

February 25, 2012
Municipal Building
121 Evergreen Road
New Egypt, NJ 08533

The Special Meeting of the Township of Plumsted Committee was called to order by Mayor Leutwyler.

STATEMENT: "This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. It was presented for publication to the Asbury Park and The Times and posted on the Bulletin Board."

THOSE OFFICIALS PRESENT:

COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA	DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK	MAYOR LEUTWYLER
COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI	COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG	
ADMINISTRATOR DANCER	CLERK HENDRICKSON	

The Committee opened the meeting with saluting the flag.

The purpose of this meeting was to authorize the submittal of the State of New Jersey Transitional State Aid application for the 2012 Budget, introduce the 2012 Budget, amend the 2012 Temporary Budget, authorize payments to Plumsted Township Fire District #1 and to approve Raffles Licenses.

RESOLUTIONS:

Business Administrator Dancer said the budget numbers \$359,529.75 is \$4,400.00 more than what is on the cover page, which is \$363,529.75. This is as a result of not going out in April on a Special Question on the Ballot to save \$4,400.00. He wanted to point out a number of minor issues; (1) under the column 2011 where the State wanted to know the Township's percentage of taxes collected instead of 98%, the final calculation was 99.84%, which has been revised. (2) for the 2012 application year, the computation used for Reserve for Uncollected Taxes was 99.33%. (3) under the proposed increase and average residential taxes, the Township will add \$75.00 parenthetically with the transitional aid. With the tax rate going from 13 cents to 15 cents, this equates to \$75.00; (4) regarding the Explanation of Need for Transitional Aid, there are narratives which the CFO requested him to put together and asked the Committee to review for any comments, suggestions or revisions, it could be revised Monday before it is forwarded to the State; (5) the State asked when State Aid Application was submitted to provide an organizational chart; and (6) the final item requested was the Debt Service Amortization Schedule.

Dancer said when he and Mayor Leutwyler met with the State, his feedback was the State in this application was asking for the Best Management Practices that municipalities should be doing, they are asking the Township to comply if the aid is received. In the event that the Township does not receive the aid, the Committee will have to discuss the utilization of the School Deferred Tax balances that are available. The most desirable approach is to use State Grant money. He said the State said that as efficient as they saw Plumsted Township they would not be receiving any difficulties in any requests that was reasonable including hiring and promotions. There are guidelines and waivers. Committeeman Wysong questioned if this Transitional Aid is all or nothing or maybe partial. Dancer said it could be partial. There are three possibilities, all, partial or denied. He and Mayor Leutwyler felt the preliminary meeting went well. Committeeman Trotta questioned the Reserve for Uncollectable Taxes computation in the application of 99.33%. The amount of \$120,516.46 should be adjusted to \$117,749.76. Deputy Mayor Sorchik said Plan B that had been previously discussed in previous years as a Committee and found that it was not in the best interest of the Township. Because once you use that School Tax money that is collected in advance, you are locked in this is not fiscally in the best interest of residents in the Township. Dancer said the Township would be self-sustainable very shortly when the debt service reduction occurs.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG, RESOLUTION NO. 2012-125, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY 2012 TRANSITIONAL STATE AID APPLICATION FOR THE 2012 BUDGET. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. The amount is \$359,529.75. This will be submitted by February 29th if authorized by the Township Committee.

Mayor Leutwyler stated Resolution No. 2012-126 was for the Introduction of the 2012 Municipal Budget. He reviewed the Appropriations Inside and Outside the Cap for Municipal purposes which totaled \$3,147,486.94 less the Revenues other than Current Property Tax, Surplus Miscellaneous Revenue and Receipts from delinquent taxes and deference amount raised by taxes for support of Municipal Budget, Local Tax for Municipal Purposes excluding Reserved for Uncollected Taxes which totaled \$3,147,486.94.

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, RESOLUTION NO. 2012-126, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO INTRODUCE THE 2012 MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

Notice was given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Governing Body of the Township of Plumsted, County of Ocean on February 25, 2012. The Public Hearing on the Budget will be held on April 4, 2012 at which time and place objections to the budget may be presented by the taxpayers or other interested persons. Business Administrator Dancer said there will be a power point presentation for the public hearing. He said he would like any comments, additions, suggestions before this overview is put on the website.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE WYSONG, RESOLUTION NO. 2012-127, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2012 WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, RESOLUTION NO. 2012-128, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EQUAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS TO THE PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #1 WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS AND PROFESSIONALS:

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, THE BILL LIST OF FEBRUARY 25, 2012 WAS APPROVED AS SUBMITTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION TO APPROVE:

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, THE FOLLOWING RAFFLES LICENSES WERE APPROVED: RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2012-04 FOR AN OFF PREMISE MERCHANDISE RAFFLES FOR THE HORSE PARK OF NJ AT STONE TAVERN, INC.; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2012-05 FOR AN OFF PREMISE MERCHANDISE RAFFLES FOR MCKAIG-TEST-MULLEN AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 455; AND RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2012-09 FOR AN OFF PREMISE 50/50 RAFFLES FOR MCKAIG-TEST-MULLEN AMERICAN LEGION POST 455.

Mayor Leutwyler asked for any comments from the Township Committee. Deputy Mayor Sorchik said it was excellent that the Governor decided to take the steps regarding Transitional Aid. He also wanted to thank Business Administrator and former Mayor Dancer for seizing the opportunity to go ahead and approach the State for securing the State Aid. It is especially useful with the constraints the Township has been under the last couple of years. Regarding the Fire Budget, the Fire Department was able to secure a used tanker with no cost to the taxpayer. Committeeman Marinari said with the advantages the Township has with the experience of Assemblyman Dancer budget wise in helping the community as he does; and with him and Mayor Leutwyler, working together problems will be resolved fiscally in a very short time. Committeeman Wysong said the "Leaving New Egypt" signs put up by Main Streets near Colliers Mills Road should be moved further south on Route 539.

Mayor Leutwyler asked for public comments, there were no public comments. There was no further discussion for the meeting.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy J. Hendrickson, RMC
Municipal Clerk