# PUBLIC MEETING MUNICIPAL BUILDING

March 12, 2024 DELRAN, NJ

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Sunshine Statement: Be advised that proper notice has been given by the Township Council in accordance with the sunshine law in the following manner. Notice advertised in the Burlington County Times and Camden Courier Post on January 4, 2024 and posted on the bulletin board on the same date.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Apeadu, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jeney, and Mr. Burrell were present. Mr. Lyon was absent.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mr. Catrambone, Mayor, Mr. Wright, Solicitor, Mr. Bellina, Administrator, and Ms. Eggers, Township Clerk

# PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION

Mr. Catrambone presented a proclamation to Air Force Seargent Bruce Stowers

## **ORDINANCE(S) ON FIRST READING**

**Ordinance 2024-05** Authorizing and Approving the Sale of Third-Party Owned Properties Known as 97 Foxglove Drive, 75 Foxglove Drive and 217 Rosebay Court to the Salt and Light Company, Inc. and Conversion of Said Affordable Unit to a Rental Unit

Mr. Jeney made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Apeadu

Roll Call: Mrs. Apeadu, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jeney, and Mr. Burrell voted aye.

Ayes: 4 Nays: None

Motion Approved

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- **a. Resolution 2024-56** A Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract for Leon Avenue Storm Sewer Outfall Replacement to SDW Construction, Inc. in the Amount of \$81,753.00
- **b.** Resolution 2024-57 Approving 2024 Floating Holiday Schedule
- **c. Resolution 2024-58** Confirming the Appointment of Kimberly Bogie as Registrar of Vital Statistics for the Township of Delran

- **d. Resolution 2024-59** Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the 2024 Authorization for Aerial Mosquito Control
- e. Resolution 2024-60 Authorizing the Township of Delran to Accept a Grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General in the Amount of \$32,400 Under the FY2024 Safe and Secure Communities Program, Subaward Grant 24-0310 and Authorizing Mayor Gary Catrambone and Captain Matthew Gasper to Execute and the Township Clerk to Attest to a Subgrant Award and any and all Documents in Connection with this Grant
- **f. Resolution 2024-61** Authorizing 2023 Budget Transfers
- g. Resolution 2024-62 Refunding Sewer Overpayment
- h. Resolution 2024-63 Authorizing the Release of Performance Guarantee for Premier Outdoor Media
- **i. Resolution 2024-64** Approving an Emergency Temporary Appropriation for the Repairs to a Sewer Main Collapse on Leon Avenue
- **j. Resolution 2024-65** Amending Resolution 2024-37 Emergency Procurement Resolution
- **k. Resolution 2024-66** Resolution of Support from Delran Township's Governing Body Authorizing Participation in the 2024 Sustainable Jersey PSE&G Energy Efficiency Partnership Program
- **l. Resolution 2024-67** Refund Application Fees for Carry Permit
- **m.** Authorizing the payment of bills including all purchases made under the Cooperative Purchasing Agreement
- **n.** Accepting the report of the CFO including the February 2024 YTD Revenue Report, YTD Budget Report and Check Register.
- **o.** Accepting the report of the Tax Collector and Township Clerk
- **p.** A motion granting a mercantile license to:
  - Garbanzo Mediterranean Fresh, 1361-B Fairview Blvd.
- **q.** Approval of the following minutes:

- Special Meeting January 31, 2024
- Public Meeting February 13, 2024
- Work Session Meeting February 27, 2024

Mr. Smith made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jeney to adopt the above Consent Agenda.

There being no questions, the roll was called.

Roll Call: Mrs. Apeadu, Mr. Smith, Mr. Jeney, and Mr. Burrell voted aye.

Ayes: 4 Nays: None

Motion Approved

### **REPORTS**

**Emergency Services** – Chuck McSweeney, Delran Emergency Squad, reported that the squad responded to 247 calls in February and completed their annual competencies. They are excited for the upcoming township egg hunt.

**Boards/Committees** – Debra Hammond, Chairperson Delran Green Team, announced they are kicking off a "Love Your Parks" campaign by cleaning up Lake Lonnie, the wildflower garden and Princeton Park on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 AM. All equipment will be provided and volunteers are welcome. The first batch of Tree of Honor leaves will be installed on March 26<sup>th</sup> at the township work session. Actual trees will be planted in late April/early May. Free seedlings will be handed out at Conrow Park on April 27<sup>th</sup> during an Arbor Day celebration. Anyone interested in helping to plant trees is encouraged to contact the Green Team.

**Mr. Bellina** – No report

Ms. Eggers – No report

**Mr.** Catrambone – Mr. Catrambone reported that boom cars were reported in Delran Township. The police department was able to locate them and issue summonses. The contract for phase one of the Stewart Avenue Project was recently signed and utility work will begin shortly. Mr. Catrambone also reported attending the (partial) retirement celebration of Pastor Paul Jackson from Calvary Church. He thanked Pastor Paul and Calvary Church for their many years of assistance with events in the township.

**Mr.** Wright – No report

Mrs. Apeadu – Mrs. Apeadu thanked Seargeant Stowers for his service. She also stated that the

DEP is hiring students for IT positions which she will post on her Facebook page.

**Mr. Smith** – Mr. Smith congratulated Sgt. Bruce Stowers and his family. He also warned drivers to watch for children playing outside during the longer daylight hours.

**Mr. Jeney** – Mr. Jeney congratulated Sgt. Bruce Stowers for everything he does for the community. Mr. Jeney invited people to attend the March 26<sup>th</sup> work session where people will be recognized on the Tree of Honor. He also referenced Resolution 2024-60 on the agenda, explaining the importance of grants that reduce expenses in the township. He congratulated Mr. Bellina and all the departments that make obtaining the grants possible.

**Mr. Burrell** – Mr. Burrell stated that the township has hired a grant writing company on retainer in an effort to get some additional grants. He congratulated Sgt. Stowers and also thanked Pastor Paul and Calvary Church for their many years of community assistance. Mr. Burrell congratulated Joseph Lovitt of Delran who became an Eagle Scout over the weekend.

#### **PUBLIC PORTION**

Mrs. Apeadu made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smith to open the meeting to the public All were in favor; the motion was approved.

Leslie Sweet, Stewart Avenue – Ms. Sweet asked when phase one of the Stewart Avenue Project will begin. Mr. Bellina reported that work should begin in the next couple of weeks, weather permitting. Phase one of the project should take approximately 60 to 90 days.

Mr. Jeney made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smith to close the meeting to the public All were in favor; the motion was approved.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** At this time, Mr. Burrell asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-68 authorizing the executive session.

# TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN RESOLUTION 2024-68

# AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING: CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS – ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 10-4.6 et seq. (Open Public Meeting Act) provides for the exclusion of the public from public meeting for certain reasons; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to close the work session meeting of March 12, 2024 for the following reasons:

# 1. Army Corps of Engineers

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the meeting is closed for the reasons above in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

Mr. Smith made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Apeadu to adopt Resolution 2024-68. All were in favor. The motion was approved.

Mr. Jeney made a motion to end the closed session and reopen the meeting to the public. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith. All were in favor, motion approved.

Mr. Jeney made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Smith. All were in favor; the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted,

Jamey Eggers Municipal Clerk