

**PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
June 14, 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 June 14, 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
Kelsey Mitchell, CFO
Niki Arbittier, Esq.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to approve the minutes of the May 10 and May 24, 2022 and closed session minutes of May 10 and May 24, 2022 meeting. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to approve the bill list as presented by the Treasurer with the Clean Communities additions. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to approve the Tax Collector's Report for May 2022. Ayes all.

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

Katie Mazzella came to discuss a farm located mainly in Mannington, but a small portion is also in the Township. The part located in the Township is known as Block 61 Lot 7 and is 3.5 acres. Katie Mazzella asked Township Committee if they would be willing to cost share for preserving the portion in Pilesgrove. At this time it is hard to give set numbers, but on the high end it would be \$3,500.00-\$5,500.00 per acre. Township Committee agreed to review the numbers once Katie receives them, but does not feel this request would be an issue.

Emergency Management Coordinator Joe Gebely provided a handout to Committee on activity in the Township for the month of May.

Brian Facemyer and Niki Arbittier reviewed the Spartan Contract for the purchase of the new fire truck. The only section that still needs to be removed from the contract is section 5 for the \$350.00 a day rental charge if not paid in full before the truck is delivered. This shouldn't be an issue since we will pay in full, but should still be removed.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to approve the Spartan Fire Truck Contract with section 5 being removed. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to approve the renewal of Campground License for Four Season Campground contingent upon passing report from John Holroyd. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to make a donation to Woodstown 4th of July Parade in the amount of \$300.00. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to make a donation to Woodstown Rotary Foundation in the amount of \$300.00. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to approve Resolution 22-060, rescinding Resolution 21-63 approving the renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License #1709-33-002-007. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to approve Resolution 22-061, Chapter 159 requesting approval of items of revenue and appropriation for the Clean Communities Grant in the amount of \$16,142.16. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to approve Resolution 22-062, authorizing membership in a Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement with participating units. Ayes all.

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

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-06
CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS
IMPROVEMENTS TO TOWNSHIP INFRASTRUCTURE AND
ROADWAYS AND THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND CONVIENCE CENTER, BY AND
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PILESGROVE, IN THE COUNTY OF SALEM,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND APPROPRIATING \$330,000 THEREFOR
(\$330,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND)**

Ayes all.

There being no public comment, motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to close the public hearing on Ordinance 22-06. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to adopt on second reading, Ordinance 22-06.

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

Motion by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus authorizing the Clerk to advertise the invitation to bid for 2022 Maintenance and Repair Program. Ayes all.

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

**BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-07
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A
RESCUE PUMPER FIRE TRUCK, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF
PILESGROVE, IN THE COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW
JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$400,000 THEREFOR AND
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$380,952 IN BONDS OR NOTES
TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF**

Ayes all.

There being no public comment, motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to close the public hearing on Ordinance 22-07. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to adopt on second reading, Ordinance 22-07.

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

Motion by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski authorizing the Clerk to send a letter of intent to Campbell's for the purchase of the Fire Truck. Ayes all.

Discussion items –

Solar payments should be received in 10 days to the Current Fund.

Mark Blauer has instructed by email for Committee to fill out scoring sheets for both on the proposals received for engineers for the ADA Grant at Marlton Park. Township Committee will review their scores at the June 28, 2022 meeting.

A brief discussion was held regarding the update the Farmland Perseveration. The Clerk stated the grant is good through 2029, but is worried if we wait that long there is a possibility the Township could lose the PIG funds. Kelsey Mitchell stated the auditor advised that waiting until next year would be best in regards to the budget. Township Committee still had a lot of questions and Kelsey Mitchell suggested it might help to invite Evan to the next meeting.

The Township is still waiting on the COAH Report for the Planner and currently it might be smart to look into lowering the COAH fees. The Clerk will reach out to the Planner and Special COAH Council to discuss this more.

There have been cars parking on the grass at the park and it was decided Allen will purchase signs and place them at the park for authorize vehicles only. Also, Woodstown Little League had a fund raiser for purchasing lights to be put up at the park and Township Committee wants to make sure the process is done correctly.

Motion by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to authorize the Clerk to send a letter to the Woodstown Little League advising of the steps that need to be taken for placing lights at the fields. Ayes all.

The Clerk advised Township Committee that North Point Construction would like to discuss the possibility of starting construction before all outside approvals are obtained, once they are through Planning Board. Township Committee would like the Clerk to get Jim McKelvie's opinion to discuss further at the next Committee Meeting.

There will be a Board of Health meeting scheduled June 28, 2022 at 6:45pm.

Township Clerk informed Committee that George Brooks resigned from Planning Board effective immediately.

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

Motion by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to enter into closed session to discuss matters in accordance with NJSA 10:4-12, specifically pending litigation. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to return to open session. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to adjourn at 8:25 PM. Ayes all.

Melissa Fackler, Clerk