

# SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP

## Minutes

August 9, 2016

This meeting was opened and called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor George B. Harper, Jr. who stated this meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, having been duly advertised.

### Roll Call

The clerk was asked to call the roll. Present were: Committeewoman Kamala M. Hull, Deputy Mayor Fred MacDonald and Mayor George B. Harper, Jr.

Also in attendance: Stan Dutkus; Keith Utter; Ron Allhands; Tom & Nan Horsfield; Steve Williamson; Sharon Spangenberg; Gayle Hull

The Mayor Harper invited all to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** The Committee reviewed the regular meeting minutes of **July 12, 2016**. Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes for July 12, 2016, seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously carried.

**Tax Collector Report:** The Tax Collector Report was presented for the month of **July 2016** with total receipts Month-To-Date of \$393,294.63 and a Year-To-Date total of \$3,135,602.84. Mayor Harper made a motion to accept the Tax Collector's Report as submitted, seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report for the month of **July 2016** was presented with a beginning balance of \$1,194,594.35, total receipts of \$422,683.12 and total disbursements of \$241,899.65 leaving an ending balance of \$1,375,377.82. Mayor Harper read the following balances: General Capital Account \$59,931.01, Animal Control Escrow \$8,220.84, Public Assist Escrow \$3,537.67, Unemployment Escrow \$24,784.69, COAH Trust \$41,009.48, Security Asst. Fund \$18,599.03 and the Small Cities Master \$4,779.46. Mayor Harper made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously approved.

**Payment of Vouchers:** The bills list was submitted for approval in the amount of \$1,036,520.64. Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve the bills list, seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously approved.

**Departmental Reports:** The Committee reviewed the Departmental Reports. Mayor Harper noted the Zoning Official is working on the "Airbnb" issue.

### Old Business:

**Quotes: Generator Wiring (FEMA GRANT):** The Clerk noted she is still working on this matter.

### New Business:

**Green Acres: Deeds of Devita Road:** The Committee reviewed the correspondence from the Township Attorney and the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the issues with

the deeds for the properties on Devita Road. Mayor Harper explained the DEP wants Sandyston Township to have Quit Claim Deeds for each property owner on Devita Road to remove the maintenance clause from the deeds before the State will purchase the property; however, the State already has several properties on Devita Road with this maintenance clause in the deeds. Mayor Harper explained we are currently working to see what other options Sandyston Township has on the matter.

**In Rem: Professional Enterprise:** The Committee reviewed the letter between the Township Attorney and Kittatinny Lake Club, Inc., regarding Block 1801 Lot 19, which the property owner wishes to deed the property to the Township in lieu of In Rem Foreclosure. The Township Attorney awaits word from Kittatinny Lake Club, Inc., on how to proceed.

**Gypsy Moth Survey:** The Committee reviewed an Application for Survey of Gypsy Moth Egg Masses by the State of New Jersey, Department of Agriculture. Deputy Mayor MacDonald noted the survey does not cost Sandyston Township anything to do the survey. Mayor Harper made a motion to request the survey, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

**Use of Facility:**

- **Delaware Valley United Methodist Church, August 19 & August 20, 2016, Chicken Barbeque set up and BBQ:** The Committee reviewed the request to utilize the premises for the Chicken Barbeque. Mayor Harper made a motion to approve the use of the facility, pending receipt of corrected Certificate of Insurance, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.
- **Delaware Valley United Methodist Church, September 10, 2016, Use of Parking Lot for parking for Community Event (Rain Date: September 11, 2016):** The Committee reviewed the request to utilize the parking lot for their Community Day. Mayor Harper made a motion to approve the use of the facility, pending receipt of corrected Certificate of Insurance, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.
- **Delaware Valley United Methodist Church, November 9 – November 12, 2016 set up/clean-up for Holiday Craft Fair:** The Committee reviewed the request to utilize the premises for the Holiday Craft Fair. Mayor Harper made a motion to approve the use of the facility, pending receipt of proper Certificate of Insurance, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.
- **Sandyston Recreation: Friday, October 28, 2016 “Trunk of Treat”:** The Committee reviewed the request to utilize the premises for the Trunk or Treat. Mayor Harper made a motion to approve the use of the facility for this purpose, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.
- **Sandyston Recreation: Music & Movement, Wednesdays 9/14/2016 – December 14, 2016:** Mayor Harper made a motion to approve the use of the facility for this purpose, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried. The Clerk noted a Certificate of Insurance has been provided by Julie Trilling and has been approved by our insurance agent.

**Resolutions:**

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION  
R-46-2016  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF  
MUNICIPAL CERTIFICATE OF SALE**

**WHEREAS**, Certificate of Sale #2015-005 was issued to Sandyston Township, 133 Route 645, Sandyston, New Jersey, for delinquent taxes on Block 905 Lot 6, assessed to Ashwood Tavern, LLC, at the tax sale held on May 21, 2015; and,

**WHEREAS**, Della Arthur has redeemed Certificate #2015-005 by paying the full amount of the delinquency, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk of the Township of Sandyston are hereby authorized to endorse Certificate of Sale #2015-005 for cancellation.

The Committee reviewed **R-46-2016**. Mayor Harper made a motion to approve **R-46-2016**, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried. The Clerk noted this was a property currently in the "*IN REM*" and now has been redeemed.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION  
R-47-2016  
A RESOLUTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION R-43-2016 TO  
REDEEM TAX SALE CERTIFICATE 2014-002**

**WHEREAS**, Jessica M. Caruso, Tax Collector, did not receive \$15,017.47 from Richard Turner for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2014-002 on Block 503 Lot 17 which requested \$15,017.47 plus a premium in the amount of \$10,100.00 which was paid at the tax sale and the Township is holding for a total of \$25,117.47 be refunded to the lien holder, US Bank Cust for Actlien Holding Inc., 50 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey hereby rescinds **Resolution R-43-2016** which authorized the Tax Collector to refund \$15,017.47 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2014-002 plus a premium in the amount of \$10,100.00 which was paid at the tax sale for a total of \$25,117.47 on Block 503 Lot 17 to the lien holder, US Bank Cust for Actlien Holding Inc., 50 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, a new Resolution will be prepared by the Tax Collector upon receipt of necessary funds needed to redeem Tax Sale Certificate 2014-002 on Block 503 Lot 17 and presented to the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston for approval.

The Committee reviewed **R-47-2016**. Mayor Harper made a motion to approve **R-47-2016**, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP  
R-48-2016  
A RESOLUTION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON TO ENTER SHARED SERVICE  
AGREEMENT WITH THE SUSSEX COUNTY FOR ROAD SIGN MANUFACTURING SERVICES**

**WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON, 133 Route 645, Sandyston, NJ 07826** and the **COUNTY OF SUSSEX, One Spring Street, Newton, NJ 07860** desire to enter into this Shared Services Agreement for the services of Road Sign Manufacturing in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. and the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq. and

**WHEREAS**, this shared services agreement between the County of Sussex and the Township of Sandyston achieves economies and efficiencies; and

**WHEREAS**, said Shared Service Agreement shall be for a period of one year, beginning on or about **June 1, 2016** and terminating on **May 31, 2021**, unless terminated by either party for any reason as outlined in the shared service agreement; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston hereby agrees to enter into the shared service agreement for the services of Road Sign Manufacturing in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. and the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute said Shared Service Agreement on behalf of the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston. A copy of the Shared Service Agreement and this Resolution will be placed on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

The Committee reviewed **R-48-2016**. Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **R-48-2016**, seconded by Mayor Harper and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP**  
**R-49-2016**  
**A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CLEAN COMMUNITIES COORDINATOR**

**WHEREAS**, the Clean Communities Program was created in 1986 with funding from taxes levied on the sale of litter generating products. In 2002 the Clean Communities Fund was reauthorized; and

**WHEREAS**, municipalities and counties are encouraged to enlist the services of volunteer groups, community service and court run alternate sentencing programs to assist in locally sponsored cleanup programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Sandyston Township is in need of a Clean Communities Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sandyston Township Clean Communities Coordinator shall be paid out of the clean communities grant an administrative fee equal to 5% of the annual entitlement amount;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that Elizabeth Pinzone, be designated Clean Communities Coordinator for Sandyston Township beginning August 9, 2016.

The Committee reviewed **R-49-2016**. Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **R-49-2016**, seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP**  
**R-50-2016**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE**

**WHEREAS**, the Sandyston Township Committee has determined that the property described as a **1995 FORD F-350 4 X 4 POWERSTROKE DIESEL STANDARD SHIFT MASON DUMP TRUCK VIN#1FDKF38F9SNA36563 and 9 (NINE) FOOT FISCHER POWER ANGLE PLOW WITH 8 (EIGHT) FOOT WING PLOW ATTACHMENT** is no longer needed for public use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001, c.30) authorizes the sale of surplus personal property no longer needed for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

**WHEREAS**, Sandyston Township intends to utilize the online auction services of *Municibid* located at [www.municibid.com](http://www.municibid.com); and

WHEREAS, the sale is being conducted pursuant to the Division of Local Government Services' Local Finance Notice 2008-9,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that the Township is hereby authorized to sell the surplus personal property, a **1995 FORD F-350 4 X 4 POWERSTROKE DIESEL STANDARD SHIFT MASON DUMP TRUCK VIN#1FDKF38F9SNA36563 and 9 (NINE) FOOT FISCHER POWER ANGLE PLOW WITH 8 (EIGHT) FOOT WING PLOW ATTACHMENT** on an online auction website entitled [www.municibid.com](http://www.municibid.com); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the terms and conditions of the agreement entered into between Municibid and the Township of Sandyston are available at [www.municibid.com](http://www.municibid.com) and in the Sandyston Township Clerk's office at 133 Route 645, Sandyston, NJ 07827; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

The Committee reviewed **R-50-2016**. Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **R-50-2016**, seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP**

**R-51-2016**

**A RESOLUTION FOR A PLACE-TO-PLACE TRANSFER FOR EXTENSION OF PREMISES FOR A.G TAVERN LLC LICENSE #1917-33-005-006**

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a place-to-place transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License for A.G Tavern, LLC #1917-33-005-006, for the purpose of expanding the premises under license wherein the sale, service and storage of alcoholic beverages are authorized to include the basement, main floor and second floor; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston does hereby approve, effective August 9, 2016, the expansion of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption License for A.G Tavern, LLC #1917-33-005-006 located at 124 Route 560, Layton, Sandyston Township, Sussex County New Jersey to place under license the area delineated in the application form and the sketch of the licensed premises attached thereto.

The Committee reviewed **R-51-2016**. Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **R-51-2016**, seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP**

**R-52-2016**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF BITUMINOUS CONCRETE, AGGREGATES AND BROKEN STONE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON**

WHEREAS, the County of Sussex advertised for bids for bituminous concrete, aggregates and broken stone for the County of Sussex, Division of Public Works on April 22, 2016 and publicly received by the Sussex County Bid Proposal Committee on May 17, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the bidders have agreed to extend all bid prices to the date declared in the bid proposal to other municipalities and governmental entities in Sussex County; and

WHEREAS, the following vendors were awarded a contract for bituminous concrete, aggregates and broken stone with the County Contract Purchasing System and the vendors have extended their pricing to municipalities, thereby affording the Township of Sandyston the opportunity of direct purchase without competitive bidding:

To:  
**Beaver Run Farms**  
**300 Beaver Run Road**  
**Lafayette, NJ 07848**

	<u>Aggregates/Broken Stone</u>	<u>Bituminous Concrete</u>
DGA (5A)	\$10.00/ton	No Bid
3/8" Stone	\$12.00/ton	
3/4" Stone	\$12.00/ton	
1-1/2" Stone	\$12.00/ton	
2-1/2" Stone	\$12.00/ton	
4" - 6" Stone	\$12.00/ton	
12"- 24" Stone	\$20.00/ton	
24" +	\$20.00/ton	

To:  
**Braen Royalty, LLC**  
**217 Limecrest Road**  
**Lafayette, NJ 07848**

	<u>Aggregates/Broken Stone</u>	<u>Bituminous Concrete</u>
DGA (5A)	\$ 8.98/ton	No Bid
1/4" Stone	\$12.75/ton	
3/8" Stone	\$13.00/ton	
3/4" Stone	\$11.88/ton	
1-1/2" Stone	\$12.10/ton	
2-1/2" Stone	\$12.10/ton	
4"- 6" Stone	\$13.00/ton	
12"- 24" Stone	\$24.00/ton	
24" +	\$29.00/ton	
Mason Sand	\$18.00/ton	
Soil Aggregate	\$ 9.00/ton	

To:  
**Eastern Concrete**  
**250 Pehle Avenue**  
**Plaza One, Suite 503**  
**Saddlebrook, NJ 07663**

	<u>Aggregates/Broken Stone</u>	<u>Bituminous Concrete</u>
DGA (5A)	\$ 8.10/ton	No Bid
1/4" Stone	\$15.95/ton	
3/8" Stone	\$16.50/ton	
3/4" Stone	\$11.75/ton	
1-1/2" Stone	\$12.50/ton	
2-1/2" Stone	\$12.50/ton	
4"- 6" Stone	\$14.50/ton	
12"- 24" Stone	\$25.80/ton	
24" +	\$30.30/ton	
Mason Sand	\$29.00/ton	
Soil Aggregate	\$ 8.10/ton	

To:  
**Morris Asphalt Co**  
**P.O. Box 305**  
**Lafayette, NJ 07848**

	<u>Aggregates/Broken Stone</u>	<u>Bituminous Concrete</u>
	No Bid	Mix 1-2      \$ 52.00
		Mix 1-3      \$ 53.00
		Mix 1-4      \$ 54.00
		Mix 1-5      \$ 55.00
		Mix 1-6      \$ 65.00

To:  
 Tilcon New York Inc.  
 9 Entin Road  
 Parsippany, NJ 07054

<u>Aggregates/Broken Stone</u>		<u>Bituminous Concrete</u>	
DGA (5A)	\$11.49/ton	Mix 1-2	\$ 59.67
1/4" Stone	\$17.69/ton	Mix 1-3	\$ 60.17
3/8" Stone	\$17.19/ton	Mix 1-4	\$ 60.66
3/4" Stone	\$11.99/ton	Mix 1-5	\$ 60.66
1-1/2" Stone	\$11.99/ton	Mix 1-6	\$ 72.86
2-1/2" Stone	\$11.99/ton	Cold Patch	\$195.00
4"- 6" Stone	\$23.00/ton		
12"- 24" Stone	\$25.00/ton		
24" +	\$29.00/ton		
RCA	\$ 6.95/ton		
Asphalt Millings	\$ 6.95/ton		
Soil Aggregate	\$14.69/ton		

To:  
 Weldon Materials, Inc.  
 141 Central Avenue  
 Westfield, NJ 07090

<u>Aggregates/Broken Stone</u>		<u>Bituminous Concrete</u>	
DGA (5A)	\$ 9.50/ton	Mix 1-2	\$ 42.25
3/8" Stone	\$21.00/ton	Mix 1-3	\$ 43.25
3/4" Stone	\$13.00/ton	Mix 1-4	\$ 44.25
1-1/2" Stone	\$13.00/ton	Mix 1-5	\$ 45.25
2-1/2" Stone	\$13.00/ton	Mix 1-6	\$ 52.25
12"- 24" Stone	\$18.00/ton	Cold Patch **	\$150.00
RCA	\$ 6.00/ton		
Asphalt Millings	\$ 4.00/ton		
Mason Sand	\$27.50/ton	** Rockaway Plant Only	
Soil Aggregate	\$10.50/ton	Minimum 20 tons -	
		Maximum 500 tons	

The Committee reviewed R-52-2016. Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve R-52-2016, seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP**

**R-53-2016**

**RESOLUTION HEREBY ADOPTING THE SUSSEX COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN, AS SUBMITTED TO THE NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY ON MAY 31, 2016 BY THE SUSSEX COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AS AN OFFICIAL PLAN OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON**

**WHEREAS** the TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, has experienced natural hazards that result in public safety hazards and damage to private and public property;

**WHEREAS** the hazard mitigation planning process set forth by the State of New Jersey and the Federal Emergency Management Agency offers the opportunity to consider natural hazards and risks, and to identify mitigation actions to reduce future risk;

**WHEREAS** the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management is providing federal mitigation funds to support development of the mitigation plan;

**WHEREAS** a *Hazard Mitigation Plan* (HMP) has been developed by the Mitigation Steering and Planning Committees;

**WHEREAS** the *Hazard Mitigation Plan* includes a prioritized list of mitigation actions including activities that, over time, will help minimize and reduce safety threats and damage to private and public property, and

**WHEREAS** the draft plan was provided to each participating jurisdiction and was posted on the Sussex County website so as to introduce the planning concept and to solicit questions and comments; and to present the HMP and request comments, as required by law, and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE** of the **TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON**:

1. The *Sussex County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan*, as submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency on **May 31, 2016** by the Sussex County Sheriff's Office, Division of Emergency Management, is hereby adopted as an official plan of the **TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON**; minor revisions recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and/or the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management may be incorporated without further action.
2. The **TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON** departments identified in the HMP are hereby directed to pursue implementation of the recommended high priority activities that are assigned to their departments.
3. Any action proposed by the HMP shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion of the **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE** of the **TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON**, and this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any such appropriations.
4. The Sussex County Deputy OEM Coordinator is designated to coordinate with other offices and shall periodically report on the activities, accomplishments, and progress, and shall prepare an annual progress report to be submitted to the Sussex County Sheriff's Office, Division of Emergency Management. The status reports shall be submitted on a yearly basis by a predetermined date as agreed upon by all stakeholders.

**PASSED** by the **TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE** of the **TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON**, this 9th day of August, 2016.

Mayor Harper requested Stan Dutkus, Emergency Management Coordinator, came forward to discuss this matter. and stated this process began in October 2014 and will probably finish in October 2016. Mr. Dutkus stated it took a lot of time and energy with municipal employees to get this document finished and stated we are approved for what we submitted and this plan is good for five years. Mr. Dutkus stated with the items we have submitted for mitigation we are eligible for grants should they become available. Deputy Mayor MacDonald noted the amount of time that goes into preparing the document and thanked Mr. Dutkus for his time and help.

The Committee reviewed **R-53-2016**. Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **R-53-2016**, seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION**  
**R-54-2016**  
**A RESOLUTION TO REDEEM TAX SALE CERTIFICATE 2014-002**



**WHEREAS**, Jessica M. Caruso, Tax Collector, has received \$15,112.98 from Richard Turner for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2014-002 on Block 503 Lot 17 and is requesting that \$15,112.98 plus a premium in the amount of \$10,100.00 which was paid at the tax sale and the Township is holding for a total of \$25,212.98 be refunded to the lien holder, US Bank Cust for Actlien Holding Inc., 50 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey to authorize the Tax Collector to refund \$15,112.98 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2014-002 plus a premium in the amount of \$10,100.00 which was paid at the tax sale for a total of \$25,212.98 on Block 503 Lot 17 to the lien holder, US Bank Cust for Actlien Holding Inc., 50 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BET IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston does hereby approve purchases of bituminous concrete, aggregates and broken stone the through the County Contract Purchasing System and is effective from the date of contract award by the County of Sussex through May 31, 2017.

The Committee reviewed **R-54-2016**. Mayor Harper made a motion to approve **R-54-2016**, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

**Ordinances:**                **NONE**

**Correspondence:** The Committee reviewed the correspondence. Mayor Harper noted the meeting regarding the gas tax with Senator Oroho and stated as long as we take Federal grants you are bound by their guidelines.

Mayor Harper noted we are still working with the Board of Public Utilities and Centurylink regarding the removal of the trees on Maple Lane.

Mayor Harper discussed Tri-State Steel and the ongoing violation on that property with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), along with hefty fines. Mayor Harper stated we are looking to the DEP for guidance on the matter.

**Open Meeting To Floor:**

Mayor Harper made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

There being no member from the public who wished to make a public comment, Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to close the public session, seconded by Mayor Harper and unanimously carried.

Mayor Harper made a motion to enter executive session at 7:25 pm, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried. Mayor Harper read the following Resolution into the record:

## **Township of Sandyston**

### **Resolution Authorizing Executive Session**

**WHEREAS**, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975 Chapter 231 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; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BET IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey as follows:

- a. Pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) the public shall be excluded from discussion of an action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter(s):

Matters relating to litigation, negotiation, and the attorney/client privilege

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, it is anticipated that the deliberation conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Sandyston Township Committee that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality and if not then legally privileged. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mayor Harper made a motion to exit executive session at 7:35 pm, seconded by Deputy Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.


Mayor Harper noted the purpose of the executive session was to brief the Committee on the Settlement Conference in the matter of Horsfield v. Sandyton Township & Sandyston Township Historical Society, Inc.

Upcoming events:

Regular Township Meeting:	Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 9:00 am
Planning Board Regular:	Monday, September 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm
Seniors Meeting:	Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 12:00 pm
DVUMC Chicken BBQ:	Saturday, August 20, 2016 12:30 – 5:30 pm
STVFD Tractor Parade:	Saturday, August 27, 2016 at 3:30 pm
DVUMC Community Day:	Saturday, September 10, 2016
Sussex County Flu Clinic:	Thursday, September 15, 2016 (Sandyston)
Walpack Wilderness Challenge	Saturday, September 24, 2016
Recreation Meeting:	Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 6:30 pm
DVUMC Holiday Craft Fair:	Friday & Saturday, Nov. 11 & 12, 2016
Gobble Hobble 5K	Thursday, November 24, 2016

**Adjournment:** Deputy Mayor MacDonald made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm seconded by Committeewoman Hull and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Amanda F. Lobban, RMC  
Municipal Clerk