

FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

February 21, 2023

At 7:15 p.m. the Township Committee met in Mayor's caucus of the municipal building. Mayor Walker read the following statement:

"In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting was announced on January 9, 2023 by: 1.) posting a notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building reserved for that purpose, 2.) by mailing such notice to the offices of the official newspapers of the Township and 3.) by filing such notice with the Township Clerk".

In Attendance: Committeeman Ammiano, Committeeman Cook,
Committeeman Preston, Committeewoman Fasano
Mayor Walker

Absent: None

Also in attendance: Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Mr. Ball
Esq. Township Attorney; Mrs. Abouzeina, Municipal
Clerk, Mrs. Bartolomeo, Deputy Clerk

Mr. Cook read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from meetings of public bodies in certain circumstances which are set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b); and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Freehold is of the opinion that such circumstances currently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Freehold as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from the discussion of any action upon the hereinafter specified matters
2. The nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

1. PERSONNEL

- 1A. Recreation Commission Membership Interview
- 1B. Staffing

2. ATTORNEY -CLIENT PRIVILEGE

- 2A. Targets Properties for Municipal Improvements

3. It is anticipated at this time the above-stated subject matter will be made public approximately thirty (30) days or at such time as any litigation discussed is resolved

The foregoing resolution was moved by Mr. Cook and seconded by Mr. Preston

VOTE:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, and Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

At 7:16 pm, the Township Committee adjourned to Executive Session.

Executive Session adjourned at 7:58 pm.

At 8:00pm, the Regular Meeting was called to order.

Mayor Walker re-read the following statement:

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Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance

In Attendance: Committeeman Ammiano, Committeeman Cook, Committeewoman Fasano, Committeeman Preston and Mayor Walker

Absent: None

Also in attendance: Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Mr. Ball Esq., Township Attorney; Mrs. Abouzeina, Municipal Clerk and Mrs. Bartolomeo, Deputy Clerk

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mr. Preston moved to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes and Executive Meeting Minutes 2/7/2023 seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Preston, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

REPORTS

Mrs. Abouzeina read the report of the Tax Collector for the Month of January 2022:

Net Receipt:	General Fund	\$24,110,381.21
	Water Account	\$ 378,664.31
	Sewer Account	\$ 780,584.84

ABC Social Affair Permit:

Silvermead Community Club – St. Patrick’s Day Dance – March 11, 2023 – 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Mrs. Abouzeina stated the Social Affair Permit was in order and approved by the Chief of Police

PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation – “National FFA Week” – February 18-25, 2023

Mayor Walker presented the Proclamation to the Students of the National FFA

Certificates of Achievement – Freehold Township High School 2022 Girls Cross Country Team

Each Player received a day named in their Honor Presented by Mayor Walker

Certificates of Achievement – Freehold Township High School 2022 Boys Soccer Team

Each Soccer Player received a day named in their Honor Presented by Mayor Walker

Certificate of Achievement – Adam Brusotti, Freehold Township High School Supervisor of Extracurricular Activities

Mayor Walker presented the Certificate of Achievement to Mr. Adam Brusotti

OLD BUSINESS

O-23-1 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 51 (Police Department), Section 51-6 (Qualifications of Applicants for Membership) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mayor Walker opened Ordinance O-23-1 for public hearing and asked for any comments or questions.

There being no comments from the public.

Mr. Preston moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Ammiano made motion to adopt Ordinance O-23-1, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

R-23-41 – Resolution Acknowledging Receipt and Review of Planning Board
Report Re: Ordinance No. O-23-2

Mr. Preston read Resolution R-23-41 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

O-23-2 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 190 (Land Use), Article VI (Site Plan Procedure), Section 190-37 (Applicability) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mayor Walker opened Ordinance O-23-2 for public hearing and asked for any comments or questions.

There being no comments from the public.

Mr. Preston moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Cook made motion to adopt Ordinance O-23-2, seconded by Mr. Preston

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

NEW BUSINESS

R-23-42 - Resolution Approving Consolidated Bills List

Mr. Ammiano read Resolution R-23-42, the Consolidated Bills List in the amount of \$2,144,800.99 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

R-23-43 – Resolution Appointing Matthew Barbieri as Township Tax Assessor

Mrs. Fasano read Resolution R-23-43 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

FORMAL ACTION – CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

Matters listed under the items of “Consent Agenda” are required to conduct the day-to-day operations of the Township, and will be enacted by one (1) motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion of any item is desired, that item will be considered separately

R-23-44 – Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with Borough of Mantoloking for Information Technology Services

R-23-45 – Resolution Awarding a Contract for the 2023 Michael J. Tighe Park Improvements Project – Splash Pad, Walkways, Pickleball Courts

R-23-46 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for the Township’s Offsite Records Storage

R-23-47 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Proprietary Contract to RecDesk LLC for Annual Support and Software Management for the Parks and Recreation Management RecDesk Software

R-23-48 – Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Copier Equipment Service, Maintenance and Supplies for Various Township Departments

R-23-49 - Resolution Extending Contracts 21-1 for the Furnishing and Delivery of Automotive and Light Duty Truck Parts

R-23-50 – Resolution Extending Contract 21-8 for Ices/Ice Cream Vending Services

R-23-51 – Resolution Authorizing Execution of Developer’s Agreement for TFS Freehold, LLC, Site Plan No. 413-1-20, Block 49.37, Lot 37, Located at 179 South Street

R-23-52 – Resolution Authorizing Conditional Release of Performance Guarantees for WSP Freehold, LLC, (Wasatch Self-Storage), Site Plan No. 907-1-20, Block 69, Lot 36.04 (Formerly Lots 36.04-36.07), Located at 80 Gibson Place

R-23-53 – Resolution Authorizing Release of Soil Removal Performance Guarantee for WSP Freehold, LLC (Wasatch Self-Storage), Site Plan No. 907-1-20, (Soil Removal Permit No. SR-01-21)

Mr. Cook read the Consent Agenda resolutions and moved them for adoption, seconded by Mr. Preston

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

There being no further business, Mayor Walker asked for any comments or questions from the public.

There were no comments from the public, Mayor Walker asked for any comments from the dais.

Mr. Cook congratulated Matthew Barbieri on his appointment for being the new Tax Assessor and congratulated all the High school athletes teams for their incredible achievements.

Mr. Preston, Mr. Ammiano and Mrs. Fasano agreed with Mr. Cook’s comments

Township Clerk and Deputy Clerk congratulated Matthew Barbieri for his appointment as the Tax Assessor.

Mayor Walker Adjourned the Meeting at 8:39pm

Sanabel Abouzeina, Township Clerk