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CINNAMINSON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

WORK SESSION AGENDA

Monday, June 7, 2021

6:30 p.m. Work Session

CALL TO ORDER:

FLAG SALUTE:

VERIFICATION:

Meeting is being held in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act,” P.L. 1975, c.231. Notice of this meeting was published in the Burlington County Times and the Courier Post on January 8, 2021.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Conda, Mr. Horner, Mr. McGill, Deputy Mayor Kravil, Mayor Segrest

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Riverton Country Club Fireworks Display

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution 2021 – 91 Approval of Settlement in the Matter of Delores O. Simmons v. Lisa Passione, Et Al

Resolution 2021 – 92 Designating May as “Bag Up NJ” Month

Resolution 2021 – 93 Authorize Cancellation of Taxes for Totally Disabled Veteran, Block 2206, Lot 12

Resolution 2021 – 94 Authorize Cancellation and Refund of Taxes for Totally Disabled Veteran, Block 1206, Lot 1

Resolution 2021 – 95 Authorize Refund of Taxes to Totally Disabled Veterans

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ONLY:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 24, 2021

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COMMITTEE COMMENT:

ADJOURNMENT:

Next Meeting: Monday, June 21, 2021 at 6:30 pm

TOWNSHIP OF CINNAMINSON

RESOLUTION 2021 – 91

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CINNAMINSON APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT IN THE MATTER OF DELORES O. SIMMONS V. LISA PASSIONE, ET AL. DOCKET NO. BUR-L-607-21

WHEREAS, Delores O. Simmons and Obafemi O. Simmons (“Simmons”) filed an Order to Show Cause and Verified Complaint against Cinnaminson Township, Lisa Passione, and the Cinnaminson Township Police Department (“Township”) with the Burlington County Law Division, captioned and docketed as Delores O. Simmons and Obafemi O. Simmons v. Lisa Passione, Cinnaminson Township Police Department, Cinnaminson Township, Docket No. Bur-L-607-21 pursuant to the Open Public Records Act (“OPRA”); and

WHEREAS, while Simmons alleges a violation of OPRA, the Township specifically denies any violation of OPRA or any other law and believes that had this matter proceeded to a trial, the Township would have prevailed and furthermore, the Township asserts at all times that it has complied with OPRA and that Simmons was never denied access to any public records; and

WHEREAS, the parties have engaged in settlement negotiations; and

WHEREAS, as a result of those settlement negotiations, all controversies between Simmons and the Township have been resolved; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to resolve this matter to minimize costs and legal expenses to the Township without admitting any liability whatsoever; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is of the opinion that the settlement is in the best interests of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee, of the Township of Cinnaminson, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey for the reasons set forth above that it hereby approves the Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release, attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Solicitor are hereby authorized to implement this Resolution and execute any documents necessary in connection therewith.

CINNAMINSON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Cinnaminson Township Committee on the 7th day of June, 2021.

Lisa A. Passione, Municipal Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CINNAMINSON

RESOLUTION 2021 – 92

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF MAY AS "BAG UP NJ" MONTH

WHEREAS, P.L.202, c.117, signed into law on November 4, 2020 is the most progressive disposable bag law in the country, -with the goal of phasing out single-use plastic and paper bags and encouraging the use of reusable bags throughout New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey is working to reduce reliance on single-use products to ensure that future generations have a clean and healthy environment to live, work, and recreate in; and

WHEREAS, banning or limiting the use of single-use plastic and paper carryout bags is a significant step in this effort; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Clean Communities Council, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the New Jersey Department of State, policymakers, environmental and business groups, as well as other stakeholders, are working together to educate consumers, businesses, and communities about the new law and encouraging residents to "Bag Up" before the ban on single-use plastic bags goes into effect on May 4, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the comprehensive "Bag Up NJ" campaign will include educational programs, public and media engagement and reusable bag distribution programs throughout the state, with an emphasis on underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, this statewide public education campaign will provide residents, businesses and visitors with information about the types of reusable and sustainable bags and containers that they may use and where to access these products.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of Cinnaminson, that it is critical to begin educating the public about this new law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that one way to gain important recognition is to deem the month of May each year as "Bag Up NJ" month in the Township of Cinnaminson, as a further reminder that all residents should bring their own reusable bags to the store; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the NJ Clean Communities Council, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

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Lisa A. Passione, Municipal Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CINNAMINSON

RESOLUTION 2021 – 93

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO
CANCEL TAXES PURSUANT TO EXEMPTION FOR A
TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN**

WHEREAS, Kevin Singh, owner and resident of 2170 Meeting House Road (Block 2206 Lot 12) has applied for tax exemption as a Totally Disabled Veteran pursuant to 54:4-3.30 et. Seq. and,

WHEREAS, the applicant has supplied all requisite proofs in support of this application and,

WHEREAS, the township Assessor has reviewed the application and related documentation and finds all to be in order and recommends approval of the exemption and,

WHEREAS, the effective date of exemption is April 11, 2021 in conformance with the applicant date of submission of application and,

WHEREAS, the exemption has been ratified by Resolution 2021-72 as adopted by Township Committee and,

WHEREAS, applicant submitted a prior application for exemption November 2017 that was not complete pending conformant VA rating certification and,

WHEREAS, the applicant has requested that Township Committee take into consideration the pending application for exemption submitted November 2017 and,

WHEREAS, Township Committee has reviewed the background and documents relative to applicant's unique situation and has consulted with the Tax Assessor to confirm applicant's standing as of the original application and,

WHEREAS, Township Committee finds substantial cause to extend the period of exemption allowing for cancellation of taxes for 2018, 2019 and 2020,

WHEREAS, applicant has been billed and or paid taxes for the exempt period and,

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector seeks to balance the account in recognition of the exemption

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Township Committee of the Township of Cinnaminson that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes for 2018, 2019 and 2020. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Tax Collector, Tax Assessor and applicant.

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Lisa A. Passione, Municipal Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CINNAMINSON

RESOLUTION 2021 – 94

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL
TAXES PURSUANT TO EXEMPTION FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED
VETERAN AND REFUND OVERPAYMENT**

WHEREAS, Reese R. Taylor, owner and resident of 607 Park Avenue (Block 1206 Lot 1) has applied for tax exemption as a Totally Disabled Veteran pursuant to 54:4-3.30 et. Seq. and,

WHEREAS, the applicant has supplied all requisite proofs in support of this application and,

WHEREAS, the Township Assessor has reviewed the application and related documentation and finds all to be in order and recommends approval of the exemption and,

WHEREAS, the effective date of exemption is May 21, 2021 in conformance with the applicant date of submission of application and,

WHEREAS, applicant has been billed and or paid taxes for the exempt period and,

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector confirms and wishes to clear the overpayment by returning funds to the appropriate entity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Township Committee of the Township of Cinnaminson that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes in the amount of \$1201.30 (*calculation*: $\$5347.31 \text{ 2021 prelim taxes} / 182.5 \text{ days} = \$29.30 \times 41 \text{ days exempt} = \1201.30). The Tax Collector may, by authority of this resolution, cancel taxes for the 3rd and 4th quarters of 2021 as well as the 2022 preliminary. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Tax Collector, Tax Assessor and applicant.

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Lisa A. Passione, Municipal Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CINNAMINSON

RESOLUTION 2021 – 95

AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAXES FOR TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, the Township of Cinnaminson has levied and assessed taxes for the below properties; and

WHEREAS, the property owners submitted an Application for Exemption to the Tax Assessor and said applications were approved earlier this year; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the following properties have been declared to be totally and permanently disabled by the U. S. Veterans Administration; and

WHEREAS, N. J.S.A. 54:4-3.30, et seq, grants a full tax exemption for a totally and permanently disabled veteran; and

WHEREAS, cancellation of said taxes has created overpayments as listed below; and

Einstein	303 Wayne Drive	Block 2503, Lot 14	\$4,958.73
Nesemeier	203 Parry Road	Block 3103, Lot 12	\$1,900.60

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector confirms above and wishes to clear the overpayments by returning funds to the appropriate entity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Cinnaminson, County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey, that taxes be hereby refunded in the amounts listed above.

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Lisa A. Passione, Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF CINNAMINSON
COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2021 – 96

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Township is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Cinnaminson, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

Personnel
3. It is anticipated that the minutes on the subject matter of the Executive Session will be made public upon conclusion of the matter under discussion; and in any event, when appropriate pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-7 and 4-13.
4. The Committee may come back into Regular Session and may take further action
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.