

BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
July 20, 2015

The Special Meeting of Buena Vista Township Committee was held on the above date at 7:00 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 7:09 p.m.

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

Absent: Williams

Also present were: Township Administrator / CMFO Kenia Nunez-Acuna and Township Solicitor Jeff April

Mayor Chiarello read the following announcement: On July 15, 2015, notice of this meeting was electronically 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.

Mayors Report: The Mayor distributed thank you notes from Sue Barber and the family of Nash for the flowers sent. Freeholders are conducting a meeting on Tuesday at 4pm; requested if any Committee member was interested in attending. The Pinelands is conducting their annual orientation for elected officials and board members. Assemblyman Mazzio will be holding Community office hours in the Court Room on August 25th from 4-7pm. Township received a letter from Gateway regarding their interest in the MLK Center, but have expressed concerns with transportation. Ribbon Cutting for Tennis Courts will be on Wednesday at 1:30pm. New flyer for the Shredding event in September will be placed in the tax bills. Leonard Williams resigned from the Environmental Commission; Helen Duda will replace his term. The lights installed by AC Electric on Laielli Court will be replaced; paint is chipping after being newly installed. Weymouth Malaga Road Phase IV Bids will be going out. Brunozzi Trucking is working with the Atlantic County Food Bank on donating items that they are not able to deliver due to damage in transit.

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.

- No Public Comment

The public portion was closed by a motion of Martinelli seconded by Armato.

Resolutions:

198-15 – Authorize Tax Collector to Prepare and Mail Estimated Tax Bills

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

199-15 – Authorize Tax Collector to Establish a Grace Period

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

200-15 – Authorize Committee to go into Executive Session (action maybe taken)

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

Township Administrator & Department Reports

Township Administrator Kenia Nunez-Acuna stated the Code Enforcement Officer has presented another four properties for clean-up and the estimated amount to clean-up would be \$11,000. The Township already has \$11,840 in liens already, which doesn't include clean-up from Benjamin Construction and the clean-up for the emergency tree clearing which was approximate \$5,000.

Mayor Chiarello requested the Township Solicitor on the status of the Somerdale Ordinance and requested the Solicitor to contact the Solicitor of Somersdale.

Committee discussed cleaning the properties and stated the unless there is another program to clean the properties, the Township should not expend funds to do it due to the additional liability.

Township Clerk Lisa Tilton stated final approval has been received from the State for additional destruction of the remaining documents in the attic from the Paris Grant round.

Committee Reports: None

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 Armato and carried.

- No Public Comment

There being no further business on a motion of Martinelli seconded by Armato the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:20 pm.

201-15 – Appointment of Louis Goldshore, Esq., as Special Environmental Counsel

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

202-15 – Appointment of The Elm Group as Special Environmental Engineer

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

There being no further business on a motion of Martinelli seconded by Armato the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lisa A. Tilton

Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk

Approved:

/s/ Chuck Chiarello

Mayor Chuck Chiarello