

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORKSESSION AGENDA
November 21, 2011 4:00 P.M. (prevailing time)**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor's announcement: I hereby declare that notice has been given to the Herald Times, the Atlantic City Press and posted on the bulletin board of the Middle Township Municipal Building, stating the time and place of the following meeting, as required in P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 of the State of New Jersey. (Sunshine Law). Notice of this meeting was properly given in Resolution No. 13-11 entitled "Establishing Work Session Meeting Nights" which was adopted by Township Committee of the Township of Middle on January 5, 2011.

Members present are Mayor DeLanzo, Committeemember Doughty, and Committeemember Lockwood

Business Administrator Mark Mallett, Township Clerk Kimberly Krauss, Municipal Solicitor James Pickering, Municipal Engineer Vincent Orlando.

FLAG SALUTE:**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND PROJECT UPDATES:****Administration/Finance:**2012 Capital - **postponed****Public Works & Engineering:**

Sand Castle Cove

Chris Barone, Mark Mallett and Vince Orlando gave an overview of the pending Sand Castle Cove project. Mr. Fineberg is the conflict attorney for the case. Various items are still outstanding and are a result of an agreement made between the Township and Mr. Barone during a ligation case. Mr. Barone discussed a curbing issue that cannot be performed and a fencing issue with a basin. Committee discussed how to address requirements and if it needs to go back to the Planning Board for further consideration.

Legal:**Tax Collection/ Tax Assessment:****Construction/Plan/Zoning:**

Signs along Stone Harbor & Avalon Blvd's

David May discussed a problem with the temporary sign ordinance on both Avalon and Stone Harbor Blvds. He spoke on enforcement issues and the complaints of various residents in connection therewith. Committeemember Doughty discussed his opinion that there should be no signs authorized on these roads, considering most of the advertisement is for events taking place outside of Middle Township. Mark Mallett discussed the idea of an electric sign. Mayor DeLanzo expressed desire to research an electric sign.

Recreation:**Police:**

Way Road Discussion

Chief Leusner discussed the parking situation on Way Road. Currently there is a one-way sign placed along the roadway, which seems to have no legal authorization. The school has requested that between the hours of 2:30pm and 3:30pm there be "No Parking". The chief's main concern is that regardless, right now he cannot enforce the one way since there is no ordinance approving it. Mrs. Dooley, a resident of Way Road, also voiced her concerns with the traffic situation on this road. Committee to look into it.

Buildings and Grounds**Sewer**

Sewer RFP Review

Mark Mallett discussed a proposal received from Middlesex Water Co. and the comparison to keeping services in house. Mayor DeLanzo expressed concerns with customer service and older sewer line maintenance. Mark indicated Middlesex agreed to extend the bid timeline for an additional 60 days, while the township advertises for 2 upcoming employment positions in the sewer dept. to see if the Township can find capable individuals to fill these key positions.

RESOLUTIONS:**ORDINANCES:****SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS OR DISCUSSIONS:**

Briarwood Garden Homes request for license amendment.

Mark discussed the request of Briarwood Garden Homes to tear down an older home and replace with a mobile home, which would alter their number of units under their MHP license. Committee agreed that they would permit this request. Pickering to draft resolution for 12/5 meeting.

Request to waive five-year restriction on street openings – DeLosso

Sue Delosso and her father appeared in front of committee to request a waiver on the 5 yr. restriction on street openings on roads that have been paved less than 5 years prior, based on a financial hardship to keep electric heat. The committee agreed to pass a resolution to waive the restriction. Pickering to draft a resolution for the 12/5 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Miles Truesdale supports the no sign suggestion for Avalon and Stone Harbor Boulevards.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm.

Kimberly Krauss, Twp. Clerk