

BYRAM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING - MAY 21, 2018
REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Rubenstein called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been made in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6.

ROLL CALL

Councilman Gray, absent; Councilwoman Kash, here (7:05); Councilman Olson, here; Councilman Roseff, here; Mayor Rubenstein here. Also present was Township Manager Joe Sabatini, and Deputy Municipal Clerk Cindy Church.

FLAG SALUTE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

KICKOFF OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING SUBCOMMITTEE

Mayor Rubenstein started off the meeting with explaining that purpose of the meeting was to come up with a structure for the committee. On March 20, 2018 a motion was made to establish a committee what would include one council person, the Township Manager, one Planning Board member, and four members of the public. Since there were other discussions regarding the structure of the committee that brought us to today, Mayor Rubenstein said that he would like to see a committee include at least one or two council people. Councilman Olson agreed, but would also like to see it break into several subcommittees. Councilman Roseff said that they are in need for fresh ideas to break away from what led them to where they are at this point. Mayor Rubenstein thought that at this point it would be appropriate to go around the room and have everyone who applied to be on the committee introduce themselves including how long they have lived in the township and what their qualifications are. The applicants for the subcommittee present consisted of: Steven Panek, David Romano, Larry Rotter, Eskil Danielson, Lisa Franco, Donald Robbins, Scott Yappen, Eric Serrilli, Selim Uzil, Carlos Luaces, Tony Chelpaty & Michael Pellek. Members not present will also consist of James Reinhold, Mike Windeler and John Morytko (Planning Board Member). All applicants and council members shared ideas on how they would like to see the committee proceed. Councilman Roseff volunteered to be part of this committee, as one of the two council people. Mayor Rubenstein said he would do the same.

Mayor Rubenstein asked for a motion to change the current structure of the municipal building subcommittee. Motion by Councilmen Olson, second by Councilman Roseff to change the format to 14 members of the public, 2 council people, the Township Manager and 1 member of the Planning Board.

	Councilman Gray	Councilwoman Kash	Councilman Olson	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion			x		
2nd				x	
Yes		x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent	x				

Mayor Rubenstein asked for a motion to appoint Alex Rubenstein and Harvey Roseff as the council members for the municipal building subcommittee. Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Kash.

	Councilman Gray	Councilwoman Kash	Councilman Olson	Councilman Roseff	Mayor Rubenstein
Motion			x		
2nd		x			
Yes		x	x	x	x
No					
Abstain					
Absent	x				

Mayor Rubenstein would like to set a deadline of October 1, 2018 where the committee could convene and discuss what they have found and how they would like to proceed with ideas on a new building / or renovation of an existing building.

Motion was made to break for a tour of the current Municipal Building at 8:10 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Kash to return to session at 9:10 p.m.

Mayor Rubenstein took a consensus of the availability of the new member to meet again. It was determined that the next meeting date will be on Thursday, May 31, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Rubenstein would like to see if tours can be arranged to look at newly renovated / constructed municipal buildings. Mayor Rubenstein asked Deputy Municipal Clerk, Cindy Church to contact Blirstown, Andover Police Department, Stillwater and Lafayette to see if they would entertain a visit.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION I

Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Kash to open to the public. All members in favor. Motion carried.

Kerry Brown, 133 Lake Drive, asked if the DPW will be part of the new building. Mr. Sabatini stated that in the current plans were to have the DPW space renovated.

Motion by Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Kash to close to the public. All members in favor.

ADJOURN

On the motion of Councilman Olson, second by Councilwoman Kash and with all members in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m. Motion carried.

Cynthia Church, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Alexander Rubenstein, Mayor