

MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION MEETING OF
THE TEANECK TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2011

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by Resolution 331-10, setting the 2011 meeting dates, sending a copy to THE RECORD, THE SUBURBANITE, THE BERGEN NEWS/SUN BULLETIN, THE JEWISH STANDARD, and THE COUNTY SEAT, filing a copy in the Township Clerk's Office and posting it on the Municipal Building bulletin board, and the Mayor hereby directs that this statement be included in the minutes.

ROLL CALL

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Resolution #86-11 - Authorize Council to enter into Closed Session

CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Hameeduddin called the Open Session Meeting of the Teaneck Township Council to order at 8:00 p.m. and asked all those present to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: C. Stern, DM. Gussen, C. Honis, C. Katz, C. Toffler, Mayor Hameeduddin.

Absent: C. Parker.

Also Present: S. Turitz/W. Rupp - Ferrara, Turitz, Harraka, & Goldberg Esqs.; W. Broughton, Township Manager, J. L. Evelina, Township Clerk, I. Abbasi, Executive Assistant.

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PRESENTATIONS

1. Fire Department Promotions.
 - a. Battalion Chief Gregory Meyer to Deputy Chief.

Mr. Broughton discussed the service of Battalion Chief Meyer with the Teaneck Fire Department, his biographical information, his family members in attendance and commendations. He swore him in as Deputy Chief.

- b. Captain Weiss to Battalion Chief.

Mr. Broughton discussed the service of Captain Weiss with the Teaneck Fire Department, his family members in attendance and his family's work history in the Township. He swore him in as Battalion Chief.

- c. Lt. Sean Mackey to Captain.

Mr. Broughton discussed the service of Lieutenant Mackey with the Teaneck Fire Department, his family members in attendance and his family's work history in the Township. He swore him in as Captain.

d. FF Edward Gallone to Lieutenant.

Mr. Broughton discussed the service of Fire Fighter Gallone with the Teaneck Fire Department, his family members in attendance and his additional duties as an EMS responder. He swore him in as Lieutenant.

Chief Verley thanked the Manager and Council for hosting the Fire Department's promotions; discussed Teaneck tradition in the ranks promoted; and commended the servicemen promoted.

C. Stern spoke about his work at the Police and Fire Academy; discussed the advancement from within the Fire Department; and offered his congratulations to the newly-promoted personnel.

C. Katz congratulated the Fire Department personnel on their promotion and thanked all of the Township's firefighters and their families for their sacrifices for the Township.

C. Toffler also congratulated all of the firefighters and their families and discussed the history in the families of those promoted tonight.

C. Honis congratulated all those who were promoted; discussed the contributions of the Teaneck community; and hoped the next generation of those promoted will also be involved in Teaneck.

DM. Gussen congratulated all those members of the Fire Department promoted this evening.

Mayor Hameeduddin congratulated the members of the Fire Department who were promoted; discussed his experience on Council; and spoke about the professionalism of the Department.

2. NJDOT - Route 4 & Palisade Avenue Bridge Improvements.

NJDOT will be re-scheduled to present their proposed improvements to the Route 4 and Palisade Avenue Bridge.

3. Arcari+Iovino Architects - LEED Overview.

Mr. Broughton informed the Council that Mr. Iovino will present an overview of LEED and describe the process so that an evaluation and decision can be made as to how to proceed on the Old Police Headquarters.

Mr. Iovino distributed the 2009 LEED score card. He discussed the scorecard, his LEED certification, the LEED Certification concept, the point system under LEED, the difference between LEED certification and a "green" building and the costs associated with building a LEED certified building versus a "green" building.

C. Stern spoke about the energy and atmosphere component of the LEED score card and inquired about the low score.

Mr. Iovino replied that the potential to upgrade this area on the scorecard is present. He also discussed the factor of money in upgrading a mechanical system and the numbers on the score card being conservative estimates.

C. Stern inquired about the difference of levels.

Mr. Iovino responded that pride is the difference between the levels of LEED certification and discussed the availability of state grants to assist in LEED certification.

C. Toffler inquired as to why the design does not encompass the Municipal building, as she feels it would be wise to come up with a more effective LEED-certified building if the complex were to be looked at simultaneously.

Mr. Iovino explained that strategically, the project has to be completed in phases giving a brief description of the plans.

C. Toffler referred to some of the concerns expressed by residents of Teaneck. She expressed that she is hopeful that the residents, as well as the Sustainability Commission, would be involved in the decision making.

Mr. Iovino informed that he plans to again meet with the Township's Department Heads, as well as, any other committees/residents who wish to partake in the decision-making process.

Mayor Hameeduddin inquired as to the actual project cost for LEED.

Mr. Iovino indicated that it was approximately five to seven percent, explaining the process and listing all of the professionals who would be involved.

Mayor Hameeduddin questioned the return on investment. He questioned if there would be a twenty-five percent energy efficiency. He then questioned Mr. Iovino's opinion as to whether or not the Township should move forward with LEED.

Mr. Iovino suggested evaluating the cost, and in the event money is not an issue, to move forward with LEED. He suggested that the wise move would be to sit down and make an informed, logical and economical decision. He informed that the project can move forward whether or not it is a LEED project, and he gave a brief synopsis as to how LEED was formed fourteen years ago.

PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

Ms. Evelina read the Ordinance by title only.

ORDINANCE #4224 - AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$95,000.00 FROM THE MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK AND APPROPRIATING \$95,000.00 AS A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FOR THE PHELPS PARK TENNIS COURT IMPROVEMENTS, VOTEE PARK TENNIS COURT IMPROVEMENTS AND VOTEE PARK HANDBALL COURT IMPROVEMENTS FUNDED FROM THE BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE, RECREATION, FARMLAND AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND.

Mayor Hameeduddin inquired whether any member of the Council had any comments respecting this ordinance prior to opening the public hearing.

DM. Gussen stated that the PPRAB has endorsed this ordinance and would like to see it adopted.

Mayor Hameeduddin declared that the public hearing on the above ordinance was now open. Any members of the public who wished to be heard on said ordinance or to ask questions concerning said ordinance came forward and stated their names for the record. Comments or questions were limited to five minutes per person.

Howard Rose, Teaneck resident – expressed concern as to why the historic preservation trust fund monies are being utilized for these improvements.

There having been no further persons who wished to speak concerning said ordinance, Mayor Hameeduddin declared that the public hearing on this ordinance was closed.

DM. Gussen addressed Mr. Rose's concern explaining the process of the use of MOST money.

S. Turitz added an explanation of usage of MOST funds, indicating that one component of the fund has no limit as to what could be spent for a specific category and another component of the fund specifies that no more than fifty percent can be used for items other than the purchase of land.

Councilmember Katz moved to pass Ordinance #4224 on second and final reading and adopt. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise same according to law. Seconded by Councilmember Honis.

Mayor Hameeduddin inquired whether any member of the Council had any comments respecting this ordinance.

No member of Council commented.

There being no comments, Mayor Hameeduddin called on the Clerk for a roll-call vote.

Roll Call

In Favor: C. Stern, DM. Gussen, C. Honis, C. Katz, C. Toffler, Mayor Hameeduddin.

Opposed: None.

Absent: C. Parker.

Mayor Hameeduddin declared that said ordinance was duly adopted.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR GOOD AND WELFARE OR PUBLIC INPUT ON ANY MATTERS ON THIS AGENDA

Mayor Hameeduddin inquired whether any member of the Council had any comments prior to opening the meeting to any comments from the public.

C. Toffler questioned why the April 5, 2011 meeting was cancelled. She stated that she had been informed by the Manager that the meeting was cancelled due to a bill list issue and requested clarification.

Mr. Broughton indicated that it is difficult to have back-to-back meetings with back-to-back agendas. He went on to say that prior to cancelling the meeting, he spoke with all of the members of Council and several approved; therefore, he made an executive decision to cancel the meeting. He stated that it is the responsibility of the Township Manager to cancel a meeting, in the event there is no business to discuss.

S. Turitz gave an explanation of the two ways in which a Council Meeting may be cancelled, specifically, Council may vote at a public meeting to cancel an upcoming meeting; and in the event there no quorum is anticipated, a meeting may be cancelled.

Mayor Hameeduddin and Council discussed the proper protocol in cancelling a Council Meeting. The consensus of the Council was that the Township Manager should inquire as to whether there would be a quorum for a meeting and then inform the Council of his findings.

C. Toffler commended the Clerk on the process of completing the minutes and requested a date as to when the eight months of outstanding minutes will be completed.

C. Toffler also requested the annual report by the Manager for the Major Capital Improvements.

Mr. Broughton informed C. Toffler that the Capital Improvement Plan is listed in the Budget, stating that it has always been in the Budget.

C. Toffler requested that the alleged erroneous numbers on Resolution #62-11, concerning the budget, be corrected and resubmitted.

Mayor Hameeduddin suggested that in the future, C. Toffler should be in touch with the Manager to confirm the numbers that were submitted prior to making statements with regard to the Board of Education, as Mr. Broughton was sure that the numbers that had been submitted to the State were the correct numbers.

Mr. Broughton stated that there were no erroneous numbers submitted to the State, providing a detailed explanation of Resolution #62-11, as well as having Mayor Hameeduddin read into the record a letter from the auditor with information pertaining to the budget.

C. Toffler questioned whether or not the respective resolution and additional documentation had been submitted to the State.

Clerk Evelina confirmed that the State is in receipt of all required documentation.

DM. Gussen questioned C. Toffler's understanding of the budget, stating that the numbers submitted by the Chief Financial Officer could not possibly be erroneous.

Mayor Hameeduddin declared that any members of the public who wished to be heard at this time come forward and state their names for the record. Comments were limited to five minutes per person.

G. Rice, Teaneck Board of Education - expressed concern at the level of discourse among Council Members and appreciated C. Toffler questioning the clarification of the budget.

Art Vatsky, Teaneck resident – felt due diligence and due process should be the hallmark of the Council; discussed the frequency of Council meetings and feels that Workshop Meetings should be reinstated; expressed his opinion that the Mayor should be the person who cancels a meeting, when necessary; questioned whether or not the four-day work week was the cause of the problem with outstanding minutes; and expressed opposition to filing an OPRA Request to see plans for the renovation of the municipal complex, suggesting the plans should be on the Teaneck website.

Leslie McKeon, Teaneck resident – read into the record several passages of the Constitution of the United States and expressed her opinion that resident participation has been overlooked.

Joe Harris, Teaneck resident – discussed the possibility of nuclear threats to the community; referred to the last meeting when DM. Gussen asked the Manager what should be done for Township preparedness and requested a response to said question; stated that the Japanese Government upgraded their damage from the nuclear contamination; expressed concerned about the safety of the Township regarding nuclear plants; expressed opposition to the last meeting being cancelled; suggested Council take a more aggressive approach to providing public safety; spoke briefly on the emergency budget indicating that he could not understand the difference in the original emergency budget and the amended budget; and requested an explanation discussion regarding the budget.

Naomi Cramer, Teaneck resident – discussed the cancellation of a Council Meeting; spoke on Capital Projects and the possibility of discussing them at a Workshop Meeting; gave her opinion on the renovation of the old police headquarters, suggested that there should be more public-input before anything is etched in stone.

Howard Rose, Teaneck resident – spoke about the cancellation of the Council Meeting and the way the cancellation was handled; requested additional details on the Professional Services Contract for the renovation of the old Police Headquarters and; discussed the budget and its importance.

Ray Moore, Teaneck resident – discussed the process of communication; feels there is a need for the people of Teaneck to be able to come together and express their feelings and/or concerns; expressed that leadership is imperative and feels there is much disrespect among Council; and would like Council to come together as leaders, as Teaneck is one community.

Sarah Rappoport, Teaneck resident – briefly discussed the budget; expressed belief that the Township has lost civil discourse; and stated that Council should recognize this and be able to agree or disagree appropriately in a public forum.

Charles Powers, Teaneck resident – expressed frustration understanding the capital budget, the numbers therein and the power point presentation; questioned the difference in the numbers presented and the increases; reiterated C. Toffler's previous statement that the Manager is required by Code to compose an annual report of his work/accomplishments to Council.

There being no further persons who wished to speak at this time, Mayor Hameeduddin declared that the public comment portion of the meeting closed.

Mayor Hameeduddin inquired whether any member of the Council or the Manager wished to respond to the public comments or whether a member of the Council wished to remove any item from the Consent Agenda and have a separate discussion thereon.

Mayor Hameeduddin requested the Manager provide dates for Town Hall Meetings, which would include public input regarding the new building project.

Mr. Broughton stated that when the plans for the new building originated, he was not the Township Manager; plans on holding several Town Hall Meetings for public input regarding the new Municipal complex; indicated that there were numerous budget meetings beginning in December where the Manager, Township Attorney, and Chief Financial Officer were in attendance, affording the residents the opportunity to attend and ask any questions they may have regarding the budget, with no limitations; discussed emergency plans for the Township and the evacuation radius between Teaneck and Indian Point, indicating that Teaneck is working with the County Emergency Management Officials regarding the emergency plans; stated that he does complete any task presented to him by Council and always reports back with a status and/or accomplishments; gave a brief synopsis of the emergency budget and budget; went on to say that the Township was on target with the budget sooner this year than in previous years, in that it had been scheduled for adoption in May; however, several procedural issues were required to be addressed prior to adoption; advised that the Township anticipates passing the budget by May 10, 2011; and addressed questions regarding the architecture, indicating that the Township has been working with Arcari Iovino for several months on this project and plans to conduct many meetings which will include the residents so they may have input with said project.

C. Toffler discussed the public budget meetings which had taken place and feels that although they are very informative meetings, they review the operating budget and do not discuss the capital budget and/or salary and wages; and spoke of the angry demeanor during Council meetings indicating that Mr. Moore has a peaceful style of speaking and wishes more people would act in that capacity.

DM. Gussen referred to the statement made regarding the Constitution of the United States and the right of the people; referred to the pay-to-play ordinance, stating that Teaneck has a very clear history of respecting the rights of the people to petition the Government for redress; stated that the Township receives many petitions of various forms but there is, by statute, a prescribed fashion to have it redressed; and briefly discussed the temporary budget.

Mayor Hameeduddin spoke to the residents and expressed his appreciation to them for coming out to attend the Council meetings; expressed to the residents that although Council may not always be in agreement with what is discussed, they are willing to listen to the residents; and stated that the basic cause of hostility during Council meetings is miscommunication.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed below are considered to be routine in nature by Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RAFFLES

All subject to approval and conditions applicable with the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission and pursuant to State Statute.

None.

MINUTES

April 22, 2010 - Special Meeting - *Revised*.

April 27, 2010 - Open Session Meeting (Absent: C. Hameeduddin, C. Toffler).

June 15, 2010 - Open Session Meeting (Absent: C. Honis) - *Revised*.
August 10, 2010 - Open Session Meeting.
February 22, 2011 - Open Session Meeting.
March 8, 2011 - Open Session Meeting (Absent: C. Toffler).
March 22, 2011 - Open Session Meeting.

RESOLUTIONS

- #87-11 Award Professional Services Contract - Appraisal Systems, Inc. - 2011 Tax Appeals.
- #88-11 Ratify Payments - Chief Financial Officer - March, 2011.
- #89-11 Ratify Tax Refunds - Chief Financial Officer - 2009 and 2010.
- #90-11 Refund Tax Overpayments - Chief Financial Officer - 2010 and 2011.
- #91-11 Ratify Tax Refunds - Chief Financial Officer - 2009 and 2010.
- #92-11 Refund Taxes - Chief Financial Officer - 2009 and 2010.
- #93-11 Refund Tax Overpayment - Chief Financial Officer - 2011.
- #94-11 Authorize Special Emergency Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53.
- #95-11 Authorize Submission of Municipal Alliance Grant Letter of Agreement to County - 1/1/11 - 12/31/11.
- #96-11 Ratify Issuance of Purchase Order to M. Ingannamorte & Son - New Storm Drain Line System.
- #97-11 Ratify Issuance of Purchase Order to M. Ingannamorte & Son - New Decking at Votee Town Pool.
- #98-11 Authorize Submission of T.W.A. Application to NJDEP - Early Bird Laundromat Sewer Extension Permit.
- #99-11 Appropriate Monies from Capital Improvement Fund - FD Emergency-Vehicle Traffic Control Signal Sign.
- #100-11 Award Professional Services Contract - Dewberry - FD Emergency-Vehicle Traffic Control Sign.
- #101-11 Award Professional Services Contract - Crew Engineer's, Inc. - Grant Terrace Sanitary Sewer Replacement.
- #102-11 Award Professional Services Contract - Arcari+Iovino Architects, P.C. - Old Police Building.
- #103-11 Award Contract - Lilich Corporation - Asbestos Abatement at Township Public Library Building.
- #104-11 Appoint Member to Clean and Green Committee.
- #105-11 Authorize Submission of Grant Application - 2011 FTA Section 5310 Grant Program.
- #106-11 Reschedule Public Hearing on 2011 Municipal Budget and Direct Clerk to Re-advertise Same.
- #107-11 Reschedule Public Hearing on 2011 CLSID Budget and Direct Clerk to Re-advertise Same.
- #108-11 Authorize Emergency Temporary Budget Appropriations.

BILL LIST

Ms. Evelina read the amount of the Bill List into the record. (\$14,563,210.41)

DM. Gussen moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including Minutes, Resolutions #87-11 – #108-11 and Bill List, and to dispense with the reading of same inasmuch as it has been posted on the bulletin board all day. Seconded by Councilmember Katz.

C. Toffler requested that Resolution #108-11 be pulled for discussion.

DM. Gussen amended his original motion to approve the Consent Agenda, including Minutes, Resolutions #87-11 - #107-11, and Bill List, and to dispense with the reading of same inasmuch as it has been posted on the bulletin board all day. Seconded by Councilmember Katz.

Mayor Hameeduddin called on Ms. Evelina for a roll-call vote.

Roll Call (Resolutions #87-11 - #107-11)

In Favor: C. Stern, DM. Gussen, C. Honis, C. Katz, C. Toffler, Mayor Hameeduddin.

Opposed: None.

Absent: C. Parker.

Abstained: C. Honis (June 15, 2010 Minutes)
C. Stern (April 27, 2010, June 15, 2010 and August 10, 2010 Minutes; Resolution #89-11)
C. Katz (Entire Bill List)
C. Toffler (March 8, 2010 and April 27, 2010 Minutes)
Mayor Hameeduddin (April 27, 2010 Minutes)

S. Turitz announced the three abstentions on the April 27, 2010 minutes, and announced that same should be carried for approval at the next meeting.

Mayor Hameeduddin declared that said items were passed with the exception of the April 27, 2010 Minutes which will be listed for approval at the next meeting.

DM. Gussen moved Resolution #108-11. Seconded by C. Toffler.

C. Toffler indicated that she did not fully understand the way in which the budget is completed, discussed; and asked for clarification.

W. Broughton explained that the number in question had been formulated by the CFO, indicating that it is not the exact number which will be used each month, but is a portion on the budget prepared in this manner so as to leave enough room to avoid having to come up with another appropriation.

DM. Gussen further explained the budget process and the amendment process for 2011 to C. Toffler to aid her understanding:

Roll Call (Resolutions #108-11)

In Favor: C. Stern, DM. Gussen, C. Honis, C. Katz, Mayor Hameeduddin.

Opposed: C. Toffler.

Absent: C. Parker.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Councilmember Katz moved that the Ordinances be introduced and passed on first reading and that the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish the required legal notice of the introduction thereof, together with a notice of the place, time, and date on which a public hearing will be held on said ordinances, and on which said ordinances will be considered for final adoption.

Ms. Evelina read the Ordinances by title only.

ORDINANCE #4228 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 36, ENTITLED "TRAFFIC" OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE.

ORDINANCE #4229 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 4140 ESTABLISHING SALARY RANGES, CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS AND DUTIES THEREOF FOR CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK RESPECTING THE POSITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT INCLUDED WITHIN LOCAL 108.

ORDINANCE #4230 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3777 ESTABLISHING SALARY RANGES, CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS AND DUTIES THEREOF FOR CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK RESPECTING PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

ORDINANCE #4231 - AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARY RANGES, CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS AND DUTIES THEREOF FOR CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK RESPECTING DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

Seconded by Mayor Hameeduddin.

Mayor Hameeduddin inquired as to whether any Councilmember wished to comment upon the motion to introduce.

DM. Gussen questioned which bargaining unit pertained to Local 108.

W. Broughton stated that Local 108 was the unit for the Department Heads and Supervisors.

There being no further comments, Mayor Hameeduddin called on the Clerk for a roll-call vote.

Roll Call

In Favor: C. Stern, DM. Gussen, C. Honis, C. Katz, C. Toffler, Mayor Hameeduddin.

Opposed: None.

Absent: C. Parker.

Mayor Hameeduddin declared that said ordinances were duly introduced and passed on first reading.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Tax Assessor Presentation (Subject to Data Availability).

Tax Assessor James Tighe gave an in-depth summary on the possibility of completing a reassessment of taxes; indicated that the last time a revaluation was completed was in 2007, which was the first municipal-wide changing of the assessments since 1992; informed that since that time, the real estate market has changed considerably due to the real estate economic crisis; discussed assessment ratios within the Township, specifying that Teaneck is well within the criteria of acceptability of the equity of distribution of the tax burden; informed that the county has not ordered a revaluation and does not plan on ordering a revaluation for the upcoming year, based on Teaneck's statistical profile; and the County Tax Administrator and Mr. Tighe were in full agreement that this would not be a good time to take action.

DM. Gussen questioned the data set and how many actual sales may occur within one year.

Mr. Tighe stated that in 2006, there were approximately six to seven hundred sales; went on to say that there is never a perfect time to complete a revaluation.

Mayor Hameeduddin inquired as to whether you may appeal your taxes if you purchase a house that has been foreclosed on or considered a short sale.

Mr. Tighe indicated that residents always have the right to appeal their taxes, whether it is a short sale or a foreclosure.

MISCELLANEOUS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Environmental Commission Request - Permission to Submit Annual Report.

Council concurred on moving forward regarding the above.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - COUNCIL LIAISONS

DM. Gussen - Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation Advisory Board – informed that the Board is requesting a timeline regarding the drainage project at Votee Park.

W. Broughton indicated that at present, there is not a timeline; however, the engineering firm for the project indicated that the Council will be made aware as the work progresses.

DM. Gussen questioned the next step.

W. Broughton stated that the project should be completed by 2012. He stated that there is a very aggressive capital plan in place dealing with seasonal issues. He is aware of the deadline and requested a additional time to sit with the developer in order to complete a timeline for the project.

Mayor Hameeduddin requested that the Manager place the project on the up-coming agenda under Old Business.

C. Honis - Clean and Green Committee - informed there are seven up-coming events being sponsored by the Clean and Green Committee. One event will be sponsored by the Shade Tree Advisory Board. She spoke about Clean and Green Weekend and the poster and essay contests in connection with same. She advised that the winners of the contests will be announced at the May 10th Council meeting. She informed that all event-related information can be located on the Township website.

COUNCIL-LISTED ITEMS

1. Red Light Cameras (C. Katz).

C. Katz discussed the importance of implementing the red light cameras within the Township, indicating that there are many intersections which are very hot accident locations.

C. Toffler stated that the red light cameras would not be feasible at this time in that it is almost impossible to enforce collecting the fines, referring to an area in Phoenix where they had been used and then removed.

C. Katz referred to an article he had read which stated that Newark had collected one-half million dollars within a five-month period using the red light cameras.

2. "Renovating the Old Police Station as a LEEDS-Compliant (Green) Building" (C. Toffler).

C. Toffler requested holding this topic until Councilmember Parker is present.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Sustainability Certification.

The Manager advised that within the last week or two the Township received Bronze Sustainable Jersey Certification. He gave a brief description of the Certification and what it represents. He commended the following: C. Toffler, Township interns, Mr. Rogevin and especially, Issa Abbasi, who worked tirelessly on this project. He stated that it was a team effort, and he is very proud of the end-product. The Township will be honored and receive an award at the Annual New Jersey League of Municipalities Convention, which will take place in November.

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

DM. Gussen moved to adjourn at 10:31p.m.

Seconded by Mayor Hameeduddin

Roll Call

In Favor: C. Stern, DM. Gussen, C. Honis, C. Katz, C. Toffler, Mayor Hameeduddin.

Opposed: None.

Absent: C. Parker.