

**PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP
WORK SESSION MEETING
October 25, 2022
MINUTES**

Mayor Kevin Eachus called the regular meeting of the Pilesgrove Township Committee to order at 7:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Eachus directed the Clerk to read the following Annual Notice:

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings law. Notice of this meeting of October 25, 2022, posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building on January 3, 2022, posted on the Township website on January 6, 2022 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Eachus advised that proper notice having been given; the Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

Attendance: Kevin Eachus
David Bonowski
Joseph Crevino
Kelsey Mitchell, CFO
Niki Arbittier, Esq.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to open the public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all.

There being no public comments, motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to close the public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to approve the bill list as presented by the Treasurer. Ayes all.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to approve Resolution 22-089, Appointing Dawn Smith as Office Help in the Construction Office. Ayes all.

Representatives from SMS Rail Line came to discuss their plans for the property on East Lake Road and Woodstown Alloway. Currently SMS Rail is done for the year and will start back up in spring of 2023. SMS would like to start the parking lot, ticket office, crew room, and freight facilities in spring. Niki Arbittier stated that before anything would be done in spring the Township would need plans to review. The Township's primary concern is that all public health and safety guidelines are met. SMS Rail agreed that is their number one concern too and stated they do not do anything below state standards.

Discussion items –

Representatives from Woodstown Little League came to discuss their lights they are currently fund raising for and would like to install at the park. Committee is worried about the location of the lights and neighbors to the park. Committee advised that if they wish to place the light on the Major Field they would need to send notices to all residents within 200 feet, but if they choose to do the Juniors Field at the top they would not need to send the notices, as that field sits back away from homes.

Niki Arbittier reviewed updated information regarding the Business Insurance Registration. The law allows Municipalities to charge an administration fee and also states the municipality cannot be held responsible, but must show they have tried to collect insurance. Niki recommends the Township mirror the state law. DCA has a list of all businesses currently registered and Niki will send the list to the Clerk in order to start collecting business insurance registrations.

Committee reviewed and discussed the Short Term Rental Ordinance and has agreed to not move forward with adopting this ordinance.

The Borough of Woodstown will be in contact regarding the Friends Village Agreement, in regards to construction permits after their next meeting.

Committee has agreed to not apply for the DOT Grant Application for 2023 for Local Freight Impact Fund.

Reviewing the 2022 Best Practice Checklist is tabled until the next meeting.

The Clerk provided an update on Parker McCay in regards to the stormwater tier reassignment. Currently it appears each municipality would be represented separately verses as a joint effort. Committee suggested inviting Parker McCay to an upcoming meeting to discuss their plans.

Next Township Committee Meeting will be November 3rd due to the General Election on November 8th.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to open the public comment. Ayes all. Hearing no comments Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to close the public comment. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to adjourn at 8:13 PM. Ayes all.

Melissa Fackler, Clerk