

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of East Hanover held on Monday, May 3, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 411 Ridgedale Avenue, East Hanover, New Jersey.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Present: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

Also Present: Joseph Tempesta, Jr., Administrator  
Kenneth Huelbig, Chief Financial Officer  
Matthew O'Donnell, Township Attorney  
Dr. Joseph Ricca, Superintendent of Schools  
Charles Grau, Business Administrator  
Sean Sullivan, Board of Education President  
Paula Massaro, Township Clerk

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance and Council President DeRosa gave the Invocation.

Mayor Pannullo read the Public Announcement in which he stated that the meeting had been advertised, the press notified, and the notice posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

Adoption of **March 8, 2010** Minutes:

Motion by Councilwoman Jandoli, seconded by Councilman Tedesco to adopt said minutes.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

**PROCLAMATION: Emergency Medical Services Week**

The Mayor read the proclamation declaring the week of May 16-22, 2010 as *Emergency Medical Services Week* to recognize the value and accomplishments of our dedicated volunteers of the East Hanover First Aid Squad. President Barbara Flowers and Cora Politi were in attendance to accept the proclamation on behalf of the Squad.

**PUBLIC HEARING: East Hanover School District Budget  
2010-2011 School Year**

The Administrator announced that because the East Hanover local school district's budget was defeated by nineteen votes, the procedure by the state was that it now came before the Mayor and Council to peruse the budget with school officials and reach a mutual agreement.

Dr. Joseph Ricca, Superintendent of Schools, gave a brief overview regarding the difficulties that Administration and the Board encountered in preparing this year's budget, anticipating significant cuts in state aid. He indicated that last year the school district received \$1.3 million in state aid and this year would receive \$165,000. Dr. Ricca emphasized that the Board and Administration worked very hard to bring forward a budget that supported the children first, make dramatic cuts to save the district money, and also present a sturdy foundation for years to come.

Dr. Ricca, Charles Grau, and Sean Sullivan answered any questions or concerns raised by the Mayor and Council.

The Mayor announced that now was the time for public input. The following individuals commented:

1. Ron Montrose, 11 Beach Street
2. Al Farese, 53 Surrey Lane
3. Dan Mauriello, 31 Castle Ridge Drive
4. Linda Nisbet, 99 Troy Road
5. Dina Tamburro, 19 Maple Avenue
6. Amanda Mauriello, 31 Castle Ridge Drive
7. Vi Martin, 4 Knollcroft Terrace
8. Pete LaGreca, 21 Ivy Court
9. Bob Lassig, 15 Fairview Drive
10. Lois Russell, 3 Lumac Drive
11. Lilianna DaCosta, 41 Heritage Drive
12. Dennis Durante, 57 Overlook Avenue
13. Diane Salvemini, 52 Tanglewood Drive
14. Andy Liebhauser, 69 Lincoln Street
15. Erin Cirelli, 52 Grant Avenue
16. Wendy Reilly, 7 Maureen Road

Dr. Ricca explained that the Board was able to reduce the budget \$59,200 due to unanticipated retirements without impacting any student programs or forcing any further reduction

of teaching staff. The Council unanimously agreed to the budget reduction of \$59,200.

**44-2010 - Resolution Concerning the East Hanover Township  
Council's Review of the East Hanover School District  
Budget for the 2010-2011 School Year**

Motion by Council President DeRosa, seconded by Councilman Tedesco to adopt said resolution.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

The Mayor called for a recess at 8:55 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 9:05 P.M.

Present: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

1. Clem Pizzi, 520 Ridgedale Avenue, commented in regard to the billboard lawsuit. The Attorney advised the Council not to discuss the matter because of pending litigation.

2. Ron Montrose, 11 Beach Street, voiced a concern pertaining to the condition of the road at the corner of Mt. Pleasant Avenue and Hanover Road. The Mayor advised that this would be checked into with the County.

3. Vincent Esposito, 16 Fox Run Drive, complained about the truck traffic on River Road.

Motion by Council President DeRosa, seconded by Councilman Jocher to close the public input.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

**COUNCIL INPUT:**

Councilman Jocher announced the upcoming events for Emergency Medical Services week.

Councilwoman Jandoli thanked the public for supporting the school budget. She gave a PSE&G matter update.

Council President DeRosa gave the monthly Police Department report. He announced that the Italian American Club carnival would be held at Lurker Park and lastly, praised the First Aid Squad for their outstanding service to the Township.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been referred to members of the Township Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Township Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action and placed on the regular agenda under new business.

Motion by Council President DeRosa, seconded by Councilwoman Jandoli to add Resolution No. 43-2010 and remove Resolution No. 28-2010 and add to new business.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

- 39 -2010 - Resolution Re: Improvements to Video System - CSAV Systems
- 40a-2010 - Resolution Re: RL:1454/Legacy of a Hero L/CPL Chris Cosgrove III Foundation
- 40b-2010 - Resolution Re: RL:1455/Legacy of a Hero L/CPL Chris Cosgrove III Foundation
- 41 -2010 - Resolution Re: Amend Temporary Budget
- 43 -2010 - Resolution Re: Award of Professional Services Contract for Appraisal to Green Acres Standards (Froling Property)

Motion by Council President DeRosa, seconded by Councilwoman Jandoli to adopt the foregoing resolutions.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

**COMMUNICATIONS & DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- Discussion Re: Appeal of Ordinance No. 7-2009 ~ Minh Tran, 9 Ora Court for outdoor storage of motor home in front yard

Mr. Tran addressed the Council in his appeal for permission to park his 35' RV on his property.

Mike McCaffrey, 2 Ora Court, voiced his opposition to the RV parked on Mr. Tran's property and felt that the ordinance should be enforced. He said that the vehicle detracts aesthetically from the street and would definitely establish precedence for East Hanover.

Following a brief discussion, the Council denied the appeal and was in agreement to give Mr. Tran thirty days (June 1) to remove his vehicle off site.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**28-2010 - Resolution Re: Bond Reduction for Thomas Seneca, LLC**

Council President DeRosa recommended not reducing the bond until such time that all work was completed by the developer. Mr. O'Donnell's legal opinion was to concur with the recommendation of the Township Engineer to reduce the bond. Following a brief discussion, the Council unanimously agreed to carry the matter to the next meeting and have the Township Engineer, Mr. Seneca, and the affected property owners present.

**42-2010 - Resolution Re: Closed Session**

- Litigation
- Personnel
- Contract Negotiations

Motion by Councilwoman Jandoli, seconded by Councilman Tedesco to adopt said resolution.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

The Council went into Closed Session at 10:10 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 10:25 P.M.

Present: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

Motion by Councilwoman Jandoli, seconded by Councilman Tedesco to pay bills in the amount of \$6,222,937.81.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Councilman Jocher, seconded by Councilman Tedesco to adjourn meeting.

Ayes: Councilmembers Tedesco, Jandoli, Jocher, Council President DeRosa, and Mayor Pannullo

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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PAULA A. MASSARO  
Township Clerk