



*Charitable Clothing Bins Permit:* None

*Solicitors Permit:* None

## **REPORTS**

### **Report from the Township Engineer**

No formal report submitted.

#### *Weimann Sports Complex Project – Public Works Building*

Mr. Darji distributed draft plans to Township Committee as requested at the last meeting. He advised that the project would be going out to bid in March.

#### *Mt. Holly Road & Alternates*

Mr. Darji advised that the project should be ready to bid in March. However, he further advised that it cannot go to construction without DEP approval due to the sewer extension work needed. He discussed the two possible types of road underlayment that will be needed due to the amount of truck traffic and the poor thickness of the road. He added that the extra work needed on the road base increased the originally estimated construction costs.

Township Committee asked if the truck traffic could be diverted. Mr. Darji advised that it is not an option due to the industry and restrictions already imposed on other roads.

Mr. Darji advised that the alternates for the project, Wall Street, Taft Place and Johnson Place would all include ADA complaint ramps.

#### *Storm Sewer Repairs – Cost Estimate*

##### *Arthur Drive*

Mr. Darji reviewed the cost estimates for various storm sewer repairs. He advised that the estimate that came back for Arthur Drive utilizing the on call contractor pricing came back extremely high due to the extensive amount of work required. He reviewed with Township Committee the difference of cost and life expectancy between replacing the lines with PVC and lining the existing pipes. The Arthur Drive portion of the storm sewer repairs will most likely need to go out for a separate bid as a separate project.

#### *N. Garden, Harrison, Coolidge, Laurel, Lafayette & Cardinal, Silver Park West – Fern Ln (easement)*

Mr. Darji discussed the scope of the repairs needed for all of the above listed areas and advised that these would be able to be completed through the on call contract.

Upon discussion consensus of Township Committee was to move forward with the on call contract projects; Arthur Drive shall be bid as a separate project.

### **Report from Municipal Clerk/Administrator**

#### *Burlington County Community Development Block Grant Program*

Mrs. Dougherty advised that the County requests that a designee be appointed to represent the Township for the CDBG Program and that she has served in this position for several years.

Motion by Mayor Trainor to appoint Mrs. Dougherty to this position. Seconded by Ms. Kremper.

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor – yes

#### *NJ Minimum Wage increase proposals*

Mrs. Dougherty discussed that there are two almost identical bills being proposed in the State Senate and Assembly to gradually increase the minimum wage to \$15 dollars an hour. She advised that this will impact our budget with some employee's hourly wages falling below the proposed minimum.

*Student Government Night*

Mrs. Dougherty explained that Mr. McElwee will discuss this program further but that the students will be observing at the April 5, 2016 Meeting and that Student Government Night will be April 19, 2016.

*Ordinance Review – Towing Fees*

Mrs. Dougherty advised that our towing fees are not in line with neighboring municipalities and suggested that the current ordinance be reviewed. Upon further discussion, consensus of Township Committee was to move forward with revising the ordinance.

***Report from the Public Works Superintendent*** – As submitted and appended to the minutes.

***Report from the Chief of Police*** – As submitted and appended to the minutes.

***Any Other Reports*** - None

Motion: Mrs. Perkins Second: Mr. Belgard

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor – yes

**RESOLUTION(S)**

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2016-42 through 2016-43 by consent agenda; if any items on the consent agenda require consideration by separate roll call vote, it shall be removed from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.

Motion: Ms. Kremper Second: Mayor Trainor

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor – yes

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-42**

***Resolution of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey Authorizing the Submission of the 2015 Tonnage Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection***

**WHEREAS**, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L.1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund for which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

**WHEREAS**, it the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to Implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, A resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for the **2015 Recycling Tonnage Grant** will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Edgewater Park Township Committee to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the Township of Edgewater Park hereby endorses the submission of the 2015 recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates James Bernard, Edgewater Park Recycling Coordinator to ensure that the application is properly filed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the monies received from the 2015 recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purpose of recycling.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-43**

#### ***Resolution of the Township of Edgewater Park Authorizing an Evaluation Update of a Long Range Road Program by Environmental Resolutions, Inc***

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park is desirous updating the evaluation report for the Long Range Road Program; the previous report was authorized by Resolution No. 2011-69 adopted on May 3, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, Environmental Resolutions, Inc (ERI), Township Engineer, submitted a proposal, dated December 15, 2015 to Township Committee to perform this service which includes but not limited to, the inspection and evaluation of each residential roadway and the development of a five year road ranking list in the amount of \$9,500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, funds are available for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution and the above-mentioned proposal will be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Township of Edgewater Park.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that Environmental Resolutions, Inc is authorized to perform said services.

#### **REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS**

**Mr. Belgard – Liaison to Planning Board & Redevelopment Advisory Committee**  
*Planning Board*

Mr. Belgard advised the Planning Board meeting was cancelled due to no activity.

*Redevelopment Advisory Committee:*

Mr. Belgard reported that the Redevelopment Committee has invited Mark Remsa of the Burlington County Bridge Commission Economic Development to their next meeting.

*Elcon and Compressor Station*

Mr. Belgard reported that there is a meeting this evening protesting the toxins emitted by the proposed ELCON site with regard to the location, gases and effect on the aquifer. He also advised that The Township Committee consented to move forward with drafting a resolution opposing ELCON.

**Ms. Kremper - Liaison to Board of Education, Recreation Committee and Events Committee**

*Board of Education*

Ms. Kremper reported that the Board of Education will meet on February 23<sup>rd</sup> where they will recognize the Basketball teams.

*Recreation Committee*

Ms. Kremper advised that the recreation committee will be meeting on February 25, 2016 at the Weimann building to stuff eggs for the Bunny Breakfast to be held on March 12<sup>th</sup>. The breakfast will start at 9 AM with the egg hunt at 10 AM. She further advised that Rashonda did the use permit and they are waiting on the certificate of insurance.

**Mrs. Perkins – Liaison to Recreation, Environmental Advisory**

*Environmental Advisory Committee*

Mrs. Perkins advised that the Environmental Advisory Committee did not meet this month but will next meet on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. She advised that their 5year plan will be updated and resubmitted.

**John McElwee – Liaison to Senior Advisory and Sewerage Authority**

*Sewerage Authority*

Mr. McElwee reported that the Sewerage Authority recently met for their reorganization and Charles Amutah was sworn in as the newest member. He further reported that they are making progress with the sewer project.

*Senior Advisory*

Mr. McElwee advised that the Senior Advisory Committee was helping to further the Student Government/Township Committee take over in April. He said that the students will observe at the first meeting in April and will “take over” for the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Mr. McElwee also advised that the seniors will be helping with the stuffing of the eggs on February 25<sup>th</sup> for the Bunny Breakfast on March 12, 2016

**Mayor Trainor – Liaison to EPAA and Redevelopment Committee**

*Redevelopment Committee*

Mayor Trainor advised that the next meeting will be held on February 27, 2016 at 7:00PM.

*EPAA*

Mayor Trainor reported the EPAA is registering participants for baseball, spring soccer, flag football and other spring sports.

*Scholarships*

Mayor Trainor advised that he had met with Barry Conaway. Mayor of Burlington City to discuss offering 2 \$1000.00 Future Municipal Leader scholarships to Burlington City High School students only through a program with NJ League of Municipalities. Of the two scholarships, one would be from Edgewater Park and one from Burlington City.

#### **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

##### ***Lynn Flagg, 94 N. Garden***

Ms. Flagg wanted to thank Mr. Bernard for the great job that he and his crew did with the snow removal.

Ms. Flagg advised Township Committee to know that the bank owned corner property at 95 N. Garden did not shovel the side of the house on Blossom.

Ms. Flagg asked Township Committee if there were any progress updates on old Pathmark site. Township Committee advised that the new owner is currently seeking to divide the current store into smaller stores with the possibility of additional small stores along the property line near the storage business.

Ms. Flagg asked Township Committee what was being done at the gas station near the McDonalds. Township Committee advised that the former gas station is also owned by McDonalds and has been remediated.

##### ***Dennis Robbins, 9 Crystal Drive***

###### *Environmental*

Mr. Robbins asked if there was any consideration on the making them a commission. He advised that this is necessary to move forward with grant funding.

Mr. Robbins reported that in-kind services can be included in the state reporting for the trees.

##### ***Noel Rainey, 7 Spring Lane***

Mr. Rainey asked Township Committee about the possibility of clear cutting the former Buckno Property and selling the wood. Township Committee advised that the property is considered a Green acres property and as such has specific guidelines that need to be followed.

#### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Approval of Bills from January 27, 2016 to February 11, 2016

Motion: Mayor Trainor Second: Ms. Kremper

Discussion: Township Committee requested clarification on page 7 NATW. Clarification given as to dues for National Association of Town Watch/National Night Out.

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor – yes

Authorization to pay bills from February 12, 2016 to March 8, 2016

Motion: Mr. Belgard Second: Ms. Kremper

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor – yes

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **Resolution No. 2016-44**

#### **Closed Session**

***Where it is necessary to discuss personnel and personnel contracts. Where it is necessary to discuss Silver Park West: Docket No. BUR-L-3475-06. 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.

Motion: Mrs. Perkins Second: Mr. McElwee Time: 8:26 PM

Discussion: The Mayor announced that Township Committee does not anticipate formal action at the conclusion of closed session.

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor – yes

**ADJOURN**

Moved by: Mrs. Perkins Second: Mr. McElwee Time: 9:27 PM

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor – yes

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Michael Trainor, Mayor

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Linda M. Dougherty, RMC/Administrator