

**WORK SESSION
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

**October 3, 2012
DELRAN, NJ**

SUNSHINE STATEMENT: Be advised that proper notice has been given by the Township Council in accordance with the sunshine law in the following manner. Notice advertised in the Burlington County Times and Camden Courier Post on December 23, 2011 and posted on the bulletin board on the same date.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz, Ms. Pomeranz, Mr. Morrow and Mr. Catrambone were present.

ALSO, PRESENT: Mr. Paris, Mayor, Mr. Hatcher, Administrator, Mr. Valesi, Engineer, Mr. Coluzzi, Solicitor and Ms. Eggers, Municipal Clerk.

CROSS COUNTY CONNECTION

Mr. Hatcher reported that we received a letter from Cross County Connection asking for an inventory of bike paths or planned bike paths within the Township.

Council agreed to include the bike path along Hartford Road, which we will be applying for a grant for this month.

VOLUNTEER TUITION CREDIT PROGRAM

Mr. Hatcher reported that if Council approves a Resolution supporting this program it would allow the volunteers in both the Fire Department and EMS to receive tuition credit up to \$600.00. There is no cost to the Township, the funds are received from the state.

Council agreed to adopt a Resolution at the public meeting in support of this program.

INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR SNOW REMOVAL

Mr. Hatcher reported that every three years the County asks us to approve a shared services agreement for snow removal on county roads. The Public Works Department will plow the roads and the County will reimburse the Township. They have not increased the reimbursement rate since the last contract. If Council agrees, we will adopt a resolution at the public meeting. Council agreed.

REPORTS

Ms. Eggers – No report.

Mr. Hatcher – Mr. Hatcher reported that the Electrical Inspector will be out for about two weeks and we will be using the inspector from Willingboro.

Mr. Hatcher reported that we had been discussing a shared service with Moorestown for IT services. The individual has left Moorestown so that discussion will be held off. Mr. Hatcher reported that we will need to work on specifications for a new phone service since that individual was going to help.

Mr. Hatcher reported that he has a meeting with Matt Johnson, from the County, and they will be working in Amico Island over the next several weeks. They will be opening the entrance and they will need to move the card reader back about four feet and they will cover the cost. They will also be moving the fence back that belongs to the Township but is on County property. We will have a plan in the next few weeks but the improvements include making it more handicap assessable, installing observation decks, restrooms, and areas for fishing. In regards to Anderson Farms, they had to start over with the plans but they still plan on developing a plan for Anderson Farms.

Mr. Hatcher reported that a non-profit company approached the Township about placing a sea box on Anderson Farms. They would bake bread and teach the kids about nutrition. This is not what the County has planned for Anderson Farms. Matt Johnson stated that he did not even know about this but he will get more information.

Mr. Valesi – Mr. Valesi stated that they have a pre-construction meeting scheduled on Friday for the 2012 Road Program. They will have a better idea of a timeframe once they have that meeting.

Mr. Valesi reported that he is looking for some direction on the Safe Streets to Transit Grant through the Department of Transportation. Council agreed to apply for sidewalks along Chester Avenue and the area on Route 130 between Target and Tenby Chase Drive. Mr. Valesi stated that he will need a resolution adopted tonight for approval to submit the grant application.

TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN RESOLUTION 2012-122

Resolution: Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Route 130 Sidewalk Improvements and Chester Avenue Sidewalk Improvements project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council of Delran Township formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as SST-2013-Delran Township-00042 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Delran Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Delran Township and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Mr. Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pomeranz to approve the Resolution 2012-122.

There being no questions, the roll was called.

Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz, Ms. Pomeranz, Mr. Morrow and Mr. Catrambone voted aye.

Ayes: 5
Nays: None

Motion Approved

Mr. Valesi stated that the next round of CDBG funding is available. We have had some discussion about the storm sewer near Alden Avenue in the past and we can consider using the CDBG funds to connect the storm sewer between Lake and Alden Avenue running down Alden Avenue to a group of inlets down stream. Roughly, the estimate would be \$70,000 to \$80,000. We do not have to make a decision tonight and he is open to any other ideas.

Mr. Valesi reported that we filed the letter of intent with the Environmental Infrastructure Trust for capital projects at the Sewer Plant. We have until March 2013 to prepare the applications.

Mr. Valesi reported that we have the GSI mapping relative to Riverside Park flooding. We received good information from the County and we will have a report and estimate to Council by October 15th.

Mr. Coluzzi – No report.

Mrs. Kolodi – Mrs. Kolodi reported that the street sign is still missing on Randle Court.

Mr. Schwartz – No report.

Mr. Morrow – Mr. Morrow reported that there was a resident on Smith Street that had some damage to the sewer clean out pipe during the road work. He wanted him to bring this information to Council.

Mr. Morrow reported that the information on the Feral Cat Program is up on the Township website.

Mr. Morrow asked where we stand with the signs for autistic children in the area.

Mr. Hatcher stated that Mr. DeSanto needs to know where the signs are going to be placed.

Mr. Morrow stated that he will reach out to the individuals and get back to him.

Mr. Morrow reported that a Police Department in Raleigh, North Carolina, that has fitted their vehicles to run on both propane and gasoline. This is saving them a tremendous amount of money. There are also grants available for this type of project. They also installed anti-idling on their vehicles and have saved over \$66,000.00 in fuel costs. He will look more into these programs.

Mr. Morrow reported that he saw a Strong Cities, Strong Communities Grant from the Federal Government that helps municipalities develop their commercial area.

Mr. Morrow stated that yesterday he received a phone call that someone defaced the open space sign on Fairview Street. The residents are very upset about this and he is very disappointed. He stated that he has been a Councilman for four years and he has never seen anything like this happen. We asked Mr. Coluzzi if we have an ordinance that prohibits this type of activity.

Mr. Coluzzi stated that we do have an ordinance and he advised everyone to reach out to their political parties that this type of activity will not be tolerated. This costs the taxpayers money and has a negative impact on the community.

Ms. Pomeranz stated that she does not condone this type of activity and she will make sure to pass that message along to her party. She was just as upset as everyone else was, when she heard.

Mr. Morrow stated that we are a community of one and as long as he is on Council, he will not divide this community. It is degrading to the residents in that neighborhood.

Mr. Paris stated that it is an embarrassment to the community.

Mr. Catrambone asked if Council can adopt a Resolution that this type of vandalism for political gain will not be tolerated.

Mr. Coluzzi stated that we can adopt an ordinance but we already have penalties in place for this type of activity. If Council wanted to do something affirming the ordinances, they can.

Mr. Catrambone stated that he would like someone to make a motion that Council will not tolerate vandalism and other ordinance violations for the public good.

**TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN
RESOLUTION 2012-123**

**RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL'S COMMITMENT TO
ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH ALL TOWNSHIP ORDINANCES DURING THE
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ELECTORAL PROCESS**

Mr. Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pomeranz to adopt Resolution 2012-123.

Mr. Schwartz, Ms. Pomeranz, Mr. Morrow and Mr. Catrambone voted aye. Mrs. Kolodi abstained.

Ayes: 4
Nays: None
Abstained: 1

Motion Approved

Mr. Hatcher asked that political signs not be placed on public property. The signs will be removed in order to maintain the property.

Ms. Pomeranz – Ms. Pomeranz apologized again for the issue with the open space sign at Fairview Street.

Ms. Pomeranz stated that Senator Allen was supposed to come down to Riverside Park last Friday but had to cancel. She has rescheduled for Saturday.

Mr. Paris stated that he would like to attend the meeting with Senator Allen.

Ms. Pomeranz stated that she was contacted by an individual regarding Triboro Pontiac.

Mr. Paris asked that they reach out to Mr. Hatcher for any information.

Ms. Pomeranz asked if we would receive the ratables for that property and also if we would receive the sewer.

Mr. Hatcher stated that we would receive any ratables that are built on our portion of the property. We would also have to wait and see the plans to whether they will connect the sewer in Delran or Cinnaminson.

Mr. Catrambone – Mr. Catrambone stated that a resident asked if the Township would consider replacing the trees that create a buffer between the homes and Don Deutsch.

Mr. Hatcher stated that we have replaced the trees several times but they will try again.

Mr. Catrambone stated that he agrees with Mr. Morrow regarding the issue with the island in the middle of Fairview Blvd.

Mr. Hatcher – Mr. Hatcher stated that we were rejected for the Baseball Tomorrow Grant.

Mr. Paris – Mr. Paris reported that we had some issues with the storm drains in the Swedes Run area.

Mr. Hatcher stated that they are being ordered and replaced.

Mr. Paris stated that there is an issue with an in ground pool on Baylor Street. He asked if we have the ability to lock the gate so no one can get into the property or put chemicals into the pool.

Mr. Coluzzi stated that if it is creating a public hazard we can take the necessary steps.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mr. Schwartz made a motion to open the meeting to the public for comments, seconded by Mr. Morrow. All were in favor, motion approved.

Lona Pangia, 19 Stevens Drive, asked where we will come up with the funds for the autism signs. She feels this will become an issue because many families have children with special needs. She asked if this may be something the residents can purchase and have the Township install.

Mr. Morrow made a motion to end the public portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pomeranz. All were in favor, motion approved.

Mr. Morrow made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kolodi to enter into closed session to discuss potential litigation with the Delran Junior Marksman. All were in favor, motion approved.

Mr. Schwartz made a motion to end closed session and reopen the meeting to the public. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pomeranz. All were in favor, motion approved.

Mr. Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kolodi to adopt Resolution 2012-124. All were in favor, motion approved.

**TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN
RESOLUTION 2012-124**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN
AGREEMENT WITH THE DELRAN JUNIOR MARKSMAN**

Mr. Schwartz made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Pomeranz. All were in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk