# BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER CAUCUS MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2016, 7:00 PM

Mayor Oscar Cradle opened the meeting with a Moment of Silence, followed with the Flag Salute.

The Municipal Clerk read the following State of Public Notice:

This meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. Notice of this meeting was sent to the Asbury Park Press and published on January 1, 2016; in addition a copy of notice is posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.

## **ROLL CALL:**

	Gleason	Rolzhausen	Mosley	Murray	McCormack	Ross	Cradle
Present							
Absent							

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Cradle, Council President Mosley and Councilman Ross each spoke to those in attendance; thanked them for their work in the classroom, in addition to thanking and encouraging the parents for their dedication to their children. Certificates were distributed to those Students in attendance for Students of the Month

Recess:Rolzhausen; Second:McCormack and full Council consent.

Motion to enter back into Public Comment: McCormack; Seconded by Murray and full Council consent. Presentation: Commercial Utility Consultants and Concord Energy Services.

Stacia M. Scaduto, LEED GA, Business Development Consultant from Commercial Utility Consultants, Inc. spoke on energy deregulation, the process for the Borough, potential savings in the process, and the process in which residents can choose not to participate if they are so inclined.

Councilman Rolzhausen stated that he was aware of this type of program, however was concerned over residents not being informed enough of the program, in addition to residents not saving money and being unable to opt out of the program.

Ms. Scaduto stated that there is no risk from the Borough or resident side. Commercial Utility Consultants would act as the consultant after passage of an ordinance, and proceed to have a public bid on utility rates for the residents of the Borough. She further stated that if the rates come back to be higher than JCP&L, then the process would end, and there would be no change in provider. The Borough would only proceed if there was savings. Moreover, if the rates increased at any point, the Commercial Utility Consultants would then negotiate for a lower rate.

Councilman Murray stated that he is aware of the program being an employee of JCP&L, however is not aware of Commercial Utility Consultants.

Ms. Scaduto stated they have been in business for approximately forty years.

Mayor Steven Reid of Point Pleasant stated in support of the Commercial Utility Consultants, and how they introduced the program, saving the residents over \$100,000.

Anna Polozzo, 12 Citadel, stated that she was concerned over the opt-out of the program, and asked that if the program was to go into implementation, then a robocall should go out to residents.

Ms. Scaduto stated that the consultants handle all of the outreach to the community to ensure the residents are aware of the program, its benefits, and the way to opt-out if anyone so chooses.

Seeing no other public comments, Councilman Murray motioned to close Public Comment; seconded by Rolzhausen and full Council consent.

## **ORDINANCES**

Ordinance 10-16 Ordinance Establishing an Energy and Natural Gas Aggregation Program (First Reading)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason			X	
X		Rolzhausen	X			
		Mosley	X			
		Murray			X	
	Х	McCormack			х	
		Ross	X			

Mayor Cradle voted in favor of the Ordinance as the tie-breaking vote: Yea. Ordinance 10-16 was passed on First Reading.

Ordinance 7-16

Ordinance of the Municipal Council of the Borough of South Toms River, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Adopting the "Municipal Landfill Redevelopment Plan (MLF-RPA)" Pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A 40A:12A-1 et seq (First Reading - reintroduction)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		Gleason	X			
	X	Rolzhausen	X			
		Mosley	X			
		Murray		X		
		McCormack		X		
		Ross	X			

### RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2016-198 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE FURNISHING AND DELIVERY OF GASOLINE FUEL UNDER THE STAFFORD TOWNSHIP COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT (PRICING SYSTEM CONTRACT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ID #33-OCCPS)

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	X			
		Rolzhausen	X			
	X	Mosley	X			
		Murray	X			
X		McCormack	X			
		Ross	X			

Resolution 2016-199 Approving the purchase of OEM items in the amount of \$4,630.80

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		Gleason	X			
X		Rolzhausen	X			
		Mosley	X			
		Murray	X			
		McCormack	X			
	X	Ross	X			

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Cradle stated that this year's Tree Lighting ceremony will be on Monday December 12, 2016. The South Toms River Elementary School Choir will start a serenade at 6:30pm, with a special Christmas visitor and Fire Company visit at 7:00pm.

Councilman Murray stated that the Borough has a vacancy in a Police Officer position. He further stated that the Borough has two Class II, with three open spots for full-time Police Officers, and Chief Izatt has requested these spots be filled with current Class II Officers.

Councilman McCormack is asking for a budget increase in next year's budget for OEM in the amount of \$500. He further stated that there will be a training on June 25, 2017, and old generators currently being used by the Borough will be transferred from a lease to ownership.

Motion to Adjourn: Murray Seconded: McCormack

Adjournment at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,	
Municipal Clerk	Mayor Oscar Cradle