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

# TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES May 2, 2023, 6:30 P.M.

# Call to Order the May 2, 2023 Township Committee Meeting:

# **Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law:**

Pursuant to the requirements of the <u>Open Public Meetings Law</u>, 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:** by Pastor Rose Cassarino – Holy Spirit Victory Church

# **Roll Call of Officials:**

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

Committee Reports; Marte, Cirulli, Farmer, Bille

**Joseph Marte:** Gave Police report. They answered 1704 calls for service for the month of April including 36 MVA, 244 traffic enforcement details and 680 MV stops. Officers for the month of April are Ptl. Jesse Amirr and Plt. Zachary Santos for going above and beyond. May 29<sup>th</sup> is Memorial Day. A day to always remember and never forget!

**Al Cirulli:** Thanked the kids for the clean-up of Adopt a Street. Firewise meeting will be held at Paramount Escape.

**Bill Farmer:** Code Report for the month of April. There were 17 rental inspections, 34 letter of no interest, 107 zoning permits, 22 summons issued and 40 warning stickers.

**Al Bille:** Recreation – The Town Wide Yard Sale was extended to Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds goes to the Rotary Club for scholarships. There was a complaint about the paving. West Bay paving is going great and it should be done by end of the week. Showed plans for the Cox house renovation. First concert is May 27<sup>th</sup>. Concert schedule will be in the Leader May 18<sup>th</sup>. A sign was proposed for Bayside chapel. Wished everyone a Happy Memorial Day!

<u>Mayor's Report:</u> Had the honor to be at the Horbelt School for Arbor Day on Aril 28, 2023. Acknowledge the Germano family. Went to the School Board meeting and they went over their budget. Budget was tabled. Talked about the last 6 years that the town taxes only increased on an average home is \$27.00. 30% of taxes on bill is Township, 18% is County and 52% is School.

# **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

**Heidi Holt:** 6 Warren Grove Rd. – Has major concerns with traffic and several accidents going onto Rt. 72 E. Spoke with Vanessa at O.C. D.O.T. Asking for help to get a traffic light at Rt. 72 & Warren Grove Rd. Chief has asked State as well. Will do our diligence on our end.

Ray Lezchek: 116 Redwood Dr. – Questioned wording on Ordinance 2023-14

**John Murrin:** 38 Pierhead Dr. – Thanked committee on a great job with the paving for W. Bay Ave.

**Phil Cecchia:** 12 Windward Dr. – Great job on W. Bay Ave. Will soon present an opportunity for a recycling business – freezing tires. Also, an opportunity for more jobs.

**Charlie Cunliffe:** 135 Rockrimmoon Blvd. - Had an opinion on the climate in Barnegat and it is not good. School and Town are two autonomous bodies and need to stay separate. Not good for the town as a whole.

**Al Bille:** Responded that our Town Administrator was attacked on Facebook. Everything was a lie!

**Marianne Clemente:** 565 E. Bay Ave. - Agreed with Charlie. Would like more information on the agendas. Told Mayor that calling the "Girls" in the office is disrespectful. Should say "women".

**Holly Robertiello:** 23 Deer Run Dr. N. – Asked if they can start paving Timbers section. So many pot holes and it's a big problem.

**Joe Albany:** 14 Butler Dr. – Supporting his daughter about paving Timbers section. Due to diligence in making builders accountable before releasing bonds. Please consider paving that section.

Motion to Close Public Session: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte

# **Old Business:**

Ordinance 2023-11 (Second Reading) \*\*AS AMENDED\*\*

An Ordinance amending Various Sections of the Township Code related to Fees

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

Motion to adopt as amended: Al Cirulli Second: Joseph Marte Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

Ordinance 2023-12 (Second Reading) \*\* SEE ATTACHED\*\*

An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 74 of the Township code Entitled "Water/Sewer Utility" and Specifically Schedule A thereof Entitled "Water/Sewer Utility Schedule of Fees"

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 Cirulli Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

Ordinance 2023-13 (Second Reading) \*\*SEE ATTACHED\*\*

An Ordinance repealing Chapter 19 of the Township Code Entitled "Recreation Commission"

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 Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

Ordinance 2023-14 (Second Reading) \*\*SEE ATTACHED\*\*

An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 55-161 of the Township Code and Re-naming same "Accessory Buildings"

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 Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

Ordinance 2023-15 (Second Reading) \*\*SEE ATTACHED\*\*

An Ordinance authorizing Lease of Public Land Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14 Et. Seq. to the Barnegat Girls Softball League

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 Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

Ordinance 2023-16 (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: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte Motion to close Public Comment: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte

Motion to adopt ordinance: Al Bille Second: Al Cirulli

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

# **Formal Action:**

#### Resolution 2023-159

Resolution authorizing payment of Bill List in the amount of \$12,593,860.83

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

#### Resolution 2023-160

Resolution authorizing a Chapter 159 in the amount of \$20,000 be inserted in the 2023 Municipal Budget, for the 2023 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 Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

# Resolution 2023-160A

Resolution authorizing a Chapter 159 in the amount of \$53,811.15 be inserted in the 2023 Municipal Budget, for the Opioid Settlement fund Grant program

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

# New Business:

Approval of the Township Committee minutes from the April 4, 2023 meeting

Motion to adopt minutes: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

# Ordinance 2023-17 (First Reading)

Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 2023-17, which was read by title only, as follows: An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 63 of the Township Code Entitled "Maintenance of Vacant and Abandoned Properties"

Was introduced and passed on first reading and will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing to be held on June 8, 2023 or as soon thereafter the matter may be reached

Motion to introduce ordinance: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

Ordinance 2023-18 (First Reading)

Introduction and first reading of Ordinance2023-18, which was read by title only, as follows:

An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 15 of the Township code Entitled "Police Department" and Specifically Subsection 9 thereof Entitled "Rules and Regulations"

Was introduced and passed on first reading and will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing to be held on June 8, 2023 or as soon thereafter the matter may be reached

Motion to introduce ordinance: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

Ordinance 2023-19 (First Reading)

Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 2023-19, which was read by title only, as follows: An Ordinance accepting several deeds of dedication (Conservation Lots) from Walters Development Co., LLC

Was introduced and passed on first reading and will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing to be held on June 8, 2023 or as soon thereafter the matter may be reached

Motion to introduce ordinance: Al Bille Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: 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 On Premise 50/50 to the Barnegat Sports Booster Inc. for July 1, 2023

Approval of membership to Mark Cioffi for the Barnegat Fire Department Approval of membership to Shaun Faulds for the Barnegat Fire Department Approval of membership to Devon M. Faulds for the Barnegat Fire Department Approval of membership to Ian P. Cummings for the Barnegat First Aid Squad

#### Resolution 2023-161

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

#### Resolution 2023-162

Resolution promoting William Baglivo from Laborer to Driver for Public Works Department effective April 4, 2023

#### Resolution 2023-163

Revising Resolution 2023-87 changing end term for Emergency Management Coordinators

#### Resolution 2023-164

Resolution authorizing refund of Escrow Deposits

#### Resolution 2023-165

Resolution authorizing execution and recording of numerous Easements for Ocean Acres, Phase 13

#### Resolution 2023-166

Resolution authorizing the Finance Office to reimburse homeowner for damages to home

#### Resolution 2023-167

Resolution executing a NJ State Contract #T2776S for the purchase of three (3) 2023 Chevy Tahoe PPV 4x4 from Gentilini Motors for the Police Department

#### Resolution 2023-168

Resolution authorizing the Transfer of PB08-24 Escrow deposits

#### Resolution 2023-169

Resolution authorizing a Shared Service Agreement with Ocean Township for Plumbing Sub Code Official

#### Resolution 2023-170

Resolution authorizing the release of Performance Guarantee for Sanitary Sewer System Improvements to R. Stone & Company for Stone Hill at Barnegat

#### Resolution 2023-171

Resolution authorizing the release of Performance Guarantee for Water System Improvements to R. Stone & Company for Stone Hill at Barnegat

# Resolution 2023-172

Resolution hiring Jesse Gerard as a Full-time Electrical Inspector for the Construction Office

#### Resolution 2023-173

Resolution executing a NJ State Contract #A488758, T2101 for the purchase of a 2022 Ford 350 Chassis Cab DRW and a 2022 Ford F3504WD Pick Up Truck from Cherry Hill Winner Ford for the Water/Sewer Department

#### Resolution 2023-174

Resolution authorizing the Township Administrator to sign a contract with Hunter Technologies for the purchase and maintenance of Avaya phone system for Barnegat Township offices

#### Resolution 2023-175

Resolution authorizing Change Order's # 39 & 40 to Frankoski Construction Co for the New Municipal Building

#### Resolution 2023-176

Resolution authorizing progress payment #26 to Frankoski Construction Co for the New Municipal Building

#### Resolution 2023-177

Resolution hiring Tracey Gallagher as Part-time Dock master as of 5-10-2023

Motion to adopt Consent Agenda: Al Cirulli Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Bille: Yes Committeeman Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

# Resolution 2023-178

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 Cirulli: Yes

Committeeman Farmer: Yes

Deputy Mayor Marte: Yes Mayor Pipi: Yes

| Motion | to Adjourn: | Al Cirulli | Second: Joseph Marte |
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| Time   | 7:15PM      | _          |                      |

Next scheduled meeting June 8, 2023 at 10:00 AM

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were formally adopted by the Township Committee on June 8, 2023.

| Municipal | Clerk |  |
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