

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, December 3, 2019
Town Hall – 7:00 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 15, 2019. 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 the above posting, filing & mailing have taken place on November 27, 2019.

Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Lewis, Deputy Mayor Seybold and Committeeman Gadd.
Professionals: Tom Coleman, Esq.; Engineer, Kevin Dixon, Absent; CFO Kristen Manning; Township Clerk, Kathleen Hoffman and Deputy Township Clerk Karen A. Bacon.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 12, 2019 – Regular Minutes

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold the above Minutes were approved:

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

ORDINANCE

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance # 2019-07 – Amending & Supplementing Article II, Chapter 275 and Further Amending & Supplementing Article V, Chapter 62 – Zoning Permits

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting for Public Hearing.

Dan James – River Road, Lower Bank – could you explain the changes?

Solicitor Coleman explained the changes.

Jeanette DePiero – River Road, Green Bank – Does this ordinance only apply to the Township residents?

Mayor Lewis – Yes, only Washington Township.

Mayor Lewis closed the public hearing.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd the above Ordinance was adopted after public hearing.

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

RESOLUTIONS

2019- 46 – Change Order #2 – Turtle Creek Road/Arawak Paving, Co.

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold and carried the above Resolution was adopted.

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

2019-60 – Budget Transfers

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd and carried the above Resolution was adopted.

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd to pay the bills:

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

REPORTS

- a) **Engineer** – Absent – Written Report
- b) **Solicitor** – I have nothing to add. I would like to thank the Mayor for his support over the last few years and I wish him the best on this retirement.
- c) **CFO** – Day to day operations – I will miss you Mayor.
- d) **Township Clerk** – Routine day to day operations of the Township Clerk’s Office and submitted monthly reports as required. It has been a pleasure working for you Mayor.
- e)
- f) **Code Enforcement** – Written Report
- g) **OEM** – Written Report
- h) **Zoning** – Written Report
- i) **Township Committee** –
Committeeman Gadd – Working on tree removal. Nothing from State on Senior Center. We need to see if we can get an answer. The Senior Luncheon is Thursday, December 12, 2019. We are still waiting on the dumpster for Lower Bank Fire Company. Thank you Dudley for your 11 years of service to this Township.

Deputy Mayor Seybold – With regards to Public Works: several high wind events, checking roads for tree limbs; removed a tree from Turtle Creek Road; gravel Bell and Lance Run Roads; made a new wire harness for salt spinner. Attended the League and saw some playground equipment. Thank you Dudley for your service. Happy Holiday and a prosperous New Year.

Mayor Lewis – I appoint Stacey Rubsam as Alternate to the Planning/Zoning Board. Thank you everyone that I have worked with over the years. I thank the Clerk; Deputy Clerk and Solicitor for all their help. Thank you to each Committee Member for all their hard work over the years. And thank you to all the Township Residents.

TREE SERVICE/TURTLE CREEK & BULLTOWN ROADS

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold to award the contract for tree service to Landtrends Landscaping, LLC, 695 Pleasant Mill Road, Hammonton, NJ 08037.

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

PUBLIC COMMENT (Please state your name & address for the record)

Mayor Lewis opened the meeting for Public Comments.

Jeanette DePiero – River Road, Green Bank – Thanked the Mayor for his service to the Township and thanked the Lower Bank Fire Company for helping Santa go around the Township.

Barbara Cavileer – River Road, Lower Bank – The tree on the county road needs to be addressed.

Deputy Mayor Seybold – I'll call about this.

Barbara Cavileer – I think you should reconsider the speed bumps and ask for State Police help in the speeding.

Barry Cavileer – River Road, Lower Bank – Thank you Mayor for your service to the Township.

Mayor Lewis – There will be no Close Out Meeting. The next meeting will be January 7, 2020 with the Reorganization Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold to adjourn at 7:20 PM.

Roll Call: Gadd, Seybold, Lewis

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen D. Hoffman, Township Clerk