Oldmans Township

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Oldmans Township Committee was held on October 14, 2015. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Bradford at 7:00 pm. This meeting was held in compliance with the Sunshine Law. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: George Bradford, Cordy Taylor and Dean Sparks

Approval of Minutes: September 9, 2015 Regular Meeting

September 9, 2015 Special Meeting

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

FINANCE OFFICE:

**Ordinance 2015-07** Capital Ordinance Authorizing Appropriations in the Amount of $30,000.00 for Stormwater Drainage Improvements in Oldmans Township Including but not Limited to the “Kay Gardens Stormwater Restoration Project” Located in Oldmans Township

Some additional funds will be needed over the grant amount. Any funds not used for the Kay Gardens project, can be used elsewhere.

**Public Hearing** No comment.

**Resolution 2015-114** Final Adoption of Ordinance 2015-07

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

**Ordinance 2015-08** Providing for the Appropriation of Funds and Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes to Finance the Construction of a New Construction Office Building

This ordinance is for a $400,000 capital improvement. The bond was recommended by the auditor; the Township does not intend to borrow any money. Next year’s budget will cover the cost of the construction so a bond will not be needed. Bids were received on October 6, 2015. Public hearing for this ordinance will be held October 26, 2015 with the possibility of the bid being awarded November 16, 2015. The funds will be certified at the November 19th budget workshop.

$375,000.00 from 2015 budget surplus

$250,000.00 from 2016 budget surplus

No increase in tax rate, no notes or interest. No anticipated costs to the taxpayer. Funds were received from construction building permits. State law limits use of building permit funds to construction office only.

**Resolution 2015-115** Introduction to Ordinance 2015-08

Mr. Hackett stated that the idea for the construction building came in 2015 from 2014 building permit fees. Mr. Bradford stated that originally the Township Committee wanted a generator and an additional bay at the current municipal building, but these items were cut from the scope of work. Now funds are available to obtain those items. If the Township does not use the money, the money must be returned to the applicants.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Bradford seconded and both agreed. Mr. Sparks abstained.

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

Junior Membership Application for Auburn Fire Company –Ryan Newman. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

**Resolution 2015-116** Raffle and Bingo Licenses for Oldmans Township School PTA

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

**Resolution 2015-117** Submission of NJ Dept. of Transportation Grant Application for Helen Avenue and Lerro Road

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

**Resolution 2015-118** Submission of NJ Dept. of Transportation Grant Application for New Rd

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

**Resolution 2015-119** Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property – Roof Trusses

There is a stack of roof trusses at Camp Pedricktown. The Township building inspector has stated that the warranty for these trusses is no longer valid as they have been sitting out in the weather for a number of years and they have no value. An interested party has requested to purchase the roof trusses, pending the signing of a Hold Harmless Agreement.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

**Resolution 2015-120** Property Maintenance Liens on the following property:

Block 8/Lot 41 (2-4 W. Mill Street) i/a/o $489.33

Block 11/Lot 15 (25 S. Railroad Ave) i/a/o $459.33

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

**Resolution 2015-121** Consenting to the Proposed Water Quality Management (WQM) Plan Amendment to the Lower Delaware Water Quality Management Plan

The County has requested that all municipalities affected by the WQM approve the resolution. This particular resolution does not have much effect in Oldmans Township.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

26 W. Mill Street – The Committee discussed whether or not to tear down this Township owned property. Any future building on the lot would require a variance due to lot frontage requirements. The garage would stay in place. More funds would have to be made available in the demolition line item. It was agreed that the Committee would like to tear down the structure. A resolution will be presented at the November meeting.

Camp Pedricktown – Discharge Surface Water Permit NJ DEP contacted Mr. Taylor. The current permit is set to expire. If the permit lapses, the whole sewage plant lapses. Currently there are two people interested in the property. The Township is working with the GSA to obtain their portion of the property so the site can be sold as a whole, one time. Mike Pagano, NJ DEP, told Mr. Taylor that if a new permit has be issued, rather than renewing the existing permit, it will take nine months to obtain a new permit. The anticipated cost of renewing the existing permit is $4,200/year; the cost could be less since there is no discharge. Mr. Hackett stated that the Camp Pedricktown Trust Fund could be used to as this permit would be considered an improvement to the property. Currently there is $70,000 available. The funds can only be used to Camp Pedricktown. Mr. Taylor said Salem Community College needs two years to get their property ready; they are looking into a septic system. The renewed permit would be considered to be an asset for resale value. Mr. Taylor made a motion to renew the permit for two (2) years, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the bills, Mr. Sparks seconded and all agreed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Larry Stewart - Wanted to know where the Kay Gardens stormwater repair is going to start.

Tom Tedesco - There will be a pre-construction meeting next week. It will take 3-4 weeks to complete the job. Mr. Tedesco will contact Mr. Stewart after the pre-construction meeting.

Larry Stewart - Contractor was repatching water leaks. Patched five, but missed one. Wanted to know if the Township was having them come back.

Melinda Taylor - Township was unaware of the patching.

Anthony Musumeci - Wanted to know when the public hearing was going to take place for Ordinance 2015-08

George Bradford - October 26, 2015 beginning at 5:30.

Melody Reese - Auburn Fire is having their children’s Halloween Party on October 23rd and 24th; and possibly October 30th. Wanted to know status of Auburn water grant.

George Bradford - Met with grantsman Mark Blauer and two representatives from the DCA to tour Auburn Water this week. Mr. Bradford stated that he would like to have the generator and electric work done – priority.

Melody Reese - Water flushing of Auburn Water. Would like a more convenient time and if the time could be announced to the community.

George Bradford- Will contact Jack Lynch about better communication and timing.

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

George Bradford - Attended a ribbon cutting ceremony at Gateway Business Park. A new bus service has begun within Salem County that will transport workers to and from the businesses in the Park. Cost is $2.00 per ride.

Dean Sparks - Was made aware that cars are not stopping for school buses.

George Bradford - Township and residents should call State Police to report speeding and traffic violations. The Township will move the construction sign around various parts of town emphasizing speed limits.

Jim Hackett - October 15, 2015 Budget Meeting 5:30 pm Volunteer Organizations

October 26, 2015 Special Meeting 5:30 pm Public Hearing Ord. 2015-08

November 19, 2015 Budget Meeting 5:30 pm 2016 Budget

There being no further business, on a motion from Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Sparks and agreed to by all, meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melinda Taylor

Municipal Clerk