

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER  
CAUCUS MEETING  
MARCH 23, 2015, 7:00 PM**

Mayor Oscar Cradle opened the meeting with a Moment of Silence, followed by the Flag Salute.

The Municipal Clerk read the following State of Public Notice:

This meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. Notice of this meeting was sent to the Asbury Park Press on November 15, 2014; in addition a copy of notice is posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.

The Municipal Clerk proceeded with Roll Call:

	Gleason	Handshy	Mosley	Murray	Reevey	Ross	Cradle
Present	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Absent							

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Resolution 2015-111**

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
x		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
	x	Reevey	x			
		Ross	x			

Councilman Ross motioned to come back into Public Session. Seconded by Councilman Gleason, with unanimous consent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The Municipal Clerk opened the floor for Public Comments. Seeing no public comments, Public Comments was closed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Resolution 2015-95                      Approving the minutes of January 12th and February 9th CDBG Public Hearings, February 9th and 23rd Council Meeting and Executive Session

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
x		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
	x	Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey			x	
		Ross			x	

**ORDINANCES**

Ordinance 3-15                      Amending Borough Code for Bulk Trash

This was a motion to Table the following Ordinance 3-15

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			

x		Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
	x	Ross	x			

Ordinance 4-15                      Establishing a Cap Bank (First Reading)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
x		Reevey	x			
	x	Ross	x			

**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution 2015-96                      Authorizing the Borough to enter into a Grant Agreement with The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for MPAP

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	x	Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
x		Ross	x			

Resolution 2015-97                      Awarding a contract for Real Estate Property Reassessment Services

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
	x	Reevey	x			
x		Ross	x			

Resolution 2015-98                      Awarding a contract to Charles Watson of Chuck’s Ice Cream for a Mobile Food Concession Truck Vendor at Mathis Veterans Memorial Park

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
	x	Murray	x			
x		Reevey	x			
		Ross	x			

The following resolutions, Resolution 2015-99 and Resolution 2015-100 were motioned to table:

Resolution 2015-99                      Authorizing an Agreement with the South Toms River First Aid Squad

Resolution 2015-100                      Authorizing an Agreement with the Manitou Park Fire Department

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
	x	Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
x		Reevey	x			
		Ross	x			

Resolution 2015-101 Resolution Introducing the 2015 Municipal Budget (First Reading)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
	x	Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
x		Ross	x			

Resolution 2015-102 Resolution for Conducting Annual Budget Examination

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	x	Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
x		Ross	x			

Resolution 2015-103 Authorizing the Municipal Clerk and Borough Engineer to apply for 2015 Recreational Trail Grant

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
x		Mosley	x			
	x	Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
		Ross	x			

### CONSENT AGENDA/PERMISSION

The below listed items are considered to be routine by the Borough of South Toms River and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- Resolution 2015-104 Resolution of Concurrence for Route US 9 No Passing Zones
- Resolution 2015-105 Supporting an Increase in the Shore Protection Fund
- Resolution 2015-106 Recognizing the week of April 12-April 18, 2015 as National Volunteer Week
- Resolution 2015-107 Recognizing the month of May 2015 as Older Americans' Month
- Resolution 2015-108 Amending a Environmental Commission Member to an Alternate position
- Resolution 2015-109 Allowing the Presbyterian Church of Toms River to hold Easter services at Crabbe Rd

Resolution 2015-112 Designating Bulk Pick-up Schedule

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	X			
		Handshy	X			
X		Mosley	X			
	X	Murray	X			
		Reevey	X			
		Ross	X			

The Governing Body requested Resolution 2015-111 to be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
x		Mosley	x			
	x	Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
		Ross	x			

Councilman Gleason states the Salary Resolution states that the current Municipal Judge salary reflects \$8,500 rather than the prior Judge who was given a salary of \$9,158. He stated the new Judge, Mr. Gluck was told that was to have the same salary as the prior Municipal Judge.

Borough Attorney requested clarification on employees listed on the resolution, including those who have since resigned.

Councilman Gleason stated that the Tax Clerk should be paid \$18/hr, instead of \$37,570 a year.

The Borough Attorney requested clarification on the court professionals.

The Governing Body requested the Municipal Clerk obtain a copy a of the current Municipal Judge contract, and provided it to the Borough Attorney and Mayor.

The contract provided by the Municipal Clerk reflects an \$8,500 salary for the current Municipal Court Judge.

The Mayor requested the Resolution 2015-111 be tabled  
Resolution 2015-111 2015 Salary Resolution

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
x		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
	x	Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
		Ross	x			

## OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Cradle stated the Borough is in the middle of discussion the pick-up of trash and recycling at Lakeview Crossings. The Borough received a quote from Berkeley Township due to it presents a problem with our trucks due to the limited space in the development and the size of the trucks.

The Borough Clerk stated that a “Getting to Resiliency Report” study was completed at no charge to the Borough, and completed by the Jacques Cousteau Reserve and Sustainable Jersey. This reflects the Borough’s ability of sustainable practices.

The Municipal Clerk stated there is a competitive grant through State Farm for the purpose of recreation and safety. The Council agreed that this grant application be focused on improving the safety of the recreation playground area.

Resolution 2015-113 Authorizing the Municipal Clerk to apply for the State Farm Neighborhood Assist Grant

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
x		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
	x	Ross	x			

Resolution 2015-110 Approval of Bill List in the amount of \$426, Councilman Gleason requested clarification of a Public Works repair bill. The CFO clarified this was for a wiring harness.

Councilman Ross asked the CFO that the Bill List be provided to Council at least one week prior to Council meetings.

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		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
x		Mosley	x			
		Murray	x			
	x	Reevey	x			
		Ross	x			

## COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

### Councilman Gleason

The Councilman stated that OEM got a clock, and the Recreation has signups for the Summer Program. He attended a JIF meeting that the Borough will receive \$250 per elected official in attendance. He further stated that he has a camera that can be placed at the Public Works facility.

### Councilman Handshy

The Councilman stated he attended the JIF Safety Kick-off meeting and awards. He further stated the Daisy Troop will be participating in an Adopt-A-Spot cleanup efforts at the Borough park located at the corner of Double Trouble and Tilton. The JIF Safety Coordinator provided training to the Daisy Troop. The councilman and Mayor Cradle met with Principal Holzapfel to distribute Tree Saplings on April 2nd in an effort to restore the shore, tree-planting campaign. Tree care information will also be provided.

Councilman Ross asked if there will be any extra seedlings.

Mayor Cradle stated that Frank Cipriani of the GATHERING Institute would like extras to distribute.

**Councilman Handshy**

The Councilman stated that there was a four hour meeting with the DEP for a beta audit on storm drains, for which the Borough volunteered. There is a possibility to track illegal dumping in addition to placing cameras to catch such illegal dumping.

**Councilman Murray**

The Councilman stated he met with the Police and provided a video for emergency responses to downed electrical lines. The same conversations were communicated to the First Aid and Fire Department.

**Councilman Reevey**

The Councilman stated that a few people have approached him with regard to potentially abandoned vehicles and trailers left in the road and on properties, and he would like clarification from Jim Richardson. Discussion pursued on whose authority it is to address this issue

**Councilman Ross**

The Councilman stated the Municipal Alliance is running the senior program this Sunday between 3-5pm, and is a nice event for people to come out. The Optimist Club is in process of running the High School scholarship and the deadline is April 12th. The Summer Camp starts end of June and ends in July, and registration is underway.

**Mayor Cradle**

The Mayor thanked the CFO, Sandy and Municipal Clerk for taking part and leading the Budget and budget meetings. He further stated there are two special events meetings, with a focus on the 4th of July. The next meeting is the 31st, and invites all people to attend.

Mayor Cradle further stated that the Borough looked at the property located on 19 Double Trouble with the potential to acquire this for new Borough Hall.

The CFO asked for reconsideration to pass the Salary resolution due to the first quarter pension is due and pension adjustments have to be made. If there are clarifications needed for specific employees, then this can be removed from the resolution and considered separately, and at a later date.

Resolution 2015-111     2015 Salary Resolution with requested amendments removing the Assistant Tax Clerk from the resolution with reconsideration at a later date.

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	x			
		Handshy	x			
		Mosley	x			
	x	Murray	x			
		Reevey	x			
x		Ross	x			

**ADJOURNMENT @ 8:30pm**

First: Ross; Second: Mosley, and with unanimous Council consent.

Approved

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Rev. Oscar L. Cradle, Sr., Mayor

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Joseph A. Kostecki, MPA/RMC  
Municipal Clerk