

PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
September 26, 2023
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 September 26, 2023, posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building on January 3, 2023, posted on the Township website on January 6, 2023 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.

Attendance: Kevin Eachus
David Bonowski
Joseph Crevino
Kelsey Mitchell, CFO
Ekaterine N. Eleftheriou, Esq.

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

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

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

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to approve the purchase of stormwater promotional items to count towards educational requirements for Tier A in the amount of \$2,586.00 using the stormwater grant. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to open the public hearing on:

ORDINANCE NO. 23-017
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 150 "SOLID WASTE"

Ayes all.

There being no public comments, motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to close the public hearing on Ordinance 23-017.

Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to adopt on second reading, Ordinance 23-017.

Roll Call: Bonowski yes, Crevino yes, Eachus yes.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to approve on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 23-019
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 145 "LAND USE ATTACHMENT"

Ayes all.

Roll Call: Bonowski yes, Crevino yes, Eachus yes.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd Crevino to approve on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 23-020
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 120, FLOOD DAMAGE
PREVENTION, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PILESGROVE

Ayes all.

Roll call: Bonowski yes, Crevino yes, Eachus yes.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to approve Resolution 23-068, referring proposal Land Use Ordinance 23-019 to Planning Board for comments. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to approve Resolution 23-069, acceptance of 2022 report of audit. Ayes all.

Clerk passed around the Group affidavit for the 2022 Municipal Audit for Committee to sign.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to approve Resolution 23-070, approving raffle license application 2023=03 for Woodstown Soccer Club. Ayes all.

Discussion items –

Allen Coulter came to discuss the possibility of doing a shared service with Upper Pittsgrove for trash and recycling hauling. Mr. Coulter provided a breakdown of costs and savings for the Township. Committee suggested including an increase each year to cover cost increase from year to year with gas, maintenance of truck and employee. The Clerk will reach out for a copy of Upper Pittsgrove's current hauling contract and start working on creating an agreement for all parties to review.

Julie Action from the Salem County Improvement Authority came to inform Township Committee that the Improvement Authority now offers bonds, if they are interested. She also discussed the new trash shredder that they purchased and how much of a difference it will make.

Committee discussed the letter the Township received from Friends Village asking for Committee to possibly look into a PILOT or area of redevelopment for their new project. Township Committee asked the Clerk to reach out and invite representatives from Friends to come discuss their plans in person at an upcoming Committee Meeting.

Joe Crevino updated everyone on his meeting with the Ambulance Association and Township Solicitor stated she has not heard back on the language suggestions for the shared service agreement.

Township Committee discussed North Point's email with the phases of their project listed and agreed to being open to reviewing an agreement for Phase 1, earth work only at this point. The Clerk will reach out to North Point and inform them of this decision.

Township Clerk informed Committee that the Technical Assistant will be retiring in February of 2024 and that position will need to be advertised soon in order to get someone hired in time to do on the job training. Township Committee asked the Clerk to advertise the job posting this week.

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

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

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to adjourn at 8:14 PM. Ayes all.

Melissa Fackler, Clerk