

PIESGROVE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
April 11, 2023
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 April 11 2023, posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building on January 3, 2023, posted on the Township website on January 6, 2023 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
David Bonowski
Joseph Crevino
Kelsey Mitchell, CFO
Niki Arbittier, Esq.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to approve the minutes of the March 14 and March 28, 2023 meetings and. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to approve the bill list as presented. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Crevino to accept the Tax Collector's report for the month of March, 2023. Ayes all.

Barber Consulting Services sent a representative to review their IT Proposal and to meet Township Committee.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to approve Barber Consulting Services proposal with a proated yearly amount not to exceed \$2,887.50 for 2023 and \$3,850.00 per year starting in 2024. Ayes all.

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

Joe Gebely presented his report to Township Committee for the month of March.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to authorize the Mayor to sign the Red Light and/or Siren Permit for Reliance Fire Chief Brian Facemyer. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to approve CivicPlus Website Proposal for a two year contract in the amount of \$3,795.00 for year one and \$3,984.75 for year two. Ayes all.

Motion made by crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to approve the renewal of the Campground License for Four Seasons Campground. Ayes all.

Kelsey Mitchell reviewed a few updates on the budget.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to introduce the 2023 Municipal Budget. Roll call vote: Bownoski yes, Crevino yes, Eachus yes.

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

**TOWNSHIP OF PILESGROVE
COUNTY OF SALEM
ORDINANCE NO.2023-04**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$174,500.00 TO BE USED FOR THE RESURFACING OF
COUNTY HOME ROAD WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF PILESGROVE, COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY**

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

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Crevino to authorize the Mayor to sign the Future Right of Way on East Lake Road for Farmland Preservation. Ayes all.

Discussion items –

B:3.01 L15.01 that is owned by the Township and currently a non conforming lot is under discussion because a resident is interested in purchasing it through public auction. Township Committee had asked about the process of going through Planning Board to make it a conforming lot. Township Solicitor advised that this would be possible and the variance, if granted, would carry with the property even if the owner changed.

The Fire Department gave a few ordinance updates to the Clerk. Township Committee asked the Clerk to have these changes updated for the regular meeting in May.

The Clerk reached out for more information on the portable loop hearing device that the County is offering to the Municipality. However, this device is more for a one on one setting verses something that could be used in a meeting. Township Committee believes that it would be better off going somewhere that it will be used more.

Public Works has requested an increase in their clothing allowance and also would like to add a boot allowance for the part time CDL driver position. The Clerk has revised the Personnel Policy Manual to reflect these changes. A motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to approve the updates to the clothing allowance section of the Personnel Policy Manual. Ayes all.

Township Engineer sent the proposed ADA updates to Marlton Park for Township Committee to review. Township Committee asked that the Clerk reach out to the engineer and invite him to the next meeting to review the plans to ensure they understand everything correctly.

Mayor Eachus attended the last ambulance meeting, where they reviewed the new shared service agreement that they would like the Township to enter into. Part of this new shared service agreement is a 10% annual increase per year. In 2023 the Township will owe \$34,110.00 and the first quarter bill was just emailed to the Township.

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

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

Motion made by Bonowski, 2nd by Eachus to go in to closed session to discuss matters in accordance with N.J.S.A 10:4-12, specifically potential litigation. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2nd by Bonowski to reopen the meeting to the public. Ayes all.

Motion made by Crevino, 2nd by Bonowski to adjourn at 8:23 PM. Ayes all.

Melissa Fackler, Clerk