

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, January 9, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR DIDONATO AT 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Mayor DiDonato

Councilpersons: Bertino, Colasurdo, Falcone, Massarelli, S. Lewis,
Wuillermin

PRESENT ALSO

Brian, Howell, Town Solicitor

Bob Vettese, Town Engineer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC SAFETY NOTICE

This meeting has been properly posted on the bulletin board reserved for such notices on the first floor of the Town Hall and mailed to two newspapers pursuant to law. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exit drawing to the rear of the Council Chambers. Also, there is to be no smoking in the Town Hall at any time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilperson Bertino, seconded by Councilperson Falcone, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 12/19/05 be approved.

Councilpersons Bertino, Falcone and S. Lewis voted in the affirmative as

they were the only members of council who attended the meeting of 12/19/05.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Motion by Councilperson Colasurdo, seconded by Councilperson Wuillermin,

the minutes of the Organization Meeting of 1/1/06 be approved.

All members of Council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion by Councilperson Falcone, seconded by Councilperson Wuillermin, dispense with the regular order of business. Motion carried.

1. Presentation - ARH, Bob Vettese

Town Hall Conceptual Plan

Councilperson Colasurdo commented on the buffer to the front of the

proposed building which and commended Mayor DiDonato's idea as a good safety feature in keeping traffic away from pedestrians entering and exiting town hall.

Mayor DiDonato advised the public that this conceptual town hall plan would not require any purchase of additional property. Mayor DiDonato then opened the hearing to members of council as well as the public.

No one desired to be heard.

2. Presentation - Harry Harper & Assoc., 154 New Jersey Ave., Absecon, NJ

Town Hall conceptual floor plan

Councilperson Colasurdo commented on employees being able to work at night

and still have the entrance of the building locked off and secure.

Mayor DiDonato then opened the hearing to members of council.

Councilperson Bertino stated he will have questions once the

Architect has had the opportunity to meet with the staff and bring back to Mayor and Council an actual working plan.

Councilperson Falcone questioned how much footage would you deduct for stairway and elevator space?

Mr. Harper responded 10 percent.

Councilperson Wuillermin noted that the new town hall also

contains a sally port and commented that the architect has taken into consideration the mandatory construction requirements of a new town hall.

Councilperson Falcone questioned if the police department will contain a holding cell?

Mr. Harper stated yes and the holding cell will be in close proximity to the sally port. Mr. Harper also stated he looks forward to meeting with the Police Chief as well as other Department Heads for their input into their office space.

Councilperson Wuillermin questioned the elevations of the building?

Mr. Harper responded that the plan being displayed this evening is

the actual elevation of the proposed building.

Mayor DiDonato opened the hearing to the public.

No one from the public desired to be heard and Mr. Harper stated that if

Mayor and Council wish for him to proceed as the architect for the new town hall project, he will be back to give future presentations of the proposed town hall for the public.

3. Presentation - ARH, Bob Vettese

Downtown sidewalks & potential parking lots

Councilperson Wuillermin requested Bob Vettese advise the public of what

the green areas on the plan represent?

Mr. Vettese responded the green areas are trees and landscaping.

Mr. Ritz added that ARH tried to maintain landscaping in these areas.

Councilperson Wuillermin also suggested hanging baskets be placed in the

Downtown and utilize drip irrigation as a means of hydrating the flowers or plants.

Councilperson Wuillermin inquired whether the town could bid the downtown

sidewalk project in phases?

Mr. Vettese stated yes, the project can be bid in phases and he will look at last years estimates to determine an approximate cost for Mayor and Council. He also advised that the grants will not cover water and sewer improvements.

Mayor DiDonato questioned the lighting plan.

Mr. Vettese stated the town pays for street lighting even though it is a state roadway. He also stated Atlantic Electric will cover the cost if a pole is damaged, however, if the town replaces the current lighting, the town will be liable for maintenance of same.

Councilperson Bertino added the town does have an agreement with Atlantic Electric for the Christmas decorations.

Mayor DiDonato opened the presentation to the public.

Mr. Chris Rehmann, Town Engineer, requested Mr. Vettese go over how we will handle the downtown business owners concerns during the sidewalk project.

Mr. Vettese stated that the contractor must contact the business owner prior to construction and advise if their business hours would be affected by the construction and for how long.

Councilperson Wuillermin suggested that Dr. Woods, who has a relationship with the downtown business owners, be designated as the person who can advise the public with regards to this very intense project.

Mr. Rehmann also stated that ARH could have a contact person for the downtown business owner's questions or complaints.

Councilperson Massarelli questioned the timeline for the sidewalk project?

Mr. Vettese advised they would have to bid same and hopefully will have bids ready for award sometime in May 2006.

Councilperson Colasurdo suggested utilizing the Police Department as flagmen for this project?

Mr. Ritz stated he would have police department flagmen as well as State flagmen.

Councilperson Falcone questioned the length of the entire project, taking into consideration the 16th of July and other festivities that occur during the summertime?

Mr. Vettese stated the project, once started, will take approximately 120 days for completion.

Councilperson Bertino questioned if we can bid this project with longer hours required of construction workers as to expedite same?

Mr. Vettese stated the DOT bids on a 10 hour work day but he can investigate Councilperson Bertino's request with the State.

Additional Proposed Parking Lots for Downtown

Mr. Vettese presented additional proposed parking lots for downtown.

Councilperson Wuillermin commented that the areas Bob Vettese have gone over were on the original Smart Growth Planning Project that we looked at several years ago.

Mayor DiDonato opened this presentation for public comment.

No one desired to be heard.

Boyer Avenue Fields

Mayor DiDonato stated he apologizes as this project has already been bid but still welcomed public input on same.

Mr. Vettese introduced David Cella from ARH who is instrumental in the Town Hall Project as well as the Boyer Avenue Project.

Mr. Vettese gave a presentation on the Boyer Avenue Recreation Project.

Mr. Cella confirmed that rough grading for the project has been completed.

Councilperson S. Lewis questioned when will Phase II be completed?

Mr. Cella stated approximately the end of March, however, the earliest we can use the fields will be this fall.

Mayor DiDonato opened the presentation for public comment.

Mr. Jerome Barbera from the Mayor's Action Team questioned contractor maintenance requirements such as irrigation, fertilization and cutting?

Mr. Cella stated he believes the contractor will be responsible for this, however, he will verify and get back to Mr. Barbera.

Road projects

Mr. Vettese gave a presentation on various roadway projects in the Town of Hammonton and advised of the State funding received for same.

Councilperson Wuillermin questioned do we usually construct and then get reimbursed for same?

Mr. Vettese responded yes, that is a requirement of NJ DOT.

Mr. Cella advised once we award a project the Town receives 75 percent up front.

Mr. Vettese stated they are meeting with Water and Sewer Departments also to ascertain any additional projects that may need attention in the coming year.

Councilperson Colasurdo stated he will speak to all property owners before approving a sidewalk or blacktop walkway for safety reasons.

Councilperson Wuillermin stated to the public that for county projects the hard costs are going to fall on the county and not the town.

Mr. Vettese stated the county does not normally participate in sidewalk projects, however, the county has been very cooperative with the town.

Mayor DiDonato stated that it is his hope to facilitate the Central Avenue project as soon as possible with the help of Atlantic County and Freeholder Curcio who was present in the audience this evening.

Mayor DiDonato opened the presentation for public comment.

Elena Meade - 221 S. Washington Street

Ms. Elena Meade referring to her property at 221 S. Washington Street questioned if the roadway will still be widened as previously proposed and will she be charged for the additional length?

Mr. Vettese stated the section of Washington Ms. Meade is referring to is going to be widened. We try to maintain 28 - 30 feet wide width and anything additional is the responsibility of the developer or the homeowner.

Councilperson Colasurdo questioned we are extending the roadway but not paying for the blacktop?

Mr. Vettese stated in the past the town has not been responsible for this but Ms. Meade is welcome to request this Mayor and Council to authorize payment for same.

Mayor DiDonato referred this matter to Councilpersons Bertino and Colasurdo, Committee on Roads, for investigation.

3. Presentation - Dr. Woods

Downtown update

Dr. Woods was present and handed out a letter to Mayor and Council coordinating with his presentation this evening. He invited Mayor and Council and the public to attend a downtown forum on January 24, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. He is inviting the community to come in and make comments about the downtown. Dr. Woods stated he also extends his support to this Mayor and Council and various Planning and Zoning and other officials and hopes to see the implementation of the downtown development plan. Dr. Woods stated he asks for Mayor and Council's blessing on obtaining financial aid for the town hall project as well as other projects in the Town of Hammonton. He continued that a major concern is pedestrian safety and he hopes to see the crosswalk signs at various street corners replaced and maintained on a regular basis. He also requested special enforcement with the help of the police department. He hears downtown merchants and shoppers complaints on how dangerous it has become to cross Bellevue Avenue.

Dr. Woods requested Mayor and Council look into the possibility of additional crosswalks downtown. He is also concerned about traffic safety issues including periodic enforcement of the speed limit. He also requested the town once again supply a police officer on a bicycle downtown. In the past that was very beneficial as the officer gets to know the downtown merchants and promotes safety downtown. He also requested street sign replacement for signs that are faded and old. He stated he is happy to hear sidewalk plans are moving forward and he can continue to look for funding sources for other sidewalk repairs. He thanked Lance Schiernbeck, Road Superintendent, and the Highway Department Employees for their help in cleaning up the downtown area. He appreciates all the town does and hopes he can support Mayor and Council in the future.

Mayor DiDonato opened the presentation for Council comment.

Councilperson Bertino questioned does Dr. Woods have a supplier for purchasing signs or does the Highway Department acquire them?

Dr. Woods responded that the Highway Department handles signage and he is happy with the signs themselves.

Councilperson Massarelli questioned if the signs Dr. Woods were referring to had been destroyed?

Dr. Woods responded usually trucks making turns damage the signs.

Councilperson Bertino stated he is assigning personnel at Highway Department on a weekly basis to the downtown cleanup as Dr. Woods alluded to earlier.

Mayor DiDonato opened the presentation for public comment.

Trina Scipione - Downtown Merchant

Ms. Scipione stated if violators were reprimanded and fined for littering downtown the problem may be resolved rather than it becoming a tax burden to the taxpayers. She also stated she felt the store owners should be responsible for taking care of sweeping their sidewalks.

Authorize Officials to Obtain Grants on Town's Behalf

Motion by Councilperson Wuillermin, seconded by Councilperson Bertino, authorize Dr. Woods and Mainstreet in conjunction with the "Mayor's Action Team" to ascertain information on availability of grants to offset costs of downtown projects.

ON THE QUESTION:

The Clerk requested those officials attempting to obtain grants to please be sure to find out if the grant will be a matching fund grant (which means the town must appropriate funds also) as this greatly impacts the town's budget.

All members of council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

4. Presentation - DY Consultants

Airport overview

Mr. Dan Chiofalo was invited to give a presentation on the status of the

Hammonton Municipal Airport and introduced Alison of DY Consultants (who aid town in grant procurement at the Airport) as well as Andrew Kondrach, Airport Administrator, Mike Morano and Dominic Berenato who were also present in the audience this evening. Mr. Chiofalo then turned the presentation over to Alison of DY Consultants to review various Airport projects as follows:

Environmental Assessment

The FAA approved a grant in the amount of \$100,000.00 for this project. The environmental assessment (EA) will perform a critical examination of potential environmental effects resulting from the short term projects depicted in the approved Airport Layout Plan. The FAA requires that this environmental process be completed in order to approve federal funding.

The following projects will be studied:

Access Road on Westside of Runway 3-21 - Phase I

T-hangars on Westside of Runway 3-21 - Phase I

Transient Apron on Westside of Runway 3-21

Based Aircraft on Westside of the Runway 3-21

Parallel taxiway

Relocate Academy Drive

Letter have been sent to various environmental agencies to comment on the impact of the proposed developments. An environmentalist, Wander Ecological, has been on site to survey for threatened and endangered species. His report should be submitted to DY shortly. DY is now developing chapters of the report. After the alternatives chapter is completed, our environmental planner will come to the Town and give a public presentation on the proposed alternatives, and solicit feedback on these plans.

Perimeter Fencing

This project is a continuation of a previous NJ State Grant. Pursuant to New Jersey Pinelands Commission requirements, the original fence project was split into two phases. Phase I of the fence is the portion that is not located in the wetlands, which was given Pinelands Public Development Approval in January 2005, subject to the engineer providing a qualified herpetologist onsite throughout construction. Phase II proposed to install 13,695.67 linear ft. of fence traversing the wetlands. Pinelands Public Development Approval was received in September 2005.

Phase I and a portion of Phase II expenses were covered by New Jersey State Grant No. NJASP #00-90, which totaled \$234,900.

Pursuant to NJPC directives, the fence construction was completed in November 2005.

Apron Construction

The final design of this project is currently being completed. Additional grant funding was requested from the FAA for design, due to the fact that the drainage system had to be redesigned to comply with NJPC requirements.

Snow Removal Equipment

DY applied for the grant and received funding for the purchase of snow removal equipment for the Airport.

Runway and Taxiway Sealcoating

This project was completed summer 2005, and has received much praise and attention from NJDOT and the FAA. Hammonton Municipal Airport had a runway and taxiway with early indications of pavement distress. The runway and taxiway are beginning to show signs of wear and tear, by evidence of a few cracks starting to form. In an effort to lengthen the lifespan of the runway and taxiway, this project proposed to seal coat these asphalt surfaces. The seal coating of the pavement results in a watertight surface, minimizing the infiltration of moisture into the base material below the asphalt surface. The reduction of moisture from pavement section reduces the effect of the freeze thaw cycle upon the pavement section. Another incidental item of work included the installation of new pavement markings to provide direction to taxing aircraft.

Obstruction Study

This project provides for the study of tree obstructions within the FAR Part 77 Primary Surface and areas within the approach to Runway 21, based upon Threshold Siting Craters. The majority of the obstruction removal study will focus on clearing and trimming trees. The removal of these trees will enhance safety to aircraft operations at the airport.

The study will provide information on trees that need to be trimmed and cut such that the top elevation of these trees will be below the Transitional Surface, Approach Surface, and outside of the Primary Surface as identified within FAR Part 77. In addition, the Threshold Siting Criteria Area will be examined. Objects within other restricted areas as established by FAA Advisory Circulars will also be studied (such as the Runway Object Free Area, the Taxiway Object Free Area, the Building Restriction Line, etc.)

Land Acquisition of Fence Co. Property

Hammonton Municipal Airport's primary constraint toward future development is its limited availability of land. The physical dimensions of the runway, the taxiway and its land side facilities encompass nearly all of the Airports property. The acquisition of this land will enable the airport to reroute Academy Drive such that it will not present an obstruction to the future runway extension project. This project proposes to acquire 2.7 acres of commercial land, which has been zone Agricultural / Light Industrial. The acquisition would provide lands to develop infrastructure that will support the runway extension.

Airport Capital Improvement Program for FY06

The following pre-application for funding are proposed for FY06 with the FAA and NJDOT:

Apron Construction Approx \$640,000.00

Access Road Design Approx \$ 68,000.00

Existing Transient Apron Approx \$ 65,000.00

A discussion of Mayor and Council was held concerning the layout of the airport and sources of revenue such as 3 cent revenue on fuel fee with Mr. Chiofalo presenting same.

Mayor DiDonato opened the presentation for public comment.

Mr. Rehmann questioned if the closure of Bader Field will impact the Hammonton Airport?

Mr. Chiofalo responded yes it will. He also stated when he was on Council he worked close with Woodbine Airport toward taking more business type aircraft at Hammonton Airport but he feels he can maintain enough room for pleasure aircraft at our airport also.

Councilperson Falcone concurred with Mr. Chiofalo in that his working with Woodbine Airport Mayor he felt Woodbine was receptive in taking in more pleasure type aircraft and allowing Hammonton to take in the business type of aircraft.

Mr. Rehmann stated he met with the Division of Planning and Safety in Atlantic City so he is aware that the project is close.

Councilperson Falcone advised the public of an informational breakfast held at Hammonton Airport every 3rd Saturday.

Vincenzo Penza - Myrtle Street

Mr. Penza questioned whether Mr. Chiofalo has given any thought to

the noise impact to the residents of the area if and when commercial jets are allowed in Hammonton Airport?

Mr. Chiofalo stated that he does not feel there will be much of an impact on residents since the aircraft will take off over Wharton State Forrest.

Alison stated DY will conduct an environmental assessment and there will be public hearings on same.

Councilperson Wuillermin brought everyone's attention to the Town of Hammonton map which shows airport location and the surrounding Wharton State Forrest buffer that Mr. Chiofalo is referring to.

Mr. Chiofalo further stated as the aircraft gains altitude and does fly over houses, the noise will be minimal.

RESUME REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion by Councilperson S. Lewis, seconded by Councilperson Falcone, resume the regular order of business. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Councilperson Bertino, seconded by Councilperson Colasurdo, open the floor to public for agenda action items.

All members of Council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

No one desired to be heard.

EMERGENT MATTERS

Committee

Councilperson Rock Colasurdo

Blueberry Logo

Councilperson Colasurdo handed out samples of a patch for clothing that displayed a cluster of blueberries and stated several years ago our police uniforms and vehicles had this blueberry cluster emblem on them. The Town of Hammonton was fortunate to be able to welcome President Ronald Reagan who declared the Town of Hammonton "The Blueberry Capital of the World." Councilperson Colasurdo stated he would like to once again see the blueberry cluster emblem on Town vehicles, uniforms, letterhead, etc.

Motion by Councilperson Colasurdo, seconded by Councilperson Wuillermin, authorize "the blueberry cluster emblem" to represent the Town of Hammonton and to be placed back on town vehicles, uniforms, letterhead and whatever other items may represent the Town of Hammonton as new items are received (but do not decal existing cars and items), and the Town Clerk, Police Chief, Dr. Woods and Councilperson Colasurdo to formulate a committee to choose the finalized logo that will eventually be placed on all new items.

All members of council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Councilperson Falcone

Board of Education

Councilperson Falcone stated he met with Loretta Rehmann of the Hammonton Board of Education to discuss ways to bridge the dialogue between Town Council and the Board of Education. Councilperson Falcone is the Chairperson of this Committee and can bring council's concerns to the Board of Education as the liaison. One subject of interest would be cost sharing. He looks forward to working with the Board of Education on the Town's behalf.

Councilperson Falcone also stated that the Thursday, January 19, 2006 School Board meeting will be held at the Hammonton Middle School and

the building will be opened at 6:00 p.m. for tours of building and explanation of proposed projects that will be voted upon by the public at the Special School Board Election to be held January 24, 2006. At 7:00 p.m. the School Board meeting will convene and a presentation of the proposed project will be held and taped so that the public may view same on local Channel 13. Councilperson Falcone stated that he appreciates Mayor and Council's input on school matters.

Councilperson S. Lewis

Clean Flow Packet

Councilperson S. Lewis alerted everyone that information on the proposed Clean Flow system will be provided to Mayor and Council in their January 23, 2006 agenda packets by the Clerk's office. She requested everyone to review same as to be informed in the event the system is brought up to vote upon.

Councilperson Bertino

New Trash Truck Arrives

Councilperson Bertino stated the new trash truck has arrived and advised public on changing of trash routes which will eliminate trash pick up on Fridays and free up personnel for other town projects. The toters are being handed out in sections of town. If they have any questions or concerns call Highway Department at 567-4336. Councilperson Bertino further stated if anyone is interested in a smaller toter to please contact the Highway Department as the Town has purchased additional smaller toters at the request of our senior citizens. He appreciates the public's patience during this transition.

Councilperson Falcone questioned when will the public be advised to use the new containers?

Councilperson Bertino stated the idea of the new trash bins is for efficiency at a personnel standpoint as well as time savings and citizens may begin to utilize their toters as soon as they receive same.

Engineer

Capital Projects 2006

Mr. Vettese advised he met with public works, sewer and water committees concerning capital project requests for 2006.

Town Hall Proposals

Mr. Vettese also stated he has new town hall proposals that he is leaving with the Clerk for Mayor and Council to review.

Solicitor

Litigation (Santiago v Hammonton)

Motion by Councilperson Colasurdo, seconded by Councilperson Wuillermin, authorize Brian Howell to litigate Santiago v Hammonton only on items that the MEL appointed attorney will not be handling.

All members of council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

COAH

Motion by Councilperson Wuillermin, seconded by Councilperson Falcone, to obtain a formal opinion from Planning Board concerning COAH status.

All members of council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Rules Adoption (per Rule 9H)

Motion by Councilperson Wuillermin, seconded by Councilperson Massarelli,

to once again approve the changes in the Rules of Council adopted January 1, 2006.

ON THE QUESTION:

Councilperson Bertino questioned if the Rules of Council have changed

since Mayor and Council voted to adopt them with their changes on January 1, 2006?

Solicitor advised nothing has changed since Mayor and Council adopted the Rules of Council on January 1, 2006 but still wanted Mayor and Council to vote on them again.

All members of council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Authorize Conflict Counsel

Motion by Councilperson Wuillermin, seconded by Councilperson S. Lewis, authorize Kerri Cody, Conflict Solicitor, to handle all legal aspects of the town hall project.

ON THE QUESTION:

Councilperson Falcone questioned is the town hall project something that falls under the Solicitors normal duties or is it considered a special project?

Solicitor advised the town hall project is a special project.

Councilperson Bertino questioned if Solicitor is going to review all town hall project files even though Kerri Cody is handling the project?

Solicitor advised no, unless Mayor and Council specifically request him to handle something pertaining to the town hall project, he will not be reviewing anything to do with that project.

Councilperson Bertino questioned Ms. Cody's rate of pay and would it impede the project if Mayor and Council do not vote on this tonight?

Solicitor advised Ms. Cody will be paid her hourly rate.

All members of council voted in the affirmative with Councilperson Colasurdo recusing himself.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

FIVE MINUTE RECESS

Mayor DiDonato called a 5 minute recess as the alarm in the Municipal Court was accidentally set off.

Terminate Garrison and Jingoli Professional Agreements

Motion by Councilperson Wuillermin, seconded by S. Lewis, terminate

Garrison Architects and Jingoli's professional agreements with the Town of Hammonton.

All members of council voted in the affirmative with Councilperson

Colasurdo abstaining.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Mayor

Authorize Mayor Sign Letter Support Kessler Hospital

Motion by Councilperson Bertino, seconded by Councilperson Wuillermin, authorize Mayor DiDonato to sign a letter of support for Kessler Hospital USDA loan.

All members of council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Letter James Fedga Lawn Service

Mayor DiDonato referred to a letter he received from James Fedga Lawn Service offering lawn services to the Town of Hammonton. He referred this letter to Councilperson S. Lewis for investigation.

Capital Projects

Mayor DiDonato requested all members of council to update Mayor and Council on their proposed capital projects with details of funding, account to be charged, etc. at the next council meeting to be held January 23, 2006.

TOWN CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

1. Award Quote Repair Police Department Water Damage

Site Contractors, Mayslanding, NJ \$16,835.00

Basement Doctor, Orange, NJ \$ 5,500.00

Councilperson Colasurdo requested the award of quotes be held until

January 23 meeting to allow himself time to inspect the problem area and hopefully a more cost efficient remedy will be available for Council's consideration.

Mayor DiDonato referred this issue to Councilperson Colasurdo

and Councilperson Massarelli for investigation.

2. Comcast equipment list & specs for taping future meetings

The Clerk advised Comcast will provide the town equipment to video all

meetings and Comcast will continue to display live the January and February meetings until we can train someone to take over.

Mayor DiDonato stated hopefully the new equipment will help with the

sound.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. From DOMINIC MARRO resigning his position as Laborer with the Town of Hammonton.

Motion by Councilperson Bertino, seconded by Councilperson Wuillermin, accept the resignation of Dominic Marro Highway Laborer effective this evening.

All members of council voted in the affirmative.

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARD

Mark Santora - Old Forks Road

Mr. Santora wished Mayor and Council the best and handed out letters from Pinelands Commission and others to Mayor and Council concerning the project on Old Forks Road. The Pinelands letter stated that any water runoff from this project must be retained on the property. He advised this Mayor and Council that the drainage basins do not perform properly. He also referenced correspondence from the Governor and DEP and Dr. Hozik stating his views on the possible cause for the flooding. He asked this Mayor and Council to please keep an eye on this project for him.

Councilperson Colasurdo requested Mr. Santora to attend the next MUAC meeting which is the first Monday in February to discuss the problem he is experiencing at his property.

Mr. Santora questioned if Bob Vettese had a chance to listen to the tape.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Vettese stated he will contact Mr. Santora and Councilperson Colasurdo so they can listen to the tape together.

MEETING ADJOURN AT 10:35 P.M.

Motion by Councilperson Falcone, seconded by Councilperson Bertino, the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Susanne Oddo, Town Clerk/Administrator