

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

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 2, 2025 6:30 PM**

Call to Order the September 2, 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 Joseph Faraldi, Bayside Chapel

Roll Call of Officials:

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

PROCLAMATION FOR OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

In celebration of Rachel Sackett, a 5 year survivor, Thriver and Advocate

REMARKS FROM BARNEGAT HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR, JOHN GERMANO

John thanked the committee for allowing him to speak about Nick Dambrowny. We lost one of our own. John was very close to his family. Nick loved baseball. He earned a baseball scholarship for Ramapo College. Nick got to live his dream. He was a great human being. Say a prayer for his family. Thank you!

Mayor's Report

Al Bille – There will not be a 9-11 ceremony this year due to the construction in front of Town Hall. Thanked our committee and Marty Lisella for negotiating a contract for the trash and recycle.

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

Tom Randazzo: 4 Spring Lake Ct. - Likes the chart about the tax increases. It shows that our CFO is doing a great job! Need to get the B.O.E and county on board. Spoke about how the elections have not been fair in the past.

Dave Kristick: 186 Chestnut Dr. – Would like to see some democrats on the committee. Thank you for all the support you give with Firewise. Moved to Barnegat in 2010 and been very involved with Firewise.

Lorraine Ferarro: 121 Cypress Lane – Asked for you to put an ordinance for rent leveling of a 3.5% starting January 1st until state law is effective March 1st.

- Mr. Dasti explained the process. It's illegal to cap. Rent ordinance is regulated by the rent board.

Still unclear as to why an ordinance can not be written to protect your rentals in this town.

Gary Barr: 22 Ravenwood Blvd. – Thanked the committee for the paving on Pennsylvania Ave. Had questions on Resolution 2025-329. Why were the bids rejected for the improvement of the public docks pavilion and what is the next step?

- Kurt Otto said that they are looking for lesser bids. Bids came in 50% over budget. Gazebo has been in this town since the 1930's, it has a lot of historic value and would like to see it saved.

Motion to Close Public Session: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Old Business

Ordinance 2025-18

(Second Reading) **SEE ATTACHED**

An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 34 of the Township Code Entitled "Use of Township Facilities"

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 Marte: Yes

Committeeman Papi: Yes

Committeeman Townsend: Yes

Deputy Mayor Bille: Yes Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Formal Action:

Resolution 2025-299

Resolution authorizing payment of Bill List in the amount of \$9,853,227.35

Motion to adopt resolution: AI 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 August 5, 2025 Township Committee meeting

Motion to adopt minutes: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Roll Call:

Committeeman Marte: Yes

Committeeman Pipi: 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 Off-Premise 50/50 to American Legion Unit #232 John Wesley Taylor for December 6, 2025

Approval of Pull Tab license to American Legion Unit #232 John Wesley Taylor for the 2026 year

Approval of On Premise Raffle to Horizon at Barnegat Women's Club on 9/15-10/6-11/3-12/1, 2025, 1/5-3/2-4/13-5/6 & 6/1, 2026

Approval of On Premise 50/50 to the Rotary Club of Barnegat NJ Charitable FDN on November 21, 2025

Approval of Off-Premise Reverse 50/50 to the Rotary Club of Barnegat NJ Charitable FDN on November 21, 2025

Approval of Off-Premise 50/50 Raffle to the Barnegat Volunteer Fire Co. #1 Inc. for December 6, 2025

Approval of Drag Bingo License to Barnegat Pride on October 25, 2025

Approval of Social Affairs Permit to Venue at Lighthouse Station Social Circle Club on September 27, 2025

Approval of Social Affairs Permit to Barnegat Oyster Collective on September 28, 2025

Approval of Social Affairs Permit to Barnegat Oyster Collective on October 5, 2025

Approval of Social Affairs Permit to Barnegat Oyster Collective on October 10, 2025

Approval of Block Party for 14-26 Fullrigger Ave on September 20th from 12:00 to 9 PM

Resolution 2025-300

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

Resolution 2025-301

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund of taxes in the amount of \$4,370.65 due to totally disabled veteran tax exemption, Block 114.62, Lot 2; 38 Freedom Hills Drive

Resolution 2025-302

Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund of taxes in the amount of \$2,896.82 due to totally disabled veteran tax exemption, Block 114.07, Lot 17; 257 Hawthorne Lane

Resolution 2025-303

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Walters Development Co, LLC in the amount of \$638.50 for Block 92.25, Lots 10 & 11; 21 & 23 Outsail Avenue

Resolution 2025-304

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Walters Development Co, LLC in the amount of \$1,467.88 for Block 92.26, Lots 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, & 13; Outsail & Foremost Avenues

Resolution 2025-305

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Walters Development Co, LLC in the amount of \$467.88 for Block 92.30, Lots 2, 3, & 4; 8, 10, & 12, Laura Drive

Resolution 2025-306

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Walters Development Co, LLC in the amount of \$1,943.19 for Block 92.31, Lots 4, 6, 8, & 10; Plunder & Minnow Avenues

Resolution 2025-307

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Walters Development Co, LLC in the amount of \$966.57 for Block 92.33, Lots 4 & 8; Minnow Avenue

Resolution 2025-308

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Walters Development Co, LLC in the amount of \$424.57 for Block 92.33, Lots 10 & 12; Whaler Avenue

Resolution 2025-309

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Walters Development Co, LLC in the amount of \$405.25 for Block 92.35, Lots 4 & 5; Fawcett Blvd

Resolution 2025-310

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Barnegat Terrace LLC in the amount of \$4,765.85- *Zoning Review*, \$944.83-*W/S Review*, \$1,043.88-*WS Inspection* for Block 162.01, Lot 1.22; Barnegat Blvd

Resolution 2025-311

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits to Brian Wechkus & Valerie Dickson in the amount of \$0.00 for Zoning Board Review ZB 25-04

Resolution 2025-312

Resolution authorizing the refund of Escrow Deposits Melissa Roque in the amount of \$358.37 for Block 81, Lot 2.01; 2 Warren Grove Road

Resolution 2025-313

Resolution appointing Crossing Guards, a non-union position, for the 2025/2026 school year:

Resolution 2025-314

Resolution appointing Township Chairman to the Rent Leveling Board for the remainder of the 2025 year.

Resolution 2025-315

Resolution authorizing a paid leave of absence to Kathy Capozzi of the Assessors Office from October 15, to December 1, 2025.

Resolution 2025-316

Resolution authorizing an amendment with Shared Service Agreement for Thomas Lombarski to continue Consulting services with the Chief Financial Officer of Jackson Township

Resolution 2025-317

Resolution Amending and approving a Cash Management plan for 2025

Resolution 2025-318

Resolution renewing membership in the Ocean County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund effective January 1, 2026 to January 1, 2029

Resolution 2025-319

Resolution approving the request for release of a Road Opening Bond to D.R. Horton in the amount of \$2,500.00 for 14 Fifth Street, Block 104, Lot 9

Resolution 2025-320

Resolution approving the request for release of a Road Opening Bond to D.R. Horton in the amount of \$2,500.00 for 16 Fifth Street, Block 104, Lot 10

Resolution 2025-321

Resolution approving the request for release of a Road Opening Bond to D.R. Horton in the amount of \$2,500.00 for 110 Pennsylvania Avenue, Block 136, Lot 4

Resolution 2025-322

Resolution authorizing a "Special Charge" be placed on various properties for failure to comply with obnoxious growth violations.

Resolution 2025-323

Resolution authorizing execution of a Developers Agreement with Walters Development Company LLC for property known as Block 162.01, Lot 1.05, known as Pennsylvania Avenue Development

Resolution 2025-324

Resolution authorizing Execution and Recording of Numerous Easements for Ocean Acres, Phase 12 for Walters Development Co. LLC

Resolution 2025-325

Resolution granting final Sanitary Sewer System Facilities approval to PSC Storage Holdings LLC for 869 West Bay Avenue, Block 114, Lot 4.03

Resolution 2025-326

Resolution granting final Water System Facilities approval to PSC Storage Holdings LLC for 869 West Bay Avenue, Block 114, Lot 4.03

Resolution 2025-327

Resolution denying the request for release of Performance Guarantee for Water Sewer Improvements to Developer Forestar for Bond K099676570 for Seacrest Pines Development, Section 4

Resolution 2025-328

Resolution authorizing progress Payment #48 in amount of \$50,383.82 to Frankoski Construction Co. for the New Municipal Building, check payable to Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America

Resolution 2025-329

Resolution rejecting all bids that were received on August 26th for the Reconstruction of the Dock Pavilion due to budgetary constraints.

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 2025-330

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 Papi: Yes

Committeeman Townsend: Yes

Deputy Mayor Bille: Yes

Mayor Cirulli: Yes

Motion to Adjourn: Al Bille

Second: Joseph Marte

Time: 7:10pm

**Next scheduled meeting
October 7, 2025 10:00 AM**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were formally adopted by the Township Committee on October 7, 2025.

Municipal Clerk