

BOROUGH OF HAMPTON

REGULAR MEETING

January 17, 2023

Mayor Todd Shaner called the Regular Meeting of the Hampton Borough Council to order at 7:30p.m. and gave the Open Public Meetings Act Statement. The notice of this meeting was advertised in the Hunterdon Democrat on January 12, 2023. The notice was posted on the public bulletin board and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call:	Present:	Mayor Shaner	Rob Celentano
		John Drummond	Doug Rega
		Carroll Swenson	Jeff Tampier

Absent: Rob Wotanowski

The following people were also present: Matt Lyons, Attorney, Alan Brower, CPWM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Cm. Rega, second by Cm. Celentano to approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2022 Regular and Executive Session meetings of the Borough Council and the January 2, 2023 Reorganization Meeting.

Voice vote: Abstain – Drummond from the Reorganization Meeting Minutes approval.

All ayes, motion carried.

Comments and Questions from the Public:

none

Communications:

Letter from a resident requesting the Borough Council authorize the assignment of liens of a property located behind their property.

This property has a municipal lien. Borough Attorney noted that the Statute allows for assignment if the requestor is willing to pay for the outstanding liens. However, there needs to be further research done by the Assessor before any decisions can be made regarding this request.

Tax Collector Annual Report 2022 – Received and no discussion.

Zoning Officer Annual Report 2022 – Received and no discussion.

Parking Ordinance- No update, still a work in progress.

School Study – No update.

Lumberyard – No update.

Reports of Committees:

Cm. Swenson, Cm. Celentano, Cm. Drummond had nothing to report.

Cm. Rega – has been approached by the Hampton School Board to revisit the Shared Services Agreement between Hampton Borough and Hampton School. Mr. Rega, Mr. Tampier and Alan will review the past Shared Services Agreement and then meet with Hampton School. Borough Clerk

Leidner was asked to locate the Shared Services Agreement and send o Mr. Rega, Mr. Tampier and Mr. Brower.

Cm. Tampier inquired as to whether South Branch could be allowed to put out more than one can of garbage per week. DPW Director Brower did not feel comfortable making that decision without Council approval. All members present agreed that the squad should be allowed 64 gallons (2 cans) per week. The Garbage Ordinance will need to be modified to reflect this change. Mr. Brower and Borough Clerk Leidner will review the Ordinance and make recommendations to the Borough Attorney. It was also discussed that the Fire Company Hall rental use of dumpster should be addressed and a fee charged.

MUNICIPAL CLERK'S REPORT:

Borough Clerk Leidner noted that Water bills have been mailed and the new billing system is very user friendly. She also reported that the rabies clinic went well and 85 animals were vaccinated.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Cm. Rega, second by Cm. Celentano to approve the following Ordinance No. 01-2023 by title and to set the Public Hearing and Adoption for February 20, 2023.

ORDINANCE NO. 01-2023 ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION OF THE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEM ENT REGULATIONS OF THE BOROUGH OF HAMPTON

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AMENDING THE BOROUGH OF HAMPTON CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REPEAL CHAPTER 135; TO ADOPT A NEW CHAPTER 135, SECTIONS 101.1 TO 1001.6; TO ADOPT FLOOD HAZARD MAPS; TO DESIGNATE A FLOODPLAIN ADMINSTRATOR; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Roll call vote: Celentano, Drummond, Rega, Swenson, Tampier

All ayes: Motion carried.

Motion by Cm. Rega, second by Cm. Celentano to adopt the following Resolution No. 32-2023:

RESOLUTION NO. 32-2023

STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND

RESOLUTION TO JOIN (RENEW) THE FUND

WHEREAS, a number of local units have joined together to form the Statewide Insurance Fund ("FUND"), a joint insurance fund, as permitted by N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36, *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, Borough of Hampton ("LOCAL UNIT") has complied with relevant law with regard to the acquisition of insurance; and

WHEREAS, the statutes and regulations governing the creation and operation of joint insurance funds contain elaborate restrictions and safeguards concerning the safe and efficient administration of such funds; and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL UNIT has determined that membership in the FUND is in the best interest of the LOCAL UNIT.

WHEREAS, the LOCAL UNIT agrees to be a member of the FUND for a period of three (3) years, effective from **January 1, 2023** terminating on **January 1, 2026** at 12:01 a.m. standard time; and

WHEREAS, the LOCAL UNIT has never defaulted on claims, if self-insured, and has not been canceled for non-payment of insurance premiums for two (2) years prior to the date of this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the LOCAL UNIT does hereby agree to join the Statewide Insurance Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that to the extent required by law, the Local Unit shall provide notice of the Indemnity and Trust Agreement to the Office of the State Comptroller; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LOCAL UNIT will be afforded the following coverage(s) as marked "Yes":

	YES	NO
Workers' Compensation & Employer's Liability	X	
Comprehensive General Liability	X	
Automobile Liability and Physical Damage	X	
Public Officials and Employment Practices Liability	X	
Property	X	
Inland Marine Boiler and Machinery	X	
Crime-Faithful Performance and Fidelity	X	
Pollution Liability		X
Cyber Liability		X
Non Owned Aircraft		X

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Councilman John Drummond is hereby appointed as the LOCAL UNIT's Fund Commissioner and is authorized to execute the application for membership and the accompanying certification on behalf of the LOCAL UNIT; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LOCAL UNIT's Fund Commissioner is authorized and directed to execute the Indemnity and Trust Agreement and such other documents signifying the membership in the FUND as required by the FUND's Bylaws and to deliver same to the Administrator of the FUND with the express reservation that said documents shall become effective only upon the LOCAL UNIT's admissions to the FUND following approval of the FUND by the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance.

Roll call vote: Celentano, Drummond, Rega, Swenson, Tampier
All ayes: Motion carried.

RAFFLE LICENSE:

Motion by Cm. Rega, second by Cm. Drummond to approve the following:

Raffle License Application received from the Hampton Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary to hold an Off Premise Merchandise Raffle on February 21, 2023.

Voice Vote, all ayes. Tampier abstain. Motion carried.

Bills and Claims: Motion by Cm. Rega, second by Cm. Drummond to authorize the CFO to pay bills between meetings, no bill list was provided for this meeting.

Roll call vote: Celentano, Drummond, Rega, Swenson, Tampier
All ayes: Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion by Cm Swenson second by Cm Drummond to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Hampton Borough Council. Voice Vote: All ayes, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:52p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Leidner, RMC
Municipal Clerk