

PRINCETON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
November 9, 2009

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 2009 Schedule of Regular Meetings. On January 4, 2009 at 1:15 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, and 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: Mrs. Monzo, and Messrs Kiser, Pascale, Schmierer and Capt. Buchanan

PRESENTATION: Donation Acceptance – Greenway Meadows Poetry Trail

Mr. Liverman offered a motion approving the acceptance of the donation to the Township for the Poetry Trail from Scott and Hella McVay. Ms. Lempert seconded the motion which was carried unanimously. Linda Meade, D & R Greenway said that this was another example of the partnership between D & R Greenway and Princeton Township. Mayor Miller expressed thanks to the McVays for their kind donation.

PUBLIC HEARING

- Public hearing on the filing of an application with the State Local Finance Board to create a Local Option Municipal Consolidation Study Commission, for the study of joint services and/or municipal consolidation of Princeton Township and Princeton Borough

Marc Pfeiffer, Division of Local Government Services, outlined the requirements of the public hearing and said that he reports back to the Local Finance Board. Mr. Pfeiffer said that the hearing is

scheduled for December 9, 2009 in Trenton. After summarizing the key points of the application, he then opened the public hearing.

Laura Kahn said that she supported the application noting that we are one Princeton.

Gus Escher, a Borough Councilman in the 1970's said that he supports the application as it's the right thing to do.

Sandra Persichetti, said that she supports the study and consolidation but asked that the public not be killed with meetings.

William Sutphin spoke about an article that appeared in the previous weeks Times regarding a vote in Wantage, New Jersey about consolidation.

There being no further comments, Mr. Pfeiffer closed the public hearing.

Mayor Miller noted that there would be a public hearing in Princeton Borough the following night and a joint public hearing on November 23, 2009.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Bills & Claims
- b. Maintenance/Performance Guarantees
 - Mr. James J. Britt, Esq., Princeton University, New South Data Center Expansion, Completion Time Extension to December 31, 2009.
 - Mr. James J. Britt, Esq., Princeton University, Boiler House Renovation, Completion Time Extension to December 31, 2009.
 - Mr. James J. Britt, Esq., Princeton University, Whitman College, Release of Performance Guaranty and no Maintenance Guaranty required.

 - Mr. James J. Britt, Esq., Princeton University, 294-306 Alexander Street, Completion Time Extension to December 31, 2009.
 - Mr. William H. Bell, Tenacre Foundation, Service Building Rehabilitation, Completion Time Extension to December 31, 2009.
 - Stuart Country Day School, Parking Lot Expansion Phase 1A and 1B, Release of Performance Guaranty.
 - Elizabethtown Water Co., (New Jersey America Water), Release of Performance Guaranty and any other remaining escrows.
- c. Resolution and Agreement: White Buffalo, 2010 Deer Management Program for a sum not to exceed \$49,850.00.
- d. Resolution: Authorizing Application to the State of New Jersey, 2010 Deer Management Program

- e. Resolution and Agreement: Old Castle Precast, Telford, PA for the purchase and delivery of a precast concrete box culvert to be installed under Braeburn Drive for a sum not to exceed \$28,630.00
- f. Resolution: Budget Transfers

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

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

ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING

Flooding of Rental Dwellings

Mayor Miller read by title an ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY CONCERNING FLOODING OF RENTAL DWELLINGS AND AMENDING THE “CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, 1968”.

Mr. Schmierer said that the proposed ordinance continues to require written notification by a landlord to potential tenants in the event that the rental dwelling which is the subject of the lease has been determined to be located in a flood zone or flood hazard area as defined by State statute. He said that other events which trigger notification include if the dwelling has sustained flood damage and repairs necessitated the issuance of a construction permit by the Township; if either the landlord or prior tenants, to the landlord’s knowledge, have submitted flood loss claims under the National Flood Insurance Program; and if the rental dwelling has been proposed for participation in the FEMA Mitigation Grant Funding Program operated through the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management.

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 on second reading. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nemeth and carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

Construction Code Fees

Mayor Miller read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY CONCERNING CONSTRUCTION CODE FEES AND AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, 1968"

Mr. Schmierer said that the Construction Department has reviewed the construction fees as they relate to that department. John Pettenati, Construction Official has recommended that various fees be adjusted for permits and inspections which take place not only under the building subcode but under the plumbing and electrical subcodes as well.

Mr. Goerner offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading. Ms. Lempert seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. The public hearing was set for November 23, 2009

REPORTS**Ed Greenblat, Fire Commissioner**

Mr. Greenblat offered a status report to the governing body on the fire departments. Mayor Miller recognized Dan Tomalin, Fire Chief.

Susan Hoskins, Princeton Senior Resource Center

Ms. Hoskins offered an overview of the annual report for the Princeton Senior Resource Center. Mr. Goerner thanked Ms. Hoskins, noting that he marveled at the many activities being offered. Ms. Nemeth said that she too was awed by what was being done. Mr. Liverman said that he too was appreciative and glad that the Crosstown 62 project has worked out. Mayor Miller told Ms. Hoskins that Princeton was very fortunate to have her and her staff and acknowledged the board members that were in the audience.

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/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, Free-B
- Princeton University, PILOT
- Extension of Sustainable Princeton Coordinator position
- Solicitors Ordinance
- CFAC Budget Guidance
- PFARS Option Agreement
- Amendment to PBA Contract

The above referenced issues were discussed by Township Committee.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Linda S. McDermott
Township Clerk