

**ALEXANDRIA TOWNSHIP SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES  
January 24, 2014**

This meeting was advertised in the Hunterdon County Democrat, and notice posted in the Alexandria Township Municipal Offices and the Alexandria Township Website, ([www.alexandria-nj.us](http://www.alexandria-nj.us)) as required by the Open Public Meetings Act. Meeting Called to order at 12:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL:** Committeeman Swift (via phone) and Mayor Abraham were present.

**FLAG SALUTE:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Swearing in New Committeeman Curtis Schick:

Township Clerk, Michele Bobrowski swore in new Committeeman Curtis Schick to fill the vacancy that was created by the resignation of Comm. Gabe Plumer. Comm. Schick was nominated by the Municipal Republican Committee on Wednesday, January 22, 2014.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None-

**MOTION TO PAY BILLS:**

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Swift to approve the payment of the bills as listed. **Roll Call: Comm. Swift, yes; Comm. Abraham, yes; and Mayor Plumer, yes.**

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| <b>Current Fund</b>          | <b>\$ 59,023.78</b>  |
| <b>Other Trust Fund:</b>     |                      |
| 1.) Reserves                 |                      |
| 2.) Grants                   |                      |
| <b>General Capital Fund:</b> |                      |
| 1.) Ordinances               | <b>59,525.50</b>     |
| <b>COAH</b>                  | <b>52.86</b>         |
| <b>Farm Preservation</b>     | <b>1,846.00</b>      |
| <b>Dog Fund</b>              | <b>2,407.26</b>      |
| <b>Developers Escrow</b>     |                      |
| 1.) Bank of America          | <b>196.00</b>        |
| 2.) Fulton Bank              | <b>798.00</b>        |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>                | <b>\$ 123,849.40</b> |

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:** None

**Motion to Approve Open Public Meeting Resolution for EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Comm. Schick made a motion, seconded by Comm. Swift to move to Executive Session. **Roll Call: Comm. Swift, yes; Comm. Schick, yes; and Mayor Abraham, yes.**

**Motion to Approve Open Public Meeting Resolution for EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Open Public Meetings Act RESOLUTION- Executive Session**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 2:4-12, Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matters.
- 2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

- A confidential or excluded matter under Federal or State Law or Court Rule.
- A matter involving information that may impair the Township’s rights to receive funds from the United States Government.
- A matter constituting an unwarranted invasion of an individual’s privacy rights.
- Collective Bargaining Agreement or negotiation of the Agreement.
- Matters involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds which it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion were disclosed.
- Tactics and techniques to protect the safety and property of the public, including investigations of violations or potential violations of the law.
- Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations in which the public body is or may become a party.  
(681 Route 513)  
(Hunterdon Humane Shelter)  
(JORBA/Pump Track)
- Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.
- Personnel matters involving a specific employee or officer of the Township.  
(OPRA REQUEST)  
(Recycling Coordinator)  
(DPW Comp. Time)
- Deliberations of the Township occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific penalty or suspension or loss of a license or permit.

- 3. It is anticipated at this time that the above matter will be made public: at the conclusion of the litigation and at such time as attorney client confidentiality is no longer needed to protect confidentiality and litigation strategy.
- 4. The executive session minutes will be placed on file in the township clerk’s office, and will be available to the public as provided for by New Jersey law.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately .

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Comm. Schick made a motion, seconded by Comm. Swift to return to Public Session.

**Roll Call: Comm. Swift, yes; Comm. Schick, yes; and Mayor Abraham, yes.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The following matters were discussed in Executive Session:

- **Contract Negotiations/Hunterdon Humane Shelter:**

The Township Committee has been in communication with the Shelter. The Shelter explained to the Township Committee the changes that have been implemented moving forward. The Shelter also explained the SPCA's role in assisting them in getting the Shelter up and running again. The newly appointed staff will continue with Animal Control services for the Township in 2014.

- **Land Preservation/ 681 Route 513 :**

Mayor Abraham didn't meet with the owners on Tuesday but will be meeting with them this afternoon after the meeting. Chairman Bill Fritsche and Floyd Evans from the Open Space Committee have been brought in to assist the Township. The owners didn't accept the offer that was presented.

- **Contract Negotiations/ Pump Track-JORBA:**

The Township Committee is waiting for an acceptable agreement. The language in the new agreement is trying to side step responsibility for future maintenance. The deadline for receiving an acceptable agreement is January 31, 2014. If no agreement can be reached then on February 11, 2014 the Park/Rec Commission is to ask the Twp. Attorney to send JORBA a letter indicating that the pump track is to be removed. If the pump track is removed, the Township Committee will need to notify Soil Conservation and make arrangements with them prior to removal.

- **Personnel Matters/Recycling Coordinator:**

Township Ordinance says a Recycling Coordinator is required. Township Committee is looking into whether DPW Glen Griffith can split the duties with the Township Clerk. Township Committee will need to look into the union contract.

- **Personnel Matters/Comp Time:**

Discussion ensued regarding increasing comp time rather than pay overtime to the DPW staff. Matter will be discussed further at the February meeting.

- **Personnel Matters/OPRA Request:**

Township Attorney wanted to make the Township Committee aware of several OPRA requests that were given to the Township Clerk regarding personnel records.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Comm. Schick made a motion, seconded by Comm. Swift to adjourn. **Roll Call: Comm. Swift, yes; Comm. Schick, yes; and Mayor Abraham, yes.**

**Meeting Adjourned at 1:15PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted:  
Michele Bobrowski, RMC, CMR  
Township Clerk**

I hereby certify that I have reviewed these Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting of January 24, 2014 and certify that said Minutes were approved unanimously by the Township Committee on the 12th day of February, 2014.

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Paul Abraham, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_