



Township of Holland
IN
HUNTERDON COUNTY

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Draft Agenda-Business to the extent known

HOLLAND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
April 19, 2016

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

If you haven't already done so, please turn off or silence all electronic equipment

FLAG SALUTE

"At this time, I would like to invite the audience to join the Committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance"

CLERK READS OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to the open public meeting act, by the Township Clerk on November 12, 2015 by:

- 1) posting such notice on the bulletin board at the municipal building and on the Holland Twp website
- 2) mailing the same to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Express-Times.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE: April 5th, 2016 Regular Meeting

APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: April 19, 2016

- SEE ATTACHED

REMINDER/ANNOUNCEMENT

- Saturday April 23, 2016 - Seedling will be available at the Holland Township Recycling Center 9am till noon
- Saturday May 14, 2016 - Free Document Shredding at the Holland Township Recycling Center 9am till noon

LIAISON REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS FROM TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

-ORDINANCE 2016-2-Public Hearing/Final Adoption-Exceeding the Municipal CAP

ORDINANCE 2016-2

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq.,

provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to zero (.0%) unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to three and one-half percent (3.5%) over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the three and one-half (3.5%) percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Holland in the County of Hunterdon finds it advisable and necessary to increase its 2016 budget by up to three and one half percent (3.5%) over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that a three and one half percent (3.5%) increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$153,481.48 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Holland hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated, as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon, state of New Jersey a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the 2016 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Holland shall, in accordance with the ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14 be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$153,481.48, and that the 2016 municipal budget for the Township of Holland be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized herein above that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within five (5) days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within five (5) days after such adoption.

-Public Hearing/Final Adoption-2016 Municipal Budget

-Wall on Shire Road at the April 5th meeting attorney Cushing reported he would have a resolution for this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS FROM TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

-APPOINTMENT by Mayor - Mayor Krov announces his appointment of Heather Sorge to Agriculture Advisory Committee filling the position of Secretary.

DISCUSSION - in the Matter of the Petition of Aqua New Jersey, Inc. for the approval of an Increase in Rates.

DISCUSSION – County Road 519 – Milford Warren Glen Rd Detour

RESOLUTION - Insertion of Any Special Item of Revenue in the Budget

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Insertion of Any Special Item of Revenue in the Budget

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Holland has received notice of an award of \$2,000.00 from PSEG for the 2016 Sustainable Jersey Small Grant and wishes to amend the 2016 Budget to include as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2016 in the sum of \$2,000.00

Which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Item of General Revenue Anticipated
With Prior Written Consent of the Director of the
Division of Local Government Services:

State and Federal Revenues Off-set with Appropriations:
PSEG-2016 Sustainable Jersey Small Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sum of

.....\$2,000.00

Be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriation

(a) Operations Excluded from CAPS

State and Federal Programs Off-set by Revenues:
PSEG-2016 Sustainable Jersey Small Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

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WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Holland has received notice of an award of \$24,000.00 from The State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection and The Federal Highway Administration and wishes to amend the 2016 Budget to include as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Holland, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2016 in the sum of

.....\$24,000.00

Which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Item of General Revenue Anticipated
With Prior Written Consent of the Director of the
Division of Local Government Services:

State and Federal Revenues Off-set with Appropriations:

State of New Jersey-Department of Environmental Protection-Federal Highway
Administration-Recreational Trails Program

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sum of

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General Appropriation

(a) Operations Excluded from CAPS

State and Federal Programs Off-set by Revenues:

State of New Jersey-Department of Environmental Protection-Federal Highway
Administration-Recreational Trails Program

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the \$24,000.00 local match will come from the Capital Account for land purchases.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

RESOLUTION – Accepting Donation of Medical Supplies

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Emergency Management Coordinator to Accept the Donation
of Medical Supplies for the Holland Township C.E.R.T. trailer

WHEREAS, a donation of various medical supplies to the Holland Township C.E.R.T. has been received from Gail and Dan Radar; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee, having considered the proposed donation, has determined that it would be in the best interest of the Township of Holland to authorize the acceptance of the donation; and

WHEREAS, no goods or services were received in exchange for the donation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee, Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon in the state of New Jersey that the Holland Township Emergency Management

Coordinator is authorized to accept a donation of medical supplies for the Holland Township C.E.R.T trailer with gratitude.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Chief Financial Officer.

RESOLUTION – Authorizing Tax Collector to refund local property taxes to Fully Disabled Veteran

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Authorizing the Tax Collector to refund local property taxes
to Fully Disabled Veteran **Michael J. Rusnak**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30-34 grants an exemption from local property taxes for the dwelling house of a qualified totally disabled veteran; and

WHEREAS, Michael J. Rusnak, a veteran, has been declared a 100 percent totally disabled veteran by the Department of Veteran's Affairs effective September 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Michael J. Rusnak made application for exemption from taxes effective March 14, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has determined the dwelling of Michael J. Rusnak is exempt from property taxation effective January 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Township has granted refunds of previously paid taxes to totally exempt veterans under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the decision as to whether to reimburse totally exempt veterans for past taxes is discretionary on behalf of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to strike a balance between honoring veterans who have made an incredible sacrifice on behalf of their fellow countrymen against the financial burden that the return of taxes imposes upon non-exempt property owners; and

WHEREAS, the caps placed upon municipal spending by the State of New Jersey have imposed financial burdens on the Township and placed severe strains on its budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Holland, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township Committee believes that a fair and reasonable balance to be struck between its responsibilities to the general taxpayers and its need to recognize the sacrifices made by totally disabled veterans is accomplished by providing that totally disabled veterans will receive a refund of local property taxes from January 1st of the year the veteran submits to the Tax Assessor a fully qualifying application for exemption from local property taxes on the veteran's dwelling pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30-34.

2. In the case of Michael J. Rusnak, he is declared exempt from local property taxes on his dwelling commencing March 14, 2016 and Tax Collector is authorized to refund him \$747.02 of local property taxes paid from March 14, 2016.

3. The Mayor and Committee will apply this policy to any future veterans seeking totally exempt status, but reserves the right to amend and alter it based on the future financial condition of the municipality.

BUSINESS FROM TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC-(speakers will be limited to 3 minutes)

ADJOURN at _____

DRAFT AGENDA