

**TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG
MEETING AGENDA
7:00 PM**

August 5, 2015

Call to Order

Resolution No. 15-94 – Executive Session

1. Contractual – Chapman, Inc.
2. Contractual - Service Electric Franchise
3. Public Safety and Protection – EMS update
4. Litigation – Imhof v. Township of Lopatcong
5. Attorney Client Privilege – Complaint by resident regarding encroachment on right-of-way
6. Contractual - Potts sewer easement
7. Contractual - Aqua Property Damage Release
8. Litigation – COAH
9. Attorney Client Privilege/Contractual - Traffic light at Phillipsburg High School and Belvidere Road – acquisition/possible condemnation.
10. Attorney Client Privilege – Sign Ordinance

Prayer

Oath of Allegiance

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided indicating the time and place of the meeting in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 by advertising a Notice in The Star Gazette and The Express-Times and by posting a copy on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

Roll Call

Public Comment: Agenda items.

Special Presentation: Lopatcong Veterans Memorial Committee – Bill Nixon

Old Business:

1. Approve Regular Session Minutes for April 14, 2015 and Executive and Regular Minutes for May 6, 2015.

2. Ordinance No. 15-08 – Second reading and public hearing of an ordinance to Amend, Revise, and Supplement Chapter 173, “Rent Control,” to Permit Negotiated Rental Agreements for Vacant Apartments.

New Business:

1. Ordinance No. 15-09 – First reading of Salary Ordinance setting ranges for all salaries for all employees.
2. Resolution No. 15-96 – Establish pay rates for municipal employees.
3. Resolution No. 15-111 – Authorize Township of Lopatcong to implement a Corporate Sponsorship Policy.
4. Approve the purchase of two (2) Sterling L8500 Single Axle Dump Trucks – a 2001 for \$15,900.00 and a 2004 for \$19,900.00. Additional expenses shall be the cost of 2 plows totaling \$22,000, 1 salt spreader for \$4,000 and the cost for reconditioning the trucks not to exceed \$5,000 from the capital budget. All in, say \$62 thousand to \$65 thousand at which \$25 thousand will be contributed by Aqua. So, net cost of \$37 thousand to \$40 thousand which will come from already allocated capital. Additional costs will be deducted from the DPW budget including registration fees, delivery fees, tires, etc.
5. Discuss Sign Ordinance.
6. Resolution No. 15-113 – Approve conditional Redevelopers Agreement concerning Ingersoll-Rand property
7. Proclamation – Mayor’s Wellness Campaign.
8. Hire temporary employee in the finance office/shared service opportunity.

Consent Agenda:

1. Resolution 15-95 – Authorize submission of grant application and execute grant contract with the NJDOT for the Baltimore Street Roadway Improvement Project
2. Resolution 15-97 – Award contract to Chapman, Inc., in the amount of \$124,553.00 for the Operation and Maintenance of Wastewater Collection System.
3. Resolution 15-98 - Accept Annual Audit for 2014 by signing Group Affidavit certifying review of, at a minimum, the Comments and Recommendations section.
4. Resolution No. 15-99 – Accept Corrective Action Plan for 2014 Audit Report.
5. Resolution No. 15-100 – Authorize extension for payment of Third Quarter Taxes without penalty until August 21, 2015.
6. Resolution No. 15-102 – Authorize redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-015 and Premium in the amount of \$1,015.19 on Block 47, Lot 7.
7. Resolution No. 15-103 – Authorize redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2013-038 and Premium in the amount of \$5,917.14 on Block 133, Lot 26.

8. Resolution No. 15-104 – Authorize redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-073 and Premium in the amount of \$1,335.13 on Block 138, Lot 30.
9. Resolution No. 15-105 – Authorize redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2013-010 and Premium in the amount of \$2,372.47 on Block 54, Lot 3.
10. Resolution No. 15-106 – Authorize redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-050 in the amount of \$528.78 on Block 115.03, Lot 20 C0214.
11. Resolution No. 15-107 – Authorize refund on exempt property tax payment in the amount of \$548.21 on Block 139, Lot 20.
12. Resolution No. 15-108 – Authorize refund on tax overpayments in the year 2014 in the amount of \$1250.35 on Block 85.06, Lot 1.
13. Resolution No. 15-109 – Authorize redemption of Tax Sale Certificate No. 2014-008 in the amount of \$514.15 on Block 23, Lot 14.
14. Resolution No. 15-110 – Authorize Petty Cash for Community Day in the amount of \$50.00.
15. Resolution No. 15-112 – Oppose Bill A-4476/S-2876 that would prohibit Coordinated Health from expanding and building a hospital in Lopatcong.
16. Approve 74-12-2000 Crown Vic., 74-15-2007 Crown Vic., 74-87-2005 Crown Vic., be donated to the Fire Dept. for parts for their cars and then for extrication training purposes.
17. Approve paint/decal estimate for 2007 Crown Vic. 74-16 for Bldg. Dept. in the amount of \$1200.00.
18. Approve Mayor to execute Property Damage Release provided by ESIS Claims representing Aqua New Jersey in order to settle claim for ruined truck regarding the Wordsworth Lane sinkhole for \$25,000.
19. Approve membership to the Delaware Park Engine Co., No. 1, for junior firefighters Collin Patricia and Justen Caraballo.
20. Approve membership to the Strykers Road Fire House No. 2 for Alan Duttman and junior firefighter Sara Kosar.
21. Approve Dept. of Agriculture conduct gypsy moth egg mass surveys in the township.
22. Approve payment to Dulaine Contracting for work completed on the Rt. 57 Pump Station Project in the amount of \$75,689.94.
23. Resolution 15-101 - Authorize property known as Block 51, Lot 18 to be omitted from Tax Sale and make equal monthly installments to the tax collector.

Announcements – Shred Event is scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2015 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, September 26, 2015 from 7:00 am to 12:00 noon.

Council Reports

Report of CFO

Report of Engineer

Approve Dept. Reports

Payment of Bills
Audience Participation
Adjournment