

BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MINUTES
March 28, 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 7:37 p.m.

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

Absent:

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.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Armato, seconded by Kelly the following meeting minutes were approved as received Special Meeting, February 25, 2016; Executive Meeting, February 25, 2016:

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

On a motion of Williams, seconded by Kelly the following meeting minutes were approved as received Caucus Meeting, March 14, 2016; Regular Meeting March 14, 2016; Executive Meeting, March 14, 2016:

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

Announcements / Presentations / Discussions:

- Richland Vol. Fire Company & Collings Lakes Vol. Fire Company were presented with certificates from Committeeman Steve Martinelli and Committeeman John Williams for their role in the water rescue of two men that were trapped from hunting.
- Dr. Mavola L. Tench, M.D. from Inspira Health Center Community Outreach provided an update on the new facility built in Buena Vista Township. Hours are Monday – Thursday from 7:30 to 4:30. Looking to expand hours and offer a variety of services.
- Jeanne Marie Brunozzi from Richland Carpet provided an update to the public on the business and services provided at their facility and hours of operation.
- Dave & Barbara Meyrick from Trophies Unlimited provided an update to the public on their business and services provided.
- Kimberly Burns from Tobacco Free spoke on Tobacco prevention and thanked Township Committee for participating and adopting an ordinance for smoke free parks and buildings. New signs will be provided to the Township and will be placed throughout the parks.
- Tina Ritondaro and Melanie from the Rotary Club spoke on the new organization in Buena Vista and updated the Community on different youth programs and clubs they offer.
- Alice Reiser from the Friends of Joey Reiser Foundation and Volunteers spoke about this year's fundraiser on April 30th that will be held at the Estate of Monroe. Will be planning and walk/run in the near future.
- Deputy Mayor Teresa Kelly provided an update on the Richland Village Festival held on May 21st. Mayor Chuck Chiarello stated the Cape May Seashore Train Rides will run and provide a short ride to Milmay and back. There will also be new events like a Funny Farm Rescue and petting zoo.
- Richard Calareso, Director of Public Works provided his monthly report.
- Quentin McClendon, Director of King Community Center provided his monthly report.
- David Scheidegg, Township Engineer provided his monthly report.
- Trooper Mark Campagna, New Jersey State Police provided his monthly report.

Mayors Report: Mayor Chuck Chiarello stated the new recycling containers have been delayed and will be delivered in May.

Ordinances for Public Hearing (First Reading):

23-2016 – Approving Proposed Traffic Stripping Along Chestnut Avenue

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

Ordinances for Public Hearing (Second Reading):

21-2016 – Establishing Wages and Salary Ranges for Officers and Employees

There was no public comment.

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

22-2016 – Amending Township Code Chapter 208 “Peddling and Soliciting”

There was no public comment.

On a motion of Williams seconded by Armato 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.

There was no public comment on the resolutions

Resolutions

102-16 – Authorize Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$1,077,828.87

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)

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:

- **104-16** – Fixing and Establishing Wages and Salaries for 2016
- **105-16** – Approval of Park Rental Applications for Michael Debbi / Quigley Park
- **106-16** – Authorizing the Issuance of Street Opening Permits to SJ Gas
- **107-16** – Supporting Green Purchasing Policy for Municipal Operations
- **108-16** – Authorize Mayor to Execute Agreement with Impact Harvest for Community Garden
- **109-16** – Supporting Bus Stop Locations Along NJ State Highway (US Route 40)

On a motion of Williams seconded by Armato 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 she attended the ACIA kickoff meeting and the Township is slated to receive approximately \$28,000 this year which is about \$14,000 less than previous years. Attended a meeting with the BPU and the Township qualifies for a free energy audit. The Administrator stated this year was a successful budget adoption year with the State reviewing the municipal budget.

Township Clerk Lisa A. Tilton thanks the employees in the Clerk’s Office other employees and volunteers for a successful year at the Dog Clinics. Ms. Tilton also provided her monthly report to Township Committee.

Committee Reports

- Committeeman Martinelli – Thanked Committeeman John Armato for visiting him the while he was hospitalized with pneumonia and thanked Committeeman John Williams for filling in for him at the recreation meeting. Mr. Martinelli stated he attended the Collings Lakes Vol. Fire Department installation dinner. Also attended the Buena Braves. Thanked Quinton McClendon for his help on the new generator at the MLK Center. Thanked all members of committee for their commitment for the new generator and thanked Mayor Chiarello for supplying money through various grants as the generator now provides a safe haven at the MLK Center.
- Committeeman Armato – Attended the monthly municipal alliance meeting. Also helped with the new signs for the Michael Debbi Park walking path. The meeting for the historical society on Richland went well. Thanked the Clerk’s office and volunteers for a successful Rabies clinic this year. Richland Vol. Fire Company will hold their annual chicken barbeque for take-out. Attended the Nar-Anon Meeting at Abundant Life Church.
- Committeeman Williams – Attended recreation meeting, sustainable jersey and green team meetings. The environmental commission will partner for the community garden at the MLK Center and additional food will go to the community center. The environmental commission attended the Easter egg hunt and provided seeds to the children. Resolution for green purchasing was passed. Attended the meeting with the BPU and also attended the ACIA meeting and working with the Township Administrator on the open space stewardship application. Environmental commission is working on plans for a monarch butterfly garden.
- Committeewoman Kelly – Attended the Historical Society Meeting and also attended the Pinelands Municipal Council, special Events, Planning Board and Environmental Commission meeting.
- Mayor Chuck Chiarello stated he attended the East Vineland Fire Co. beef and beer where Mark Panco was named Firefighter of the Year. Reminded the public of the RT54/RT40 Community Shuttle. Also attended a public safety meeting with OEM Annex Coordinators and Hazard Mitigation representatives.

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.

There was no public comment

103-16 – Authorize Committee to go into Executive Session (action may be taken)

The Executive Session Resolution was adopted at the Caucus Meeting of March 28, 2016

There being no further business on a motion of Williams seconded by Kelly the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lisa A. Tilton

Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk

Approved:

/s/ Chuck Chiarello

Mayor Chuck Chiarello