

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
7:30 PM
MAY 14, 2014

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. Minutes submitted for approval:
 - April 3, 2014 Work and Executive Sessions
 - April 9, 2014 Regular and Executive Sessions
6. Report from Springfield Township EMS-Chief Nancy Van Hise
7. Public Comment on Agenda Items*
8. Resolutions
 - No. 2014-05-02 – Resolution Authorizing Execution of Lease Renewal Option In Accordance with Lease Terms
 - No. 2014-05-03 – A Resolution of the Township of Springfield Township, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Deferral of School Taxes
 - No. 2014-05-04 - A Resolution Introducing the Municipal Budget of the Township of Springfield, County of Burlington, For The Calendar Year 2014
 - No. 2014-05-05 – Resolution Awarding a Contract for the 2014 Road Program
9. Monthly Reports Submitted for Approval
10. Bills Submitted for Approval
11. Correspondence
12. Solicitor's Report
13. Manager's Report
14. Township Officials' Business
 - County Open Space Grant: Application due June 13
15. Public Comment*
16. Adjournment

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 14, 2014**

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

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 6, 2014:

- 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.”

Mayor McDaniel led the salute to the Flag.

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Marinello to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2014 work session as amended. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Hlubik to approve the executive session. All were in favor except Mr. Frank who abstained. Motion carried.

Mr. Frank made a motion seconded by Mr. Sobotka to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2014 regular Session. All were in favor except Mr. Hlubik who abstained. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Frank to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2014 executive with the exception that Mr. Frank was not present for discussion on the Planning and Zoning Solicitor’s contract. All were in favor except Mr. Hlubik who abstained. All were in favor. Motion carried.

SPRINGFIELD EMS REPORT

Ms. Van Hise stated that it is unsettling to hear that the Council is doing away with the EMS and Mr. McDaniel responded that this has never been discussed publically or privately so that information is incorrect.

Ms. Van Hise stated that they work to cover Lourdes during the day if more than one call comes in and this is what happened the day of the accident with the ambulance.

Ms. Van Hise stated that the propane heats the bays and meeting room and she added that when there is no duty crew they turn the heat down whenever possible. She added that the EMS has put funds into the building even though it is a Township owned building. She stated they upgraded the meeting room and painted the bay but they do not have the funds to keep repairing and fixing the building.

Ms. Van Hise stated that there are a couple of members that have a low response rate but that will pick up now that school is out. These are students who are away at school but come home for the summer and are very active then.

Ms. Van Hise stated they are very involved with the Farm Fair and there is a lot of planning that goes along with that. She added that they get a lot of compliments with respect to that event. She stated the EMS receives no money for the Farm Fair and it does involve a lot of work.

Ms. Van Hise stated that they do a lot of work to get new members and at their meeting last night they brought in three new members. She added that one of those members is an EMT. Ms. Van Hise discussed the fact that additional training is now required and she added that if you are a volunteer organization the State will fund the schooling. She stated that they like candidates interested in becoming an EMT to observe first to make sure they are sure they

want to do the work before they commit to training. Ms. Van Hise stated that the Police Officers are also members of the EMS so that they can take advantage of the EMT training through the EMS. She added that the squad is trying to get younger people involved and they are working on ideas to get more young people involved. She added that they just started a facebook page to try and draw more younger people.

Mr. McDaniel asked what Ms. Van Hise's knowledge of the Lourdes situation is because that is how the Township got involved because of them pulling out on July 31, 2014. Ms. Van Hise responded that she did reach out to other squads but she does not know if Council will back them up. She reached out to America Squad in Mt. Holly and they agree to be dispatched first during the day once Lourdes pulls out. She stated that she could also speak to Dave Ekelberg from Endeavor to cover part of the Township. She stated that America Squad will not charge the Township anything but will bill the insurance companies. Mr. Sobotka stated that Council is not aware of how many calls come in during the day and Mr. McDaniel added that is one of Lourdes complaint that there is not enough work. Ms. Van Hise stated that up to this time the total calls are 190 for the years and she added that they average about 30 calls a month total. Mr. McDaniel stated that what he sees is that we have a very small but very dedicated staff but it may be too much work for that group. Ms. Van Hise responded that they are trying to get more people involved. Ms. Van Hise explained the process once someone fills out an application.

Mr. McDaniel asked if there are criminal backgrounds done and Ms. Van Hise responded that there are. Mr. McDaniel stated that come July we need someone to pick up the day time hours and Mr. Frank added that the EMS has had discussion with America Squad and Burlington paid squads to cover and Ms. Van Hise responded that is correct. Mr. McDaniel asked if the EMS is a non-profit and Ms. Van Hise responded they are. Mr. McDaniel asked about response time and Ms. Van Hise stated that the response time for a paid squad is better because they have a staff on site all the time and Ms. Van Hise added that they are trying to come up with things at the building to keep the young people wanting to hang out there so the response time from the volunteers is better. Mr. Frank asked when going forward if there is no Springfield crew available then what happens and Ms. Van Hise stated that America and Burlington Squads would be tapped out. Mr. Marinello asked how they would know if there is a crew available during the day and Ms. Van Hise responded that if they have a crew available then they notify central so the call comes to the Springfield EMS first. Ms. Van Hise explained that central knows everything the squad does because they sign on to an incident and further explained how the call out process works from central. Mr. McDaniel asked if the dispatcher has discretion for the type of call that is being received and Mr. Raymond stated that the dispatcher has discretion to call out dual units or a different squad if they feel the situation warrants it.

Mr. McDaniel stated that any organization he has talked to is going to charge us money and if we can do it another way to save money that would be great and Mr. Sobotka asked if we could get something in writing. Mr. Kokotaljo responded that you can have mutual aid agreements through either the EMS or Township.

Mr. Kokotaljo stated that the biggest argument with having a paid squad is that they can't make money. He added that they have to get about 1000 calls and get paid for at least 700 calls to warrant having two people on duty. Mr. Kokotaljo stated that the daytime hours are always going to be a problem and it is for the fire companies as well. Mr. McDaniel stated that the organizations he has talked to want to bill the insurance companies and bill the customer but not aggressively. Mr. Guest stated that Medicare requires that they bill the individual to recover some costs but they usually don't go after that money aggressively but rather bill the customer for the costs not covered by insurance but not follow up. Mr. Frank stated that the Township is not going to take the stipend away from the squad and that has not been

discussed. Mr. Kokotajlo stated that any company that comes in should not get anything more than what they bill the insurance company. Mr. Kokotajlo stated that some of these organizations want the Township to pay for them to cover the Township but they don't want to put people in the Township, they want to stay where they are. If you are going to put the money out then they should have people here. Again, Mr. Kokotajlo stated that with volunteer organizations daytime hours are always a problem and a good Chief will adjust the grids when necessary. Mr. Kokotajlo added that this coverage can be done with mutual aid agreements without a cost to the Township. You can set up a dual dispatch so the other squads can start out and if Springfield can get out the other squad can be recalled. Ms. Van Hise stated that she did not reach out to a lot of other squads because she was not sure what Council's intentions were as far as the squad.

Mr. Marinello stated that response time is the biggest concern and this is why they invited the squad tonight. Mr. Marinello would like to see the squad come back next month with a plan to make sure that the response times are acceptable. He asked Ms. Van Hise to get together with these other squads and give Council a proposal as to the squad will handle the calls. Mr. Raymond wanted to know if there is anyway the squad can see the proposals and Mr. Marinello responded that not really because they are only negotiations at this time. Mr. Raymond asked if a representative of the squad could be involved in negotiations and Mr. Marinello responded no. Mr. Sobotka asked the squad to get together with the Manager about the work that needs to be done at the building. Mr. Keller responded that they did have a proposal for work but when they went out to bid it was way over budget. He added that the squad was going to do the work and gave the Township an estimate on the supplies but the costs of that was over the threshold and would require other quotes and that was the last he heard. Mr. Keller added that he is working with the PSE&G to try and get a gas line into the building. Mr. Marinello stated that maybe we could do small projects and improve the building over the time. Mr. McDaniel stated that maybe we could schedule a meeting with the Squad a couple times a month.

Mr. Knighten made some suggestions about things that they can have at the building that will draw a younger crew and Council suggested that he get together with Ms. Van Hise with some suggestions and Council will see what they can do. Mr. Marinello asked if they go out to schools or other youth organizations to get younger members. Ms. Van Hise stated that they did go into the high school with another squad but they are no longer invited due to issues with the other organization. Mr. Kokotajlo stated that he will work to get that done working with the school instead of the other Squad organization. Mr. Frank stated he hopes to hear back from the squad as to how they plan to handle the calls after Lourdes leaves.

Mr. Marinello asked if another squad could refuse to come into our town as part of a mutual aid under the Burlington County mutual aid. Mr. Guest stated that they would have a big problem if they did that and Mr. Kokotajlo added that he never heard of another squad refusing to come into a Township because they are not getting paid by the Township. Ms. Van Hise stated the reason these other squads may want money from the Township is because if the call is a refusal for transport then the squad does not get paid by the insurance company.

Council discussed jumping calls and refusal to respond to calls and Mr. Guest stated that there are consequences for situations like this. Mr. Marinello stated that we should not exclude another squad just because we don't like them and Ms. Van Hise responded that Springfield EMS has played nice with Mansfield in the past and Mansfield had not. Mr. Kokotajlo stated that it is not between the crews that work together it is an administrative issue. He added that they do respond to calls and the crews do work well together. Council asked Ms. Van Hise to contact the Clerk or Manager with any information they get about other squads helping with coverage.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Lippincott, Saylor's Pond Rd. stated that Council should work with central and try to understand the grid system. He added that Council does not know the capabilities of central communications.

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

RESOLUTIONS

Motion made by Mr. Sobotka and seconded by Mr. Frank to approve Resolution No. 2014-05-02. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-05-02

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF LEASE RENEWAL OPTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH LEASE TERMS

WHEREAS, the Township Council entered into a certain Lease on June 1, 2013 for property known as Block 402, Lot 3 on the Tax Map of Springfield Township for the purpose of hunting; and

WHEREAS, the Lease contains two one (1) year renewal options subsequent to the end of its initial term on May 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Township now wishes to exercise the first renewal option which will extend the Lease until May 31, 2015 pursuant to paragraph 2 of the Lease; and

WHEREAS, the exercise of the option is consistent with the terms of the Lease;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Springfield that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Extension of Lease Agreement in the form substantially the same as that annexed hereto as well as take such other actions as may be necessary to implement the Lease option and the intent of this Resolution.

Motion made by Mr. Sobotka and seconded by Mr. Frank to approve Resolution No. 2014-05-03. Mr. McDaniel asked about the \$75,000 and clarified if that is the total and Mr. Keller responded the \$75,000 is the total being deferred. All were in Favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-05-03

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD INCREASING THE DEFERRAL OF SCHOOL TAXES

WHEREAS, under the provisions of statute, when a municipality raises school taxes on a school year bases, an amount of not more than fifty percent of the levy may be deferred to the following year, providing no requisition has been made for such amount or any portion of such amount, and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Township School District and Northern Burlington County Regional School District tax is levied on a school year basis, and

WHEREAS, fifty percent of the school tax levy of the Springfield Township School District and Northern Burlington County Regional School District levied by the Township of Springfield in **2013** was \$1,691,298 and \$1,715,300 respectively, and

WHEREAS, \$1,284,510 and \$1,323,978 respectively of the above amount has previously been deferred, leaving an available balance of \$406,788 and \$391,322 respectively, to be deferred,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of the Township of Springfield, County of Burlington, hereby desires to defer additional school district tax in the amount of \$75,000 and \$75,000 respectively to the year **2014**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Municipal Clerk to the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, and the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Springfield.

Motion made by Mr. Sobotka and seconded by Mr. Frank to approve Resolution No. 2014-05-04. Mr. Frank thanked the Manager for crafting a budget that kept the tax levy the same. He added that while residents and businesses may see an increase or decrease that is attributed to the revaluation. Mr. McDaniel added that the tax levy was kept the same even with the increase in health care and the costs of snow removal this year. Council discussed the effect of the revaluation.

Roll Call: Mr. Frank – Yes; Mr. Hlubik – Yes; Mr. Marinello – Yes; Mr. Sobotka – Yes; Mr. McDaniel – Yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-05-04

A RESOLUTION INTRODUCING THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014

BE IT RESOLVED that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2014;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Budget be published in the Burlington County Times in the issue of May 19, 2014.

The Governing Body of the Township of Springfield does hereby approve the attached as the Budget for the year 2014:

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
CURRENT FUNDS - ANTICIPATED REVENUES

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GENERAL REVENUES	FCOA	Anticipated		Realized in Cash
		2014	2013	in 2013
1. Surplus Anticipated	08-101	433,440	350,000	350,000
Licenses:				
Alcoholic Beverages	08-103	3,800	3,800	3,866
Other	08-104	900	4,000	933
Interest & Costs on Taxes	08-112	40,000	60,000	40,551
Interest on Investments & Deposits	08-113	5,000	1,500	5,170
Energy Receipts Tax (P.L.1997, Chapters 162 & 167)	09-202	426,607	426,607	426,607
Uniform Construction Code Fees	08-160	85,000	75,000	93,477
Municipal Court	08-110	140,000	150,000	141,368
Recycling Tonnage Grant	10-701		4,165	4,165
Clean Communities Program	10-770		10,665	10,665
Safe & Secure Communities Program - P.L. 1994, Chapter 220	10-704	25,000	25,000	25,000
Body Armor Replacement	10-711		1,527	1,527
Ground Lease	08-119	185,000	180,000	185,335
PILOT Payments	08-121	43,874	41,974	43,874
Open Space Trust	08-122	30,635	30,635	30,635
4. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	15-499	185,000	145,000	193,417
(a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	07-190	1,832,450	1,832,450	1,909,857
7. Total General Revenues	13-299	3,436,706	3,342,323	3,466,447

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CURRENT FUNDS - APPROPRIATIONS

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	Appropriated			Expended 2013			
	FCOA	for 2014	for 2013	for 2013 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2013 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
General Government Functions:							
Administrative Executive:							
Other Expenses	20-100-2	30,250	30,350		30,350	23,779	6,571
Council/Manager:							
Salaries and Wages	20-100-1	31,095	29,150		29,150	28,757	393
Other Expenses	20-100-2	14,705	16,500		16,500	13,689	2,811
Elections (Municipal Clerk):							
Salaries and Wages	20-120-2	51,300	47,000		47,500	47,352	148
Other Expenses	20-120-2	9,250	8,750		8,750	5,480	3,270
Financial Administration:							
Salaries and Wages	20-130-1	37,890	37,150		37,150	37,142	8
Annual Audit	20-135-2	18,200	17,900		17,900	17,600	300
Miscellaneous - Other Expenses	20-135-2	9,500	9,800		9,800	8,202	1,598
Collection of Taxes:							
Salaries and Wages	20-145-01	21,650	21,225		21,225	21,224	1
Other Expenses	20-145-02	5,335	5,460		5,460	5,034	406
Assessment of Taxes:							
Salaries and Wages	20-150-1	15,000	14,000		14,000	14,000	
Other Expenses	20-150-2	3,924	4,424		4,424	3,163	1,261
Legal Services & Costs:							
Other Expenses	20-155-2	44,000	52,500		52,500	46,182	6,318
Engineering Services & Costs:							
Other Expenses	20-165-2	5,000	5,000		5,000	2,779	2,221
Municipal Land Use Law N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1							
Salaries and Wages	21-180-1	10,100	9,500		10,100	9,922	178
Other Expenses	21-180-2	18,200	18,200		18,200	1,305	16,895

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	Appropriated				Expended 2013		
	FCOA	for 2014	for 2013	for 2013 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2013 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Zoning Costs:							
Salaries and Wages	21-185-1	17,100	17,000		17,000	14,586	2,414
Other Expenses	21-185-2	10,650	10,550		10,550	2,065	8,485
State Uniform Construction Code: (N.J.S.A. 52:270-120 et. seq.)							
Construction Code Official:							
Salaries and Wages	22-195-1	57,000	56,100		56,100	55,358	742
Other Expenses	22-195-2	3,420	2,870		2,870	2,050	820
Insurance:							
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	23-225	5,500	5,300		5,300	4,274	1,026
Other Premiums	23-210-2	35,000	34,000		30,000	29,652	348
Group Insurance	23-220-2	314,000	230,256		246,256	243,766	2,490
Health Benefit Waiver	23-221-2	100	2,500				
Workmen's Compensation	23-215-2	63,000	56,846		56,846	56,846	
Public Safety:							
Police:							
Salaries and Wages	25-240-1	647,500	650,000		634,850	601,323	33,527
Other Expenses	25-240-2	54,900	54,400		54,400	40,773	13,627
Vehicle Lease & Equipment	30-426-2	26,000	24,000		24,000	23,480	520
Vehicle Maintenance	26-315-2	18,000	18,000		22,500	18,703	3,797
Emergency Management Services:							
Salaries and Wages	25-252-1	5,200	5,100		5,100	3,085	2,015
Other Expenses	25-252-2	5,000	5,000		5,000	1,000	4,000

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CURRENT FUNDS - APPROPRIATIONS

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8. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	Appropriated				Expended 2013		
	FCOA	for 2014	for 2013	for 2013 By Emergency Appropriation	Total for 2013 As Modified By All Transfers	Paid or Charged	Reserved
Aid to Volunteer Fire Companies:							
Springfield Township	25-260	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000	
Juliestown	25-260	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000	
Jacksonville - Other Aid	25-260	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000	
First Aid Organization Contribution	25-260	33,000	33,000		33,000	28,000	5,000
Ambulance Services	26-261	25,000					
Road Repairs & Maintenance							
Snow Removal	26-290-2	80,000					
Other Expenses	26-290-2	111,000	146,000		146,000	97,994	48,006
Street Lighting	31-435	57,000	57,000		57,000	51,693	5,307
Sanitation:							
Garbage & Trash - Contractual (PL 1987 CHAP 74)	32-465	84,000	88,600		88,600	85,400	3,200
Disposal	32-465	108,000	105,000		105,000	99,949	5,051
Public Buildings & Grounds:							
Other Expenses	26-310-2	25,500	26,500		26,500	19,739	6,761
Recycling:							
Other Expenses	26-305-2	6,200	6,200		6,200	5,484	716
Health & Welfare:							
Board of Health:							
Other Expenses	27330-2	200	200		200	110	90
Animal Control	27-340	2,500	500		500		500
Recreation & Education:							
Parks & Playgrounds:							
Other Expenses - Maintenance	28-375-1	24,000	24,000		24,000	22,664	1,336
Other Expenses - Sports Programs	28-370-1	5,000	5,000		5,000	1,531	3,469

SCHOOL TAX	3,400,000	LOCAL PURPOSE	1,832,450	1,832,450
REGIONAL	3,475,000			
COUNTY	1,575,000	ASSED VALUE/100	3,912,853	4,404,339
SPECIAL DISTRICT	85,000			
SUB TOTAL	11,728,071	TAX RATE	0.4683	0.4161
LESS REVENUES	1,604,256			
CASH REQUIRED	10,123,815	INCREASE	0.05232	0.000
COLL %	97.65%			
TAX	10,367,450	ONE CENT EQUALS	39,129	44,043
LOCAL PURPOSE TAX	1,832,450			
RES. FOR UNCOLL.	243,635	PERCENTAGE	12.58%	0.01%

Motion made by Mr. Sobotka and seconded by Mr. Frank to approve Resolution No. 2014-05-05. Mr. McDaniel stated that this contract would cover doing the roads in Springfield Acres and Juliustown-Jobstown Road. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-05-05

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE
2014 ROAD PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Township Council received bids for the 2014 Road Reconstruction Program in accordance with specifications prepared by the engineering firm of Dante Guzzi Engineering Associates, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Township Treasurer has certified that funds are available for this purpose; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of Springfield that after receipt of two bid proposals that the contract for the 2014 Road Reconstruction Program be awarded to Asphalt Paving Systems on a low bid of \$1,231,210.00 for the Base Bid less \$252,920.00 for Alternate Nos. 1 and 3 for a Total Bid of \$978,290.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the Clerk upon receipt of the executed contract and an acceptable performance guarantee in the amount specified are hereby authorized to execute the said contract on behalf of the Township of Springfield; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of the award of this contract be published as required by law.

Motion made by Mr. Sobotka and seconded by Mr. Frank to amend the agenda to add Resolution No. 2014-05-06. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Sobotka and seconded by Mr. Frank to approve Resolution No. 2014-05-06. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-05-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING REDUCTION TO THE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE POSTED BY WORD OF LIFE
CHRISTIAN CENTER FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 2303, LOT
3.02 IN SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, Word of Life Christian Center posted a Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$422,262.00 for site improvements of property located at Block 2303, Lot 3.02 in Springfield Township, and

WHEREAS, Word of Life Christian Center has requested that the bond be reduced; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, by letter dated May 14, 2014, has recommended a reduction of the Performance Guarantee to \$132,678.60 based on the work completed; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Springfield Township Council authorizing a reduction to the Performance Guarantee for Block 2303, Lot 3.02 as recommended by the Township Engineer to the amount of \$132,678.60.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

CLERK REPORT OF LICENSES
April 2104

Dog Licenses Issued – 6
Licenses assessed late fee 6
Total Licenses Issued Year to Date - 373
Kennel licenses sold this month 0
Replacement dog licenses sold this month - 0

Total amount collected \$154.00

TREASURER'S REPORT – CURRENT ACCOUNT
APRIL 2014

Year to Date Revenue	\$3,520,812.67
Year to Date Expended	\$966,803.06
Total Available Revenues	\$2,554,009.61

CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL'S REPORT
April 2014

Building Permits & Application Fees	\$5686.00
Development Fees	-0-
CO/CCO Fees	150.00
Re-inspection- Plan Review	-0-
Violations	-0-
COAH	-0-

Total \$5836.00

**POLICE REPORT
April 2014**

The Springfield Township Police Department responded to a total of 597 complaints. They are broken down in the following manner:

- 497 General Police Complaints
 - 0 Domestic Incidents
 - 6 Criminal Investigations
 - 23 MVAs
 - 27 Medical Emergencies
 - 26 Activated Alarms
 - 8 Abandoned 911 Calls
 - 10 Assists to Outside Departments
 - 8 Assists to Our Department
 - 209 Motor Vehicle Stops
 - 9 Arrests
 - 6 Warrants
 - 1 DWI
 - 2 Criminal

Tickets Issued: 149
Mileage: 105610

**ZONING OFFICER'S REPORT
April 2014**

- 10 - Violations
- 0 - Court Appearance
- 1 - Site Appearance

**MANAGER'S REPORT
April 2014**

Attended Township Council Meetings on April 3 and 9, 2014
Attended Burlco JIF meeting on April 15, 2014 and Planning Retreat on April 30, 2014
Contacted 14 vendors regarding fire vacuum tanker truck for Jacksonville Fire Co.
Received and responded to 20 miscellaneous contacts that required action and resolution

**MUNICIPAL COURT
April 2014**

Monthly fines, Title 39 Split, Contempt of	\$12,076.47
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Court, Court Costs, Criminal Fines	
Public Defender Fees	\$14.50

Mr. Sobotka stated that the number of tickets is different on the Court report as opposed to the police report and he questioned if we are getting the correct number. Chief Trout stated that he uses the officer's blue copies but the number on the Court report may pick up something for a prior month so there is usually a slight difference.

Mr. Sobotka asked about the dog report and unlicensed dogs and he was advised that the animal control officer will be doing summons soon.

Motion made by Mr. Frank and seconded by Mr. Sobotka to file the reports. All were in favor. Motion carried.

BILL LIST

VENDOR	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT PAID
CURRENT		
123 Security Products.Com	9808	\$489.50
Able Cleaning Service	9809	\$386.86
AGT Battery Supply, LLC	9810	\$839.86
Association of Muni Assessors	9811	\$150.00
Auto Shine Car Wash	9812	\$58.00
Ruth Ann Bice	9813	\$314.70
Burlington Cleaners	9814	\$435.40
County of Burlington Treas. Carts	9815	\$5,595.00
Burlington County Treasurer	9816	\$387,521.73
Burlington County Treasurer	9817	\$9,156.24
Casa Payroll Services	9818	\$187.50
Central Jersey Waste & Rec.	9819	\$6,958.33
Comcast	9820	\$114.85
Courier Times, Inc.	9821	\$141.42
Denis C. Germano, Esq.	9822	\$1,018.50
East River Energy, Inc.	9823	\$2,954.72
Econo Signs LLC	9824	\$248.81
H Eggleston & Son, LLC	9825	\$8,531.50
Expel Exterminating Experts Inc.	9826	\$140.00
Ford Motor Credit Company	9827	\$6,187.03
Gann Law Books	9828	\$110.00
Hess Corporation	9829	\$209.72
Hughes Tree Service	9830	\$650.00
Hurley's Auto Repair	9831	\$169.98
JCP&L	9832	\$1,623.22
J. Paul Keller	9833	\$980.14
Lights and Sirens, Inc.	9834	\$121.50
Lippincott & Jacobs	9835	\$435.00
Michael A. Malloy	9836	\$314.70
Mansfield Township	9837	\$9,583.33

Matthew Bender & Co.	9838	\$65.34
Mr. Bob Portable Toilets	9839	\$621.98
National Time Systems, Inc.	9840	\$1,625.00
New Jersey American Water Co	9841	\$242.44
NJSHBP	9842	\$29,568.71
Northern Burl Cnty Reg School	9843	\$307,400.00
Parker McCay, PA	9844	\$4,096.67
Pitney Bowes Postage by Phone	9845	\$300.00
Martin Poinsett	9846	\$100.00
Protective Services Group Inc	9847	\$117.00
PSE&G	9848	\$4,131.03
Judith M. Schetler	9849	\$314.70
Sirak Auto Supply Inc.	9850	\$36.33
Peter Sobotka	9851	\$92.80
Springfield Township Board of Ed	9852	\$281,883.08
Springfield Twp Fire Co.	9853	\$6,250.00
Stokleys, Inc	9854	\$259.00
Verizon Wireless	9855	\$624.97
Vital Communications, Inc.	9856	\$438.65
W.B. Mason Co., Inc.	9857	\$219.90
Xtel Communications, Inc.	9858	\$426.05
COAH		
Parker McCay, P.A.	7131	\$351.25
DEVELOPERS ESCROW		
Clarke Caton Hintz, P.C.	7237	\$1,379.50
Denis C. Germano, Esq.	7238	\$4,824.25
Lippincott & Jacobs	7239	\$5,230.24
RECREATION		
CRS/WholesaleBaseball Equipmt	7134	\$981.40
Junior Greyhound Athletic Assoc.	7135	\$1,500.00
N.B.I.A.A.	7136	\$3,061.20
DOG TRUST		
Burl. Cty Treas-Animal	7133	\$30.00
New Jersey Dept. of Health	7134	\$13.20
CAPITAL FUND ACCOUNT		
Dante Guzzi Engineering	7128	\$8,905.53
TOTAL		\$1,110,717.76

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Frank to pay the bills except the Attorneys. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Hlubik to pay the attorneys. All were in favor except Mr. Frank who abstained. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

2. Revised Draft Littering Ordinance prepared by Brian Guest. Mr. Sobotka stated that this Ordinance doesn't clarify who has the right to file a complaint and Mr. Guest responded that you don't need to specify that. Mr. Sobotka stated that when he signed a complaint against the Market they argued that he did not have a right because he was not the Zoning Official. Mr. Guest responded that this is not a Zoning matter but rather a police regulation. Mr. McDaniel explained this Ordinance to the public.

Mr. Frank made a motion seconded by Mr. Sobotka to add the Ordinance to the agenda. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Frank made a motion seconded by Mr. Sobotka to introduce Ordinance No. 2014-03 on first reading. Mr. Hlubik asked about the language regarding agriculture and Mr. Guest clarified that this is substances that you are throwing away not what you are using for agricultural purposes. Mr. Guest further added that you can have trash blow away under any circumstances and the person writing the complaint can use discretion. Mr. Guest stated that if you are using the substance for agricultural use it is not discarded material and therefore would not fall under the definition of this Ordinance. All in favor. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS CHAPTER 125 REGARDING IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF LITTER AND SOLID WASTE

WHEREAS, the Township Council has determined that littering is a serious problem that affects the well-being of the community and its residents; and

WHEREAS, improper disposal of litter and solid waste can also create dangers to the health, safety and welfare of township residents as well as visitors; and

WHEREAS, appropriate penalties should, therefore, be imposed upon those who litter within the township in violation of township ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township of Springfield in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that Chapter 125 of the Township Code is amended as follows:

Section One. Chapter Title.

The Title of Chapter 125 shall be amended to read "Litter and Solid Waste Disposal".

Section Two. Additional Definition.

Section 125-1 shall have the following definition added:

SOLID WASTE. Solid waste means garbage, refuse, and other discarded materials resulting from industrial, commercial and agricultural operations, and from domestic and community activities, and shall include all other waste materials including liquids, except for solid animal and vegetable wastes collected by swine producers licensed by the State Department of Agriculture to collect, prepare and feed such wastes to swine on their own farms.

Section Three. Prohibition of Littering & Improper Disposal of Solid Waste.

Section 125-2 shall be amended to read as follows:

§Section 125-2. Litter or solid waste disposal in public places.

No person shall sweep, throw or deposit litter or solid waste in or upon any occupied, open or vacant property, whether owned by such person or not, or in or upon any street, sidewalk, park or other public place, or any pond, lake stream or other body of water within the Township, except in public receptacles or in authorized private receptacles for the collection of same, or in authorized collection vehicles for transport in a manner consistent with State Department of Environmental Protection regulations to a properly licensed landfill or other disposal facility. Persons placing litter or solid waste in public or authorized private receptacles shall do so in such a manner as to prevent it from being carried or deposited by the elements or animals upon any street, sidewalk, or other public property or upon private property.

Section Four. Revised Penalties.

Section 125-14 is amended to read as follows:

§125-14. Violations and penalties.

- A. Any person who is found in violation of the provisions of this chapter for improper solid waste disposal or littering in the amount of 0.148 cubic yards of solids or less or 30 U.S. gallons of liquids or less shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 for each violation and/or a period of community service, which may include the pickup and removal of litter, of not less than 20 nor more than 40 hours as authorized by *N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.3*.
- B. Any person who is convicted of an offense under Section A, above, within six (6) months after the date of a previous conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$250 nor more than \$1,000, may be sentenced to imprisonment for a term not to exceed 60 days, and may be directed to perform community service, which may include the pickup and removal of litter, of not less than 40 nor more than 80 hours as authorized by *N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.3*.
- C. Any person who is found in violation of the provisions of this chapter for improper disposal of solid waste in excess of 0.148 cubic yards of solids or 30 U.S. gallons of liquid at a site or other place within the Township that does not have authorization to accept solid waste from the Department of Environmental commits a disorderly persons offense. Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 13:1E-9.3* and *13:1E-9.4* and *40:49-5*, a fine of not less than \$2500.00 for a first offense, nor more than \$5,000 for a second offense, and not more than \$10,000 for a third and every subsequent offense shall be imposed. Each day during which the violation continues constitutes an additional, separate and distinct offense. In addition to the foregoing penalties, persons convicted under this section shall be required to perform community services for a term of not more than 90 days and

forfeiture of the privilege to operate a motor vehicle over the highways of this State for a period of not less than six months nor more than one year. Furthermore, all conveyances used or intended to be used in the unlawful transportation or disposal of solid waste in violation of *N.J.S.A. 13:1E-9.3* are subject to forfeiture to the State pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 13:1K-1 et seq.*

- D.** Notwithstanding the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 13:1K-1 et seq.*, or any other law to the contrary, whenever a conveyance is forfeited to the State as set forth above, the proceeds from the disposal and sale of such conveyance shall be remitted to the chief financial officer of the municipality wherein the violation occurred, to be used by the municipality to help finance enforcement actions under this chapter, *N.J.S.A. 13:1E-9.3* or *N.J.S.A. 48:13A-12*.

Section Five. Repeal of Inconsistent Provisions.

All provisions of the Springfield Township code which are inconsistent with the foregoing provisions are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section Six. Severability; Independent Provisions.

Each provision of this ordinance shall be considered as severable and independent provisions. Should any portion of this ordinance be found invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction for any reason, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

3. Correspondence from Brian Guest regarding Retiree's Health Benefits. Mr. Frank stated that in this memo there seems to be some kind of a call to do an individual investigation on each circumstance. Mr. Frank asked the manager to follow up to make sure that the retirees we are covering are in the correct level of coverage. Mr. Keller stated that we can't shop the market without getting our experience and the cost to get that from the State Health Benefits is costly. Mr. Keller stated that in the last town he worked for the cost for family was \$30,000 and that was many years ago. Mr. Frank asked if we are still required to have that experience with the changes to the laws and what is the cost to get that experience. Mr. Keller stated that the cost when he looked before was about \$12,000. Mr. Guest added that the premiums really haven't come down yet and you are talking about high premiums for retirees and they are older people. Mr. Keller stated that if we pull out of State Health Benefits we can never go back and if you do change you would have to negotiate with the union to for that change. You have to provide the same coverage. Mr. McDaniel stated that his mother has AARP and it does not cost nearly what we are paying for our retirees. Mr. Keller stated that we are insuring a group not individual and Mr. Frank responded that we could cover our retirees through AARP. Mr. Keller stated that we can't pull out certain employees from the State Health Benefits. Mr. Frank stated that maybe we could get the League on the legislature about the premiums under State Health Benefits.

Mr. Frank made a motion seconded by Mr. Sobotka to file the correspondence. All were in favor. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR REPORT

Mr. Guest has nothing to add to what was discussed under the correspondence.

Mr. Frank made a motion seconded by Mr. Marinello to accept solicitor's report. All were in favor. Motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Keller stated that we solicited the vendors through the Coop and most of the vendors do not manufacture the vacuum pump and one of the ones that did declined to bid. Mr. Keller stated that we should go out to bid because we are not getting a response.

Mr. Frank made a motion seconded by Mr. Sobotka to accept. All were in favor. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL'S BUSINESS

Mr. Frank stated that when he was driving around he noticed some clearing for a parking lot for an auto shop on Access Rd. so he went out with the Zoning Officer to look at the property because he does not believe they had approvals for the work. While out looking at the property he also noticed they had an electronic sign that he does not know if they got a permit for but the sign had features that are moving. Mr. Frank stated that we should not permit signs that are moving. Mr. McDaniel asked if it is in violation of our current Ordinance and Mr. Frank does not believe the sign conforms with our Ordinance but he thinks we should clarify that this particular sign with moving features should be clearly prohibited in the definition. Mr. Sobotka would like to see Mr. Frank draft the changes he wants and then have the Planning Board review the Ordinance.

Mr. Sobotka stated that May 26th is the Memorial Day Ceremony at Veteran's Park.

Mr. Sobotka asked where the Chamber's Corner recommendation that Mr. Frank made was and he suggested move forward. Mr. Sobotka made a motion to see the study move forward without Eminent Domain. Mr. Hlubik asked if the State is reconfiguring the road there wouldn't it be a waste of money to come up with a plan and then the State reconfigures the road. Mr. Frank stated there would be no cost to the Township for the study. Mr. Frank seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. McDaniel asked about the status of the bike path. Mr. Keller stated that they did have one problem with the sub base in one area. Mr. Sobotka asked if they would be done and the area cleaned up before Memorial Day and Mr. Keller responded that they would not be done by then. Mr. Sobotka added that we should make sure we have the grass cut and the trash emptied.

Mr. Frank commented that he noticed that there was a birthday party being held in the Jacksonville Park and Mr. McDaniel added that the Boy Scout had their flower sale event there as well.

Mr. Sobotka stated that the school is spending \$8,000 for do the study they are doing.

Mr. McDaniel stated that the County Open Space Grant Application is due June 13. Mr. McDaniel asked what project we wanted to do and Council agreed to continue the bike path. Mr. McDaniel suggested Jobstown-Juliustown Rd. from Airport Rd to the end. Mr. Keller stated that we need an engineer's estimate in order to apply. Mr. Hlubik asked about the right of way and Mr. Frank stated that there was a title issue but it would not affect the bike path. Mr.

Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Hlubik to authorize Lippincott & Jacobs to do an estimate. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Marinello asked about the repairs to the ambulance and Mr. Keller stated that the ambulance is being repaired.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Lippincott, Saylor's Pond Rd. stated that he is covered by Medicare and AARP which is Hartford and it is better but it does not cover drugs. He gets coverage from Humana for drug coverage and there are many problems with that.

Mr. Lippincott stated that the Fire and EMS need to be merged into the central communications system. He added that there is a mechanism in the central communication system to cover the problems the Township is experiencing. He suggested asking a supervisor at central communications as to what they can do. Mr. McDaniel asked if he was satisfied with the system that Ms. Van Hise was discussing earlier and Mr. Lippincott stated that the system has always worked for him. Mr. Lippincott stated that central communications can be part of the solutions.

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

Mr. Frank made a motion seconded by Mr. Sobotka to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 PM. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Clayton
Township Clerk