

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE HELD ON
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2008, 7:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The May 20, 2008 Special Meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert E. Nace at 7:30 P.M., at the Lee's Hill Road School, Harding Township, New Vernon, New Jersey.

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ATTENDANCES

ELECTED OFFICERS

GOVERNING BODY

Mayor Robert E. Nace
Township Committee Member Ronald M. Goldberg
Township Committee Member Jeffrey R. Grayzel
Township Committee Member H. Scott Rosenbush
Township Committee Member Richard A. Watson

APPOINTED OFFICERS

John M. Mills, III, Township Attorney
Fred J. Rossi, Township Administrator

ALSO PRESENT

Thomas Kenny, Township of Morris Special Project Coordinator
Dave Hansen, Township of Morris Assistant Engineer

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Robert E. Nace.

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**PRESIDING OFFICER'S STATEMENT RE: ADEQUATE NOTICE - O.P.M.A. -
(RECORD INSERT)**

Mayor Nace issued the following statement of adequate notice:

"Adequate Notice" of this meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Morris, was given as required and defined by the Open Public Meetings Act, as follows:

Written Notice was sent via e-mail to the official newspapers, Daily Record and Morris News Bee, and to the additional newspaper, Star Ledger, by e-mail at least 48 hours prior to the date of this special meeting, and a copy of the Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building of the Township of Morris by the Township Clerk and a copy of the Notice was likewise filed in the Township Clerk's Office and copies of this Notice. I hereby hand to the John Mills, Esquire, Township of Morris Municipal Attorney, a copy of the Notice which was given as above set forth for appropriate retention in the Municipal Files".

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SPEAKER'S TIME LIMITATION

Mayor Nace announced that in order to give interested parties a fair chance to be heard, each speaker could comment for an unassignable period of five minutes before turning the microphone over to the next speaker, and that after each has had one turn, a person may be heard for an additional unassignable period of 5 minutes.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

NONE

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RESOLUTION

RE: AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCTING OF A "CLOSED MEETING" AS DEFINED IN THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT CONCERNING "LEGAL AND PERSONNEL MATTERS"

WHEREAS, this meeting is a duly and properly called meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Morris and adequate notice has been given as required by the "Open Public Meetings Act", and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary that this Governing Body consider matters involving "Legal and Personnel Matters", exceptions in the "Open Public Meetings Act", and which this Governing Body determines should be discussed at a "Closed Meeting".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Morris as follows:

That this body shall conduct a "Closed Meeting" concerning the above-expected matters, which are exceptions set forth in the said act, and upon which a public disclosure will be made as expeditiously as possible; said meeting to be held during a recess of this Special Meeting at the Lee's Hill Road School located in Haring Township, County of Morris, New Jersey.

ROLL CALL: MR. GOLDBERG YES MR. ROSENBUSH YES
MR. GRAYZEL YES MR. WATSON YES
MAYOR NACE YES

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OPEN ISSUES: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

The single issue raised in this joint public hearing before the Morris Township Committee and the Harding Township Committee was the use and annexation of fifteen (15) acres of land under contract to the Township of Morris by the owner SK Mount Kemble Associates.

Present for Harding Township Committee were:

Mayor Louis Lanzerotti
Mr. Marshall Bartlett
Mr. John Murray
Mr. James Rybka
Mr. Ned Ward

Mayor Lanzerotti set forth the ground rules for those members of the public wishing to speak and then turned the meeting over to Mayor Nace.

Mayor Nace presented a detailed power point presentation outlining the Township's proposed recreational uses for this land and the needs that this use would address.

PUBLIC COMMENT/INQUIRY

Mayor Nace, in accordance with standard procedure, opened the meeting for comments by the general public. The name, address and summary of comments and response, as appropriate, follows:

Several presenters outlining their reasons against the proposed use primarily because "there was no benefit to Harding." Objections were also raised as to lighting, public address, crowds, bleacher-style seating, noise, turf fields, traffic, and emergency response. Mr. Watson spoke to address the remarks of the public.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to be considered, the Special Meeting of the Township Committee, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously (5-0) adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M., next to convene at the 8:00 P.M., September 17, 2008, Regular Meeting, in the Municipal Building, 50 Woodland Avenue, Township of Morris.

Minutes submitted by: John M. Mills III