

JULY 26, 2016

A special meeting of the Hope Township Committee convened at 4:00 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 was Judith Fisher, Hope Township Acting Municipal Clerk.

Under the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act", adequate notice of the meeting had been provided to The Express Times and by posting notices in the Hope Post Office and on the Township bulletin boards all on July 15, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SESSION, RE: PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty to approve the following Resolution.
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: Personnel – Candidates/Salary for Deputy Clerk/Registrar and also Anticipated Litigation – Discuss Affordable Housing.

The executive session concluded at 4:32PM on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty.
Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

A motion was made by Committeeman Koonz, seconded by Committeeman Beatty and carried to authorize the Mayor offer the position of Deputy Clerk/Deputy Registrar to one of the candidates. The offer is for full time at \$15/hour. The Mayor noted that two of the candidates are able to start August 1st. If for some reason the first candidate does not accept the position, the Mayor will contact the next candidate.

Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes

Affordable Housing (COAH) - On a motion made by Committeeman Koonz, seconded by Committeeman Beatty and carried that the Committee will instruct Fred Heyer, Township Planner to go ahead with the Plan for the COAH obligation with a cost not to exceed \$5000.

Committee polled: Beatty-yes; Koonz-yes; McDonough-yes.

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The Mayor reached out to Linda Gabel , former Deputy Clerk for Hope and ask if she would have time to work with the new Deputy Clerk few days. Ms. Gabel accepted and will contact the new Deputy Clerk to see what they could set up time wise. Thank You Linda.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37P.M. on a motion made by Koonz, seconded by Beatty. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Judith Fisher, Acting Municipal Clerk