

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – MARCH 9, 2015

The SPECIAL meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Lower, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey was held on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Township Hall, 2600 Bayshore Road, Villas, New Jersey.

The Clerk announced that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and that adequate notice of the meeting had been provided according to law.

The following members of Council were present for roll call taken by the Clerk:

Councilmember Thomas Conrad
Councilmember David Perry
Councilmember Erik Simonsen
Deputy Mayor Clark
Mayor Michael Beck

Also present: James Ridgway, Township Manager, David Stefankiewicz, Township Solicitor and Karen Fournier, Clerk's Office

Closed Session

Res. #2015- 90

Resolution Providing for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 **PERSONNEL ISSUES**

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CONRAD	X		X			
PERRY			X			
SIMONSEN		X	X			
CLARK			X			
BECK			X			

Council Adjourned to executive session at 4:02 p.m.

Council returned to open session at 5:05 p.m.

Regular Agenda

Res. #2015-91

Resolution Authorizing Indemnification and Defense of a Lower Township Employee in Accordance with Chapter 25 of the Code of the Township of Lower

Ed Butler, Villas, addressed Council to ask why a special meeting was needed for this resolution. Solicitor Stefankiewicz explained the employment relationship and possible litigation. Mayor Beck added that a closed session was not scheduled at the last meeting.

Gary Douglass, President of the Lower Township Supervisor's Union, pointed out a clause in the Supervisor's Union Contract that provides legal defense for any employee sued in their official capacity for any legal act within their authority as a Township employee. He asked that Council consider this upon voting.

	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CONRAD		X	X			
PERRY			X			
SIMONSEN	X		X			
CLARK			X			
BECK			X			

Call to Public

Adjournment

There being no further business to address, motion to adjourn moved by Councilmember Conrad, seconded by Councilmember Simonsen. Motion to adjourn unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.



Mayor



Township Clerk

Approved: *March 16, 2015*