

**MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2015 (5:30PM)**

The Meeting of the Pennsauken Township Committee was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 in the Public Meeting Room at the Pennsauken Township Municipal Building, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd. Pennsauken, NJ 08110.

The Meeting came to order at 5:30 PM.

On roll call were;

Committeeman Jack Killion
Committeeman John Kneib
Committeewoman Betsy McBride
Deputy Mayor John Figueroa
Mayor Rick Taylor

Also present were Township Administrator Edward Grochowski, Municipal Attorney Michael Joyce, Township Clerk, Gene Padalino and Deputy Clerk Pamela Scott-Forman.

There was the Pledge To The Flag And Moment Of Silence.

Mayor Taylor announced that the Meeting was being held in compliance with the "Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act".

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

Meeting-January 21, 2015

MOTION :McBride SECOND:Figueroa All Aye on Voice Vote, None Opposed.

MOTION CARRIED: MINUTES APPROVED

PROCLAMATIONS- None

BIDS OPENED:

Opened 2/12/2015 @ 10:30 am Agricultural Supplies Pennsauken Country Club-
BP # 15-01

MOTION :Kneib SECOND: Killion All Aye on Voice Vote, None

ORDINANCES –

SECOND READING-PUBLIC HEARING (PUBLIC MAY COMMENT)

ORDINANCE NO. 2015.01

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN CREATING A BAN ON SMOKING AND TOBACCO USE IN TOWNSHIP OWNED PLAYGROUNDS AND PARKS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN

WHEREAS, the smoking of tobacco products is a major contributor to indoor air pollution and breathing second-hand smoke is a cause of disease to non-smokers; and

WHEREAS, reliable studies have shown that environmental tobacco smoke is a cause of cardiovascular disease in non-smokers and that breathing environmental tobacco smoke is a significant health hazard for children, the elderly, and individuals with cardiovascular disease, impaired respiratory function, and asthma; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Environmental Protection (USEPA) has designated second-hand smoke as a Class A carcinogen as well as a significant cause of respiratory problems in children; and

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WHEREAS, the U. S. Surgeon General has found that the active smoking of tobacco products and the passive inhalation of environmental tobacco smoke are the most prevalent causes of preventable death, disease and disability; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Surgeon General has found that separating smokers from non-smokers within the same air space does not eliminate the exposure of non-smokers to environmental tobacco smoke; and

WHEREAS, electronic smoking devices have not been approved as to safety and efficacy by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and their use may pose a health risk to persons exposed to their smoke or vapor because of a known irritant contained therein and other substances that may, upon evaluation by that agency, be identified as potentially toxic to those inhaling the smoke or vapor; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has acknowledged that careless smoking is the leading cause of death from fire; and

WHEREAS, smoking leads to the inevitable discard of tobacco products and a source of litter by those who fail to properly dispose of cigar, cigarette, pipe or other combustible tobacco product in any manner or in any form; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature has deemed the control of smoking to be a necessary and proper exercise of municipal authority pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1 et seq., 40:48-2 et seq., N.J.S.A. 26:3D-46 et seq., and N.J.S.A. 2C:33-13 for the preservation of public health, safety and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, the previous State legislation which prohibited municipalities from passing strict local smoking laws that differed from the State standards was repealed and the State now expressly authorizes municipalities to enact strict ordinances regulating smoking under N.J.S.A. 26:3D-63; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 2C:33-13b also provides that the owner and/or operator of a public place, such as public parks and recreational areas, may prohibit smoking on such property; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee recognizes the well-known health and safety risks posed by smoking and finds that it is within the public interest to prohibit smoking in public buildings and on public property, such as public parks and recreational areas; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that the public interest is especially implicated in preventing the youth of Pennsauken from being exposed and succumbing to the temptations of experimenting with tobacco products; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee also finds that the appearance of certain parks and recreational areas can be enhanced if smoking were to be banned from such areas, thereby keeping such areas free of the litter typically generated by the smoking of cigarettes, such as cigarette butts, ashes and packaging.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that smoking is now prohibited in designated Smoke and Tobacco Free Places

Sec. 226-6. Definitions, as used in this Chapter, the following words shall have the following meanings:

“Electronic Smoking Device” shall mean an electronic device that can be used to deliver nicotine or other substances to the person inhaling from the device, including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, cigar, cigarillo or pipe.

“Parks and Recreation Facilities” shall include all public parks, playgrounds, ball fields, playing fields, recreational areas and recreational facilities, that are publicly owned or leased by the Township of Pennsauken, upon which the public is invited or upon which the public is permitted and where individuals gather for recreational activity, including all areas adjacent to such parks and recreation facilities, including, but not limited to, any seating areas, parking areas, paths, walkways, driveways, or drive aisles. Specifically excluded from this definition are the Pennsauken Public Pool and Pennsauken County Club.

“Person” shall mean any individual, partnership, cooperative association, private corporation personal representative, receiver, trustee, assignee or any other legal entity.

“Smoking” shall mean the burning of, inhaling from, exhaling the smoke from, or the possession of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other matter or substance which contains tobacco or any other matter or substance which contains tobacco or any other matter that can be smoked, or the inhaling or exhaling of smoke or vapor from an electronic smoking device.

Sec. 226-7. Smoking Prohibited. (a). Smoking shall be prohibited by any person, regardless of age, in all public parks and recreation facilities owned or leased by the Township of Pennsauken and all property

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owned or leased by the Township of Pennsauken upon which the public is invited or upon which the public is permitted and where individuals gather for recreational activities, including all areas adjacent to such facilities, including, but not limited to, any parking area, driveway or drive aisle, which have been designated with no-smoking signs, which areas are hereafter designated as "Smoke and Tobacco Free Places."

(b). Smoking shall be prohibited in any municipal vehicle registered to the Township of Pennsauken.

Sec. 226-8. Signs. No-smoking signs or the international no-smoking symbol (consisting of a pictorial representation of a burning cigarette enclosed in a red circle with a diagonal red line through its cross section) shall be clearly, sufficiently and conspicuously posted in all Smoke and Tobacco Free Places. The signs shall be clearly visible to the public and shall contain letters or a symbol which contrasts in color with the sign, indicating that smoking is prohibited at the designated area. The sign shall also indicate that violators are subject to a fine.

Sec. 226-9. Enforcement. The provisions of this article shall be enforceable by a police officer as well as by any other individual who personally observes a violation. Any person seeking to enforce the provision of this chapter shall be authorized to file a written complaint in the Municipal Court of the Township of Pennsauken, acceptance of such a complaint is within the sound discretion of the Municipal Court in accordance with applicable rules of court.

Sec. 226-10. Penalties. (a). Any person who violates any provision of this chapter shall be subject to a fine of not less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for the first offense, five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the second offense and one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each subsequent offense. Any municipal employee found in violation of this chapter, in addition to the financial penalties provided herein, may also be subject to discipline in accordance with the provisions of the Township of Pennsauken policies and procedures.

(b). Any person found guilty of defacing, tampering with or removing "No Smoking or "Smoking" signs which are required by this chapter shall be guilty of a disorderly persons offense and subject to a maximum fine of \$200.00, plus the cost of replacing the sign.

(c). Any juvenile adjudicated to have violated the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to such penalties, fines or other discipline as may be imposed upon an adult pursuant to this chapter.

If any of provision of this ordinance shall be invalid in any court the same shall not affect the other sections or provisions of this ordinance except so far as the section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Motion To Adopt: Killion Second:Kneib

Diane Johnson- asked if the Country Club and pool are excluded. She attends pool and she has a problem with smoking. She asked why it was OK at the pool and Country Club.

Mayor Taylor said will we designate two areas for smoking near River Road and in the back of the pool.

Ms. Johnson said that that sounds feasible. The pool is a public place and children attend.

Mayor Taylor stated that there is no place more kid friendly than Disney and they have designated areas where people can smoke.

He is not promoting smoking but we will try to address the issue with designated areas and will address when people don't obey.

Ellyn McMullin- said that she had a concern with smoking at the golf course.

Mayor Taylor said that there are already designated areas at the Country Club and there is no smoking inside. He also said that there is not a golf course in the world that does not allow smoking.

It is unrealistic that we can ban smoking on a golf course or a beach.

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Roll Call Vote:

Killion:Aye Kneib:Aye McBride:Aye Figueroa:Aye Taylor:Aye

MOTION CARRIED: ORDINANCE ADOPTED AFTER SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 2015.02

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN (SECTION 141) TO IMPOSE HEIGHT AND FOOTPRINT RESTRICTIONS ON DETACHED ASSESSORY STRUCTURES ERECTED OR ENLARGED IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken is a municipal entity organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey and located in Camden County, New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as "Township"); and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 1979, the Township of Pennsauken adopted by Ordinance number 79-22, a land use and development ordinance, titled the "Development Regulations of the Township of Pennsauken" (hereinafter "Development Regulations"), which have been amended from time to time in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, the Development Regulations as codified under Section 141-3 and pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-2, has as some of its enumerated purposes: to encourage Township action toward guiding the appropriate use or development of all lands in the Township of Pennsauken in a manner which will promote the public health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare; and to provide adequate light, air and open space; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken is concerned that the erection and/or enlargement of detached accessory use structures in residential zones without reasonable height and footprint restrictions impacts on adequate light, air, and open space, and detracts from a desirable visual environment; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken Planning Board (hereinafter referred to as "Pennsauken Planning Board") is an autonomous entity created by the Township pursuant to and governed by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the statute, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26(a) requires that, prior to the adoption of a development regulation, revision, or amendment thereto, the municipal Planning Board shall make and transmit to the governing body, within thirty-five (35) days after referral, a report including identification of any provisions in the proposed development regulation, revision or amendment which are inconsistent with the master plan and recommendations concerning these inconsistencies and any other matters as the board deems appropriate; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the above referenced statute, the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken referred to the Pennsauken Planning Board for its review and report, whether the development regulations under Township Code Section 141 should be revised or amended to include a 400 square feet total for detached accessory use buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsauken Planning Board has reported back within the thirty-five (35) day time frame that it believes that Development Regulations Section 141 of the Township Code should be revised or amended to include a maximum height of sixteen (16) feet for accessory use and a maximum footprint of four hundred (400) square feet for the accessory use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken that relevant sections of the Development Regulations Section 141 of the Township Code should be amended, as hereinbefore recommended by the Pennsauken Planning Board, for the purpose of providing and ensuring adequate light, air, and open space, and a desirable visual environment within the Township of Pennsauken.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken that the Development Regulations Section 141 of the Township Code be amended as follows:

1. Section 141-76(B) shall be amended to: "Height regulations, accessory height regulations and floor area. The maximum height of buildings and other structures erected or enlarged in this district shall be 35 feet, not exceeding 2 1/2 stories. The maximum height of accessory

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- buildings and other accessory structures erected or enlarged in this district shall be 16 feet, and shall have a maximum floor area of 400 square feet.”
2. Section 141-77(B) shall be amended to: “Height regulations, accessory height regulations and floor area. The maximum height of buildings and other structures erected or enlarged in this district shall be 35 feet, not exceeding 2 1/2 stories. The maximum height of accessory buildings and other accessory structures erected or enlarged in this district shall be 16 feet, and shall have a maximum floor area of 400 square feet.”
 3. Section 141-78(B) shall be amended to: “Height regulations, accessory height regulations and floor area. The maximum height of buildings and other structures erected or enlarged in this district shall be 35 feet, not exceeding 2 1/2 stories. The maximum height of accessory buildings and other accessory structures erected or enlarged in this district shall be 16 feet, and shall have a maximum floor area of 400 square feet.”
 4. Section 141-79(B) shall be amended to: “Height regulations, accessory height regulations and floor area. For uses permitted in Subsection A(1) and (8) above, the maximum height of buildings and other structures erected and enlarged in this district shall be 35 feet, and for all other permitted uses the maximum height of buildings and other structures erected or enlarged in this district shall be two stories. The maximum height of accessory buildings permitted in Subsection A(1) and (8) above and other accessory structures permitted in Subsection A(1) and (8) above erected or enlarged in this district shall be 16 feet, and shall have a maximum floor area of 400 square feet.”
 5. Section 141-81(B) shall be amended to: “Height regulations, accessory height regulations and floor area. The maximum height of any building for any use permitted in Subsection A(1) through herein shall be 35 feet, and for any other use permitted herein a building may exceed such height if for every one foot in excess of 35 feet in height there shall be added one foot of depth or width to each required yard. The maximum height of accessory buildings permitted in Subsection A(1) through herein and other accessory structures permitted in Subsection A(1) through herein erected or enlarged in this district shall be 16 feet, and shall have a maximum floor area of 400 square feet.”
 6. To the extent that any part or parts of this Ordinance are repealed or otherwise modified or voided by a Federal or State statute, rule or regulation, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.
 7. If any part or parts of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not effect, impair or invalidate the remainder of the Ordinance, but shall be confined in its effect to the part or parts of this Ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which judgment shall be rendered.
 8. This Ordinance and the amendments to the Development Regulations shall become effective upon final adoption and publication as prescribed by law.

Motion To Adopt: McBride Second:Killion

JoAnn Young-asked what is height restriction.

Mr. Grochowski said it is not for the house it is additions.

Roll Call Vote:

Killion:Aye Kneib:Aye McBride:Aye Figueroa:Aye Taylor:Aye

MOTION CARRIED: ORDINANCE ADOPTED AFTER SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

FIRST READING (NO PUBLIC COMMENT)

ORDINANCE NO. 2015:03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 162, ARTICLE III OF THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE, “BARBECUES” TO RETITLE “BARBECUES AND OPEN BURNING”

Mr. Grochowski said that this was asked for by the Fire Department and deals with open pit burning.

Motion To Approve: Killion Second:Kneib

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Roll Call Vote:

Killion:Aye Kneib:Aye McBride: Aye Figueroa:Aye Taylor:Aye

MOTION CARRIED: ORDINANCE APPROVED ON FIRST READING

RESOLUTION(s)- (public may comment) The Following Resolution(s) will be considered by consent agenda.

2015: 119-RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT FOR PRECIOUS METALS LICENSE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey that the Municipal Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund \$50.00 on the following Precious Metals License #0427-PM-3928-01-2015

Westmont Jewelers LLC
Alfred Shmuel
3928 Marlton Pike
Pennsauken, NJ 08110

2015:120- RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016

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

WHEREAS, The Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, 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 Township of Pennsauken 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 Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken has applied for funding to the Governors's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Camden ; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, does hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Pennsauken Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2016 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$ 29,028.00
Cash Match	\$ 7,257.00
In-Kind	\$ 21,771.00

2. The Township of Pennsauken acknowledges the term and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

2015:121- RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO AUTHORIZE THE PLANNING BOARD TO UNDERTAKE A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER CONDITIONS EXIST TO DESIGNATE VARIOUS PROPERTIES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN AS A NON-CONDEMNATION REDEVELOPMENT AREA PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW.

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WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.) provides a legal framework for establishing a redevelopment area and for comprehensively planning for the revitalization of such an area; and

WHEREAS, the Township is desirous of undertaking a planning analysis to determine if the following properties:

Block 4517, Lot 2

meet the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 and may be designated as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee, under the authority of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, can request the Township of Pennsauken Planning Board to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the aforementioned properties meet the statutory criteria for redevelopment as a non-condemnation redevelopment area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken hereby authorizes the Township of Pennsauken Planning Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A-6(a) to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the aforementioned properties in the study area meet the criteria specified in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 and should be designated in need of redevelopment as a non-condemnation redevelopment area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as provided by law, the Planning Board shall, after giving public notice and notice to affected property owners, conduct a public hearing at which all persons who are interested in or are affected by the proposed redevelopment designation are given an opportunity to be heard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that after completing its hearing, the Planning Board shall transmit its recommendations to the Township Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Resolution, assigning conduct of the investigation and public hearing on the proposed redevelopment area to the Planning Board will be transmitted to the Planning Board by the Township Clerk upon its adoption.

2015:122- RESOLUTION EXTENDING USED CAR LICENSE UNTIL MARCH 25, 2015
(Beacon)

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken that the following Used Car Licenses be extended until March 25, 2015

BEACON AUTO BODY

6712 CRESCENT BLVD.
PENNSAUKEN, N.J. 08109

HAS THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS

- (1) the license will be used solely for the transportation of vehicles to and from auctions
- (2) no sale of used cars will take place on any property owned by the licensee in the Township of Pennsauken
- (3) that there will be no advertisement of any sort Associated With the used car license on the licensee's property.
- (4) there will be no outdoor display or sale of vehicles anywhere On the property owned or occupied by the licensee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded
by the Township Clerk to the Construction Official.

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2015:123- RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PSE&G TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, GREEN ACRES PROGRAM, FOR A MAJOR DIVERSION BY WAY OF AN EASEMENT UNDER A PORTION OF BLOCK 2218, LOT 1 IN PENNSAUKEN TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken (the "Township") is the owner of Block 2218, Lot 1 in the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden and State of New Jersey (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, a portion of Block 2218, Lot 1 is part of Bethel Park, which is encumbered with restrictions against disposal or diversion from recreation and conservation uses by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program; and

WHEREAS, Public Service Electric and Gas (PSE&G) desires to access, construct, install and thereafter maintain an underground electric transmission line, duct bank and vaults underneath 0.17 acre of the Property as part of its Southern Reinforcement Project (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the removal of Green Acres restrictions from 0.17 acre of parkland requires the approval of the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection and the State House Commission pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26*; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken wishes to apply for approval for the Project as a major diversion of parkland under *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26*; and

WHEREAS, as required by *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.8*, the Township of Pennsauken held a scoping hearing on January 22, 2015 to solicit public comment on the diversion of parkland from a portion of Block 2218, Lot 1 in the Township of Pennsauken in connection with the Project; and

WHEREAS, the next step in the application process for approval of a major diversion of parkland is the filing of a pre-application under *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.9*; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.9(d)11*, it is necessary for the Township of Pennsauken to submit as part of the pre-application a Resolution endorsing the application to divert parkland;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township Committee of Pennsauken Township endorses the filing of a pre-application for the Project pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26*;
2. The Township Committee of Pennsauken Township hereby finds that the Project would meet the minimum substantive criteria at *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.1(d)* by ensuring safe and reliable electric service for customers in the vicinity of the Project; and
3. The Township Committee of Pennsauken Township acknowledges that in order to obtain the approval of the Project, all substantive and procedural requirements of *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26* must be met, including compensation requirements at *N.J.A.C. 7:36-26.10*.

Mr. Grochowski said that this part of Green Acres and will negotiate with PSEG.

Motion To Adopt:McBride Second:Killion

Roll Call Vote:

Killion:Aye Kneib:Aye McBride:Aye Figueroa:Aye Taylor:Aye

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MOTION CARRIED: RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

CONFERENCE /ITEMS OF DISCUSSION- None

1. Public Hearing – Hazardous Mitigation Plan (Dennis Cowgill)

The Township Clerk stated that Emergency Management Coordinator Cowgill was running late and would be in attendance soon.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1) UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING: None
- 2) NEW BUSINESS/ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING: None
- 3) RESOLUTIONS – MATTERS OF LITTLE OR NO DISCUSSION: None

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT:

Township Clerk stated the following Mayor's appointment.

Shade Tree Commission Marc Wolfe- to fill an unexpired term as Alternate #2 until December 31, 2015

PAYMENT OF BILLS –None

DEPARTMENT REPORT(s)-

The Township Clerk stated that there was a Department Report from the Library.

MOTION :Kneib SECOND : Figueiroa All Aye on Voice Vote, None Opposed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Rosen- 7857 Greenbriar Rd. commended the Fire Department and all departments and everyone on their work with the overturned tanker the other day. He said that there were actually two fires that day. Mr. Rosen asked what can we do to prevent this? This had happened before a few years ago

Committeeman Kneib said that he had spoken with Fire Chief Palumbo and expected to receive from him a detailed report of those areas and ideas about what can be done. Committeeman Kneib said that people exceed speed limit and it is human error and without re-constructing the road and we would need a lot of signage.

Mayor Taylor said Chief will share information with then DRPA. He also said that the firemen did do a great and as well as our neighboring fire companies. There is going to be a Letter going out from the Mayor's office to neighbors on Greenbriar about this with information. Mayor Taylor also said that the Engineer for the DRPA is looking at it for safety perspective for now and in the future.

JoAnn Young- asked if she could refer back to Ordinance 2015.02. She wanted to know where did get 16.

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Municipal Attorney Joyce said that it was referred to the Planning Board and they recommended the following be imposed.

Ms. Young- said that with 16 ft. you could never put a second floor on.

Committeeman Killion said that you can ask for variances on the code.

Lonnie Monaco- asked about the Mart site.
It was said that there was no change in its status.

Mr. Monaco then asked about the traffic scoff law.

Administrator Grochowski said he cannot give him an answer. The money goes to the court. We have funding that is coming in.

Mr. Monaco- asked abandoned and foreclosed properties as he has one near him. What is the status.

Mayor Taylor said that the Township has collected over \$ 30,000 in permit fees. He thinks we are moving in the right direction. Also, the Township can always call the County with regard to problems with pools.

Committeeman Kneib- said that the Township has taken a positive and aggressive approach and it is going to be an arduous process.
However, what we are doing is working. Things will not happen overnight.

Mayor Taylor said that he and the Administrator have met with the St. Joes Carpenter Society.

Mr. Joyce- said that the Township Committee asked the Administrator and he to do spot eminent domain to acquire certain properties. It would be necessary to place the property on the abandoned properties list.
We would need to offer fair market value and start action in Superior Court. One property takes very long. It takes money to do and is a challenging process.

Committeeman Kneib said legislation was not available a while back that allows us to be this aggressive.

Mayor Taylor said we want to embarrass some banks with a press conference.

Committeewoman McBride said she thinks we are doing a great job trying to deal with this.

Mr. Joyce stated that 15 years ago the Township had the Housing Authority buying properties, so the Township has been addressing this issue for 15 years.

Mr. Monaco then asked the status of master plan.

Committeeman Kneib said our # 1 focus is abandoned houses and second priority is a community center.

Mr. Monaco- then asked about the person selected to be Public Works Director.

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Mr. Joyce advised the Township Committee that this is a personnel matter.

Committeeman Killion said that Mr. Scavuzzo he a bright young man.

Mr. Sinatra- said that there will be just one article in Spanish, Vietnamese and English in All Around Pennsauken.

Motion to Close: Figueroa Second: Kneib All Aye on Voice Vote, None opposed.

MOTION CARRIED: PUBLIC PORTION CLOSED

Mr. Cowgill- gave a brief update of the Hazardous Mitigation Plan. He is the OEM coordinator.

Hazardous Mitigation means any cost effective and substancial actions to reduce risk to people, and property. We are updating our hazardous mitigation plan.

We are identifying critical risk areas- like floods etc. These are put into the hazardous mitigation project.

The question is what can we do to mitigate issues that we identify as risks. The plan is given to FEMA and NJOEM.

The Township would then adopt the plan.

COMMENTS FROM TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committeewoman McBride said that she had attended the Environmental Commission meeting. She had said Olivia Glenn would like to join environmental commission. She spoke about the Delaware garden initiative and that fliers were distributed. There is to be a tree planting in Spring.

Committeeman Killion said that the fire was scary and there were only minor injuries.

Committeeman Kneib- said that first responders did a great job on the fire. He has met with the chiefs as he does so every month. There are 5-10 positions in EMS and we have received 35 applications. Also, there are about 3-5 police officers contemplating retirement. The Township has hired 3-4 class II officers.

Committeeman Figueroa- said a thank you to everyone who fought the fire.

Mayor Taylor- likes that people express their concerns. He also said that Ms. McMullin sent a notice out from Environmental Commissions with concerns about the smoking ordinance, she does not speak for whole commission.

CLOSED SESSION-None

ADJOURNMENT

Committeewoman McBride made a motion to adjourn and this was seconded by Deputy Mayor Figueroa. All Aye on Voice Vote, None Opposed. Motion Carried,

The Meeting adjourned at 6:23 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eugene Padalino', written over a horizontal line.

Eugene Padalino
Township Clerk

ADOPTED: APRIL 1, 2015