## TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, September 3, 2019 Town Hall - 7:00 PM

Mayor Dudley Lewis called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

The Township Clerk read the Sunshine Notice Statement as follows:

Sunshine Notice: This meeting is called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law. 1) Posting a copy of the Annual Meeting Schedule on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and emailing a copy to the Atlantic City Press and Burlington County Times and all those requesting copies on January 15, 2019. 2) Posting a copy of the agenda on the bulletin board at the Municipal Complex. 3) Filing a copy of the agenda in the office of the Township Clerk at the Municipal Complex.

4) Forwarding a copy of the agenda to the Atlantic City Press and the Burlington County Times

5) Forwarding a copy of the agenda to each person who requested copies of the regular meeting schedule. All the above posting, filing & mailing have taken place on August 30, 2019.

# Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Lewis, Deputy Mayor Seybold and Committeeman Gadd. Professionals: Thomas Coleman, Esq.; Engineer, Kevin Dixon; CFO Kristen Manning; Township Clerk, Kathleen Hoffman and Deputy Township Clerk Karen A. Bacon.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

August 6, 2019 – Regular Minutes

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd the above Minutes were approved:

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis

Nays: 0 Ayes: 3

## **ORDINANCE** FIRST READING

ORDINANCE # 2019-06 - AMENDING CHAPTER 117 - HANDLING OF DOGS

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold and carried to introduce the above Ordinance

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis

## RESOLUTIONS

2019- 54 - Accept 2018 Audit

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd and adopted Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

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#### DISCUSSION Henderson Avenue River Access Stairs

Committeeman Gadd – I've checked the condition of this access and its pretty overgrown. We should see if we can get the Public Works to spray or pull/cut the overgrowth.

Township Clerk Hoffman – They would need a pesticide license and we can look into it.

Deputy Mayor Seybold – I'll talk to Larry about this.

Committeeman Gadd – The property boundaries should be checked.

Township Clerk Hoffman – Our Engineer could handle this.

## PARADE PERMIT

Curly Fern Enduro – Rescheduled from 3/24/2019 to 10/13/2019 - #2019-06 Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd the above Permit was approved. Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

Pinelands Preservation Alliance - October 2, 2019 - #2019-09

Barbara Cavileer – Chief of the Ambulance Squad – They don't have an EMS and its 100 members riding.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd the above Permit was approved with a stipulation that they get coverage for On-Scene First Aid **Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0** 

Pine Barrens Adventure Camp – Rescheduled from 4/13 & 14/2019 to September 14 & 15, 2019 - #2019-07

Committeeman Gadd – They have no coverage and no map?

Township Clerk Hoffman – They map is on the back and they have coverage.

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold the above Permit was approved.

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, LewisAyes: 3Nays: 0

#### PAYMENT OF BILLS

Committeeman Gadd – the bill for Garden State is a different price.

CFO Manning – They weren't billing us the correct amount and this reflects the correct amount.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd to pay the bills: Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

#### **REPORTS**

a) **Engineer** – River Road (Lower Bank) is ready for bid. Pinelands approved our Parking lot, waiting for the County. Working on a grant for Parks & Recreation.

Mayor Lewis – How much for the chimney at the Senior Center?

Engineer Dixon – About \$21,000 for the entire project.

Mayor Lewis - Does it address the sinking?

Engineer Dixon - We would need a contingency in this project.

- b) Solicitor I have nothing to add.
- c) **CFO** Nothing to add
- d) **Township Clerk** Routine day to day operations of the Township Clerk's Office and submitted monthly reports as required.
- e) Code Enforcement Nothing to add
- f) **OEM** –.Written Report
- g) Township Committee Committeeman Gadd – What about the speed bumps?

Township Clerk Hoffman – If everyone is in agreement, we can contact the County and enter into an agreement.

Mayor Lewis – I think all residents should be advised.

Township Clerk Hoffman – I agree.

Committeeman Gadd – We should meet with the County before we enter into a agreement.

Engineer Dixon – I'll contact the County.

**Deputy Mayor Seybold** – Public Works cut the grass in various areas. The mower needs new tires. They trimmed trees on River Road & Firehouse Road. They will cut the grass at the Senior Center tomorrow. I was down on DeBow Lane and found no dog problem. Took oil from the old Landfill away and looking into the other gallons.

**Mayor Lewis** – I received the Emergency Key for the Municipal Building and will be installing it. The weed growth around the Senior Center will be addressed. We received a letter from Joe Toriello regarding the Senior Center and we need to discuss this with the State.

Committeeman Gadd – Maybe we should look into asking the State to sell us the building?

Mayor Lewis - It should always remain a Senior Center.

**<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>** (Please state your name & address for the record)

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting for Public Comments.

Joe Toriello – Director of Senior Activities – It is knot acceptable for the Senior Center to be here at the Municipal Building. The building should be for everyone. If we don't use it, we will lose it; there is history in that building.

Michael Peranteau – Charles Avenue – Where will the speed bumps be; River Road in Lower Bank?

Engineer Dixon – Yes.

John Laverick – River Road, Green Bank – We have concerns about the Senior Center, its becoming an eyesore and we'd like something done.

Mayor Lewis – We are trying to act on it.

Barbara Cavileer – River Road, Lower Bank – What is the ordinance on dogs for?

Mayor Lewis – We are raising the violation fee to a maximum of \$2,000 at the Judge's discretion.

Barbara Cavileer – Please be careful with spraying on Henderson Avenue.

Lenny Forand – Route 542 – We have heard rumors that we (Green Bank Vol. Fire Company) is closed. We are not closed and are very active.

Jeanette DePiero – River Road, Green Bank – I support Joe and keep the center open. The Senior Center was open during the storms to help the residents. We have to be prepared for all storms.

Ron Hill – Bulltown Road – I hear that Route 542 is not going to be paved until next year, this is awful. We have never seen the Freeholders down here. The County should do something to the stop signs at Route 542 & 563.

Vera Stek – Route 563, Green Bank – I support the Senior Center and please try to keep it open. The County needs to address the "Lake" puddle on Route 542.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold to adjourn at 7:50 PM.

Roll Call:Gadd, Seybold, LewisAyes: 3Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen D. Hoffman, Township Clerk