

Township Committee Meeting 13 February 2006

Present: Devinney, DiCarlo, Hinkle, Ouelette, Fitzpatrick
Municipal Clerk Lohr, Administrator Corcoran

Consent Agenda Items:

Resolution 2006- 43 canceling delinquent tax balances under \$10

Resolution 2006- 44 refund of 2005 tax overpayment

Resolution 2006- 45 canceling tax balances for non-exempt properties acquired by the Township of Delanco (In the following public session, I asked for specifics on these properties. They are both for 4th quarter: 195 Union approximately \$592 and 531 Delaware approximately \$4600. Lohr noted that front lots are combined and assessed with main lots. Corcoran said it made sense to cancel the balance since we own it.)

Resolution 2006- 46 transfer portion of taxes paid on 2005 added assessment

Payment of Bills:

General 145,963.15

Payroll 25,821.03

Trust 87.50

Housing trust 2,000.00

Approval of department reports

Consent agenda approved

Meeting open to the public:

My question regarding Resolution 2006- 44 as noted above.

Meeting closed to the public

Discussion Items:

1.

Review of selected zoning ordinances – this is a process – Committee will forward to Joint Land Use Board who will form a subcommittee and recommend back to Committee

2.

Introduction of 2006 municipal budget will begin on March 6th with a presentation by Corcoran to introduce the plan for the budget, not the budget itself

Resolution 2006- 47 Township making application to the local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:45.3 ED SEQ. – application for a cap waiver to raise cap from 2 1/2% to 3 1/2%

Corcoran noted that the proceeds of the sale of the municipal building would be included in our budget.

Passed unanimously

Correspondence - none

Comments – Township Administrator Steve Corcoran

1. February 27th meeting won't be necessary
2. Seeking assistance with the Public Address system in the courtroom of the municipal building. Would appreciate input as to an expert who can solve the audio difficulties there.

Comments Township Committee:

Ouelette:

-Public works did a good job with snow removal

DiCarlo:

-they did a great job

Hinkle:

-They did a good job, but the county could have done a better job with Burlington Ave.

DiCarlo: I don't know why Burlington Ave wasn't done.

Fitzpatrick: We do it. We do their roads first. They do pay – it works out as part of the deal on the salt we get from them

Hinkle: As long as they pay

Devinney: Public works did a great job. Has long admired their work.

Fitzpatrick: Finance Committee. We need to work to keep costs down.

-Spoke with Fenimore because she had driven through Delran and Riverside and Delran's roads were clearer than ours. The answer is that Delran has access to more salt. Salt costs \$516/truckload. We need to correct this situation.

Corcoran: The proposed salt barn will help with that. Now what we pick up we have to use since the state won't let us store it and it clogs the trucks if we try to keep it in them.

Fitzpatrick: John explained that we have rubber plows, so we can't get the roads as clean to start with. You can't salt until the next morning so the salt doesn't freeze in there and make it worse.

Hinkle: question for Steve...What is the apparatus? (pointing to a combination lift, and a whole lot more from the looks of it.)

Corcoran: We borrowed that to relamp this room.

Notes submitted by Maureen Barrett