PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING March 12, 2024 MINUTES

Mayor Kevin Eachus called the regular meeting of the Pilesgrove Township Committee to order at 7:00 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 12, 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.
	Joseph Crevino	Kelsey Mitchell, CFO

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to approve the minutes of the February 13 and February 27, 2024 meetings and closed session minutes from February 27, 2024. Ayes all.

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

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Eachus to accept the Tax Collector's report for the month of February, 2024, Ayes all.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Eachus to accept the Tax Collector's 2023 Annual Tax Collectors Report. Ayes all.

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

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

Joe Gebely presented his Emergency Management report.

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

Joe Ruth resident of 491 Lincoln Road came to express his gratitude to Mr. Shimp for helping him when he had questions about discarding a bucket filled with an unknown substance. Mr. Shimp went above and beyond by taking the time to come out and look at the bucket and then remove the buck from the property.

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

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Eachus to approve the cost of postage and handling for the Spring 2024 Newsletter at an amount not to exceed \$650.00. All ayes.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Eachus to approve advertising for the Construction Official and subcode positions that will become vacant as of May 1, 2024. Ayes all.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Eachus to approve the updates made to the Cyber Incident Response Plan. Ayes all.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Eachus to approve in bulk: Resolution 24-026, No Parking Signs Along Bailey Street by Bailey's Corner Complex. Resolution 24-027, Total Disabled Veteran for Block 2.02 Lot 5, Lawerance. Resolution 24-028, Endorsing the Submission of the 2023 Recycling Tonnage Grant. Ayes all. Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to open the public hearing on:

ORDINANCE NO. 24-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 145 "LAND USE"

There being no public comment, motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to close the public hearing on Ordinance 24-01. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to adopt on second reading, Ordinance 24-01. Roll call: Eachus yes, and Crevino yes.

Mayor Eachus stated he does not agree with the ordinance, but it is something that DEP is requiring all Towns to do. He stated he supports the Agriculture Zones and did exempt properties used for agriculture purposes from this ordinance.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to go into closed session to discuss matters in accordance with NJSA 10:4-12, Specifically protentional litigation. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to return to open session. Ayes all.

No action taken in Closed Session.

Discussion items -

Allen Coulter came to discuss and review his capital improvement list for the 2024 budget. He discussed the roll off truck, construction office vehicles, wall at the convenience center, and road maintenance program.

Allen Coulter also asked Committee to review the hours for Public Works and would like to adjust the hours for the summer to 6:00am-2:00pm verses the current hours of 6:30am-2:30pm. Committee made no decision and would like to discuss when all Committee members are in attendance.

The Clerk reviewed the SPPP with Committee and asked for a motion to refer to DEP for approval. Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to send the SPPP to DEP for approval. Ayes all.

The Clerk presented a letter from an individual interested in a reassignment of a Municipal Tax Lien. The Tax Collector will need to prepare a resolution and payoff amounts, if Committee is interested. Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to approve the reassignment of municipal tax sale lien on Block 71 Lot 1. Ayes all.

Committee will be going to the Fire House during the March 26, 2024 meeting to discuss repairs needed at the Fire House. The meeting will start around 7:00pm at the Fire House with Borough Council in attendance as well.

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

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

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to adjourn at 8:31 PM. Ayes all.

Melissa Fackler, Clerk