

February 5, 2019

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Hazlet Township Committee held at 8:17 p.m.

Salute to the flag and moment of silent prayer called by the Mayor.

Mayor’s Statement – Open Public Meetings Act & Emergency Fire Exits.

In Compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Township Committee was provided in the following manner:

- (A) On January 2, 2019, advance written notice of this meeting was posted at:
1766 Union Avenue, Hazlet, New Jersey
- (B) On January 3, 2019, advance written notice of this meeting was forwarded to the Independent and the Two River Times. On January 4, 2019 advanced written notice of this meeting was published in the Asbury Park Press.
- (C) On January 2, 2019, copies of advance written notice of this meeting were mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notices on or before January 1, 2019.

Time will be allotted for public comment at this meeting. Each speaker will be allotted a 5 minute time limit when recognized by the Mayor. Individuals wishing to address the Committee, shall give their name and address. Although the Township Committee encourages public participation, it reserves the right, through the Mayor, to terminate remarks to and/or by an individual not in keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. The Township Committee will not, during the public portion of this meeting, discuss matters involving any specific, prospective or current employee.

FIRE EXITS are located in the directions I am indicating: Farther down at the end of the room, through the doors and down the stairs, directly out the front door.

To my right is the door, make a right down the hallway which leads to the stairs and directly out the rear of the building.

If you are alerted for fire, please move in a calm and orderly manner to the nearest exit. Finally, let the record reflect that the minutes of this meeting will accurately reflect the topics addressed during this meeting but will not be a verbatim transcript of tonight’s proceedings. Thank you. I direct the Municipal Clerk to enter into the minutes of this meeting these announcements.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Committeewoman Clark	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Committeeman McKay	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Committeeman Sachs	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Deputy Mayor Glackin	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mayor Aagre	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

Ordinance Hearing:

1. AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FUNDING FOR LINE ROAD PUMP STATION IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HAZLET AND APPROPRIATING \$250,000 FOR SUCH PURPOSE

Introduced: January 15, 2019.

Published in The Asbury Park Press, issue of January 19, 2019. Proof on file.

Posted in Town Hall – January 16, 2019.

Hearing is scheduled for February 5, 2019.

Hearing:

Charlie Hoffman: Charles Hoffman. Either I am out of date or badly confused or both because I thought we had a sewer commission.

Attorney Gorman: No. The Sewer Authority was dissolved ten years ago. There is no sewer commission.

Mr. Hoffman: Who manages the money that we put into the sewer?

Administrator Pino: The Township.

Mr. Hoffman: Thank you that answered my big question as to why you guys were deciding what money will be spent instead of them...but if they don't exist then you've taken over those responsibilities that answers my questions. Thank you. I once raised a question about dual billing. For example when you send out your tax bill...

Mayor Aagre: This is only for this ordinance right now.

Mr. Hoffman: Well this is just a question that is linked to it...

Attorney Gorman: Can you ask it later?

Mr. Hoffman: Okay. Why do you mail out a sewer bill and you mail out our tax bill. Why aren't they mailed together, number one. Number two, why can't they be on the same piece of paper? Now I was told by the board at one time that you definitely cannot mix those monies. That's the state law. That's not mixing the monies. It's just putting forth what the monies are. So I never understood why you were never able to consolidate the billing process.

Mayor Aagre: We are on two different fiscal years. We are on different cycles.

Mr. Hoffman: What is the fiscal year for the sewer system?

Mayor Aagre: February 1.

Mr. Hoffman: Okay so that's why the reorganization of the BRSA.

Attorney Gorman: The sewer authority with the BRSA or even when the Township had it's own Municipal utility authority was a February 1 reorganization. So they are on a February 1 and not on a calendar year and so you have different billing cycles, different budgets. It's not as easy as putting two in the same envelope.

Mr. Hoffman: Thank you.

Motion to close hearing:

Offered Committeeman Sachs 2nd Committeeman McKay

Voice vote: Yes

Action of Committee: Adopt (X) Reject () Other ()

Offered Committeeman Sachs 2nd Committeeman McKay

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes Committeeman McKay Yes

 Committeeman Sachs Yes Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

 Mayor Aagre Yes

Reports:

CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL – December 2018 – Total fees collected - \$14,413.00.
2018 Yearly Report – Total fees collected - \$465,897.00.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – November and December 2018 – Received and read.

Correspondence:

A letter was received from Kevin Holt resigning from his position as the Assistant Chief Financial Officer effective February 14, 2019.

Offered Mayor Aagre 2nd Committeeman Sachs

Voice Vote: Yes

Resolutions, Motions and Appointments:

Resolutions #52 through #55 are by Consent Agenda. All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussions of these items. If discussion is desired by the Mayor or any member of the Township Committee, that item will be removed and will be considered

separately. Advance copies of each resolution have been given to each Committee Member. The original resolutions are with the Municipal Clerk for inspection as listed below.

- 52. Refund of Construction Permit fees for 37 Maple Drive.
- 53. Authorizing Monmouth County Mosquito Control Division to apply pesticides by aircraft for mosquito control.
- 54. Refund of the overpayment of taxes for Block 95, Lot 7 due to a 100% Disabled Veteran exemption.
- 55. Issuance of Raffle Licenses RL-4187 & RL-4188 to the PTO Middle Road School, RL-4189 to Hazlet United Soccer Association, RL-4190 to the Hazlet Youth Athletic League, RL-4191 to Schaufler Franzen VFW Post #4303, RL-4192 & RL-4193 to the River Plaza Elementary School, RL-4194 to the Vietnam Veterans of America Inc. and RL-4195 & RL-4196 to the Raritan Valley School PTO.

Offered Deputy Mayor Glackin

2nd Committeeman McKay

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

PUBLIC HEARING

Anyone who would like to address the Township Committee regarding the below listed Resolutions on the Agenda, please come up, print your name and address on the sign in sheet. There is a five (5) minute time limit. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.

NO ONE SPOKE.

Offered Mayor Aagre

2nd Deputy Mayor Glackin

Voice Vote: Yes

- 56. Authorizing the Mayor to execute Change Order #1 and Payment Certificate Numbers 2 and 3 for the Line Road Pump Station Improvements.

Offered Committeewoman Clark

2nd Committeeman McKay

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

57. Authorizing the Mayor to execute Change Order #1 and Payment Certificate #3 for the Improvements to West Susan Street, West Richard Street and Lorraine Place.

Offered Committeeman Sachs

2nd Mayor Aagre

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

58. Appointment of John Keane as a part time Fire Protection Subcode HHS in the Construction Department.

Offered Deputy Mayor Glackin

2nd Committeewoman Clark

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

59. Appointment of Anthony Gorrin as a part time Public Safety Telecommunicator Trainee.

Offered Committeeman McKay

2nd Committeewoman Clark

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

60. Authorizing the Qualified Purchasing Agent to advertise for the receipt of bids for Brush Grinding Services.

Offered Deputy Mayor Glackin

2nd Committeeman Sachs

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

61. Appropriation transfers.

Offered Committeeman Sachs

2nd Committeewoman Clark

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

62. Appointment of Taylor Zengewald as a Deputy Court Administrator in the Joint Municipal Court of Hazlet and Matawan.

Offered Committeewoman Clark

2nd Committeeman McKay

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

Payment of Bills:

Advance bill lists have been supplied to each Committee Member.

Offered Deputy Mayor Glackin

2nd Committeewoman Clark

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

Ordinance Introduction:

1. AN ORDINANCE REZONING BLOCK 68.13, LOT 26 AND BLOCK 69.01, LOT 8, PURSUANT TO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT APPROVED BY THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN HIGHVIEW HOMES, LLC V. TOWNSHIP OF HAZLET

Title read by: Mayor Aagre

Hearing Date: March 5, 2019.

Offered Mayor Aagre

2nd Committeeman Sachs

Roll Call: Committeewoman Clark Yes

Committeeman McKay Yes

Committeeman Sachs Yes

Deputy Mayor Glackin Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

Citizens Hearing:

There is a five (5) minute time limit. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.

Barbara Ronchetti: Last year I brought to the attention of the Committee the ban on plastic bags in the area. I had already spoken to our biggest supermarket in Town knowing that I was going to do this. Since then this was in the January paper on the plastic. The State will probably ban plastic bags. Lidl gives out paper bags for 7 cents which works very well because now you can't put your newspapers in plastic bags for recycling so those 7 cents bags work very well for your newspapers. I would hope that Hazlet becomes one of the forerunners of this State and save our environment by passing a resolution on these plastic bags. The other thing is in answer to Mr. Hoffman, there is no reason why the sewer bill, even if it's on a different fiscal year, cannot be included with the tax bill. It would save the Town \$2,700 a month in mailing fees or \$10,800 a year. We are doing a disservice to these people thinking that they do not know how to pay their bills on time if we stuff two in one envelope. Got to give the residents a little more credit than that. Thirdly, pretty soon we will be starting our road program. My understanding here according to the paper while I was on the Committee that one of the first of the three zones to be done is Franciscan Way because it was number one on the list. That also happens to be former Committeewoman Kiley's development. Her street which is Tall Oaks which is a major in and out for that development was on the original list here. It is not on your ordinance that we passed in December. Can you tell me why Tall Oaks was removed? Well you don't have to answer that because I will answer it for you. We are going to have a lot of extra material. We're going to do all the other streets on the list and miraculously at the end of our time for the record, we will have enough material left over to do Tall Oaks. Thanks for your time.

Bill Shewan: I have a question regarding the correspondence and I'm not getting into personnel matters, but it states that a letter was received from Kevin Holt resigning from his position as the assistant Chief Financial Officer effective February 14, 2019. My question is this, but it seems to me that we have a large turnover having to do with the financial office. I've been around here long enough to see that we don't have a continuum of the Chief Financial Officer. So is something going around here in the Town that caused us that? Was it the wage or the environment? What is it that you have to hire outside consultants and we don't even have our own financial officer.

Mayor Aagre: We've had several in the last couple of years. The last two who actually came in have gone back to where they were previously was employed. Now as to the desire of the current, he decided to go back to his previous employer.

Mr. Shewan: On another matter, could there be a day where it's open to the citizens to come in and see how the Town works. I'd like to sit in the Financial Office to see what's going on in the Town. Not to stick my nose in but ...

Administrator Pino: Are you asking for a tour or to sit with the individuals?

Mr. Shewan: I would like to sit with the individuals and see what their job is for the day.

Attorney Gorman: No.

Mr. Shewan: I'm asking the Mayor. I am not asking the attorney.

Attorney Gorman: Anything within the Town's offices are confidential. Especially with personal information and checking accounts and things like that. Those are things that people expect that we keep private.

Mr. Shewan: There has to be a way that there can be a consideration where a non-private matter with regards to the workings of the Township. I run a business as well and let me tell you we have a lot of private things but we have an open house and of course we don't want private information to be let out. I think it's something that is good for the Town.

Mayor Aagre: We may be able to work out something for the day where employees basically can like somebody said have an open house.

Administrator Pino: Stop in and we can talk.

Mr. Shewan: Thank you.

Jaime Iacouzzi: I just have two questions, one is on the ordinance introduction for Holy Family. It says that the hearing date is March 5th. Is that in lieu of the Township meeting or is it during the Township meeting?

Mayor Aagre: During the Township meeting. This is the introduction and then same thing like tonight people can come up and ask questions about it.

Ms. Iacouzzi: Do you expect the property owners to be there or not typically?

Mayor Aagre: No it's the same as you have here.

Attorney Gorman: We're going to notice them. We have to notify the property owners. We are going to notify by State law...we're going to notify people within 200 feet.

Ms. Iacouzzi: So when the ordinance is introduced, it then goes to the Land Use Board or only after the hearing?

Attorney Gorman: In between ...

Ms. Iacouzzi: Okay. So it's from now until the 5th and then it will go to the Land Use Board?

Mayor Aagre: That is correct.

Ms. Iacouzzi: So it will be on the agenda for the next Land Use Board meeting?

Attorney Gorman: Yes.

Ms. Iacouzzi: And there has to be a vote on it right? It's just not an introduction...they actually vote to ...

Deputy Mayor Glackin: Recommend that it was consistent with the Town's Master Plan.

Mayor Aagre: Consistent with the Court Order.

Attorney Gorman: I will let Mr. Vella of the Planning Board deal with that, but it gets referred to the Planning Board, the Land Use Board, for review pursuant to the Municipal Land use law. Then they will review it. It's not a public hearing. It's a determination by the Land Use Board and they know what they have to find and they have to report back to the Committee. Whenever that meeting is.

Mayor Aagre: The one this Thursday was cancelled so it's for the following meeting. That is why the ordinance hearing is not until March 5th.

Ms. Iacouzzi: There's a park on Brookside Avenue..I don't know if you guys are familiar with it. I think it's Irwin and Brookside when you turn off Middle Road.

Mayor Aagre: It's where the Sewerage Authority building used to be.

Ms. Iacouzzi: Right. So there is a park there right now and there's two like slabs of concrete that look like they were meant for benches. But the benches don't exist. They are not there. The concrete slabs were put in sometimes way after. So, I just wanted to know if that is an open space thing? Where are the benches?

Administrator Pino: I can probably tell you how it got there. We have to order a certain amount with the truck loads and the delivery, so when we were pouring bench pads, I think it was for Veteran's Park, we ordered the minimal amount of concrete and did them as well for future installation of benches. Just haven't gotten there yet.

Ms. Iacouzzi: So the benches are going in.

Administrator Pino: Eventually. That was the thought.

Ms. Iacouzzi: Do we know when?

Administrator Pino: No.

Ms. Iacouzzi: Is that out of open space funds?

Administrator Pino: There are various funds throughout the Town for capital improvements for parks. There can be an actual capital ordinance, it can come from open space, there is some Green Meadows money that is out there still. I don't know to what dollar amounts but there's different various accounts it can come from.

Committeeman Sachs: Or you can donate one and have your name put on it.

Ms. Iacouzzi: Who has to put forth that initiative.

Administrative Pino: I put it on my list.

Ms. Iacouzzi: Is there a way to get a walkway? I did speak to a few other parents and I just wanted to know if I was the only one who thought there should be something else. The park is very sparse. Benches would help but it probably need other things too.

Administrator Pino: Initially there was a little bit of resistance from the neighborhood. They were not too thrilled when that went in. So it kind of slowed things up. But we can always look at it.

Charles Hoffman: I've mentioned on numerous occasions this problem with Clark Street. I made a recommendation that maybe there should be some correspondence from this community to the community of Keyport. I was told that both parties have to decide they you're going to improve the road and possibly talk to the DEP and the County people even though that's a local road, about improving that culvert. Raising it possibly so it doesn't flood. ..because the creek needs to be cleaned up. I notice some restrictions about cleaning it out and so forth. So it may be good idea and I was wondering if anything has been done? Has there been a letter sent or anything like that?

Administrator Pino: We share the same engineering firm. I know there is a request put in. There was really no interest at that point in time. I'm believing NJ Natural Gas may be running new lines through there and they may take care of the problem for us. So I am not exactly sure if that is happening or not or on the schedule or not, but I can check for you tomorrow.

Mr. Hoffman: I would greatly appreciate that. What about this small section of Highway 36 coming down off the ramp from the Garden State Parkway? Now that is an absolute mess. It's dangerous because it's on a relatively sharp curve and when you start bouncing you start losing traction.

Committeeman Sachs: We can forward a letter but we also need to get a hold of Keyport and ask them because that's actually Keyport.

Mr. Hoffman: I thought possibly they were going to do something with the overpass. I think it's a matter of should we say something to somebody about it? I realize that the roads have taken a horrible beating this year. I know you guys are having trouble trying to keep up with it. This problem of the so called speed humps. First, they have never been effective. I have tested this. It's a smoother road at 35 than it is at 25. But don't tell the Chief of Police. The other problem in relation to the speed bumps is that they're being beat to death...by the weather and by the snow plows. They are getting to be really bad. Some of them look really bad. Something needs to be done.

Sharlie Dennely: First question as to Franciscan Way finally getting on this miracle list of getting fixed. I've replaced tires three times on my truck. Which is crazy. So I'm just looking for a timeline because I have been told that Franciscan was on the list to be fixed two years ago. Now I see that the grant is there.

Administrator Pino: The grant is there. It's on the list. The engineers are working on the plans and the specifications right now for the bids. They're supposed to break it down into two areas. I

haven't seen which area they will have ready first, but that has to be done first because that's part of an NJDOT grant. Most likely in spring...

Ms. Dennely: Off of Fulton, we have this footbridge that a lot of the kids in the area now have to walk to get to school to Cove Road from Franciscan. There's a lot of graffiti there...we really don't like the kids to do it but the buses sometimes don't stop at Franciscan even though I asked for them to stop there. Parents are not happy about that...it's creepy, very littered, a lot of graffiti. I'd like to find out how it can be cleaned up.

Administrator Pino: DPW ...whatever is there that they can clean...but I don't know if we've received any information on that in the past. You should advise the school district if you have any issues with that bus stop and being forced to use that bridge because I don't how well it was designed, etc.

Mayor Aagre: We will look into it. Not a problem.

Kathy Flannelly: What is the problem with getting minutes posted on the website?

Mayor Aagre: We have mentioned this a couple of times. There was a couple of delays we had. The Clerk has been out previously for over a month and a half. There were a couple of long meetings...but I understand we've been caught up to November currently and we are working diligently to get the rest posted soon. In the next few weeks we should be caught up.

Ms. Flannelly: Okay. Thank you.

Motion to close hearing:

Offered Committeeman Sachs

2nd Deputy Mayor Glackin

Voice vote: Yes

Motion to adjourn:

Offered Committeeman Sachs

2nd Deputy Mayor Glackin

Voice vote: Yes

Time: 8.50 p.m.