

**WORK SESSION
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

**September 11, 2018
DELRAN, NJ**

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 16, 2018 and posted on the bulletin board on the same date.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Parejo, Mr. Burrell, Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. O'Connell and Mr. Catrambone were present.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Paris, Mayor, Mr. Riso, Solicitor, Mr. Hatcher, Administrator and Ms. Eggers, Municipal Clerk.

EAGLE SCOUT PROCLAMATION

Mr. Catrambone stated that Councilman Burrell brought this proclamation request to Council for approval. The proclamation request is for Eamon Taylor and the court of honor will be held on October 10th. After discussion, Council agreed to the request.

PURCHASE OF VERMEER CHIPPER

Mr. Hatcher stated that we have used the Sourcewell Purchasing Network before and there is a process we need to follow. Purchasing the chipper through this contract will save the Township approximately \$4,000 over the state contract. A resolution will need to be adopted at the public meeting. After discussion, Council agreed to approve the Resolution at the next work session.

CIVIL RIGHTS RESOLUTION

Mr. Hatcher reported that every two years we need to update our policies and procedures which we are working with Attorney's office to accomplish. This will allow us to have a lower co-pay and deductible with the Municipal Excess Liability fund. We review all policies and make any necessary changes. We are required to send a employment notice to all employees and adopt a Resolution to affirm the Township's civil rights policy. This process has to be completed by October 1st. After discussion, Council agreed to add this Resolution to the next agenda.

ENGINEERING FOR JAKE'S PLACE

Mr. Catrambone stated that we received a fee estimate in the amount of \$25,000 for engineering services. Mr. Catrambone stated that the build has been postponed to the spring.

Mr. Hatcher stated that the funding has been approved in Ordinance 2018-06 but we need to adopt a Resolution to authorizing a not to exceed amount for the engineering costs. If Council agrees, we will add this to the agenda for the next meeting. Council agreed.

SAMPLE BACKGROUND CHECK ORDINANCE

Mr. Catrambone stated that this item was requested at a prior meeting. We review several surrounding towns and found that Delanco, Riverside and Burlington Township have similar ordinance in place. Cinnaminson, Moorestown and Willingboro do not. With the AA already having a background check policy in place, we need to check with the Delran Soccer Club to

find out their policy. The attorney provided a sample ordinance for Council to review. Mr. Catrambone asked if this but a burden on the Police Department.

Mr. Hatcher stated that there will be some administrative put on both the Police Department and the Administration.

Mr. Riso stated that it is his understanding the Delran AA does not require fingerprinting.

Mr. Hatcher stated they do not.

Mrs. Kolodi asked if we could pass any cost associated with the fingerprinting onto the organization.

Mr. Hatcher stated yes.

Mr. Catrambone stated that it would be up to them whether the organization would pay or the individual coach.

Mr. Catrambone asked that Council review the ordinance and mark any changes or questions. Mr. Catrambone asked Mr. Riso to outline the items that Council needs to make a decision on asked Ms. Eggers to provide samples of the ordinances from the surrounding towns. Council will discuss this item at the next work session.

REPORTS

Mr. DeSanto – Mr. DeSanto stated that we are having the park equipment replaced at Conrow Park. We discussed having the old equipment removed at a cost of \$9,000. We decided to auction the equipment on govdeals.com and we ended up received \$12,500 for the equipment and they will pay for the removal. Mr. DeSanto stated that they hope to have the new park installed by the end of October.

Ms. Eggers – No report.

Mr. Hatcher – Mr. Hatcher reported that Matt Johnson, County Coordinator for open space acquisition and park development, has been talking to Council about the Rancocas Greenway Trail and he is looking for a letter of endorsement. They are looking to do some sidewalk improvements, curb ramps, crosswalk, concrete curbs and bike lane markings along River Drive. He asked if Council is okay with sending a letter of endorsement. Council agreed.

Mr. Riso – No report.

Mr. O'Connell – No report.

Mr. Burrell – No report.

Ms. Parejo – No report.

Mrs. Kolodi – Mrs. Kolodi stated that all of the fundraising for Community Park has been completed and Mr. Kennedy asked whether Council wanted the fundraising to continue or take a break until the next phase of the park is discussed or after Jake's Place. After discussion, Council agreed to take a break and allow Jake's Place to continue. In the meantime, Council can discuss the next phase for the park.

Mrs. Kolodi stated that with today being September 11th she asked that everyone remember the people who lost their lives and all the workers who helped save lives.

Mr. Catrambone – No report.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mrs. Kolodi made a motion to open the meeting to the public. The motion was seconded by Mr. Burrell. All were in favor, motion approved.

Angelo Cinti, Ashely Crossings, asked what liability the Township has when we allow teams to use our fields in relations to the criminal background checks and whether the adults have been vetted.

Mr. Riso stated that like every other scenario it would depend on the facts. The Township does not hire the coaches. In his opinion if something were to happen between a coach and player, the fact that it happened on a Township field, would not necessarily give rise to a liability claim against the Township. That's not to say that a creative plaintiffs' lawyer might not try to make a connection. There are also multiple immunities that municipalities are afforded under state law. By passing a criminal background check ordinance it gives the Township an added layer of protection.

Mr. Cinti asked where we stand with the housing situation.

Brain Shotts, COAH Attorney, stated that we are still in litigation and are working through negotiating settlements with the various developers as well as Fair Share Housing. We are anticipating the fairness hearing will be sometime in November with compliance hearing five months after.

Mrs. Kolodi a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. O'Connell. All were in favor, the motion was approved.

Mr. Burrell made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Kolodi. All were in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamey Eggers, Township Clerk