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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Township Clerk, Amy Leso. The meeting was advertised in the following manner:

- A. Posting written notice on the official Bulletin Board in the Township Municipal Building on January 7, 2013
- B. Faxing and mailing written notice to The South Jersey Times and The Courier Post on January 7, 2013
- C. Filing written notice with the Clerk of West Deptford Township on January 7, 2013

Roll Call:

Mr. Cianfarini, Ms. DiCarlo, Ms. Szymborski, Deputy Mayor Kilpatrick and Mayor Chintall were in attendance for this meeting.

Correspondence:

Mr. Cianfarini made a motion to approve the following items. It was seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick. It was approved unanimously.

- Special Affair Permit for Colonial Manor Fire Association for November 9th

Proclamations

#140 TINY MISS WEST DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP 2013 – ALEXIS SCHLAGLE

#141 LITTLE MISS WEST DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP 2013 – KATHERINE LEE

#142 MISS TEEN WEST DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP 2013 – ROSE CAIRNS

#143 MISS WEST DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP 2013 – MICHELLE DANZE

Ms. DiCarlo made a motion to authorize a Special Curfew for the Dates of October 30 and October 31, 2013. Her motion was seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick. The vote was as follows:

Mr. Cianfarini	Y
Ms. DiCarlo	Y
Ms. Szymborski	Y
Deputy Mayor Kilpatrick	Y
Mayor Chintall	Y

#144 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD DECLARING A SPECIAL CURFEW FOR THE DATES OF OCTOBER 30 AND OCTOBER 31, 2013

Mayor Chintall addressed the residents in attendance regarding the promotion of the Acting Chief of Police. He is conducting an evaluation of the West Deptford Police Department. He was pleased with the way the department operated under Chief Mangano and is instituting a new procedure for the promotion to Police Chief. A short interview will be held with the committee at the next meeting. Ms. DiCarlo questioned the new procedure and quoted the recommendation given by Chief Mangano in his resignation letter. Mayor Chintall further clarified that he wanted to be sure the operation of the department will be the same. Ms. DiCarlo said that the police department needs a leader and asked Mayor Chintall what he is evaluating. Mayor Chintall gave some examples. Ms. DiCarlo said that she does not agree that they should wait to promote the Acting Chief to Chief. Mr. Cianfarini said that he has met with Mr. DiSimone and that he is ready

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to take action at the next meeting as recommended by Mayor Chintall. Ms. DiCarlo then made a motion to promote Samuel "Sparky" DiSimone to the role of Police Chief. Ms. Szyborski seconded her motion. Mayor Chintall called for a 5 minute recess. When the committee reconvened, Ms. Szyborski said that she does not need to meet with Mr. DiSimone – Former Chief Mangano made a recommendation and the committee knows Mr. DiSimone's qualifications. The vote was as follows:

Mr. Cianfarini	Y
Ms. DiCarlo	Y
Ms. Szyborski	Y
Deputy Mayor Kilpatrick	Y
Mayor Chintall	Y

#145 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD PROMOTING SAMUEL DISIMONE TO POLICE CHIEF

The committee members all offered congratulations to Chief DiSimone and Mayor Chintall said that an official "swearing-in" will take place at the next meeting when his family could be present.

Ms. Szyborski made a motion to authorize the Award of a Bid and Execution of a Contract between the Township of West Deptford and A.C. Schultes, Inc. for Well Number Eight Redevelopment and Repair. Her motion was seconded by Ms. DiCarlo. The vote was as follows:

Mr. Cianfarini	Y
Ms. DiCarlo	Y
Ms. Szyborski	Y
Deputy Mayor Kilpatrick	Y
Mayor Chintall	Y

#146 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A BID AND EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST DEPTFORD AND A.C. SCHULTES, INC. FOR WELL NUMBER EIGHT REDEVELOPMENT AND REPAIR

Ms. DiCarlo asked about the reports that need to be sent to the Local Finance Board on November 1st. She asked if the committee could receive a draft of the reports at the next meeting for review before they are sent to the state. Ms. Sprigman said that they will be on the agenda for the work session.

Mr. Kilpatrick made a motion to authorize the Cancellation, Application and/or Refund of Taxes. His motion was seconded by Mr. Cianfarini. The vote was as follows:

Mr. Cianfarini	Y
Ms. DiCarlo	Y
Ms. Szyborski	Y
Deputy Mayor Kilpatrick	Y
Mayor Chintall	Y

#147 RESOLUTION FOR THE CANCELLATION, APPLICATION AND/OR REFUND OF TAXES

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The committee discussed the Best Practice Inventory. Mr. Cianfarini asked some questions about the responses given on the Best Practice Inventory. He stated that on question number seven, the township responded "yes" and continued to say that Committeeman Kilpatrick, Mayor Chintall and he all attend in New Jersey League of Municipalities Convention as well as other seminars. Mr. Campo explained that there is no required attendance record. Mr. Cianfarini asked if it would be prudent to have a policy for this. Mr. Campo said that the township has followed what the state has required. Mr. Cianfarini also asked about the response to question number fourteen. He feels that the response indicates that a formal meeting takes place. Mr. Campo explained the justification for the "yes" response. Department meetings are held once a month. Ms. Szyborski clarified that the meetings are held monthly. Mr. Cianfarini said that 47 out of 50 requirements received a "yes" response and therefore the township will receive 100% of its state aid. Ms. DiCarlo said that the "no" responses are mostly in the finance area and asked if there were plans to turn those answers to a "yes" response. Ms. Sprigman said that there are.

Engineer:

No report.

Solicitor:

No report, however he congratulated Deputy Mayor Kilpatrick and his fiancée, Allison, on their recent engagement.

Administrator:

No report.

Open Meeting to the Public:

Mayor Chintall opened the meeting to the public.

Mr. Bill Siep said that his taxes increased by 29%, however, he was under the impression that there was a flat tax. Mr. Cianfarini explained that the money is offset in the county tax credit. Ms. DiCarlo said that it is not completely offset. Mr. Cianfarini asked Ms. Sprigman to explain. Ms. Sprigman said that both county and school board taxes increased.

Mr. Russ Babb also spoke about his taxes. He outlined his history in the township and compared his taxes to those in South Carolina. He sees dysfunction in Washington, problems with the budget and arguments between the committee.

Mr. Eric Agren said that in the past he has received a letter with his tax bill explaining where the money goes. He suggests that this committee send a similar letter. Mr. Cianfarini thinks this is a good suggestion. Ms. Sprigman will put it on the website. He also asked about the fire trucks that were purchased by Sunoco. Mayor Chintall explained where the township is in the process. He also congratulated Mr. DiSimone on his promotion.

Mr. Bill Mohnacs spoke about the Conrail situation. He said that Mr. Coates and his crew are making repairs that should be done by the Department of Transportation. Mayor Chintall and Mr. Snowden both explained the process. Mr. Mohnacs asked if the committee could get Congressmen Andrews or Senator Sweeney involved in the process. He also asked about an article in the Patch about a kiosk in recreation areas. Mr. Cianfarini explained that the initial thought would be to locate it in the parks to advertise meetings, registrations, coupon offers, etc. This is just a conceptual idea that is being developed. Mr. Mohnacs asked when the contract expires. Mr. Cianfarini explained that the township has paid for the service. Mr. Ogozalek further explained. Mr. Campo said that the contract was expired in August and no more money will be paid. Ms. DiCarlo said that she was not aware until she spoke with Mr. Ogozalek who explained

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the issues. She believes the committee should know about all of the ideas. Mr. Ogozalek will send a memo to Mr. Campo. Ms. DiCarlo asked why the township was doing this work and thought it should be done by Active Network. Mr. Ogozalek explained that this is their first contract in New Jersey so they are not familiar with the laws or the feasibility of the ideas. Mr. Ogozalek will keep the committee informed.

Mr. Tom Butts was a police officer for 27 years and spent six years as the Chief of Police. He thanked Ms. DiCarlo for her courage to bring the motion to the floor to promote the Acting Chief of Police. He thanked the committee for making the right decision. He said that in the past, the committee honored the system and made the transition smooth.

Ms. Laurin Stahl also congratulated Chief DiSimone and then spoke about the problems on Meadowcroft Road. She spoke about a letter she received from the Mayor's Desk, noting it was not on letterhead and she believes that this letter is misleading when it said that everything is "OK." She asked for the location of well number eight. Mr. Snowden responded. Mr. Campo explained that the pump that failed is functioning at this time and follow-up repairs will be done. Ms. Stall said that a crater in the street has been repaired however there is now a sink hole on her property as a result of an infrastructure problem. She said that money is available for Active Network who are out-of-state people who don't understand our state laws; however, there is no money available for street repairs. Mayor Chintall explained that this is a multi – million dollar project. Ms. Stall said that there are roads being repaired with county, state and federal grant money. Mayor Chintall said that the township is looking for that money. Ms. Stahl asked if there are reports to document that activity. In her profession, she writes grant applications. Ms. Szymborski thanked her for bringing the problem to the attention of the committee. Mr. Coates has her contact information. Ms. Stall was told that the sinkhole is the township's responsibility. Ms. DiCarlo asked who in the township is responsible to look for grants. Mr. Campo explained it is a collaborative effort by the engineer, administrator and CFO. Each year the township files a DOT grant application and a community development block grant. Those items are limited now because the applications are already filed. Red Bank Estates is a larger project than just one road. Mr. Campo explained the process.

Mr. Don Sechora approves of the repair to pump #8. He asked if there were competitive bids or if there are performance guarantees for this. He was told that the township received three bids and AC Schultes was the lowest bidder. There is a performance guarantee for two years.

Miriam Reichenbach spoke about a recent interaction with the township clerk and was grateful for the assistance she received regarding a raffle application.

A resident complimented the public works department for the work they did when a large tree came down on Hillside Road. They were there to remove it within 2 hours. He spoke about a problem on Hillside Road and said that both Mr. Coates and Mr. Campo came out to see what could be done. He said he received good service from all levels of employees.

Ms. Szymborski made a motion to close the meeting to the public. It was seconded by Mr. Cianfarini and approved by the entire committee.

Mayor Chintall called for a motion to adjourn. Ms. DiCarlo made a motion; a second was given by Mr. Kilpatrick and approved by the entire committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Leso, RMC
Township Clerk