

**TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD
TOWNSHIP MEETING
OCTOBER 19, 2005**

The regular scheduled Township Meeting of the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Oxford was held on October 19, 2005 in the Oxford Municipal Building, 11 Green Street, Oxford, New Jersey.

In attendance were Alex Lazorisak, Phil Rosenberg, Angelo Accetturo, Michael Finelli, Peter Kowalick, and Robert Benbrook.

Mayor Lazorisak called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM and announced that the meeting had been properly advertised in compliance with the OPMA of 1975.

Everyone stood and recited the flag salute.

On motion by Mr. Rosenberg, seconded by Mr. Accetturo and passed unanimously on roll call vote, the meeting minutes of September 8, 19, and 20, 2005 were approved.

RESOLUTION 2005-60 Dedication by Rider; Donation of \$1,000.00 by Joanne Esty was adopted on motion by Mr. Lazorisak, seconded by Mr. Accetturo and passed unanimously on roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2005-61 Block 33, Lot 21, Cancel August and November, 2005 Property Taxes in the Amount of \$1,873.37 for Disabled Veteran Clinton Lusk was adopted on motion by Mr. Rosenberg, seconded by Mr. Accetturo and passed unanimously on roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2005-65 Cancel Old Outstanding Current Fund Checks to Surplus was adopted on motion by Mr. Lazorisak, seconded by Mr. Accetturo and passed unanimously on roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2005-66 Cancel Old Outstanding Payroll Checks to Surplus was adopted on motion by Mr. Rosenberg, seconded by Mr. Accetturo and passed unanimously on roll call vote.

ORDINANCE 2005-11 To Create Chapter III of the Code of the Township of Oxford Entitled "Smoking Prohibited-Recreational Facilities" was read by title only and opened for public hearing. Joan Mulligan asked if there would be signs posted on all property stating smoking was prohibited? Mayor Lazorisak stated that Heidi Hendershot, Youth Coordinator of Community Prevention Resources was present and would be giving to the Township "No Smoking" signs. There being no other public comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing. On motion by Mr. Rosenberg, seconded by Mr. Accetturo and passed unanimously on roll call vote, **Ordinance 2005-11** was adopted.

Heidi Hendershot, Youth Coordinator of Community Prevention Resources and REBEL

(Reaching Everyone by Exposing Lies), a youth group presented the Committee with twenty “No Smoking” signs to be placed in recreational areas and parks in Oxford Township.

On motion by Mr. Rosenberg, seconded by Mr. Accetturo and passed unanimously on roll call vote, the hours of Trick or Treat for 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM on October 31, 2005 were set.

Mike Schmidt, Tax Assessor of Oxford Township sent out a letter for proposals to ten different companies asking for quotes to do a revaluation for the year 2006. The entire Township will be revaluated. The tax map was sent to Trenton for review and the paperwork was received too late to have this done in 2005. Mr. Lazorisak estimated that the price would be around \$80,000. Robert Benbrook will look into the legality of checking residences for sump pump connections when the Township executes the revaluation.

Mike Finelli stated that Oxford received the grant of \$70,000 from the Department of Transportation to improve Kent Street.

Also a letter was sent to Charles Herring of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs-Code Enforcement about homeowner sanitary clean-out repair work in the Spring Meadows subdivision. At this time there are twenty-three homeowners that will be receiving a letter from the Township stating that they have broken or damaged “cleanouts” on their property. The Township will allow the property owner 60 days from receipt of the letter to perform the required repair work. When the work is completed, the Township Engineer and Road Department Supervisor will review the required repair work and final inspection.

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Rosenberg and passed unanimously on roll call vote, the Mayor was authorized to sign the letters and mail them out.

Mike announced that he has received one bid from Kupper Associates, Sewer Consultant to review the application for the SUI permit. He asked if the Committee wanted him to move ahead on this proposal or extend the deadline for bids. On motion by Mr. Lazorisak, seconded by Mr. Rosenberg and passed unanimously on roll call vote, the Committee authorized Mr. Finelli to hire Kupper Associates to review the SUI permit.

RESOLUTION 2005-67 Dan-Maur Builders Seeks a Treatment Works Approval for 2,700 GPD of Sanitary Sewerage Allocation. On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Lazorisak, **Resolution 2005-67** was adopted. Mr. Rosenberg voted No.

On motion by Mr. Accetturo and seconded by Mr. Lazorisak, permission was granted for the Mayor to sign the TWA agreement. Mr. Rosenberg voted No.

Mike Finelli informed the Committee that Tier B Stormwater Management Plan is in progress and steps are being taken as they become available

Mr. Finelli will look into Oxford Textile’s sewer connection and how many lines they are using.

Robert Benbrook announced that Oxford Township closed on the property known as the Quentzel property on October 11, 2005 for the amount of \$721,949.68. This property consists of approximately 75 acres and is next to the Hissim property that the Township also owns.

Mr. Benbrook stated that that Township does not own the property (Block 4, Lot 27) that the Emergency Squad had asked the Township to give them. Jim Pence of Probe Lawyer Service determined that it was historically part of Church Street. As determined now Allenwood Steel still owns an interest to the lot. Peggy Hissim will try to contact Allenwood Steel and report back to the Committee.

Mr. Lazorisak opened the floor to public comments.

Peggy Hissim asked if there would be a chance that a heliport could be put on the Quentzel property that the Township now owns. The space needed would be 300 feet with no trees or wires and the area would be blacktop. Also Peggy asked about the speed bumps that would be placed on Kent Street as part of the improvement grant that was received. She stated that the Emergency Squad goes that way when they receive calls. There is an option of portable ones that will be looked into.

On motion by Mr. Lazorisak, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, and passed unanimously on roll call vote, the public comments were closed at 9:15 PM.

At 9:35 PM, the Committee entered into Executive Session.

The meeting reconvened at 10:40 PM.

On motion by Mr. Lazorisak, seconded by Mr. Accetturo and passed unanimously on roll call vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 PM.

Sheila L. Oberly, Acting Clerk