

**PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP
APRIL 22, 2008
WORK SESSION MEETING
MINUTES**

Mayor Bickford called the work session meeting of the Pilesgrove Township Committee to order at 9:00 A.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Bickford stated that the meeting was in compliance with the New Jersey Sunshine Law, and the Acting Clerk read the Open Public Meetings notice

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings law. This meeting of April 22, 2008 was included in a list of meetings notice sent to the Today's Sunbeam and the Elmer Times on January 5, 2008, posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building on January 5, 2008 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Bickford advised that proper notice having been given; the Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

Attendance: Ernie Bickford
Ed Kille
William Miller
Ruth Moynihan, CFO
Michael Mulligan, Solicitor
Chris Warren, Planner
Phyllis Bross, Esq., Special Counsel

A motion was made by Kille 2nd by Miller to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation and matters involving attorney/client privilege. Ayes all.

The meeting reopened at 10:00 a.m. on motion by Bickford 2nd by Kille Ayes all. Mayor Bickford stated that no action will be taken by the Township Committee in open session on issues discussed in closed session.

Kille made a motion 2nd by Miller to approve Resolution 08-038 Authorizing Acquisition by Eminent Domain, Execution of an Option Agreement, Transfer of Land for Commercial Redevelopment, and Execution of all Necessary Documents. Ayes all.

Kille made a motion 2nd by Miller to read by title and approve Resolution 08-039 Amending the Temporary Capital Budget Ayes all.

Kille made a motion 2nd by Miller to reintroduce Ordinance 08-05 a Bond Ordinance for acquisition of certain parcels in the Township as part of the Township's Planning Incentive Grant Program Roll Call Kille-Aye, Miller-Aye, Bickford-Aye.

Kille made a motion 2nd by Miller to introduce Ordinance 08-06, an Ordinance Amending Chapter 145 "Land Use" of the Code of the Township of Pilesgrove. Roll Call Kille-Aye Miller-Aye Bickford-Aye.

Miller made a motion 2nd by Kille to approve Resolution 08-040 referring Ordinance 08-06 to the Township Planning Board for review and comment. Ayes all.

Miller made a motion 2nd by Kille to approve payment of \$72.00 to NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife for permit renewal for depredation control at the Township Convenience Center. Ayes all.

There was discussion concerning the First National Bank of Elmer's bonds and escrow. Miller made a motion 2ND Bickford to approve Resolution 08-041 Resolution Authorizing an agreement with First National Bank of Elmer. Ayes all.

Motion made by Kille, 2nd by Bickford to open the public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all. Phyllis Sauer asked questions concerning Ordinance 08-06 amending the land use. Mayor Bickford advised that the ordinance would be advertised in the paper and available at the Township for inspection. Cheryl Reardon questioned last week's closed session as whether it should have been an open meeting. Mayor Bickford said he had posed that question last week and was advised when we are in negotiations it should be done in closed until there are final agreements. She asked if anything could be done about the sign for Pilesgrove Center because it is so unsightly. She complemented the Planning Board & Township Committee for requiring Tractor Supply's Building to conform to the aesthetics of the area. She saw Tractor's Supply's Building in another town and it was an unsightly block building.

Motion by Kille 2nd Miller to close the public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all.

Motion made by Kille, 2nd by Miller to adjourn at 11:00 AM. Ayes all.

Ruth A. Moynihan
Acting Clerk