INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Workshop Meeting held at the Municipal Building, Great Meadows, NJ, October 2, 2018 7:00 PM

This is a Workshop meeting of the Township Committee of Independence Township, Warren County, New Jersey. This meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert Giordano at 7:00 pm with the following announcement: "Adequate notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by providing a schedule of regular meetings to the Star Gazette and The Express Times, posting a copy thereof on the Township bulletin board and filing a copy thereof in the office of the Municipal Clerk." The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by Mayor Giordano.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Robert Giordano, Tim Norton, Deputy Mayor Cougle, Mike Pennington, and Deborah Hrebenak.

Absent: Bonnie Kelsey

Consent Agenda:

Personnel Manual

Public Comment:

Mrs. Neuman discussed the water issue on Cemetery Road.

November meeting will be November 7, 2018 (Wednesday) due to league meeting. No workshop meeting in December.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The following Resolution was approved at 7:15 p.m. to enter Executive Session with a motion by Deputy Mayor Cougle, seconded by Mayor Giordano and followed by a unanimous roll call

WHEREAS: N.J.S. 2:4-12, Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Independence, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matters;

The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

Ligation

It is anticipated at this time that the above matter will be made public upon completion of the matter discussed.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Cougle at 7:36 p.m. to exit the executive session, seconded by Mr. Norton.

Ayes: Mr. Cougle, Mr. Norton, Mr. Pennington, and Mayor Giordano Nays: None recorded Abstain: None recorded Motion carries with four (4) affirmative votes

Mayor Giordano stated that the executive session was to discuss ligation and no action will be taken at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mr. Norton to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Deputy Mayor Cougle seconded the motion with roll call as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Norton, Deputy Mayor Cougle, Mr. Pennington and Mayor Giordano Nays: None recorded Abstain: None recorded

Motion carries with four (4) affirmative votes.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah M. Hrebenak, RMC Clerk/Administrator