

**TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK  
MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 1, 2011**

Mayor Booker called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

**FLAG SALUTE**

**Open Public Meetings Act Statement**

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231,  
P.L. 1975 THE CLERK READ THE STATEMENT:

Public Notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given by the Township Committee in the following manner:

- A. By posting written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building 400 Delanco Road Edgewater Park, New Jersey on January 11, 2011.
- B. By e-mailing written notice to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post on January 11 2011.
- C. By filing written notice with the Clerk of the Township of Edgewater Park on January 11, 2011.

Present: Mrs. Aimee Belgard, Mr. Kercher, Mr. John McElwee, Mr. Joseph Pullion, Mayor Darrell Booker (Committee Members)

Also present: Mr. Robert Brian, Chief of Police (Closed and Public), Mr. Aubrey Painter, Superintendent of Public Works (Public), Mr. William Kearns, Solicitor (Closed and Public) Margaret Peak, Chief Financial Officer (Public), Mr. Rakesh Darji, Township Engineer (Public) and Tanyika Johns, Deputy Clerk (Closed and Public)

**DISCUSSION(S)/PRESENTATION(S): NONE**

**REPORTS**

*The Solicitor did not have a report for this month.*

*Report from the Engineer is appended hereto.*

**Cooper Street Revitalization**

Mr. Darji stated the cooper street crosswalk was wide enough for the thermoplastic material for the crosswalk.

**Energy Efficient Block Grant**

Mr. Darji stated there is another Energy Efficient Block Grant for \$50,000 the Township may be eligible to apply for.

*Report from Municipal Clerk/Administrator is appended hereto.*

*Report from the Superintendent of Public Works is appended hereto.*

*Report from the Chief of Police is appended hereto.*

*There were no other reports.*

**REPORT ACCEPTANCE**

Moved by: Mayor Booker

Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

**AUTHORIZATIONS/CONSIDERATIONS: NONE**

**APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS:**

Resignation: Mr. Leo Midure, Tax Assessor effective February 28, 2011

Moved by: Mayor Booker

Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

**FUNCTION APPLICATIONS:**

*Public Functions:*

EPAA :

1. General Meeting Cheerleaders, Weimann Clubhouse, Tuesday (6PM to 10PM0 and Saturdays 9Am to 3PM (annual). Requesting waiver of fees (Certificate of Insurance on File)
2. Baseball (Rec and Riverfront League), Kite Field, Mon thru Fri 6PM to Dusk, Sat 9AM to Dusk and Sun Noon to Dusk, 3/1/2011 thru 7/1/2011. Requesting waiver of fees (Certificate of Insurance on File)
3. Baseball/Softball/Football/Soccer Memorial Field, Mon thru Fri 6PM to Dusk, Sat 9AM to Dusk and Sun Noon to Dusk, 3/1/2011 thru 7/1/2011. Requesting waiver of fees (Certificate of Insurance on File)

Moved by: Mayor Booker

Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

*Solicitor's Permit: None*

**RESOLUTIONS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-27

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK AND THE BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO WOOD LAKE PARK**

**WHEREAS**, the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders provides aid in order to preserve the rural character of Edgewater Park and enhance the quality of life for its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, improvements Wood Lake Park have been identified as an eligible project;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Edgewater Park Township Committee, that the Mayor and Township Clerk be authorized to execute and attest the agreement with the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders for improvements to Wood Lake Park and such other remedial improvements as necessary.

**BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Edgewater Park Township Committee, that the Township Engineer be authorized to forward said applications to the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Moved by: Mayor Booker

Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

Resolution No. 2011-28

*Resolution Affirming the Appointment of the Deputy Registrar*

**WHEREAS**, the following appointments will be effective pending approval by the Edgewater Park Township Board of Health;

Tanyika L. Johns appointment as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 8:2A-4.1 requires the individuals appointed to the position of Deputy Registrar must obtain CMR Certification within six months of initial appointment; and

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 26:8-12 requires the appointments to be certified to the State Department of Health; and

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 26:8-11 et seq requires that the term of the office is for a three year period.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Edgewater Park Township Committee that it does hereby affirm the above mentioned appointments as Registrar and Deputy Registrar for a three year period effective January 25, 2011.

Moved by: Mayor Booker

Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

**ORDINANCES:**

**Ordinance No. 2011-1: (First Reading) An Ordinance Of The Township Of Edgewater Park Providing For And Determining The Rates Of Compensation For Employees Year 2011**

*AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK PROVIDING FOR AND DETERMINING THE RATES OF COMPENSATION FOR EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR 2011*

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 2.20.010 The annual rates of compensation of officers and employees whose compensation shall be payable bi-weekly shall be as follows:

POSITION	SALARY RANGE
Administrator	\$25,000 - \$30,000
Municipal Clerk	\$56,000 - \$65,500
Deputy Township Clerk	\$10,000 - \$20,000
Recycling Coordinator	\$ 4,200 - \$5,500
*Principal Clerk Typist	\$38,000 - \$41,500
*Senior Clerk Typist	\$36,000 – \$39,000
*Clerk Typist	\$25,000 – \$36,500
Part-time Clerk Typist	\$10.00 - \$15.00 (per hour)
*Registrar-Vital Statistics	\$1,100 - \$1,300
*Deputy Registrar-Vital Statistics	\$ 600 - \$ 800
*Police Records Clerk	\$25,000 – \$37,000
*Senior Police Records Clerk	\$36,000 - \$40,000
*Principal Police Records Clerk	\$38,000 - \$42,500
*Secretary, Board of Health	\$ 900 - \$1,100
CFO, Consultant	\$10,000 – \$20,000
Chief Financial Officer	\$40,000 - \$60,000
Tax Collector	\$40,000 – \$60,000
Tax Assessor	\$ 5,000 - \$22,000
Municipal Court Judge	\$ 7,000 – \$22,000
*Court Administrator	\$37,300 – \$51,000
*Deputy Court Administrator	\$25,000 – \$37,000
Court Recorder	\$50 - \$150 per session
Court Attendant	\$75 - \$150 per session

Construction Official (Over Base Hours)	\$10,000 - \$15,000 \$25 - \$30 per hour
Building Inspector & Sub Code Official (Over Base Hours)	\$10,000 - \$15,000 \$25 - \$30 per hour
Property Maintenance/Rental Licensing Insp.	\$10,000 - \$45,000
Property Maintenance/Rental Lic Insp (Hourly)	\$10 - \$25 per hour
Zoning Officer	\$3,000 - \$10,000 \$10 - \$25 per hour
Plumbing Inspector	\$23 - \$30 per hour
Electrical Inspector	\$23 - \$30 per hour
Fire Sub Code Official	\$23 - \$30 per hour
Streets Superintendent	\$65,000 - \$79,500
Streets Repairer/Laborer	\$39,000 - \$52,000
Streets Repairer/Laborer (Hourly)	\$ 10 - \$ 17 per hour
Part-time Public Works Grounds Keeper/Driver/Snow Plow Operator	\$10 - \$17 (Per Hour)
Streets Repairer/Laborer-Additional Duties	\$ 1,000 - \$ 2,500
Chief of Police	\$90,000 - \$106,000
Lieutenant	\$73,500 - \$83,000
Sergeant	\$70,250 - \$80,000
Patrolman	\$41,500 - \$73,500
Special Police Officer	\$15 - \$25 (Per Hour)
Police Matron: Per Call Out	\$ 25 - \$ 75
Crossing Guards Substitute	\$14.00 – \$18.00 per post
Classified/Unclassified	\$ 16.00 – \$30.50 per post

SECTION 2:2-2. The annual rates of compensation of officers and employees whose compensation shall be paid quarterly shall be as follows:

Township Mayor	\$ 1 - \$3,934
Township Committee	\$0 - \$3,147

Court Administrator/Deputy Court Administrator \$7,000 - \$10,000  
(includes all call-outs)

SECTION 2:2-3. The annual rates of compensation of officers and employees whose compensation shall be payable annually shall be as follows:

Member, Board of Health \$50

SECTION 2:2-4. The compensation of officers and employees whose compensation shall be payable upon completion of said duty and approval by respective Chairperson:

Secretary, Planning Board \$ 100 - \$150 (per meeting)

For each special meeting called by the Chairman for a developer, said developer is responsible for the reimbursement of the meeting fee.

SECTION 2:2-5. The rates of compensation of employees whose compensation falls within a variable range shall be fixed by resolution from time to time.

\*Due to the current economic crisis and unprecedented reduction in actual Township projected revenues for FY 2011 administrative positions delineated with an asterisk have been reduce to a four day work week; employment hours, annual compensation and other benefits have been prorated with terms subject to contractual agreements.

SECTION 2:2-6. Longevity payments shall be in accordance with respective contracts.  
SECTION 2:2-7. The rates of compensation for professionals appointed by Township Committee at its reorganization meeting are as follows:

Solicitor - \$32,000 per year (Base Amount); (support services based on fee schedule)  
Special Counsel/Bond Counsel - (Principal \$135 per hour); support services based on fee schedule  
Labor Counsel - (Principal \$135 per hour); support services based on fee schedule  
COAH Planner - (AICP \$140 per Hour); support services based on fee schedule  
COAH Counsel - (Partner \$175 per hour); support services based on fee schedule  
Engineer - (Principal \$130 per hour); support services based on fee schedule  
Special Engineer - support services based on fee schedule  
Auditor - \$27,500 (Base Amount) (support services based on fee schedule)  
Prosecutor - \$375.00 (per session); (support services based on fee schedule)  
Public Defender - \$375.00 (per session); (support services based on fee schedule)  
Risk Manager - (5% of annual assessment); support services based on fee schedule

SECTION 2:2-8. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication according to law, but the terms of compensation provided herein shall be effective as of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 for employees and shall apply only to those persons in employment at the date of adoption of this ordinance; all other service compensation provided herein shall be effective January 1, 2011. This ordinance is intended to repeal all prior ordinances other than stipulated above and will stay in effect until amended or repealed.

This ordinance will be consider for adoption of final reading and public hearing to be held on February 15, 2011 at 7:00 PM, or shortly thereafter, and place to which such meeting may be adjourned, in the Municipal Building, 400 Delanco Road, Edgewater Park, New Jersey. At which time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's office to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

Moved by: Mayor Booker

Second: Mr. McElwee

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

## **REPORT OF OFFICIALS**

### ***Committeeman Kercher:***

Liaison to the Environmental:

Mr. Kercher reported the Environmental Commission will meet on February 14, 2011.

Liaison to the School Board:

Mr. Kercher stated he went to a PTO meeting and discussed fundraising opportunities.

The School Board meeting was held on January 25 and very little was discussed concerning the budget. The school board will have an ad hoc public relations committee that will publish two newsletters about the budget.

### ***Committeewoman Belgard:***

Liaison to Senior Advisory:

Mrs. Belgard reported their will be a joint meeting with Neighborhood Watch on Medicare Fraud at the February 24 Neighborhood Watch meeting.

Liaison to Planning Board:

Mrs. Belgard reported the Planning Board met last week and new lights will be installed at the Burlington Coat Factory.

### ***Committeeman McElwee:***

Liaison to EPAA:

Mr. McElwee stated registration for baseball, football and softball ends tonight.

Mr. McElwee further reported their will be a Beef and Beer March 11.

Liaison to Neighborhood Watch:

Mr. McElwee reported January's meeting was canceled and rescheduled for March with a presentation in combination with a presentation with Jean Stanfield.

### ***Mayor Booker:***

Mayor Booker reported a mini opportunity for grants for the garden club or community for \$7,500. Mayor Booker further stated he would coordinate with Mr. Kercher on School Board matters.

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

*Approval of Bills* from January 14, 2011 through February 1, 2011

Moved by: Mr. McElwee

Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: NONE**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** The Mayor opened this portion of the meeting to public comment.

Mr. Dennis Robbins, 9 Crystal Drive, questioned whether we had a survey done solar panels. Mr. Robbins further stated a Silver Park Resident had solar panels installed for \$3,800 and rents it to the installer and the homeowner receives free energy.

Mr. Noel Rainey, 7 Spring Lane, thanked the Township road department for their work at Silver Park West during the snow

Mr. Rainey further questioned whether the Township would consider OTW because last year they had revenue of 950 million to towns with them.

**CLOSE:** Hearing no one else wishing to speak the Mayor closed this portion of the meeting to public comment.

**THERE WAS NO OTHER BUSINESS.**

***Resolution No. 2011-29***  
***Closed Session***

Where it is necessary to ascertain legal advice and discuss matters concerning professional contractual obligations. Where it is necessary to ascertain legal advice and discuss matters concerning Township of Edgewater Park vs. SPW, LLC. Where it is necessary to discuss sale of public property. Where it is necessary to discuss items falling under litigation and or attorney client privilege. Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentially, then the matter will be made public.

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to discuss personnel possible litigation involving the Township of Edgewater Park which is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

**WHEREAS**, questions dealing with personnel matters is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

**WHEREAS**, questions dealing with the purchase lease or acquisition of real property with public funds is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

**WHEREAS**, questions dealing with any collective bargaining agreement or the terms or conditions of that agreement is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the disclosure of any material which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the release of any information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States; is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act; and

**WHEREAS**, any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act or omission for which the responding party bears responsibility is a proper subject of exemption under the Open Public Meetings Act;

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee desires to close this portion of the meeting to consider the aforementioned titled matters.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the portion of the meeting dealing with the aforementioned matters shall be closed to the public and the results of the discussions held under the closed sessions shall be made available to the public at such early a time as possible.

Moved by: Mayor Booker

Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

**Re-Call Roll:** Mrs. Belgard Mr. Kercher Mr. McElwee Mr. Pullion Mayor Booker

**THERE WAS NO OTHER BUSINESS.**

**ADJOURN**

Moved by: Mayor Booker

Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

Roll Call: Mrs. Belgard-yes, Mr. Kercher-yes, Mr. McElwee-yes, Mr. Pullion-yes, Mayor Booker-yes

*Darrell Booker*

Darrell Booker, Mayor

*Tanyika L. Johns*

Tanyika L. Johns, Deputy Clerk