

CALL TO ORDER

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Sunshine Statement: Be advised that proper notice has been given by the Township Council in accordance with the sunshine law in the following manner. Notice advertised in the Burlington County Times and Camden Courier Post on December 23, 2010 and posted on the bulletin board on the same date.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz., Mr. Moran, Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Morrow were present.

ALSO, PRESENT: Mr. Paris, Mayor, Mr. Long, Solicitor, Mr. Hatcher, Administrator and Ms. Eggers, Municipal Clerk.

Mr. Catrambone made a motion seconded by Mr. Moran to approve the minutes for December 1, 2010 and December 15, 2010.

There being no questions, the roll was called.

Mr. Moran, Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Morrow voted aye. Mrs. Kolodi and Mr. Schwartz abstained.

Ayes: 3
Nays: None
Abstained: 2

Motion Approved

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

**TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN
ORDINANCE 2011-1**

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION
LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

Mr. Catrambone made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kolodi to adopt the ordinance on first reading.

There being no question, the roll was called.

Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz., Mr. Moran, Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Morrow voted aye.

Ayes: 5
Nays: None

Motion Approved

**TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN
ORDINANCE 2011-2**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART I, CHAPTER 12 OF THE CODE OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF DELRAN, ENTITLED "TRAFFIC," TO ALLOW
FOR THE INSTALLATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF STOP SIGNS AT
THE INTERSECTION OF WILLS STREET AND KAUDERER AVENUE**

Mr. Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Catrambone to adopt the ordinance on first reading.

There being no question, the roll was called.

Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz., Mr. Moran, Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Morrow voted aye.

Ayes: 5
Nays: None

Motion Approved

RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 2011-11 Temporary Budget

Resolution 2011-12 Cancelling Utility Fund Budget Appropriation Balances

Resolution 2011-13 Cancelling 2010 Added Assessment for Block 180 Lot 8

Resolution 2011-14 Refunding Sewer Overpayments

Resolution 2011-15 Refunding Duplicate Mercantile License Application Fees

Resolution 2011-16 Appointing Temporary CFO

Resolution 2011-17 EPL Hotline

Resolution 2011-18 Refunding Zoning Board Escrows

Resolution 2011-19 Approving Raffle License No. 406 & 407 for Delran Middle/High School PTA

Resolution 2011-20 Awarding Animal Control Contract

Resolution 2011-21 Waiving Appointment of a Risk Management Consultant

Resolution 2011-22 Rejecting bids for the Yansick and Moreland Drive Traffic Calming Project

Mr. Catrambone made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kolodi to adopt the resolutions.

There being no questions, the roll was called.

Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz., Mr. Moran, Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Morrow voted aye.

Ayes: 5
Nays: None

Motion Approved

MOTION

Mr. Moran made a motion authorizing the payment of bills including all purchases made under the Cooperative Purchasing Agreement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schwartz.

There being no questions, the roll was called.

Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz., Mr. Moran, Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Morrow voted aye.

Ayes: 5
Nays: None

Motion Approved

Mr. Moran made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kolodi to accept the report of the Tax Collector/CFO and the Township Clerk.

There being no questions, the roll was called.

Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz., Mr. Moran, Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Morrow voted aye.

Ayes: 5

Nays: None

Motion Approved

Mrs. Kolodi made a motion granting the mercantile licenses listed below. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schwartz.

1. Bargain Book Warehouse & Gifts, 4004 Route 130 North
2. Atlantic Auto Broker, 209A Carriage Lane

There being no questions, the roll was called.

Mrs. Kolodi, Mr. Schwartz., Mr. Moran, Mr. Catrambone and Mr. Morrow voted aye.

Ayes: 5

Nays: None

Motion Approved

REPORTS

Mr. Hatcher – Mr. Hatcher stated that once we have utilized all the salt that we had in the salt dome we have used all the funds appropriated for this year. The good news is we have received a lot of compliments on the plowing of the roads. The bad news is we have utilized the majority of the money budgeted for salt and sand. We will receive a reimbursement from the county for plowing their roads which will help us replenish those funds.

Mr. Long – No report.

Mr. Bauer – Mr. Bauer, Fire Commission congratulated the new members of Council.

Mr. Bauer stated that the Squad has been extremely busy. They put in a policy that two duty crews will be in house at all times. They sent an ambulance to New York City to help with their snow emergency.

The Fire Department has also been extremely busy. There was a single family dwelling fire on Fairview Street right before Christmas. There was a crew in the Chester Avenue station that responded quickly. There was smoke damage but limited property damage.

Mr. Bauer stated that he will let Mr. Hullings report on that fire since he performed the investigation. One problem he did mention was that the Animal Control Officer would not respond and there were two officers bitten. They ended up having to board up the units with possible dead animals inside.

The other notable fires were a Burlington Township fire which the heavy rescue out of Chester Avenue responded to. There was a fire in Maple Shade which was also responded to by the heavy rescue. The Bridgeboro Station sent a ladder and engine into Willingboro for a kitchen fire. The Chester Avenue Station responded to the Cinnaminson explosion. Yesterday, we were dispatched to the Palmyra apartment fire. Finally, they responded to an incident where a car crashed into a house.

Mr. Hullings, Fire Inspector, stated that they were dispatched to the structure fire at the Garden Club on New Years Day. They received seven calls on the fire. The back of the building had fire up to the roof. He stated that there was heavy smoke on the second and third floors and there were residents running from the buildings. It was a pretty dramatic scene. There were twelve units in the building and they have one common staircase where everyone enters and exits the building. The only other way out is a window or your balcony. We interviewed seventeen people regarding the fire. What happened was the fire began on the back balcony and spread up to the roof where there are no sprinklers. Once in the attic it consumed the attic and collapsed inside. That is when they decided to evacuate the building and began fighting the fire from the outside. Once they got the fire under control, they went back in and fought the fire on the inside. They rescued one elderly lady from the first floor. There was one injury from smoke inhalation but very minor. There were five residents that had no content insurance. They contacted the Red Cross that helped place about half the residents. We came to the conclusion that the fire began on a second floor balcony from either a discarded cigarette or a smoking container that held cigarettes and was ruled accidental. There was one unit on the third floor that was a total loss, two others have significant damage and the others were smoke or water damaged. The entire building is closed down and it will be about six to eight months before the building is repaired. There were some reports of fire works but they did not find anything that indicated that. We attended the condo association meeting to answer any questions the residents had.

Mr. Moran stated that the Fire Department always does a fantastic job and he was happy to hear there were no fatalities.

Mr. Bauer stated that Sergeant Murphy was first on the scene and if Council is interested, they can listen to the recording from his police vehicle.

Mr. Bauer stated that he wanted to explain the request for a used police vehicle. He stated that with the exception of Mt. Laurel they are the only Fire District without a fire police vehicle. The pick up truck that they used is now being used during the day for inspections. They thought that having a used police vehicle would be a good test to see if it would work and if it is needed.

Mr. Paris stated that Mr. Hatcher is talking with the Public Works to see if that is possible.

Mr. Moran – Mr. Moran stated that we can no longer throw away electronics they need to be brought to Public Works during working hours.

Mr. Catrambone – Mr. Catrambone stated that he is really interested in shared services. He feels that we will need to look into this with the state of the budget.

With the storm coming tomorrow, Mr. Catrambone reminded everyone to drive carefully.

Mr. Catrambone reported that an individual who performed at Delran Day developed strep throat and passed away this past Sunday.

Mrs. Kolodi – Mrs. Kolodi stated that she was reading a few days ago that someone a writer what the greatest symbol of humanity is and he answered a fire truck. She stated that after tonight she would have to agree. She thanked the Fire Department for all they do.

Mrs. Kolodi also thanked the Public Works Department for the work they do. She stated that she is a teacher at the High School and when other teachers drive in from out of town they always say they know when they are in Delran.

Mrs. Kolodi thanked the Mayor and members of Council for helping her through her first month.

Mrs. Kolodi thanked Mayor Paris for asking her to serve on the River Route Advisory Committee.

Mr. Schwartz – Mr. Schwartz thanked Public Works for an excellent job. He stated that he has received several e-mail about the job they are doing.

Mr. Schwartz stated that he reached out to the residents on Yansick and Moreland Drive regarding traffic calming project.

He also stated that he has been in the fire service for a long period of time and that the Fire Department does an excellent job.

Mr. Morrow – Mr. Morrow thanked that Public Works, Police and Fire Department for their work during the winter. With the storm coming tomorrow, he reminded everyone to remove vehicles and other obstacles from the streets to make it easier for the plows.

Mayor – Mr. Paris stated that he is so happy to have the two new members on Council. He stated that they worked very hard in their first month. They have both been out there talking with residents.

Mr. Paris stated that Council is now reviewing the budget. Mr. Paris stated that we will be looking into the possibility of sharing capital items with other municipalities.

Mr. Paris stated that the Police, Fire and Public Works Department have done a great job. He stated that the Public Works Department is down six guys and continue to do a fantastic job.

Mr. Paris reminded everyone not to throw the snow from snow blowers back into the street and also remove the portable basketball nets from the street.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mr. Moran made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Kolodi to open the meeting to the public for any questions. All were in favor, the motion was approved.

There were no public comments.

Mr. Catrambone made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Mrs. Kolodi. All were in favor, the motion was approved.

Mrs. Kolodi made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schwartz to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor, the meeting adjourned.

Submitted,

Jamey Eggers
Municipal Clerk