

# Sandyston Township

## Minutes

June 10, 2014

This meeting was opened and called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor MacDonald 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: Committeeman George B. Harper, Jr., Deputy Mayor William Leppert and Mayor Fred MacDonald

Also in attendance: Betsy Pinzone, Craig Hutcheson, Superintendent, Kittatinny Regional High School, Dan Potter, Tim Roberts, Stan Dutkus, Glenn Hull, Gayle Hull, Hixon Spangenberg, Peter VanIdistine, Erin Bang, Karen Heuler

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

**Review of Audit:** Committeeman Harper made a motion to table the discussion regarding the Audit upon the arrival of Mr. Bud Jones, Auditor, of Nisivoccia LLP.

**Presentation of KRHS Budget:** Craig Hutcheson, Superintendent of Kittatinny Regional High School, gave a presentation regarding the 2014-2015 school budget. Mr. Hutcheson reviewed the following through a slide presentation which can be found on their website at:

<http://krhs.net/files/pdf/budget/Budget%20Presentation.pdf>

The presentation included:

- Goals for 2014-2015
- School Choice Shared Services
- Staff Recognition and Student Achievements
- Budget Challenges for 2014-2015
- State Aid Year to Year Comparison
- Where the money comes from/Where the money goes
- 2014-2015 Budget Programs
- Capital Projects
- 2014-2015 Tax Levy Breakdown (along with 2013-2014 Tax Levy Breakdown for reference)

At the conclusion of his presentation, Mr. Hutcheson asked for questions or comments regarding the 2014-2015 Budget.

Glenn Hull, Layton, asked about the solar system installed at the high school. Mr. Hutcheson explained the current kilowatt of the solar system and stated he will have a better idea of the savings in another month or two. Mr. Hull asked if the system will continue to generate the building in a brown out. Mr. Hutcheson answered that the solar is not connected to the school's local power, but the school gets a reduced rate for the solar. Mr. Hutcheson also discussed SREC's and how they have fluctuated over the last few years.

Hixon Spangenberg, Layton, NJ, asked if People's History of the United States, an advanced placement class, is still being used in their curriculum. Mr. Hutcheson answered that there is an advanced placement US History class. Mr. Spangenberg explained it was a few years ago when his son attended Kittatinny and it was basically a Marxist dribble, was a Marxist who wrote it and was basically about how to hate America.

Mr. Spangenberg stated that a lot of people are disenchanted with the education system in this country due to many teachers being from the left and when you see classes like this People's History of the United States it is an attack on America, our values, our culture and some wonder why our tax dollars are going for this type of anti-American class. Mr. Hutcheson requested the Mr. Spangenberg send him an email with the information with specifics and he would look into matter.

The Committee thanked Mr. Hutcheson for coming to the meeting.

**Review of Audit:** Bud Jones, Auditor, Nisivoccia LLP, presented the 2013 Audit to the Township Committee and reviewed the status of the audit. Mr. Jones reviewed the following:

- Total Assets \$1,545,620
- Liability approximately \$702,001
- Reserve for Receivables & other assets \$476,806
- Fund Balance \$366,000 (increase of about \$58,000 over the prior year)
- Tax Collection Percentage increased from 96.92% to 96.97%
- Debt level is almost non-existent. The last payment for the municipal building, a principal payment of \$4,000, will be made later this year. This is the final payment of the building and the Township will be debt free by the end of 2014

Mr. Jones stated there is only one recommendation, which is the same that we have had previously, that of segregation of duties due to the size of the municipality, but Mr. Jones stated it is his obligation to make the Committee aware of this recommendation. (*The recommendation in the audit reads: Management and the Township Committee should be aware and realize that the concentration of duties and responsibilities in a limited number of individuals is not desirable from a control point of view*). Mr. Jones stated he found no issues with compliance of Local Public Contracts Law and the only other recommendation Mr. Jones had was to perform an inventory of the Township's fixed assets. The Committee thanked Mr. Jones for his help and hard work.

**Minutes:** The Committee reviewed the regular meeting minutes of **May 13, 2014** Township Committee meeting. Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 13, 2014, seconded by Mayor MacDonald.

**Tax Collector Report:** The Tax Collector's report for the month of **May 13, 2014** was presented with total receipts Month-To-Date of \$932,619.97 and a Year-To-Date total of \$2,713,839. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve the Tax Collector's Report, seconded by Deputy Mayor Leppert and unanimously carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report for the month of **May 2014** was presented with a beginning balance of \$881,304.96, total receipts of \$939,530.33, and total disbursements of \$730,095.39 leaving an ending balance of \$1,090,739.90. Mayor MacDonald read the following balances: General Capital Account \$351,965.10, Animal Control Escrow \$43,339.28, Public Assist Escrow \$3,526.73, Unemployment Escrow \$23,204.32, COAH Trust \$29,114.99, Security Asst. Fund \$18,541.68 and the Small Cities Master \$4,764.69. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Deputy Mayor Leppert and unanimously carried.

**Payment of Vouchers:** The bills list for the month **May 2014** was submitted for approval. Committeeman Harper made a motion to approve the bills list for the month of **May 2014** in the amount of \$274,885.62, seconded by Deputy Mayor Leppert and unanimously carried.

**Departmental Reports:** The Committee reviewed the Departmental Reports. Committeeman Harper discussed Construction Official position and how the current discussions have resulted in a savings of

approximately \$4,000 for the department. Committeeman Harper stated he had a great meeting with Mr. Huber, who is excited to take the position of Construction Official and understands the perimeters of the pressure that the Township is under with the lack of activity and permits. Committeeman Harper stated that Mr. Huber had some suggestions on how the Township might change the management style and will work to generate more funds for the construction department and looked forward to the shared service agreements with Montague and Hampton. Mayor MacDonald noted that many towns in Sussex County did not want to explore the possibility of shared services and turned their construction departments over to the State of New Jersey and now those towns are not happy with their decision. Committeeman Harper stated these agreements help us keep our own construction department. Committeeman Harper made a motion to approve the hiring of Robert Huber for the position of the Construction Official, seconded by Deputy Mayor Leppert and unanimously carried.

### **Old Business:**

**Performance Bond:** There has been no performance bond posted on Block 1105 Lot 14 (Sandyston Mall). Mayor MacDonald noted no change in progress. Committeeman Harper stated this matter was discussed at the Planning Board meeting on Monday, June 2, 2014. Committeeman Harper stated escrow will be reviewed and the engineer will be sent out to see what has been done to see if the bond can be reduced.

**Centurylink:** Mayor MacDonald stated no new information to date.

**In Rem Foreclosure:** The Clerk informed the first eight (8) foreclosures have been filed with the Court and our attorney is optimistic that the within a month this matter would be finalized as Township's that file foreclosures are receiving priority. The remaining two (2) In Rem Foreclosures being handled by Glenn Gavan, Esq., have been filed with the County Clerk and shall be advertised shortly.

### **Streetscape Route 560 – Phase II & Phase III**

- Phase II – Mayor MacDonald stated the project is moving along and should be done within a few weeks.
- Phase III – Committeeman Harper stated there were some concerns, working with two out of the three property owners, and we are trying to address each concern. Committeeman Harper also stated that the maps are under review with the County and we will address their concerns as well and new maps will be prepared to reflect any changes.

### **New Business:**

**Revaluation – Review Specs/Bid:** The Committee reviewed the Revaluation Bid Specifications with all changes requested from the May meeting. Mayor MacDonald approved the Revaluation Bid Specification, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

**Outdoor Entertainment License:** The Committee reviewed the Outdoor Entertainment Application submitted by A & G Tavern for a fund-raising event on Saturday, July 19, 2014. Committeeman Harper made a motion to approve this application, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

**Review of Municipal Ordinances:** The Committee reviewed a letter from Wesley Powers requesting some changes ordinances of the Sandyston Township Code. The Clerk stated these Ordinances and the requested changes were reviewed by the Planning Board on Monday, June 2, 2014. Committeeman Harper made a motion to refer this matter to the Township Attorney to make the necessary changes to bring these Ordinances up to date, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

**Review of Worker's Compensation Audit:** The Clerk explained to the Committee that each year the Township is required to file the Worker's Comp Audit paperwork with Statewide for the Township and Fire Department. The Clerk just wanted the Committee to have a chance to review this paperwork before it is sent to the insurance company. Committeeman Harper questioned the amount for the road department, feeling the payroll was high. The Clerk and Committeeman Harper reviewed the paperwork and found this included money paid to retired employee, Alan Delea.

**Draft Agreement with County of Sussex for 911 Dispatching Services:** The Committee reviewed the Draft Agreement for the 911 Dispatching Service with the Sussex County along with the comments offered by the Township Attorney. Committeeman Harper made a motion to send the comments from the Township Attorney to John Eskilson, County Administrator, for his review, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

**Shared Service Agreement with Hampton Twp: Construction Department:** The Committee reviewed the Shared Service Agreement with Hampton for the Construction Department. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve the Shared Service Agreement, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

**Application for STVFD Fire Department Member: B. Lozier, J. Angle & D. Lobban**  
The Committee reviewed the applications by Barbara Lozier, Jeff Angle & David Lobban as volunteers for the Sandyston Township Volunteer Fire Department. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve the three applications, seconded by Deputy Mayor Leppert and unanimously carried.

**Application for Blue Light Permits:** The Committee reviewed the applications by Jeff Angle (initial), Patrick Lobban (initial) and Joseph Ciccone (renewal) for Blue Light Permits. Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to approve the three applications, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

**Resolutions:**

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION  
R-29-2014  
GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

**WHEREAS**, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2013 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and,

**WHEREAS**, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, and,

**WHEREAS**, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and,

**WHEREAS**, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and,

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board, and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his/her office.

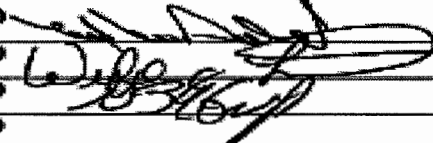
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

**CERTIFICATION OF GOVERNING BODY OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT  
GROUP AFFIDAVIT FORM  
NO PHOTO COPIES OF SIGNATURES**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
COUNTY OF SUSSEX


We, members of the governing body of the Township of Sandyston, in the County of Sussex, being duly sworn according to law, upon our oath depose and say:

1. We are duly elected (or appointed) members of the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston in the county of County of Sussex;
2. In the performance of our duties, and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, we have familiarized ourselves with the contents of the Annual Municipal Audit filed with the Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6 for the year 2013;
3. We certify that we have personally reviewed and are familiar with, as a minimum, the sections of the Annual Report of Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations."

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Amanda F. Lobban, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014

  
Elizabeth R. Pinzone  
Notary Public of New Jersey  
My Commission Expires 6/22/2014

The Committee reviewed R-29-2014. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve R-29-2014, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION  
R-42-2014  
A RESOLUTION FOR THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES**

**WHEREAS**, the Alcohol Beverage Control Law provides for an issuing authority in each municipality for the purposes of issuing, renewing, and transferring retail liquor licenses and encouraging that law, ABC rules and regulations and local ordinances pertaining to the control of alcoholic beverages; and

**WHEREAS**, the Alcohol Beverage Control Law entrusts the governing body of the municipality to assume the role of the issuing authority; and

**WHEREAS**, application must be made annually for renewal of all retail licenses; and

**WHEREAS**, all fees have been paid by Licensees; and

**WHEREAS**, Clearance Certificate(s) for Renewal are in the possession of the Municipal Clerk for the retail alcoholic beverage license holders listed below.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that the following applications be approved for renewal:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>LICENSE #</b>	<b>TRADING AS</b>
CJM Liquors, Inc.	1917-33-002-004	Flatbrook Tap House
Gyps Tavern LLC	1917-33-007-003	Gyp's Tavern
A & G Tavern LLC	1917-33-005-006	A & G Tavern LLC
PPD Holding Company LLC	1917-33-006-003	
Sandyston Spirit LLC	1917-33-003-006	Stokes Steakhouse & Pub

The Committee reviewed **R-42-2014**. Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to approve **R-42-2014**, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION  
R-43-2014  
RESOLUTION TO APPOINT BUILDING SUB-CODE**

**WHEREAS**, with the retirement of John deJager, effective June 30, 2014, the Township of Sandyston is in need of a Building Sub-Code beginning July 1, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, said Official shall be authorized to administer and enforce the Uniform Construction Code of the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, Wesley Powers has the proper license to be appointed Building Sub-Code; and

**WHEREAS**, said Official shall receive no annual salary; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that **Wesley Powers** be appointed and designated Building Sub-Code for Sandyston Township beginning July 1, 2014.

The Committee reviewed **R-43-2014**. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **R-43-2014**, seconded Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION  
R-44-2014  
RESOLUTION TO APPOINT CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL/SALARY AND MECHANICAL INSPECTOR  
AND ADJUST SALARY OF PLUMBING SUB-CODE**

**WHEREAS**, with the retirement of John deJager, effective June 30, 2014, the Township of Sandyston is in need of a Construction Official beginning July 1, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, said Official shall be authorized to administer and enforce the Uniform Construction Code of the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert W. Huber is currently the Building Inspector; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert W. Huber has the proper license to be appointed Construction Official; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert W. Huber shall be appointed Construction Official receive a salary of \$17,500 said position and shall receive \$1,000 increase in salary upon passage of the Building Sub-Code test; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert W. Huber shall also be listed as Mechanical Inspector for Sandyston Township (no salary attached to this position); and

**WHEREAS**, Robert W. Huber currently serves as Plumbing Sub-Code for Sandyston Township and the salary for the Plumbing Sub-Code shall decrease to \$4,100; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that **Robert W. Huber** be appointed and designated Construction Official for Sandyston Township beginning July 1, 2014 at a salary of \$17,500, with a \$1,000 increase in salary upon passage of the Building Sub-Code.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey that effective July 1, 2014, the salary for the Plumbing Sub-Code shall decrease to \$4,100 and Robert W. Huber shall also be listed as Mechanical Inspector for Sandyston Township.

The Committee reviewed **R-44-2014**. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **R-44-2014**, seconded Deputy Mayor Leppert and unanimously carried.

#### **SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP**

**R-45-2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON TO ENTER SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON FOR THE PROVISION OF CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT SERVICE FOR 2014**

**WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON**, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey and **THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON**, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey desire to enter into a Shared Services Agreement for the provision of Construction Department services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. in substantially the form attached hereto; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Sandyston is hereby designated as the agent of the Township of Hampton, to furnish Code Administration and Enforcement services under the Uniform Construction Code, N.J.A.C. 5:23-1 et seq. and its Subcodes; and

**WHEREAS**, said Shared Service Agreement shall be for a period beginning on or about **July 30, 2014** and terminating on **June 30, 2018**; and

**WHEREAS**, the previous Shared Service Agreements between the Township of Sandyston and the Township of Hampton for Electrical and Plumbing Sub-Code Services shall terminate and shall be replaced by this Agreement.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Sandyston Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston hereby agrees to enter into the shared service agreement for the provision of Construction Department services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., and shall replace any previous agreement between the parties for services contained in the Agreement.

**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 in substantially the form attached hereto 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-45-2014**. Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to approve **R-45-2014**, seconded Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP**  
**R-46-2014**  
**A RESOLUTION TO REDEEM TAX SALE CERTIFICATE 2013-004**

**WHEREAS**, Jessica M. Caruso, Tax Collector, has received \$15,569.72 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2014-004 on Block 904 Lot 3 and is requesting that \$15,569.72 plus a premium in the amount of \$3,500 which was paid at Tax Sale that the Township is holding, for a total of \$19,069.72 be refunded to the lien holder, US Bank CUST for Pro Capital II, LLC, 50 S 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1950, 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 \$15,569.72 plus a premium in the amount of \$3,500 which was paid at Tax Sale that the Township is holding, for a total of \$19,069.72 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2013-004 to the lienholder, US Bank CUST for Pro Capital II, LLC 50 S 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1950, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

The Committee reviewed **R-46-2014**. Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to approve **R-46-2014**, seconded Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP**  
**R-47-2014**  
**A RESOLUTION TO REDEEM TAX SALE CERTIFICATE 2013-005**

**WHEREAS**, Jessica M. Caruso, Tax Collector, has received \$6,315.98 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2014-005 on Block 905 Lot 1 and is requesting that \$6,315.98 plus a premium in the amount of \$1,400 which was paid at Tax Sale that the Township is holding, for a total of \$7,715.98 be refunded to the lien holder, FWDSL & Associates, 5 Cold Hill Road S – Suite 11, Mendham, NJ07945.

**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 \$6,315.98 plus a premium in the amount of \$1,400 which was paid at Tax Sale that the Township is holding, for a total of \$7,715.98 for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 2013-005 to the lienholder, FWDSL & Associates, 5 Cold Hill Road S – Suite 11, Mendham, NJ07945.

The Committee reviewed **R-47-2014**. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **R-47-2014**, seconded Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

**Ordinances:**



**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP  
ORDINANCE 2014-03**

**ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$4,350 CURRENTLY LOCATED WITHIN THE CAPITAL  
IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON FOR THE PURCHASE OF A THERMAL  
IMAGING CAMERA**

**WHEREAS**, there is currently the sum of \$4,350 in the Capital Improvement Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed appropriate to make use of the \$4,350 for the purchase of a Thermal Imaging Camera; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex and State of New Jersey, that

**Section 1:** There is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement Fund of the Township of Sandyston the sum of \$4,350 for the purchase of a Thermal Imaging Camera.

**Section 2:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances, which are inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance, be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

**Section 3:** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon proper passage and publication in accordance with the law.

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes Harper, Leppert, MacDonald: Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstain 0

Introduced: May 13, 2014  
Adopted: June 10, 2014

The Committee reviewed **Ordinance 2014-03**. Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to open **Ordinance 2014-03** to the public, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried. There being no comment from the public, Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried. Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to approve **Ordinance 2014-03**, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried. **Roll Call Vote** followed: Ayes: Harper, Leppert, MacDonald: Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstain 0.

**SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP  
ORDINANCE 2014-04**

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A4-53 FOR REVALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SANDYSTON, COUNTY OF SUSSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, it has been found necessary to make an Emergency Appropriation to meet certain extraordinary expenses incurred, or to be incurred by reason of the need to perform a revaluation of real property in the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex and State of New Jersey; and

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Sandyston, in the County of Sussex and State of New Jersey that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53:

1. The sum of \$200,000 is hereby appropriated for revaluation of real property in the Township of Sandyston, County of Sussex and State of New Jersey and shall be deemed a special emergency appropriation as defined and provided for in N.J.S.A. 40A4-53.
2. The authorization to finance the appropriation shall be provided for in the succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of \$40,000 which represents at least one-fifth of the amount authorized pursuant to this act (N.J.S.A. 40A4-55)
3. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Introduced: May 13, 2014

Adopted: June 10, 2014

**Roll Call Vote:** Ayes Harper, Leppert, MacDonald: Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstain 0

The Committee reviewed **Ordinance 2014-04**. Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to open **Ordinance 2014-04** to the public, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried. There being no comment from the public, Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve **Ordinance 2014-04**, seconded by Deputy Mayor Leppert and unanimously carried. **Roll Call Vote** followed: Ayes: Harper, Leppert, MacDonald: Nays 0; Absent 0; Abstain 0.

**Correspondence:** The Committee reviewed the correspondence. The Clerk noted the letter received from Harold Pellow of Harold E. Pellow & Associates regarding the CR-560 Streetscape Project – Phase I Unresolved ADA Compliance Issues. Mayor MacDonald made a motion to approve Harold E. Pellow & Associates perform the necessary paperwork to apply for a waiver regarding the ADA compliance issues, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

**Open Meeting To Floor:** Mayor MacDonald made a motion to open the floor to the public, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

Daniel Potter, Struble Road, came forward to discuss a problem the residents of Struble Road are having with speeding motorists on Struble Road. Mr. Potter stated he talked to Josh Osowski, Superintendent of Stokes State Forest, regarding the problem. Mr. Potter felt this speed problem was due to a lack of speed limit signs on Struble Road. Committeeman Harper made a motion to contact the Township Engineer and Josh Osowski, Superintendent of Stokes State Forest and to have the road department install speed limit signs before the next meeting, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

There being no further comments from the floor, Mayor MacDonald made a motion to close the meeting to the floor, seconded by Deputy Mayor Leppert and unanimously carried.

The Clerk noted the Small Cities Grant given to K. Stevenson. Ms. Stevenson is currently applying for a reverse mortgage and the bank is asking the Township to subordinate to the third position. Committeeman Harper made a motion to refer the matter to the Township Attorney for review, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

The Clerk informed the Committee that Sussex Bank has been in contact with the CFO and has asked for the opportunity to work with Sandyston Township. Committeeman Harper made a motion to get a proposal from Sussex Bank and see if Lakeland Bank is able to beat the offer by Sussex Bank, seconded by Mayor MacDonald and unanimously carried.

The Clerk also advised the Committee that there is a car parked out by the dumpster which the fire department will be using for a drill on extrication and just wanted the Committee to be aware why the vehicle is parked at that location.

**Coming up:**


Township Meeting:	Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 7:30 pm
Planning Board:	Monday, June 2, 2014 at 7:00 pm
Recreation Meeting:	Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 6:30 pm
Seniors Meeting:	Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at 12:00 pm

Sandyston Day:  
STVFD Chicken BBQ:

Sunday, June 8, 2014 at 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
Sunday, June 29, 2014

**Adjournment:** Deputy Mayor Leppert made a motion to close the meeting at 8:00 pm, seconded by Committeeman Harper and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Amanda F. Lobban, RMC  
Municipal Clerk