

BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MINUTES  
February 8, 2016

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 7:35 p.m.

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

Absent:

Also present were: Township Administrator / CMFO Kenia Nunez-Acuna and Solicitor Dominic DiYanni, Esq.

Mayor Chiarello read the following announcement: On January 5, 2016, 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 Workshop, February 1, 2016:

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

**Announcements / Presentations / Discussions:** None

**Mayors Report:** Mayor Chuck Chiarello provided his report in the Caucus Meeting of February 8, 2016.

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

**18-2016 – Amending Township Code to Add Chapter 230 - Smoking**

On a motion of Martinelli seconded by Williams and carried the above Ordinance was tabled until February 22, 2016 meeting: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye, Martinelli, Aye; Williams, Aye)

**19-2016 – Amending Township Code Chapter 253 – Streets and Sidewalks**

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

**20-2016 – Ordinance to Establish a Cap Bank for Calendar Year 2016**

On a motion of Armato seconded by Kelly 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):**

**17-2016 Amending Township Code Chapter 74 - Animals**

On a motion of Williams, seconded by Kelly the Public Hearing was opened.

**Public Comment:**

Julie Akers – The Ordinance is great.

On a motion of Kelly, seconded by Williams the Public Hearing was closed.

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

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

Committeeman Steve 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 resolution 74-16 as to what the performance bond was for and covering and waiving the maintenance guarantee amount. Mayor Chiarello stated the bond was for the construction of road and signs due to a subdivision. Township Clerk stated the engineer recommended the maintenance guarantee to be waived due to good construction of the road and guarantee would be approximately \$1,000.

**Resolutions**

**64-16 – Authorize Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$156,168.15**

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)

**67-16 – Computation of Reserve for Uncollected Taxes in the 2016 Budget**

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)

**71-16 – Authorize Committee to go into Executive Session (action may be taken)**

The Executive Session Resolution was adopted at the Caucus Meeting of February 8, 2016.

**70-16 – Introduction of the 2016 Municipal Budget**

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

**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:**

- **65-16** – Authorize Mayor to Execute 2016 Aerial Mosquito Control Contract
- **66-16** – Appointment to Martin Luther King Advisory Board
- **68-16** – Awarding Printing of Hometown Newsletters to Quality Printing
- **69-16** – Authorizing Mayor to Execute Proposal for Designation of Bus Stops / State Hwy
- **72-16** – Closure of Cedar Avenue for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Richland Village Festival Parade
- **73-16** – Closure of Cedar Avenue for the Independence Day Parade
- **74-16** – Release of Cash Performance Guarantee & Waiving of Maintenance Guarantee
- **75-16** – Authorize Purchase of Electricity Supply Service by Online Auction
- **76-16** – Authorize Mayor to Execute Addendum to Settlement & General Release Agreement
- **77-16** – Authorize Purchase of 2016 White Ford Escape

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

**Township Administrator & Department Reports**

Township Administrator Kenia Nunez-Acuna had no report

Township Clerk Lisa A. Tilton had no report.

**Committee Reports**

- Committeeman Armato – The Peer group meeting went well. Working with the School Board and working on Annual Shred event. Looking for safe zones where people can meet and exchange items; normally at a police department but the State Police said no. The walking path at Michael Debbi has been marked out and is a half-mile.
- Committeeman Martinelli – The startup of the Generator is scheduled for tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. unless the storm delays. The maintenance training needs to figured out and there is a vibration bracket that needs to be repaired.
- Committeeman Williams – Please to hear the Township received the grant for the nature trail.
- Commiteewoman Kelly – No report.

**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 Williams seconded by Armato and carried.

- No public comment

There being no further business on a motion of Kelly seconded by Williams the meeting was adjourned to at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lisa A. Tilton

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Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk

Approved:

/s/ Chuck Chiarello

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Mayor Chuck Chiarello