

**TOWNSHIP OF GALLOWAY  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AND UTILITIES DIVISION  
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2011**

Having been properly advertised and posted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting was called to order by Mayor Don Purdy at approximately 6:30 PM. A moment of silence was observed in honor of the men and women, past and present, serving in the Armed Forces.

A moment of silence and the pledge of allegiance and was observed.

**ROLL CALL** Present: Bassford, Coppola, Gorman, Kleiner, Tyrrell, Ullman and Purdy  
Absent: NONE

Solicitor Blee was in attendance. Steve Bonanni, the Township Manager and Mr. Kevin Dixon the Township Engineer.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motions properly made and seconded, the regular meeting minutes of November 22, 2011 were unanimously approved by a roll call vote with all in favor.

On motions properly made and seconded, the closed session minutes of November 22, 2011 were unanimously approved by a roll call vote with all in favor.

**MAYOR'S AWARD**

Mayor Purdy presented Terry Daughtery for several years have had a program where she has tutored children whose parent(s) are in the military and are living in the area. She asked the Rotary Club for assistance with funding; they were so impressed that they nominated her for the Great American Teach Off. She won a \$10,000 classroom grant. She is a tremendous mom, teacher and person. Thank you for honoring her. He thanked her for her commitment and her teaching the importance of our military.

Kevin McDowell, Acting Director of Public Works presented Melinda Ade with the APWA award, the American Public Works Award. She has worked for PW for 25 years. She is a valued employee. She strives for excellence. She is a pleasure to work with. Steve Bonanni has expressed his appreciation.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

Radon Action Month: Mayor Purdy explains that Radon causes a serious health threat Detection can be simple with a radon detector being placed in the house. 140-250 lives saved annually by awareness campaigns

Drive Sober or get Pulled Over Proclamations: Capt. Kane explained statewide grant program dedicated to reduce impaired driving over the holidays... will fund overtime details focused on DUI.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS** -- Councilmen Tyrrell and Coppola...two new committees formed. Commercial Ratables has met and decided to set up town hall meeting to include developers and business owners and commercial real estate agents. Plan to develop a survey.  
 Councilman Gorman: also commented on CRDA funding possibilities. Reported for Infrastructure. Move forward on Quince, 6th Ave and Coolidge projects.  
 Councilman Coppola: Go Green Galloway committee - re proposed bike park. Hundreds of residents in surrounding area have been asked for input and the plan evolves based on that.  
 Mayor Purdy: Atlantic County Mayors Association was asked for support...as a County open space project.... was unanimously supported by Atlantic County Mayors. He lobbied and asked the committee to reach out to others municipalities for input.  
 Councilman Tyrrell commented that the grants committee will meet on Thursday...initial discussion over goals of the committee and how to move forward.  
 Councilwoman Ullman - met grant writer at NJLOM has been invited to meet with committee.

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION:**

Amend Ordinance 1790-09 Increase Sewer Service rates. Introduction of the ordinance. Township Manager, Steve Bonanni has explained that the township has been working on the following projects. Absecon Highlands Pump Station, Mattix Run Pump Station, Holly Brook Pump Station, Wrangleboro Rd as well. Total cost for those projects has been 1.2 million dollars. No large projects projected for 2012. Only do what is necessary.

Motions: Bassford / Coppola

Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y, Purdy - Y

**RESOLUTIONS**

321-2011 Amend Adopted Budget (Chapter 159)

Motions: Bassford / Coppola

Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y, Purdy - Y

322-2011 Create Emergency Appropriation for Group Insurance Plan for Employees

Motions: Inaudible/ Bassford

Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y, Purdy - Y

323-2011 Award Bid to Liberty Store for Public Works Uniforms

Motions: Coppola / Bassford

Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y, Purdy - Y

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- 324-2011 Change order #2 to Decrease contract for Chris Gaupp Drive Phases 4&5  
Motions: Kleiner/ Gorman  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 325-2011 Change order #1 Decrease contract for Pump Station upgrades  
Motions: Bassford / Ullman  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 326-2011 Change order #5 Decrease contract for New Leaf Court drainage  
Motions: Bassford / Ullman  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 327-2011 Change order#1 Increase contract for 2010 Road Overlay program  
Motions: Bassford / Ullman  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 328-2011 Support Grant application for safe routes to school program/ Collins Road  
Grant is to increase the amount of trails, sidewalks for the kids to have a safer route to  
School,  
Motions: Kleiner / Ullman  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 329-2011 Support Grant application for safe routes to school program/ Wrangleboro Rd  
Motions: Coppola / Ullman  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 330-2011 Award Bid to Petroleum Traders for Gasoline & Diesel Fuel thru Atlantic County  
Motions: Kleiner / Ullman  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y

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- 331-2011 Confirm Ordinances 1360 & 1438 for Special Water Assessment Billing  
 Motions: Kleiner / Ullman  
 Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
 Purdy - Y
- 332-2011 Refund Tax & Water due to overpayments  
 Motions: Kleiner/ Ullman  
 Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
 Purdy - Y
- 333-2011 Execute Contracts w/Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund  
 Dennis Kraus and Paul Forlenza explained JIF retrospective program. And that Galloway Township has taken out of the joint fund considerable more than they have put in. About \$1.19 to the \$1.00. Workers Comprehension, General Liability and Auto. The JIF finance committee was looking to raise the amount contributed considerably. Under the 2% cap It's difficult to raise the funds. Enter into a program JIF Retrospective Program establishes a base contribution from the municipality and over the course of 2012 the course of the claims will be monitored until June of 2016. Any claim over the baseline the Township will be responsible for up to a said amount. This gives the Township financial incentive to control the claims. 8.33% increase it could have been 18%. Coppola asked if there was a checks and balance to make sure that the claims are legitimate. JIF does have such a program.  
 Motions: Coppola /Bassford  
 Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
 Purdy - Y
- 334-2011 Award Bid to Hess Corp for Electricity thru Atlantic County  
 Motions: Kleiner /Bassford  
 Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
 Purdy - Y
- 335-2011 Award Bid to Woodruff Energy for Natural Gas thru Atlantic County  
 Motions: Coppola /Bassford  
 Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
 Purdy - Y
- 336-2011 Budget Appropriation Transfers  
 Motions: Kleiner /Bassford  
 Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
 Purdy - Y

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- 337-2011 Award Bid to Animal Capture and Control for Animal Control Services  
(978 animal control calls for the year of 2011)  
Motions: Kleiner /Bassford  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 338-2011 Authorizes the Calling In of a Performance Bond for Coolidge Avenue Extension Project  
Motions: Bassford /Kleiner  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 339-2011 Authorizes the Release of Performance for New Leaf Court Drainage Improvements  
Motions: Coppola /Bassford  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- 340-2011 Authorizes the release of a Performance Guarantee for Pilgrim Academy  
Motions: Bassford /Kleiner  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y
- CONSENT AGENDA:** Re-Organization meeting will be held January 3 @ 6:30pm  
Motions: 1. NJ State Firemen's Association Membership App/Brophy  
2. NJ State Firemen's Association Membership App/Taggart
- Motions: Bassford /Gorman  
Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
Purdy - Y

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**PAYMENT OF BILLS / RESOLUTION 341 -2011**

No one from the public commented. On a motion of Bassford, second of Gorman, the payment of bills was approved by a roll call vote with all in favor. With the following abstentions on line items  
 Councilman Tyrrell Abstained from invoice #1104201 payment to Stockton  
 Mayor Purdy Abstained from invoice 10-04059

**CLOSED SESSION / RESOLUTION 341-2011**

Solicitor Blee announced there would be two issues discussed in executive session.

1. Exceptions for Open Public Meeting Act: Collective bargaining agreement negotiations with PBA local 77 bargaining unit. Those minutes can only be disseminated to the public through court order due to the ongoing negotiations not only with this contract but with future contracts.

2. Also with the litigation exception of the Open Public Meetings Act exception # 7 matters involving litigation Kotukus vs. Galloway Township those minutes can be disseminated to the Public or when an amicable resolution is met or all final appeals have been exhausted

There is no anticipated action to be taken on the latter two issues this evening.

Motions: Bassford /Coppola

Roll Call: Bassford- Y, Coppola - Y, Gorman - Y, Kleiner - Y, Tyrrell - Y, Ullman - Y,  
 Purdy - Y

**MANAGER'S REPORT:** Thanks his staff and Dennis Krause

**COUNCIL'S REPORT:** Began at approximately 7:41 PM

Councilman Gorman congratulated Melinda Ade and Terry Dougherty for their awards tonight. Wish the Township a happy and safe holiday season.

Councilman Bassford congratulated Melinda Ade and Terry Dougherty. He expressed the importance of helping the families of the members who are serving in the armed forces. Wish everyone a merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah and be safe.

Councilman Kleiner happy holiday season and be safe,

Councilman Tyrrell Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah and happy holidays to everyone

Councilwoman Ullman congratulations to Terry Dougherty. Have a healthy and happy holiday season. Be careful during this busy season. Looking for a WHIZ kid to promote on Galloway Patch. If you know of one let me know.

Councilman Coppola and the visit from the JIF representative. By no means do I think that the employees of Galloway Township have taken advantage of the system. The more Galloway Township employees that I get a chance to meet the more I realize how hard working and dedicated they are and there is nothing more demoralizing than them coming to work every day giving and sacrificing, taking furlough days, contributing more to their health care and taking less and having someone else taking advantage of the system and that was the gist of my comments. Congratulations to Terry Dougherty and Melinda Ade. Have a safe and happy holiday.

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Mayor Purdy congratulates Melinda Ade. Thanks the volunteers within the Township. New plans for next year to honor the volunteers in the community. An unsafe structure on Pomona & White Horse Pike contact the building dept something needs to be done. The residents to look out for their neighbors. If you see something out of the ordinary contact the Police Department. Be the eyes and ears of the neighborhood. Also be careful of your surroundings.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Began at approximately 7:50 PM

Mrs. Jezycki, residing at Gail Lane, Mrs. J: commented on ratables committee and two stores that moved out of Smithville and into Absecon. She approached business owner to ask why...business owner said she would open a women's clothing store if incentives were offered.

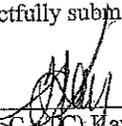
Matt Vansant residing at N. Mannheim Avenue: Paving of Duerer Street took forever to complete the job. It is 2.5 mile roadway.

Mike Sulman residing at Arbutus Avenue appreciated a taste of Galloway event... sponsored by GTBA. Commented on ratables committee...suggested a Barnes and Nobles book store close to Stockton.

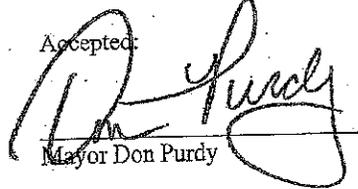
Richard Price Richard Price: commented that this meeting looks positive...good sign for the future. appreciate it.

Seeing no one else from the public wishing to speak, motions were made to go into executive session at approximately 8:06 PM. It was announced to the public that formal action would likely be taken following the closed session.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Thalia C. (IC) Kay, RMC  
Acting Deputy Township Clerk

Accepted:

  
Mayor Don Purdy