

**TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK  
MINUTES- JUNE 21, 2011**

Mayor Booker called the meeting to order at 7:00 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. Scott Kercher arrived at 7:05 PM, Mr. John McElwee, Mr. Joseph Pullion, Mayor Darrell Booker (Committee Members)

Also present: Mrs. Linda Dougherty, Municipal Clerk/Administrator (Public and Closed), Mr. William Kearns, Township Solicitor (Public and Closed) and Tanyika Johns, Deputy Clerk (Public)

**DISCUSSION(S)/PRESENTATION(S):**

**PROCLAMATION:**

Mayor Booker presented the proclamation to Master Mathew R. Jennings, Boy Scouts of America, Troop No. 24, in recognition of Boys Scout Court of Honor on June 25, 2011

Mr. Pullion will represent the Edgewater Park Township Committee at the Honor Court.

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park acknowledges that Mathew R. Jennings is a member of Boy Scouts of America, Troop No. 24 of Beverly and Edgewater Park NJ; and

**WHEREAS**, Mathew R. Jennings became a Boy Scout and has followed the Boy Scout commandment of being prepared, trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Jennings presented his Eagle Scout Project to the Edgewater Park Township Committee on June 1, 2010 which entailed the painting of house numbers on curbs to assist the police department and emergency services; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Jennings worked with the Chief of Police, the Township Engineer and the Township Administrator advising as to the uniformity and clarity of the numbering

method and paint; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee recognizes that Mathew R. Jennings has earned the rank of Eagle Scout and is being recognized by the Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Saturday, June 25, 2011, at the United Beverly Methodist Church at 2:00PM; and

**WHEREAS**, this distinctive honor deserves the community's recognition and appreciation.

**BE IT NOW PROCLAIMED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, that Mathew R. Jennings is hereby congratulated on his outstanding achievement of attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Moved by: Mrs. Belgard Second: Mr. Pullion

Hearing no discussion:

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

**APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS:** None

## **REPORTS**

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

### **Domestic Animals Draft Ordinance**

Upon discussion Township Committee discussed the following changes:

1. 6.08.100 A. Not more than four dogs or four cats shall be allowed in any residence or any combination thereof not exceeding four.
2. 6.08.100 A Change three months to ninety days.
3. 6.08.100 A. The cost of the permit fee shall be \$100.00
4. 6.08.030 A. Increase the dog fee by \$5.00
5. 6.09.050 .....from another state location shall apply.....
6. 6.08-080....Change Cats to Dogs
7. Introduction in August and Public hearing at the second meeting in September.
8. Place in the Beverly Bee for September

*There Were No Other Reports*

## **REPORT ACCEPTANCE**

Moved by: Mrs. Belgard Second: Mr. McElwee

Hearing no discussion:

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

**AUTHORIZATIONS/CONSIDERATIONS: NONE**

## **RAFFLE/FUNCTION APPLICATIONS:**

All matters listed under items # 8 Raffle/Function Applications are considered to be routine and will be enacted with a single motion on a consent agenda. Any item requiring consideration by separate roll call vote will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Consent Agenda items will be reflected in full in the minutes.

Moved by: Mr. Pullion Second: Mrs. Belgard

Hearing no discussion:

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

**Raffle Applications:**

Raffle License No.: 2011-5A; Kathy Hammond for PTA Burlington City High School  
Request for 50/50 cash prize for function at 4303 Rte 130 S, 45<sup>th</sup> Street Pub on 7/12/11  
Request waiver of \$20.00 Township fee, non-profit organization filed; A letter is on file  
From the Chief of Police advising that there is nothing in the background check that would  
preclude Committee from considering the permit application

Raffle License No.: 2011-5B; Kathy Hammond for PTA Burlington City High School  
Request for Chinese Auction for function at 4303 Rte 130 S, 45<sup>th</sup> Street Pub on 7/12/11  
Request waiver of \$20.00 Township fee, non-profit organization filed; A letter is on file  
from the Chief of Police advising that there is nothing in the background check that would  
preclude Committee from considering the permit application

**Public Functions: NONE**

**Solicitor's Permit: NONE**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2011-83 through 2011-84 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.

Moved by: Mr. McElwee Second: Mr. Kercher

Upon discussion Mrs. Belgard moved to rescind the consent agenda; Second: Mr. McElwee

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

Mayor Booker-yes

**RESOLUTION NO. 2011-83**

*Resolution of the Township of Edgewater Park Authorizing Environmental Resolutions, Inc to  
Perform Professional Services Regarding the Construction Observation, Engineering Design  
and Contract Administration for Ivy Road and Fern Lane Reconstruction Project*

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park applied for  
and received a NJDOT grant in the amount of \$150,000 for a road reconstruction project at Ivy  
Road and Fern Lane; and

**WHEREAS**, the NJDOT grant permits up to 15% of the contract award amount or  
grant award amount (maximum of \$22,500) for engineer's construction observation;  
engineering design and contract administration are not covered by the grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park also applied  
to Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders under the CDBG program and anticipates  
to receive a grant in the amount of \$65,000 for road reconstruction at Ivy Road and Fern Lane;  
and

**WHEREAS**, Township Committee is desirous of awarding engineering services to  
perform the Construction Observation, Engineering Design and Contract Administration for  
Ivy Road and Fern Lane Project; and

**WHEREAS**, Environmental Resolutions, Inc (ERI), Township Engineer, submitted a  
proposal to Township Committee to perform this service in the amount of \$39,750.00; 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 the Mayor and/or Clerk/Administrator of the Township of Edgewater Park are hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement with Environmental Resolutions, Inc to perform said services.

Moved by: Mr. Pullion

Second: Mr. McElwee

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2011-84**

*Resolution Authorizing Liquor License Renewals for July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012*

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that:

1. Application having been duly made, the following are hereby adjudged to be entitled to the alcoholic beverage license for the licensed premise and the effective date of July 1, 2011:

**PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES - FEE \$2,000.00**

#0312-33-003-005 MMS Restaurant Inc. 4303 Route 130 South

#0312-33-005-005 Kove Catering Inc 4313 Route 130 – Park Plaza

**PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE - FEE \$2,000.00**

#0312-44-002-004 Cramp's Liquor Store, Inc. 4267A S. Route 130  
t/a Cramp's Liquor Store

2. There are no violations against the above referenced licensees.
3. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to sign, issue and deliver license certificates in accordance with the foregoing on behalf of Township Committee.
4. That the Chief of Police has no objection to the renewal of the liquor licenses.
5. Edgewater Park Beverage Associates, Inc., whose mailing address is 46 Newman Springs Road, Red Bank, New Jersey 07701-1531 license has an Inactive License #0312-33-001-006, a Special Ruling from the Director of Alcoholic Beverage Control is required prior to issuance and renewal of license by the Governing Body.
6. Edgewater Park B.P.O. Elks #2550, whose mailing address is 315 Green Street, Edgewater Park, New Jersey 08010 license is a conflict license, approval of renewal has been received from Director of Alcoholic Beverage Control; all applicable fee have been paid to the Township.

Moved by: Mr. Pullion

Second: Mr. Kercher

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

**ORDINANCES: NONE**

**REPORT OF OFFICIALS**

***Committeewoman Belgard:***

Liaison to Senior Advisory:

Mrs. Belgard reported Senior Advisory meetings will resume in September.

Liaison to Planning Board:

Mrs. Belgard reported Planning Board will met last Thursday at 7 PM and approved Bottom Dollar application and the application for the Cramp property taxicab/livery service.

***Committeeman Kercher:***

Liaison to the Environmental:

Mr. Kercher reported at the last meeting the Committee discussed the Woodlake Park plans; an on-site meeting with committee members and ERI to walk the park will be scheduled.

Liaison to the School Board:

Mr. Kercher reported the school board is out and watch the children out playing. The next meeting is June 28, 2011 at 7PM. Jacques' School.

***Committeeman Pullion:***

Liaison to the Redevelopment

Mr. Pullion thanked Mrs. Dougherty for her continued help with the development projects. He further discussed that Bottom Dollar and Edgewater Crossings applications were approved at the Sewer Authority meeting.

***Committeeman McElwee:***

Liaison to EPAA:

Mr. McElwee reported EPAA social went well. The next meeting is July 12<sup>th</sup> at 45<sup>th</sup> Street Pub at 8:30 PM.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Batters' Up tournament will be held on July 9, 2011 at Memorial Field at 9 am and preregistrations required; the event is sponsored by EPAA and the Elk's Lodge.

Liaison to Neighborhood Watch:

Mr. McElwee reported the next meeting is this Thursday at 6:30 PM the Emergency Squad will be giving a presentation on at risk individuals.

***Mayor Booker***

Mr. Booker thanked and acknowledged Mr. McElwee, EPAA and the Elk's Lodge for all their hard work and dedication in bringing events to the community.

Mr. Booker reported for the months of July and August there will be only one meeting, July 19, 2011 and August 16, 2011.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

*Approval of Bills* from June 3, 2011 through June 16, 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

Authorization to pay bills from June 17, 2011 through July 14, 2011

Moved by: Mayor Booker Second: Mr. Pullion

Hearing no discussion:

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

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

*Mr. Dennis Robbins, 9 Crystal Drive*, questioned when the tax bills will be mailed.  
Ms. Johns discussed that we are waiting on the County to finalize their budget.

Mr. Robbins further discussed that there is a vehicle that parks on Forrestal Drive near Route 130 that makes it difficult to maneuver around the vehicle.

*Mr. Noel Rainey, 7 Spring Lane*, stated the problem with the cars is an ongoing problem; resident that lives there has an Ontario tag.

Upon discussion, Township Committee requested that Mr. Painter and Mr. Brian research the situation.

Mr. Noel Rainey, 7 Spring Lane, questioned the progress with the Edgewater Crossings development.

Mr. Pullion discussed that the commercial market is very difficult right now and lease rental spaces are very low; Edgewater Park Crossing is trying to confirm tenants.

**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. 2011-85  
Closed Session***

*Where it is necessary to discuss sale of public property; Block: 1202 Lot 4.01. 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: Mr. Pullion                      Second: Mr. Kercher                      Time: 7:55 PM

Hearing no discussion:

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

**THERE WAS NO OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

Moved by: Mrs. Belgard                      Second: Mr. McElwee                      Time: 9:36 PM

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

*Linda M. Dougherty*

Linda M. Dougherty, RMC/Administrator