

**MINUTES OF  
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
SPECIAL AND WORKSESSION MEETING  
JANUARY 12, 2015**

The Worksession Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President Diehl, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Councilmembers Diehl, Gomez, Karabinchak, Lombardi, Mascola Prasad and Shah.

Also present were Acting Township Clerk Russomanno, Deputy Township Clerk Kenny, Township Attorney McManimon, Bond Counsel Jessup, Business Administrator Ruane, Recreation Director Halliwell, Public Works Director Roderman, Health Director Elliot, Fire Chief Latham, Police Captain Kelly and Cameraman Cologna.

The Clerk advised that adequate notice of this meeting as required by the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, has been provided by an Annual Notice sent to The Home News and Tribune, The Star Ledger and the Sentinel on December 11, 2014 and posted in the Main Lobby of the Municipal Complex on the same date. And an Additional notice was sent on January 8, 2015 combining a special meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:  
PROPOSED ORDINANCES PUBLIC HEARING SET DOWN FOR  
JANUARY 28, 2015.**

The following Ordinance was introduced by title:

O.1894-2015

**A REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR  
PAYMENT OF AMOUNTS OWING TO OTHERS FOR TAXES LEVIED  
IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON, IN THE COUNTY OF  
MIDDELSEX, NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$12,175,000  
THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSURANCE OF \$12,175,000  
BONDS OR**

On a motion made by Councilmember Lombardi, seconded by Councilmember Karabinchak, this Ordinance was passed on first reading and ordered published according to law for further consideration and Public Hearing at the next Regular Meeting of the Township Council to be held on January 28, 2015.

AYES - Councilmembers Gomez, Karabinchak, Lombardi, Mascola, Prasad, Shah, and Council President Diehl.

NAYS - None

Council President Diehl opened the meeting for comments from the public.

Bob Spiegel, 206 Tyler Road, asked if it is permissible to distribute and drink alcohol publicly. He explained a Hash Run that occurred in the Dismal Swamp where individuals were so highly intoxicated that when they were asked to leave the property they couldn't even understand what was being said. He said instead of water stations there were liquor stations and he wanted to know if this is legal.

Mr. McManimon said he would look into it.

Council President Diehl said he never heard of this before. He felt we will have to research this to see what the violations might be and if this is legal.

Hearing no further comments, this public hearing was closed, on a motion made by Councilmember Gomez, seconded by Councilmember Karabinchak, with all in favor.

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. through d. Accepted as submitted

**7. REPORTS FROM ALL COUNCIL COMMITTEES:**

None

**8. POINTS OF LIGHT**

None

**9. FROM THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:**

a. and b. No comments were made.

c. Councilmember Lombardi asked for an explanation.

Ms. Ruane said this is done every year.

d. This Resolution was added at the meeting allowing the Business Administrator to execute applications for treatment works approvals.

**10. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE:**

a. through i. No comments were made.

**11. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH:**

a. through e. No comments were made.

**12. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENGINEERING:**

a. No comment was made.

**13. FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:**

a. through c. No comments were made.

**14. FROM THE CHIEF OF FIRE:**

a. No comment was made.

**15. FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE:**

a. Council President Diehl asked how quickly these cameras will be placed in the cars.

Captain Kelly said once they are received it only takes a day or two for installation and it is done here.

**16. FROM THE TOWNSHIP CLERK:**

a. No comment was made.

**17. FROM THE COUNCIL MEMBER TO THE PLANNING BOARD:**

Councilmember Mascola said the next meeting will be January 21<sup>st</sup>.

**18.. COMMUNICATIONS:**

a. Received as submitted

**19. DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Council President Diehl:**

a. He said he would appreciate it if all Councilmembers send him their list of what committees they would like to be on this year by the end of the week.

**Councilmember Gomez:**

None

**Councilmember Karabinchak:**

None

**Councilmember Lombardi:**

None

**Councilmember Mascola:**

None

**Councilmember Prasad**

None

**Councilmember Shah:**

None

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Councilmember Mascola, seconded by Councilmember Prasad, with all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

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Robert Diehl  
Council President

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Cheryl Russomanno  
Acting Municipal Clerk