

FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

January 28, 2020

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

“In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, (c. 231 P.L. 1975), this meeting was announced on January 6, 2020 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 Walker, Mayor Preston

Absent: Committeewoman Fasano

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

R-20-34 – Resolution Appointing a Successor to Fill the Unexpected Term of a Township Committee Member

Mr. Ammiano read Resolution R-20-34, and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

Township Committee Member Appointment/Oath of Office – Alan C. Walker

Judge Cagan Administers Oath of Office to Mr. Walker

REPORTS

Mrs. Abouzeina read the report of the Tax Collector for the Month of December 2019:

Net Receipt:	General Fund	\$	1,105,158.60
	Water Account	\$	592,050.00
	Sewer Account	\$	776,407.21

PRESENTATION

R-20-35 – Resolution Appointing George K. Baumann as Chief of Police

Mr. Ammiano read Resolution R-20-35, and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

Police Department Promotions/Oaths of Office –

- George Baumann - Chief
- Daniel Pasquinucci - Captain
- Jarrad Kodran - Lieutenant
- Joseph Winowski – Sergeant

Mayor Preston read the Police Officers biography and experience.

Judge Coyle – Administered the Oath of Office for the Police Department Promotions.

Shaun Golden Monmouth County Sheriff made a statement regarding the retired Chief of Police Ernie Schriefer who was a great mentor and provided him with great advice. Mr. Golden stated that It was an honor to work with him and that Chief Ernie is leaving a legacy. Mr. Golden believes that the Chief George Baumann is very committed and he will take on Chief Schriefer’s legacy and bring to a different level.

Chief George Baumann thanked Mr. Valesi and the Committee for their assistance and support. He said Chief Schriefer has prepared him for the past three years for this moment.

Chief Baumann also spoke discussed the new promotions and he believes these promotions are well deserved.

Certificates of Achievement – Mayor Preston presented the Freehold Township High School Gymnastics Team with a certificate of achievement and they each received a specific day in their honor. He also congratulated on winning their third state championship.

OLD BUSINESS

R-20-26 – Resolution Acknowledging Receipt and Review of Planning Board Report Re: Ordinance No. O-20-1

Mr. Ammiano read Resolution R-20-26, and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

O-20-1 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 190 (Land Use), Article VII (Land Subdivision Procedures), Section 190-52 (Performance Guarantees as Condition to Final Approval) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mayor Preston opened Ordinance O-20-1 for public hearing and asked for any comments or questions.

There being none, Mr. Ammiano moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Cook.

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Ammiano made a motion to adopt Ordinance O-20-1, seconded by Mr. Cook.

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

O-20-2 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 97 (Campgrounds) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mayor Preston opened Ordinance O-20-2 for public hearing and asked for any comments or questions.

There being none, Mr. Ammiano moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Cook.

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Ammiano made a motion to adopt Ordinance O-20-2, seconded by Mr. Walker

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

NEW BUSINESS

R-20-27 - Resolution Approving Consolidated Bills List

Mr. Walker read Resolution R-20-27, the Consolidated Bills List in the amount of \$1,725,054.11 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

O-20-3 – Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 190 (Land Use), Article II (Planning Board), Section 190-14 (Membership), of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mr. Ammiano moved ordinance O-20-3 for public hearing to the Township Committee meeting of February 25, 2020, seconded by Mr. Ammiano.

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

The “Consent Agenda” section of the Meeting Agenda shall be preceded by an explanatory note substantially set forth as follows:

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 is desired of any item, that item will be considered separately.”

R-20-28 – Resolution Supporting Improvements to County Route 527 (Siloam Road) Between County Route 537 and the County Border by the County of Monmouth in the Township of Freehold

R-20-29 – Resolution Authorizing the County of Monmouth Mosquito Control Division to Conduct Aerial Mosquito Control Operations within the Township of Freehold

R-20-30 - Resolution Cancelling Taxes

R-20-31 – Resolution Adopting a Domestic Violence Policy

R-20-32 – Resolution Awarding a Contract for the Police Station Generator Replacement

R-20-33 - Resolution Declaring Acceptance and Final Payment of Contract 19-2; Jackson Mills Road Water Treatment Plant Automatic Transfer Switch Replacement

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

Vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mrs. Fasano

ABSTAIN: None

MOTIONS

Township Committee Appointments

Mr. Ammiano made a motion to appoint Alan C. Walker and seconded by Mr. Cook.

Shade Tree Commission – Township Committee Member/Class III - Unexpired term through December 31, 2020

Youth Guidance Council – Township Committee Member – Unexpired term through December 31, 2020

Renewals:

Mr. Ammiano made a motion for Renewal of the following Licenses and seconded by Mr. Cook.

- AMC Theater –
- Island Carousel, Inc. (Freehold Raceway Mall)
- Freehold American, Inc.
- A & A Truck Parts, Inc.

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

There being none, the Mayor asked for any comments from the dais.

The Township Committee members congratulated Mr. Walker for joining the Township Committee and serving the Township of Freehold. In addition, they congratulated the Police Department on their promotions and the Gymnastics team for their accomplishments.

Mr. Walker thanked and acknowledge the following:

- Sean Boyce – Assistant Superintendent for Business Administration/Freehold Regional High School District.
- Christopher Novella – Chairman of the Recreation Commission
- Kevin Settembrino Township Architect
- John Toutouchi – Fire Department District 1
- Gary Wexler and Brad Hayes

He also thanked his brother Michael, wife Jennifer Walker and his kids Darien and Jake Walker for their support.

Mr. Ammiano also thanked the entire group especially Mrs. Jennifer Walker for allowing Mr. Walker to accept his position.

Mr. Valesi also stated that it will be an exciting year and he's looking forward to working with the new two township committee members and with the newly promoted police officers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Sanabel Abouzeina, Township Clerk