

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
April 8, 2019

The Regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown was held in the Main Meeting Room in the Municipal Building.

PRESENT: Mayor Stephen Benowitz
Deputy Mayor Eugene Fuzy
Committeeman Eric Holliday
Committeeman James Kostoplis
Committeeman Ken Mason
Administrator Michael Theokas
Chief Financial Officer Jeffrey Elsasser
Township Clerk Maria Carrington
Attorney Eileen Fahey

ABSENT: None

Mayor Benowitz called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. and led a salute to the flag and a moment of silence.

Township Clerk Carrington read the following Open Public Meeting Announcement:

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner:

On January 7, 2019, advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board opposite the main entrance to the meeting room in the Municipal Building; was emailed to the BURLINGTON COUNTY TIMES and THE TIMES; was filed with the Clerk of Bordentown Township; and was mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notice.

The proceedings of this meeting, which are open to the public, are being electronically recorded and will act as the minutes of the meeting in conjunction with the abbreviated form of the minutes. Requisite minutes are kept for all meetings, whether open or closed to the public.

At this time, Deputy Mayor Fuzy made the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that it does hereby recess this Regular Meeting to meet in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing:

- Contract Negotiations: 5 Year Tax Abatement
PILOT
- Personnel: Clerk License
- Legal Representation: Waterfront Community Redevelopment Project/Bonds
- Environmental Litigation

PAGE 2
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 8, 2019

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Township Committee that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality; seconded by Committeeman Holliday.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

The Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown recessed their regular meeting at approximately 6:34 pm and reconvened the regular meeting at approximately 7:31 pm.

Resolution #2019-104 entitled RESOLUTION TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY.
Mayor Benowitz read the resolution page into the record.

At this time, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to approve Resolution #2019-104; seconded by Committeeman Kostoplis.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

Public Hearing on 2019 Municipal Budget.

At this time, Mayor Benowitz opened the public hearing for comment.

Seeing no public comment, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to close the public hearing on the 2019 Municipal Budget; seconded by Committeeman Mason.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

Consideration of Adoption of Resolution #2019-105 entitled ADOPTION OF 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

At this time, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to adopt Resolution #2019-105 entitled Adoption of 2019 Municipal Budget; seconded by Committeeman Kostoplis.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

Clerk Carrington stated there was nothing to report.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution #2019-106 entitled APPROVING THE TRANSACTION OF ITEMS OF ROUTINE BUSINESS: PAYMENT OF BILLS.

Resolution #2019-107 entitled APPROVING THE TRANSACTION OF ITEMS OF ROUTINE BUSINESS: MINUTES OF MEETINGS AND FILING OF REPORTS.

Resolution #2019-108 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF EMS POWER-LOAD FASTENER FROM STRYKER MEDICAL.

Resolution #2019-109 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE CHANGE FUND FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT AND THE MUNICIPAL CLERK OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN.

Resolution #2019-110 entitled RESOLUTION APPOINTING KIMBERLY TINNES AS PART-TIME ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN.

Resolution #2019-111 entitled RESOLUTION TO APPOINT PART-TIME (PER DIEM) EMT.

Resolution #2019-112 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE.

Resolution #2019-113 entitled RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION #2019-103 APPOINTING CLERK AS ACTING CLERK.

Resolution #2019-114 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTINUATION OF LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR MICHAEL C. BARNES AS BOND COUNSEL.

Resolution #2019-115 entitled RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S PROMULGATION OF A TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER OF BUS STOPS ALONG ROUTE US 206 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN.

Resolution #2019-116 entitled A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) FORD F350 PICKUP TRUCK AND EQUIPMENT OPTIONS FOR THE BORDENTOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Resolution #2019-117 entitled RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN AUTHORIZING REFUND OF DEVELOPER'S ESCROW ACCOUNT BALANCES.

Resolution #2019-118 entitled RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN AUTHORIZING MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN THE OMNIA PARTNERS GOVERNMENT PURCHASING ALLIANCE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019.

Resolution #2019-119 entitled RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON.

Resolution #2019-120 entitled RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AND DEED OF EASEMENT FOR BLOCK 92, LOT 8.01 FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION/CONSERVATION PURPOSES.

Township Committee review and discussion of Consent Agenda Items Resolutions #2019-106 through #2019-120. There were no questions/comments on the Consent Agenda.

At this time, Committeeman Mason made a motion to open to the public the consent agenda items; seconded by Committeeman Kostoplis.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

Seeing no comments, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to close to the public; seconded by Deputy Mayor Fuzy.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

At this time, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda; seconded by Committeeman Mason.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

Consideration of Introduction of Ordinance #2019-05 entitled ORDINANCE GRANTING A FIVE YEAR TAX EXEMPTION AND ABATEMENT OF LOCAL REAL ESTATE TAXES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1 ET SEQ. TO FIRST INDUSTRIAL, L.P. FOR THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 138, LOT 5.032 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION

OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH FIRST INDUSTRIAL, L.P. FOR BLOCK 138, LOT 5.032.

At this time, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to introduce Ordinance #2019-05: seconded by Committeeman Kostoplis.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

Consideration of Introduction of Ordinance #2019-06 entitled AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN AUTHORIZING A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH 206 BORDENTOWN URBAN RENEWAL, LLC, A NEW JERSEY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, QUALIFIED AS AN URBAN RENEWAL ENTITY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTION LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 ET SEQ.

At this time, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to introduce Ordinance #2019-06: seconded by Deputy Mayor Fuzy.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

Consideration of Introduction of Ordinance 2019-07 entitled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #2018-17 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH TITLES AND SALARY RANGES FOR PERMANENT AND PROVISIONAL EMPLOYEES.

At this time, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to introduce Ordinance #2019-07: seconded by Committeeman Kostoplis.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

ADMINISTRATOR AND STAFF REPORTS

Administrator Theokas stated that the public hearing and 2nd reading for Ordinances #2019-05 through #2019-07 will be at the April 22, 2019 meeting.

He congratulated the Township Committee for passing the 2019 Municipal Budget.

Administrator Theokas reviewed some of the resolutions that were passed. The Shared Service Agreement with Burlington County is to utilize county services for maintenance on the light on Rising Sun Road (which is the only light the Township controls in the Township).

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Mason, Deputy Mayor Fuzy, and Mayor Benowitz each gave their report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: At this time, Deputy Mayor Fuzy made a motion to open the meeting for public participation; seconded by Committeeman Holliday.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

MAYOR BENOWITZ: Mayor Benowitz thanked a member of Boy Scout Troop 13 for attending.

TOM SEAMAN, 18 Arlington Road: Mr. Seaman asked on behalf of his neighbors, how you find out when contractors are going to be working on their streets; they never were informed about Independence Drive. Administrator Theokas responded that the contractor should have noticed everyone, and letters were also sent out outlining the construction for the entire 2018 Road Program.

DIANE HEINZ, 3 Hattaras Court: Ms. Heinz asked if there was anything to be conveyed to the management company regarding the work that will be performed on Williamsburg Drive. Administrator Theokas responded that he will let her know.

Ms. Heinz asked where to dispose of discarded treated wood from a deck remodel. Deputy Mayor Fuzy responded it has to be taken to County; it is considered hazardous waste.

Seeing no further comments, Committeeman Holliday made a motion to close the meeting to the public; seconded by Deputy Mayor Fuzy.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

NAY: None

ADDITIONAL MATTERS: None

At this time, Committeeman Mason made the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that it does hereby adjourn the regular meeting; seconded by Committeeman Kostoplis.

AYE: Deputy Mayor Fuzy, Committeeman Holliday, Committeeman Kostoplis, Committeeman Mason, Mayor Benowitz

PAGE 7
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 8, 2019

NAY: None

The Regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown was adjourned at approximately 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

MARIA CARRINGTON, ACTING TOWNSHIP CLERK