**VOORHEES TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2018**

**REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Friedman, Mr. Platt , Mr. Ravitz, Ms. Nocito (By telephone at 8:01PM), Mayor Mignogna

**SUNSHINE STATEMENT**

Mr. Long stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” and has been published as required in the Courier Post and Inquirer Newspapers.

**SECOND READING ON ORDINANCE**

AMENDMENT TO THE 2018 VOORHEES TOWNSHIP SCHEDULE OF FEES

MOTION TO CLOSE MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. FRIEDMAN

THE PUBLIC PORTION: MR. PLATT SECONDED: MR. PLATT

SECONDED: MR. FREIDMAN ROLL CALL: FRIEDMAN -Y PLATT - Y

AYES: FOUR RAVITZ - Y NOCITO - ABSENT

NAYS: NONE MIGNOGNA - Y

**SECOND READING ON ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE III, CHAPTER 32.140, ENTITLED, BOARD OF HEALTH TO INCLUDE THE ADOPTION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NUISANCE CODE (1953)

MOTION TO CLOSE MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. PLATT

THE PUBLIC PORTION: MR. PLATT SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN ROLL CALL: FRIEDMAN -Y PLATT -Y

AYES: ALL RAVITZ -Y NOCITO -Y

NAYS: NONE MIGNOGNA -Y

**FIRST READING ON ORDINANCE**

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 34A OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES ENTITLED “BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT"

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

**FIRST READING ON ORDINANCE**

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

MOTION TO CLOSE

THE PUBLIC PORTION: MR. FRIEDMAN

SECONDED: MR. PLATT

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

**PUBLIC COMMENT FOR RESOLUTIONS ONLY**

MOTION TO CLOSE

PUBLIC PORTION: MR. PLATT AYES: ALL

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 87-18 APPROVING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM THE

 MEETINGS OF MARCH 12, 2018 AND MARCH 19, 2018

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: 4

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: MR. RAVITZ

RESOLUTION NO. 88-18 TAX COLLECTOR

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 89-18 APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS BETWEEN 2017

 APPROPRIATION RESERVES (#1)

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 90-18 APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 2017 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY PROJECT

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 91-18 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A “REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS” FOR QUALIFIED REAL ESTATE BROKER SERVICES FOR THE SALE OF CERTAIN ABANDONED, OWNED AND/OR FORECLOSED PROPERTIES, NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 92-18 AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES PLANNING BOARD TO UNDERTAKE A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PROPOSED STUDY AREA WHICH INCLUDES BLOCK 197, LOTS 4, 4.01, 4.02, 5 AND 11 IS TO BE DELINEATED AS AN AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW (N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ)

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 93-18 AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ESCROW AGREEMENT WITH SUBASH AND SANGEETA RASHATWAR (“RASHATWAR”)

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 94-18 AUTHORIZING THE VOORHEES TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD TO CONSIDER THE INCLUSION OF LOTS 10 & 12 OF BLOCK 228 INTO THE GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN, PURSUANT TO SECTION 152.103 OF THE VOORHEES TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 95-18 AUTHORIZING STUART A. PLATT, ESQUIRE OF THE LAW FIRM OF PLATT & RISO, P.C., TOWNSHIP SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT MATTERS TO REPRESENT THE INTERESTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VOORHEES AND DEE OBER, IN HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS MUNICIPAL CLERK AND RECORDS CUSTODIAN OF VOORHEES TOWNSHIP IN PENDING LITIGATION

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 96-18 APPROVING THE PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT OF REBECCA KEANE AS HOUSING/ZONING INSPECTOR TRAINEE

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 97-18 AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF K-9 BRUTUS FROM POLICE OFFICER TOM BORDI TO THE VOORHEES TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 98-18 APPROVING A MAINTENANCE GUARANTY TRANSFER FOR GIANT FITNESS, BLOCK 150.05; LOT 2

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL FROM MARCH 5, 2018

MUNICIPAL COURT REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2018

REGISTRAR’S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2018

TREASURER’S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2018

BILLS POSTED FOR MARCH 26, 2018

MOTION TO APPROVE: MR. RAVITZ

SECONDED: MR. PLATT

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nick Viola,

20 Fir Lane

Voorhees, NJ 08043

Nick Viola spoke to represent the VBA Board, whose members were also in attendance at the Township Meeting. Mr. Viola updated the Voorhees Township Committee on the recent happenings of the VBA. There have been struggles with finding the facilities to accommodate the amount of children who would like to participate in the programs. They have even had to turn children away. Other challenges the VBA has faced is trying to allow each team to have practice every week, due to poor facilities not everyone can be accommodated. Mr. Viola stated that the organization pays fees to the Schools to allow them to use their courts and would like to see some of those funds used for the benefit of the organization. Mr. Viola requested for the Township Committee to invest funds in a new court, as other sports teams in Voorhees have also recently had upgrades to their facilities.

Mayor Mignogna

Mayor Mignogna acknowledged that this is a wonderful idea. The Mayor extended an invitation to Mr. Viola to attend a work session meeting to further discuss the proposal. Mayor Mignogna thanked Mr. Viola for all he does for the children of Voorhees Township.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT: MR. PLATT

SECONDED: MR. FRIEDMAN

AYES: ALL

NAYS: NONE

ADJOURNMENT