

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
MEETING – May 2, 2016**

Mayor Fort *calls the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.* announcing that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

**PRESENT:** Mayor B. Fort, Deputy Mayor M. Duffy, Mr. J. Broten, Mr. B. Smith,  
Mr. S. Tropello

**ALSO PRESENT:** Administrator Mekovetz, Attorney S. Dragan, Engineer O’Brien

**ABSENT:** None

**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**

<b><u>Subject Matter</u></b>	<b><u>Basis Of Public Exclusion</u></b>	<b><u>Date Anticipated When Disclosed to Public</u></b>
Personnel Matters.....	Personnel.....	Certain information at the discretion of the Township Committee tonight...other information will remain confidential
Executive Session Minutes..... • April 18, 2016	Attorney-Client Privilege.....	“ “ “
Affordable Housing.....	Potential Litigation.....	“ “ “
388 Route 22 Readington Realty..... Holdings, LLC vs. Twp of Readington	Litigation.....	“ “ “
American Day CD Centers, LLC vs..... Twp. of Readington	Litigation.....	“ “ “
414 Dove Cote Court.....	Litigation.....	“ “ “
Block 48, Lot 23; Block 55, Lot 33; Block 56, Lots 1, 3, 6 & 8; Block 67, Lot 2 (Solberg Aviation).....	Litigation.....	“ “ “
Solberg Aviation v. Township of ..... Readington Civil Action (Prerogative Writ)	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 Mr. Broten to adopt this resolution, seconded by Mrs. Duffy with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

The meeting reconvened at 7:43 p.m.

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

***Executive Session:***

***Personnel / Personnel Matters***

Mayor Fort stated that there was nothing discussed.

***Attorney-Client Privilege / Executive Session Minutes / April 18, 2016***

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to approve the Executive Session Minutes of April 18, 2016 for content only, seconded by Mr. Smith with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

***Potential Litigation / Affordable Housing***

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to approve the proposal from Ed Kuc, Eastern States Environmental, seconded by Mr. Broten and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Broten to approve payment as required, up to \$1,500 to the Municipal Shared Services Defense Group, seconded by Mrs. Duffy and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

***Litigation / 388 Route 22 Readington Realty Holdings, LLC vs. Twp. of Readington***

Mayor Fort stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

***Litigation / American Day CD Centers, LLC vs. Twp. of Readington***

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Broten to authorize Attorney Richard Cushing to defend the Township in this matter, seconded by Mr. Smith and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

***Litigation / 414 Dove Cote Court***

Mayor Fort stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

***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 Fort stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

***Litigation / Solberg Aviation v. Twp. of Readington Civil Action (Prerogative Writ)***

Mayor Fort stated that this matter remains in Executive Session.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Fort 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.

Mr. Broten requested to remove the *Minutes of the April 18, 2016 meeting* from the Consent Agenda.

\* 1. ***Resolution to Conduct Self Examination of Budget***

The following resolution was offered for consideration:

**#R-2016-48**

**TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON**

**RESOLUTION FOR CONDUCTING ANNUAL BUDGET EXAMINATION**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination, and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 thru 7.5 the Township of Readington has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services, and the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the Township meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2015 budget year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Readington that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a & b and based upon the Chief Financial Officers certification. The governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
  - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
  - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
  - c. Cash deficit of preceding year
  - d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
  - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
  - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes
2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at 40A:4-45.3 et seq. are fully met. (Complies with the "CAP" law.)

**Resolution #R-2016-48 cont'd:**

3. That the budget is in such form arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.
4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
  - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate, and correctly stated
  - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth
  - c. In itemization, form, arrangement, and content the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.
5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced, publicly advertised, and adopted in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.
6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

- \* 2. **Discharge of Affordable Housing Agreement / Discharge of Mortgage**  
(Block 21.04, Lot 7.02.11 / 420 Well Sweep Road)
- \* 3. **Release of Developers Escrow / Garibaldi Group** (Block 2.01, Lot 9.01-9.11)
- \* 4. **Release of Escrow / J & L Electrical Communications**
- \* 5. **Permit Fee Refund** (Block 70, Lot 42.02)
- \* 6. **Permit Fee Refund** (Block 72, Lot 34.08)
- \* 7. **Release of Hunting Security Deposit / Woods & Water Sportsmen**  
(Block 25, Lots 19 & 20 and Block 63, Lots 19 & 64)
- \* 8. **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	6-01	\$ 543,230.87
SEWER APPROPRIATIONS	6-02	\$ 173,151.96
TRUST FUNDS	X-03	\$ 56,672.59
MISC REFUND, COUNTY TAX, LIENS	X-05	\$2,651,538.55
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	X-06	\$ 182,003.47
REG. & LOCAL SCHOOL TAX	X-07	\$5,429,060.00
DUE TO STATE OF NJ	X-09	\$ 300.00
2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	X-15	<u>\$ 19,072.20</u>
<b>TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS</b>		<b>\$9,055,029.64</b>

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Smith to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of the minutes, seconded by Mr. Tropello and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

- Mr. Broten - Aye
- Mrs. Duffy -Aye
- Mr. Smith - Aye
- Mr. Tropello - Aye
- Mayor Fort - Aye

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** of the April 18, 2016 meeting

Mr. Broten stated that there were some questions that he had regarding the zoning ordinance which were not included in the minutes. Administrator Mekovetz explained that it was not necessary to include those questions since it was not the public hearing.

**A MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Smith with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** for items listed on the agenda only

There were none.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

As it was after 7:45 p.m., **A MOTION** was made by Mr. Broten to adjourn the regular meeting to hold a Public Hearing, seconded by Mr. Smith with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Mr. Broten requested to change the order of the public hearing for the Municipal Budget before the public hearing on the bond ordinance since that may have some bearing on some other items listed later in the agenda. Mayor Fort offered to discuss Foothill Road prior to the bond ordinance if that would satisfy Mr. Broten's request.

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

The Committee proceeded to discuss the matter of Foothill Road under Old Business.

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

Clerk read by Title:

***Bond Ordinance Providing for Various Capital Improvements in and by the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, Appropriating \$1,700,100 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,615,100 Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance Part of the Cost thereof***

◆ **Ordinance #04-2016**

Mayor Fort asked if there were any comments from the governing body.

Mr. Broten proposed an amendment to Section 3, Item A to include Foothill Road to the road improvement list.

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

There were none.

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

Clerk read by Title:

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◆ **Ordinance #04-2016**

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Smith to adopt this ordinance as amended, seconded by Mr. Tropello and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	-Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Broten to supplement Ordinance #04-2016 to make note that the paving of Foothill Road is *subject to determination of which way the one way traffic will be directed via the traffic study*, seconded by Mrs. Duffy and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	-Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

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

Clerk read by Title:

***Ordinance Appropriating \$415,000 from the Reserve for Green Acres in the General Capital Fund for the Acquisition of Real Property Known as a Portion of Block 44, Lot 4.02 (Lorenzen) in and by the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey***

◆ **Ordinance #05-2016**

Mayor Fort asked if there were any comments from the governing body.

Mr. Tropello reiterated his concern regarding the cost of this acquisition where there is no feasible development and proposed having it re-assessed. Mayor Fort stated that this is a particularly wooded pristine area that connects with Round Valley. Attorney Dragan advised that the Township is supposed to replace the Transco properties with conservation like properties, not necessarily open space lots that can be developed, and further added that the NJDEP is pleased with this purchase.

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

Bob Schoenfeld commented on the lack of specific information in the ordinance relative to the property. Attorney Dragan explained that more detailed information was covered under a previously adopted ordinance.

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

Clerk read by Title:

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◆ **Ordinance #05-2016**

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

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Nay
Mayor Fort	- Aye

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

Clerk read by Title:

***An Ordinance Amending Chapter 148 of the Land Use Ordinance to Modify Section 148-51C Pertaining to Accessory Building and Structure Maximum Permitted Floor Area Requirements***

**◆ Ordinance #06-2016**

Mayor Fort asked if there were any comments from the governing body.

Mr. Smith commented on the reasoning for the amendment to the accessory building and permitted floor area requirements.

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

There were none.

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

Clerk read by Title:

***An Ordinance Amending Chapter 148 of the Land Use Ordinance to Modify Section 148-51C Pertaining to Accessory Building and Structure Maximum Permitted Floor Area Requirements***

**◆ Ordinance #06-2016**

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

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

***2016 Municipal Budget***

Administrator Mekovetz gave a power point slide presentation, assisted by Chief Financial Officer Tom Carro and Township Auditor Ralph Piccone, on the highlights of the 2016 Municipal Budget.

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

Mayor Fort asked if there were any comments from the governing body.

Suzy Nagle had questions on legal fees and appropriations for legal fees.

Mr. Broten expressed concern that 60% of the budgeted legal item funding has been spent already four months into the year and opined this should provide an opportunity to make informed judgments and decide if any adjustments are necessary on foreseeable items. Mayor Fort opined that the professionals have done a remarkable job of anticipating items along with having the surplus where it needs to be and still providing flexibility to make adjustments if necessary.

Wayne Borella had questions on garbage pickup and stickers.

Bill Keefe complimented the Township on the budget that was presented.

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

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Smith to adopt the *2016 Municipal Budget*, seconded by Mrs. Duffy and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	-Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

#### **CORRESPONDENCE / OTHER INFORMATION**

1. Notice of Public Hearings from Brian MacLean, President of Pivotal Utility Holdings, Inc d/b/a Elizabethtown Gas regarding ***Petition with the NJ Board of Public Utilities in BPU Docket No. GR15091090 Seeking Approval of a Safety, Modernization and Reliability Program and a Related Rider to the Company's Tariff – the Safety, Modernization and Reliability Tariff – to permit Elizabethtown to Recover the Costs of the Proposed Program.*** No action taken.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. ***Request to Pave Foothill Road***

Engineer O'Brien stated that it was his opinion from the beginning that Foothill Road should only be paved if it is brought up to a 20' wide standard. Mr. O'Brien further stated that the estimates that were provided were a result of the Committee's request for a discussion of the costs involved in paving the road in its current state. Mayor Fort indicated that the Chief of Police presented a recommended solution which would take care of the complaints of the residents including the dust, potholes, flat tires and other maintenance issues, along with approval from the Township Engineer, which would be to pave the road to the current width and make Foothill Road a one way. Mayor Fort added that a traffic study would be necessary to determine which way is the best one way.

Mr. Broten questioned whether the chip seal would be an option with the current width and still maintain traffic both ways. Administrator Mekovetz reminded the Committee that chip seal cannot be bonded. Mayor Fort also expressed concern about the cost of maintaining the chip seal every two (2) to three (3) years versus the cost of paving. Mr. Broten proposed that Foothill Road be included in the Department of Public Works chip seal program for 2016. Scott Jesseman, Director of Public Works, stated that the safety and liability would remain the same if Foothill Road is chip sealed since it would be improved to two lanes without bringing it up to the standard. Mr. Jesseman recommended the viable alternative would be to sign Foothill Road one way. Mrs. Duffy stated that she does not want to ignore the safety and liability issues since they are significant but would be in favor of paving and turning Foothill Road into a one way. Mrs. Duffy cited several reasons including the cost of paving the road versus the cost of chip sealing twice and resolving the problems of the residents without creating safety issues.

Mr. Broten reminded the Committee that there are currently roads throughout the Township that are substandard for safety. Mr. Smith pointed out that improving the road will have a definite increase in traffic and speeding therefore causing even more wear and tear on the road and a one way road would fix that problem. Mr. Broten concluded that if there is no other solution for two way traffic on Foothill Road for any improvement over its current gravel then he would propose to include Foothill Road in the 2016 capital budget, paving the road one way subject to a traffic study. Mr. Tropello questioned the liability since Locust Road is very similar in layout and with appropriate signs and speed limits, opining that two way traffic could be just as safe on Foothill. Mayor Fort cautioned that the liability would be that the Township is creating a new road disregarding the newest standards. Attorney Dragan agreed with Mayor Fort’s assessment citing a potential liability issue if the road was improved below the standard.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. ***An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Readington Township 2015 Salary Ordinance for Officers and Employees of the Township of Readington***

Mr. Broten requested the Committee to consider reducing their salaries by \$2,500.

The following ordinance was offered for introduction:

***An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Readington Township 2015 Salary Ordinance for Officers and Employees of the Township of Readington***

**ORDINANCE #07-2016**

**SECTION 1**

**GOVERNING BODY AND SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL**

		<b>INCLUDES 27 PAYS</b>
MAYOR	per annum	\$1 - \$9,388
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER	per annum	\$1 - \$8,522
ADMINISTRATOR/MUNICIPAL CLERK/ DEPUTY REG. OF VITAL STATISTICS/TREASURER/QPA	per annum	\$168,368
ADMINISTRATOR	per annum	\$18,713
Clerk/Deputy Reg. of Vital Stat/Treasurer/...per annum		\$149,655
TAX COLLECTOR/TAX SEARCH OFFICER	per annum.	\$80,650
TAX ASSESSOR..(P/T/25/hrs per wk)	per annum.	\$76,014
CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL	per annum.	\$103,890
COURT ADMINISTRATOR	per annum	\$54,021
LIBRARIAN	per annum	\$1,984 - \$52,515
HOUSING LIAISON AND ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT	per annum	\$72,175
CHIEF OF POLICE	per annum	\$144,776
RECREATION DIRECTOR	per annum	\$48,000 - \$74,891
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	per annum	\$114,058
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & PARKS	per annum	\$115,233
ROAD SUPERINTENDENT, BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & PARKS	per annum	\$104,485
FIRE OFFICIAL	per annum	\$55,000
LAND USE ADMIN/ZONING OFFICER	per annum	\$40,000 - \$55,000
SUPERVISOR OF ADMIN. SERVICES/	per annum	\$62,501
REGISTRAR	per annum	\$1,200

**Ordinance #07-2016 cont'd:**

**SECTION 2**  
**CLERICAL (CONFIDENTIAL) PERSONNEL**

RECEPTIONIST	per annum	\$31,371 -	\$34,031
SECRETARY TO TWP ADMINISTRATOR\DEPUTY REGISTRAR	per annum	\$34,727 -	\$43,055
DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK/SEWER			
ADVISORY COMMITTEE SECRETARY	per annum	\$49,678 -	\$59,492
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/RANK VI	per annum	\$39,780 -	\$65,104
BOOKEEPER/PAYROLL CLERK	per annum	\$40,000 -	\$55,485
PLANNING BD/BD OF ADJUSTMENT SECRETARY PT 28 hrs/wk	per annum	\$45,000 -	\$54,021

**SECTION 3**  
**CLERICAL PERSONNEL**

CLERK/TRANSCRIBER	per annum	\$35,826 -	\$46,720
OFFICE ASSISTANT	per annum	\$27,976 -	\$41,784
DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR (40 HRS/WK)	per annum	\$47,305 -	\$71,407
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK	per annum	\$40,546 -	\$56,431
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, TAX ASSESSOR	per annum	\$42,653 -	\$55,517
TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	per annum	\$47,305 -	\$60,937
DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR	per annum	\$42,440 -	\$56,096
FINANCIAL SECRETARY	per annum	\$46,379 -	\$56,792
FLOATER	per annum	\$39,751 -	\$49,692

**SECTION 4**  
**TECHNICAL PERSONNEL**

SUB-CODE OFFICIAL PLUMBING & MECH (PART TIME)	per hour	\$30.00 -	\$45.45
ELECTRICAL SUB-CODE OFFICIAL (PART TIME)	per annum	\$40,000.00 -	\$68,850.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR (PART TIME)	per hour	\$30.00 -	\$34.74
FIRE SUB-CODE OFFICIAL (PART TIME)	per hour	\$30.00 -	\$40.63

**SECTION 5**  
**ROAD, UTILITY AND MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL**  
**RATES FOR TITLES HELD LONGER THAN ONE YEAR:**

DRIVER – LABORER 6	per hour	\$30.15
SR. DRIVER – LABORER 3	per hour	\$33.04
JR. MECHANIC	per hour	\$27.76
MECHANIC	per hour	\$35.39
SR. MECHANIC	per hour	\$38.85
CREW LEADER	per hour	\$37.56
OPERATOR	per hour	\$35.39
WORKING FOREMAN	per hour	\$40.97
SEWER OPERATORS:		
C-1 LICENSE (HOURLY ADDITIONS)	per hour	\$1.00
C-2 LICENSE (HOURLY ADDITIONS)	per hour	\$1.25

RATES FOR GRADES WITHIN TITLES:

LABORER – 1	per hour	\$20.97
LABORER – 2	per hour	\$21.85
DRIVER-LABORER – 1	per hour	\$22.73
DRIVER – LABORER – 2	per hour	\$23.60
DRIVER – LABORER – 3	per hour	\$24.48
DRIVER – LABORER – 4	per hour	\$25.35
DRIVER – LABORER – 5	per hour	\$26.21
DRIVER – LABORER – 6	per hour	\$27.09

**Ordinance #07-2016 cont'd:**

**SECTION 6**

**POLICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL**

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER	per hour	\$13.08	\$25.30
RECRUIT	per annum	\$20,000 -	\$40,000
PATROLMAN (FIRST YEAR) Certified/Probationary.	per annum		\$62,990
PATROLMAN (SECOND YEAR)	per annum		\$68,047
PATROLMAN (THIRD YEAR)	per annum		\$73,100
PATROLMAN (FOURTH YEAR)	per annum		\$78,159
PATROLMAN (FIFTH YEAR)	per annum		\$83,211
PATROLMAN (SIXTH YEAR)	per annum		\$87,076
PATROLMAN (SEVENTH YEAR)	per annum		\$92,523
PATROLMAN FIRST CLASS	per annum		\$97,962
CORPORAL	per annum		\$99,925
INVESTIGATOR - OVER GRADE	per annum		\$623
PROBATIONARY SERGEANT	per annum		\$102,582
SERGEANT'S BASE SALARY	per annum		\$108,160
SERGEANT FIRST CLASS	per annum		\$111,462
PROBATIONARY LIEUTENANT	per annum		\$111,981
LIEUTENANT	per annum		\$132,469

**SECTION 7**

**PART-TIME PERSONNEL**

MUNICIPAL JUDGE	per annum		\$32,261
SUBSTITUTE MUNICIPAL JUDGE	per hour		\$152.10
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CASE WORKER/ FILING CLERK (33 hrs)	per annum		\$38,795
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK (20 hrs)	per hour		\$21.65
MUSEUM ADMINISTRATOR	per hour		\$21.23
ASSISTANT TO THE MUSEUM DIRECTOR	per hour	\$13.00 -	\$16.00
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS	per annum	\$3,778 -	\$16,668
LIBRARY ASSISTANT	per hour	\$8.38 -	\$18.16
VIOLATIONS CLERK	per hour	\$13.00 -	\$16.00
EXERCISE PROGRAM INSTRUCTOR	per hour	\$13.00 -	\$30.00
ASSIST. DIRECTOR OF RECREATION (25 hrs-wk)/ DIRECTOR OF SUMMER RECREATION	per annum		\$46,861
SPORTS & TOURNAMENT ASSISTANT	per hour		\$16.24
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR	per annum		\$13,629
DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORD.	per annum		\$1,000

**SECTION 8**

**SUMMER RECREATION PERSONNEL**

SUPERVISOR & ASST SUP'V SUMMER PROG	per hour	\$8.38 -	\$18.81
SUMMER PROG. & SPECIAL PROG. COUNSELOR	per hour	\$8.38 -	\$13.44
BUS DRIVERS	per hour	\$8.38 -	\$18.96
CONCESSION STAND ATTENDANT	per hour	\$8.38 -	\$10.77
SUMMER PUBLIC FACILITIES MAINT. LABORER	per hour	\$8.38 -	\$14.97

**SECTION 9**

**BUILDINGS, MAINTENANCE AND RECYCLING**

PUBLIC FACILITIES MAINTENANCE LABORER	per hour	\$16.41 -	\$28.67
RECYCLING WORKER	per hour		\$23.54

**Ordinance #07-2016 cont'd:**

THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 CONTAINS 27 PAY DATES DEPARTING FROM FROM THE USUAL NUMBER OF 26 PAYS AND ANNUAL RATES WERE ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY.

A **MOTION** was made by Mrs. Duffy to introduce this ordinance, seconded by Mr. Smith and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

*The Public Hearing was scheduled for May 16, 2016 at 7:45 p.m.*

2. ***Special Events Permit for 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Buffalo Watch Open House / May 14, 2016***

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Smith to approve this Special Event Permit, seconded by Mr. Broten with a vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

\* 3. ***Resolution to Conduct Self Examination of Budget***

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

\* 4. ***Discharge of Affordable Housing Agreement / Discharge of Mortgage***  
(Block 21.04, Lot 7.02.11 / 420 Well Sweep Road)

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

\* 5. ***Release of Developers Escrow / Garibaldi Group*** (Block 2.01, Lot 9.01-9.11)

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

\* 6. ***Release of Escrow / J & L Electrical Communications***

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

\* 7. ***Permit Fee Refund*** (Block 70, Lot 42.02)

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

\* 8. ***Permit Fee Refund*** (Block 72, Lot 34.08)

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

\* 9. ***Release of Hunting Security Deposit / Woods & Water Sportsmen***  
(Block 25, Lots 19 & 20 and Block 63, Lots 19 & 64)

This matter was addressed under the Consent Agenda.

***ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT***

A ***MOTION*** was made by Mr. Broten to authorize Administrator Mekovetz to sign a contract for engineering design work for generators that will be funded through grant funds awarded to Emergency Services, seconded by Mrs. Duffy and on Roll Call vote the following was recorded.:

Mr. Broten	- Aye
Mrs. Duffy	-Aye
Mr. Smith	- Aye
Mr. Tropello	- Aye
Mayor Fort	- Aye

***ATTORNEY'S REPORT***

Attorney Dragan stated that she had nothing further to report.

***ENGINEER'S REPORT***

Engineer O'Brien reported that he attached a memo to his report regarding 8 Brookview Road and requested the Committee to review the memo and visit the site to see if the Township could provide assistance to the homeowner by stabilizing the channel.

***COMMITTEE REPORTS***

**JOHN BROTEN**

Mr. Broten reported that he toured the Readington Lebanon sewer plant.

Mr. Broten commented that parks and fields throughout the Township look great.

**M. ELIZABETH DUFFY**

Mrs. Duffy stated that she had nothing further to report.

**BEN SMITH**

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

**SAM TROPELLO**

Mr. Tropello reported on a discussion at a recent Board of Health meeting regarding prohibiting smoking on Township owned properties.

**BETTY ANN FORT**

Mayor Fort stated that she had nothing further to report.

***COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC***

Wayne Borella, Foothill Road, asked for a meeting with the residents to come to an agreement on what is to be done with Foothill Road.

Bill Ogle, Foothill Road, asked the Committee if there is only one option to paving Foothill Road, further requesting consideration for other options.

Bob Schoenfeld, Oldwick Road, commented on the grant funds awarded to Emergency Services.

Wayne Borella, Foothill Road, asked the Committee if they would consider speed bumps along Foothill Road.

***COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY***

As there was no further business, ***A MOTION*** was made by Mrs. Duffy at 10:10 p.m. to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Broten with vote of ayes all, nays none recorded.

Respectfully Submitted:

Vita Mekovetz, RMC/MMC/QPA  
Municipal Clerk