

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BURLINGTON COUNTY**

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday December 5, 2017
Town Hall - 7:30 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 13, 2017. 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 of the above posting, filing and mailing have taken place on the 1st day of December , 2017

Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Lewis, Deputy Mayor James and Committeeman Cavileer.
Professionals: Tom Coleman, Esq.; Engineer Scott Brown, Absent; CFO Kristen Manning;
Township Clerk, Kathleen D. Hoffman and Deputy Township Clerk Karen A. Bacon.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 6, 2017 – Regular

Motion made by Committeeman Cavileer, seconded by Committeeman James to approve the above Minutes:

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis:

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

ORDINANCES

Second Reading

2017-08 – THE FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting for a Public Hearing on the above Ordinance.

Committeeman Cavileer – Can you explain this ordinance?

Township Clerk Hoffman – We need this ordinance to qualify for funds from FEMA.

Solicitor Coleman – These are guidelines from the DEP. Resident won't be able to apply for grants without it.

Barbara Cavileer – What about damage amounts?

Township Clerk Hoffman – The County has to reach a dollar amount.

Linda Sypherd – We were eligible until we called and they figured out we lived in Burlington County.

Deputy Mayor James – When we talk to people, they think we live in Egg Harbor City and we aren't in Atlantic County.

Mayor Lewis closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Committeeman James, seconded by Committeeman Cavileer

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

2017-09 – AN ORDINANCE AMEND & SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 450, STOP SIGNS

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting for a Public Hearing on the above Ordinance.

Committeeman Cavileer – What is the purpose of this Ordinance?

Mayor Lewis – This is to amend Chapter 450 and to put a stop sign at the intersection of Lovers Lane and Van Hool. This at the State Building.

Mayor Lewis closed the Public Hearing.

Motion made by Committeeman Cavileer, seconded by Committeeman James

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

RESOLUTION

2017 – 71 – Resolution Authorizing a Contract for Refuse Collection

Township Clerk Hoffman – We don't have time to put it bid and they won't extend our time, so this Resolution is for a one year period.

Committeeman Cavileer – We only had one bid. We talked to another company at the League and they said that if the tipping fees were in the bid, they would have bid on it.

Motion made by Committeeman James, seconded by Committeeman Cavileer

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Deputy Mayor James – What is this bill for NJ Law Posters?

CFO Manning – This are the posters out in the hall of the Municipal Building that are required by the State and Federal Laws.

Motion to pay the bills by Committeeman Cavileer, seconded by Committeeman James.

Roll Call: Cavileer, James, Lewis

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

REPORTS

- a) **Engineer** –As submitted by Scott Brown
- b) **Solicitor** - Handled Township matters and contractual matters
- c) **CFO** – Regular operation of the Finance Office.
- d) **Code Enforcement** – The Gunning Club has moved the trailer. They are looking to sell their property.

Committeeman Cavileer – In order to sell the school the trailer had to be moved.

- e) **Township Clerk** – Routine day to day operations of the Township Clerk’s Office and submitted monthly reports required; working on River Road in Lower Bank issues.

Committeeman Cavileer - What about the website?

Township Clerk Hoffman – It has been taken off, we have been hacked.

- f) **OEM-BOH** – As submitted by Barbara Somes

- g) **Township Committee** –

Committeeman Cavileer –.No complaints with Trash and Recycling. The area where the trucks are turning around has been repaired. Planning Board Meeting is tomorrow; Larry repaired a couple of driveways that the bus turns around in. I spoke with Larry about the complaint that I received about the tractor not being in the garage and he moved it in the garage today. County is working on River Road, but they still have some work to do. Attended the School Board Meeting. They had a good audit and the DEP had a walk through. Playground equipment has been dismantled. The school has a Building CAP that they are trying to give to us. The sale of the school is to be done very soon. Next Tuesday is the Senior Luncheon.

Committeeman James – The River Road project is being worked on. I have the engineer’s phone number, because I think we are going to have problems.

Mayor Lewis – I attended the League and the playground equipment will be removed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(Please state your name & address for the record)

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting to the public for comment.

Bill Ward – I think we need a Deer Crossing sign on the 2 mile road (Route 652).

Committeeman Cavileer – I think I have the number of the Atlantic County Engineer.

Deputy Mayor James – Give me a call, I have the number also.

