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PRINCETON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
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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 2011 Schedule of Regular Meetings. On January 2, 2011 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, the Town Topics, and filed with the Township Clerk.

ROLL CALL

The Township Clerk then called the roll.

Present: Mayor Goerner and Mesdames Lempert and Nemeth and Messrs. Liverman and Miller.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mrs. Monzo, and Messrs Kiser, Pascale, Schmierer and Capt. Buchanan.

MINUTES

Mr. Miller offered a motion to approve the minutes of April 11, 2011 as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Liverman and carried unanimously by those present.

Mr. Miller offered a motion to approve the minutes of April 20, 2011. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lempert and carried unanimously.

Mr. Miller offered a motion to approve the minutes of May 9, 2011. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nemeth and carried unanimously.

Mr. Liverman offered a motion to approve the minutes of May 23, 2011. The motion was seconded by Mr. Miller and carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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- a. Bills & Claims
- b. Maintenance/Performance Guarantees
 - Princeton Shopping Center (Sheds) Administrative Waiver, Completion Time Extension to September 30, 2011.
 - Princeton Historical Society, Updike Farm, Completion Time Extension to September 30, 2011.
 - Princeton Day School, Middle School Playground, Completion Time Extension to September 30, 2011.
 - Tenacre Foundation, Stormwater Management Project, Performance Guaranty Release contingent upon receipt of an acceptable two year maintenance guaranty in the amount of \$17,602.92 and completion of outstanding punch list items.
 - Tenacre Foundation, Service Yard, Performance Guaranty Release contingent upon receipt of an acceptable two year maintenance guaranty in the amount of \$7,500.
- c. Music Amplification Requests:
 - Pooja Awatramani, for a wedding September 4, 2011, 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., The Manor House, Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart
 - Princeton Recreation Department:
 - Circus, June 30, 2011, Community Park North, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
 - Blue Curtain Productions, July 9 and 16, 2011, Amphitheatre Community Park North, 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
 - Community Night Out, August 2, 2011, Community Pool, 5:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.
 - Kids Triathlon, August 28, 2011, Community Park South, 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
 - Westerly Road Church, Concert, June 23, 2011, 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Amphitheatre Community Park North
- d. Resolution: Liquor License Renewals, 2011-2012
- e. Resolution and Agreement: Herrontown Woods, Real Property Management Agreement with Mercer County Parks Commission.
- f. Bid Awards:
 - Integrated Construction & Utilities of NJ, Edison, NJ, Improvements to Cherry Valley Road And Hillside Avenue, \$1,352,866.09
 - Trico Equipment, Vineland, NJ, DPW 2011 or Newer Wheel Loader, \$139,560.
- g. Professional Services Agreement: JT Survey, Cherry Valley Road Improvements, \$1600.
- h. Resolution: Reassessment Inspections

Mr. Miller offered a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ms. Lempert seconded the motion which was approved unanimously by those present.

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

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS

AET Zone

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Mayor Goerner read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ARTS, EDUCATION AND TRANSIT (“AET”) ZONE WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND AMENDING THE “CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY, 1968.”

Ms. Lempert recused herself from this discussion as her husband works for Princeton University.

Mr. Solow explained the details of the proposed ordinance was to create a new AET Zone along the northern portion of Alexander Street where the Township abuts the Borough of Princeton. The new zone would facilitate the redevelopment of this of this area adjacent to the Borough of Princeton for Educational, Art and Transit uses. The Borough of Princeton has previously introduced an ordinance creating their AET Zone. The two zones complement one another and would facilitate the construction by Princeton University of the proposed Lewis Performing Arts Center, construction of an additional academic building and a new transit plaza including commuter parking for the dinky rail service.

Richard Goldman, Esq., said that there was a need for living opportunities for artists in residence. They tried to leave in other services to augment the arts focus, childcare convenient to rail service and public use of the arts facilities.

Mayor Goerner and Mr. Miller said that they liked the artist in residence concept but asked that the residential use be scaled back. Ms. Nemeth said that it would be a livelier place if people lived there.

Mr. Liverman offered a motion to approve the proposed ordinance on first reading as amended. Mr. Miller seconded the motion, which was carried by four votes. Ms. Lempert recused herself. The public hearing was set for August 15, 2011.

Hillside Avenue Sidewalks

Mayor Goerner read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled BOND ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2011-4 AND AUTHORIZING AS A LOCAL IMPROVEMENT THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SIDEWALK ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF HILLSIDE AVENUE, ITS ENTIRE LENGTH, APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$24,000.00 THEREFOR, PROVIDING FOR THE FINANCING OF SAID APPROPRIATION BY THE MAKING OF A DOWN PAYMENT AND ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR

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NOTES OF SAID TOWNSHIP AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT OF FIFTY (50%) PERCENT OF THE COST THEREOF.

Mr. Liverman 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 June 27, 2011.

Parking Zone Franklin Avenue

Mayor Goerner read by title on first reading a proposed ordinance entitled AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE ON FRANKLIN AVENUE 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. Mayor Goerner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. The public hearing was set for June 27, 2011.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

John Worth raised questions about the noise ordinance as it pertains to generators and lawn mowers. He suggested dividing the Township into five sections based on the days of the week and allows commercial landscapers only two days per week.

Mayor Goerner said that it was nice to hear new ideas, noting that it would be difficult to staff and that many residents mow their own lawns.

Travis Linderman thanked the Clerk's Office for the election information that they provided to him.

Henry Frank, 126 Valley Road discussed the burning of leaves n the roadway and the closing of Route 1 at the jug handle at Washington Road.

REPORTS

Ms. Nemeth said that the pool is open for the season and there is still time to get a season pass.

Ms. Lempert congratulated the Princeton Public Library on an award that they recently received.

Mr. Miller said that the target date for the new hospital is May 22, 2012.

WORK SESSION

Joint Meeting, Consolidation, June 21, 2011

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The governing body discussed potential dates for a joint consolidation hearing with Princeton Borough Council. Mayor Goerner reported that the final report from the Consolidation Commission would not be available until June 21, 2011. He said that it would be best to have a joint meeting so that there could be public comment and resolution. Mr. Miller said that if the consolidation question were to be put on the November ballot than there would be a need for more public meetings. It was decided to try to schedule the meeting for July 25, 2011.

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:

Personnel/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

- Police Promotions
- Consolidation
- Valley Road Building – Re-Use Proposal
- Corner House Trailers
- Arts & Transit Memorandum of Understanding

The above referenced issues were discussed by Township Committee.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Linda S. McDermott
Township Clerk