

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
WORKSESSION MEETING AGENDA
MAY 2, 2013
7:30 PM

1. Meeting called to order by the Mayor
2. Reading of the Sunshine Notice
3. Salute to the Flag
4. Roll Call: Mr. Frank, Mr. Hlubik, Mr. Marinello, Mr. McDaniel, Mr. Sobotka
5. Proclamation –Royal Ranger Jonah Muscella
6. Review of Department Reports
7. Review of Bills
8. Review Correspondence
9. Township Officials’ Business
10. Public Comment
11. Adjournment

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 2, 2013**

The meeting of the Springfield Township Council was called to order by Deputy Mayor Sobotka with Council Members John Hlubik, Anthony Marinello and Peter Sobotka present. Absent were David Frank, and Denis McDaniel. Also, present was Township Manager Mr. Keller.

The Sunshine Notice was read:

“Public notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given by the Springfield Township Council in the following manner on January 3, 2013:

- a. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board at the Municipal Building, Jobstown, NJ
- b. Transmitting written notice to the Register News and the Burlington County Times
- c. Filing written notice with the Clerk of Springfield Township
- d. Mailing written notice to each person who has requested copies of the regular meeting schedule and who has prepaid any charges fixed for such services.”

Deputy Mayor Sobokta announced that Royal Ranger Jonah Muscella of the community will be made an.

REVIEW OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Council agreed to hold the reports until next meeting.

REVIEW OF BILLS

Council agreed to hold the reports until next week.

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

#6 – Correspondence from COAH re: the Affordable Trust Fund Current Balance- Mr. Sobotka explained that this correspondence states that COAH wants the Township to turn over more than \$200,000 in funds that were collected as part of developer fees in the Township and to be used to create affordable housing in the Township. He added that the Township does have a tentative agreement for one project but COAH will not act on approving the spending of the Township’s trust fund money.

#7 – Correspondence from the MEL JIF Re: legislative updates- Mr. Keller stated that the JIF is suggesting that towns adopt resolutions opposing two legislative bills that are pending and he added that the Clerk can prepare these resolutions for next week if Council wants to review and adopt them.

TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL’S BUSINESS

Mr. Marinello made a motion seconded by Mr. Sobotka to approve the Use of the Pavilion at Veteran’s Park on May 11th by the Doane’s Academy pending Police review. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sobotka stated that the Memorial Day service will be May 27th at 10 am.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Lippincott, Saylor’s Pond Rd. asked how much money will COAH receive and Mr. Marinello responded that Council does not know but they want all the funds in the Trust Fund account that have not been committed. Mr. Marinello added that he is sure there will be a lot of lawsuits and this will not happen overnight. Mr. Lippincott does not agree with the State taking money that the Township has collected for use in providing affordable housing in Springfield.

Mr. Lippincott asked is there was a law to provide for the State to take this money and Mr. Marinello responded that there was legislation passed a few years which allowed for them to take the money if not spent in a certain time frame but COAH will not act on the amended spending plan that the Township submitted years ago.

Hearing no further comments, Mr. Marinello made a motion seconded by Mr. Mr. Hlubik to close public comment. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Marinello made a motion seconded by Mr. Hlubik to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8: 45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Clayton
Township Clerk