

PRINCETON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
November 8, 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 and Messrs. Goerner, and Liverman.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mesdames Monzo and Waterbury, and Messrs Kiser and Pascale.

MINUTES

Mr. Liverman offered a motion to approve the minutes of August 16, 2010. The motion was seconded by Mr. Goerner and carried by unanimously.

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the minutes of September 20, 2010. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lempert and carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Bills & Claims
- b. Maintenance/Performance Guarantees
 - Manuel Cardoso, Nova Crete Inc., Hilltop Park Skate Park
Release of the Performance Guarantee. No maintenance guarantee required.
 - Mr. Hal Hoeland – Princeton Development Group, PDS – Building Reconstruction and Expansion, Extension of time to February 28, 2011.
 - Mr. William Bell, Tenacre Foundation – Service Yard (Adm. Waiver)
Extension of Time to May 31, 2011.
 - Mr. William Bell, Tenacre Foundation – Emergency Generator & Transformer
Release of the Maintenance Guarantee.

- John Masten, Director for Finance & Administration, Institute for Advance Study – Systems Biology Addition, Release of Maintenance Guarantee contingent upon completion of punchlist items.
 - Mr. David Cohen, Sieja Subdivision – 135 & 149 Terhune Road
Release of Maintenance Guarantee.
- c. Resolution to locate a Bus Stop on Billie Ellis Lane in Griggs Farm
 - d. Resolution authorizing White Buffalo, Inc. to perform a distance sampling population estimate for a sum not to exceed \$8,580.
 - e. Resolution authorizing a contract with Viridian Energy PA, LLC for the purchase of electric service at a reduced rate.
 - f. Bid Award - Bucks County International, Inc., for two 2011 or newer International Model #7500 Rear Loading Heavy Duty High Compression Refuse Vehicles, not to exceed \$311,342.00
 - g. Resolution - Transfer of Funds
 - h. Resolution – Permanent Appointments:
Sergeant Kim Hodges
Sergeant Geoffrey Maurer

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ms. Nemeth seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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

ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARINGS

Bond Ordinance, New Pool

Mayor Miller read by title an ordinance entitled BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW POOL IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$4,087,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,882,650 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

Mayor Miller opened the public hearing.

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

Mr. Liverman said that he thought that Township Committee should move ahead with the bond ordinance.

Mr. Goerner said that he thought that the goal was to force groups to meet and work out issues. He said that he thought that there were still lingering questions and not seeing any real compromise.

Jack Roberts, Recreation Director said that they have met with the ad hoc group but have not seen a proposal from them.

Ms. Lempert said that she knew that the pool was a great civic institution and initially had reservations about a stainless steel pool, but decided to keep an open mind.

Ms. Nemeth said that the design should be refined as we go and that she urged support of the bond ordinance.

Crystal Schival, Monroe Lane said that she supported the bond ordinance and said that she did not want to lose a season at the pool.

Alan Goodheart noted that approval of the bond ordinance did not mean approval of a pool design.

Henry Singer, Laurel Lane urged Township Committee to approve the bond ordinance as outlined by the Mayor and asked that they please consider the availability of the pool.

Walter Frank and Joel Schwartz offered a series of potential options for the pool.

Yina Moore, Ron Berlin, and Ellen Randall spoke about pool options.

Joann Rogers, Tom Sikowski and Micheal Petrone from the Recreation Board all spoke in favor of the bond ordinance.

Mr. Goerner asked if there was a timeline for the pool at this point. Mr. Roberts said that they could attempt to get the specs out next spring but didn't see that as a realistic option at this point.

Mr. Liverman offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lempert and carried unanimously.

Flag Lots

Mayor Miller read by title an ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF FLAG LOTS AND AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, 1968".

Mayor Miller opened the public hearing.

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

Ms. Nemeth offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lempert and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS

Garbage, Refuse and Recyclable Materials

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE REMOVAL OF GARBAGE, REFUSE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS AND AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, 1968".

Ms. Nemeth offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Mr. Liverman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. The public hearing was set for November 22, 2010.

Posting Notice of Violation

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE POSTING OF A NOTICE OF VIOLATION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH OR EMERGENCY CONDITION OR A RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY AND AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, 1968".

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Ms. Nemeth seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. The public hearing was set for November 22, 2010.

Bond Ordinance, Ricciardi Tract

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF AN INTEREST IN THE RICCIARDI TRACT, DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 5601, LOT 2, PRINCETON TOWNSHIP TAX MAP, FOR A TOTAL ACQUISITION COST OF \$3,605,000.00; PROVIDING FOR THE FINANCING OF A PORTION OF THE ACQUISITION COST BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON BY THE MAKING OF A DOWN PAYMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,480,000.00.

Ms. Lempert offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Mr. Goerner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. The public hearing was set for November 22, 2010.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Michelle Daichman, American Cancer Society, spoke to Township Committee regarding “Relay for Life” which will be taking place in June, 2011.

Henry Frank, 126 Valley Road, discussed an Open Space Tax reduction with Township Committee.

**WORK SESSION
Woodfield Reservation**

Mr. Kiser explained that the D & R Greenway Land Trust proposes acquiring 6.2 acres of vacant land adjacent to Woodfield Reservation at no cost to the Township. Acquisition of the land would permit expansion of Woodfield Reservation and the existing trail system within the Woodfield Reservation.

Mr. Kiser said that in order to acquired the 6.2 acres of land, the land must be subdivided from a larger lot.

The D & R Greenway has asked if the Township would support the minor subdivision by waiving all application and escrow fees associated with this project.

It was the consensus of Township Committee to waive all the fees noting that a resolution in support would be on the agenda for December 8, 2010.

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/Potential Litigation/Personnel

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

- **Princeton Borough, Sewer Trust Fund**
- **County Prosecutor Takeover of Police Department, Status Report**
- **Board of Health Initiatives, Status Report**
- **Princeton University PILOT negotiations**
- **Joint Princeton University Art & Transit Neighborhood**

The above referenced issues were discussed by Township Committee.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Linda S. McDermott
Township Clerk