

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00PM by Council President Roth who read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement as prescribed by law. Notice was advertised in The Record on January 18, 2016 and January 26, 2016 stating this meeting would be held in the Council Chambers of the Richard J. Martel Municipal Offices, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey on Thursday, January 28, 2016, at 8:00 PM.

Notice of this Meeting is posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board. The Minutes of this Meeting shall be available in the Municipal Clerk's Office once they have been approved by the Township Council.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR VETERANS AND THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Moment of Silence was observed for those who are serving and those who served in the military both here in the United States and abroad. It is because of their valor and bravery that we can hold meeting such as these.

Present: Councilmembers Amoroso, Ariemma, DiGiulio, Hermansen, Wong, and Roth.
Absent: Councilmember Sbarra.

Also present were Mayor William C. Laforet, Administrative Assistant Denise Storms, Township Attorney Brian Chewcaskie, Municipal Clerk Kathrine G. Coviello, and Clerk Assistant Carolyn George.

PUBLIC PORTION

On a motion by Hermansen, seconded by Amoroso, the meeting was opened to the public at 8:10PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Daniel Ortega of 65 Springfield Avenue in Springfield represents the Engineers Labor-Employer Cooperative Local 821 spoke in favor of the Pipeline. He explained there would be approximately 2,000 temporary jobs created if the Pipeline was permitted. These additional jobs, he added, would help the Local 821 Union because many of the workers live in this area.

Mrs. Ann Powley of 86 West Crescent Avenue and Mrs. Peggy Bost of 121 Deerhaven Road both extended their thank you's to the Council for this long, successful process of passing the Ordinance. Mrs. Powley presented two documents to the Council concerning the health effects of crude oil spills on the environment.

Mr. Johnathan Marcus of 3 Brook Court, expressed his appreciation for the Ordinance. He added that the Ordinance is not against the jobs or unions but for the protection of the environment and it is against our Master Plan. He added he looks forward to working on the Wellhead Protection Ordinance.

On a motion by Hermansen, seconded by DiGiulio, the meeting was closed to the public at 8:17PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Township Attorney noted one word missing on Page 2, Section 1, under 24-4.3b Unregulated Pipelines, second line – between words “are” and “regulated” the word “not” should be added. He added this is not a substantial change; therefore, the Ordinance can be amended.

Roth added Mahwah is the 11th Unregulated Oil Pipeline Ordinance adopted in the surrounding areas. He thanked and commended everyone for their efforts and long hours of work.

ORDINANCE - PUBLIC HEARING

The title of an Ordinance was read as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH, CHAPTER XXIV, “ZONING”, ARTICLE 4, “DISTRICT REGULATIONS”, SECTION 4.3 “GENERAL USE RESTRICTIONS” BY ADDING THERETO SECTION 4.3 TO PROHIBIT UNREGULATED PIPELINES IN ANY ZONING DISTRICT IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH

On a motion by Hermansen, seconded by Amoroso, the meeting was opened to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

Being no comments were made from the public, on a motion by Hermansen, seconded by DiGiulio, the meeting was closed to the public. All in favor. Motion carried.

On a motion by Hermansen, seconded by DiGiulio, the following Resolution as passed and adopted as amended:

RESOLUTION – ORDINANCE NO. 1774

RESOLVED that the Ordinance be passed and adopted on second reading and the Municipal Clerk is authorized to advertise by title only as having been finally adopted as required by law.

Roll Call Vote: Amoroso, yes; Ariemma, yes; DiGiulio, yes; Hermansen, yes; Sbarra, absent; Wong, yes; Roth, yes.

ADMINISTRATION

1b. Rejection of Bids Received from Bid MTB#16-01: Mahwah Swim Club Alterations and Authorization to Rebid; Discussion

The Administrative Assistant stated 13 bid packets were picked up and 10 bids were received on January 26, 2016 at the Bid Opening. The lowest bid exceeded the money allocated in the budget so all bids were rejected. There is a Resolution on the Agenda to reject bids received and rebid the project with revised bid specifications. The modified bid will be written to include

options of Bathroom Renovation, Kitchen size, and Patio. The new bid needs to be completed so the construction can be completed in a timely fashion for opening day. Resolution shall be voted on in the latter portion of the Agenda.

PUBLIC PORTION

On a motion by Hermansen, seconded by Wong, the meeting was opened to the public at 8:30PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Mike DeLuca of 11 Parsons Court stated he did not hear what was said from the Council with the exception of Ariemma and Hermansen. He requested Council speak loudly into the microphones.

On a motion by Hermansen, seconded by Amoroso, the meeting was closed to the public at 8:31PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

On a motion by Wong, seconded by Amoroso, Council went into Closed Session at 8:32 PM for the express purpose of discussing Litigation; Chai Lifeline Update. Roll Call: Amoroso, yes; Ariemma, yes; DiGiulio, yes; Hermansen, yes; Sbarra, absent; Wong, yes; Roth, yes. Motion carried.

On a motion by Amoroso, seconded by Wong, Council returned to Open Session at 8:55 PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

Resolution #068-16 was voted on. Resolution is attached to and made part of these Meeting Minutes.

On a motion by Wong, seconded by Amoroso, the meeting was adjourned at 8:56 PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathrine G. Coviello, RMC/CMC/MMC
Municipal Clerk

Meeting Minutes typed by Carolyn George, Clerical Assistant