

SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting
November 12, 2019

The meeting of the Southampton Township Committee was held on November 12, 2019 at the Robert L. Thompson Building, 5 Retreat Road, Southampton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Mayor James Young at 7:30 PM and followed by a salute to the Flag of the United State of America.

A roll call confirmed those Committee members who were present, which included Deputy Mayor Elizabeth Rossell, Committeeman Ronald Heston, Committeeman Bill Raftery, Committeeman Mikulski and Mayor James F. Young, Sr.

The Municipal Clerk/Administrator read the following statement: Public Notice of the meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given by the Township in the following manner: Posting a copy of the agenda on the bulletin board in the municipal building; Filing a copy of the agenda with the Central Record and the Burlington County Times; Filing a copy of the agenda in the office of the Municipal Clerk. Mailing written notice to each person who has requested copies of the regular meeting schedule.

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting and Executive — October 15, 2019

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS: Best Practices scored 43% - no state aid withheld

ORDINANCES:

First Reading & Introduction

Ordinance 2019-05

An Ordinance to Amend & Supplement Chapter 12, Section 2.3 Entitled Definitions & Section 5.6 Entitled Fences

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeeman Raftery seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

First Reading & Introduction

Ordinance 2019-08

An Ordinance of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, Appropriating \$150,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund to Repair and Pave Various Township Roads

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2019-103

Resolution Appointing Risk Management Consultant Burlington County Joint Insurance Fund

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2019-104

Resolution Authorizing Budget Transfers

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2019-105

Resolution Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property of Southampton Township

Committeeman Raftery made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2019- 106

Resolution Requesting Permission for the Dedication by Rider for Abandoned Property Maintenance Emergency Demolition Fund for Southampton Township Required by the Division of Local Government Services

Committeeman Raftery made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2019- 107

Resolution Requesting Permission for the Dedication by Rider for a Flexible Spending Account for Southampton Township Required by the Division of Local Government Services

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Committeeman Raftery seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2019-108

Resolution Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Burlington and Southampton Township to Provide Certain Work/Repairs

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Committeeman Raftery seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2019-109

Resolution of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey Performance Bond Release South Jersey Auto Center

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committeeman Raftery - Congratulated Committeeman Mikulski and Deputy Mayor Rossell on being reelected and looking forward to working together again. Suggested naming the Good Farm project Southampton Veteran's Park once completed.

Deputy Mayor Rossell – Reminded everyone that the New Jersey League of Municipalities is scheduled for the week of November 17. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Committeeman Mikulski – Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Committeeman Heston - Congratulated Committeeman Mikulski and Deputy Mayor Rossell on their reelection and looking forward to working together.

Mayor Young – Congratulated Committeeman Mikulski and Deputy Mayor Rossell on their reelection. Tree Lighting will be on December 6th at 6:30pm and the Christmas Concert December 14th from 7:00pm to 9:00pm asked public to donate an unwrapped toy.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Members of the public are invited to submit comments during the public comment portion of this meeting. The Committee, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, will not publicly discuss personnel matters and may choose not to respond to comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting; however, the Committee will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all individual complaints to the Township Administrator or appropriate Township Representative for resolution. Each citizen will be allotted up to three (3) minutes to speak, in order to allow everyone an opportunity to express their opinions or concerns.

Mayor Young opened the meeting to the public.

Evie Doherty, 56 Stratford Road – Inquired if Resolution 2019-108 referenced the pipe in Leisuretowne that was put in 2014 that needs attention. Questioned what the status is.

Carolyn Budd, 101 Dorchester Drive. - Asked questions in reference to the status of the Old Telephone Building.

Pat Topham, 450 New Road – Mention the Nitrate dilution ordinance that has been discussed in previous meetings. Enjoys riding through Vincentown to see the open fields and history, asked Committee to keep Southampton the way it is.

Joe Collis, Hampton Lakes Fire – reported the Departments statistics, call and training for the month. Penny Party will be on Saturday at 7:00pm.

No one else from the public portion wishing to be heard the public portion was closed.

Mayor Young presented Stacy Moore, Esq. with a proclamation noting his service to the community. Stacy Moore, Esq. retired after 25 years of service.

ADJOURNMENT 8:15 pm:

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Committeeman Raftery, Deputy Mayor Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine V. Andres, RMC
Township Deputy Clerk