

PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP
WORKSHOP MEETING
March 26, 2024
MINUTES

Mayor Kevin Eachus called the regular meeting of the Pilesgrove Township Committee to order at 6:00 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Eachus directed the Clerk to read the following Annual Notice:

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings law. Notice of this meeting of March 26, 2024, posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building on January 8, 2024, posted on the Township website on January 8, 2024 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.

Attendance:	Kevin Eachus	Ekaterine N. Eleftheriou, Esq.
	David Bonowski	Kelsey Mitchell, CFO
	Joseph Crevino	Jim McKelvie

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to open the public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all.

There being no public comments, motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to close the public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to approve the bill list as submitted by the treasurer. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to introduce on first reading:

**PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE 24-02**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 145 LAND USE OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PILESGROVE

Roll call: Bonowski yes, Crevino yes, and Eachus yes.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to introduce on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03

**TOWNSHIP OF PILESGROVE, COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NJ AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
PUBLIC SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**

Roll call: Bonowski yes, Crevino yes, and Eachus yes.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to approve Resolution 24-029, to Extend the Temporary Budget. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to approve Resolution 24-030, Awarding Contract for 2024 Sanitary Landfill monitoring Wells Sampling and Lab Analysis. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to approve Resolution 24-031, Referring Ordinance 24-02 to Planning Board. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to approve Resolution 24-032, EEOC Compliance. Ayes all.

Discussion items –

CFO, Kelsey Mitchell presented a proposal from Edmunds for electronic requisitions in the amount of \$2,500.00 per year. This will allow each Department to receive purchase orders more quickly plus help keep track of all purchases.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to approve the purchase of the Edmunds electronic requisitions program. Ayes all.

Joe Crevino updated Committee on American Legion and discussed their invoices. Committee will pay quarter 2 in full, however moving forward the quarterly invoices will be paid month to month starting in July.

Fred Heekin from North Point came to discuss the basin along their property at Route 40. The State has stated that they cannot afford to maintain the basin along the State Road and they cannot have an agreement with a 3rd party. The State will not approve the NJDOT plan until the Township agrees to enter into an agreement with the State, which will hold the Township responsible for the basin. Once the Township has that agreement in place with the State then an agreement will be made between North Point and the Township that holds North Point responsible for the maintenance. The agreement between the Township and North Point will go on the deed for the property and stay with the property for any other future owners.

Joe Crevino asked Fred how much it will cost to maintain the basin per year, which Fred stated around \$5,000.00 per year.

Committee agreed to sign a letter stating the Township is aware of the basin and the agreements that need to be made. The Township Solicitor had a few minor changes to the agreement presented from North Point and she will address those changes and send it back to Fred. Jim McKelvie suggested the maintenance plan should be attached to the agreement. Also, Jim McKelvie stated there might need to be a maintenance bond posted for this basin, which Fred is willing to post if needed.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to send a letter to NJDOT for agreement to maintain the basin at the corner of Pointers Auburn Road and Route 40 in Pilesgrove Township. Ayes all.

Mayor Eachus brought up the summer hours for Public Works, which was tabled at the last meeting. Public Works would like their summer hours to be 6:00am to 2:00pm. Committee agreed to the summer hours between May 1st-August 31st.

A brief discussion was held regarding oil and chip verses micro milling. Public Works is currently looking into the process of micro milling and the company that has been in contact with the Township is also on State Contracting. Jim McKelvie stated there might be paving preservation funding through the State for micro milling.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to open the public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all.

There being no public comment, motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to close this public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to recess the meeting and reconvene at Reliance Fire House at 7:15pm. Ayes all.

Motion made Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to reopen the meeting at the Fire House. Ayes all.

Members from Borough Council, Reliance Fire Department, Pilesgrove Township, and Engineering Professionals all discussed the parking lot issues and stormwater concerns at the Fire House. Pilesgrove Township will reach out to get quotes for fixing the back parking lot and oil and chip. Also, Allen Coulter will forward the video of the stormwater pipe to the Borough Engineer to show the condition of the pipe. Allen Coulter will also get a quote of lining the pipe or sealing from the outside, whichever seems to be the best fix. All members present also discussed the concrete concerns at the front of the Fire House and the Borough will be working on quotes for those repairs.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to adjourn at 7:33 PM. Ayes all.

Melissa Fackler, Clerk