

BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MINUTES  
June 27, 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 7:41 p.m.

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

Absent: None

Also present were: Township Administrator / CMFO Kenia Nunez-Acuna and Township Solicitor Eric M. Bernstein.

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 and held a moment of silence for the victims of the Orlando, FL attack.

**Approval of Minutes**

On a motion of Martinelli, seconded by Williams the following meeting minutes were approved as received Caucus Meeting, June 13, 2016; Regular Meeting, June 13, 2016; Executive Meeting June 13, 2016:

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

**Announcements / Presentations / Discussions:**

- Madison Bloom, State Finalist – National American Miss Pageant presented her bio to the public and will be competing in the pageant in News Brunswick
- Frank Mosentoff, Richland Village Coordinator – acknowledged the Mayor, Pam McDaniels, Public Works, John Armato and the whole Twp. Committee for their role in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Richland Village Festival success. Provided a recap of the event.
- Trooper Mark Campagna, New Jersey State Police provided the monthly report from April and May.
- Richard Calareso, Public Works Director provided the Public Works monthly report.
- Quentin McClendon, Director of King Community Center provided his monthly report.
- David Scheidegg, Township Engineer provided his monthly report.

**Mayors Report:** Mayor Chuck Chiarello stated there was a groundbreaking ceremony for Teligent, Inc. that was held on Friday. Committeeman Steve Martinelli stated the Mayor has worked extremely hard in making sure Teligent stayed in Buena Vista Township and the company will offer many jobs once expanded. Mayor Chiarello stated Teligent will be expanding approximately 110 sq. feet. and employ at least 200 employees. The investment alone is about \$50 million dollars.

Committeeman Steve Martinelli briefly left the meeting at 8:35 p.m. returning at 8:37 p.m.

Mayor Chuck Chiarello stated estimated tax bills will be mailed by the end of the month and a reconciled bill will follow in August. The estimated tax bills will have inserts including the summer concerts and storm water management. Mayor stated he attended and testified in front of the Economic Growth Committee in Trenton for a bill that will help Comar, Inc. Anticipate the bill to be passed in September. Still waiting on the Transportation Trust Fund and School Funding as those items are still pending in the State. The Township will be selling some of the excess trash and recycling containers and they can be purchased in the Township Clerk's Office for \$50. The Kindergarten Class at Milanesi school toured the Township Building, State Police Vehicle and Public Works Vehicle. The kids presented the Mayor with a picture of the American Flag made from their fingerprints. Will be displayed in Town Hall.

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

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

**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.

On a motion of Martinelli, seconded by Kelly the meeting was opened to the Public for comment on agenda items only.

- Julie Akers questioned the Triad bill on the bill list and asked if it was for the USDA grant and what comes next. Mayor Chiarello stated that all the professional agreements for the project will be signed. Akers questioned if it was a grant or a loan. Mayor Chiarello stated it was a loan for 20-years. Akers also questioned Resolution 165-2016 and will it be used for individual homes or for the MLK Center. Mayor Chiarello stated it could be used for upgrading heating to gas at the MLK Center or possibly handled otherwise.

**Resolutions:**

**162-16 – Authorize Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$1,224,711.62**

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; 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:**

- **163-16** – Authorizing Approval of Catering Permit to DeThomasi Inc.
- **164-16** – Authorize Issuance of Roadway Solicitation Permit to East Vineland Vol. Fire Co.
- **165-16** – Authorize Mayor & Clerk to Execute Inter-local Agreement with ACIA
- **166-16** – Authorize Mayor to Execute Statement of Consent for Alpine Village Mobile Park
- **167-16** – Authorize Mayor to Execute Statement of Consent for St. Augustine Prep. School
- **168-16** – Granting the Renewal of Plenary & Distribution Liquor Licenses for 2016-2017
- **169-16** – Authorize Mayor to Execute Application and Agreements for USDA Funding
- **170-16** – Approval of Park Rental Applications for Michael Debbi Park
- **171-16** – Accepting Quote for Electrical Work at Township Hall

On a motion of Williams seconded by Martinelli 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 stated FEMA is working on closing out the snow storm and anticipate a reimbursement but not yet sure on the amount.

Township Clerk Lisa A. Tilton provided her monthly report of June to the Township Committee.

Mayor Chuck Chiarello presented the department reports for Tax Collector, Tax Assessor, Municipal Court, Animal Control and Zoning.

**Committee Reports**

- Committeeman Armato – Billows lighting donated lights for Sawmill Park. Attended the Richland Village Festival and thanked Alimenti for providing their property for parking and Latona golf donated golf carts. Will be looking into organizing a town meeting on the heroin epidemic. Recognized Mayor Chiarello for his hard work and dedication on the Comar legislative bill and for working hard on many other achievements.
- Committeeman Martinelli – Provided an update on the Buena Little League All Star game. Pleased with the Kindergarten class and how poised they were on their visit.
- Committeeman Williams – Green team has been working on Sustainable Jersey and No-Idling signs are in and will be posted shortly. Smoke Free signs have started to go up. Attended the visit with the Kindergarten Class, Run4Ricky and Teligent groundbreaking.
- Committeewoman Kelly – Attended the Run4Ricky and a meeting with Atlantic City Electric involving new LED lighting. Announced the Independence Day Festival for July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Reviewed the Summer Concert Schedule which starts on Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> and the Route 54 bridge will finally receive its final paving.

**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

**Resolutions:**

**172-16 – Authorize Committee to go into Executive Session (action may be taken)**

The Executive Session Resolution was adopted at the Caucus Meeting of June 27, 2016.

There being no further business on a motion of Martinelli seconded by Williams the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

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