

**UNION TOWNSHIP – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING**

DECEMBER 20, 2006

MINUTES

Mayor Rossi opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

“Sunshine Law” Announcement: Adequate notice of this public meeting has been provided by the Annual Notice; faxed to the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News; posted on the public bulletin board and on file in the Municipal Clerk’s Office.

Roll Call – Present: Patricia Dziubek, Frank Mazza, Matt Mulhall, Rob Haynes and Bruce A. Rossi. J. Peter Jost, Esq., Township Attorney; Robert C. Bogart, P.E., Township Engineer; and K. Judith Fabian, Township Clerk, were also present.

Pattensburg Volunteer Fire Company; Dan van Fossen, Chief; Mr. van Fossen presented a plaque to the Township Committee for their continued support of the Fire Company.

Mr. van Fossen presented a plaque to Mr. Rossi for his support especially for his assistance with the purchase of the fire truck.

Mr. Haynes presented plaques to Mr. Rossi and Mr. Mulhall for their service to Union Township while serving on the Township Committee.

Mr. Rossi and Mr. Mulhall expressed their appreciation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 1. Regular Meeting and Executive Session of 12/6/06; motion was made by Mr. Mazza, seconded by Mr. Haynes, to adopt the Minutes. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes and Mr. Rossi. Abstain: Mr. Mulhall. Motion carried.

REPORTS RECEIVED – 1. Finance Officer Claims Register 12/20/06
2. Building Dept.; Summary 11/06
3. Court Administrator 11/06

CORRESPONDENCE – Mr. Mazza commented on the status of Hoffman House.

Mr. Haynes mentioned the following: - letter from Grace Kocher, Planning Bd. Secretary, regarding the vacation of the master plan road easement; the resident will be coming before the Township Committee. Mr. Bogart suggested the legal description be the responsibility of the resident.

Mr. Mulhall mentioned Toll Brothers has dropped their objection to the Township Plan.

OLD BUSINESS – 1. Court Administrator’s Request for a Magnascanner – After a brief discussion, motion was made by Mrs. Dziubek, seconded by Mr. Mazza, to table the discussion regarding the Magnascanner as all Court alternatives are being looked into. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Naye: Mr. Haynes. Motion carried. Mr. Mazza will speak to the Court Administrator about Court matters.

NEW BUSINESS – 1. After a brief discussion, the following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION #2006-120

**STATEMENT OF CONSENT; TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL
PERMIT APPLICATION**

Fallone Properties LLC/Renaissance at Union; Block 22, Lot 34
Authorization Statements of Consent; WQM-003 Form

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Union, Hunterdon County, has been requested by Applied Water Management, Inc. on behalf of Fallone Properties LLC/Renaissance at Union for an endorsement of Section A-1; Consent NJDEP TWA-1 (Treatment Works Approval) by Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer and Township Attorney have no objection to the Mayor signing the A-1, Consent by Governing Body;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, Hunterdon County hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign said form.

Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Mazza, to adopt the above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Motion carried.

2. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION #2006-121

AUTHORIZING COOPERATIVE PARTICIPATION IN 2006/2007 COOPERATIVE PRICING FOR SNOW AND ICE CONTROL MATERIAL (ROCK SALT) PROGRAM WITH THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON

WHEREAS, the Township of Union has elected to participate in the cooperative participation/pricing for the 2006/2007 snow and ice control material (rock salt) program with the County of Hunterdon; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder through Hunterdon County's bidding process is INTERNATIONAL SALT COMPANY, LLC; mailing address is 655 Northern Blvd., Clarks Summit, PA 18411; contact person is Rose Mary Yusinski at 888-388-4726; fax number is 570-586-6463; for all salt orders and deliveries, contact Customer Service, at 888-388-4726, press 2; and

WHEREAS, the identification code for the cooperative is 51-HCCPS in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Union wishes to participate in this program @\$44.28 per ton;

WHEREAS, the contract period is 11/14/2006 to 11/13/07;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Union has certified the availability of funds for the purposes set forth in this Resolution.

Motion was made by Mrs. Dziubek, seconded by Mr. Mazza, to adopt the above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Motion carried.

Mr. Rossi mentioned a letter from Albert D'Angelo, Union Station Associates, regarding Block 22, Lot 19; vacant lot on CR-513; 2 acres; sewing issue. After a brief discussion, motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Mazza, not to get involved in this matter. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Motion carried.

Mr. Rossi mentioned the letter from Robert C. Bogart, PE, Township Engineer, effective January 1, 2007, Mr. Bogart will no longer be the Township Engineer nor associated with Maser Consulting. Mr. Rossi expressed his gratitude to Mr. Bogart for his help and guidance and thanked him for his years of service to Union Township.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Mr. Jost mentioned the Milligan Farming Lease. After a brief discussion, motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Mazza, to accept the Lease between Michael and Katy Mathews and Union Township, period: 2/1/06-12/31/06; and to authorize the Mayor and Township Clerk to sign same. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mr. Rossi made fair well wishes.

COMMITTEE REPORT – Mrs. Dziubek mentioned the Freeholders voted down the Township's request for funds for Milligan Farm.

Mr. Haynes mentioned the following: - RR painting/employment of 15 year old at the Recycling Center.

Mr. Mazza asked Mr. Bogart who has the tax maps? Maser Consulting.

Mr. Mazza expressed his concern over the lack of funding return for Milligan farm. Mr. Rossi and Mr. Mulhall responded.

Mr. Mulhall had a matter for Executive Session. He expressed thanks to those who were helpful to him while serving on the Township Committee and Planning Board.

Mr. Rossi and Mr. Mulhall turned in their Municipal Building keys to Mrs. Fabian.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – None.

CLERK'S REPORT – 2005 Tonnage Report has apparently been sent to DEP.

The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to go into closed session during a public meeting;
and

WHEREAS, the Union Township Committee has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Union will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:
Litigation.

Motion was made by Mr. Mulhall, seconded by Mr. Mazza, to adopt the above resolution. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Mulhall, to return to the regular meeting. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Mr. Haynes moved that all claims against the Township of Union as appearing in the Claims Register of this date be paid and that all checks listed hereinafter be issued in payment thereof, seconded by Mr. Mulhall. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before the Township Committee at this time, motion was made by Mr. Mulhall, seconded by Mr. Haynes, to adjourn. Vote – Ayes: Mrs. Dziubek, Mr. Mazza, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Mulhall and Mr. Rossi. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

K. Judith Fabian, RMC
Township Clerk