

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

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
June 5, 2025 10:00 AM**

Call to Order the June 5, 2025 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: by Pastor Glen Swank, Barnegat Bay Assembly of God

Roll Call of Officials:

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

Donation from Van Dyk Realty for Summer Concerts at Municipal Dock

Proclamation Recognizing the “Natural Family Month”

Mayor’s Report – Old town hall building will be taken down on Thursday, June 12th.

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

Marty Weber: 290 Rt. 72 – Affiliated with Jeff’s Camp. Few years ago went to Pinelands Commissioner for help for homes for our Vets. We were turned down. Want to change our plan. Want to help our Vets! Asking for you to help and fight. Would like to put up a small building for a counseling center for our Vets. Will submit a plan again. There will be no housing. Would like to move forward with this.

Frank Belluardo: 196 Chestnut Way – Thanked Mayor Cirulli and Pat Pipi on behalf of the people of Pinewood for helping with the ordinance on Rent Leveling. Showed you really care about the people. Thanked Mr. Cirulli for being a good human being and the effort you put out when there was a problem with the septic. Complimented Mr. Dasti for his value and efforts. Checking with the NJ Bar Association, any ordinance or law can be challenged and taken to court. Committee failed to realize that the Township Committee has no right to overturn the decision of the board. Just wanted you to know how I feel. You denied us the right to live in peace and harmony.

Diane Grockenberger: 108 Redwood Dr. – Asked where is Valley View Estates? Kurt Otto answered that it is off of Benjamin Court.

Have been reading about low income housing. Can only find in Lacey Township. Kurt mentioned that we have affordable housing here in Barnegat. Mr. Dasti explained you need to qualify depending on your income level.

Will Barnegat Crossing III have affordable housing? Kurt replied, he doesn't believe so.

Where is the water tower going?

Kurt said it will be going to Sea Crest Pines to the west. If you want water you would need Pineland approval and environmental study.

Al Bille – Explained affordable housing per planning board

Will we go live stream? Donna mentioned that they are working on it and hopefully by July.

Tom Randazzo: 4 Spring Lake Ct. – Thanked committee. Barnegat is a very desirable town. Congratulations on doing a good job!

Al Bille: Spoke about how the taxes are only a \$33 difference between Stafford and Barnegat and \$59 from Lacey. Lacey gets \$11,000,000 from the plant. Stafford's taxes are going up 1.7% and we are only going up 1%. Tom and Marty do a great job to keep taxes down.

Ray Lescheck: 1 Redwood Dr. – Questioned about the upper deck at the gazebo, still nothing happening. Kurt responded that they are currently waiting for a grant. The first level will be open. What's happening with Meadow Edge Park?

Al Bille said he is working with DPW and recreation and explained the work that is being done with Meadow Edge.

Also have written some rules for Rent Leveling. Mr. Dasti took literature from Ray.

Carl Reitman: 115 Chestnut Way – What is the affordable law?

Mr. Dasti explained the law on affordable housing. It goes by income level. Will send information on the income levels to Mr. Reitman.

Could the committee help the people of Pinewood stay where we are with affordability?

Tom Randazzo: 4 Spring Lake Ct. – Governor Murphy has allowed 300,000 illegals to live here for free.

Motion to Close Public Session: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Formal Action:

Resolution 2025-190

Resolution authorizing payment of Bill List in the amount of \$12,528,413.32

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Marte: Yes Committeeman Papi: Yes
Committeeman Townsend: Yes
Deputy Mayor Bille: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Resolution 2025-191

Resolution authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to cancel certain outstanding checks due to inactivity and that are potentially in-valid

Motion to adopt resolution: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Marte: Yes Committeeman Papi: Yes
Committeeman Townsend: Yes
Deputy Mayor Bille: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

New Business:

Approval of the Township Committee minutes from the May 6, 2025 Township Committee meeting

Motion to adopt minutes: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Marte: Yes Committeeman Papi: Yes
Committeeman Townsend: Yes
Deputy Mayor Bille: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Ordinance 2025-17

(First Reading)

Introduction and first reading of Ordinance 2025-17, which was read by title only, as follows:

An Ordinance providing for the acquisition of various items of Telecommunications Equipment for the Police Department, appropriating \$675,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$575,000 bonds and notes to finance a portion of the costs thereof

Was introduced and passed on first reading and will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing to be held on July 1, 2025 or as soon thereafter the matter may be reached

Motion to introduce ordinance: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call: Committeeman Marte: Yes Committeeman Papi: Yes
Committeeman Townsend: Yes
Deputy Mayor Bille: Yes Mayor Cirulli: 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 Annual Stop, Drop and Run Fundraiser Event on Bayshore Drive from the Municipal Dock to Ridgeway Road sponsored by the Barnegat Fire Company on August 30, 2025

Approval of Block Party for Sable Court in Heritage Point on July 12 from Noon to 10:00 PM

Approval of membership to Ava Redline for the Barnegat First Aid Squad
Approval of membership to Grace Davis for the Barnegat First Aid Squad

Resolution 2025-192

Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund payment erroneously posted for Block 208.09, Lot 6.04 Qual C, 2 South Seas Court in the amount of \$1,311.37 for the 2nd quarter 2025 tax bill

Resolution 2025-193

Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund payment erroneously for Block 115.01, Lot 8, 5 Ocean Avenue in the amount of \$1,159.54 for the 2nd quarter 2025 tax bill

Resolution 2025-194

Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund payment erroneously applied to Block 92.16, Lot 8, 1966 Breakers Drive in the amount of \$84.97

Resolution 2025-195

Resolution authorizing release of Cash Monument Bond to Remsen Mills for Valley View Estates project in the amount of \$5,400.00

Resolution 2025-196

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow deposits to Valley View Estates for Block 161, Lot 17.01 for \$151.25, W/S Inspection Escrow and \$4,031.99, Accrued bank interest

Resolution 2025-197

Resolution authorizing the refund of Zoning Board Review Escrow deposits to 363 Bayshore LLC for Block 201, Lots 22 & 23 for \$275.35

Resolution 2025-198

Resolution authorizing the refund of Zoning Board Review Escrow deposits to Michael Dillon for Block 92.57, Lot 17.01 for \$96.30

Resolution 2025-199

Resolution authorizing the refund of Zoning Board Review Escrow deposits to Nicole Stevens for Block 92.38, Lots 12 for \$53.20

Resolution 2025-200

Resolution approving an unpaid medical leave for Marna DiPietrantonio, Part Time Crossing Guard April 18 to September 1, 2025

Resolution 2025-201

Resolution authorizing acceptance with the State of NJ Department of Law & Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General for Grant CFDA #20.600 to enhance Cops in Shops, Summer Shore Initiative 2025

Resolution 2025-202

Resolution authorizing application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for a Grant to enhance Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities (ROIDIS) for approximately \$20,000 with a \$4,000 cash match for the period beginning July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.

Resolution 2025-203

Resolution authorizing approval to submit a grant application and execute a Grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Village Drive Improvements project

Resolution 2025-204

Resolution adopting the Ocean County Multi-Jurisdictional All Hazard Mitigation plan

Resolution 2025-205

Resolution authorizing renewal of liquor licenses in the Township of Barnegat for the 2025/2026 term

Resolution 2025-206

Resolution authorizing Payment #2 To Earle Asphalt Company, for the Barnegat Township Proposed Water Tower - Fox Run Boulevard Utility Installation Project in the amount of \$5,397,84 and final change order in the amount of \$2,694.25 for a total of \$8,092.09

Resolution 2025-207

Resolution authorizing Van Cleef Engineering to prepare the Stormwater System GIS for MS4 Compliance

Resolution 2025-208

Resolution authorizing Release of Monument Bond to Walters Development Co. LLC for Ocean Acres Phase 13, Block 92.25, Lots 10 & 11

Resolution 2025-209

Resolution authorizing Release of Monument Bond to Walters Development Co. LLC for Ocean Acres Phase 13, Block 92.26, Lots 7, 8, 10, 11, 12 & 13

Resolution 2025-210

Resolution authorizing Release of Monument Bond to Walters Development Co. LLC for Ocean Acres Phase 13, Block 92.30, Lots 2, 3 & 4

Resolution 2025-211

Resolution authorizing Reduction of Performance Guarantee for Sanitary Sewer System Improvements to Walters Development Co. LLC for Ocean Acres Phase 14, Bond #PB00459500138

Resolution 2025-212

Resolution authorizing Reduction of Performance Guarantee for Water System Improvements to Walters Development Co. LLC for Ocean Acres Phase 14, Bond #PB00459500137

Resolution 2025-213

Resolution authorizing Reduction of Performance Guarantee for Site Improvements to Walters Development Co. LLC for Ocean Acres Phase 14, Bond #PB00459500136

Resolution 2025-214

Resolution granting preliminary Sanitary Sewer System Facilities approval to Del Corp Holdings LLC for Block 265, Lot 4.01, 20 South Main Street

Resolution 2025-215

Resolution granting preliminary Water System Facilities approval to Del Corp Holdings LLC for Block 265, Lot 4.01, 20 South Main Street

Resolution 2025-216

Resolution granting preliminary Sanitary Sewer System Facilities approval to Barnegat Terrace LLC for Block 162.01, Lot 1.22, 702 Barnegat Boulevard North

Resolution 2025-217

Resolution granting preliminary Water System Facilities approval to Barnegat Terrace LLC for Block 162.01, Lot 1.22, 702 Barnegat Boulevard North

Resolution 2025-218

Resolution denying release of Performance Guarantee for Sanitary Sewer System Improvements for Barnegat Terrace, Bond #S315802

Resolution 2025-219

Resolution denying release of Performance Guarantee for Water System Improvements for Barnegat Terrace, Bond #S315803

Resolution 2025-220

Resolution authorizing payment #3 to Sub-Level Installations, Inc., in the amount of \$159,281.36 for the work completed on the 4th Street Pump Station Improvements Project

Resolution 2025-221

Resolution authorizing acceptance of Change Orders #87-88 in the amount of \$43,546.55 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building project

Resolution 2025-222

Resolution authorizing progress Payment #45 in amount of \$32,883.27 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building, check payable to Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America

(Al Bille & Joseph Marte Abstain on block party for Sable Court)

Motion to adopt Consent Agenda: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call

Committeeman Marte: Yes

Committeeman Pipi: Yes

Committeeman Townsend: Yes

Deputy Mayor Bille: Yes

Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Resolution 2025-223

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 Marte: Yes

Committeeman Pipi: Yes

Committeeman Townsend: Yes

Deputy Mayor Bille: Yes

Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Motion to Adjourn: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Time: 10:42am

Next scheduled meeting

July 1, 2025 6:30 PM

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were formally adopted by the Township Committee on July 1, 2025.

Municipal Clerk