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TOWNSHIP OF MILLSTONE

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Mayor Grbelja calls the meeting to order at 5:45P.M.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Nancy Grbelja – present, Committeeman Dorfman –arrives 5:58pm, Committeeman Kinsey – present, Committeeman Kuczinski – present, Committeeman Masci – present. Also in attendance – Attorney – Duane Davison, Planning engineer – Richard Coppola, Administrator - James Pickering and Municipal Clerk – Maria Dellasala.

STATEMENT OF NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY P.L. 1975, C231 IS READ.

I HEREBY ANNOUNCE THAT PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT, ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN A FAX TO THE ASBURY PARK PRESS AND THE TRENTON TIMES, POSTED ON THE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS BULLETIN BOARD IN TOWN HALL AND FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWNSHIP CLERK ON APRIL 9, 2010.

RESOLUTION 10-87 AUTHORIZING THE HOLDING OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT, WHICH THE PUBLIC SHALL BE EXCLUDED.

C/Kinsey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, which was second by C/Kuczinski.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from meetings of public bodies in certain circumstances which are set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b); and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Millstone is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Millstone as follows:

The public shall be excluded for the discussion of any action upon the here in after specified matter.

The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

- Contracts
- Land Acquisition
- Items falling under Attorney/Client Privilege
- Personnel

It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public in approximately six months or when any litigation discussed is resolved.

This resolution will take effect immediately.

VOTE:

AYES: C/Kinsey, C/Kuczinski, C/Masci, M/Grbelja

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: C/Dorfman – arrives at 5:58pm

Executive session began 5:45p.m

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Motion to adjourn Executive Session Moved C/Kuczinski, Seconded C/Masci. ©
Time Out 8:13pm.

MAYOR GRBELJA CALLS THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER AT 8:19 P.M. FOLLOWED BY A FLAG SALUTE AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE.

PRESENTATION:

Gerry Ricciardi – JCP&L – Power Update

Thank you Mayor Grbelja, Members of the Township Committee, and Administrator Pickering for allowing me to speak here tonight. I am an Area Manager for JCP&L and I am an advocate for my company and a resource for each of you. I have provided each of you business cards so you have my contact information.

The reason I am here tonight is to talk about storm restoration, system reliability and where JCP&L recently sited a new substation.

JCP&L's storm restoration process, consist of the following steps.

1. Safety Response, Damage Assessment and Partial Restoration
2. Restoration of Critical Customers
3. Repair of Transmission and Substation Equipment
4. Repair of Distribution Lines and Equipment

Our Number 1 priority at JCP&L is SAFETY, safety for the public, safety for the police, and fire department responders, and safety for our employees. There are many safe guards on our equipment. Transformers are fused, have lightening arrestors and animal guards. The lateral lines off of the main feed are fused to limit the number of customers seeing an outage. These safety devices are meant to protect the public and to protect our equipment. Anytime you see a down wire stay away, consider the wire live and dangerous. Please call us immediately and we will have someone respond.

During a storm hazard responders are the first employees on the scene. The hazard responders will identify the cause of the outage and what equipment will be needed to make permanent repairs. If there is an immediate safety concern they will use hazard tape and cones to keep people away and a line crew will be dispatched to the scene. While we want to get the lights on, our primary goal is public safety. As the line crew clears hazards they will restore as many customers as possible by closing disconnects or replacing fuses. BUT they don't stop to make all of the repairs. They do what is called Make Safe. They cut lines where it presents a safety hazard and then run to the next safety emergency. They don't take the time to restore all customers. We need to get to the next hazard emergency.

Where there are down trees and limbs, our forestry department will have the first crews on the scene. As the tree crews clear an area they advise the dispatcher that any tree issues are resolved.

Our next step is to restore our Critical Customers. As we get most of the safety hazards cleared line crews can now be assigned repair orders. We focus our repairs on our critical customers first. Our list of critical customers includes hospitals, police & fire departments, water and sewerage plants, correctional institutions and media customers. These customers provide vital services during and after a storm. Each of these facilities are identified in our emergency plan database along with county and local emergency management coordinators. Our power on system processes all of our repair orders. It is our electronic outage management system. It generates the prioritized list of every crew

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assignment and their status. We repair Transmission and Substation equipment next since those repairs restore the largest number of customers. Lastly we repair our distribution system until every single customer is restored.

Severe weather has had a significant impact on JCP&L's customers over the last few months. On Wednesday February 10 an intense wind and snow storm hit the area with 40 mph wind gusts and 18 plus inches of snow. Over 80,000 customers experienced an outage. Customers were restored by Saturday February 13. Next on March 13 a wind and rain event impacted our area. Over 183,000 customers experienced an outage. Wind gusts of over 65 mph were reported. JCP&L had over 2,800 hazard calls, 1,000 forestry calls, and over 400 individual services down. JCP&L had 120 broken poles that needed to be replaced. 103 FirstEnergy crews from as far away as Ohio were brought in to assist in the restoration. Over 200 tree crews were brought in to clear up down trees. Our customers were restored by Thursday March 18.

PICTURES – attached.

At Jersey Central Power & Light we continually evaluate our system for performance. Poorly performing circuits are identified, engineering assessments made and corrective actions taken. In addition to these assessments we trim trees yearly on our transmission system and every 4 years on our distribution system. Sub stations are inspected monthly and all capacitors are maintained yearly.

What reliability improvements have we made in Millstone over the last 3 years. We have installed 2 more re-closers. Re-closers de-energize a line during a transient fault and reenergize the line automatically if the fault clears. There are currently 20 re-closers operating on Millstone circuits. At our substations we have installed adaptive relays. These devices react faster than fuses on the circuit and are another way of clearing transient faults. Therefore you may see more momentary faults instead of longer sustained outages. Our crews are currently working on a reliability package to install additional fusing, and additional animal guards. We perform spot tree clearing where a tree hazard has been identified. In late 2007 we installed just over 1 mile of new wire on Conover Rd to provide electricity to your Middle School. Also, we are going to be upgrading over 1 mile of wire on Paint Island Spring Rd during 2010.

Jim Arnet is the engineer who has the responsibility to develop reliability packages. Bill Harrington is the crew supervisor responsible for line work in Millstone.

When I was here just over 3 years ago, I mentioned JCP&L was looking to site a substation in the Millstone area. I even discussed acquiring a piece of property with your Administrator. Ultimately this new sub-station was located on Route 33 in Manalapan Township. The reason the sub was sited at this location is because of a new development called Four Seasons. This development, when completed will have 900 units. However this new substation did benefit Millstone Township. Electrical load was transferred off of Applegarth and Millhurst substations to meet the electrical demands of Millstone.

At Jersey Central Power & Light we take great pride in the relationships and partnerships we've fostered for the betterment of the communities where we live and do business. I want to assure all of you that I will continue to communicate and be involved. With me tonight is Rich Blashfield general supervisor reliability and asset management and Bob Brandeberry manager of the Freehold line shop. We will be glad to answer any questions you may have.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter received from State of New Jersey, Division of Public Contracts advising Millstone Township that an Affirmative Action investigator conducted a public agency review on April 6, 2010, to determine if Millstone has been complying with the mandates of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. The results indicate that Millstone is in compliance.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 10-07

SECOND READING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER V (FEES), SECTION 5-9 FEES FOR CHAPTER IX: ANIMAL CONTROL, SUB-SECTION 9-1.2b DOG LICENSE OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLSTONE, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: This Ordinance amends the dog license late fee.

Affidavit of publication presented.

Mayor Grbelja opens the public hearing at 8:44 p.m.

No Public Comment

Mayor Grbelja closes the public hearing at 8:44 p.m.

Motion to adopt on second reading, Moved C/Kuczinski, Second C/Masci.

Committee Discussion: None

VOTE:

AYES: C/Masci, C/Dorfman, C/Kinsey, C/Kuczinski, M/Grbelja

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

ORDINANCE 10-08

SECOND READING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER III (POLICE REGULATIONS), SECTION 3-9 (PEACE AND GOOD ORDER) BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION 3-9.9 (FIGHTING OR OTHER BRAWLING) OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLSTONE, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: This Ordinance hereby adds fighting or other brawling in the Township to be deemed a disorderly persons offense.

Affidavit of publication presented.

Mayor Grbelja opens the public hearing at 8:45 p.m.

No Public Comment

Mayor Grbelja closes the public hearing at 8:45 p.m.

Motion to adopt on second reading, Moved C/Masci, Second C/Kinsey.

Committee Discussion: None

VOTE:

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AYES: C/Masci, C/Dorfman, C/Kinsey, C/Kuczinski, M/Grbelja
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

ORDINANCE 10-09

SECOND READING ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER V, (FEES), SECTION 5-2 (FEES FOR CHAPTER II: ADMINISTRATION), SUB-SECTION B; OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLSTONE, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: This Ordinance adds the fee for certified copies of civil union certificates and for additional copies of birth certificates, marriage certificates, death certificates, domestic partnership certificates and civil union certificates.

Affidavit of publication presented.

Mayor Grbelja opens the public hearing at 8:49 p.m.
No Public Comment
Mayor Grbelja closes the public hearing at 8:49 p.m.

Motion to adopt on second reading, Moved C/Kuczinski, Second C/Masci.
Committee Discussion: None

VOTE:
AYES: C/Masci, C/Dorfman, C/Kinsey, C/Kuczinski, M/Grbelja
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

ORDINANCE 10-12

FIRST READING ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER XXXV (LAND USE), ARTICLE II (DEFINITIONS), SECTION 2-2 (SPECIFIC DEFINITIONS); ARTICLE IV (REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL ZONING DISTRICTS), SECTION 4-7 (PRESERVATION OF NATURAL FEATURES), SUBSECTION 4-7.3 (NATURAL FEATURES TO BE RETAINED; EXCEPTIONS); ARTICLE IX (DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS), SCHEDULE 4 (DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED), SUBSECTION IV(PROJECT USE), AND SUBSECTION V(CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING THE NEED FOR A STATEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND ASSESSMENT (SEIA) TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION; APPENDIX A (COMPLETENESS CHECKLIST) (SUBSECTION 9-3.4); ARTICLE V (ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS), SECTION 5-6A (RU-P PRESERVATION ZONE), SUBSECTION 5-6A.6 (FARMLAND/OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION CLUSTERS IN THE RU-P DISTRICT); ARTICLE V (ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS), SECTION 5-6B (RU-C RURAL CONSERVATION ZONE), SUBSECTION 5-6B.6 (FARMLAND/OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION CLUSTERS IN THE RU-C DISTRICT); ARTICLE IX (DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS), SECTION 9-3 (STATEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND ASSESSMENT STATEMENT); ARTICLE XI, DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS), SECTION 11-13 (EASEMENTS AND WILDLIFE

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CORRIDORS); ARTICLE XI, DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS), SECTION 11-24 (STEEP SLOPE BUFFER REQUIREMENTS); ARTICLE XI, DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS), BY CREATING SECTION 11-33 (THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES) OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MILLSTONE, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: This Ordinance (1) adds endangered species, suitable habitat and threatened species to Section 2-2, Specific Definitions, of the Land Use Ordinances; (2) includes endangered or threatened species as a natural feature to be retained in the Preservation of Natural Features section of the Township's Land Use Ordinances; (3) adds additional criteria to be included in the Land Use Development Application of the Development Regulations, Section IV, Project Use and Section V, Criteria for Determining the Need for a Statement of Environmental Impact and Assessment (SEIA); (4) adds additional criteria to be included in Appendix A (Subsection 9-3.4), Completeness Checklist, Statement of Environmental Impact and Assessment (SEIA) regarding threatened and endangered species; (5) includes endangered or threatened species habitat to be preserved in the RU-P zoning district and in the Design Provision for Farmland/Open Space Conservation Clusters; (6) includes endangered or threatened species habitat to be preserved in the RU-C zoning district and in the Design Provision for Farmland/Open Space Conservation Clusters within that zone; (7) amends the requirements/conditions of a Statement of Environmental Impact and Assessment Statement to include endangered and threatened species/habitat for development applications; (8) amends the requirements regarding easement and wildlife corridors located in various types of easements located within the Township and further provides certain prohibited activities within the various easements. It further requires that an Easement Use Permit must be obtained for any proposed activity in any easement; (9) deletes the condition that major subdivision applications comply with steep slope buffer requirements thereby making any property subject to the requirements set forth in the section in regard to steep slope buffer requirements; (10) creates a Threatened and Endangered Species Ordinance, within the Township's Land Use and Development Regulations.

Motion to adopt on first reading and authorize publication of same,

Moved C/Dorfman, Second C/Masci.

Committee Discussion: M/Grbelja states that this ordinance helps preserve the quality of life we enjoy and helps us to remain rural as we can and includes animals and plants as Threatened and Endangered Species. Lisa Spaziano from our Engineering firm, Avakian has done a great job along with our Environmental Commission putting together this ordinance which will help preserve Millstone. C/Masci states that he has served as liaison to the Environmental Commission and everyone worked very hard on this ordinance. Matt Shafai and Lisa Spaziano did a great job. Other towns will be looking to us and Millstone will be the model.

VOTE:

AYES: C/Dorfman, C/Kinsey, C/Kuczinski, C/Masci, M/Grbelja

NAYS: None

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ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Second reading and Public Hearing to be held on May 19, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. at the Millstone Township Meeting Room, 215 Millstone Road, Perrineville, New Jersey.

RESOLUTIONS: CONSENT RESOLUTION POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARD.
ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER ITEM “CONSENT AGENDA” ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE (1) MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS, IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED OF ANY ITEM, THAT ITEM WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- 10-88 Payment of vouchers.
- 10-89 Resolution appointing Coordinator to Office of Emergency Management.
- 10-90 Resolution declaring 215 Millstone Road 2nd. floor as official headquarters to the Office of Emergency Management.
- 10-91 Resolution endorsing the submission of the Recycling Tonnage grant Application for the calendar year 2009 to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.
- 10-92 Resolution to adopt Temporary Emergency Appropriations #5

Motion to adopt, Moved C/Kinsey, Second C/Kuczinski.

Committee Discussion: None

VOTE:

AYES: C/Kinsey, C/Kuczinski, C/Masci, C/Dorfman, M/Grbelja

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

REPORTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS FOR MARCH 2010:

Tax Collector	\$ 515,561.20
Clerks report	\$ 1,101.50
Dog License	\$ 990.40
Recreation	\$ 30,015.00
Building Department	\$ 19,967.00
COAH	\$ 4,418.00
Municipal Court	\$ 41,744.00
March Interest Revenue	
Zoning/Code Enforcement	

Motion to file, Moved C/Kuczinski, Second C/Dorfman. ©

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PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Grbelja opens the meeting to the public at 9:00 p.m.

1. Joel Heller – Scotto Farm Lane – asks the process for the defeated school budget. C/Masci explains the process -the School Board gets to the Clerk within 48 hours a copy of the budget. In the past we have formed a sub-committee, we review, we meet with the Board of Education, we recommended various cuts and then the Board of Education decides where they want to make the cuts they can appeal to the County Commissioner of Education. By May 19, 2010 a municipal resolution must be submitted to the County Commissioner of Education. Last year budget cuts were recommended and a great deal of time was put into reviewing the budget. M/Grbelja states we try to rely on the information that is given to us, we try to identify cuts, we hear from the public that they have voted the budget down and want us to make cuts. The Board of Education always has the option to go right to the County Commissioner of Education, they have not exercised that option. C/Kinsey states it is hard to analyze the actual against the budget, we made cuts and for the first time I heard a few days ago.... We need trending analysis and unless you ask for the sub information you don't receive it. It takes a lot of time to take apart and put back together. Cuts in State Aid were larger than anyone expected the game changed a few weeks ago, it's a change for all of us. M/Grbelja states that many budgets failed, we are dealing with issues today that is different than 5 or 10 years ago, unemployment is at 10%, the governor is asking people to be creative, there are changes in the pension system. C/Kuczinski states the President of the Board of Education presented the budget to the committee and showed how good they do with the dollars they have and painted a pretty picture on how well we are doing.
2. Sharon Peake – Battleground Road - states that she has gone through the Millstone Township schools and is very involved in the town and states if the budgets keep failing and we keep taking away from the schools it's no longer going to be a desirable place to live. I'm scared for my kids.
3. Beth – Rue Court – states she is also here to support the kids and has been to the Board of Education meetings trying to understand what is going on and thinks people are upset they are losing jobs and the budget has failed for many reasons.
4. Joseph Mannino – Backbone Hill Road – states he is a bus driver for the Board of Education – and asks that the Committee consider them when making decision on the budget.

Mayor Grbelja closes the meeting to the public at 9:27 p.m.

Motion to adjourn, Moved C/Kuczinski, Second C/Kinsey. © Time Out 9:30 p.m.

Tapes of the meeting are available in the Municipal Clerks Office.

April 21, 2010 minutes approved at a Township Committee meeting held on May 19, 2010.

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Maria Dellasala, RMC
Township of Millstone