

BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MINUTES  
November 1, 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 7:48 p.m.

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

Absent: Williams

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

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 Workshop Meeting, October 3, 2016; Executive Meeting, October 3, 2016:

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

**Announcements / Presentations / Discussions:** None

Mayor Chuck Chiarello requested if the member of Public Lisa D'Ambrosio that was in attendance wanted to speak. Ms. D'Ambrosio stated she was having an issue receiving mail the Township sends out like flyers and community times. Township Clerk will forward request to Mayor's office.

**Mayors Report:** Mayor Chuck Chiarello stated the LED project with ACE will begin November 28<sup>th</sup>. There will be a variety show at the High School. November 17<sup>th</sup> is the Natural Helpers Turkey Dinner. Press release was done with the endorsement of Township Committee on Trenton's Bad Bet. The new representative from the DEP will be here on TV Night. Township is still waiting on information from Triad for the green acres application. RFP packets are ready to go out. Four Bricks have been sold for the Tree Project.

**Resolutions:** None

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

**Ordinances for Public Hearing (Second Reading):**

34-2016 – Amending Chapter 15 Entitled "Court, Joint Municipal"

On a motion of Martinelli, seconded by Kelly, the hearing was open to the public.

Julie Akers questioned what the cost would be to Buena Vista Township. Mayor Chiarello responded and stated \$100,000 per year for five years.

On a motion of Kelly seconded by Martinelli and carried the above Ordinance was adopted upon final reading: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye, Martinelli, 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. *No Public Comment.*

**Resolutions:** None

**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:**

- **246-16** – Authorizing Execution of Shared Service Agreement Between Buena Vista Township and Hamilton Township
- **247-16** – Authorizing Transfer of Budget Appropriations

Solicitor Dominic DiYanni requested resolution 248-16 be removed from the consent agenda as it is still under discussion for Executive Session. Pending that discussion action may be taken after executive session.

Committee agreed

On a motion of Martinelli seconded by Armato and carried the above Resolutions excluding 248-16 were adopted by consent agenda: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye; Martinelli, 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 – Thanked everyone involved for Committeeman for a day. Will review program for next year. Nov 5<sup>th</sup> the VFW will have their flag burning. Veterans Day ceremony will be at Township hall on the 11<sup>th</sup> at 11am. On November 9<sup>th</sup> the Veterans Committee will be speaking at the High School.
- Committeeman Martinelli – No report
- Committeeman Williams – Absent
- Committeewoman 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. *No Public Comment.*

**Resolutions:**

**249-16 – Authorize Committee to go into Executive Session (action may be taken)**

The Executive Session Resolution was adopted at the Caucus Meeting of November 1, 2016.

Mayor Chiarello stated Committee began Executive Session in Caucus however additional business needs to be discussed.

There being no further business on a motion of Martinelli seconded by Kelly, Committee went back into Executive Session at 8:19 p.m.

Township Committee reconvened the meeting 8:43 p.m.

Solicitor Dominic DiYanni provided a summary of executive session to the public. Stating resolution 248-16 previously pulled from Consent agenda will not be acted on and will be added to the next meeting.

There being no further business on a motion of Martinelli seconded by Armato the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lisa A. Tilton

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Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk

Approved:

/s/ Mayor Chuck Chiarello

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Mayor Chuck Chiarello