

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 26, 2017, 7:00 PM**

Mayor Cradle opened the Regular Council Meeting with a Moment of Silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Municipal Clerk read the 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 and published on December 4, 2016; 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:

	Handshy	Rolzhausen	Mosley	Murray	McCormack	Ross	Cradle
Present	x	x		x	x	x	x
Absent			x				

Excusing Councilwoman Mosley: 1st:McCormack, 2nd: Ross, and full Council consent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution 2017-141 Authorizing an Executive Session for the Purposes of Contract Negotiations and Attorney-Client Privilege

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
		Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
x		Murray	x			
		McCormack	x			
	x	Ross	x			

Motion to enter back into public session: 1st Rolzhausen, 2nd McCormack, and full Council consent.

Councilman Ross excused himself from the Dais and room, and the Municipal Clerk notated that Councilman Ross is absent.

The Municipal Clerk opened the Public Hearing for the Dover Road Redevelopment Plan.

John Litzsky, 25 Bucknell, raised his concern over cars, traffic, no Section 8. He stated renters care less about the property they live on, and stated Government should run more like a business.

Mayor Cradle stated that he previously spoke with Mr. Litzsky about his concerns. He further stated that a certain amount is set aside for affordable housing based on state law. He also recalled his trip to a similar development by the redeveloper to see how these units hold up over time, and stated that they do indeed hold up well.

The Municipal Clerk stated that the car count was incorrectly stated, and apologized for the miscalculation. Seeing no further comments, the Municipal Clerk asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing.

1st: McCormack, 2nd: Rolzhausen and full Council consent.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance 8-17 Adopting the Dover Road Redevelopment Plan Pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ(2nd Reading)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy		x		
	x	Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
		Murray		x		
x		McCormack	x			
		Ross				x
		Cradle	x			

The Mayor voted to break the tie, approving the final reading of Ordinance 8-17.

Following the roll call of Ordinance 8-17, Councilman Ross entered the room and joined the Governing Body at the dais.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2017-142 Resolution Authorizing an Amusement Games License Application to Bounce About LLC Pursuant to N.J.S.A 5:8-100 ET SEQ and Under Borough Code Chapter 4 Section 6, entitled “LICENSING OF AMUSEMENT PARKS”

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
	x	Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
		Murray	x			
		McCormack	x			
x		Ross	x			

Resolution 2017-144 Authorizing Bruce Carver as Police Permanent Full-time Officer under Civil Service.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
x		Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
	x	Murray	x			
		McCormack	x			
		Ross	x			

Resolution 2017-145 Authorizing Paul Santos as a Police Class II \$10/Hr

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
	x	Rolzhausen	x			

		Mosley				x
		Murray	x			
x		McCormack	x			
		Ross	x			

The Municipal Clerk stated the following resolutions can be considered routine by nature. As such, they will be enacted upon one motion, unless anyone of the Governing Body requests to consider a resolution individually.

Mayor Cradle asked that the Governing Body consider the following resolution separately:

Resolution 2017-146 Resolution Opposing State of New Jersey’s Proposal To Cut \$3.3 Million From the Toms River Regional Schools’ State Aid

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 2017-125 Approving the renewal of ABC Liquor License #1529-31-004-001(GROUND SWIPERS ROD & GUN CLUB CORP)

Resolution 2017-143 Authorizing the Police Chief and Mayor to sign an Interlocal Service Agreement for Administration of the Automated License Plate Recognition Server

Resolution 2017-147 Authorizing Toms River Raiders Youth Cheer for Fundraising and Facility Use at Mathis Veterans Memorial Park

Resolution 2017-148 Authorizing the Public Advertisement for Mathis Veteran’s Memorial Park - Mobile Food Concession TruckTrailer/Shed

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
		Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
		Murray	x			
	x	McCormack	x			
x		Ross	x			

Resolution 2017-146 Resolution Opposing State of New Jersey’s Proposal To Cut \$3.3 Million From the Toms River Regional Schools’ State Aid

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
x		Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
		Murray	x			
	x	McCormack	x			
		Ross	x			

Other additions to the agenda include the following resolutions:

Resolution 2017-149 Approving Off-Premise Raffle Application # 2017-2 for the South Toms River First Aid Squad

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
		Rolzhausen	x			

		Mosley				x
	x	Murray	x			
x		McCormack	x			
		Ross	x			

Resolution 2017-150 Approving Off-Premise Raffle Application # 2017-3 for the South Toms River First Aid Squad

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
		Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
x		Murray	x			
	x	McCormack	x			
		Ross	x			

Resolution 2017-151 Approving Salaries for 2017 STRRC Summer Camp

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
	x	Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
		Murray	x			
x		McCormack	x			
		Ross	x			

Resolution 2017-152 Approving Armando Riccio LLC as Labor Attorney under Professional Service for the year 2017

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
		Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
x		Murray	x			
		McCormack	x			
	x	Ross	x			

PUBLIC COMMENT

Anna Polozzo, 12 Citadel, addressed the Governing Body as the Governing Body’s School Board Liaison. She stated that the Toms River Regional School Board passed their budget in May. She stated that even with the anticipated, drastic cuts coming from the State, they will not make any changes to their budget or cuts until the State solidifies their school funding formula. They anticipate losing \$3.3 million in funding.

Laura Grams, 130 South Main St, requested that the Governing Body consider garbage pick-up twice a week during the summer.

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Seeing no other comments or questions from the public, the Municipal Clerk requested a motion to close Public Comment: 1st: Murray 2nd: McCormack and full Council consent.

BILL LIST

Laura Grams, 130 South Main St, asked if the landfill redevelopment bills are new.

The Borough Administrator stated these were previous work received. He further noted that these redevelopment bills are paid by the redeveloper through escrow and are not paid for by taxpayers.

Resolution 2017-153 Approving the June 2017 Bill List

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Handshy	x			
		Rolzhausen	x			
		Mosley				x
	x	Murray	x			
		McCormack	x			
x		Ross				x

COUNCIL & LIAISON REPORTS

HANDSHY: Submarine Veterans held their memorial service I attended; I completed a Clean Communities certification class; the bike rodeo was nice again. I also finished the Stormwater Management Plan with O'Donnel and Stanton, and fixed the hose bib for the Police Department.

MCCORMACK: The Bike Rodeo was a success again. OEM and CERT participated in the County FEMA drill. South Toms River passed, however the County failed again. Councilman McCormack further noticed the Borough this year, the County approved a new trailer via 966 grant, however that money is running out next year.

ROLZHAUSEN: Stated he participated in a meeting with the Police Committee in addition to an Optimist Club meeting.

MURRAY: The Bike Rodeo had a great turnout and was a very nice event. The Police Committee met to discuss the hirings of new officers and continue discussions relating to the PBA contract negotiations. The Caregivers event was a nice event as well. JCP&L has a light-replacement program and is requesting the Borough proceed with replacing up to the maximum allowed (12) lights near the businesses along Dover Road.

ROSS: The Caregivers was a very nice event and is a great organization for the community. Summer Camp starts next week and spots are still available. The Bike Rodeo was again a very nice event for the kids of South Toms River and Manitou Park. Additionally, the Negotiations Committee will continue talks regarding the PBA contract. Councilman Ross also informed those present about the Cans For A Cause fundraising event for residents of the community. Councilman Ross asked for Governing Body approval to place a container at the Recreation Center for the Cans For A Cause fundraiser. It was introduced as a walk-on by Title only. The Municipal Clerk stated it would be listed as Resolution 2017-153. A motion was made by Councilman Murray, Seconded by Councilman McCormack and full Council consent.

POLOZZO (SCHOOL LIAISON): Ms. Polozzo read the following update pertaining to the Toms River Regional School system:

This Sweeney Prieto school funding plan will devastate the Toms River Regional Schools community, one of the largest suburban districts in the state. We as a community are still fighting our way back from the devastating effects of Superstorm Sandy which devastated our ratable base. As a result of this plan, we will all suffer yet again because here we have another huge tax increase. Our children and the staff that work so hard to provide for them will suffer still more however because there is absolutely no way our community can afford to pick up the tab for the full 3.3 million. We as a community need to remind our legislators that it takes money to run a high-quality school district. Toms River Regional was told to expect \$68,342,289 in state funds or 28% of our \$241,428,030 budget. Under the Sweeney -Prieto plan we will lose 3.3 million dollars of those funds. In the process of crafting the existing budget that starts in just a few days, a budget that included those original funds that our legislators would like to take away from our kids, our district reduced staff. Those force reductions included teachers, security, custodial staff, groundskeepers and an administrator. We cannot cut anymore! The existing budget also included tax increases in 3 of our 4 sending towns. We cannot afford more property taxes! We have 15,689 students in 18 buildings. This budget that was crafted with the expected state funds allows us to spend 15,388 per child, a number far lower than what the state says we should be spending. Without that money, we have \$238,128,030 to spend on those same 15,689 kids in those same 18 buildings. That allows us to spend only 15,178 per kid a difference of \$210 per child. Our district is already spending about \$31,000,000 less a year than the state says we should. Our kids deserve better. Mr. Sweeney and Mr. Prieto have devised a flawed plan that hurts children. This will hurt us badly. The Toms River Regional district does not get a large piece of the state funding pie. In fact, it has been steadily shrinking over the last 10 years. All this while the state passes more unfunded mandates that we the taxpayers are required to pay for. Toms River Regional School District children and taxpayers deserve fair funding.

Please make sure to call Senator Sweeney and Assemblyman Prieto please tell them how this is going to hurt our kids

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Prepared by Anna Polozzo

MAYOR CRADLE: attended the Opioid forum presented by the County Prosecutor's office, stating it was a very good program with many resources for residents, officials, faith-based community, and the community overall. Churches are able to get the word out very well and is glad they are participating in this effort. More information will be disseminated shortly. Additionally, the Mayor attended the STAR Students breakfast and POESCHEL Awards, in addition to participating in Career Day at the Elementary School with the Borough Administrator.

Councilman McCormack motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Ross, and full Council consent.

ADJOURNMENT @ 8:25pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Municipal Clerk

Mayor Oscar Cradle