

**BARNEGAT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OCEAN COUNTY
900 WEST BAY AVENUE
BARNEGAT, NJ 08005**

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 3, 2022 6:30 PM.**

Call to Order the May 3, 2022 Township Committee Meeting:

Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law:

Pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law, adequate Public Notice of this meeting has been given: by publication of the date, time and location in the official newspapers, and by posting on the official bulletin board, and in the office of the Municipal Clerk for public inspection.

Invocation – Pastor Rose Cassarino of Holy Spirit Victory Church

Roll Call of Officials:

Committeeman Bille - Present
Committeeman Farmer - Present
Committeeman Marte - Present
Deputy Mayor Pipi- Present
Mayor Cirulli – Present

Jerry Thompson of Van Dyke to make a donation for Drive In Movies

Presentation of Plaque to Libby Hammond, Food Pantry Volunteer

Committee Reports: Bille, Farmer, Marte, Pipi

Al Bille: Drive-in movies will now be held at the high school. Family Bingo will be on June 2nd at 6:30. Mentioned that Stafford taxes went up \$58 per household for the year, Brick went up \$48, Lacey and Waretown went through the roof. For Barnegat, we only went up \$22.29. First concert will be on May 28th. Public Works will be painting bathrooms at the docks. Happy Mother's Day!

Bill Farmer: Gave monthly utility report. Water restrictions are in place for April 15th - September 30th. Fire hydrant flushing should be completed by the week of May 16th.

Joseph Marte: Spoke about the monthly police report. Announced that the Junior Police Academy will return this summer from July 11th – July 15th. Officer of the month is Ptl. Rob Armstrong. There were 250 applications that applied for our Police Department. The committee will always support our officers. Thanked and recognized all our Veteran's and active servicemen. Happy Mother's Day and Happy Memorial Day!

Pat Papi: Gave code enforcement report. There were 17 rental inspections, 39 letters of no interest, 93 zoning permits, 20 summons issued and 39 warning stickers.

Mayor's Report: National Night Out is on August 2nd at the High School. Starve Poverty's open house will be on May 21st on Rt. 72. All welcome! Did research on Comcast. Only option is streaming. Kurt Otto spoke about paving on Rt. 9. Paving will start the week of May 10th – May 20th. Will start in Manahawkin to Barnegat. Side streets will be done another time. Work is weather permitting. All paving will be done at night. Please be cautious when driving on Rt. 9 at night.

Public Session Comment:

Comments will be limited to a five (5) minute period per individual.

Each speaker must be acknowledged by the Mayor and clearly announce their name, address and group affiliation for the record.

Motion to Open Public Session: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Charlie Cunliffe: 135 Rockrimmon Blvd. – Questions on 2022-169. Contract was increase by 460,000? Spoke about Russia's attack on Ukraine. Ask if town would consider flying a flag for Ukraine.

Kurt Otto: Explained the change orders on 2022-169

Peg Deeker: 102 Redwood Dr. – Concerned that Starve Poverty is turning into a soup kitchen. She said they are serving meals. The Mayor will follow up.

Kurt Stofko: 373 N. Main St. – Represents the Community Garden. They will not charge rent for residents. Still will help the community who can't have a garden. Setting up as a non-profit, 5013C.

Diane Grockenberger: 108 Redwood Dr. – Starve Poverty is doing a wonderful job. No water on fire side of building. Wants to know if they can use the building as a meeting place. The community is having something on May 21st, concerned about the parking. Can you put the police on 532 or put a light so people can get out? Pinewood Estate had a main water line break and they dug up by the office. They put it all back together over weekend so town won't see it. Mayor will follow up. Also suggested to contact the Attorney General Office or Consumer Affairs.

Phil Cecchia: 12 Windward Dr. - Support Ukraine. How soon before bid went out? Upset with added cost of new building.

Mr. & Mrs. Passiatore: 7 Liberty Court - On going issue since 2015 with resident running business out of home. The business has expanded. Parking buses on lawn, making noise at 5:30am. Went from 1 vehicle to 20 vehicles. State Police shut the road down. Don't understand why they are still operating a business out of their home. Sick of the situation. Trailer on property has not moved in 2 years. Upset that town is not doing anything! Attorney said there is a pending municipal court. Town committee cannot make comments.

Fred Rubenstein: 4 Hickory Circle – Touched base on the Elizabeth Edwards School. Asbestos abate is not a simple matter. Potential for danger. Keeping close tabs on the school. Support Ukraine! World is watching our county.

John Gennarelli: 102 Pine Oak Blvd. - Mentioned that they are having their last school meeting for the year. Asking what the process is with hopefully getting a TV channel and getting information out to the public about our school district. Is a Pheasant Run Trustee. Trying to stay in rules & regulations with Pheasant Run. Quality of life issues. Asking for help to keep quality of life. Barnegat is a great town!

Motion to Close Public Session: AI Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**

Unfinished Business:

Ordinance 2022-7 (Second Reading) **SEE ATTACHED**

An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 15 of the Township Code Entitled “Police Department”, specifically section 18 thereof Entitled “Outside Work”

Motion to open Public Comment: AI Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Motion to close Public Comment: AI Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**

Motion to adopt ordinance: AI Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Ordinance 2022-8 (Second Reading) **SEE ATTACHED**

An Ordinance providing additional funding for the Cost of the New Town Hall and Appropriating \$1,500,000.00 therefor from the Townships Capital Improvement Fund

Motion to open Public Comment: AI Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**

Charlie Cunliffe - Had questions about the budget

Motion to close Public Comment: AI Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**

Motion to adopt ordinance: AI Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Ordinance 2022-9 (Second Reading) **SEE ATTACHED**

An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 15 of the Township Code Entitled "Police Department" and specifically Section 9, Thereof Entitled "Rules and Regulations"

Motion to open Public Comment: Al Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Motion to close Public Comment: Al Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**

Motion to adopt ordinance: Al Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Ordinance 2022-10 (Second Reading) **SEE ATTACHED**

An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 46B Entitled "Flood Damage Prevention" and Specifically Section 4.2A, Thereof Entitled "Application For Permit"

Motion to open Public Comment: Al Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Motion to close Public Comment: Al Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**

Motion to adopt ordinance: Al Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Formal Action:

Resolution 2022-145

Resolution authorizing payment of Bill List in the amount of \$11,958,428.40

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Resolution 2022-146

Resolution authorizing a Chapter 159 in the amount of \$27,609.46 be inserted in the 2022 Municipal Budget, for the *2022 State Recycling Tonnage Grant*

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille **Second: Joseph Marte**
Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Resolution 2022-147

Resolution authorizing a Chapter 159 in the amount of \$20,000 be inserted in the 2022 Municipal Budget, for the 2022 Recreation Opportunities with Disabilities Grant Program (ROIDS Grant) with a local match of \$4,000.00 as “Matching Funds for Grants”

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Resolution 2022-148

Resolution authorizing a Chapter 159 in the amount of \$400,000 be inserted in the 2022 Municipal Budget under appropriation “Water System Improvements”

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Resolution 2022-149

Resolution authorizing a Chapter 159 in the amount of \$450.00, matching funds grant be inserted in the 2022 Municipal Budget, for the Ocean County Tourism Grant 2022

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

New Business:

Approval of the Township Committee minutes from the April 5, 2022 meeting

Motion to adopt minutes: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Farmer: Yes
Committeeman Marte: Yes
Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Ordinance 2022-11 (First Reading)

Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 2022-11, which was read by title only, as follows:

An Ordinance amending and supplementing various sections of Chapter 55 of the Township Code Entitled “Land Use”

Was introduced and passed on first reading and will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing to be held on June 9, 2022 or as soon thereafter the matter may be reached

Approval of On Premise 50/50 to the Women's Club Mirage held on June 13, 2022

Approval of Stamp our Hunger Food Drive sponsored by USPS, May 14, 2022

Approval to Turnkey Enterprises LLC for placement of clothing bins located at 99 Route 72 and 499 Barnegat Blvd

Resolution 2022-150

Resolution authorizing a refund of premiums paid at Tax Sale, various properties

Resolution 2022-151

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Homestead Benefit due to totally disabled veteran status Block 114.27 Lot 27; 9 Anchor Road

Resolution 2022-152

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Homestead Benefit due to totally disabled veteran status Block 95.41 Lot 23; 4 Spout Terrace

Resolution 2022-153

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Homestead Benefit due to totally disabled veteran status Block 92.36 Lot 18; 20 Watts Ave

Resolution 2022-154

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Homestead Benefit due to totally disabled veteran status Block 196.01 Lot 47; 131 Beverly Drive

Resolution 2022-155

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Homestead Benefit due to totally disabled veteran status Block 95.45 Lot 8; 6 Miles Pond Place

Resolution 2022-156

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Homestead Benefit due to totally disabled veteran status Block 208.01 Lot 86; 245 Montclair Road S

Resolution 2022-157

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Homestead Benefit due to totally disabled veteran status Block 95.41 Lot 24; 2 Spout Terrace

Resolution 2022-158

Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund payment erroneously posted for Block 114.06, Lot 11, 40 Compass Lane

Resolution 2022-159

Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund payment erroneously posted for Block 258, Lot 28.01, 643 East Bay Avenue

Resolution 2022-160

Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund payment erroneously posted for Block 114.59, Lot 9, 121 Freedom Hills Blvd

Resolution 2022-161

Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund payment erroneously posted for Block 142.07, Lot 5, 110 Alexander Drive

Resolution 2022-162

Resolution authorizing refund of Escrow Deposits to Rodik Realty, LLC for Block 174, Lot 45

Resolution 2022-163

Resolution recognizing the Month of May as “Paint the Board Pink”

Resolution 2022-164

Resolution authorizing an extended unpaid medical leave to Marna DiPietrantonio until May 31, 2022

Resolution 2022-165

Resolution authorizing a paid medical leave to Michael DeGregorio from April 20, 2022 to May 23, 2022

Resolution 2022-166

Resolution authorizing a medical leave extension to Anthony Altomare, effective March 7, 2022 to June 30, 2022

Resolution 2022-167

Resolution authorizing a lease agreement with Circle Hyundai, 641 Shrewsbury Ave, Shrewsbury NJ

Resolution 2022-168

Resolution designating the appointment of Records Custodian for the Police Department Open Public Records Requests to the Chief of Police and designating the Police Department OPRA form

Resolution 2022-169

Resolution authorizing acceptance of Change Order #16, 17 & 18 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building project

Resolution 2022-170

Resolution authorizing progress Payment #14 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building project

Resolution 2022-171

Resolution appointing Alaimo Group to perform engineering services for the Mirage Water Tower Interconnect to Lakeland Drive project

Resolution 2022-172

Resolution authorizing Alaimo Group to advertise for construction bids for the Mirage Water Tower Interconnect to Lakeland Drive project

Motion to adopt Consent Agenda: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call:	Committeeman Bille: Yes	Committeeman Farmer: Yes
	Committeeman Marte: Yes	
	Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes	Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Resolution 2022-173

Resolution authorizing the Township Committee to retire into closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel and litigation matters

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call:	Committeeman Bille: Yes	Committeeman Farmer: Yes
	Committeeman Marte: Yes	
	Deputy Mayor Pipi: Yes	Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Motion to Adjourn: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Time 7:45 PM _____

**Next scheduled meeting
June 9, 2022 at 10:00 AM
(Thursday, due to Primary Election)**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were formally adopted by the Township Committee on June 9, 2022.

Municipal Clerk