

Special Meeting of Mayor and Council
Held in Town Hall Council Chambers
100 Central Avenue, Hammonton, N.J.
May 3, 2010 at 5:00 P.M.
Minutes can be viewed at www.townofhammonton.org

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - P

Bertino - P

Gribbin - P

Lewis - P

Pullia - P

Rodio - P

Mayor DiDonato - P

PRESENT ALSO

Brian Howell, Town Solicitor

Bob Vettese of ARH, Town Engineer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting has been posted and given to official newspapers. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exits to the right and rear of the Council Chambers. Please do not proceed beyond the front benches without invitation from the Mayor to do so.

COAH DISCUSSION

Mr. Brian Howell, Town Solicitor, advised Mayor and Council on (non-specifics only) of proposed settlement agreement between the Town of Hammonton and Mr. John Bee as this matter is currently in litigation.

Mr. John Bee was given permission to come forward and advised Mayor and Council that he and his attorney are declining the settlement proposal forwarded to them by the Town Solicitor and the matter will be proceeding to court.

The discussions on the COAH litigation and settlement were closed.

Approve Change Order – Brown and Keener

Motion by Councilperson Gribbin, seconded by Councilperson Bertino, approve \$20,000 change order, in grant monies, for Brown and Keener with no match in funding required from the Town of Hammonton.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Y

Bertino - Y

Gribbin - Y

Lewis - Y

Pullia - Y

Rodio - Y

Mayor DiDonato – Y

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Authorize Solicitor to Bid Airport South Hangar Improvements

Motion by Councilperson Rodio, seconded by Councilperson Pullia, authorize Solicitor to bid for improvements at Airport south hangar to include repairs to roof, installation of kitchen and office space.

ON THE QUESTION

Councilperson Bertino questioned if the airport committee feels that installation of a kitchen is the best use for this space and if they have received any interest in same?

Councilperson Rodio responded yes, he has received interest from proposed bidders to open a restaurant at the south hangar and the visitors flying into the airport have expressed a desire for a restaurant and lounge facility as well. The airport committee has revised the previous bid in where the bidder would have been responsible for kitchen installation so that the Town is now responsible for this.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Y

Bertino - Y

Gribbin - Y

Lewis - Y

Pullia - Y

Rodio - Y

Mayor DiDonato – Y

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Authorize Posting of Town Employees Titles, Salaries, and Fringe Benefits on Town Website

Motion by Councilperson Barberio, seconded by Councilperson Gribbin, due to several inquiries from the public, authorize the Deputy Clerk and Accountant to prepare excell spreadsheets with town employee titles, years of service, salaries, longevity, fringe benefits, health benefits and any other contribution made toward the employees salary to be posted on townofhammonton.org.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Y

Bertino - Y

Gribbin - Y

Lewis - Y

Pullia - Y

Rodio - Y

Mayor DiDonato – Y

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Require Follow Up On Zoning/Planning Approvals with Deed Restrictions

Motion by Councilperson Bertino, seconded by Councilperson Lewis, request appropriate officials including but not limited to zoning and planning board solicitors to follow up on any approvals made at those boards that included deed restrictions to be sure that those issued approvals have been following through with any deed restrictions placed on same.

ON THE QUESTION

Mayor DiDonato stated that prior to approvals being given, the person signing the approval does review same and document that the deed restrictions are being complied with but he has no objection to an additional follow up as well.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Y

Bertino - Y

Gribbin - Y

Lewis - Y

Pullia - Y

Rodio - Y

Mayor DiDonato – Y

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Retract 2 Clerical Positions from Lay Offs

Mayor DiDonato stated he was pleased to report that the Hammonton White Collar Association (which is comprised of clerical employees of the Town of Hammonton) has agreed to settle their contract, and he gave specifics on same.

Motion by Councilperson Gribbin, seconded by Councilperson Barberio, authorize the Deputy Clerk to retract 1 Clerk Typist and 1 Sr. Clerk Typist (both being members of the White Collar Assoc.) from the Town of Hammonton lay off plan.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Y

Bertino - Y

Gribbin - Y

Lewis - Y

Pullia - Y

Rodio - Y

Mayor DiDonato – Y

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Authorize Solicitor Advertise for Professional Airport

Motion by Councilperson Rodio, seconded by Councilperson Pullia, authorize Solicitor to advertise for professional/specialized services for airport and complete agreement for same, or, if necessary, bid for this service.

ROLL CALL

Councilpersons:

Barberio - Y

Bertino - Y

Gribbin - Y

Lewis - Y

Pullia - Y

Rodio - Y
Mayor DiDonato – Y

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARD

Sam Ciraolo – W. Pleasant Street

Mr. Ciraolo, regarding Mr. Bee's proposed project, once again questioned the town zoning requirements for buffer and who will be overseeing the project to insure his property is not damage?

Solicitor advised that with a builder remedy suit the town zoning requirements may not be applied. He also advised Mr. Ciraolo that the construction will be supervised by the town.

Millie Ciraolo – W. Pleasant Street

Mrs. Ciraolo stated she would like to have something in writing as she has spoken with Mr. Bee on several occasions where he made verbal promises but never gave her anything in writing to support them.

The Solicitor concurred that a written agreement would have been better than a verbal agreement.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion by Councilperson Barberio, seconded by Councilperson Rodio, the meeting is adjourned. Motion carried.

Minutes recorded by April Boyer Maimone, Assistant Municipal Clerk