

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

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
September 7, 2021, 6:30 PM**

**Call to Order the September 7, 2021 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.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Invocation:**      Pastor Jerry Santiago                      United Faith Church

**Roll Call of Officials:**

Committeewoman Linda Kropf - Present  
Committeeman Pat Papi - Present  
Committeeman Joseph Marte - Present  
Deputy Mayor Alfonso Cirulli - Present  
Mayor Albert Bille - Present

**Nora Hanson, Jenna Marci, and Sklar Dasti:** Juniors from Barnegat High School presented a program called Adopt A Street. Mrs. Cuccinata is the advisor for the program. It started in 2019. Adopt A Street is when you go out 3x a year and clean that street. As of now they have 58 streets and 200 participants. Next clean-up is on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30am at the Dunfee School. The girls thanked Mrs. Cuccinata for her help.

**Joseph Marte:** Proud US Navy Veteran! Spoke about Resolution 2021-276. He is proud of every committee member supporting this resolution raising Veteran Tax deduction from \$250 to \$500. Hoping this will pass. Thanked all members of the American Legion and VFW post 10092 for their service.

**Committee Reports: Linda Kropf, Pat Papi, Joseph Marte, Alfonso Cirulli**

**Linda Kropf:** Went over Utility report. Meter reading started September 1<sup>st</sup>. They are using new software program that was just installed. Fire hydrant and exterior building painting is ongoing. Our water compliance inspection was completed by NJDEP and we are in compliance. Water restrictions will end September 30, 2021. Spoke about 911. Gave report of first responders. Educate our children and share our stories. Remain supporting our first responders and our military.

**Pat Papi:** Gave code enforcement report. 58 letters of no interest, 25 summons issued and 292 warning stickers.

**Deputy Mayor- Alfonso Cirulli:** Thanked all involved with the Adopt A Street. Town wide clean-up is on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>. Wished everyone a Happy Rosh Hashanah. Congratulated the Fire Dept. on the new pumper truck. Thanked everybody with the set-up of 9/11. We should never forget 9/11! Working with Comcast on trying to get the district on channel 22.

The Mayor put out American Flags for the residents.

**Mayor's Report – Albert Bille-** Bids will be opening up soon for the paving of West Bay Ave. from Barnegat Blvd. to Rt. 9. We had about 30 new businesses open up in town in the past 18 months. We don't have the say in what businesses are opening up. New gazebo at Project Playground. Grandparents Day on 9/12 from 12-4 @ Project Playground. New recreation program will be coming soon. Health Fair on 9/18/21 from 10-2 at the Recreation Center.

**Joseph Marte:** Went over police report for August 2021. Answered 1420 calls for service, including 58 motor vehicle accidents. Over-time for august was 20% lower than August 2020. Congratulated Capt. Jason Carroll for recently graduating from Institute for Police. Officers of the month, Det. Bill Hetrick and Ptl. Rob Armstrong. Memorial service for 9/11 @ BHS. At 8:00 AM.

**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: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Fred Rubenstein** – Spoke about 9/11. This Saturday is not a celebration, it's going to be a sacred commemoration. The school district has been superb in helping. We are renewing a saying, if you see something, say something! Teach the young to be vigilant. Can happen here. We need to be eyes, ears and voices.

**VFW** – Thanked the committee for the resolution.

**Diane Grockenberg – 108 Redwood Dr.** – Thanked Chief Germain and his police department for what they done in Pinewood Estates. Still having issues. They do not put notices out for water. They have a new manager. Not upgrading appliances. They do so many things illegally. Roads are not fixed. Spoke to a lawyer already. Time for rent increase. Should not have to pay capital improvement for ongoing issues. Now drug problem.

**Ray Lesniak – 116 Redwood Dr.** – Backed up on everything that Diane has said. Need fence so people don't drive on property.

**MaryAnne Clemente – 565 E. Bay Ave.** – Upset and disappointed about Pirate's Day being moved. Created a petition to move it back to downtown of Barnegat. Impact on historical downtown businesses. Thirty years of tradition. Reason why people come here for the historical past. Not a flea market. Democratic Club President requested a booth for Pirate's Day was denied. School does not allow political activity.



**Motion to open Public Comment: Alfonso Cirulli**  
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**Second: Joseph Marte**  
**Second: Linda Kropf**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Roll Call:** Committeewoman Kropf: Yes      Committeeman Pipi: Yes  
Committeeman Marte: Yes  
Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes      Mayor Bille: Yes

**Ordinance 2021-17 (Second Reading) \*\*SEE ATTACHED\*\***  
Amending and Supplementing Chapter 63B of the Township Code Entitled “Rental Properties”

**Motion to open Public Comment: Alfonso Cirulli**  
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**Second: Joseph Marte**  
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**Motion to adopt Ordinance: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Roll Call:** Committeewoman Kropf: Yes      Committeeman Pipi: Yes  
Committeeman Marte: Yes  
Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes      Mayor Bille: Yes

**Ordinance 2021-18 (Second Reading) \*\*SEE ATTACHED\*\***  
Authorizing Lease of Public Land pursuant to NJSA 40A:12-12 et seq. to Starve Poverty International, Inc.

**Motion to open Public Comment: Alfonso Cirulli**  
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**Second: Joseph Marte**  
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**Motion to adopt Ordinance: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Roll Call:** Committeewoman Kropf: Yes      Committeeman Pipi: Yes  
Committeeman Marte: Yes  
Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes      Mayor Bille: Yes

**Ordinance 2021-19 (Second Reading) \*\*SEE ATTACHED\*\***  
Amending and Supplementing Chapter 71A of the Township code Entitled “Vehicles, Parking Restrictions in Residential Areas”

**Motion to open Public Comment: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Vic Passiatore – 7 Liberty Ct.** – Thanked Mr. Cirulli, he has been helpful. Still an issue with multiple cars on street.

**Motion to close Public Comment: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Roll Call:** Committeewoman Kropf: Yes      Committeeman Pipi: Yes  
Committeeman Marte: Yes  
Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes      Mayor Bille: Yes



**Ordinance 2021-21 (First Reading)**

*Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 2021-21, which was read by title only, as follows:*

An Ordinance of the Township authorizing the sale of real property known as Block 125 Lot 3, 56 Cape May Avenue

*Was introduced and passed on first reading and will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing to be held on October 5, 2021 or as soon thereafter the matter may be reached*

**Motion to Introduce Ordinance: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Roll Call:**

Committeewoman Kropf: Yes

Committeeman Pipi: Yes

Committeeman Marte: Yes

Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Mayor Bille: Yes

**Consent Agenda:**

The below listed items are considered to be routine by the Township of Barnegat and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of individual items. If discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

***Approval of Bingo License to American Legion Post 232, John Wesley Taylor for each Monday from October 4, 2021 to December 3, 2021***

***Approval of Off Premise 50/50 to American Legion Post 232, John Wesley Taylor on December 11, 2021***

***Approval of Off Premise 50/50 to Rotary Club of Barnegat NJ Charitable FDN on December 18, 2021***

***Approval of Gift Raffle to Women's Club Mirage on December 13, 2021 and April 11, 2022***

***Approval of On Premise 50/50 to Women's Club Mirage on various dates beginning October 18, 2021 to May 9, 2022***

***Approval of membership to John J. Reed III for the Barnegat First Aid***

***Approval of membership to Killian N. Rush for the Barnegat First Aid***

***Approval of membership to Maureen Saparito for the Barnegat First Aid***

***Approval of membership to Joseph L. Vega for the Barnegat First Aid***

**Resolution 2021-265**

Resolution recognizing September 17 through September 23, 2021 as Constitution Week

**Resolution 2021-266**

Resolution authorizing the Township Committee to extend the grace period for payment of third period taxes until August 31, 2021

**Resolution 2021 – 267**

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

**Resolution 2021 – 268**

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund tax payment erroneously paid due to totally disabled veteran tax exempt status Block 161.08 Lot 9.25; 17 Whisper Way

**Resolution 2021 – 269**

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund tax payment erroneously paid due to totally disabled veteran tax exempt status Block 115.11 Lot 48; 95 Robin Lane

**Resolution 2021 – 270**

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Homestead Benefit due to totally disabled veteran status Block 142.07 Lot 4; 114 Alexander Drive

**Resolution 2021 – 271**

Authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel 2021 taxes and authorize a refund payment for totally disabled veteran Block 113.09 Lot 6; 20 Birmingham Drive

**Resolution 2021 – 272**

Authorizing the Tax Collector to refund 2021 4<sup>th</sup> quarter taxes based on a successful assessment appeal on Block 253 Lot 16.01; 98 Water Street

**Resolution 2021 – 273**

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits for Block 134 Lots 1

**Resolution 2021 – 274**

Authorizing a Taxi License to Ramon A. Gonell of Gonell's Car Service, expiring December 31, 2021

**Resolution 2021 – 275**

Resolution appointing South Brunswick Chief, Raymond Hayducka to serve as a hearing officer involving employment matters

**Resolution 2021 – 276**

Resolution calling on the New Jersey Legislature to enact revisions to Veteran and Surviving Spouse property Tax Deductions

**Resolution 2021 – 277**

Resolution authorizing the Township Administrator to sign a 1 year maintenance contract with Liberty Technology Solutions for Public Works and P/Z offices

**Resolution 2021 – 278**

Resolution authorizing acceptance and recording of Access Easement for Cloverdale Road for Compass Point Cottages, Phase 1

**Resolution 2021– 279**

Resolution authorizing execution and recording the Deed of Access Easement-Bike Path for Compass Point Cottages, Phase 1

**Resolution 2021– 280**

Resolution authorizing execution of agreement for Installing Electric Distribution Facilities with Jersey Central Power & Light Company

**Resolution 2021 - 281**

Resolution authorizing acceptance of Change Order #7, 8, 9, 11 & 12 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building project

**Resolution 2021 - 282**

Resolution authorizing progress Payment #6 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building project

**Resolution 2021-283**

Resolution authorizing a Lien be placed of various properties for failure to comply with Obnoxious Growth Violations

**Resolution 2021-284**

Resolution authorizing application to NJDCA for a grant to enhance Recreational programs for Individuals with Special Needs, July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

**Resolution 2021-285**

Resolution appointing Crossing Guards to Non-Union positions for the school year 2021/2022

**Resolution 2021-286**

Resolution appointing Keith Smith as a Certified Police Officer as Full-time Patrolman, as of September 7, 2021

**Resolution 2021 – 287**

Resolution authorizing the Township Administrator to sign a 36 Month lease with Canon Solutions America for a large format printer for the Water/Sewer Department

**Resolution 2021 – 288**

Resolution authorizing the Township Engineer to perform New Water Tower Feasibility Study

**Resolution 2021 – 289**

Resolution authorizing professional engineering services for the NJDOT FY2021 Roadway Improvements to Pine Oak Boulevard, Phase 2

**Motion to adopt Consent Agenda: Alfonso Cirulli**

**Second: Joseph Marte**

**Roll Call:**

Committeewoman Kropf: Yes - Abstain Mirage Raffles

Committeeman Pipi: Yes

Committeeman Marte: Yes

Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Mayor Bille: Yes





**Abstention List September 7, 2021 Township Committee Meeting**

The following Barnegat Township Committee members have abstained from the below noted items on this agenda

Mayor Bille: Abstain Bill List V0026

Deputy Mayor Cirulli: \_\_\_\_\_

Committeewoman Kropf: Abstain on Mirage Raffles

Committeeman Pipi: \_\_\_\_\_

Committeeman Marte: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were formally approved by the Barnegat Township Committee: October 5, 2021

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Municipal Clerk