

BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MINUTES
May 23, 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 7:38 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.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Martinelli, seconded by Kelly the following meeting minutes were approved as received Caucus Meeting, May 9, 2016; Regular Meeting, May 9, 2016; Executive Meeting May 9, 2016:

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

Announcements / Presentations / Discussions:

- Luis Rosado, Comcast Employee stated he was able to collect over 4,400 cases of water and deliver them to the residents in need in Flint, MI. Rosado is a resident of Collings Lakes and Deputy Mayor Teresa Kelly presented Rosado with a Certificate of Appreciation.
- Janet Pumphery, joined by Reverend Mallory and Committeeman John Armato received various Military Metals including a Purple Heart for her husband's time in the service. Committeeman John Armato presented Pumphery with an updated photo rendering of her husband.
- Rocco Sangataldo was presented with a Making Buena Vista Proud Award for Entering the United States Air Force Academy on June 30, 2016.
- Morgan Krokos, Milmay Vol. Fire Co. updated the public on the benefit being held on June 5th for the "All Hands Working for Jacob" Fundraiser. The benefit is for a member of the department that was severely injured during a construction accident.
- Mayor Chuck Chiarello 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.
- Boy Scouts Troop #580 Millville was presented with Certificates of Appreciation by Committeeman John Williams as they attended the meeting to work towards their badge for Boy Scouts.

Mayors Report: Mayor Chuck Chiarello stated the Richland Village Festival due to inclement weather was rescheduled for May 28, 2016. Weather looks to be nice. The new recycling containers have been delivered to every home and that was done in three days.

Ordinances for Public Hearing (First Reading):

31-2016 – Acceptance of Block 4530, Lot 5 (113 Smith Avenue) – Donation of Land

On a motion of Martinelli seconded by Kelly 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):

28-2016 – Acceptance of Block 3408, Lot 3 & 4 (Front Street) – Donation of Land

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

No Public Comment

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

Ordinances for Public Hearing (Second Reading):

29-2016 – Amending Bond Ordinance 14-2014

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

There was no public comment.

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)

Ordinances for Public Hearing (Second Reading):

30-2016 – Amending Township Code Chapter 94 “Vehicles and Traffic”

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

There was no public comment.

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.

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

- Julie Akers questioned Resolution 150-2016 and stated the Township already spent \$20,000 on the outside of the building and now spending \$13,000 on the inside of the building; is there a tenant already picked. Mayor Chiarello stated the Township has received inquiries. Ms. Akers questioned if the tenant would be responsible to outfit the building inside. Mayor Chairello stated yes. Ms. Akers questioned if the improvements had anything to do with violation the Township received. Mayor Chiarello stated no, not aware of any code violations.

Resolutions:

142-16 – Authorize Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$969,830.24

On a motion of Kelly seconded by Williams and carried the above Resolution was adopted: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Abstain 16-00508 and Aye on remaining bills; 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:

- **143-16** – Authorizing the Issuance of Street Opening Permits to Atlantic City Electric
- **144-16** – Authorizing the Issuance of Street Opening Permits to SJ Gas
- **145-16** – Approval of Park Rental Applications for Michael Debbi Park
- **146-16** – Approving Budget Amendment Chapter 159 – Clean Communities
- **148-16** – Award Contract to Foundation Title; Authorize Mayor & Clerk to Execute Contract
- **149-16** – Accepting Quote for Masonry Construction Work / Ramp at Townhall
- **150-16** – Accepting Quote for Construction Improvements at 1280 Harding Highway

On a motion of Martinelli 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 stated the Township received a clean audit this year with no findings. The Township received money for Clean Communities.

Township Clerk Lisa A. Tilton stated district 3 polling location has changed to the MLK Center. Election day is June 7th.

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

Committee Reports

- Committeeman Martinelli – Attended Comcast Cares Day at the MLK center for the new vertical garden. Attended Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church. Attended the senior picnic and the old timer’s softball season opener.
- Committeeman Armato – Attended a Town Hall Seminar in Mays Landing on drug abuse. Attended Municipal Drug Alliance Dinner and senior luncheon. Comcast Cares Day at the MLK center. Opening day for old timer’s softball. Veterans Committee Meeting. Memorial Day Ceremony will be at 11am at Town Hall and will be held by the VFW Post 158.
- Committeeman Williams –Environmental Commission participated in the Community Garden on Saturday. Opening day for old timer’s softball. Attended the Senior Luncheon. Attended the four chaplain’s ceremony where Quentin McClendon was honored. The 54/40 Shuttle Bus will be at the Richland Village Festival. Will be submitting Sustainable Jersey application for silver this year. Thanked the Township Clerk and the

Green Team for their work this year. Working on a Farmers Market tour, Michael Debbie Park Trail, Butterfly Garden. Thanked Valerie Behran for joining the Environmental Commission. Joey Riser Foundation raised about \$23,000.

- Committeewoman Kelly – Attended the Planning Board Meeting and Township Officials dinner. Intersection of Union Road and Oak Road will be paved in the next month. Working of the Richland Village Festival. Attended the Natural Helpers Dinner with the Municipal Drug Alliance.
- Mayor Chuck Chiarello – Thanked Pam McDaniels for her hard work with the Richland Village Festival. Congratulated Quentin McClendon and Calvin Miller on the Four Chaplains Award.

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 Armato seconded by Kelly and carried.

- Eric Hensel questioned if there was anything the Township could do with the many trees that are dead and are in danger of falling. Creates a hazard for someone passing by. Trees are close to the right-of-way. Dead trees by Union and Tuckahoe Road.

Resolutions:

147-16 – Authorize Committee to go into Executive Session (action may be taken)

The Executive Session Resolution was adopted at the Caucus Meeting of May 23, 2016.

There being no further business on a motion of Armato seconded by Kelly the meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lisa A. Tilton

Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk

Approved:

/s/ Chuck Chiarello

Mayor Chuck Chiarello