

BUENA VISTA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MINUTES
October 26, 2015

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 7:46 p.m.

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

Absent:

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

Mayor Chiarello read the following announcement: On January 8, 2015, 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 passing of Roberta Corbitt.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Kelly, seconded by Martinelli the following meeting minutes were approved as received, Caucus Meeting, October 13, 2015; Regular Meeting, October 13, 2015; Executive Meeting, October 13, 2015:

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

Announcements / Presentations / Discussions:

- BVT Vol. Fire Departments, NJ State Fireman's Assoc. Convention Awards. Committeeman John Armato presented Making Buena Vista Proud Awards to Newtonville Vol. Fire Company, East Vineland Vol. Fire Company, and Collings Lakes Vol. Fire Company.
- Carlo DeThomasi, 5 Points Inn updated the public on the multiple services their restaurant provides, including buffets, catering and wedding parties. Have been in business for approximately 36-years.
- Nick Levari, Jr., Latona Golf Course updated the public on varies services and events held at the Country Club. The golf course is a 9 hole regulation course with multiple events held throughout the year.
- Helen Duda, Environmental Commission, presented Township Committee and the public with the Monarch Butterfly Project. Seeds are free and can be obtained free and all are encouraged to help the repopulation of the Monarch Butterflies.
- Dolores Comparri, Special Events Chair updated the public on the various events coming up including the tree lightings on November 14th at Sawmill Park and December 4th at the Municipal Building.
- Richard Calareso, Director of Public Works provided his monthly report to Township Committee.
- Quentin McClendon, Director of King Community Center provided his monthly report to Township Committee.
- David Scheidegg, Township Engineer provided his monthly report to Township Committee.
- Trooper Mark Campagna, New Jersey State Police provided the September 2015 report to Township Committee.

Mayors Report: Provided report at the end of the meeting.

Ordinances for Introduction (First Reading): None

Ordinances for Public Hearing (Second Reading):

12-2015 – Acceptance of Various Blocks 703, 1502, 1503, 8607 Lot 13, 31, 25, and 1 - Donation of Land

No Public Comment

On a motion of Williams seconded by Martinelli and carried the above Ordinance was adopted: (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.

- No Public Comment

Resolutions

270-15 – Authorize Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$881,661.18

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)

271-15 – Authorize Committee to go into Executive Session (action maybe taken)

Resolution was adopted during Caucus Meeting of October 26, 2015.

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:

- **272-15** – Award Quote to GraphiColor Corp for the 2016 Calendar & Municipal Guide
- **273-15** – Accepting Proposal for Lease of Feed Mill
- **274-15** – Submit Application & Execute Grant Contract – Weymouth-Malaga Rd. Phase 5
- **275-15** – Refund Marriage Ceremony Fee to Vanessa Rosado
- **276-15** – Authorizing the Carry Over of Vacation Time
- **277-15** – Approve Public Land Sale
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On a motion of Kelly seconded by Armato and carried the above Resolutions were adopted by consent agenda: (Roll Call Vote: Armato, Aye; Chiarello, Aye; Kelly, Aye; Martinelli, Abstain on Resolution #273-15, Aye on remainder; Williams, Aye)

Township Administrator & Department Reports

Township Administrator Kenia Nunez-Acuna provided her monthly report to Township Committee.

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

Committee Reports

- Committeeman Armato – Preparing for the Nov 11th Veterans Ceremony that will held at the Municipal Complex. Working on the Wounded Warriors Handicap signs, installed at Shop Rite, Michael Debbi Park, and Municipal Complex. Had conversations with the State Veterans Administration regarding veterans tax deductions. The Abundant Life Church will have meal for the Veterans on Nov 11th. The Seventh Day Adventist Church will also have a Veterans Dinner on November 11th. Clean Communities has a grant for \$1,700 that can utilized for recycling programs for the Schools; working with the School Administrator. Veterans will be at the high school on Nov 9th and will be speaking to the history classes. Continue with work on a heroin program for the epidemic that is in the County.
- Committeeman Williams – Attended a ceremony honoring veterans. Environmental Commission was at the Halloween Day Fest handing out feeders and seeds for the Monarch Butterflies. Attended the Municipal Officials dinner where it was discussed that the Governor vetoed the Pilot bill. Working on the Personnel Policy Handbook with Township Administrator Kenia Nunez-Acuna and Committeeman Steve Martinelli.
- Committeeman Martinelli – Provided an update on the Generator for the King's Center. Invited the public to the Frost Bite Cruise on November 1st at the Vineland High school, where a request for State Police to attend was made. Working on updating the Personnel Policy Handbook with Committeeman John Williams and the Township Administrator; anticipate completion by December 2015. Attended the Halloween Festival and toured the Patcong Building. Endorsed Tom Willett for Freeholder who is a Buena Vista Township resident. Spoke about Roberta Corbitt and offered sincere condolences to her family on her passing.
- Committeewoman Kelly – Attended the Mayor's meeting where central dispatching for Atlantic County was discussed. Attended the Planning Board where IGI Laboratories was officially approved for their expansion. Attended the open house at the Collings Lake Firehouse. Attended the Halloween Fun Festival where several people attended. Attended the spaghetti dinner at the Friendship Church. Attended the Buena Regional Foundation fundraiser. Thanked former Miss Buena Kate Volpe, Victoria Cox and the current Miss Buena Sikking for their help with the Special Events and Halloween Fun Fest.
- Mayor Chiarello – Committee was invited to a breakfast this week with Gateway who is the new tenant at the MLK Center. IGI Laboratories has changed their name to Teligent Inc. Working on various projects for Economic Development. Buena Braves will be in the Playoffs on October 31st, November 7th, and November 14th at Michael Debbi Park. Met with NJ Transit on the new 553 Bus Route and hope to have the new schedule approved this month that will allow the bus to travel down Route 40 pass the Municipal Complex. Pilot program for the shuttle bus will begin in January and will through Collings Lakes / Newtonville and meet up with NJ Transit stops. Requested Rev. Mallory be invited to the next TV night in November.

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 Williams seconded by Armato and carried.

- Betty Reina stated Richard Harlan also helped with the shuttle bus from Collings Lakes and Newtonville.

There being no further business on a motion of Williams seconded by Kelly the meeting was adjourned to at 9:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lisa A. Tilton

Lisa A. Tilton, Township Clerk

Approved:

/s/ Chuck Chiarello

Mayor Chuck Chiarello