

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON
October 15, 2019
7:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Randall W. Teague called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

FLAG SALUTE: Mayor Teague led in the salute to the flag.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Teague read the following statement, "Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 requires that adequate notice of this meeting be provided. Notices of this meeting have been transmitted to the Courier Post and Retrospect Newspapers and posted on the bulletin boards in the municipal building."

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	present
	Commissioner Mulroy	excused
	Commissioner Linhart	present

Present: Alen Arnautovic, Esq., Municipal Solicitor; Mr. Fusco, Municipal Engineer; James Steveson, Township Public Works Director; Lee Palo, Zoning Official; Kate Burns, BID/Civil Celeration Coordinator and Chief Mark Cavallo, Haddon Township PD.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- MINUTES OF CAUCUS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FEBRUARY 19, 2019
- MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MAY 21, 2019
- MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JULY 23, 2019
- MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUGUST 27, 2019
- MINUTES OF CAUCUS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SEPTEMBER 17, 2019

Commissioner Linhart motioned to approve meeting minutes listed on caucus agenda. Motion was seconded by Mayor Teague and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

ORDINANCES:

SECOND READING/FINAL ADOPTION

- ORDINANCE #1401 AMENDING SALARIES AND WAGES OF EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON

Commissioner Linhart read by title and motioned to open the public hearing. Motion was seconded by Mayor Teague and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Hearing no comments from the public, Mayor Teague motioned to close the public hearing, seconded by Commissioner Linhart and hearing none opposed, motion was carried. Commissioner Linhart motioned to adopt on second reading, seconded by Mayor Teague and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Teague; Linhart. Absent: Mulroy.

RESOLUTIONS:

- RESOLUTION #2019-123 AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL CLERK TO ADVERTISE AND ACCEPT QUALIFICATIONS FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020
- RESOLUTION #2019-124 AUTHORIZING TAX EXEMPTION FOR BLOCK 6.01, .LOT 15

DISABLED VETERAN STATUS

- RESOLUTION #2019-125 AUTHORIZING SUASION MARKETING TO PEFORM PUBLIC RELATIONS ACTIVITIES FOR THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000.00
- RESOLUTION #2019-126 AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON TO HOST A STRONG TOWNS EVENT

Commissioner Linhart motioned to approve Resolutions #2019-123 - #2019-126. Motion was seconded by Mayor Teague and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

REPORTS:

Engineering Report – Engineering Report on file.

Public Works – New playground in the Collingwoods Hts Extension has been completed; Leaf collection has started, asking resident to leaf and grass clipping on curb for collection.

Zoning – Construction and Zoning office busy and all are collectively working on the Master Plan revision

Civil Celebration & Business Improvement District – Music Festival on October 20, 2019 with great line of bands. Westmont Lion Parade on October 30, 2020 7:30 PM, sign-up are available online; Calender is in editing and will be sent to the Governing Body for approval. All the Christmas Decoration has been ordered for Haddon Ave and Municipal Building. BID- There are several new business coming into the area.

Environmental & Historical Center - Historical Society Open House on October 19, 2019 12pm – 3pm
People and Face of Haddon

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Teague motioned to floor for public comment, seconded by Commissioner Linhart and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Discussion: Westmont Ave and Flooding Issues. Mayor Teague gave a brief summary of the issues and what the Township can and cannot do to remediate the problem. Mayor Teague and Municipal Engineer view the site and Municipal Engineer has starting his report and is pursuing concerns with NJDEP to see if assistance is available before the report can be finalized. One of the issue of concerns is the amount of debris that is blocking the water flow of the stream. Blockage of culverts, down trees across the stream and dumping of junk/trash and the deterioration stream bank the is redistributing sediment down stream. With the frequency of storms and heavy stormwater runoff contributes to flooding and overflow issues with the sewer system. According to the Tax Map residential property line goes to the center of the stream. Because the area is not Township owned property the Township does not have access to the stream. To be able to assist the property owners a temporary Consent to Enter Agreement granting the Township permission to cross and enter the property would need to be initiated. Diligence in maintaining the stormdrain inlet keeping them clear of debris. Sewer System: High amounts of rain is causing the water to run into open Schuster vents and gridded manhole, which is causing the sewer system overflow and the backup of sewerage in areas. Mayor Teague requested residents that have

their sump-pumps discharging into the sewer system to removed them as this also contributes to the overflow of the sewer system.

John Marthaler, 210 Westmont Ave – The fenced off culvert area would be a good starting point. Because of vegetation growth that is blocking the opening and any debris is hard to see because of the fenced off area. Mr. Marthaler requested if the Township could clean-out the opening. Mayor Teague stated a survey is needed to determine the access points and if none exist a permanent easement instead of temporary consent would need to be obtained to clear the culvert on a regular cycle. Another concerns is the bend and angle of sewer pipes causing backflow.

Gennie Marcin, 200 Chestnut Ave – Ms. Marcin ask about expanding culverts? Municipal Engineer, Grey Fusco started the culverts are regulated by the NJDEP and permission is needed on any project that involve the culverts. Ms. Marcin asked about the stormdrain inlet on Glennwood and Westmont Ave. where is enter the stream has broken pipe and the cement pad that disperse the water has broken up and is causing the ground and stream bank to fall away around the pipe.

Bob Janes, 206 Chestnut Ave - Mr. Janes inquired what can the residents do to help and would a written engineer report be available to the residents? Mayor Teague stated any debris that the property owner could remove would be very helpful. The engineer report will be available to resident once completed.

Karen Bernardi, 206 Chestnut Ave – Ms. Bernardi stated there was an obnoxious odor coming from the sewer vent in front of her house, what can be done to stop the smell? Mayor Teague stated homeowners could replace with sealed vent covers to help with the smell.

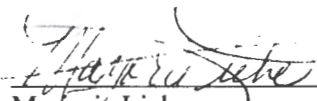
John Maguire, 204 Chestnut Ave – Mr. Maguire stated the sewer manhole odor is a constant smell. Mayor Teague will have manhole cameraed to identify the problem.


Mayor Teague thanked the resident for coming. Request Ms. Marcin or Ms. Bernardi be the neighbors contact persons for a tentative follow up meeting in the new year.

Hearing no further comments from the public, Mayor Teague motioned to close the floor to the public, seconded by Commissioner Linhart and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

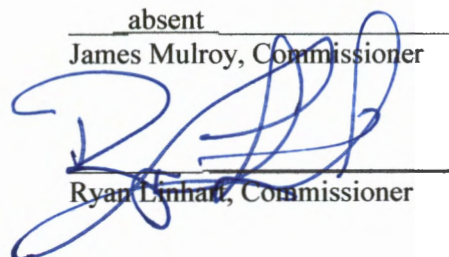
ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Teague motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Linhart and hearing none opposed, motion was carried. Meeting adjourned 7:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted


Marjorie Liebe,
Deputy Municipal Clerk

BY: 
Randall W. Teague, Mayor

absent
James Mulroy, Commissioner


Ryan Linhart, Commissioner

APPROVED: 112619