BOROUGH OF HAMPTON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 14, 2016

Council President Baker called the Regular Meeting of the Hampton Borough Council to order at 7:30 p.m. The flag salute was observed. Council President Baker gave the Open Public Meetings Act Statement. The Annual Notice was posted and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call:

Present:

Cm Bob Baker

Cm John Drummond

Cm Doug Rega

Cm Carroll Swenson

Cm Rob Wotanowski

Absent:

Mayor James Cregar

Cm Jeff Tampier

The following people were also present: Kathy Olsen, Chief Financial Officer, Alan Brower, Director of Public Works, Frank Klemser, Municipal Violations/Code Enforcement Officer and Mike Jones, Hampton School Administrator.

The minutes of the February 22, 2016 Regular and Executive Session Minutes were approved as presented by the Municipal Clerk.

Comments and Questions from the Public: Robert Riviera, Bethlehem Township resident and owner of the Harrier Group Company (host of our website since its inception) located in New Jersey addressed the Council regarding an incident that occurred on March 9, 2016 concerning parking in front of the bay door of the firehouse. Mr. Riviera as well as Mr. Klemser, Municipal Violations/Code Enforcement Officer spoke concerning the incident. As a result, Mr. Riviera informed the Council that as a matter of principal, he will no longer provide his service or his company's service to the borough. These services had been at no charge to the borough. Mr. Riviera further offered that he will allow us 30 days to move our website from his server. If it is not removed after 30 days, he will remove our documents and the website.

Communications: Email communication between Hampton resident Chris Nagle, Hampton Tax Collector and the Municipal Clerk regarding Mr. Nagle's request for reminders to be sent to residents for the payment of property taxes. The Municipal Clerk offered that the next due date for the second quarter property tax payment is May 1st and that this information is in the upcoming edition of the newsletter.

The proposed Final Judgment of Compliance in Haberman v. Borough of Hampton, Docket No. HNT-L-6527-81 was received from Archer & Greiner, Attorneys for Mr. Haberman.

Gebhardt & Kiefer, acknowledged receiving the proposed Final Judgment of Compliance, Docket No. L-6527-81. Mr. Cushing, Borough Attorney, Gebhardt & Kiefer has requested that the time frame of five days from the receipt of the document for comments from the borough be extended until March 30, 2016. Cm Baker advised that he received word that the Judge has agreed to an extension through to March 23, 2016 for comments from the borough.

Old Business: Hampton Public School Administrator, Mike Jones came before the Council to further explain the application for the use of the borough park for a fundraising event for the school. The application was tabled from the February 8, 2016 Council Meeting. The Hampton School would like to hold a circus in the park. Mr. Jones offered that the circus main tent will hold up to 1,200 people. The

Kelly Miller Circus is based out of Oklahoma. The circus will provide public liability insurance, clean up from people and animals, additional bathroom facilities, tents, seats, equipment and their own generator. They will need access to water near the grounds and a container for trash/manure. They will pick it up but the school will need to dispose of it. Following a lengthy discussion, it was determined that the date of June 28, 2016 will be held for the school. Mr. Jones will need to provide the insurance information for the borough professionals to review. Information regarding how security would be provided, parking of the circus trucks, spectators vehicles, exact placement of the big circus tent will still need to be considered. This request for the circus will be further reviewed by the Council.

William Burr, Borough Engineer is requesting Council's approval to advertise the bid specifications for the generator for the Municipal Building/Firehouse. Motion by Cm Swenson second by Cm Rega to authorize the Borough Engineer to advertise the bid specifications for the generator. Roll Call Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Reports of Committees: Cm Drummond deferred his report to Alan Brower, CPWM. Mr. Brower reported that 5 tons of cold patch is being used to repair potholes. General maintenance is being done at the DPW garage. One of the garage doors as well as a section of gutter has been repaired. Two water leaks to service lines have been repaired. Meter replacements is ongoing and work on catch basins will be taking place. The hours for the DPW employees has been an improvement in the work that is able to be completed during the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Cm Baker reported that the draft Final Judgment of Compliance has been received. Mr. Cushing will review and compare to what has been provided. Any response from our Council, Mayor, and Planning Board Officials will need to be provided to Judge Buchsbaum by March 23, 2016 per the Judge.

Cm Wotanowksi had nothing to report at this time.

Cm Rega reported that the Planning Board will be working on the Master Plan and reviewing our cell tower ordinance. The Planning Board will also like to review our zoning to help the borough to keep current with any issues or concerns. The Planning Board has been assured that financing for the review of the cell tower ordinance and review of the Master Plan will be provided.

Cm Rega, as our Council liaison to the school, will work with Mr. Jones, Hampton School Administrator in trying to organize the proposed circus that the school is hoping to host in the borough park in June.

Cm Swenson had nothing to report at this time.

New Business: Motion by Cm Drummond second by Cm Swenson to introduce on first reading and to include the cost of advertising the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 01-2016 CAP BANK ORDINANCE Roll Call Vote: All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Cm Wotanowski second by Cm Drummond to introduce on first reading the 2016 Municipal Budget. The public hearing and second reading will be held on April 11, 2016 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Roll Call Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Motion cy Cm Rega second by Cm Wotanowski to approve the application for a Raffle License from the Hampton Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary for a raffle to be held on October 13, 2016. Voice Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Bills and Claims: Motion by Cm Rega second by Cm Wotanowksi to approve the payment of the bills and claims as presented by the Chief Financial Officer. Roll Call Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Cm Drummond second by Cm Swenson to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 40-16 EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PERSONNEL AND CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS Voice Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Executive Session began at 8:18 p.m.

Motion by Cm Wotanowski second by Cm Rega to return to the Regular Meeting. Voice Vote: All ayes, motion carried. Returned to the Regular Meeting at 9:08 p.m.

Motion by Cm Rega second by Cm Swenson to hire Albert Schwartz as a part-time laborer at the current rate as established in the 2015 Salary Resolution. Roll Call Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Hampton Borough Council was made by Cm Swenson second by Cm Drummond. Voice Vote: All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Drummond, RMC

Municipal Clerk