

**TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING  
WORKSHOP SESSION NO. 2  
FEBRUARY 27, 2017  
5:30 P.M. AT TOWN HALL**

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The budget workshop meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Macnow followed by a salute to the flag. The following statement was read by Municipal Clerk, Ms. Kara: "The notice requirements of the New Jersey Public Meetings Law have been satisfied by noticing the News Transcript on January 23, 2017 stating that a budget workshop meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee would be held February 28, 2017 at 5:30 p.m., Colts Neck Town Hall, 124 Cedar Drive, Colts Neck, New Jersey. The notice requirements have been posted on the Township website and a copy is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk."

Roll call by Ms. Kara indicated the following:

Present: Mayor Russell Macnow, Deputy Mayor J.P. Bartolomeo, Committeemen Edward Eastman, Jr. (arriving late), Thomas Orgo and Frank Rizzuto

Also Present: Administrator/Deputy Clerk Kathleen Capristo and Municipal Clerk Beth Kara

Absent: None

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1. **RESOLUTION 2017-42:** RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF BENEDICT SIRAGUSA, JR. was read by title by Mayor Macnow. This resolution memorializes the receipt and acceptance of the written resignation, dated February 24, 2017, of Benedict Siragusa, Jr., Department of Public Works, effective March 10, 2017. Mr. Orgo made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and carried by Messrs. Macnow, Bartolomeo, Orgo and Rizzuto (Mr. Eastman was absent).

2. **REVIEW OF THE FOLLOWING BUDGETS:** Discussions ensued on the following budgets between the Township Committee, Administrator, and Department Head:

- HEALTH DEPARTMENT (Tom Frank)

At 5:40 p.m., Mr. Eastman arrived.

- ANIMAL CONTROL (Tom Frank)
- BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS (Kathleen Capristo)
- TAX ASSESSOR (Bill Laird)
- MUNICIPAL COURT (Kathryne Bradach)
- CODE ENFORCEMENT (Rich Galinski)
- FIRE DEPARTMENT (Tyler Badaraco)
- FIRE DEPARTMENT – CAPITAL (Tyler Badaraco)
- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (Kathleen Capristo)
- FIRE PREVENTION (Kathleen Capristo)
- SHADE TREE COMMISSION (Eileen Stivala, Gordon Boak)
- LOSAP (Kathleen Capristo)
- RECREATION (Thom Hennessey)
- PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS (Thom Hennessey)
- RECREATION AND PARKS – CAPITAL (Thom Hennessey)
- SENIOR CITIZENS (Township Committee)

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Vince Domidion, resident, suggested renting out the Library meeting room space as a revenue source. Ms. Kara spoke of a survey recently conducted where little, if any, fees are collected by other Monmouth County Libraries for use of meeting room space, the results of which will be shared with the Governing Body. Mr. Domidion suggested coordinating all Township information into quarterly newsletters.

Ms. Elaine Mann, resident, commented turf fields emit toxins, to which Mayor Macnow responded, not the turf the Township anticipates using. Ms. Mann asked if Fire Company 2 can continue doing pool fills. Mr. Orgo will attend the Executive Fire Council meeting to advise of the new procedure whereby the Fire Company would go to American Water to fill the tanker and return the ticket issued to the Township for payment through the voucher system. Ms. Mann suggested initiating a program whereby parents/guardians would pay a fee to have a gift which they have provided delivered by Santa on the Fire Truck to their residence. Mr. Orgo will be bringing this suggestion to the Executive Fire Council. Ms. Mann suggested purchasing turf mix through a shared service agreement and having it delivered. Mayor Macnow noted the Township will look into this.

Mr. Fulton Wilcox, resident, recommends having the Fire Company and equipment included in the budget and not have the volunteers fundraise. Mayor Macnow concurred.

Mr. Chuck Camarata, resident, questioned the reserve for the Fire Department, and questioned if the Fire Department actually needs the equipment requested. Mayor Macnow advised Mr. Antonides will be able to address these issues tomorrow evening.

Hearing no further comments, Mr. Bartolomeo made a motion to close the meeting to public comment, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried by voice vote.

4. **MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Mr. Eastman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote.

Mayor Macnow advised the next Township Committee budget workshop meeting is Tuesday, February 28, 2017, 5:30 p.m., Town Hall.

  
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Beth Kara, RMC, CMC  
Municipal Clerk