

TOWNSHIP OF MILLSTONE
Meeting Room
215 Millstone Road
Millstone Township, NJ 08535

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR
JUNE 1, 2016 @ 8:00 PM**

Deputy Mayor Kuczinski calls the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Kinsey - absent, Committeeman Dorfman –present, Committeewoman Grbelja - present, Committeeman Kuczinski – present, Committeeman Masci – present. Also in attendance – Attorney – Duane Davison and Deputy Municipal Clerk – Kathleen Hart.

Kathleen Hart, Deputy Municipal Clerk, reads the Statement of Notice as required by P.L. 1975, C231.

I HEREBY ANNOUNCE THAT PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT, ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN THE ANNUAL NOTICE OF MEETINGS WHICH WAS MAILED 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 DECEMBER 17, 2015.

Kathleen Hart, Deputy Municipal Clerk, reads Resolution 16-113 Authorizing the Holding of an Executive Session at Which the Public Shall be Excluded.

C/Grbelja offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption, which was second by **C/Dorfman**.

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:

1. The public shall be excluded for the discussion of any action upon the here in after specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - Contracts

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

3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ROLL CALL:

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

Executive session began: 7:31 p.m.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session moved C/Grbelja, Second C/Masci. ©

Time Out: 8:14 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Kuczinski calls the regular meeting to order at 8:16 p.m. followed by a flag salute and a moment of silence.

Kathleen Hart, Deputy Municipal Clerk reads the following:

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.

16-114 Payment of Vouchers

16-115 Resolution Authorizing Reduction of Performance Guarantees for Laurel Ridge - Riverbrook Estates, Site Plan No. P03-24 (Bloc 23, Lot 25)

16-116 Resolution Supporting Senate Bill S-2254 and Assembly Bill A-3821 Which Affirms the Legislative Intent of the Fair Housing Act

Motion to adopt/table, Moved C/Grbelja, Second C/Dorfman

No Committee Discussion

ROLL CALL:

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

APPLICATION FOR RAFFLE LICENSE:

1. Millstone Township Elks #2613, Year Round Pull Tab Tickets from 7/1/16 - 6/30/17

Motion to approve, Moved C/Dorfman, Second C/Grbelja ©

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS:

Committeewoman Grbelja stated that the Thomas Baird Homestead is hosting an Educational Program with the Millstone Township Middle School for History and Science. They are having approximately 146 children on Friday, June 3, 2016. Rain Date: June 6, 2016. Will have a lot of activities and everyone is excited about this event. Committeeman Masci stated that this will be a great learning experience for these children and to see what "rich people" lived liked back in the day. If you owned this home, you were really well off!

Committeewoman Grbelja stated that on June 12th the Clam Bake at Wagner Farm Park will be held and tickets are still available.

Deputy Mayor Kuczinski stated that the Memorial Day Parade was cancelled due to potential inclement weather that ended up not hitting us that morning. Possibly looking at July 4th for a reschedule date, but nothing confirmed. Keep checking the website.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Deputy Mayor Kuczinski opens the meeting to the public at 8:21 p.m.

Ramon Recalde of 45 Robbins Road South, discussed the lawsuit that Upper Freehold Township has brought against Millstone Township school system regarding the send/receive with Red Bank Regional.

- There are a lot of big issues between the two districts and communication has broken down.
- They are using tax dollars to pay for an attorney at \$335 per hour for this lawsuit. he leadership of the Millstone Township Board of Education is behaving like children.
- Don't believe everything you hear and it's always good to hear both sides. Their relationship has always been good in the past but the two Superintendents don't even speak to each other.
- Will affect the taxes in this town.
- Will always defend the interest of the children.
- None of this would of happened if we had different leadership that could talk to each other.
- Concerned citizen and wants to inform the Committee
- This is only the beginning.

Township Attorney Duane Davison spoke:

- The board is an independent agency.
- The residents of the town get to vote for the board and if you think the board is doing a bad job, the time to reckoning is at election time
- This body cannot do anything about this.

Committeeman Masci spoke:

- We have a representative on the School Board of Upper Freehold.
- There is a clear separation of power between the school and Township.
- Respect Mr. Recalde's compassion towards this issue.

- Is the Liaison and has regular meetings with Scott Feder. However, this has nothing to do with the Township Committee.
- Lawsuit will play out in court and hopes this will lead to a better relationship between the two school districts.
- Been sending students to other schools for years.
- It's coming down to money!

Committeewoman Grbelja spoke:

- The Middle School can be converted into a high school very easily.
- Reason this is happening is that we are getting closer to the 50% mark at Upper Freehold. Once we go below 50% we have no send/receive relationship with Upper Freehold. This jeopardizes Upper Freehold
- Should be able to send our students to where ever they want.
- A lot of the cost of Upper Freehold have been dumped on Millstone Township with very little input.
- Would rather have the money spent on education, school programs and not on litigation.

The Township Committee thanked Ramone for coming out.

Deputy Mayor Kuczinski closes the meeting to the public at 8:35 p.m.

Committeeman Masci acknowledged a member of the audience and who is a student from Millstone and asked what project she was working on. She said she is reporting on her journalism class and was not aware of all this going on between the two schools. Committeeman Masci asked if she understood that there is a clear separation between local government and the school district. Committeeman Dorfman stated that we have no more influence on the school board than the registered voters of this town. Deputy Mayor Kuczinski stated that per our Township attorney's point earlier, you need to voice your opinion through voting and if you are not happy with how the school system is working you need to get out and vote for the right people to get in and make a change.

Primary Election is June 7th from 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn, Moved C/Grbelja, Second C/Masci. © Time Out 8:37 p.m.

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

June 1, 2016 minutes approved at a Township Committee meeting held on July 20, 2016.

Kathleen Hart, RMC
Deputy Municipal Clerk
Millstone Township