

**TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORKSESSION AGENDA
September 19, 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:****Habitat for Humanity / COAH**

Sean Lockyear from Habitat proposed a project to committee regarding a project in Whitesboro. Habitat is looking to build 4 units on a lot on Sumner Street. Ms. Lockyear met with Mark, Mayor DeLanzo and Jim Pickering regarding the proposal.

Vince Orlando elaborated on the sewer situation on this parcel and that it is available in the area. Ms. Lockyear commented that it would be stick built and the organization has 80 volunteers towards the project. The timeframe would start early next spring. Habitat has sent letters to 2 out of the 3 adjacent lot owners to possibly purchase these parcels as well. Mark Mallett is looking to committee for direction as to whether or not they want to move forward and sell the lot for \$1.00 to Habitat.

Committee agreed. Jim Pickering to prepare ordinance for future meeting.

Piloting American Dreams / COAH

Shelly & Monti Tibits, along with Tim Noble, spoke on a housing project they have constructed on Bennett Road. Building is 90% complete, rental ready 10/15/2011. They are looking for funding in the interim to finalize the project. Requesting \$30,000.00 from township's developer's fund.

Mr. Pickering explained that this project would have a difficult time being approved via COAH since it is not COAH compliant. Also he believes the parcel is deed restricted.

Bob Noel explained COAH rates. He expressed that the advisory board is with the township to say that they only support projects and recommend funding if indeed they are COAH compliant.

Grassy Sounds Sewer

Vince Lamanna and residents of Grassy Sounds approached committee regarding the need for sewer in the grassy sound area of Middle Township. Engineer estimates a bit over 1.6 million for total estimated cost of project. Grassy Sound residents want township to go forward with project even if grants are not received from State. This system would service 40 people.

Debbie Moore spoke of the upgrades to her marina and also of grants received to upgrade area that comes from boater registration fees.

The group indicated that they need pre-authorization application for township to apply to USDA. Committee decided to authorize resolution at regular session to apply for pre-authorization.

Public Works & Engineering:**Legal:****Construction/Plan/Zoning:****Recreation:****Cape Express Soccer/ Ft. Apache**

Drew Dinger and Mike Granigan from Cape Express presented a plan to committee with proposals for Ft. Apache including soccer fields, badminton courts, bocce courts and more.

Mayor DeLanzo expressed a concern with the circus. Mr. Granigan stated he would meet with Rio Grande Fire to go over details. Mark Mallett also stated he would meet with Rio Grande Fire and State to go over details.

Mr. Pickering indicated that planning board review would not be necessary since it is proposed as just fields.

Skate Park recommendations – **Tabled for next meeting**

Police:

Buildings and Grounds

RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS OR DISCUSSIONS:

Meeting Adjourned.

Kimberly Krauss, Twp. Clerk