 Princeton Kingston Road, June 16, 2010, 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
  - Joanne Parker, party at Grover Park, June 19, 2010, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
  - Jeremy Winter, Wedding at Mountain Lakes, June 25, 2010, 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
  - Kim Schafer, Wedding at Mountain Lakes, June 26, 2010, 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- d. Street Closing Requests:
  - Fire Inspection Parade, Witherspoon Street to Township Hall, June 25, 2010, 7:00 p.m. Ceremony at Township Hall directly following parade. Request for waiver of fees.
  
  - Darius Young, Race Street from Birch Avenue to Community Park South parking lot, July 4, 2010, 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

- e. Resolution: Renewal 2010-2011 Liquor Licenses
- f. Resolution: Authorizing the execution of a Municipal Services Agreement with the Washington Oaks Homeowners Association providing for snow removal reimbursement for 2008 and 2009.
- g. Appointments:
  - Consolidation Study Commission, Carol Golden, Valerie Hayes and William Metro
  - Human Services Commission, Afsheen Shamsi
- h. Bid Award: Compass Construction, Inc., New Egypt, NJ for the Rehabilitation of Mountain Lakes Dams and Dredging of Upper and Lower Mountain Lakes based on their low bid amount of \$2,633,138.00.
- i. Professional Services Agreement: Cambridge Construction Management, Somerville, NJ to provide engineering services during the preconstruction of the Princeton Community Pool Capital Project for a sum not to exceed \$21,279.00.
- j. Resolution: Affordable Housing, Authorizing purchase of affordable unit at Griggs Farm, \$110,639.

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Liverman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously by those present.

(Bills & Claims and Resolutions appended to this set of minutes.)

## **ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **Bond Ordinance, Ober Road Curbing**

Mayor Miller read by title an ordinance entitled BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AS A LOCAL IMPROVEMENT THE INSTALLATION OF BELGIUM BLOCK CURBING ON BOTH SIDES OF OBER ROAD BETWEEN OLDEN LANE AND SPRINGDALE ROAD, APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$36,000.00 THEREFOR, PROVIDING FOR THE FINANCING OF SAID APPROPRIATION BY THE MAKING OF A DOWN PAYMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES OF SAID TOWNSHIP, AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT OF 100% OF THE COST THEREOF.

Mr. Kiser said that the residents along Ober Road between Olden Lane and Springdale Road would like to have Belgium Block curbing installed on both sides of the road when the road is redone. All of the residents, except one, have agreed to pay for the cost of the curbing. The one resident who declined will have the other residents cover his share.

Mayor Miller opened the public hearing

There being no public comment, the public hearing was closed.

Ms. Lempert offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance as amended on second reading.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Liverman and carried unanimously by those present.

### **Photocopy Fees**

Mayor Miller read by title an ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING PHOTOCOPY FEES FOR PUBLIC RECORDS AND AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, 1968"

Mr. Schmierer said that the Open Public Records Act dictates the manner in which municipalities may determine fees to be charged to the members of the public for providing access to and copies of government records. The proposed ordinance specifies that the fees to be charged for providing copies are set at fifteen cents per page for a photocopy.

Mayor Miller opened the public hearing

There being no public comment, the public hearing was closed.

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance as amended on second reading.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Lempert and carried unanimously by those present.

### **ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **Bond Ordinance, Various Capital**

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$1,265,400 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,202,130 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Ms. Lempert seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously by those present. The public hearing was set for June 28, 2010.

**Dedication of Streets, Washington Road**

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF STREETS WITHIN THE WASHINGTON OAKS DEVELOPMENT AS A PART OF THE MUNICIPAL ROAD SYSTEM OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON.

Mr. Schmierer said that when the Washington Oaks at Princeton subdivision was approved in the early 1990's, the Planning Board envisioned that various streets within the subdivision would be accepted as dedicated Township streets. Mr. Kiser said that the streets within the proposed ordinance have been constructed to Township standards.

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Ms. Lempert seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously by those present. The public hearing was set for June 28, 2010.

**Conveyance of Easement, Washington Oaks**

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON ACCEPTING THE CONVEYANCE OF AN EASEMENT BY THE WASHINGTON OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION.

Mr. Schmierer said that adjacent to Hutchinson Drive near the intersection with State Highway Route 206 is a bike path and parking easement area providing access to Bruer's Hill. When the Washington Oaks at Princeton subdivision was approved, a condition of said approval involved having the permanent easement to the Township for this location.

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Mr. Liverman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously by those present. The public hearing was set for June 28, 2010.

**Washington Oaks, Parking**

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE IX OF THE "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY,

1968," ENTITLED "WASHINGTON OAKS AT PRINCETON DEVELOPMENT," CONCERNING PARKING IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND TITLE 39 JURISDICTION.

Mr. Schmierer said that as the Township prepares to accept streets within the Washington Oaks at Princeton community as Township streets, the Township Engineering Department and Traffic Safety Committee have inspected the streets and have recommended that parking within the community take place within designated parking spots along Wilkinson Way, Neil Court, Benjamin Rush Lane, Bullock Drive, St. Clair Court and Rodney Court. It was also recommended that Title 39 for vehicle enforcement jurisdiction be extended to all of the streets within the community including the "eyebrow roads" off of Benjamin Rush Lane.

Mr. Liverman offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Mr. Goerner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously by those present. The public hearing was set for June 28, 2010.

### **Land Use, Application Fees**

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND USE SECTION OF THE "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, 1968", REGARDING APPLICATION FEES.

Mr. Schmierer said that after a review of the Land Use Code, it has been recommended that several of the application fees and escrow deposits be adjusted to more appropriately reflect the cost of handling these applications. Staff has also recommended adding a new fee whenever a Master Plan amendment is requested together with an escrow deposit of \$2500., and also the introduction of an administrative concept fee.

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Ms. Lempert seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously by those present. The public hearing was set for July 19, 2010.

### **REPORTS**

Mr. Liverman commented on Flag Day ceremonies that were sponsored by The Spirit of Princeton.

Ms. Lempert commented on the Green Home and Garden Tour that is sponsored by the Environmental Commission.

Mayor Miller announced that the Township had once again been named "Tree City USA".

**CLOSED SESSION**

**RESOLUTION**

**TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION  
(Open Public Meetings Act Sec.3)**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Princeton:

1. This body will now convene into a closed session that will be limited only to consideration of an item or items with respect to which the public may be excluded pursuant to section 7B of the Open Public Meetings Act.
2. The general nature of the subject or subjects to be discussed in said session is as follows:

**Negotiations**

3. Stated as precisely as presently possible, the following are the time when and the circumstances under which the discussion conducted at said session can be disclosed to the public:

Within 90 days or upon settlement of litigation, if applicable

- **North Ridge Non Binding Arbitration, Status Report**
- **Princeton University PILOT, Status Report**
- **Revaluation**

The above referenced issues were discussed by Township Committee.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Linda S. McDermott  
Township Clerk