

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, IN THE
COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, HELD APRIL 27, 2021
IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 7 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, April 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

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 the bulletin boards of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Present
	Commissioner Mulroy	Present
	Commissioner Linhart	Present

Greg Fusco, PE, James Stevenson, DPW, and Stuart Platt, Esq. were present.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Mulroy moved, seconded by Commissioner Linhart that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 be approved, with all members voting in the affirmative.

ORDINANCES:

SECOND READING:

#1415 – ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HADDON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING 180-DAY EXTENSION OF INTERIM ZONING, PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE #1413, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:55D-90(b), TO ALLOW FOR ISSUANCE OF ZONING PERMITS, EFFECTIVE FOR A TIME PERIOD OF 180 DAYS, TO PERMIT TEMPORARY OUTDOOR RESTAURANT SEATING AND RETAIL OUTDOOR DISPLAY SALES AREAS AT EXISTING LAWFUL BUSINESSES, SUBJECT TO BULK ZONING AND CONSTRUCTION CODE REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER OUTSIDE AGENCY APPROVALS

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE #1415:

Commissioner Mulroy moved, seconded by Commissioner Linhart 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 Mulroy moved, seconded by Commissioner Linhart that the hearing be closed. Commissioner Mulroy moved, seconded by Commissioner Linhart that the Ordinance be adopted and recorded in the Ordinance Book for the Commissioners to sign.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Aye
	Commissioner Mulroy	Aye
	Commissioner Linhart	Aye

FIRST READING/INTRODUCTION:

The following Ordinance was read by title:

#1416 – Calendar Year 2021 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank

Commissioner Linhart moved, seconded by Commissioner Mulroy 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 May 25, 2021, 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 Mulroy	Aye
	Commissioner Linhart	Aye

The following Ordinance was read by title:

#1417 – Bond Ordinance Authorizing Various Capital Improvements and the Acquisition of Capital Equipment in and for the Township of Haddon, County of Camden, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$1,440,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the Township of Haddon, County of Camden, New Jersey, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Up to \$1,368,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing

Commissioner Linhart moved, seconded by Commissioner Mulroy 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 May 25, 2021, 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 Mulroy	Aye
	Commissioner Linhart	Aye

The following Ordinance was read by title:

#1418 – Bond Ordinance Authorizing Various Water and Sewer Improvements in and for the Township of Haddon, County of Camden, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$1,020,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the Township of Haddon, County of Camden, New Jersey, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Up to \$1,020,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing

Commissioner Linhart moved, seconded by Commissioner Mulroy 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 May 25, 2021, 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 Mulroy Aye
Commissioner Linhart Aye

The following Ordinance was read by title:

#1419 – Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Capital Equipment for Police and the Fire Marshal’s Office in and for the Township of Haddon, County of Camden, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$410,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the Township of Haddon, County of Camden, New Jersey, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Up to \$389,500; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing

Commissioner Linhart moved, seconded by Commissioner Mulroy 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 May 25, 2021, 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 Mulroy Aye
Commissioner Linhart Aye

BUDGET RESOLUTIONS (Public Hearing May 25, 2021):

RESOLUTION #2021-044

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2021 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AND WATER SEWER OPERATING BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statement of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the local Budget of the Township of Haddon, Camden County, New Jersey for the year 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said budget be published in the Retrospect Newspaper on May 7, 2021 and that a hearing on the Budget will be held at the Municipal Building on May 25, 2021 at 7 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

Resolution #2021-044, Introduction of the 2021 Municipal Budget and Water Sewer Operating Budget was approved with a motion by Commissioner Linhart, seconded by Commissioner Mulroy.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Teague Aye
Commissioner Mulroy Aye
Commissioner Linhart Aye

RESOLUTION #2020-045

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2021 BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statement of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the Business Improvement District Budget of the Township of Haddon, Camden County, New Jersey for the year 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said budget be published in the Retrospect Newspaper on May 7, 2021 and that a hearing on the Business Improvement District Budget will be held on May 25, 2021 at 7 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

Resolution #2021-045, Introduction of the 2021 Business Improvement District Budget was approved with a motion by Commissioner Linhart, seconded by Commissioner Mulroy.

ROLL CALL:	Mayor Teague	Aye
	Commissioner Mulroy	Aye
	Commissioner Linhart	Aye

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolutions were approved by consent agenda, Resolution #2021-046 through Resolution #2021-060 inclusive, with a motion by Commissioner Mulroy, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members affirmatively concurring:

- #2021-046 - Bill Resolution
- #2021-047 – Authorizing Temporary Summer Hours with Start Date Determined by Opening of State
- #2021-048 – Authorizing Place to Place Transfer of Liquor License #0416-33-013-015 (The Tap Room)
- #2021-049 - Certification of 2021 Municipal Budget for Local Review
- #2021-050 – Authorization to Cancel Outstanding Checks for the Municipal Court Accounts
- #2021-051 - Authorizing the Haddon Township Police Department to Purchase Certain Goods and Equipment Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-602
- #2021-052 – Proclamation Declaring the First Friday in June to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day
- #2021-053 – Approving a Contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc for the Purchase of Body Worn Cameras and Services Through State Contract
- #2021-054 – Governing Body Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission’s “Enforcement Guidance on Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964”
- #2021-055 – Authorizing Refund of Various Tax Overpayments
- #2021-056 – Awarding Contract to Ambient Group for Contaminated Soil Remediation and Related Construction at the Haddon Township Municipal Building
- #2021-057 – Approval of Change Order No. 2 for Crystal Lake Pool A.D.A. Site Improvements
- #2021-058 – Rescinding Resolution #2020-168 and Appointing Members to the Chicken Advisory Board
- #2021-059 – Approval of Change Order No. 2 for the 2020 Capital Improvement Project
- #2021-060 – Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Application for Year 2020

OTHER BUSINESS:

The following Raffle License Applications have been approved with a motion by Commissioner Mulroy, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members affirmatively concurring:

- RA#2021-04 – Haddon Township Education Foundation for 9/24/21 – 50/50
- RA#2021-05 – Haddon Township Education Foundation for 9/24/21 – Merchandise Draw
- RA#2021-06 – Mike Arizzi Memorial Fund Inc. for June 11, 2021 – Off Premise 50/50
- RA#2021-07 – Mike Arizzi Memorial Fund Inc. for June 11, 2021 – Off Premise Merchandise Draw
- RA#2021-08 – PTA Clyde Jennings School for June 5, 2021 – 50/50
- RA#2021-09 – PTA Clyde Jennings School for June 5, 2021 – Merchandise Draw

The following 29 Business License Applications are approved as they are listed below with a motion by Commissioner Mulroy, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members affirmatively concurring:

1. Bruno's Restaurant – 509 Hopkins
2. Best Nail & Spa – 682 W Cuthbert Blvd
3. Green Valley Tennis Club – 429 W Crystal Lake
4. Chalet Beauty Salon – 2902 Mt. Ephraim Ave
5. Capital Pizza – 615 White Horse Pike
6. Red Barn Books – 600 Rt 130 S.
7. Tire Corral of America – 3114 Mr. Ephraim Ave
8. No. 1 Chinese Kitchen – 413 W. Crystal Lake Ave
9. NJS Sales Corp. – 2840 Mt. Ephraim Ave
10. Little Joey's Restaurant – Dinics – 310 Black Horse Pike
11. South Jersey Body Shop – 218 Crescent Blvd
12. 3100 Wing Shing Chinese Restaurant – 3100 Mt. Ephraim Ave
13. The Tap Room - Crystal Lake Associates LLC – 427 W Crystal Lake Ave
14. Edwards News Agency – 605 Crescent Blvd
15. More than Just Cuts and Curls – 3106 Mt. Ephraim Av
16. Elmer's Auto Body Inc. - 201-207 US Hwy Rt 130 (Crescent Blvd)
17. Tiny Treasurers Learning Academy – 200 Emerald Avenue
18. Barb's Harley Davidson – 926 Black Horse Pike
19. Best Bails Z& spa salon – 682 W Cuthbert Blvd.
20. Sgt. Scrap – 610 US Hwy Rt 130 S
21. Speedy's Liquor Inc – 3200 Mt. Ephraim Ave
22. Brown & Connery LLP – 360 Haddon Avenue
23. 7-11 Store – 316 W Cuthbert Blvd
24. Cook's Liquors – 26 Haddon Avenue
25. Greenlight Auto Specialist Corp – 795 White Horse Pike
26. Computer Methods Corp – 320 Haddon Avenue
27. HC Salon NJ – Hair Cuttery – 32 Haddon Avenue
28. Speed Gas – 50 Haddon Avenue
29. Urbano Electric – 223 Highland Avenue

Report from Chicken Advisory Committee Chair:

Susan Passante, 14 Hampton Road – The following is the report as presented by Ms. Passante, Chair of the Chicken Advisory Board -This is the annual report for 2020 Chicken Advisory Board. The Program continues to thrive with the support of Mayor Teague, Commissioner Mulroy, Commissioner Linhart and Dawn Pennock. There are currently 91 hens within 22 households. This represents a 14% increase in hens over the course of 2020. Average hens per household is 4. During the year a few households decided not to renew due to illness and relocation. We had two new participants in the class in May. In January 2020, we ran a campaign to remind participants to renew their licenses. For 2021, this year, we fell behind, and we did not get our licenses renewed by the February 28th cutoff. However, as of today, all our 22 households are renewed and we'll make a commitment that in the Fall we will start this a lot earlier so that we don't have all this backlog and create all this work for Dawn and a lot of unnecessary email. Also due to the pandemic, the required class, Raising Back Their Chickens in the Suburbs was converted to a virtual format, participants were given an online test to pass in order to obtain their Certificate of Completion and

this program which was developed by Gwenne is offered to not only Haddon Township but our surrounding towns. The Board received a single complaint submitted to Haddon Township Compliance Officer in late March 2020. A member of the Board, myself, performed a site inspection of the property along with the chicken owner. No violations of the Ordinance were found. In April 2020 results of the site inspection were reported back to the Compliance Officer. The complaint was deemed to be unfounded. There have been no other complaints since the program started in 2015. We have our assignments each month, a board member is responsible to be on call should there be any complaints. Due to the pandemic, the Board held a virtual meeting in April and October, and we invite program participants, which is nice. The next board meeting was April 19th, we had that program, participants are invited along with Commissioner Mulroy and we invite the Oaklyn Group to participate with us. The Board will continue to monitor guidelines from meeting in person, the full meeting will be October 19th, it will either be virtual or at the Environmental Center. The Pandemic prevented our participation in the Block Party, although we look forward to these events returning and participating in the future. So, in October, we had our Board Elections, for 2021, but just recently our former Chair, Deborah Crabtree had to resign and on April 19th, we elected our new Board Members. Ms. Passante names the members of the Board as they appeared in tonight's Resolution.

REPORTS: None

COMMUNICATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There being no further business on the agenda, Commissioner Mulroy made a motion to open the meeting for public comment; seconded by Mayor Teague, with all members affirmatively concurring:

John Kendall, 120 Washington Avenue – Mr. Kendall came to the meeting to discuss the potholes in the West Collingswood Heights area, specifically on Delaware and New Jersey Avenues. He mentioned an area near the cell tower where two new houses were built that needed paving. Mr. Fusco advised Mr. Kendall that the developer of those houses is responsible for the paving, not the taxpayers. Mayor Teague responded that the Township would look at the potholes. The Mayor stated that the Engineer and DPW evaluate the streets and the worse potholes get done first. Mr. Kendall also inquired about the possibility of a Senior/Community Center in Haddon Township. Mayor Teague responded that if there were a Community/Senior Center, it would have to be a joint venture between the Board of Education and the Township and neither have the funds for that type of project. Mayor Teague pointed out that it's not just about the acquisition of a Community Center but the maintenance, utilities, upkeep, and personnel. If further stated that the Township has an affordable housing obligation and that it the Township's number one priority that will be costly for the Township. Commissioner Mulroy pointed out that Betty Band does a lot of events with the Senior Citizens in town and specially mentioned, Holy Savior, the Audubon Park Gala around Christmastime, and Bingo. Commissioner Linhart agreed that affordable housing is a priority, real estate is not easily obtainable, and that the Community Center requires costs in perpetuity, not just acquisition costs. Mayor Teague further pointed out that many residents are struggling due to the pandemic and cannot afford the cost of a Community Center.

There being no further public comments, Commissioner Mulroy moved to close the meeting for public comment, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members voting in the affirmative.

Commissioner Mulroy moved, seconded by Commissioner Linhart to adopt Resolution #2021-061, with all members affirmatively concurring:

#2021-061 - RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 FOR PERSONNEL MATTERS

Motion made by Commissioner Mulroy to return to the normal business of the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members affirmatively concurring:

Commissioner Mulroy made a motion to approve verbal Resolution #2021-062, Denying all such accrued and paid time to Officer Kevin Hoopes for violation of the Collective Bargaining Agreement which he was a member, seconded by Commissioner Linhart, with all members affirmatively concurring.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Mulroy moved, seconded by Commissioner Linhart that the meeting be adjourned at 7:44 PM, with all members voting in the affirmative.

April 27, 2021

Dawn M. Pennock, Municipal Clerk

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Randall W. Teague, Mayor

James Mulroy, Commissioner

Ryan Linhart, Commissioner