

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER
REGULAR CAUCUS MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2014, 7:00 PM**

MOMENT OF SILENCE & FLAG SALUTE

STATE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

This meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. Notice of this meeting was sent to the Asbury Park Press on December 14, 2013; in addition a copy of notice is posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

	Cradle	Gleason	Handshy	Mosley	Murray	Reevey	Champagne
Present	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Absent							

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution 2014-252 Approving the Governing Body to go into Closed Session for the purpose of discussion Personnel, Attorney-Client Privilege, and Collective Bargaining

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
x		Cradle	x			
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
	x	Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			

Murray motioned to exit Executive Session, Seconded by Cradle.
The Council unanimously affirmed to exit Executive Session.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Toni Petro, 3 Easy St, asked the Governing Body for ideas to increase Halloween and other holiday events for kids.

Mayor Champagne and Councilman Cradle stated they would like to have her participate in both the Special Events Committee and the Recreation Commission.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution 2014-242 Approving the minutes of August 18, 2014 and Executive Session

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
x		Cradle	x			
	x	Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey			x	

ORDINANCES

Ordinance 16-14 Amending and Supplementing Chapter XVI entitled Solid Waste Management (Second Reading)

Councilman Cradle stated that the current ordinance surrounding garbage and Bulk pickup is being revised, and before this Ordinance is passed, he would like to meet with the Public Works and the Recycling Committee so that the next revision encompasses garbage, recycling and Bulk pickup, and presents the information to residents in a way that is easily readable.

Councilman Gleason stated he would like to have a “plain language” section for residents, within the Ordinance so that residents can easily understand the law.

Councilman Cradle motioned to TABLE . The following vote is a vote to Table Ordinance 16-14.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
x		Cradle	x			
	x	Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2014-243 Resolution Authorizing the Municipal Clerk to Advertise for FY 2015 Professional Services

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Cradle	x			
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
	x	Murray	x			
x		Reevey	x			

Resolution 2014-244 Authorizing Borough Engineer to apply for the 2015 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Cradle	x			
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
	x	Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
x		Reevey	x			

Resolution 2014-245 Authorizing the installation of Speed Humps on Belmont Ave, Center Street, Lakeview Drive and Center Street

Councilman Cradle confirmed with the Municipal Engineer that Center Street is a County Street, and the installation of Speed Humps would be contingent on the County’s approval.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
x		Cradle	x			
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
	x	Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			

Resolution 2014-253 Authorizing the promotion of William Kosh and Thomas Femiano to the position of Police Sergeant

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	x	Cradle	x			
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray			x	
x		Reevey	x			

CONSENT AGENDA/PERMISSION

The below listed items are considered to be routine by the Borough of South Toms River and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

After reading the Consent Agenda, the Municipal Clerk stated Resolution 2014-250 would be removed from the Consent Agenda and tabled until a Dog Census Worker was identified.

- Resolution 2014-246 Setting the 2015 Council Meeting Dates
- Resolution 2014-247 Resolution Recognizing September as Hunger Action Month
- Resolution 2014-248 Authorizing the Annual Rabies Vaccination Clinic on January 24, 2015
- Resolution 2014-249 Recognizing September 28, 2014 as World Rabies Day
- REMOVED/TABLED Resolution 2014-250 Authorizing the hiring of a Dog Census worker*
- Resolution 2014-255 Authorizing the purchase of a 1997 Feree Flatbed Trailer from the County of Ocean, Vehicle Services at a price of \$1.00
- Resolution 2014-256 Authorizing Adjustments to 3rd and 4th Quarter Tax Levy and Refunds for Tax Overpayments resulting from Ocean County Tax Appeal Judgement.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
x		Cradle	X			
		Gleason	X			
		Handshy	X			
	X	Mosley	X			
		Murray	X			
		Reevey	X			

VOUCHERS

The Bill List was offered to the public for review. by the Council and CFO.

Councilman Reevey inquired about a Public Works vehicle maintenance bill to gauge the possibility of warranty coverage; however due to its age, the warranty would no longer be in affect.

Resolution 2014-251 Approving payment of Bill List

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Cradle	X			
		Gleason	X			
		Handshy	X			
	X	Mosley	X			
X		Murray	X			
		Reevey	X			

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Champagne announced the Community Heroes event at South Toms River Elementary on Oct 15th, which will honor First Responders. He further stated that he visited the Elementary School, speaking to each classroom on the

importance of altruistic behavior, anti-bullying, and a new initiative called the Big Heart Project. This project asks students to act altruistically, do something nice for someone everyday.

The Municipal Clerk confirmed with Councilman Murrery about 2015 Events and the possibility of including a beer garden at one or more events to fundraise for the the First Aid Squad or Manitou Fire Department.

MONTHLY COMMITTEE & LIAISON REPORTS

Councilman Cradle stated the Public Works and Recycling Committee will be meeting for Bulk pickup revisions to borough ordinance. As a Certified Recycling Coordinator, he visited Island Heights, where they have a dedication location for rigid plastics and televisions. He made notice to increase recycling efforts. The less trash that is placed in the trash, the more the borough saves money.

Councilman Handshy stated he attended the County Recycling Committee along with Councilman Cradle. He also updated the public on efforts to provide better services to Lakeview Crossings residents. The Councilman notified residents that the County Solid Waste department has compass training program which is a two-day class, and at the end, participants would be given a compost container. Interested participants must apply by October 10.

Councilman Murray met with the First Aid and provided an update on their call ratio and monthly report. He further stated he would be speaking with them on a potential generator purchase for their building. The Councilman mentioned that football has started and that teamwork is an essential part of the season.

Mayor Champagne thanked the Public Works and Mr. Petty for keeping the town clean. The town-wide yard sale was a great success, and thanked Laura Ferris for her efforts. It was nice to see all of the hearts associating the Little Town with a Big Heart. Mayor Champagne also mentioned the borough was nominated for the 2014 Governor's Environmental Excellence Award by Save Barnegat Bay.

Councilman Reevey stated the possibility to purchase a new robotic garbage truck in the coming year or two, and would like to see this considered for the 2015 Capital budget. He further mentioned there was dumping on Magnolia Drive and he made the Police Chief aware of this to patrol the area.

Councilwoman Mosley had no report

Councilman Gleason stated that the Municipal Alliance and Recreation Commission would be holding a Fright Night maze on October 18.

Councilman Gleason motioned to adjourn, Seconded by Mosley and unanimous Council consent.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:41

Respectfully submitted by Municipal Clerk

Approved

Joseph M. Champagne, Mayor

Joseph A. Kostecki, MPA, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk