

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING – October 18, 2010**

Mrs. Allen *calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.* announcing that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

PRESENT: Mrs. J. Allen, Mr. T. Auriemma, Mrs. B Muir
Mayor Shamey arrived at 6:50 p.m.

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy Township Clerk, Karin Parker, Attorney S. Dragan

ABSENT: Deputy Mayor F. Gatti, Administrator Mekovetz

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Clerk read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION
EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, the Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist and desires to authorize the exclusion of the public from the portion of the meeting in accordance with the act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the specified subject matter as set forth in the following Exhibit "A."

EXHIBIT A

<u>Subject Matter</u>	<u>Basis Of Public Exclusion</u>	<u>Date Anticipated When Disclosed to Public</u>
Emergency Services.....	Contract Negotiations.....	Certain information at the discretion of Township Committee tonight...other information will be confidential
2010 County Funding Round..... (Block 94, Lot 17)	Contract Negotiations.....	“ “ “
Executive Session Minutes..... (October 4, 2010)	Attorney-Client Privilege.....	“ “ “
COAH.....	Litigation.....	“ “ “
Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; Block 56, Lots 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 39, Lot 24 & Block 67, Lot 2 (Solberg Aviation).....	Litigation.....	“ “ “

It is anticipated at this time that the stated subject matter will be made public on or about the time set forth in Exhibit "A."

2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Muir to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mr. Auriemma with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

The meeting reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

Mayor Shamey led those present in the *Salute to the Flag*.

Mayor Shamey announced that the following business was completed during Executive Session:

Contract Negotiations/Emergency Services

Mayor Shamey stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

Contract Negotiations/2010 County Funding Round (Block 94, Lot 17)

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Allen to approve the option agreement, seconded by Mrs. Muir and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mrs. Allen	- Aye
Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Aye
Mayor Shamey	- Aye

Attorney –Client Privilege/Executive Session Minutes (October 4, 2010)

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Muir to approve the Executive Session Minutes of October 4, 2010 for content only, seconded by Mrs. Allen with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Litigation/COAH

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2010-126

***TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
RESOLUTION***

WHEREAS, in 2008 (Resolution #2008-80) the Township Committee of the Township of Readington authorized entering into a Shared Services Agreement with Clinton Township, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, located at 1225 Route 31, Lebanon, NJ 08801 to act as the “Lead Agency,” to contract with Stickel, Koenig and Sullivan (Stuart R. Koenig, Esq.) to provide representation in connection with a legal challenge to the validity of the regulations developed by the Council on Affordable Housing for a sum not too exceed \$8,000; and

WHEREAS, Stuart R. Koenig, Esq. has requested authorization to petition the Supreme Court on the growth share issues in this case at an estimated cost of \$3,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Readington Township does hereby approve amending this Shared Services Agreement with Clinton Township to extend the contract with Stuart R. Koenig, Esq. and to authorize him to petition the Supreme Court on the growth share issues on behalf of Readington Township at an estimated cost of \$3,000.

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Allen to adopt this resolution, seconded Mrs. Muir and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mrs. Allen	- Aye
Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Aye
Mayor Shamey	- Aye

Litigation/Solberg Aviation / Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; Block 56, Lot 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 39, Lot 24 and Block 67, Lot 2

Mayor Shamey stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Shamey read the following statement:

All items listed with an asterisk “*” are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a committee member or citizen requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- * 1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of meeting of October 4, 2010

- * 2. ***Resolution in Support of Route 22 EB South Branch over Rockaway River Bridge project***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2010-123

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation has proposed the replacement of the structurally deficient Route 22 Eastbound over South Rockaway River Bridge in the Township of Readington, Hunterdon County.

WHEREAS, the Department has proposed to replace the current bridge with a high level fixed structure and during construction eastbound traffic will maintain two lanes in each direction at all times and existing shoulders will be closed.

NOW, THERE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, that the plans for the bridge replacement and providing four travel lanes during construction are hereby approved.

- * 3. ***Resolution Authorizing Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission Cooperative Purchases for 2010-11 (Allied Oil – gasoline and ultra low sulfur diesel fuel)***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2010-124

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION
COOPERATIVE PURCHASES**

WHEREAS, the Township of Readington wishes to purchase gasoline and diesel fuel from an authorized vendor under the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, NJS.A. 40A:II-12; and

Resolution #R-2010-124 cont'd;

WHEREAS, Allied Oil LLC, 25 Old Camplain Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844 has been awarded Hunterdon County Educational Services Commissions Contract for Gasoline and Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel, for the period one (1) year, October 7, 2010 - October 6, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best price available, not to exceed \$360,000 for Allied Oil, LLC.

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that Allied Oil LLC be awarded a contract for Gasoline and Ultra low sulfur diesel fuel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the contract documents necessary to effectuate the award of this contract. The Township Attorney shall review any and all contractual documents prepared in furtherance of this award; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

- * 4. **Resolution Authorizing the Township of Readington to Enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement**

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

#R-2010-125

A Resolution Authorizing the Township of Readington to Enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing Systems and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission, hereinafter referred to as the “Lead Agency” has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of good and services;

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2010 the governing body of the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Township of Readington.
2. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) the governing body of the Township of Readington is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency
3. The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

Resolution #R-2010-125

4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

* 5. **Social Affairs Permit** – Polish American Citizens Club (November 13, 2010)

* 6. **Payment of Bills** – (Complete bill list is on file in Clerk’s Office)

<u>Fund Description</u>	<u>Fund No.</u>	<u>Received Total</u>
CURRENT FUND	0-01	\$ 605,663.32
SEWER APPROPRIATIONS	0-02	\$ 480.00
TRUST FUNDS	X-03	\$ 13,521.87
MISC REFUND, COUNTY TAX, LIENS	X-05	\$ 14,869.25
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	X-06	\$ 181,249.27
DUE TO STATE OF NJ	X-09	<u>\$ 475.00</u>
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS		\$ 816,258.71

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Allen to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Auriemma and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mrs. Allen - Aye
 Mr. Auriemma - Aye
 Mrs. Muir - Aye
 Mayor Shamey - Aye

PUBLIC HEARINGS

As it was after 8:00 p.m., A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Allen to adjourn the regular meeting to hold a Public Hearing, seconded by Mr. Auriemma with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

*AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL
 PROPERTY KNOWN AS A .044 +/- AC. PORTION OF BLOCK 94, LOT 16.03 IN THE
 TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON FROM DAVID AND MARY BROWN*

ORDINANCE #28-2010

Mrs. Allen stated that this ordinance would make two farmland applications contiguous, therefore making Block 94, Lot 17 eligible for funding.

Mayor Shamey asked if there were any comments from the Governing Body.

There were none.

Mayor Shamey asked if there were any comments from the public.

There were none.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to close the Public Hearing and open the regular meeting, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

*AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL
 PROPERTY KNOWN AS A .044 +/- AC. PORTION OF BLOCK 94, LOT 16.03 IN THE
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ORDINANCE #28-2010

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to adopt this ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Muir and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mrs. Allen - Aye
Mr. Auriemma - Aye
Mrs. Muir - Aye
Mayor Shamey - Aye

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to adjourn the regular meeting to open the Public Hearing, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$8,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 94, PORTION OF LOT 16.03 IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #29-2010

Mayor Shamey asked if there were any comments from the Governing Body.

There were none.

Mayor Shamey asked if there were any comments from the public.

There were none.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to close the Public Hearing and open the regular meeting, seconded by Mrs. Muir with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$8,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 94, PORTION OF LOT 16.03 IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #29-2010

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to adopt this ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Allen and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mrs. Allen - Aye
Mr. Auriemma - Aye
Mrs. Muir - Aye
Mayor Shamey - Aye

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Allen to adjourn the regular meeting to open the Public Hearing, seconded by Mr. Auriemma with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN EASEMENT DEDICATED ON A PORTION OF BLOCK 93, LOT 61 FOR DRAINAGE PURPOSES ON FOREST HILL DRIVE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FROM THE READINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

ORDINANCE #30-2010

Mayor Shamey asked if there were any comments from the Governing Body.

There were none.

Mayor Shamey asked if there were any comments from the public.

There were none.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to close the Public Hearing and open the regular meeting, seconded by Mr. Gatti with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Clerk read by Title:

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN EASEMENT DEDICATED ON A PORTION OF BLOCK 93, LOT 61 FOR DRAINAGE PURPOSES ON FOREST HILL DRIVE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FROM THE READINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

ORDINANCE #30-2010

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Auriemma to adopt this ordinance, seconded by Mrs. Allen and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mrs. Allen	- Aye
Mr. Auriemma	- Aye
Mrs. Muir	- Aye
Mayor Shamey	-Aye

CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER INFORMATION

1. Letter dated September 30, 2010 from the Trustee of the Raritan Valley Coalition regarding ***A Resolution Supporting the Completion of the Arc Project Utilizing Available Funding to Generate Needed Jobs to Jump Start the State and Regional Economy and to Construct Long Terms Improvements to the Regions Transportation Infrastructure.*** No action taken.
2. Letter dated October 3, 2010 from James R. Frace, Professional Soils Analyst & Design Consultant, regarding ***Request for Extension of Letter of Interpretation, Block 38, Lots 54, 74 & 75.*** (Entire File Available in Clerk's Office for Review) No action taken.
3. Letter dated October 5, 2010 from Charles Gynecsek, 12 Somerset Street, regarding ***Concern about the Recent Increase of Off-Road Motorized Vehicles Being Used in Town.***

Mrs. Allen stated that this is specific to a certain area in Whitehouse Station and maybe a meeting should be set up with the Chief of Police requesting more enforcement since public property and roadways are being used. Mr. Shamey also requested that Mr. Gynecsek be informed and possibly invite him to meet with the Chief on this matter.

4. Letter dated October 8, 2010 from Robert Draper, Bureau of Inspection and Aircraft Operations, Division of Aeronautics regarding ***Notice of Intent to Renew an Aeronautical Facility License for Solberg-Hunterdon Airport (A-14) a Public Use Aeronautical Facility for a Period of November 1, 2010 through October 21, 2011.*** No action taken.

5. Memorandum dated October 12, 2010 from Judith A. Sullivan, Municipal Clerk, Township of Bedminster regarding *An Ordinance Amending Section 13-904 Entitled “Affordable Housing Development Fees” of Article 13-900 Entitled “Fees, Guarantees, Inspections, Off-Tract Improvements and Developer’s Agreements” of Chapter XIII Entitled “Land Management” of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Bedminster.* No action taken.

NEW BUSINESS

- * 1. *Resolution in Support of Route 22 EB South Branch over Rockaway River Bridge project*

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

- * 2. *Resolution Authorizing Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission Cooperative Purchases for 2010-11 (Allied Oil – gasoline and ultra low sulfur diesel fuel)*

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

- * 3. *Resolution Authorizing the Township of Readington to Enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement*

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- * 4. *Social Affairs Permit* – Polish American Citizens Club (November 13, 2010)

This item was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Deputy Clerk, Karin Parker stated that there was nothing further to report.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Attorney Dragan stated that there was nothing further to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Gerard Shamey

Mayor Shamey reported that William Nugent and Clarence Hackman were recipients of the Volunteer of the Year Award at the Annual Volunteer Dinner held on October 7th.

Julia Allen

Mrs. Allen stated that the Open Space Walk took place on Sunday in East Whitehouse.

Thomas Auriemma

Mr. Auriemma stated that he had nothing further to report.

Beatrice Muir

Mrs. Muir stated that well water testing kits are now available.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Matthew Meade, of 58 Cedar Road, asked the Committee about a recent article in the Democrat regarding a Government Records Council complaint.

COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

There were none.

As there was no further business, ***A MOTION*** was made by Mr. Auriemma at 8:25 p.m. to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Muir with vote of all ayes, nays none recorded.

Respectfully Submitted:

Karin M. Parker
Deputy Township Clerk