

**STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL AGENDA MEETING  
THURSDAY, JUNE 09, 2016  
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

STATEMENT OF

ADVERTISEMENT: Notice of this meeting has been provided to the Courier Post and Central Record along with being posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and place of the meeting.

PLEDGE  
OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR JOSH KEENAN  
BEN ANGELI, COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
HOLLY TATE, COUNCILWOMAN  
JOHN DUDLEY, COUNCILMAN  
DAVID GRAY, COUNCILMAN  
FRANK HARTMAN, COUNCILMAN  
PATRICK GREEN, COUNCILMAN  
ALBERT OLIZI, SOLICITOR  
JOHN D. KEENAN, JR., BOROUGH CLERK  
RONALD MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF  
JEFFREY HANSON, ENGINEER

ENGINEER  
REPORT:

Jeff Hanson, Engineer gave an update on the ramp at borough hall project. The slab will be poured tomorrow and the slab in front of the door on Saturday. A change order will be on the agenda for Tuesday's meeting for replacement of the stairs in the rear of the Justice Facility, a rolled curb to replace the crumbling curb in the parking lot and a sidewalk slab for a total of \$7,200. The pump station #2 the fence should be installed on Wednesday and then a punch list will be created. Family Dollar contractor installed soil, seed and fertilizer. The sidewalk was completed and the stump removed. The shrubbery replacement is all that is left and then the site will officially be turned over to Family Dollar. He reported on his inspection of the swales in the alleyways behind the townhomes on Suburban Terrance and Laureba Avenue. A couple hundred feet and there is no slope now for the water to drain correctly. Very confined space for equipment. It could cost 3-4 times the normal cost due to the manual labor involved.

POLICE  
CHIEF  
REPORT:

Chief Morello reported the staff at the Kennedy ER was assaulted by a mentally disturbed patient.  
A residential burglary on Cornell Avenue where they removed a window to gain entry and took items from inside.  
Two residents from Woodmere Apts. were involved in a strong armed robbery where they had left a nearby liquor store and followed home and then jumped. The police were able to see the vehicle in video and found vehicle abandoned.  
A resident on Duke Avenue died of natural causes.  
A vehicle crash with police car with no cost to us.  
At the same time as the police crash a vehicle accident took place at Pep Boys with the injuries being severe and in the hospital for the last 6 weeks and did die.  
Meadowlark Road resident called about two guys walking down the street who went into the woods. A robbery took place at a nearby home when these same individuals smashed a window in the rear of the home and took jewelry and electronics. Detectives worked with

Haddon Twp and followed names and Somerdale picked the two up by chance. Got one to confess and the other was arrested. They were homeless and in county jail.  
 A car stop on the White Horse Pike for DWI resulted in finding a hand gun in the car.  
 A DWI arrest on the Pike was very tense where an arrest was made.  
 Sudden overdose death in Bishop Court of a 24 year old male.  
 DARE graduation and St. Luke carnival took place with no issues. He thanked Councilman Hartman and the Mayor for attending.  
 Drug paraphernalia and alcohol was found at the gazebo at Veterans Park. The park area was cleaned up.  
 Five cars on Winding Way were damaged randomly what looked to be by a bat with hitting the cars and mirrors.  
 The calls from Kennedy are down by two calls compared to last month.  
 A resolution authorizing use of the State Contract for the new police vehicle will be on for action.  
 New server was ordered and with the assistance of Councilman Gray money was saved.  
 He reviewed the laser show planned for July 1 and how police will assist with safety and crossings.

**PUBLIC PORTION:**

John Gentless of Union Avenue inquired to the engineer about the sidewalk at Family Dollar. The engineer confirmed it was completed this week. Mr. Gentless inquired about report #6 and the clerk explained. He inquired about report #7 and the salary for DPW full time. The Clerk explained it was not known until after this evening's executive session. Mr. Gentless expressed concern about the laser light money from the borough's bank which used to fund the SBCA festival. Councilman Hartman stated the funding belongs to the borough. He expressed concern with report #4 and scrapping metal.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**REPORT #1: REHABILITATION/REDEVELOPMENT**

Councilwoman Tate stated she would not be at the Tuesday meeting. She stated a lot of work has been done by the borough attorneys, planner, engineer, fair share group, master plan and monies have been spent. She confirmed due to confidential items she could only report meetings have taken place with 4 developers and she applauds her redevelopment committees. She stated she spoke to the realtor for the Christian Academy site and there is interest on that site. She informed the public before the end of summer she would report on good things for Stratford.

**REPORT #2: 2015-2016 STREET/ROADS PROJECTS**

*Included with the engineer's report.*

**REPORT #3: ORDINANCES – Public Hearing/Adoption – Amend 10.28 Traffic and 2.12 Contracted Off-Duty**

*Informational.*

**REPORT #4: RESOLUTIONS – Previously Tabled 5/10/16 Res. 2016:81 – ERI Design/Mgmt 2016 Roads. To be acted upon at the 6/9/16 Agenda Meeting.**

*On motion of Councilman Angeli, seconded by Councilwoman Tate with all ayes on the roll call as follows:*

Councilman Angeli	yes	Councilwoman Tate	yes
Councilman Dudley	yes	Councilman Gray	yes
Councilman Hartman	yes	Councilman Green	yes

**MOTION CARRIED**

**RESOLUTION 2016:81**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has proposed and budgeted funds for the 2016 Road Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has submitted a proposal for the design and construction management services; and

WHEREAS, the total amount is not to exceed \$71,000.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to authorize Environmental Resolutions, Inc. to complete the services required of design and construction management for the 2016 Road Improvement Program not to exceed \$79,000.

I, John D. Keenan, Jr., Borough Clerk, hereby certify the above resolution was adopted by the Governing Body on June 9, 2016.

*John D. Keenan, Jr., R.M.C.*

NEW BUSINESS:

REPORT #5: CITIZENSHIP PROCLAMATION

Fr. Joe, Pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe – St. Luke Parish – June 14<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting  
*Informational*

REPORT #6: ORDINANCES – Annual Salary Ordinance is done each year after the budget has been approved. The 2016 Salary Ordinance will be introduced at the Regular Meeting; Special Emergency Appropriation \$50,000. Master Plan, Code Updates & Redevelopment.

*Informational*

REPORT #6: RESOLUTIONS

Maintenance Liens for abandoned properties; 2016 Senior Cit. Tax Deductions; Refund dog license overpayment; Accept 2015 annual audit; Change order for ADA for curbing/concrete repair Justice Facility; ABC licenses annual renewal; State Contract Police Vehicle; Estimated Real Estate Taxes due August 1, 2016; School Crossing Guards.

*Informational*

REPORT #7: EXECUTIVE SESSION – RESOLUTION 2016:88

Res. 2016:88 The topic of discussion is related to Attorney/Client Privilege to discuss status related to the Stratford Complaint for Declaratory Judgment Docket No. L2613-15 Civil Action, Relief Pursuant to the Fair Housing Act, NJSA 52:27D-313 and the Mt. Laurel Doctrine. Discuss status of Teamsters contract amendment related to DPW employees. These items are for #7 of the Executive Session Resolution for matters relating to litigation, negotiations, and the Attorney-Client Privilege. The approximate time of this session should be 30 minutes. Action may be taken after the Executive Session relating to the contract amendment.

**RESOLUTION 2016:88A**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING  
NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT,  
NJSA 10:4-12**

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford to discuss  
WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford is subject to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act*, NJSA 10:4-6 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the *Open Public Meetings Act*, NJSA 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b and designated below:

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\_\_\_\_\_ (2) **Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to**

**Receive Funds:** Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.

\_\_\_\_\_ (3) **Matters Involving Individual Privacy:** Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including, but not limited to information relative to the individual’s personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

\_\_\_\_\_ (4) **Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements:** Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

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X\_\_\_\_\_ (7) **Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege:** Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer. **The topic of discussion is related to Attorney/Client Privilege to discuss related to the Stratford Complaint for Declaratory Judgment Docket No. L2613-15 Civil Action, Relief Pursuant to the Fair Housing Act, NJSA 52:27D-313 and the Mt. Laurel Doctrine. Discuss status of Teamsters contract amendment related to DPW employees. This item is for #7 of the Executive Session Resolution for matters relating to litigation, negotiations, and the Attorney-Client Privilege. The approximate time of this session should be 30 minutes. Action may be taken after the Executive Session relating to the contract amendment.**

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford, assembled in public session on June 09, 2016 that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on June 09, 2016 at approximately 7:00 p.m. in the Justice Facility, 315 Union Avenue, Stratford, NJ for the discussion of matters relating to the specified items designated above.

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in Closed Session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Governing Body that public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

The following resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a public meeting held on June 09, 2016.

I, John D. Keenan, Jr., Borough Clerk, hereby certify the above resolution was adopted on June 09, 2016 with a motion by Councilwoman Tate, seconded by Councilman Angeli with all Council voting aye.

*John D. Keenan, Jr., R.M.C.*

A motion by Councilman Dudley, seconded by Councilwoman Tate was made to enter into Executive Session with all Council voting aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Dudley, seconded by Councilman Hartman to come out of Executive Session with all Council voting aye.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilman Gray stated the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade will begin at 10 AM at Stratford Shopping Center and parade to the Yale Avenue field. He informed the public the Park Commission movie night will be showing Minions at Parkview School. He stated he was exploring opening the Halloween Parade to all students and not just residents since we invite local school students and some students are from outside Stratford.

Councilman Hartman informed the public there was a petition going around town asking people to sign it for a park at Incollingo's.

Councilwoman Tate confirmed she heard it too and stated the person asking for the signatures is telling residents it will not cost anything to do the park. She said it sounds like the deal Council was sold relating to the new town clock. She hoped residents would read the petition before signing it.

Councilman Dudley stated next year maybe we could have the concrete dumpster dropped earlier than June 1 to include the Memorial Day weekend.

Res.2016:88A Resolution 2016:88A – Add Executive Session to the Agenda. On motion of Councilman Dudley, seconded by Councilwoman Tate with all ayes on the vote to add an item to Executive Session related to discussion of potential litigation related to 10 Saratoga Road, Mr. Zubak the owner.

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Res.2016:88B Resolution 2016:88B – Executive Session

On motion of Councilman Angeli, seconded by Councilman Dudley with all ayes on the vote to go into Executive Session.

On motion of Councilman Hartman, second by Councilman Dudley with all ayes on the vote to come out of Executive Session.

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Res.2016:89      Resolution 2016:89 – Authorize Execution of Teamsters Contract DPW Amendment  
A motion was made by Councilman Dudley, seconded by Councilman Hartman to adopt Resolution 2016:89 with all Council voting aye by roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2016:89**

Res.2016:90      Resolution 2016:90 – Authorize \$150. be paid to Mr. Zubach of Saratoga Road related to garden damage.

On motion of Councilman Hartman, seconded by Councilwoman Tate with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilman Angeli	yes	Councilwoman Tate	yes
Councilman Dudley	yes	Councilman Gray	yes
Councilman Hartman	yes	Councilman Green	yes

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION 2016:90**

**GOOD**

**WELFARE:**

Agnes Moore of Laureba Avenue thanked the DPW for cleaning up the woods along Bryant Avenue. She reported the outlet store on the White Horse Pike is selling out of date food products. She inquired to the Solicitor of the court hearing on May 27. The Solicitor explained it did not take place and hoping it could now be resolved without a hearing.

John Gentless of Union Avenue inquired to storage trailers at Rite Aid and Garden State Paving. The Clerk explained the owner of Garden State Paving did receive the letter from the Solicitor and will be making an application. He then made a statement that Dorothy Carlson’s Garden was created by Lola Ritchie and her Will provided funding for care of the garden. The Clerk stated he never heard of the Will and there is no funding for future care of the garden. He inquired to an OPRA request and the Clerk repeated his answer which was already emailed to Mr. Gentless.

Mike Mangano of Union Avenue spoke about trees not being trimmed near intersections allowing for clear visibility.

Councilman Angeli did state the Park Commission spoke about a grant application to create a dog park.

**ADJOURN:**

On motion by Councilman Hartman, seconded by Councilwoman Tate with all Council voting aye.

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John K. Keenan, Jr., R.M.C.  
Borough Clerk