

Formally adopted on April 27, 2010:

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, IN THE
COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, HELD MARCH 23, 2010
IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 7:00 PM.**

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Haddon was convened in the Municipal Building, 135 Haddon Avenue, Westmont, NJ on Tuesday, March 23, 2010, at 7:03 PM.

Mayor Teague requested all stand for the flag salute.

Mayor Teague announced that Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 requires adequate notice of this meeting be provided. This was done by placing Annual Notice in the Courier-Post and Retrospect Newspapers and by posting on two bulletin boards in the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Present
	Commissioner Foley	Present
	Commissioner Dougherty	Present

Stuart Platt, Esq. Greg Fusco, PE, Chief Cavallo, James Stevenson, Jennifer DellaValle, Kate Burns, Lee Palo, Martin Blaskey, Pat Thieringer and Denise P. Adams were also present.

Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held February 23, 2010 be approved, with all members voting in the affirmative.

Mayor Teague announced that they would proceed with several presentations, and then return to the readings of Ordinances and Resolutions.

At the request of Mayor Teague, Commissioner Foley read the Proclamations Recognizing and Acknowledging the Petrilli Family and Designating the Month of April as National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Month and welcomed and commended the Petrelli Family for all their dedication and hard work to help those in need. Representatives from the Gift of Life House were also on hand to accept the proclamation on National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Month.

Mayor Teague presented a Certificate of Excellence to Tori King, a junior at Haddon Township High School, who will have one of her ceramic pieces on display at the NCECA Conference to be held in Philadelphia. He congratulated Tori for such an achievement and noted that her artwork was selected from over 1,100 national submissions.

At the request of the Mayor, the Clerk read the following Ordinance by title:

**#1251 – ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, COUNTY
OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE
PURCHASE OF CERTAIN LANDS FROM 212 HADDON INC., AND
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL DOCUMENTS
NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT SAID PURCHASE.**

Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the public hearing on the Ordinance would be open at this time, with all members voting in the affirmative.

There being no discussion on the matter, Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the hearing be closed. Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the Ordinance be adopted as amended and recorded in the Ordinance Book for the Commissioners to sign.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Aye
	Commissioner Foley	Aye
	Commissioner Dougherty	Aye

At the request of the Mayor, the Clerk read the following Ordinance by title:

#1252 – ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN LANDS FROM COMMONWEALTH REAL ESTATE INVESTORS/MEDIA REAL ESTATE, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT SAID PURCHASE.

Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the public hearing on the Ordinance would be open at this time, with all members voting in the affirmative.

There being no discussion on the matter, Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the hearing be closed. Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the Ordinance be adopted as amended and recorded in the Ordinance Book for the Commissioners to sign.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Aye
	Commissioner Foley	Aye
	Commissioner Dougherty	Aye

At the request of the Mayor, the Clerk read the following Ordinance by title:

#1253 – ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 111, FEES, IN THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON.

Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the aforementioned ordinance introduced at this time be approved on the first reading and remain on file with the Clerk for public inspection until the public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which will be on April 27, 2010, in the Municipal Building. The Clerk was further directed to publish said ordinance together with the notice of such hearing in the manner required by law in the Retrospect Newspaper and also to post copies on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building prior to the second reading and make copies available to the general public of the Township who shall request same.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Aye
	Commissioner Foley	Aye
	Commissioner Dougherty	Aye

At the request of the Mayor, the Clerk read the following Ordinance by title:

#1254 – ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 90 “BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT” IN THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON.

Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the aforementioned ordinance introduced at this time be approved on the first reading and remain on file with the Clerk for public inspection until the public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which will be on April 27, 2010, in the Municipal Building. The Clerk was further directed to publish said ordinance together with the notice of such hearing in the manner required by law in the Retrospect Newspaper and also to post copies on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building prior to the second reading and make copies available to the general public of the Township who shall request same.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Aye
	Commissioner Foley	Aye
	Commissioner Dougherty	Aye

At the request of the Mayor, the Clerk read the following Ordinance by title:

#1255 – ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING SECTION 40 OF CHAPTER 142 “ZONING – SIGNS” IN THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON.

The Clerk reported that Ordinance #1254 was being presented by Title at this time to allow the Solicitor’s office an opportunity to fine tune and align the Ordinance draft into the proper format. She indicated that a copy would be posted on the Township’s website when received.

Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the aforementioned ordinance introduced at this time be approved on the first reading and remain on file with the Clerk for public inspection until the public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which will be on April 27, 2010, in the Municipal Building. The Clerk was further directed to publish said ordinance together with the notice of such hearing in the manner required by law in the Retrospect Newspaper and also to post copies on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building prior to the second reading and make copies available to the general public of the Township who shall request same.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Aye
	Commissioner Foley	Aye
	Commissioner Dougherty	Aye

Commissioner Dougherty proposed reducing the Overnight Parking Permit Fee from \$50.00 to \$25.00 per vehicle and moved for a first Reading on the Ordinance amendment:

#1256 - ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 223, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, IN THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON

Commissioner Foley seconded the motion that the aforementioned ordinance introduced at this time be approved on the first reading and remain on file with the Clerk for public inspection until the public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which will be on April 27, 2010, in the Municipal Building. The Clerk was further directed to publish said ordinance together with the notice of such hearing in the manner required by law in the Retrospect Newspaper and also to post copies on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building prior to the second reading and make copies available to the general public of the Township who shall request same.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Aye
	Commissioner Foley	Aye
	Commissioner Dougherty	Aye

The following resolutions were approved by consent agenda, with a motion by Commissioner Foley, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty, all members affirmatively concurring:

- #2010-042 – Bill Resolution (payment of claims)
- #2010-043 – Authorizing the Tax/Utility Collector to Process Posting Corrections and Various Other Adjustments and Deductions
- #2010-044 – Appropriation Reserves Transfer
- #2010-045– Award Contract Extension Under the Camden County Cooperative Purchasing System for the Acquisition of Copy Paper, Computer Paper and Envelopes
- #2010-046 – Urging Support for Interest Arbitration Reform
- #2010-047 – Authorizing an Accelerated Tax Sale
- #2010-048 – Observance of Earth Day 2010
- #2010-049 – Proclaiming Arbor Day 2010
- #2010-050 – 2010 Crystal Lake Pool Admission Charges
- #2010-051 – Authorizing the Acceptance of Supplemental Grant Funding Pursuant to the New Jersey Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund for Lots 19, 27 and 28 of Block 21.06 in a Redevelopment Area (\$192,283)
- #2010-052 – Approval of Change Order No. 1 for Purchase of Water Main Pipe Materials and Fittings (no change in contract amount)
- #2010-053 – Authorizing the Issuance of Request for Lease for Purpose of Installing Cellular Facilities

- and Equipment on the Briarwood Standpipe
#2010-054 – Authorizing the Issuance of Request for Lease to Operate the Crystal Lake Pool Concession Stand
#2010-055 – Proclamation Designating the Month of March as “Women’s History Month”
#2010-056 – Proclamation Designating the Month of April as National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Month
#2010-057 – Proclamation Recognizing and Acknowledging the Petrilli Family

OTHER BUSINESS

Raffle License #3-2010 and #4-2010 for the PTA, James Stoy School and Raffle License #5-2010 for PTO & Alumni Association of Paul VI School were presented and approved with a motion by Commissioner Foley, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty, all members voting in the affirmative.

The Clerk reported that bids had been received for Opening/Closing and Maintenance of Crystal Lake Pool with one bid received from Finkel & Davino. She indicated that the submission was non-compliant in that it did not contain the required bid security and other documents. It was noted that the Engineer had recommended the bid be rejected and Mr. Stevenson be authorized to solicit quotes for the service. Commissioner Foley moved to reject the bid from Finkel and Davino as non-compliant, said motion seconded by Commissioner Dougherty, all members affirmatively concurring.

Commissioner Foley moved to authorize the Clerk to advertise the following projects for bid, said motion seconded by Commissioner Dougherty, all members voting in the affirmative:

- General Street Repaving and Reconstruction of Ivywood Avenue
- Request for Proposals – Towing Services

The following reports were presented and ordered filed:

Revenue Report for the Month of February 2010

Budget Status Report for February 2010

Construction Official’s Report for February 2010

Tax Collector’s Report for Month of February 2010

Mayor Teague opened the floor for thoughts or concerns to be brought before the Board.

Sue Discher, 201 Lees Lane, congratulated the Mayor and Commissioners for working up a Municipal Budget that proposes no local tax increase for 2010.

Mary Berko, 445 W. Crystal Lake Avenue, requested clarification on the accelerated tax sale. Mayor Teague reported that it was the Township’s goal to collect 100% of taxes and requested the Tax Collector to explain the process. Jennifer DellaValle explained that the accelerated tax sale would take place at the end of the year, with any delinquent 2010 taxes being included and indicated that third party vendors bid on the unpaid taxes.

Mike Verdi, 200 Stratford Avenue, shared in Ms. Discher’s sentiments with regard to the Governing Body’s proposal to hold the tax rate for 2010. He reported that the Senior Gala event was scheduled for April 25 and urged residents to purchase their tickets soon. He explained that there were a limited number available and they were going quickly.

Commissioner Dougherty reported on the a recent ruling received by Labor Counsel on the Hearing Officer’s recommendations relative to a disciplinary action that had been instituted by the Township and moved for adoption of a resolution accepting and implementing the recommendations immediately. The following resolution was subsequently approved, with a motion by Commissioner Dougherty, seconded by Commissioner Foley, all members voting in the affirmative:

- #2010-059 – Accepting and Implementing the Recommendations of the Hearing Officer in a Disciplinary Action brought by the Township of Haddon.

Regular session items having been addressed, Commissioner Foley moved to approve the following Resolution to go into Closed Session, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty, all members affirmatively concurring:

- #2010-058 – Closed Executive Session

Closed session items having been addressed, Commissioner Foley moved to return to the regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty, all members voting in the affirmative.

Stuart Platt proposed that a resolution be adopted to initiate the actions discussed in closed session.

The following Resolution was approved with a motion by Commissioner Foley, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty, all members affirmatively concurring:

#2010-060 – Authorize the Solicitor’s Office to Represent the Township of Haddon in Litigation Know as Edwin Miller v. Haddon Township, et al. and Providing for the Defense and Indemnification of Lee Palo and Larry Orcutt Pursuant to Chapter 38 of the Code of the Township of Haddon.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Foley moved, seconded by Commissioner Dougherty that the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 PM with both members voting in the affirmative.

March 23, 2010

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Denise P. Adams, Municipal Clerk

Randall W. Teague, Mayor

John C. Foley, Commissioner

Paul Dougherty, Commissioner

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Stuart Platt reported on three pending lawsuits/claims:

Cella v. Haddon Township – Mayor Teague suggested reaching out to Mr. Cella's attorney to discuss settlement options.

Powell v. Haddon Township – Federal suit that has been assigned by the Municipal Excess Joint Insurance Fund to John Gillespie, Esq. to represent the Township.

Miller v. Haddon Township – Scibal/JIF denied coverage and has been referred to the Municipal Excess Joint Insurance Fund for further determination. The Township may wish to assign special counsel or have his office represent the Township and the employees named. Indemnification of the employees was further discussed. He reported that residents were urging the Township to take action to enforce the Planning Board's decision with regard to removal of the structure.