

Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2015. Seconded by Councilwoman Kelley.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Cannon, Kelley, Martucci, Montone, Swindle, Deputy Mayor Brenner and Mayor Tagliarini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Cannon made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; all items listed under 7A. Seconded by Councilwoman Kelley.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Councilmember Cannon, Kelley, Martucci, Montone, Swindle, Deputy Mayor Brenner and Mayor Tagliarini

Nays: None

Abstain: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-33 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby commits to the redevelopment of property located at 100 Church Street, Block 39, Lot 1.
2. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-34 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby endorses the submission of recycling tonnage grant application and designates Robert Brady, Recycling Coordinator.
3. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-35 –BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby appoints the following to Environmental and Shade Tree Advisory Board.
4. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-36 – BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council that it hereby authorizes settlement of tax appeal litigation for 378 County Road.
5. EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION – BE IT RESOLVED that the general public shall be excluded from discussion held during executive session – Redevelopment – Train Station; Contractual – Township Properties.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS/CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

Mayor Tagliarini asked any member of the public wishing to be heard to come forward and to state their name and address.

Rob Friedman

Roseland

Mr. Friedman asked if there was any conversation after the sewer meeting last month

regarding any decision to consider installing the sewer infrastructure system on the paper portion of Anna Avenue.

Lee Cohen, Township Attorney stated he looked very carefully at two things. First, the ordinance wording supports the concept if you are a developer and you have an unpaved road and are an empty lot, you are responsible of bringing lateral to your property. Mr. Cohen checked with the engineer to find out the historical practice. The historical practice is entirely consistent with the ordinance. Anyone who wants to do this, this is the time to do it; it will be more efficient and cheaper, contact the engineer.

Mr. Friedman stated an engineer said roughly speaking it would cost about \$350 a linear foot to put in the basic sewer infrastructure. I don't know if it would be enough of an incentive for the property owners to get any return on their investment. In the interest of the town, I would think you want this developed. It would be an improvement of the overall neighborhood.

Councilwoman Montone stated this is not a crumbling neighborhood. This is a beautiful neighborhood that has been waiting for over 30 years to get the proper sanitary system so that we can live more comfortably.

Mr. Friedman stated he feels it is in the town's best interest to improve the paper street, which will bring more revenue to the township. When you add up all the taxes we have paid for to date, we are hoping the town will take that into consideration.

Councilman Cannon stated you bought the property as a land speculator. You didn't buy it to live there; you bought it as an investment.

Mr. Friedman stated yes, my dad purchased it at a town sale.

Councilman Cannon stated I don't want to waste your time. We literally pulled coin out of the cushions to build this sewer project. We don't have enough money to pave a paper street or to build your sewer. We haven't done it for any other developer. We are not going to build it, we haven't done it for anyone else and we don't have the money. We are spending \$8.7 million dollars. If you want to get together a bunch of the lots and you want to split the costs with them and join our project you are more than welcome.

Mr. Friedman thanked Council.

Diane Giovanniello
402 Gulden Street

Ms. Giovanniello stated on January 9th starting at 4:00 p.m. at 685 Shore Concourse Drive, water coming out of the first and second story of home vacated by previous owners. People started to call the police department at 4:00 p.m. I called the police department stated the only thing they can do is call the utility department. George Sisti is in charge. After calling 911 police states he will be there at 10:00 p.m. I called Channel 12 trouble shooters. It took 5 minutes to shut off the water. My question is why does

only one guy have the key to shut off the water.

Councilman Cannon stated it seems to make sense to me.

Mayor Tagliarini stated you can call me any time. This is the first I am hearing about this.

Ms. Giovanniello we need to stop this from happening in the future. If there is an emergency don't take six hours to get there.

Councilman Cannon stated we will find a solution.

Ms. Giovanniello stated she walks the town, I can't understand that some people go out of their way to take care of their sidewalks. The sidewalks are there for a reason, at least put some salt on them, shovel a little bit. There are certain individuals that never shovel.

Mayor Tagliarini stated we have no ordinance for snow on sidewalks.

Councilman Cannon stated we did focus on trying to get the people around the schools to shovel their sidewalks. We give reminders as opposed to tickets.

Mr. Friedman asked if the Council received any additional information on funding for the Monmouth County Park in Freneau.

Mayor Tagliarini stated the Monmouth County Freeholders added \$2 million to the \$5.5 Million they already allocated which brings the total to \$7.5 million of \$10.5 million package. We are looking at other areas for the \$3 million, the Port Authority being one of them, and other funding. We hope we will have an announcement March 1st. There are many people behind this project that want to see this complete (Senator Kyrillos, Senator Sweeney, Monmouth County Freeholders, Parks System and Conservation, Baykeeper NY/NJ).

There being no one else wishing to be heard Mayor Tagliarini declared the Hearing of the Citizens closed.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Montone made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Martucci and unanimously concurred by Council.

Fred Tagliarini, Mayor

Karen Ventura, Municipal Clerk