

JULY 24, 2013

A special meeting of the Hope Township Committee convened at 7:00 P.M. at the Hope Township Municipal Building with the following members present: Mayor Timothy McDonough, Deputy Mayor George Beatty and Committeeman John Koonz. Also present were: Mary Pat Quinn, Municipal Clerk; Donald Whitmore, Public Works Foreman; and Katrina Campbell, Esq. of Courter, Kobert and Cohen, P.C. (Township Attorneys).

Under the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act", adequate notice of the meeting had been provided by publishing notice in The Star Gazette and by posting notices in the Hope Post Office and on the Township bulletin boards all on July 19, 2013.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, RE: PERSONNEL

The following Resolution was adopted on a motion made by Beatty, seconded by McDonough. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to go into closed session during a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Hope has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public,

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Committee will reconvene.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Hope will go into closed session for the following reason as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12: Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, disciplinary action unless individual in right requests a public meeting.

The executive session was concluded on a motion made by McDonough, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

Whitmore and Campbell left the meeting.

RESOLUTION #13-38, AUTHORIZE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANT APPLICATION

The following Resolution was adopted on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

RESOLUTION #13-38
Hope Township
Resolution Authorizing the Sustainable Jersey Grant Application

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, Hope Township strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments; and

WHEREAS, Hope Township has achieved Sustainable Jersey Certification; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, and they have created a grant program called the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program;

THEREFORE, the Township Committee of the Township of Hope has determined that Hope Township should apply for the aforementioned Grant.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Hope, State of New Jersey, authorize the submission of the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant.

The Environmental Commission is applying for a \$2,000.00 planning grant for a rain garden. There is no local or in-kind match required.

MORAVIAN DISTILLERY REHAB PROJECT UPDATE & CHANGE ORDER #7

Koonz advised that the dehumidifier that was specified in the plans is not made in the USA, nor will it be sufficient to handle the moisture in the basement of the Distillery; therefore, a change order is required to authorize a cost increase. A motion was made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty to authorize the following Resolution. Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

RESOLUTION OF THE HOPE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TO AUTHORIZE A CHANGE ORDER FOR THE MORAVIAN
DISTILLERY REHABILITATION PROJECT
[HOPE DISTILLERY CONSTRUCTION: FEDERAL #STP-0376(101), STATE #7529301]

WHEREAS, a Change Order #7 has been submitted for the additional cost of a "Made in USA" Sante Fe Compact 2 Dehumidifier;

WHEREAS, the net total amount of Change Order #7 is \$1,089.00;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee agrees with its professionals that the above named task is necessary for the integrity of the "Project";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hope in the County of Warren, New Jersey that the Mayor and the Township Engineer are authorized and directed to execute Change Order #7 and forward same to the NJDOT, District Office for review and approval.

Koonz reported that the contractor will be submitting a quote to build the retaining wall that will be on the side of the building next to a portable facility. The subcontractor who will be doing the grading, placement of topsoil and seed is providing a proposal to remove the large tree stump. These tasks will require a change order. Quinn was directed to arrange for the Balbi dumpster to be removed; however, the Road Department needs to put the concrete in it first thing in the morning before it is taken away.

The governing body is awaiting detail on the additional billable hours submitted by L & C Design Consultants.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M. on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Pat Quinn
Municipal Clerk