

TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
Township Committee Meeting Minutes
December 30, 2016

Deputy Mayor Piserchia read the following statement:

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

"In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was electronically sent to the Echoes Sentinel and posted in the January 14, 2016 edition, and electronically sent to the Courier News and posted in the January 12, 2016 edition. The notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 5, 2016 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk." Special Notice of the change in time for the Executive session was posted on the Website and faxed to the Echoes Sentinel and Courier News on November 22, 2016.

All present recited the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deputy Mayor Piserchia opened the PUBLIC MEETING at 8:00 AM

ROLL CALL: Committeeman Dorsi, Deputy Mayor Piserchia, Committeeman Rae, and Committeeman Schuler were present.

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS: None

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

The following items are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be acted upon in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Committee member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in the normal sequence of the Agenda.

MOVED by: Committeeman Schuler of the Township Committee of Long Hill Township, that Resolutions #16-330 through #16-333 are hereby approved. **SECONDED** by: Committeeman Rae. **ROLL CALL VOTE: All in Favor (Mayor Meringolo absent)**

**RESOLUTION #16-330
APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby approve the payment of the bills as presented by the Chief Financial Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the bills list be appended to the official minutes.

**RESOLUTION #16-331
APPROVAL AND RELEASE OF MINUTES**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill does hereby approve and release the Township Committee Minutes of the December 14, 2016 Township Committee Meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Committee hereby approves the December 14, 2016 Executive Session Meeting Minutes as redacted by the Township Attorney.

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
RESOLUTION #16-332**

Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Fiscal Grant Cycle July 17- June 2018 – Municipal Alliance Grant

WHEREAS, the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Long Hill Township Council of the Green Brook Township of Somerset, County, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Long Hill Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Long Hill Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Somerset;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Long Hill Township of Morris, County, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Long Hill Township Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Watchung Hills Regional Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$23,862.74
Cash Match	\$ 5,965.69
In-Kind	\$17,897.06
2. The Long Hill Township Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Long hill and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
RESOLUTION 16-333
In Grade Advancement - Brown**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, County of Morris, State of New Jersey upon the advice and recommendation of Police Chief Michael Mazzeo, does hereby approve the grade advancement of Lieutenant Brown to Lieutenant Grade I, effective January 1, 2017 at an annual salary of \$141,059.32.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this advancement is consistent with the current PBA 322 Superior Officer's Collective Bargaining Agreement.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

OLD BUSINESS / Administrator's Report:

- The Mitchell Road drainage project will begin next week. There will be no road closures, at most it will go down to a single lane of traffic.
- The sign for the public notice for the Land Division hearing is being constructed and will be placed on site, notice is being published in the paper for the February 8th, 5pm meeting. The public is invited to attend.
- The RFP for the redevelopment zone is being amended with extended return dates.
- The budget is almost complete and Administrator Henry, Finance Director Ho, Mayor Meringolo and Committeeman Cornel will be meeting shortly to review.

Deputy Mayor Piserchia noted even though the County is refusing to finance the traffic device for Gillette School, that a resident had mentioned to him that there had been several accidents in the area of the Gillette school crossing and maybe if Police Mazzeo could produce a report we could forward the report to the County and ask again.

NEW BUSINESS:

Committeeman Rae noted that in the upcoming year the Committee should start to figure out how to finance the purchase of new emergency vehicles.

Announcements/Correspondence:

- The Re-organization meeting is Tuesday, January 3, at 6PM.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

- Rob Walton, of JCP&L noted that there will be a 4% rate increase in delivery costs starting in 2017 which will amount to approximately \$4.00 per month per residence.

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ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Committeeman Schuler, seconded by Committeeman Rae, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Brooks, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk

Approved January 11, 2017