RARITAN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019
MEETING BEGINS AT 6:30 P.M.

REVISED 10/15/19

(additional item to Closed Session: Pending Litigation – McGuillicutty & Schwartz, LLC dba TAPinto FlemingtonRaritan.net v. Township of Raritan, et. al)

AGENDA TO THE EXTENT KNOWN

Please Note: A Special Agenda Adding Late Items to the Open or Closed Sessions Which Require the Consideration of the Township Committee may be Issued when Necessary

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1. **MEETING CALLED**

Meeting called to order at: _____

2. **ROLL CALL**

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member		
Gary Hazard, Committee Member		
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor		
Lou Reiner, Committee Member		
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor		

3. **MEETING ADVERTISED**

Mayor Kuhl advised that the meeting was advertised January 8, 2019 in the Courier News and noticed to the Hunterdon County Democrat, Star Ledger, TapInto, Express Times, and posted on the municipal bulletin board and the Township website in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

4. **Resolution #19-238 – CLOSED SESSION**

a. **Contract Negotiations** – **Stothoff Farmland Preservation**

b. **Personnel** - **Public Works New Hires; Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers**

c. **Attorney-Client Privilege** –

d. **Pending Litigation** - **Collins v. Raritan Township; McGuillicutty & Schwartz, LLC dba TAPinto FlemingtonRaritan.net v. Raritan Township, et. al**

4. **Resolution #19-238 – CLOSED SESSION (CONT.)**

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-238.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

5. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mayor Kuhl asks all to join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and remain standing for a moment of silence to remember our men and women serving in the Armed Forces and, in particular, those serving in troubled areas around the world.

6. **AMEND/APPROVE AGENDA**

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to amend and/or approve the Agenda.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

7. **PROCLAMATION – RECOGNIZING SERGEANT DAVID CARSON FOR TWENTY YEARS OF SERVICE**

8. **PROCLAMATION – RECOGNIZING SERGEANT ROBERT LANDOLINA FOR TWENTY YEARS OF SERVICE**

9. **PROCLAMATION – RECOGNIZING ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR OF ACCOUNTS DANIELLE LANGREDER FOR TWENTY YEARS OF SERVICE**

10. **PROCLAMATION – RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF SERGEANT MATTHEW LAWRENCE**

11. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

It is the policy of the Township Committee that public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person. Public comment shall be permitted on items of concern regarding the agenda only. In addition, time will be allotted at the end of the meeting for public comment on any issue.

12. **PUBLIC HEARING**: Request of Toll NJ, LLP for release of Performance Guarantees for project known as Mountain View at Hunterdon, Block 44, Lot 24

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to open the public hearing.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

13. **RESOLUTION #19-251 – Authorizing the Release of Cash and Surety Performance Guarantees (Toll NJ, LLP)**

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-251.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

14. **FINANCIAL ISSUES**

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

a. Payment of Bills as listed for Raritan Township: **$1,420,142.16**

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to approve the Bill List for Raritan Township.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

14. FINANCIAL ISSUES (CONT.)

b. Payment of Bills as listed for the Raritan Township Fire Company: **$1,517.75**

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to approve the Bill List for the Raritan Township Fire Company.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

15. REPORTS

a. Animal Control – September
b. Court - September
c. Planning/Engineering Escrow Accounts – September

16. LIAISON REPORTS

Karen Gilbert	Environmental Commission/Green Team; Historians; Open Space; Parks and Recreation; Planning Board (Class III Member)
Gary Hazard	Court/Police; RTMUA
Jeff Kuhl (Mayor)	Finance; Historians; Open Space; Personnel; Planning Board (Class I Member)
Michael Mangin (Deputy Mayor)	Board of Health; Finance; Public Works
Louis Reiner	Agriculture Advisory Board; Fire/Rescue/OEM; Wildlife Management Advisory Committee

17. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

18. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Etzel Property Acquisition

19. **ORDINANCES (INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING)**

a. ORDINANCE #19-27

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED OF DEDICATION FOR THE ROADWAYS AT MOUNTAIN VIEW AT HUNTERDON, FORMERLY BLOCK 44, LOT 24, AS SHOWN ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to introduce Ordinance #19-27 on first consideration, same to be published according to law with a public hearing and a final vote scheduled for the meeting of November 6, 2019 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, One Municipal Drive, Flemington, New Jersey at which time all interested persons will be heard.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

b. ORDINANCE #19-28

AN ORDINANCE REAPPROPRIATING $30,000.00 PROCEEDS OF OBLIGATIONS NOT NEEDED FOR THEIR ORIGINAL PURPOSE IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS POLE BUILDING CONCRETE FLOOR IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to introduce Ordinance #19-28 on first consideration, same to be published according to law with a public hearing and a final vote scheduled for the meeting of November 6, 2019 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, One Municipal Drive, Flemington, New Jersey at which time all interested persons will be heard.

19. **ORDINANCES (INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING) (CONT.)**

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

c. ORDINANCE #19-29

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ADDING CHAPTER 2.113 ENTITLED "RECREATION DEPARTMENT" TO TITLE II "ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL" OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to introduce Ordinance #19-29 on first consideration, same to be published according to law with a public hearing and a final vote scheduled for the meeting of November 6, 2019 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, One Municipal Drive, Flemington, New Jersey at which time all interested persons will be heard.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

d. ORDINANCE #19-30

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A ROADWAY EASEMENT OVER A PORTION OF A PARCEL IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 77, LOT 7.02 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RARITAN, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to introduce Ordinance #19-30 on first consideration, same to be published according to law with a public hearing and a final vote scheduled for the meeting of November 6, 2019 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building, One Municipal Drive, Flemington, New Jersey at which time all interested persons will be heard.

19. ORDINANCES (INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING) (CONT.)

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

20. ORDINANCES (PUBLIC HEARING/FINAL ADOPTION)

None.

21. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

22. NON-CONSENT AGENDA

I. Minutes:

a. Township Committee Regular Meeting Minutes:

1. October 1, 2019

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 1, 2019.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

b. Township Committee Executive Session Meeting Minutes:

1. October 1, 2019

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to approve the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of October 1, 2019.

22. **NON-CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

II. Resolutions:

a. Resolution #19-239 – Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Borough of Flemington Regarding the Dissolution of the Joint Flemington-Raritan Parks and Recreation Committee

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-239.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

b. Resolution #19-240 – Authorizing Payment of Accumulated Overtime to Retiring Sergeant Matthew Lawrence

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-240.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

22. **NON-CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

c. Resolution #19-241 – Authorizing the Full-Time Employment of Joe Chiu in the Department of Public Works

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-241.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

d. Resolution #19-242 – Authorizing the Full-Time Employment of Jeremy Daniel Kiefer in the Department of Public Works

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-242.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

e. Resolution #19-243 – Authorizing the Full-Time Employment of David Wesley Brown in the Department of Public Works

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-243.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

22. **NON-CONSENT AGENDA (CONT.)**

f. Resolution #19-244 – Authorizing the Part-time Employment of Harry E. Hults, Jr. as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-244.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

g. Resolution #19-245 – Authorizing the Part-time Employment of Joyce P. Hanshaw as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-245.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

h. Resolution #19-246 – Authorizing the Part-time Employment of Michael P. Fitzpatrick as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt Resolution #19-246.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

23. **SWEARING IN OF CLASS III SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

24. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Resolutions:

a. **Resolution #19-247 - Authorizing Return of Inspection Escrow Fee (St. Magdalen Church)**

b. **Resolution #19-248 - Authorizing the Reduction of Cash and Surety Performance Guarantees (North Bridge Properties)**

c. **Resolution #19-249 - Requesting Permission for the Dedication by Rider for a Recreation Trust Fund**

d. **Resolution #19-250 - Authorizing Tax Refunds for the Year 2019**

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

25. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Anyone may address the Committee on any issue for three (3) minutes.

26. CLOSED SESSION

27. OPEN SESSION

28. FURTHER ACTION

29. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kuhl asks for a motion to adjourn.

Roll Call	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Karen Gilbert, Committee Member				
Gary Hazard, Committee Member				
Michael Mangin, Deputy Mayor				
Lou Reiner, Committee Member				
Jeff Kuhl, Mayor				

Meeting adjourned at: _____