

FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

April 26 , 2022

At 8:00 p.m. the Township Committee met in room 114 of the municipal building. Mayor Fasano read the following statement:

“In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, (c. 231 P.L. 1975), this meeting was announced on January 10, 2022 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 Cook, Committeeman Preston, Committeeman Walker, Mayor Fasano

Absent: Committeeman Ammiano

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

Moment of silence for the students that passed away in an accident that happened in Freehold Township.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mr. Cook moved to approve the Budget Workshop 3/26/2022 seconded by Mr. Preston

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Ammiano

ABSTAIN: None

REPORTS

Mrs. Abouzeina read the report of the Tax Collector for the Month of March

Net Receipt:	General Fund	\$ 1,034,890.79
	Water Account	\$ 438,465.14
	Sewer Account	\$ 823,753.56

ABC Social Affair Permits:

*Silvermead Community Club - Disco Mania Dance - 5/21/22 from 4:00 p.m.

to 9:00 p.m.

*Freehold VFW - 50 Waterworks Road - Bike Night and Poker Run - 6/25/22
From 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. Abouzeina stated that the permits were in order and approved by the Chief of Police.

PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation - "In Honor of Veterans' Annual Sale of VFW Buddy Poppies" - May, 2022

There was no attendance from the veterans; Mayor Fasano said will send the proclamation to them.

Proclamation - "Arbor Day" - April 29, 2022

Mayor Fasano presented the proclamation to Tom Ritchi and Stacy Ehling

Certificates of Achievement - Freehold Township High School -
2021 Girls Soccer Team

Team- each Soccer player received a day in her honor presented by Mayor Fasano

Certificates of Achievement - Freehold Township High School -
All Shore Mixed Choir
All Region Band & All State Band
All Shore Jazz Band
All Region Band, All Shore Jazz Band & All State

Each Student received a day in his/her honor presented by Mayor Fasano

Mayor Fasano called for a five minutes' recess at 8:30pm
8:35pm meeting was called to order.

OLD BUSINESS

R-22-88 - Resolution to Read Budget by Title Only

Mr. Preston read Resolution R-22-88 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Ammiano

ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Fasano opened the meeting to the public and asked if anyone has any comments.

Anthony Salvari, 816 Waterworks Rd, submitted a petition to have stop signs placed on both the northbound and southbound sides of Waterworks Rd at the intersection of Edward Rd/ Sherwood Drive and Waterworks Rd. He explained

the current speed limit on Waterworks Road is 25MPH but the traffic exceeds the speed limit and creates an unsafe environment. Mr. Salvari explained that the car dealers use the street to test drive their vehicles and there are buses and contractors that also speed on that street. He added that his kids go to Applegate School and there are no crossing guards on Waterworks Rd and Edward Rd/ Sherwood Drive. Therefore, his kids have to cross the street by themselves.

Mr. Valesi responded to Mr. Salvari and stated that Waterworks Rd is a through street in our ordinance but that does not mean that it cannot be changed. Mr. Valesi said the manual and uniform traffic control devices governs where you can place a four way stop sign. The Township will need to perform a study and review the traffic/accident counts. This information will then be sent to the Department of Transportation.

Mr. Valesi asked Mr. Salvari if he has spoken to the Township Engineer?

Mr. Salvari said he discussed the matter with the Township Engineer and he suggested putting the speed sign there or police presence. Mr. Salvari added that there are several accidents on Pond Rd. due to the residents cutting through between Pond Rd and Waterworks Rd at high speeds.

Mr. Valesi said he will speak to the Township Engineer and circle back with him.

Presentation & Public Hearing - Introduced 2022 Municipal Budget

Mr. Valesi gave a presentation on the 2022 Municipal Budget. He explained that the Municipal Government have the authority to control 17% and the rest of the budget will go to the Schools and the County. The 17% will cover the infrastructure, public safety, health and many essential and quality life services.

Mayor Fasano opened the meeting to the public and asked for any comments or questions on the 2022 Municipal Budget.

There being none, Mr. Preston made motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Cook.

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Ammiano

ABSTAIN: None

R-22-89 - Resolution to Amend the Introduced 2022 Municipal Budget

Mr. Cook read Resolution R-22-89 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Preston

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Ammiano

ABSTAIN: None

R-22-66A - Resolution - Adoption of Amended 2022 Municipal Budget

Mr. Preston read Resolution R-22-66A and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Ammiano

ABSTAIN: None

NEW BUSINESS

R-22-90 - Resolution Approving Consolidated Bills List

Mr. Cook read Resolution R-22-90, the Consolidated Bills List in the amount of \$1,703,006.56 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Ammiano

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-22-91 - Resolution Reappointing Sanabel Abouzeina as Township Clerk

R-22-92 - Resolution Reappointing Laura Ortiz Flores as Registrar of Vital Statistics, Sanabel Abouzeina as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics, Kristin Bartolomeo and Cathy Johnston as Alternate Deputy Registrars of Vital Statistics and Andrea Trozzi as Sub-Registrar of Vital Statistics for Three Year Terms

R-22-93 - Resolution Amending R-22-14 Amending Salaries in Accordance with the 2022 Salary Ordinance

R-22-94 - Resolution Authorizing Application for the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Youth Leadership Grant through the County of Monmouth - Grant Period July 1, 2022 - March 14, 2023

R-22-95 - Resolution Disbursing Overpayment of Water/Sewer

R-22-96 - Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Golf Course and Banquet Rental for the 2022 Municipal Alliance Golf Outing

R-22-97 - Resolution Awarding a Contract for the 2022 Michael J. Tighe Park (Jackson Mills Road) Concessions and Restroom Building and Site Improvements

R-22-98 - Resolution Extending Contract 20-5 for Sports Officials Services for Parks and Recreation - Softball

R-22-99 - Resolution Extending Contract 21-8 for Ices/Ice Cream Vending Services

R-22-100 - Resolution Approving Fireworks Displays at the Freehold Township Day and Concert in the Park at Michael J. Tighe Park

R-22-101 - Resolution Approving Amusement Games for the Monmouth County Fair - July 27, 2022 - July 31, 2022

R-22-102 - Resolution Authorizing Temporary Parking Restrictions during the Monmouth County Fair - July 27, 2022 - July 31, 2022

R-22-103 - Resolution Approving Wireless Communication Facilities Modification Application for Crown Castle on Behalf of Dish Wireless, 3417 Route 9 North (**Approximately ½ Mile North of the Intersection of Route 9 and Elton Adelphia Road**), Block 80, Lot 8, Application No. WCFMA 05-22

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

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mr. Ammiano

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION

Mayoral Appointment to Environmental Commission: Jason Levy - Commissioner/Planning Board Member thru 12/31/22

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

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

Mr. Valesi thanked and congratulated Mr. Elsasser for his excellent job on the budget.

Mayor Fasano congratulate Mr. Elsasser for his hard work on the budget.

Mayor Fasano Adjourned the Meeting at 9:40pm

Sanabel Abouzeina, Township Clerk