



**Committee Reports: Bille, Papi, Townsend, Cirulli**

**Al Bille** – Welcomed Jake Townsend. Mentioned Black History month at the Library. Explained the movement of Pirate's Day to May 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Pat Papi** - Gave code report. Commend Mike Ball from Public Works.

**Jake Townsend** – Went over water report for the month of January.

**Deputy Cirulli** – Congratulated Jake & Georgia. Fire Wise meeting held at Heritage Point on Feb 8<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00. Thanked Rico Fischer for all his years of service as the Fire Wise Secretary. Welcomed Michael Ball as his replacement. Gave First Aid report. Thanked our First Aid squad and Quality for a job well done.

**Mayor's Report** – Went over Police report for January. Police answered 1460 calls for service, 222 first aid calls, 32 MVA, 125 traffic enforcement and 702 stops. Thanked Public Works for a job well done.

**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: Al Cirulli**

**Joseph Sullivan:** Manufacture Homeowner Assoc. of NJ – Spoke about how no comments were made about the removal of the Rent Leveling. You easily took away the rights of Pinewood Estates. Do your research in Manufacture Home Industry. People are on fixed income. They have no protection. NJ can raise rent 10%. Would like to know your reasoning as to why of the removal? With rent control there is at least some protection.

**Mr. Dasti-** Mentioned that it was advertised. You all have time to speak and make your comments.

**Lorraine Ferraro:** 121 Cypress Lane – Spoke about the removal of the Rent Leveling. Wants to know what persuaded your vote to get rid of ordinance? Trying to appeal. Please reconsider. Wants to know if you all can get together and get an agreement and protect us. We the people need your help and you are the only people that can help us for not going homeless. Thank you for your time.

**John Murrin:** 38 Pierhead Dr. – Former Chairmen of Rent Leveling Board. Mentioned that a meeting was held for 2 hours. Also, had another meeting where most of the questions were answered. Secondly, no matter what decision of the board it can be appealed. Everything over \$5,000 is bonded. If reconsidered a law, please look carefully to see what can be passed through the residence.

**Ron Naples:** 153 Brighton Rd. - Spoke about how rent leveling board was extremely effective in October. This law is not that old, maybe only 7-8 years old. First stop that residents had where the township can hear the residents out and make a decision. It is a service and a protection and you took it away! Bring the law back with some improvements because the residents need protection. We need a rent leveling law. Write a new law to be effective.

**Deputy Cirulli:** Spoke about how he would support the residents and look into a better law.

**Mike:** 107 Hemlock Dr. - Talked about how the committee is here to serve the community. The residents look to you as our first line defense. We believe you represent us. We need a voice! We do not have the ability or the money to fight with corporate lawyers. Thank you for your time.

**Diane Schlagel:** 32 Kimberly Dr. - Around 2017 had a meeting that they needed a rent leveling board. We fought and won, which was that our rent cannot go up more than 3%. Very disappointed that you got rid of ordinance around Christmas time. Thanked the Police for driving through our community to make us feel safe. How can you vote that big corporations make money?

**Dave Kristik:** 186 Chestnut Dr. - President of Manufacture Home Association – Heard about Barnegat when living in AZ. Moved here in 2012. Got involved with the HOA and would go around the state and gave Barnegat as an example. Most of the people are 75-80 years old. Leave us alone and let us live. People won't be able to survive. Loved that we were protected. Recently passed ordinance on abandoned homes. Please reconsider an ordinance.

**MaryAnne Burns:** 115 Magnolia Ave. – Spoke about how rent went up from \$291 to \$357. Did some math for the years. Wants to know what they are paying on taxes on all that land. Feels they are being ripped off. It's criminal and we need you to step in and help us!

**Mr. Lonpolfi:** 101 Chestnut Dr. - Mentioned that he has no idea about leveling board and only that it was in place to help us. Moved in 8 years ago and was the only place I can afford. 68 years old and still has to work to make up difference. Goes to food bank. Only here to plead and please help us! We won't be able to live here.

**Jean Malmier:** 100 Berry Ln. - Moved here 42 years ago. Pinewood Estate was built for families. The residents take care of everything. We do all of our own maintenance. 75 years old and still have to work. This is not a joke! We need your help! Don't let 42 years of mobile home park go. Thanks for listening and please don't let us down!

**Lisa Yasnoski:** 146 Chestnut Dr. - Lived at park for 11 years. This park was neglected for many years and they do not pay their vendors. Doubling the rent is just unjustifiable. Shouldn't have to be responsible for their neglect. Live on very low income and disabled. Please put this into consideration. Thank you!

**Velma Barker:** 100 Magnolia Dr. – Moved in 10 years ago. Rent was low and was able to afford to live there. Social security cut my income and now hard to live. Owners do nothing for us. Trying to get us out. Had to go to the judge so they couldn't evict me.

**Tom:** 4 Spring Lake Ct. - Spoke about 2 meeting ago how Charles Cunliffe did not run as a Democrat. He did! People shouldn't lie. How about call or email Mr. Murphy.

**Joann Pelroski:** 102 Evergreen Ln. - Moved in 3 years ago. Was told that this was the better place to live because she had rent leveling and that Barnegat protects all renters. Now what can we do?

**John Murrin:** 38 Pierhead Dr. - Thanked all the people that came out tonight. Shout out to Rico Fischer who started Fire Wise. Thanked our Police Department and ask for help if you need it.

**Fred Rubenstein:** 4 Hickory Cir. - Heart is broken. This is not the American dream, this is the American nightmare! We have to take care of our own. Has confidence in committee to make this correct. No shame in revisiting this matter again. Came here 31 years ago. Let's join hands and do better.

**Mr. Dasti:** Mentioned that they will sit down with Mr. Sullivan and representatives.

**Mary Rizzo:** 96 Raccoon Ln. – My heart hurts. Pray to look out for these people. Before we built we were not told that trees were going to be taken down. Bought this house for that reason. Now cranes by my house and took them down. Asking to power wash my house and trees put back in and wants windows cleaned.

**Kurt Otto:** Explained that Paramount Escapes did not extend water when they were supposed to. 250 feet beyond Mrs. Rizzo's yard will try to put trees back. I have photos. The work took about 2 ½ weeks. Will work with the developers.

**Maria:** 134 Redwood Dr. – Please reconsider to help us. Why didn't they salt Pinewood Estate?

**Marty Lisella:** Explained that there was no plowing but roads were salted

**Joe Rizzo:** 96 Raccoon Ln. – Who is going to maintain that easement line? Kurt said that his HOA will maintain.

**Motion to Close Public Session: AI Bille**

**Second: AI Cirulli**

**Old Business:**

**Ordinance 2024 –1 (Second Reading) \*\*SEE ATTACHED\*\***  
Amending various sections of Chapter 55 of the Township Code Entitled "Land Use"

**Motion to open Public Comment: AI Bille**

**Second: AI Cirulli**

**Gary Barr:** 22 Ravenwood Blvd. - Target for a specific land. Concerned of the lot size and is different from other Wawa's. Proposing that the lot is 1 ½ acres. Appears to be an undersized lot for a Wawa. Feels it's a bad idea to pass this.



**Ordinance 2024-3**

**(First Reading)**

*Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 2024-3, 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 March 5, 2024 or as soon thereafter the matter may be reached*

**Motion to introduce ordinance: Al Bille**

**Second: Al Cirulli**

**Roll Call:**

Committeeman Bille: Yes

Committeeman Pipi: Yes

Committeeman Townsend: Yes

Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Mayor Marte: 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 Easter Sunday Sunrise Service at the Municipal Dock on March 31, 2024 at 6:30 AM**

**Approval of a Social Affairs Permit on February 6 & February 9, 2024 to the Mirage Men's Club Foundation Inc.**

**Approval of an On Premise Merchandise Raffle on March 2, 2024 to Barnegat Sports Boosters, Inc.**

**Resolution 2024-74**

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

**Resolution 2024-75**

Authorizing the Tax Collector to refund utility payment erroneously paid Block 113.06 Lot 21; 50 Butler Drive

**Resolution 2024-76**

Authorizing the Tax Collector to refund tax payment based on a successful Tax Court Appeal Block 115.01 Lot 2.01; 895 West Bay Avenue

**Resolution 2024-77**

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel taxes and authorize a refund due to totally disabled veteran for 2023 taxes paid with no future billing on Block 95.19 Lot 3; 6 Fountain View Drive

**Resolution 2024-78**

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel taxes and authorize a refund due to totally disabled veteran for 2023 taxes paid with no future billing on Block 114.19 Lot 2;  
3 Nautilus Avenue

**Resolution 2024-79**

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel certain balances of \$10.00 Over/Under

**Resolution 2024-80**

Resolution revising the amount of bid award from Earle Asphalt Company for the Spruce Circle South and Spruce Circle roadway improvements project approved on Resolution 2023-393 from \$240,100.00 to \$243,100.00 due to typographical error

**Resolution 2024-81**

Resolution authorizing the transfer from the Assessor's Office as Field Inspector to Assistant to the Technical Assistant to the Construction Official in the Building Department to Celeste Lopes, effective February 12, 2024

**Resolution 2024-82**

Resolution hiring Richard Barlet as Part-Time Plumbing Inspector for the Building Department

**Resolution 2024-83**

Resolution authorizing an unpaid medical extension to Donna Conto of the Building Department from February 1, 2024 to March 1, 2024

**Resolution 2024-84**

Resolution authorizing a paid medical leave to Georgia Shaffery of the Building Department from January 12, 2024 to January 26, 2024

**Resolution 2024-85**

Resolution authorizing a paid medical leave to Louis Fischer of the Building Department from January 9, 2024 to March 6, 2024

**Resolution 2024-86**

Resolution authorizing the execution of shared service agreement with the Ocean County Prosecutors Office for the Traffic Safety Program (FAST)

**Resolution 2024-87**

Resolution authorizing the Administrator to sign a contract for a 60 month lease with Canon Solutions America for a Imageprograf Large Format Printer, a Contex IQ Large Format Scanner for Town Hall and an Imageclass MF 1538C Copier for the office of the CFO for a monthly amount of \$500.00

**Resolution 2024-88**

Resolution rescinding the renewal of an Inactive Liquor License, 1533-33-013-003 for Barnegat Brew and Spirits Inc. for the 2023/2024 term

**Resolution 2024-89**

Resolution authorizing the Municipal Clerk to advertise for the receipt of bids for 2024 Water Meter Contract for the Water/Sewer Department

**Resolution 2024-90**

Resolution authorizing the Municipal Clerk to advertise for bids for the purchase of Bell Mine and/or Carmeuse Hydrated High Calcium Lime for the Water & Sewer Department.

**Resolution 2024-91**

Resolution authorizing the Municipal Clerk to advertise for the receipt of bids for Itron ERT meter reading apparatus for the Water/Sewer Department.

**Resolution 2024-92**

Resolution authorizing application to Ocean County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the FY24 Grant Cycle

**Resolution 2024-93**

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Robert H. Taff, West Bay Plaza

**Resolution 2024-94**

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Cavtaff1 LLC, West Bay Plaza

**Resolution 2024-95**

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Pheasant Run II Homeowners Association Inc.

**Resolution 2024-96**

Resolution authorizing the Retention of Developers Escrow Interest per Land Use Code Book, 55-80.3

**Resolution 2024-97**

Resolution authorizing Final payment #4 including a Contract Change Order to Shore Connection Inc. for the 2022 Barnegat Sanitary Sewer Capital Improvement Project for \$10,371.92

**Resolution 2024-98**

Resolution accepting and authorizing execution of a New 4 year Collective Bargaining Agreement with the AFSME District Council 63 / Local 3304J / Department Head Employees

**Resolution 2024-99**

Resolution accepting and authorizing execution of a New 4 year Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Teamsters Number 35/ Public Works

**Resolution 2024-100**

Resolution accepting the retirement of Police Chief Keith Germain as of May 1, 2024

**Resolution 2024-101**

Resolution appointing Jason D. Carroll as Chief of Police effective May 1, 2024 and authorizing execution of an employment agreement



**Resolution 2024-102**

Resolution hiring John Dolan as a Certified Full Time Patrolman effective May 1, 2024

**Resolution 2024-103**

Resolution releasing Performance Guarantee and any remaining monetary funds for High Point at Barnegat posted by Developer Barnegat Glenn LLC

**Resolution 2024-104**

Resolution denying request for release of Site Performance Guarantee for Barnegat 67, Formerly Barnegat Crossing

**Resolution 2024-105**

Resolution denying request for release of Performance Guarantee for Sanitary Sewer System Improvements for Barnegat 67, formerly Barnegat Crossing

**Resolution 2024-106**

Resolution denying request for release of Performance Guarantee for Water System Improvements for Barnegat 67, formerly Barnegat Crossing

**Resolution 2024-107**

Resolution denying request for release of Performance Guarantee for On-Site Improvements for Barnegat 67, formerly Barnegat Crossing

**Resolution 2024-108**

Resolution authorizing acceptance of Change Orders #48-51 in the amount of \$11,325.17 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building project

**Resolution 2024-109**

Resolution authorizing progress Payment #32 in amount of \$4,602.24 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building, check payable to Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America

**Resolution 2024-110**

Resolution hiring Mark Wilsea Jr. as a Field Inspector for the Assessor's Office starting at \$41,000 yr. effective February 20, 2024

**Motion to adopt Consent Agenda: Al Bille**

**Second: Al Cirulli**

**Roll Call:**

Committeeman Bille: Yes

Committeeman Pipi: Yes

Committeeman Townsend: Yes

Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Mayor Marte: Yes

**Resolution 2024-111**

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

**Motion to adopt resolution: Pat Pipi**

**Second: Al Cirulli**

<b>Roll Call:</b>	Committeeman Bille: Yes	Committeeman Pipi: Yes
	Committeeman Townsend: Yes	
	Deputy Mayor Cirulli: Yes	Mayor Marte: Yes

**Motion to Adjourn: Al Bille**  
Time\_\_11:45 am\_\_\_\_

**Second: Al Cirulli**

**Next scheduled meeting**  
**March 5, 2024 at 6:30 PM**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were formally adopted by the Township Committee on March 5, 2024.

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**Municipal Clerk**