

May 10, 2011 Galloway, NJ

The Regular Meeting of the Galloway Township Council and Utilities Division was held on the above date at 6:30 PM in Council Chambers, 300 E. Jimmie Leeds Road, Galloway, NJ with Mayor Keith Hartman presiding. Council Members present were:

BASSFORD - Absent  
KLEINER

COPPOLA  
PURDY

GORMAN  
ULLMAN

Also present were: Acting Township Manager Stephen Bonanni, Engineer Kevin Dixon and Solicitor Michael J. Blee.

Township Clerk, Lisa A. Tilton read the following announcement: On January 5, 2011 notice of the meeting was mailed to The Mainland Journal, The Press, The Current, and duly posted in Council Chambers.

Father Michael Matveenko of Assumption Church gave the Invocation.

Councilman Gorman led the flag salute.

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Ullman and carried the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2011 was approved as received: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

PRESENTATION – GALLOWAY TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS / LADIES AUXILIARY / RON GARBUTT

Mayor Keith Hartman presented all the Chiefs and Presidents of the Ladies Auxiliary to each Fire Department a plaque of appreciation for their commitment to the community. Mayors Award went to Oceanville, Germania, Pomona, Bayview and South Egg Harbor Fire Companies.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Kleiner reported from the Infrastructure Committee different construction projects and road closures. Councilman Coppola reported from the Veteran Committee plans for the Memorial Day Ceremony and Fourth of July parade.

PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

Mayor Keith Hartman presented Acting Director of Public Works Kevin McDowell with a proclamation, proclaiming May 15<sup>th</sup> thru May 21<sup>st</sup> as National Public Works Week.

PROCLAMATION – MUNICIPAL CLERKS

Mayor Keith Hartman presented Township Clerk Lisa A. Tilton with a proclamation, proclaiming May 8<sup>th</sup> thru May 14<sup>th</sup> 2011 as Municipal Clerks Week.

DISCUSSION – GALLOWAY TOWNSHIP LOCAL SCHOOL BUDGET

Mayor Hartman – Requested any comments from Council. Options are to leave the budget as presented that was voted down or cut an amount we deem appropriate.

We meet with the Local School Board yesterday. My question was if we reduce the levy what will we see cut. Last year was the courtesy busing. They assured us this year they are addressing the courtesy busing and addressing concerns at Arthur Rann. Their intention was to add buses to Arthur Rann.

Councilman Kleiner: If we reduce the levy, we have no say on what gets cut. Arthur Rann is a dangerous area without courtesy busing.

Deputy Mayor Purdy: There are people that have the same concern over on Wrangleboro Road. It's a congested area. It's a traffic problem no matter what school you are looking at. There are some issues in the budget that could be addressed. We received paperwork today on the raises for the staff at the school. Council needs to look at it in a whole and see what the kids are losing.

Councilman Kleiner: I had the opportunity to sit down with the Mayor and Councilman Coppola in a pre-budget meeting. The way they presented the budget is fair. The only excess would be the carpet tile. I do not see a problem with the budget.

Deputy Mayor Purdy: These are hard times. The people of Galloway did vote it down. I urge everyone to look at the numbers closely.

Mayor Hartman – My question was if the kids noticed any significant reductions in services. My take on it, is they have not. If they got by with what they had last year than a flat budget or nominal increase would be acceptable. The voters have spoken two years consecutively. I do not think we should be doing a significant amount of infrastructure investment in the schools when we are struggling. We should hold the line a little bit for the taxpayers.

Councilman Coppola: I cannot remember when the school budget was defeated for two consecutive years. It sends a strong message that people want accountability. We need to do that with being as fair as possible for the children.

**Deputy Mayor Purdy:** We need to be more conscience on how we spend taxpayer money. Galloway is a great school system.

**Councilman Coppola:** I have the paper with salaries. The Boards hands are tied, this is contract.

**Councilman Kleiner:** They were conservative with this budget.

**Solicitor Ble:** Councilman Gorman will be abstaining from this discussion and vote

**President Ernest Huggard:** We spend extensive time and research on this budget. We lowered our expenses by 2 million dollars from 2 years ago. We came with a moderate tax increase to cover the things we need to get done. The tiles are old. The courtesy busing is safety busing. We want our children to be active again. I implore you to keep it as it is and keep the discussions going.

**Mayor Hartman:** The Local School Board has been extremely open with us.

**Annette Giaquinto:** There are services that have been reduced. The sports and clubs that do not exist did not allow those children to participate in them. Council was surprised to see how the free and reduced lunch has increased to 47 percent. We made significant cuts. Over sixty people lost jobs in the school district last year. We are bringing some back. This increase is considered nominal when you considered the amount for a year. Any carpet we mentioned is for class rooms. Discussed the issues on Arthur Rann busing.

**RESOLUTION # 137- ENTER SERVICE CONTRACT W/NINETEEN (19) CONDO ASSOCIATIONS**

On motion of Kleiner seconded by Purdy and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 138- RENEW CONFLICT LICENSE - SMITHVILLE HOSPITALITY**

On motion of Kleiner, seconded by Purdy and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Abstain; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 139- RENEW ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE - OYSTER CREEK FOR 2010-2011 YEAR**

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Gorman and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Abstain; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 140- EXECUTE 3YR BUSINESS CLASS SERV ORDER AGREEMENT WITH COMCAST**

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Gorman and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 141- EXECUTE AGREEMENT W/VISUAL COMPUTER SOLUTIONS FOR POLICE DEPT**

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Ullman and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 142- EXECUTE 1YR MAINT & SUPPORT AGREEMENT WMORPHOTRAK**

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Kleiner and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 143- CHARITABLE ROADWAY SOLICITATION APPROVAL / POMONA VOL FIRE CO**

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Gorman and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 144- SUPPORT ROAD CLOSURE FOR 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY PARADE IN SMITHVILLE**

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Gorman and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 145- APPOINTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL / ENERGY LEGAL COUNSEL**

On nomination and motion of Purdy, seconded by Gorman, and carried, Cooper Levenson was named as professional and the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Abstain; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 146- GRANT PERSON TO PERSON RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE TO SASI**

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Kleiner and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Abstain; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 147- DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE / 25 APACHE COURT**

On motion of Purdy, seconded by Kleiner and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

**RESOLUTION # 148- OPPOSE SENATE BILL S-1351 AMEND OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

On motion of Kleiner, seconded by Purdy and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

## RESOLUTION # 149-- EXECUTE LICENSE &amp; HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT WITH ATLANTIC COUNTY

On motion of Coppola, seconded by Purdy and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

## RESOLUTION # 150-- PAYMENT OF BILLS

No Public Comment

On motion of Purdy seconded by Kleiner and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Coppola, Aye; Gorman, Aye; Hartman, Aye; Kleiner, Aye; Purdy, Aye; Ullman, Aye)

Manager's Report began at 7:51pm

Council's Reports began at 7:54pm

Public Participation began at 8:02pm

**Jacob & Jean** - Had concerns about loud music from a local pub on the White Horse Pike.

**Anna Jezycki** - Indicated the Local School Budget was defeated by the Voters and that Council should hear the concerns of the residents to cut the budget.

**Richard Price** - Requested signs to be installed along Duerer Street in front of the GTAA Sports Complex. Also requested Council to work on other identification signs throughout Galloway.

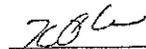
**Chief Moran** - Notified Council of the recent shootings in the area and stressed the Police Department is doing everything they can to address the issue as well as hiring additional Police Officers.

**Jim McElwee** - Asked Council if they applied for the Grant to help fund additional Police Officers.

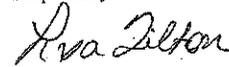
**Chief Moran** - Stated the grant was applied for and results should be known by September.

There being no further business on motion of Purdy seconded by Coppola and carried the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

  
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 Mayor Keith P. Hartman

Respectfully submitted,

  
 Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk