

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER
CAUCUS MEETING
MARCH 9, 2015, 7:00 PM**

Mayor Oscar Cradle opened the meeting with a Moment of Silence recognizing Borough residents who recently passed, and followed with the Flag Salute.

The Municipal Clerk read the following 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 November 15, 2014; 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.

The Municipal Clerk proceeded with Roll Call:

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

Excusing Tanya Mosley: First: Handshy Second: Gleason

The Governing Body excused Councilwoman Mosley due to medical reasons.

PRESENTATION:

Mayor Cradle asked Principal Holzapfel of South Toms River Elementary to come to the front of the room and assist him in distributing the Student of the Month Certificates. Mayor Cradle proceeded to state that this is one of his favorite aspects of being Mayor, and that one's family is the starting point to a good education and household. When you do poor work, you're only cheating yourself. He proceeded to call the students up for their certificates.

Councilman Ross motioned to recess, Seconded by Councilman Handshy. Upon Council consent, the Governing Body recessed briefly.

Councilman Ross motioned to go back into Public Session, seconded by Councilman Gleason. Upon Council consent, the Governing body reconvened into Public Session.

ORDINANCES

Under the guidance of Borough Counsel, Guy Ryan, the Governing Body requested a phone vote from Councilman Murray. Mayor Oscar Cradle proceeded to call Councilman Murray while the Municipal Clerk proceeded with Roll Call Vote on the following Ordinance.

Ordinance 3-15 Amending Borough Code for Bulk Trash (First Reading)

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

Continuing under the approval of Borough Attorney, Mayor Cradle continued to have Councilman Murray on the phone to provide a phone-in vote for Resolutions 2015-93 and Resolution 2015-94.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2015-93 Supporting and participating in the NJ Tree Recovery Campaign

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

Councilman Murray excused himself after his vote.

RESOLUTIONS

The Borough Clerk proceeded to read the following resolutions and Consent Agenda for the next meeting of the Mayor and Council.

- Resolution 2015- Authorizing the Borough to enter into a Grant Agreement with The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
- Resolution 2015- Awarding a contract for Real Estate Property Reassessment Services
- Resolution 2015- Awarding a contract for a Stationary Ice Cream Truck Vendor at Mathis Veterans Memorial Park
- Resolution 2015- Authorizing an Agreement with the South Toms River First Aid Squad
- Resolution 2015- Authorizing an Agreement with the Manitou Park Fire Department
- Resolution 2015- Resolution Introducing the 2015 Municipal Budget (First Reading)
- Resolution 2015- Resolution for Conducting Annual Budget Examination
- Resolution 2015- Authorizing the Municipal Clerk and Borough Engineer to apply for 2015 Recreational Trail Grant

CONSENT AGENDA/PERMISSION

- Resolution 2015- Resolution of Concurrence for Route US 9 No Passing Zones
The Clerk stated this was requested by the Department of Transportation following their study.
- Resolution 2015- Supporting an Increase in the Shore Protection Fund
- Resolution 2015- Recognizing the week of April 12-April 18, 2015 as National Volunteer Week
- Resolution 2015- Recognizing the month of May 2015 as Older Americans' Month
- Resolution 2015- Amending an Environment Commission Commissioner to an Alternate position

OLD BUSINESS

The Municipal Clerk stated the Borough attorney and Governing Body are reviewing the quotes for trash pick-up at Lakeview Crossings.

The Mayor stated he would like to address this at the next meeting, and asked the Council to review these quotes.

NEW BUSINESS

The Municipal Clerk stated he received a request by the Beachwood Soccer Club to donate robo cans.

Mayor Cradle stated a good number of South Toms River residents participate in this program and would be appropriate to do so.

The Borough Attorney stated that the New Jersey State law restricts donating real or personal property from a public entity, however loaning is acceptable. The Borough Attorney asked to ensure the resolution state these containers are loaned.

Mayor Cradle stated there is an introductory Special Events meeting tomorrow at 6pm before the Budget Meeting, and another meeting on the 17th at 7pm. All residents are welcome.

Councilman Handshy stated there is also an Environmental Commission meeting on the 10th.

The Municipal Clerk opened up for Public Comment, and seeing no comments, Public Comment was closed.

ADJOURNMENT @ 7:50pm

First: Ross Second: Handshy and unanimous Council consent.

Approved

Rev. Oscar L. Cradle, Sr., Mayor

Joseph A. Kostecki, MPA/RMC
Municipal Clerk