

**Cape May Court House, NJ  
TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
WORKSESSION AGENDA  
September 15, 2014 4:00 PM (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. 16-14 entitled "Establishing Work Session Meeting Nights" which was adopted by Township Committee of the Township of Middle on January 6, 2014.

Members present are Mayor Donohue, Committeemember Lockwood and Committeemember Clark.

Business Administrator Connie Mahon, Deputy Township Clerk Suzanne Stocker, Municipal Solicitor Marcus Karavan & Municipal Engineer Marc DeBlasio. *\*Township Clerk Kimberly Krauss was absent.*

**FLAG SALUTE:**

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND PROJECT UPDATES:**

**Administration:**

Veterans Exemption – Use of Facilities

Connie:

*Marc Karavan provided proposed language to add to Ordinance to waive fees for veteran's use of township facilities.*

Committeemember Lockwood:

*The fees would be waived for regularly scheduled meeting, not for fundraisers, etc.*

Connie:

*Proposed amendment would go into effect for leases beginning in January and groups would still be responsible for insurance requirements. Ordinance will be introduced in October.*

Clothing Bin Ordinance

Committeemember Lockwood:

*Asked David May to look into excessive amounts of clothing bins throughout Township. Mr. May provided Committee with a copy of an Ordinance from another municipality in regards to licensing, renewals, etc. for clothing bins.*

David May:

*Indicated that said Ordinance was written word-for-word from Title 40.*

Committeemember Lockwood:

*Spoke of specific items which he would like to see included in the Ordinance for Middle Township, including the overall appearance of bins and specific number of bins permitted.*

David May:

*Zoning Office will prepare the Ordinance in draft and prepare an application to be used for licensing of clothing bins.*

Mayor Donohue:

*Would like to prepare a Press Release to gain organization/public input on the situation.*

Route 47 Corridor

Committeemember Lockwood:

- Upcoming project to pave Route 9 from Ferry Road to North of Cape May Court House.*
- Concerns with ins and outs from parkway entrance to Railroad Avenue, possible barriers to avoid pedestrian accidents.*
- Route 9 and Route 47 intersection is high on statistics list for accidents, along with New York Avenue and Route 47 (Wawa area).*

Connie:

*Paving will be done to pave certain sections, some areas to be skipped, will provide concerns of areas to NJDOT at pre-construction meeting.*

**Finance:**

**Public Works & Engineering:**

Marlyn Manor Drainage Study

Marc DeBlasio:

*Presented update on extensive drainage study done for Marlyn Manor. No cost estimate is yet available, as more investigating would need to be completed. Material impact on flooding is within Shop Rite Plaza, would be beneficial for plaza to evaluate and clean up area.*

Ockie Wisting Recreational Complex Update

*Mayor Donohue:*

*Ground Breaking was held on September 12<sup>th</sup>.*

*Marc DeBlasio:*

*-\$582,000 grant through CMC Open Space*

*-Second application for fishing pier is under consideration with County.*

*-DEP letter received and indicates that wetlands have been reduced, more area for Township to use.*

*-Improvements for property will include recreation fields, playground, community gardens, concession/storage building. Proposed improvements include gazebo, fishing pier, stage/band-shell area.*

*Mayor Donohue:*

*-Cape Express meets tomorrow night and are hoping to finalize agreement.*

*Connie Mahon:*

*-Favorable disc golf interest for facility.*

*-Black fence to be continued, replacement of sign on property and landscaping have been discussed with Public Works.*

*-Improvements to entrance area are included in Cape Express contract.*

*Marc DeBlasio:*

*Discussion on "grandfathered" parking area is still being discussed with DEP.*

Ridge Road

*Marc DeBlasio:*

*Submitted application in September to DCA Small Cities Program – FY2015 project – grant would pay for project with 10% match by Township.*

**Legal:**

**Tax Collection/Tax Assessment:**

**Construction/Planning/Zoning:**

Demolitions

*Connie:*

*Rio Grande properties include 112 Davis Road, 312 Linden Lane, 3109 Route 9 and 4 Seasons Diner. Township appropriated funds have not been used, as most property owners have been taking responsibility for demolition of properties. Sal DeSimone has been successful and diligent with property owners.*

**Recreation:**

**Police / Animal Control:**

**Buildings and Grounds:**

**Sewer:**

**Economic Development:**

**Personnel:**

**Township Clerk:**

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS OR DISCUSSIONS:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*No Public Comment*

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Suzanne M. Stocker, Deputy Township Clerk

Motion to Adjourn Meeting – 4:45pm

1<sup>st</sup>: Committeemember Clark

2<sup>nd</sup>: Committeemember Lockwood

Roll Call Vote: Committeemember Clark, Committeemember Lockwood, Mayor Donohue