

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD  
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
7:30 PM  
JULY 25, 2018

1. Meeting called to order by the Mayor McDaniel
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:
  - June 13, 2018 Regular Session
  - June 27, 2018 Work Session
  - July 12, 2018 Regular Session
6. Public Comment on Agenda Items
7. Resolution
  - No. 2018-07-01 – Resolution of the Township Council of Springfield to Refund Escrow Monies (Block 2102, Lot 6, 366 Route 68)
  - No. 2018-07-02 – Resolution Requesting Approval of an Item of Revenue and Appropriation Under NJSA 40A:4-87 (Clean Communities)
  - No. 2018-07-03 – Resolution of the Springfield Township Council Authorizing Acceptance of a Performance Bond for Recklesstown Farm Distillery LLC for Site Improvements of Property Located at Block 1001, Lot 1.01, 2800 Route 206 in Springfield Township
8. Monthly Reports Submitted for Approval
9. Bills Submitted for Approval
10. Unfinished Business
  - None
11. Correspondence
12. Manager's Report
13. Public Comment\*
14. Township Officials' Business
  - Approval of Raffle Licenses for New Life Animal Rescue
15. Adjournment

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 25, 2018**

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 was Township Manager Paul 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 4, 2018:

- a. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board at the Municipal Building, Jobstown, NJ
- b. Transmitting written notice to the Burlington County Times and the Trenton 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. Hlubik to approve the June 13, 2018 regular session minutes. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Frank to approve the June 27, 2018 work session minutes. All were in favor, except Mr. Hlubik who abstained. Motion carried.

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Frank to approve the July 12, 2018 regular session minutes as amended. All were in favor, except Mr. McDaniel and Mr. Hlubik who abstained. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Hearing no comments, Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Frank 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. 2018-07-01. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-07-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
OF SPRINGFIELD TO REFUND ESCROW MONIES**

WHEREAS, Oscar Franco made payment to escrow account number T-22-16-003-210-006, which was established for the purpose of a Zoning Board Application for Block 2102 Lot 6; and

WHEREAS, Oscar Franco was granted approvals by the Zoning Board and has requested the remaining balance in this escrow account in the amount of \$251.25 be refunded to them; and

WHEREAS, the Board Solicitor and Engineer have confirmed there are no outstanding invoices.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Springfield Township Council that the balance remaining in escrow account T-22-16-003-210-006 in the amount of \$210.25 be refunded to Oscar Franco.

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Motion made by Mr. Sobotka and seconded by Mr. Frank to approve Resolution No. 2018-07-02. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2018-07-02**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF AN ITEM OF REVENUE AND  
APPROPRIATION UNDER NJS 40a:4-87**

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or

municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Township of Springfield, County of Burlington, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2018 in the sum of \$11,251.91 which item is now available as a revenue from the State of New Jersey Clean Communities Grant Fund pursuant to the provisions of statute, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$11,251.91 is hereby appropriated under the caption of “New Jersey Clean Communities Grant”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds derived from the “State of New Jersey Clean Communities Grant Fund” in the amount of \$11,251.91.

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Motion made by Mr. Sobotka and seconded by Mr. Frank to approve Resolution No. 2018-07-03. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-07-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP COUNCIL  
AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A PERFORMANCE BOND FOR RECKLESSTOWN FARM  
DISTILLERY LLC FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 1001, LOT 1.01,  
2800 ROUTE 206  
IN SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, Recklesstown Farm Distillery LLC was granted Site Specific Agricultural Management Practice Determination Under the New Jersey Right to Farm Act by the Burlington County Agricultural Development Board Resolution No. 2016-28, and

WHEREAS, the Burlington County Agricultural Development Board’s approval were conditioned on Recklesstown Distillery LLC posting the necessary performance and/or maintenance bonds with the Township of Springfield; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Springfield Engineer’s letter dated June 14, 2018 and in accordance with the Municipal Land Use Law, NJ Land LLC was required to post a Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$5,000.00 for site improvements of property located at Block 1001, Lot 1.01 in Springfield Township; and

WHEREAS, Recklesstown Farm Distillery LLC has posted a Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$5,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township Solicitor has reviewed and recommended acceptance of the Performance Guarantee.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Springfield Township Council to accept the Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$5,000.00 as recommended by the Township Engineer and Township Solicitor.

**MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORT**

**CLERK REPORT OF LICENSES**

**June 2018**

Dog Licenses Issued 4  
Licenses assessed late fee 4  
Total Licenses Issued Year to Date -328  
Kennel licenses sold this month 0  
Replacement dog licenses sold this month - 0  
Service Dog 0  
Police Dog  
  
Total amount collected \$48.00

**TREASURER'S REPORT – CURRENT ACCOUNT**

**June 2018**

Year to Date Revenue	\$ 5,477,189.29
<i>Year to Date Expended</i>	<i>\$ 1,831,492.46</i>

**POLICE REPORT**

**JUNE 2018**

The Springfield Township Police Department responded to a total of 580 complaints. They are sorted in the following manner:

- 497 General Police Complaints
  - 0 Domestic Incidents
  - 2 Criminal Investigations
  - 23 MVAs
  - 29 Medical Emergencies
  - 24 Activated Alarms
  - 4 Abandoned 911 Calls
  - 1 Assists to Outside Departments
  - 3 Assists to Our Department
- 164 Motor Vehicle Stops
  - 5 Arrests

4 Warrants  
0 DWI  
1 Criminal

Tickets Issued: 103

Mileage 9453

**TAX COLLECTOR  
JUNE 2018**

TAXES

<b>2018</b>	TAX PAYMENTS	\$	50,012.92
PRIOR	TAX PAYMENTS	\$	745.23
FUTURE	TAX PAYMENTS	\$	-
	INTEREST ON TAXES	\$	709.76
	<b>TOTAL TAXES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>51,467.91</u></b>

LIENS

MUNICIPAL LIEN	REDEMPTIONS		
MUNICIPAL LIEN	RECORDING FEES COLL		
MUNICIPAL LIEN	LIEN SEARCH FEES COLL		
	<b>TOTAL LIENS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>-</u></b>

MISC.

200' LIST FEES	\$	10.00
DUPLICATE TAX BILL FEES		
TAX SEARCH		
MISC		
TAX SALE COSTS - PRIOR TO SALE		
RETURN (NSF) CHECK FEES		
<b>TOTAL MISC. PAYMENTS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>10.00</u></b>

RETURN ITEMS

RETURNED CHECKS		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>-</u></b>

**TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE MONTH:**

**\$ 51,477.91**

**AMERICA EMERGENCY SQUAD  
June 2018**

Total Calls Dispatched 13  
Average Response Time 9.90  
Total Transports 6

**ENDEAVOR EMERGENCY SQUAD, INC.  
June 2018**

Total Calls Dispatched 10  
Average Response time 9.17  
Total Transports 7

**MUNICIPAL COURT  
June 2018**

Monthly fines, Title 39 Split, Contempt of Court, Court Costs, Criminal Fines	\$6,940.92

**CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL'S REPORT  
June 2018**

Permit Fees \$6475.00  
CCO Fees 150.00  
Re Inspection Fees 100.00  
TOTAL \$6725.00

**ZONIING  
April 2018**

Violations 3

**May 2018**

Violation 1

**June 2018**

Violations 3

Motion made by Mr. Frank and seconded by Mr. Hlubik to file the reports.

Mr. Sobotka asked the manager to follow up on the solar farm project on Saylor's Pond Rd.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**BILL LIST**

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>CHECK NO.</b>	<b>AMOUNT PAID</b>
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Denis C. Germano, Esq.	12507	\$412.50
Parker McCay, P.A.	12508	\$2,120.51
Tricounty Termite & Pest Control	12509	\$450.00
<b>COAH</b>		
Parker McCay, P.A.	7216	\$312.00
<b>DEVELOPERS ESCROW</b>		
Denis C. Germano, Esq.	7413	\$2,035.20
Parker McCay, P.A.	7414	\$660.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$5,990.21</b>

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

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mr. Sobotka asked to follow up with Habitat to secure the area around the foundations.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Correspondence from NJ DCA approving Resolution 2018-06-08. Mr. Sobotka mentioned that the State approved our redevelopment plan.

2. Correspondence from Wayne Smith to Mansfield Township Mayor and PB. Mr. Sobotka mentioned that the transcripts or the audible recording of the testimony for the Mansfield meeting are available to the public.
3. Correspondence from Citizens Improving Affordable Housing. Mr. Sobotka agrees that the affordable housing is out of control as the letter indicated. Mr. McDaniel stated that we have been addressing our obligation over the years. Mr. Sobotka read a portion of the letter that the citizens are left with the stress of the obligation while the developers make out well.
4. Tax Lien- There was discussion as to whether there has been any contact with the owner and it was discussed that they have been notified of delinquency and tax liens. Mr. Frank stated that he is in favor of assigning the tax lien for Cedar Lane. There was discussion that the lien holder would need have to foreclose on the property and would then take responsibility for the property. Mr. Sobotka made a motion to assign the lien for Cedar Lane. Mr. Marinello asked if we could auction the property and it was discussed that the Township does not own the property it only holds the tax sale lien so they could not foreclose. Mr. Frank seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. Council asked for more information on the other two properties.
5. ERI re: environmental study for Columbus Jobstown Road site, block 1003, Lot 11. Mr. McDaniel stated that Habitat is interested in developing this site as well and we are in the process of seeing if there can be 3 or 4 houses on the site. Mr. McDaniel said there is another issue with PSEG getting service run to the current project because it takes about 4-5 months to get the County to approve the road opening permits.
6. Email from Tom Stevenson thanking the Council for their efforts. Mr. Frank believes that there is an agreement between the developer and NB Cares and the developer has agreed to build the bridge and not direct traffic onto Hedding Rd. Mr. Sobotka stated that the Board and Council of Mansfield has not addressed public safety issues from traffic on the roads and Mr. Frank responded they are County roads and only the County has jurisdiction. Mr. Sobotka brought up the Ordinances created for the landfill and Mr. Frank stated that was part of an agreement in order for the County to get the landfill project done. Mr. Frank stated that the Township cannot write Ordinances on County or State roads. Mr. McDaniel stated that the DEP could deny the developer's request and they could end up back at the Mansfield Planning Board. Mr. Frank stated that the plan does not comply with the County regulations regarding line of site.

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

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Keller stated that the Neck Road project has been completed by Burlington Township and there is only one issue with the placement of a stop sign which needs to get approved by the County.

Mr. Keller stated that they had a pre-construction meeting for the 2018 road project and the County now requires a detour permit which could take about 4-6 weeks to get approved. Mr. Frank state that we should not need approval from the County to close our own roads. Mr. Keller suggested Council reaching out to the Freeholders about this issue. Mr. Keller stated that the contractor is ready to go now and this is all that is holding the project up. Mr. Sobotka asked if the application has been submitted and Mr. Keller responded it will hopefully be completed by the end of the week. Mr. Frank suggested sending the bills to the County if they want jurisdiction over the roads.



Mr. McDaniel asked if there has been any follow up on the speed study and Mr. Keller responded he knows the police have been out on Hedding Rd and the data did not support a reduction of speed and he is not sure about Saylor's Pond Rd.

Mr. Frank asked what happens if we don't close the roads to get the road projects done and Mr. Keller responded the contractor will not keep the road open because it causes problems with the County.

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Frank to accept the Manager's report. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Gabrysiak, Allied Recycling asked if Council is going to reimburse him for the professional fees in the approximate amount of \$46,000 he incurred defending himself from the brutal attack on the businesses on Route 206 as a result of the Redevelopment Study. McDaniel advised Mr. Gabrysiak that Council cannot comment and he should have his attorney contact the Township Solicitor. Mr. Gabrysiak asked how to contact the Township's Insurance Company and again Mr. McDaniel referred Mr. Gabrysiak to the Township Solicitor.

Mr. Abdul Hamid stated that he is interested in 2697 Route 206 and the zoning for this property is Community Commercial. He added that he would like to turn this property into a truck parking lot and asked the property could be used for a commercial parking area under the Community Commercial Zoning. He indicated that the Zoning Officer directed him to come to the Council with his request. Mr. Keller stated that Council cannot answer this question and he should come in tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Frank stated that this is in the redevelopment zone but it is not as easy as just coming to a meeting and Council giving approval. Mr. Frank stated that the Zoning Officer would be the first line of communication then it would come through the Manager for discussion regarding redevelopment. Mr. Keller told Mr. Hamid to come in tomorrow at 4:30 to meet with him and the Zoning Officer.

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

### **TOWNSHIP OFFICIAL'S BUSINESS**

Motion made by Mr. Frank and seconded by Mr. Sobotka to approve the raffle licenses for the New Life Animal Rescue. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Sobotka warned against ticks.

Mr. Sobotka made a motion seconded by Mr. Frank to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 PM. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Clayton  
Township Clerk