

Minutes Special Meeting of Mayor and Council – August 10, 2015
Town Hall Council Chambers, 100 Central Avenue
Public Session 6:00 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Councilman:

Furgione - Present

Gribbin - Present

Pullia - Present

Rodio – Present

Torrissi - Absent

Wuillermin - Present

Mayor DiDonato - Present

PRESENT ALSO

Brian Howell, Town Solicitor

Jerry Barberio, PWM/Business Administrator

Bob Vettese of ARH, Town Engineer

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting has been posted and given to official newspapers. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exits to the right and rear of the Council Chambers. Please do not proceed beyond the front benches without invitation from the Mayor to do so. Also, each person who wishes to address Council will be allotted 5 minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

No one desired to be heard.

Hearing Ordinance #012-2015 Various Capital Improvements

Ordinance #012-2015

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$600,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$570,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, New Jersey (the "Town") as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$600,000, including the aggregate sum of \$30,000 as the several down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments have been made available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$570,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable

bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds and Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) Purchase of two trash trucks	\$503,000	\$477,850	5 years
b) Purchase of a hot box for patch	\$40,000	\$38,000	5 years
c) Purchase of a plow truck	\$57,000	\$54,150	5 years
TOTALS:	<u>\$600,000</u>	<u>\$570,000</u>	

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the down payment for each purpose.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Town hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the Town may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 5 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Town as defined in the Local Bond Law is

increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$570,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$120,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.

Section 7. The Town hereby makes the following covenants and declarations with respect to obligations determined to be issued by the Chief Financial Officer on a tax-exempt basis. The Town hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the obligations, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the obligations. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Town to deem the obligations authorized herein as bank qualified for the purposes of Section 265 of the Code, when appropriate. The Town hereby declares the intent of the Town to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purposes or improvements described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Town is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Town and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Town. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Town pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the ARule@) for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Town and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Town fails to comply with its undertaking, the Town shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Town, and the Town shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Motion by Councilman Wuillermin, seconded by Councilman Rodio, the ordinance is taken up for second reading and public hearing. Motion carried.

No one desired to be heard.

Motion by Councilman Wuillermin, seconded by Councilman Rodio, the hearing is closed, the ordinance is passed second reading and adopted.

ROLL CALL

Councilman:

Furgione - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Wuillermin - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Hire Full Time Police Officer-Charles Sbarra \$40,000 with benefits effective Sept 6

Motion by Councilman Gribbin, seconded by Councilman Pullia, hire Charles Sbarra full time police officer with benefits effective September 6, 2015 at \$40,000 annually.

ROLL CALL

Councilman:

Furgione - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Pullia - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Wuillermin - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declared the motion carried.

Jerry Barberio, PWM/BA Update Mayor and Council on the Hazard Mitigation Plano

Engineer Updates on the following projects:

Well 1&3

Valley Ave. Sewer Replacement

13th St.

Lincoln Ave. Water Dept. Building

Solicitor Update

Advised on status of tax appeals

Councilman Thomas Gribbin

Advised Administration Committee has authorized extension of Mayor and Council's previous approval "Use of Facility" Request-Tracy Petrongolo.

PUBLIC HEARD

No one desired to be heard.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion by Councilman Furgione, seconded by Councilman Rodio, the meeting is adjourned. Motion carried.

April Boyer Maimone, Clerk