

March 4, 2015
Municipal Building
121 Evergreen Road
New Egypt, NJ 08533

The Workshop Session of the meeting of the Plumsted Township Committee was called to order by Mayor Trotta.

STATEMENT: "This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. It was advertised for publication in the Asbury Park Press and posted on the bulletin board."

THOSE OFFICIALS PRESENT WERE:

COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO	COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG	COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI
MAYOR TROTTA	ADMINISTRATOR DANCER	CLERK HENDRICKSON
ATTORNEY KELLY	DAVID LEUTWYLER, CDC	

Deputy Mayor Sorchik was excused.

Mayor Trotta said in reviewing the agenda, there was a revision to Resolution No. 2015-122, which would authorize two signatures instead of three on Township Checks to help speed the process. He passed out paperwork to the Committee and Police Chief regarding the Police Department regarding outside employment. A few weeks ago he and Committeeman Lotito met with Officers Uricks and Doell about a couple of issues, one being outside off-duty employment. He copied Ordinance 47-9 which pertains to outside employment and Section D has our current rates. During this meeting they were told that the Police are losing the opportunity for outside employment because our rates are too high and that Jackson has all inclusive rate of \$90 an hour where Plumsted has \$60 for someone outside of Plumsted plus \$100 administration fee and \$125 if they want the car for 8 hours.

Mayor Trotta said he asked CFO Madden to put together a spread sheet for last year for off duty work which he consolidated by date and the company hours and the charges. He then looked at the Jackson rate of \$90 per hour all inclusive rate and Manchester's rate of \$75 per hour all inclusive rate and compared them. He compared the rates for all of the days for off duty work. Plumsted brought in \$45,277.50 for off duty work for 590.50 hours which works out to \$76.68 per hour, and looking at Jackson's rate of \$90. It would have been \$51,000, which would have been considerably higher overall. Manchester's rate of \$75 per hour would have been \$43,000 which is a little less. He then took it a step further and totaled it by vendor and the total number of hours by vendor, the total dollars they were charged, and the total they were charged for cars and administration fees with the grand total and then average per hour.

The vendor, Laurita, who had 308 hours for a total of \$21,920, is an average of \$71.17 per hour. If you look at the other two towns, both would have cost more because their all-inclusive rate is \$90 and \$75 which is higher than the \$71. So Laurita, the largest vendor for off duty work, would have paid more. Mayor Trotta said the Committee was asked to take a look at this to see if changes should be made. Chief Petrecca noted that possibly the Township Committee may want to waive the administrative fees for local businesses. Mayor Trotta said the Committee would like to help everyone and give the officers more off-duty work; we have to work it out for everyone.

Committeeman Wysong asked what brought this on to be an issue with inside or outside township work. Chief Petrecca said it was a combination now. Before it was just Jackson, they would do outside road details for other jurisdictions but they are starting to work with each other and have afforded Plumsted to work with this on the officer's day off to assist them and then we would recover the vehicle fee that would go back into the Vehicle Trust. He said the companies working with the other municipalities started to see what our administrative fees were costing them plus the fee for the officer and the car. Mayor Trotta said when he and Committeeman Lotito met with Officers Doell and Uricks, they wanted us to try and meet Jackson's rate, but he said looking at it, it didn't make sense because it would cost more. Sometimes it may cost less, but overall it would be more. He said they want to get a better rate to try and get more work, which he totally understood but the details just need to be worked out regarding the car and administration fees to get a better deal for everyone. Chief Petrecca said he would reach out to Jackson for more information. This would be discussed further once more information is received.

Committeeman Lotito said he would like to have a draft resolution added to the agenda. Mayor Trotta said this was forwarded to the Committee and Attorney Kelly for review. Attorney Kelly said he just received a letter and wanted to go over the opinion and also the language in the proposed resolution and asked if this could wait until the next meeting to properly advise the Township and the Committee. Committeeman Lotito said when there was discussion regarding

this venue of doing invocation at the Township, the Township Committee is not required to have a resolution in place to conduct that activity. The idea of having a resolution was to say out loud what our policy was and the idea of doing an invocation in opening our meetings and it was a nice to have as opposed to we need to do this to move forward. This was the spirit of developing a resolution to say this was a right. The court just made a ruling and this has been the practice of the founding fathers. It is something that he thought we should consider as a body and exercise that right. Mayor Trotta said he did not think anyone on this committee would disagree that they have the right to have a prayer before the meetings. His personal opinion was if our legal counsel wanted to take the time to review what was put together, he felt the time should be given to him.

Committeeman Lotito also wanted to mention that there was other counsel available to us that are seasoned in the Supreme Courts and were instrumental in arriving at the alleged Supreme Court testimony. It is available to the Township at no cost. He said there are a wealth of resources available to help navigate and pursue that. He said he felt Attorney Kelly's concerns which were forthright are what the fees would be to maintain this practice or right in the Township. This has always been a concern because we don't have a lot of resources and what we do have we try to use wisely. Committeeman Wysong also wanted counsel to look at when reviewing the resolution is Item #2 in resolve because we have 4 or 5 chaplains appointed by resolution to the Township and how to handle this. Committeeman Marinari said Mayor Trotta reached out to him, and he had no problem in doing this, he thought it would be something very positive for the Committee to do, but we are paying our legal counsel to give us the best legal advice. Attorney Kelly said the one letter from an outside law firm is an advocacy firm, they are advocating a certain position and we have to make sure that that is in the best interest of Township as opposed to what they are advocating. He just wanted to make sure we were getting off on the right foot. Mayor Trotta said he hoped this review would be done by the next meeting so the Committee can move forward.

Mayor Trotta said the Annual Statement of Receipts from the Tax Office was completed and wanted to make sure everyone saw it and if there were any questions to check with the Tax Office.

Mayor Trotta asked Chief Petrecca to present the Plumsted Police Department 2014 Year End Report and Public Safety Goals and Objectives.

Chief Petrecca thanked everyone for coming and acknowledged Corporal Meroney, Criminal Investigations Bureau and Corporal Reilly, Internal Affairs, Evidence and in charge of certain squads, Jody Byrne, Chief of the Egypt First Aid Squad, Detective Mantz and Patrolman Schaal. He said as Chief he does a lot data analysis and intel from his officers. In 2014 as per the Ocean County Sheriff's Office Dispatch, there was 5,471 calls for service that do not include people who go see Cyndi at the front desk, call her on the phone or people who may come in for a straggler question and other things that may not be documented. He said there were 438 calls for service with two officers who respond for backup for safety reasons. Committeeman Wysong asked about false alarms which the Chief explained the process. He said they have over 1,000 motor vehicle stops documented from the Ocean County Sheriff's Department. Motor vehicle crashes combined were 280, 50 with injuries. This was reduced from 2013 which the number was 423. He felt this was because there was more officers on patrol and people are slowing down and people are more alert of what is going on calling in aggressive drivers, etc.

Officer requests calls are where someone wants something documented and that number was 300 which he felt was high. There were 506 calls but he felt should be doubled because there were calls that they don't document which may be a simple phone call. For suspicious persons, there were 85 calls, which he contributed that to the alertness of the residents. They understand what is going on and the environment and culture around us is changing. He said over the years, they are dealing with different types of crimes than they ever had over the last seventeen years. People are reporting more to the police and that goes out to the residents. They had 80 vehicles called in as suspicious which is over 165 calls and said to keep the calls coming in. They had 61 calls for service for theft in the town, which range from car thefts to burglaries and commended the Criminal Investigation Bureau because they had about 91% solvability rate.

There are two detectives around the clock now handling any complaints or investigations, which range from sexual assaults ranging all the way down the line. They have great networking with the Ocean County Prosecutor and the Prosecutor's Office and other agencies around us like the Task Force in Trenton. Regarding the heroine arrests, that is one of the goals for 2015. From 2014 data they put together a plan and will execute the plan for 2015. That also goes with the Criminal Investigations, they put together a special enforcement team comprised of detectives undercover and intelligence that comes in and an anonymous tip hotline (609-758-1540). He said there were over 80 different types of calls that they deal with.

Committeeman Marinari questioned if suspicious person reports were broke down internal and rurally. Chief Petrecca said they have a mapping system on their computer system and it breaks down where issues are happening so he can send the officers into those particular areas. Regarding traffic accidents on Route 539, he hoped to keep policing that area to slow the trucks down and other issues they were having. He said by the car accidents alone, they are down as well as the fatalities compared to the year before. He said they were dealing with the Road Department and Engineers and are looking to put rumble strips on Route 539 along the center lines and fog lines because a lot of those crashes are head on impact crashes with cars going over the center line. He hoped if it saves one life this is worth it. He also said they were able to get the speed limit sign on Main Street as the business owners had some concerns and with children crossing the street going to school. They have run radar and were able to take an analysis on that and the speeds were not where the perception was. Committeeman Marinari said the businesses appreciated the speed signs and it was an asset for everyone, not just the businesses.

Chief Petrecca said last year there was 132 adult arrests which included DWI's, CDS, thefts, burglary, which are Type I and Type II crimes and 4 juvenile arrests. He said that those numbers were a little lower than last year for 2013. He said a lot of those arrests are complements of the CIB and officers out there doing their job. He said the officers do a heck of a job and are out there monitoring as they want to make it better for everyone.

In 2014 there were 164 gun permits and 42 ID Cards go out which is 164 more weapons on the road in our jurisdiction. As Chief, he has to make sure they are in the right hands. The detectives do a good background check and follow the State required process. He looks at this in different aspects such as a safety issue and as a right. He noted that were a lot of guns going out on the street in a year.

Chief Petrecca said he conducted a S.W.O.T. Analysis (Strength, Weakness, Opportunities and Threats) of an agency. This basically does for him as an Administrator, understand where we are, where they need to go and what kinds of threats and opportunities are out there for us to thwart those threats. First, regarding Strengths of the agency, he said they have highly trained officers in the Police Department. They receive accredited training by the NJ State Chief's Association which there is no better training. It is yearlong and mandated and if an officer does not excel in the training, they have to go back until they get it right or get removed from the road. He said the training since he has taken over and been accredited has really excelled. He said this has to be commended by the Governing Body for the commitment they gave the police as it gives him as Chief to evaluate his personnel to know where they are on the road. They are dedicated and motivated officers. The strong leadership he has with the command staff from the two Corporals and Sergeant, the officers look to them for direction and with the training and experience now these officers have a resource to go to compared to when he was out there sometimes by himself on the road making a decision. There is now a chain of command of leadership.

They haven't updated their MS System which they have been running for over two years and with Committeeman Lotito and Mayor Trotta putting together an IT Committee, they now have a new server and this is the most advanced RMS System we could have asked for. He commended Committeeman Lotito and Mayor Trotta for putting together the IT Committee because it has really assisted them.

Chief Petrecca said in April 2014 they were reaccredited. Accreditation means that the best practices of law enforcement today which is a management tool for Chiefs of Police or Administrators within an agency dealing with policies and procedures, accountability from evidence to financial to property to patrol techniques, tactics, equipment and since they have been accredited for the second time, they only have one or two blemishes on their record. They went through with shining colors and this falls on the backbone of the agency, the patrol division going out and doing the right thing and making sure that they are working within the criteria of the accreditation.

He said another strong point was the Criminal Investigations Bureau. There are two seasoned detectives, Detective Uricks and Detective Mantz. He said the reporting from sexual assaults to drug intelligence has skyrocketed. They are now able to develop criminal intelligence files which help with crimes that are now occurring but also with future crimes that may occur. It helps them develop suspects and gives them leads. This bureau has done a great job headed by Detective Uricks.

The School Resource Officers is another strength. The Board of Education needs to be commended. Officer DePalma and Officer Kapandis are in the schools. They are developing a relationship with the youth of today there is no amount of money that can paid for that relationship. To be able to walk up to your officer and know them for years to come is only a relationship that is going to get better. The safety in schools is the number one priority and having the officers there constantly training them keeping them alert for the safety of the

children and staff will always be his number one priority and they need to be commended as well as the school district in supporting the SRO Program.

Regarding opportunities, there is a program called LESO Program and with approval of the Governing Body they will check and see what kind of military equipment they can acquire such as high water rescue vehicles, rifles, helmets, gloves, and things that would not cost the taxpayers' dollars.

Drug Forfeiture Funds: In 2014, there was about \$16,000 pending in court cases with respect to drug raids where vehicles and money were seized. That money can be put into their account and used for law enforcement purposes once the cases are closed.

Click It or Ticket It Grants: There were two DWI Check Points done through the Ocean County Prosecutors Office last year. There were also roaming patrols specifically looking for DWI's or narcotics on the road. More is scheduled for 2015.

Chief Petrecca said the threats in the Township and Department with heroin, it is there and is being exposed because they have the seasoned officers needed to go out there and apply their experience and training on the road and go after what they are seeing. Their observation, investigative and tactic skills are better. He said this will not stop, but we are there to get them help. He said if anyone sees anything suspicious, they will look into it.

Chief Petrecca said new vehicles have been purchased to update the fleet, which was very scarce at one point. They have four good Tahoes, one new police car and possibly another Tahoe or police car this year. The equipment was a concern but because of the LESO Program, they may now be able to get updated equipment.

Chief Petrecca said the weaknesses of the Department that he observed are the financial constraints which definitely hurt the Department in achieving certain goals. He said he was working with the Governing Body to address this and hope that this budget we can move forward. Radio Systems are outdated, some were fairly old and hope to have that rectified. Firearms have been discussed and hopefully are in the budget. The interview room system needs to be updated because of the types of crimes that are being reported. That is evidence and we don't want to lose a case for a victim because we failed to provide them with the proper equipment to conduct an interview.

Chief Petrecca asked for any questions before moving on to 2015. Luisa Erich-Carr of 12 Holmes Road asked about the number of police officers Plumsted Township had. Chief Petrecca said 14 Officers of which two are dedicated to the school during the school year. She asked if they were still under with respect to Plumsted's population. He said he thought they were under about four police officers. She asked what the Governing Body was doing about it. He said it was talked about and were looking at ways they can hire Class II Officers where it would not be such a financial burden. She said in comparison to the Fire Department, they have more employees and are not 24/7. He said he understood but he runs the Police Department and the Fire Department and First Aid to a great job. She blamed the Governing Body for the under staffing.

Committeeman Wysong said there was no blame. A couple of years ago, there was a question on the ballot to raise taxes to help the Police Department which was shot down. He said it was strictly a budget issue. She felt that is was important to get more policers on board and it was explained that the Committee was working on the issue.

Bill Carr asked if the Fire Budget is voted down, what happens when they come to the Township Committee. Mayor Trotta explained that the discussion was about the Police Department Annual Report.

Gerry Lee wanted to thank the Police Department and let them know they were doing a great job. She had children and grandchildren in the Township and asked if there were halfway houses in this town. Chief Petrecca said there were group homes, not halfway houses in the township, which is different. She there were rumors that some of them are alcoholics and drug addicts. She was not against people getting help, but she thought that as residents if there were these types of homes that they should have a right to know what was in their neighborhood, especially with the drug problems that are going on in the town. Chief Petrecca said he would look into it and get back to her.

Chief Petrecca said as of March 4, 2015 the Enforces System had over 746 calls for service. There were 9 CDS arrests (drug arrests), 1 sexual assault arrest, 1 DWI arrest and 2 thefts, one involved in counterfeit. The numbers for CDS were up from the first three months of 2014. There were still other issues with the traffic on Route 539 and other intersections with speeding which will also be targeted. He said numbers don't lie, they give him an idea of perspective on

what needed to be done and what direction we need to go with the Police Department for everyone's safety.

Chief Petrecca said if anyone wanted to speak to him on the side, he would be happy to hear concerns.

Committeeman Marinari said when he complimented the Schools regarding the SRO's, the Township also shares it as well. That is one of the best Shared Services that is offered to the community and another thing was the Prosecutor did come and check the schools on occasion which he hoped that this would be on a regular basis once or twice a year as that will, in some way, the dogs will help with the drugs. Chief Petrecca said all of this was a group effort with Deputy Mayor Sorchik as Police Liaison and Committeeman Lotito with his expertise with IT. This all enhances the operation of the Police Department for the residents. He communicates via email on a daily basis with Mayor Trotta on what needs to be accomplished. He said he and the officers appreciate the combined commitment.

Committeeman Marinari said when he was Board President, he always let everyone know that they had the best Superintendent, Administration and teachers and in this case, we have the best Chief and the best representatives on the Police Department.

Committeeman Wysong questioned an unsigned proposal from the Police Department for a K-9. Chief Petrecca said Carlos Rios is a K-9 Trainer and has donated a Belgian Malinois K-9 to the Plumsted Township Police Department. The dog will be utilized in two capacities, for patrol and scent for narcotics. Officer Nani was interested in going to school for this training. With the networks we have Carlos and several other stepping forward, and business owners, veterinarians have stepped forward in donating different facets to the Police Department for the dog and its care, training, equipment that is needed to offset the costs for Officer Nani to achieve this. He has 150% on board for this K-9 which is another asset on the road. They can go after the drugs but also if they are in crisis situation, it is another way of mechanical force to deescalate it.

Chief Petrecca was waiting to see what the Mayor and Committee's decision was. He noted this decision was needed by a certain date because of K-9 Training School. There is a \$500 fee for a 16-week class for patrol and then another 10-week class of scent work. He said there were a lot of people showing a lot of assistance for this program because of the financial situation and the operational situation with manpower to get this program going. They have to have the commitment for this program. The cost for the school itself is \$500, and there is a donation from a local police department for a brand new cage for one of the vehicles which they thought was originally going to be part of the cost factor but through networking and phone calls, they were able to achieve this, and also, with Carlos donating equipment to the officer to attend school. Committeeman Marinari, as President of the Plumsted Business and Merchants Association said they would provide \$250.00 and Big Woods would provide another \$250.00 towards this. Committeeman Wysong questioned how this would affect the Officer going to school with staffing, manning, coverage and budget. Chief Petrecca said Corporal Meroney does scheduling and he will reschedule the coverage for Officer Nani while he attending school and training with the dog. Chief Petrecca said some operational changes were required and understood that overtime was a major concern. He said it would also be a good community police network mechanism.

Committeeman Wysong asked about the training whether they are only focused on one particular thing like drugs or bombs or if they are multi tasked. Carlos said this dog has training in narcotics and patrol work. His training with Officer Nani will be mostly be in narcotics which is one of the major issues here in Plumsted.

Committeeman Marinari said if the Governing Body was to move forward with this that the PBMA and Big Woods would donate the \$500.00 for the school. Mayor Trotta thanked him for the donation and getting ready for the possibility of this. The Labor Attorney was asked to work on an agreement. Business Administrator Dancer said the Labor Attorney was supposed to be in attendance, but was unable to make it. He said there were some PERC Case Law Decisions that the Committee should be aware of before making a decision. He said he wanted to inform the Committee during the workshop session that the CFO was trying to prepare the 2015 Budget, however at this point, the budget is at Cap for both Taxes at 2% and the budget is now, as far as spending appropriations exceeds the spending Cap. He said the problem was that for January and February snowplowing and salt costs were \$89,000 and counting and the amount budgeted was \$40,000 and \$10,000 from the Trust Account. He said he was going to make an inquiry at the State to see if there could be some relief. Committeeman Marinari said if this does and can move forward that the PBMA and Big Woods would provide the training. Chief Petrecca said once he receives an answer, he will give the Committee the breakdown with scheduling, etc. He also said if this route is taken all of the officers are willing to make concessions to have Officer Nani do this.

There was discussion regarding the timing of an approval as this was the only class for this year. Chief Petrecca said Carlos said the dog was at the right age now and ready to go. Mayor Trotta said this presented an issue because we don't know where we stand with the budget and there were still some issues that the Labor Attorney was trying to work out. He asked if there was some information before the end of the week and poll the committee for an answer for Chief Petrecca as far as the class was concerned and then memorialize that at either a special meeting for the budget or at the April Meeting. Attorney Kelly said there was nothing on the agenda or published for the Township Committee taking any action on this at this meeting and there was little time notice of a special meeting if this needed to be done by Monday. He said he did not know specifically what the issues were with the Labor Attorney and what was being reviewed, and the threshold issue regarding budgets.

Committeeman Wysong questioned whether the entire program needed approval. He felt that the PBMA knows the value of this and if something should happen and \$500 is lost, then it is lost. Chief Petrecca said he had an email from Deputy Mayor Sorchik which outlines certain criteria, one which reserves the right to abolish this if there is too much a financial burden based upon the budget concerns and constraints; but his understanding with his meetings with Officer Nani, right now it is \$500. Other than losing him because of the school for training, the amount that would come back in the long run for this program; you cannot put a price on it. Mayor Trotta said the Committee had to do their due diligence and give an answer. He said if everyone involved was willing to move forward, then if the program cannot be done, and are all on the same page, the Committee was in agreement for sending the officer to training.

Resident George Lee questioned why a Labor Attorney was involved with this. Chief Petrecca said there was Case Law involved with arbitration unions and officers and past practices that have occurred with K-9. The Labor Attorney will draw up an agreement with the Officer and Township legally stating the understanding between the two parties.

Committeeman Wysong thanked Chief Petrecca for his comprehensive report and also thanked the officers. He applauded his department, especially Corporal Reilly, for the press releases that have been put out to make residents aware of the issues that is going on in the township.

Chief Petrecca thanked everyone and appreciated them for coming and be safe with the snow; and if anyone needs them to call the Police Department or Ocean County Dispatch.

The Committee took a short recess before the regular session.

Mayor Trotta called the Regular Session of the meeting to order with the Flag Salute and introduced the professionals at the dais.

MINUTES:

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG, THE SPECIAL MEETING (BUDGET WORKSHOP) OF DECEMBER 8, 2014 WAS APPROVED AS SUBMITTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Trotta asked Rebecca Fine to come to the dais to accept a Certificate of Recognition for Star & Stripes Ambassador Scholarship 2015 NJ State Agriculture Convention. Assemblyman Dancer also recognized Rebecca on behalf of Governor Chris Christie and the NJ State Legislature. He said the honor she brought to our community by being recognized as an ambassador she had an opportunity to go down to the Agricultural Convention in Atlantic City. This accentuates the importance of having an educational component as an intricate part of agriculture in a rural farming community such as Plumsted Township. Since Plumsted has 45 preserved farms with over 3,500 acres preserved, he wanted to acknowledge the individuals that excel in our community on the State's stage. Assemblyman Dancer presented Rebecca with Joint Legislative Resolution which commemorates her success on her exemplary efforts and meritorious accomplishments. He also presented her with General Assembly and Senate Citation which commends her for her success and endeavor of being an example to other students in the agricultural community of what you can be. Being our Stars and Stripes Youth Ambassador is quite an honor.

Rebecca said Stars and Stripes is a livestock show which she shows dairy goats, chickens and rabbits. She applied for the scholarship last summer and found out in September that she won the because of all of her agricultural knowledge and experience which enabled her to have a booth at the convention. Her mother said she has come a long way on her own with this and really promotes agriculture which is very near and dear to her heart. Rebecca said this is very important because it is important to be involved in agriculture because in 35 years there will be 9 billion people in America and we will not be able to feed or clothe all of them. She said it was

important to get youth involved and active in agriculture. Rebecca thanked Assemblyman Dancer and the Township Committee for this recognition.

ORDINANCES: Second Reading and Public Hearing

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG THE PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 2015-01, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH SALARIES FOR VARIOUS OFFICIALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY REGULATING THE MANNER OF PAYMENT OF SAME” *(This ordinance sets the salaries for Township employees for the year 2015)* WAS CLOSED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG, ORDINANCE NO. 2015-01 WAS ADOPTED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

ORDINANCE: Introduction

Mayor Trotta said Ordinance 2015-02 is to authorize the vacation of a portion of Success Road which the County owns the property surrounding this road.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO, ORDINANCE NO. 2015-02, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, VACATING ANY AND ALL OF THE RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED IN A PORTION OF SUCCESS ROAD WAS INTRODUCED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

The second reading and public hearing will be held at the April 6, 2015 Township Committee Meeting.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ON A CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE AND SHALL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. SHOULD ANY MEMBER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SEEK SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF ANY ITEM, THAT ITEM SHALL BE REMOVED AND DISCUSSED SEPARATELY. THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WILL BE VOTED ON IN ONE VOTE:

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-121 – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED AND EASTERN ARMORED CAR SERVICE

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-122 – TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16 AUTHORIZING THE LIST OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES FOR PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP CHECKS

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-123 – AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL ENDORSEMENT FOR THE OCEAN COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-124 – AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-301 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDATORY INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF OCEAN FOR ROAD OVERLAY SERVICES AND SCHEDULE “C” ROAD MAINTENANCE AND RELATED SERVICES IN 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-125 – AUTHORIZING A 2015 SPECIAL TEMPORARY SIDEWALK MERCHANDISE SALE PERMIT TO SNOOPERS COOP

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-126 – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-129 – AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-130 – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN AMAZING AMUSEMENTS & ENTERTAINMENT, INC. AND PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP’S MAIN STREET NEW EGYPT

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG, THE AFOREMENTIONED RESOLUTIONS READ BY TITLE ON THE CONSENT

AGENDA WERE ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE VOTED ON SEPARATELY BY ONE MOTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-127, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING BRIAN P. DECASSE AS PART-TIME GENERAL MAINTENANCE LABORER

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-128 – APPOINTING THOMAS J. ECCLES AS PART-TIME GENERAL MAINTENANCE LABORER

Committeeman Wysong said the reason he wanted to pull these two resolutions regarding part-time general maintenance laborer because he had not met them and wondered if Mr. Leutwyler, Community Development Coordinator, could brief the Committee regarding these appointments.

Mr. Leutwyler said Brian DeCasse had applied for the position and was interviewed. Brian was told this was on an as-needed basis for janitorial work and snow removal from Township-owned property in the C-4 Zone. He said he is shorthanded as one employee has health issues. The other individual, Thomas Eccles spent 32 years in Toms River Buildings and Grounds. He applied and can work on an as-needed basis. He is a resident and also works at festivals for Laurita Winery. He has a lot of background on Buildings and Grounds.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, RESOLUTION NO. 2015-127 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2015-128 WERE ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

MOTION TO CONSIDER:

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG THE FOLLOWING BINGO AND RAFFLES WERE APPROVED: RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2015-07 FOR AN ON PREMISE 50/50 FOR COOKSTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. LADIES AUXILIARY; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2015-08 FOR AN ON PREMISE MERCHANDISE FOR COOKSTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. LADIES AUXILIARY; BINGO LICENSE NO. 2015-09 FOR A BASKET BINGO FOR COOKSTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. LADIES AUXILIARY; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2015-10 FOR AN ON PREMISE 50/50 FOR NEW EGYPT GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2015-11 FOR AN OFF PREMISE 50/50 FOR NEW EGYPT BPO ELKS #2457; BINGO LICENSE NO. 2015-12 FOR A BASKET BINGO FOR THE GIVE BACK FOUNDATION, INC., AND RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2015-13 FOR AN ON PREMISE 50/50 FOR THE GIVE BACK FOUNDATION, INC. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS AND PROFESSIONALS:

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO, THE MARCH 4, 2015 BILL LIST WAS APPROVED AS SUBMITTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR COMMITTEE REVIEW:

CONSTRUCTION REPORT – JANUARY, 2015; AND TAX COLLECTOR’S REPORT – JANUARY, 2015. Mayor Trotta noted that the Construction Report was down from last year but not as bad as the last part of last year. He noted that maybe it has turned a corner and will start to go back up.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Trotta asked for old or new business from the Committee.

Committeeman Wysong said regarding the budget issue that \$500 was set aside for demolition to remove the Police Locker Room Trailer. He discussed this with Price’s Auto Recycling and said there was not much there for recycling so it would not be cost effective for them to do that. He estimated that the cost would be \$1,500 to have it towed away. He spoke to June Madden, CFO and there is money to do that by taking another \$1,000 from the Demolition Fund. The Committee agreed that the trailer had to go and there was not another option at this point.

Mayor Trotta opened the meeting to the public. There was no public comment.

Mayor Trotta said the Committee would be going into Executive Session and Attorney Kelly stated that official action may be taken if the Committee authorizes approval of amendments to the existing Shared Service Agreement consistent with and as recommended by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Attorney Kelly read Resolution No. 2015-120 for Executive Session.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG, RESOLUTION NO. 2015-120, A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE CONVENING OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT WAS ADOPTED AS AMENDED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

The Committee returned from Executive Session and there is one more resolution to approve.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN WYSONG, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO RESOLUTION NO. 2015-131 – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO THE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF ALLENTOWN TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL COURT SERVICES. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

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

Respectfully submitted,

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