

**TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD
TOWNSHIP MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2005**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Oxford was held on August 17, 2005 in the Oxford Municipal Building, 11 Green Street, Oxford, New Jersey.

In attendance were Deputy Mayor Phil Rosenberg, Angel Accetturo, Peter Kowalick, Michael Finelli and Robert Benbrook. Mayor Alex Lazorisak was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Phil Rosenberg, Deputy Mayor at 7:40PM who announced that the meeting had been properly advertised in compliance with the OPMA of 1975.

The flag salute was recited.

Deputy Mayor Rosenberg announced that Sewer, Property Tax and Treasurer's Reports for the month of August, 2005, were available to anyone who would like to review them.

On motion by Mr. Rosenberg, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, bills for LSR Trading Company-\$996.00, Finelli Consulting-\$1,863.75 and Diane Hooper -\$196.00 were approved for payment.

On motion by Mr. Rosenberg, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, to give Mayor Lazorisak the authority to release the check for J.C.P. &L after the Clerk calls Jersey Central Power and Light to inquire into why the bill was so high.

A check for \$5,000.00 to Maser Consulting was held until a meeting is scheduled with Robert Zellely of Maser Consulting to exchange the bill of sale and all paperwork pertaining to the Coachlite Project. Robert Benbrook will draw up a document to be signed by Maser and the Committee.

RESOLUTION 2005-49 Emergency Appropriation of \$7,000.00-Spring Meadows will be discussed at our September 21, 2005 Township Meeting.

RESOLUTION 2005-52 Authorizing State Aid under the Municipal Storm water Regulation Program and

RESOLUTION 2005-53 Temporarily Suspending the Prohibition Against Hunting as Codified by Chapter 72-1H were adopted on motion by Mr. Rosenberg, and seconded by Mr. Accetturo. Lou Accetturo, Supervisor of the Department of Public Works will erect signs at Oxford Furnace Lake before September 5, 2005 advertising the goose hunt.

RESOLUTION 2005-54 Acknowledging the Adoption by the Land Use Board of the Storm water Management Plan and

RESOLUTION 2005-55 Redeem lien on Block 31 Lot 21 C0044 for the Amount of \$2,128.27 were adopted on motion by Mr. Rosenberg, and seconded by Mr. Accetturo.

RESOLUTION 2005-57 Support of the New Jersey Highlands Council's Municipal Partnership Pilot Program was discussed by Mike Finelli. Mr. Rosenberg will talk to Adam Zellner of the Highland Council. This resolution will be reviewed at the September 21, 2005 Township Meeting.

Schoor DePalma Proposal for Professional Planning Services Housing Element and Fair Share Compliance Plan and the Code Revitalization Proposal will be discussed at the September 21, 2005 Township Meeting.

Tilcon requested a letter signed by the Mayor supporting Tilcon's application for NAPA's Diamond Achievement Commendation. The Committee will forward this request to Mayor Lazorisak.

David and Diane Gootee submitted a letter in reference to sewer hook-up for 141 Buckley Avenue, Oxford. They are requesting that money be refunded to them for the sewer hook-up fees. The Committee discussed this letter with the Township Attorney, Mr. Benbrook and more research will be done. A letter will be written to the Gootees explaining the Township's decision on this request.

Mike Finelli talked to John Carlton from PCFA in reference to the SUI permit. Mr. Accetturo suggested that the Township look into hiring a consultant from a large engineering firm specializing in leachate studies. Mike will review the SUI permit and will assemble a proposal to send out to engineering firms and report to the Township Committee at the September 21, 2005 meeting with prices. Mike also discussed the speed limit ordinance and stated that the Township must submit some type of documentation to the State of New Jersey. Finelli Consulting will submit a new map to decorate the hallway of the Municipal Building showing details of the Township.

Art Groves will meet with Mayor Lazorisak to submit his final report on the sewer infiltration problem. A letter will be written to all homeowners explaining the sewer infiltration and penalties associated with the violation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

A gentleman from Spring Meadows Development had questions why his taxes keep increasing every year. Mr. Rosenberg explained that twenty-eight cents out of the \$3.66 tax rate goes to the municipality and the other \$3.38 is for school and county tax.

Diane Hooper announced that the movie "Grease" will be shown in the pavilion at Oxford Furnace Lake rain or shine on September 9, 2005. She stated that she is aware of

the expense of showing the movies and based on the attendance of Grease, she will report back to the Committee whether the movie "Hook" will be shown on September 23, 2005.

Karen Wachelka of 60 Buckley Avenue asked if any well drilling was being done in the area. She stated that her water is brown for a few days, then turns clear, but then turns brown again. Mr. Accetturo said he didn't know of any drilling in the area and she should call the Warren County Health Department. She also asked why the School Board meeting and Township meeting is the same night every month. Mr. Accetturo said it was the best night for the Township Committee to meet with the professionals.

Public hearing was declared closed.

Mr. Rosenberg said that Gary Goode, the officer that was attending the Police Academy could not finish training because of health problems. The police and Mr. Rosenberg will be interviewing candidates the week of August 22nd, 2005 to fill the position of police officer.

On motion by Mr. Rosenberg and seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the Committee entered into Executive Session at 9:05 PM to discuss Covanta.

The Committee went back into the regular meeting at 9:30 PM.

On motion by Mr. Rosenberg and seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the request from Kevin Thomsen to close Docker Place for their annual Labor Day Picnic on September 5, 2005 was approved.

On motion by Mr. Accetturo and seconded by Mr. Rosenberg, the Township Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Sheila L. Oberly, Acting Township Clerk