

BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MINUTES  
April 27, 2015

The Regular Meeting of Buena Vista Township Committee was held on the above date at 7:30 p.m. in the Committee Chambers Room, 890 Harding Highway, Buena, NJ, with Mayor Chuck Chiarello presiding.

Mayor Chiarello called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m.

Committee Members present: Armato, Kelly, Martinelli, Williams and Mayor Chiarello

Absent: None

Also present were: Township Administrator / CMFO Kenia Nunez-Acuna, Township Engineer David Scheidegg, Public Works Director Rich Calareso, and Township Solicitor Jeff April

Mayor Chiarello read the following announcement: On January 8, 2015, notice of this meeting was mailed to *The Daily Journal & The Press* and duly posted in the Main Lobby of the Municipal Complex. All requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met in compliance with the Sunshine Law.

Mayor Chuck Chiarello led the flag salute.

**Approval of Minutes**

On a motion of Williams, seconded by Armato the following meeting minutes were approved as received, Caucus Meeting April 13, 2015, Regular Meeting April 13, 2015, and Executive April 13, 2015:

(Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye; Martinelli, Aye; Williams, Aye)

**Announcements / Presentations:**

- Township Clerk Lisa A. Tilton read the Proclamation for Municipal Clerks Week of May 3 – 9, 2015.
- Township Jeff April Administered the Oath of Office to Barbara DiStefano for the Environmental Commission, Special Events Committee

**Resolutions:**

**128-15 – Appointing Member to the Environmental Commission & Special Events Committee**

On a motion of Armato seconded by Kelly and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye; Martinelli, Aye; Williams, Aye)

**Announcements / Presentations:**

- John Mahoney, a Wine Connoisseur gave a presentation and discussed his website regarding the different types of wines, including education of wines.
- John DeStefano, Superintendent Buena Regional School District introduced himself to Mayor and Committee and the Public.
- Frank Mosentoff, Ed Melon, and John Lounsberry gave an update on the Richland Village Festival and Batman arrived with a special visit for the Toy Store.
- Atlantic County Sheriff Frank Balles updated Township Committee on the success of the Prescription Drug Collection Box located at the Township Building and the continued Sheriff sales on foreclosures.
- Richard Calareso, Director of Public Works provided his monthly report to Township Committee.
- David Scheidegg, Township Engineer provided his monthly report to Township Committee.

**Mayors Report:** The Mayor discussed the ACUA contract regarding trash pickup and the grant the ACUA has submitted an application for on the recycling containers. The Township is in receipt of approximately \$88,000 for the work on Laielli. The money was a result of the Township calling in the letter of credits from the developer. Atlantic County Improvement Authority held an Economic Development meeting.

**Ordinances for Introduction (First Reading):**

**04-2015 – Repealing and Replacing Ordinance 5-2013**

On a motion of Kelly seconded by Williams and carried the above Ordinance was introduced: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye; Martinelli, Aye; Williams, Aye)

**Ordinances for Public Hearing (Second Reading):** None

**Public Comment on Current Agenda Items Only:**

Committeeman Martinelli read the following statement into the record: In order for the Committee to conduct the business of the Township in the most productive manner possible, meeting attendees will be given two (2) minutes, all inclusive to comment on any agenda item(s) without comment or question from the Committee, but only on items specified on the agenda listed for the current meeting. Please step up to the microphone at the appropriate time, and state your name and address for the record.

- Julie Akers questioned the invoices by Anthony Cinotti regarding electric bills. Also questioned the resolution for Recreation Trail Grant.

The public portion was closed by a motion of Williams seconded by Kelly.

## **Resolutions**

### **119-15 – Authorize Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$1,068,090.60**

On a motion of Williams seconded by Martinelli and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye, Martinelli, Aye; Williams, Aye)

### **120-15 – Authorize Committee to go into Executive Session (if needed)**

Resolution was adopted in Caucus Meeting of April 27, 2015.

## **Consent Agenda:**

Committeeman Steve Martinelli read the Consent Agenda includes items of business which are not controversial and do not require individual discussion. A Motion approving the Consent Agenda is moved, seconded and voted upon as one item by the Township Committee. If any discussion is requested on a Consent Agenda item, it is removed from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda.

### **Resolutions:**

- **121-15** – Authorizing the Issuance of Street Opening Permits to SJ Gas Co.
- **122-15** – Authorizing Roadway Solicitation Permit to Buena Vista Township EMS
- **123-15** – Authorize Submission of 2014 Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Application
- **124-15** – Authorize Issuance of Permit Assemblage to Friends of India Society, Inc.
- **125-15** – Awarding Quote for May 2015 Hometown Newsletter to Graphicolor Corp.
- **126-15** – Approving Chapter 159 Budget Amendment Weymouth-Malaga Rd. Phs. IV
- **127-15** – Authorizing Release of Cash Performance Guarantee to J&D Holdings Inc.
- **129-15** – Authorizing Twp. Engineer to Proceed; Weymouth-Malaga Road Phs IV Project
- **130-15** – Authorize Twp. Engineer to Proceed; Laielli Court Phase I & Phase II
- **131-15 to 135-15** – Approve of Public Land Sales
- **136-15** – Authorize Mayor to Execute Grant Application for Recreation Trails Grant

On a motion of Kelly seconded by Williams and carried the above Resolutions were adopted by consent agenda, with an Abstention by Martinelli on Resolution 135-15: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye, Martinelli, Aye; Williams, Aye)

## **Township Administrator & Department Reports**

Township Administrator Kenia Nunez-Acuna reviewed her Administrative Report and stated the audit for 2014 is just about complete and should expect the report in a couple weeks, and also added the Township onto the NJDOT Maintenance list for drainage.

Township Clerk Lisa Tilton provided her monthly report to Township Committee, and reminded the Financial Disclosure Statements are due.

## **Committee Reports**

- Committeeman Armato – Stated the Memorial Day ceremony has been moved to the Township Hall. Spoke at the Teen Peer group at the MLK center. The Prescription Drop Off box is doing really well. Attended the Joey Reiser Foundation Fundraiser. Thanked the public for the Chicken Dinner turnout for the Richland Fire Company. Will be attending the St. Augustine Prep donation of a plaque by the graduating class. Made a statement regarding OPRA Requests and the amount of requests received per request that go beyond the 70 already received.
- Committeeman Williams – Discussed free health care screenings, thanked Public Works for Spring Leaf Pickup. Environmental Committee is working on a box kit set to give away at the upcoming events. Glad to see the approval of the Recreation Trails Grant Application.
- Committeeman Martinelli – The bid for the generator for the Martin Luther King Center will be soon. Attended the Comedy Show and it was a great event. Attended the Joey Reiser Foundation Fundraiser.
- Committeewoman Kelly – Attended the Comedy Show. Received a check from the Atlantic County Joint Insurance Fund for the Township's dividend portion. Local 54 Diner will have a grand opening on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Attended Comcast Care Barrows Farm for a tour, and thanked Committeeman John Armato for his 500-hours of volunteering service at Inspira.

**Public Comment:** Committeeman Steve Martinelli read the following into the record: The Committee welcomes participation of interested organizations and individuals during regular, caucus, workshop, and special meetings. However, in order to conduct the business of the Township in the most productive manner possible, attendees will be given four (4) minutes, all inclusive, including all dialogue, questions, and responses from both the speaker and the Committee for the designated public portion of the meeting. There may be no transference of a speakers time to other attendees. Please step up to the microphone at the appropriate time, and state your name and address for the record.

Public Comment was opened by a motion of Martinelli seconded by Williams and carried.

- No Public Comment

There being no further business on a motion of Williams seconded by Martinelli the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Lisa A. Tilton  
Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk

Approved:  
/s/ Chuck Chiarello  
Mayor Chuck Chiarello