

**TOWNSHIP OF EDGEWATER PARK
APRIL 19, 2016 MINUTES**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

FLAG SALUTE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231,
P.L. 1975 THE CLERK READ THE STATEMENT:

Public Notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given by the Township Committee in the following manner:

- A. By posting written notice on the Official Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building 400 Delanco Road Edgewater Park, New Jersey on January 5, 2016.
- B. By e-mailing written notice to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post on January 5, 2016.
- C. By filing written notice with the Clerk of the Township of Edgewater Park on January 5, 2016.

Present: Mr. William Belgard, Ms. Lauren Kremper, Mr. John McElwee, Mrs. Barbara Perkins, Mayor Michael Trainor (Committee Members)

Also Present: Mr. Gene DiFilippo, Chief of Police; Mr. James Bernard, Superintendent of Public Works; Mrs. Linda Dougherty, Municipal Clerk/Administrator; Mr. William Kearns, Township Solicitor; Mr. Rakesh Darji, Township Engineer; Mrs. Colleen Treusch, Deputy Clerk

STUDENT GOVERNMENT DAY – The following students participated in the program and/or took part in the meeting and represented the various positions listed below:

Position

Student Representative

Deputy Mayor: Ms. Kremper

Faiza Hoqui

Committeeman: Mr. Belgard

Marcos Pacheco

Committeeman: Mr. McElwee

Keyon Luff

Committeewoman: Mrs. Perkins

Chris-Tina Middlebrooks

Mayor: Mr. Trainor

Brijal Patel

Township Engineer: Mr. Darji

Ebony Walker

Township Solicitor: Mr. Kearns

Shania Hosein

Deputy Clerk: Mrs. Treusch

Brooke Del Toro

Municipal Clerk/Administrator: Mrs. Dougherty

Mackenzie Cash

Chief of Police: Mr. DiFilippo

Gregory Baldwin

Superintendent of Public Works: Mr. Bernard

Mya Webb

Student Advisors: Mr. David Solarczyk, Ms. Candi Schwartz
Mr. Ron Trampe, Principal

Section 1. Membership, appointment, terms and vacancies.

- a. The Environmental/Shade Tree Advisory Committee shall consist of a maximum of five members and two alternate members to be selected by the Mayor of the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park. The Mayor shall select a Township Committee member as liaison; liaison shall be a full member with the right to vote.
- b. Appointments shall be made to staggered three (3) year terms. The term of Township Committee liaison shall be for one year. Any vacancy occurring during the term of the appointment shall be filled for the unexpired term only. The Mayor shall designate one member of the environmental committee as chairman and presiding officer of the committee. Alternate appointments shall be made to staggered two year terms. Any vacancy occurring during the term of the appointment shall be filled for the unexpired term only.
- c. The committee members shall be residents of the township and shall remain residents of the township during their terms. A member, who, subsequent to his appointment, shall maintain an address as his or her principal primary residence that is not an Edgewater Township address, shall immediately vacate and forfeit his membership on the Committee; and until a subsequent appointment shall be made the post shall be deemed vacant. The committee is advisory only, and shall have no right or ability to spend money or incur any debt without prior Township Committee approval.

Section 2. The Environmental/Shade Tree Advisory Committee is created for the protection, development and use of the natural land, air and water resources located within the township and shall have the following duties:

- a. To conduct research into the use and possible use of the open land areas of the township;
- b. To coordinate the activities of the unofficial bodies organized for similar purposes;
- c. Upon approval from the Township Committee to advertise, prepare, print and distribute books, maps, charts, plans and pamphlets which in its judgment it deems necessary for its purposes;
- d. To keep an index of all open areas, publicly and privately owned, including open marshlands, swamps and other wetlands, and to obtain information on the proper use of such areas;
- e. To recommend, from time to time, to the planning board, plans and programs for inclusion in the master plan of the township, for development and use of the township's natural resources;

- f. To study and make recommendations concerning open space preservation, water resources management, air pollution control, solid waste management, noise control, soil and landscape protection, environmental appearance, marine resources and protection of flora and fauna;
- g. To review and submit recommendations concerning those actions and policies of the municipal planning board, recreation advisory committee, sewage authority and board of health as they affect the quality of life and natural resources of the township;
- h. To perform such other acts as are reasonably related to and designed to carry out the purposes and objectives of the committee;
- i. To keep records of the meetings and activities of the committee and to make an annual report to the township committee of the township of Edgewater Park.
- j. To make recommendations for the regulation, planting, care and control of shade and ornamental trees and shrubbery upon and along the streets, highways, public places, parks and parkways of the township, except county parks or parkways, recommendations shall be made upon consultation with the Superintendent of Public Works.
- k. The Environmental/Shade Tree Advisory Committee shall not have the voting authority to expend funds and any recommendations must be submitted to Township Committee.

Section 3. If a court of competent jurisdiction shall declare any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township of Edgewater Park heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage. Notice of adoption shall be published as provided by law.

Moved by: Mr. McElwee

Second: Mr. Belgard

Mayor, open the meeting to public comment for Ordinance No. 2016-2 only: **NONE** Closed Discussion: Clarification was requested on the difference between a Committee and a Commission. Clarification was given and the ordinance will remain as a Committee with no revisions.

Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor - yes

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-3: (Public Hearing and Second Reading)
ORDINANCE NO. 2016-3

***An Ordinance Affirming An Agreement For Tax Exemption With
ADCEP, L.L.C. For Property Located At 4319 Route 130 South
And Identified As Block 1202, Lot 8***

WHEREAS, the Five-Year Exemption and Abatement Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1 et seq.

(the "Act") enables municipalities which have areas that have been designated as in need of rehabilitation to exempt or abate local property taxes imposed upon eligible dwellings, commercial and industrial structures; and

WHEREAS, the certain areas along Route 130 within the Township of Edgewater Park (the "Township") have been designated by the Township in accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 104 (now, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14) as an area in need of rehabilitation and is an area endangered by blight and in need of rehabilitation as measured by lack of development, physical deterioration of buildings and the maintenance thereof, the age of building stock and other structures and arrearages in real property taxes due on buildings, structures and land; and

WHEREAS, the conditions within the Township, particularly along the Route 130 corridor, remain a concern with a persistent lack of ratable growth within the Township's industrial and commercial areas; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Township adopted an ordinance (the "Prior Ordinance") which authorized a program to attract private investment and ratable growth within these industrial areas via a program of tax abatement and exemption; and

WHEREAS, the Township has agreed upon and authorized a five year exemption and a payment in taxes agreement (the "Agreement") with ADCEP, L.L.C. for the development of the property located at 4319 ROUTE 130 SOUTH and identified as BLOCK 1202, LOT 8 on the Tax Map of the Township of Edgewater Park(the "Project") and

WHEREAS, the Agreement allowed for the exemption of the taxable value for the improvements to be constructed as part of the Project as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Percent of Exemption</u>
One	100%
Two	80%
Three	60%
Four	40%
Five	20%
Six and thereafter	0%

WHEREAS, the exemption and schedule of payments on the improvements authorized HEREIN would become effective upon a Certificate of Occupancy for the improvements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Edgewater Park that:

1. The Township of Edgewater Park hereby affirms the approval and execution of an Agreement in accordance with the application for the abatement (Form EA-1) submitted on March 2, 2016, for the Project and subject to the condition that the abatement shall immediately terminate upon (1) the filing of any appeal of the tax assessment for the property within the abatement period; (2) the filing of any bankruptcy proceeding where the subject property is included as an asset; (3) the entry of any judgment in a foreclosure proceeding against the property; or (4) upon any abandonment of the use of the property as an automobile sales property, except that the Township Committee may consent to a change of use.

Section 2. If a court of competent jurisdiction shall declare any section, paragraph,

subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township of Edgewater Park heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage. Notice of adoption shall be published as provided by law.

Moved by: Mrs. Perkins Second: Mr. Belgard
Mayor, open the meeting to public comment for Ordinance No. 2016-3 only: **NONE** Closed Discussion: Clarification was requested as to what the full business name was for ADCEP, LLC. Clarification was given that it is the Auto Direct Cars business.
Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor - yes

RESOLUTION(S)

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2016-56 through 2016-59 by consent agenda; if any items on the consent agenda require consideration by separate roll call vote, it shall be removed from the consent agenda to the regular agenda.

Moved by: Mr. McElwee Second: Ms. Kremper
Discussion:
Roll Call: Mr. Belgard – yes, Ms. Kremper – yes, Mr. McElwee – yes, Mrs. Perkins – yes, Mayor Trainor - yes

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-56

Resolution of the Township of Edgewater Park Authorizing Environmental Resolutions Inc. to Perform Professional Services Regarding Engineering Services for the On-Call Repairs on North Garden Blvd, Harrison Avenue, Lafayette and Cardinal Roads, Coolidge Avenue and Laurel Road

WHEREAS, Township Committee is desirous of awarding engineering services to perform the Survey/Base Plan, Construction Plans and Observation, and Contract Administration for various on-call repairs on North Garden Blvd, Harrison Avenue, Lafayette and Cardinal Roads, Coolidge Avenue and Laurel Road; and

WHEREAS, Environmental Resolutions, Inc (ERI), Township Engineer, submitted a proposal to Township Committee to perform this service in the amount of \$25,500.00; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, this resolution and the above-mentioned proposal will be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Township of Edgewater Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and/or Clerk/Administrator of the Township of Edgewater Park are hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement with Environmental Resolutions, Inc. to perform said services.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-57

***Resolution Authorizing Payment to Pioneer General Contracting
Under the On Call Contract for 2016 Storm Sewer Repairs***

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park solicited bids for an “On-Call Contractor” for road and drainage reconstruction conditions; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated February 26, 2015, Environmental Resolutions, Inc. recommended the award of contract, on a per unit basis, to Pioneer General Contracting located at 43 Amherst Street, South River, NJ 08882 in the amount not to exceed \$583,157.00 for the Base Bid and Alternate No. 1 which was determined to be the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 2015-43, Township Committee awarded the contract to Pioneer General Contracting as an on call contractor for various road and drainage reconstruction repairs;

WHEREAS, by letter dated July 15, 2015 Environmental Resolutions, Inc. prepared a statement of said improvements, per unit cost, for work performed at the intersection of Severs Avenue and Stevenson Avenue in an amount of \$8,860.00;

WHEREAS, by notice received on April 6, 2016, Environmental Resolutions, Inc. prepared a statement of said improvements, per unit cost, for work to be performed at North Garden Blvd for \$127,664.40, Harrison Avenue for \$6,600.00, Coolidge Avenue for \$24,763.00, Laurel Road for \$29,031.80 and Lafayette and Cardinal Road for \$51,601.00 for a total project cost in the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Sixty Dollars and twenty cents (\$239,660.20).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, that Pioneer General Contracting is hereby authorized to perform said work in the amount of \$239,660.20.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-58

***Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park
Authorizing the Execution of a Contract for the Demolition of Buildings located at 1336
Mt. Holly Road, Block 502, Lot 9***

WHEREAS, the Township of Edgewater Park requested that bids be solicited for the demolition of buildings located at 1336 Mr. Holly Road; and

WHEREAS, Environmental Resolutions Inc., Township Engineer solicited bids and the following bids were opened on April 24, 2016 at the Edgewater Park Municipal Building; and

1. Delphi, PO Box 69, Sewell, NJ: \$78,223.00
2. Jerrell’s Landscapes & Nurseries, 425 Hartford Road, Mt. Laurel, NJ: \$47,505.00
3. Site Enterprises, Inc. 211 Ease Sussex Avenue, Linwood, NJ: \$45,500.00
4. W. Hargrove Demolition Co., Inc, 1507 State Street, Camden, NJ: \$45,195.00
5. Winzinger, Inc., 1704 Marne Hwy, Hainesport, NJ: \$73,000.00
6. Yannuzzi Group, 152 Route 206 South, Hillsborough, NJ: \$66,950.00

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 18, 2016, Environmental Resolutions, Inc. recommended the award of contract to W. Hargrove Demolition Co., Inc in the amount of \$45,195.00 which was been determined to be the lowest, responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Edgewater Park was awarded a grant through the Burlington County Community Development Block Grant Program in the amount of \$65,000.00 for the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park, that the Mayor and/or Clerk/Administrator are hereby authorized to execute a contract with W. Hargrove Demolition Co., located at 1507 State Street, Camden, NJ 08105 in the amount of Forty-Five Thousand, One-Hundred, Ninety-Five Dollars (\$45,195.00) for the demolition of buildings and ground restoration located at 1336 Mr. Holly Road.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-59

Authorizing Execution of a Shared Service Agreement for Reconstruction of Mount Holly Road between the Edgewater Park Sewerage Authority and the Township of Edgewater Park

WHEREAS, the Township of Edgewater Park and the Edgewater Park Sewerage Authority have agreed to share the reconstruction of Mount Holly Road and propose to do a single bidding process and specifications for the work to be performed and to share the expenses in accord with their respective responsibilities and as shall be specifically set forth in the specifications for the project prepared by Environmental Resolutions, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Edgewater Park, pursuant to the terms and provisions as set forth in a Shared Services Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto, .

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Edgewater Park that the Mayor and/or Clerk/Administrator are hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Township of Edgewater Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the agreement shall be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS –

As submitted and read by students, appended to the Agenda

Marcos Pacheco Representing:	Committeeman Bill Belgard
Keyon Luff Representing:	Committeeman John McElwee
Chris-Tina Middlebrooks Representing:	Committeewoman Barbara Perkins
Faiza Hoque Representing:	Deputy Mayor Lauren Kremper
Brijal Patel Representing:	Mayor Michael Trainor

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Dr. Roy Rakszawski, Superintendent of Edgewater Park Township School District

Dr. Rakszawski thanked Township Committee and all others involved for make tonight's Student Government Night possible for the kids.

