

**PILESGROVE TOWNSHIP  
WORK SESSION MEETING  
August 23, 2022  
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 August 23, 2022, posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building on January 3, 2022, posted on the Township website on January 6, 2022 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 Eachus advised that proper notice having been given; the Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.

Attendance: Kevin Eachus  
David Bonowski  
Joseph Crevino  
Kelsey Mitchell, CFO  
Niki Arbittier, Esq.

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

Travis Layton resident of 102 Featherbed Lane came to discuss his thoughts and opinions on the Committee's recent decision to not have a joint meeting with Planning Board to review the Cannabis Ordinance. Travis Layton would like to have a meeting to openly discuss this topic and will reach out to the Clerk to schedule getting on an agenda. Mr. Crevino would like a legal opinion from someone at the State. Travis stated the State does have people that will come discuss and would be willing to set that meeting up. Crevino and Bonowski stated this would be helpful.

There being no additional public comment, motion made by Eachus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Crevino to close the public comment portion of the meeting. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Crevino to approve the bill list as presented by the Treasurer. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Crevino to approve the Tax Collector's report for the month of July 2022. Ayes All.

Jeremy Chandler, the new Planning Board Alternate #4 came to introduce himself to Committee.

Motion made by Eachus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Crevino to approve the amended Mayoral Appointment 2022. Ayes all.

Jim Davis and Tim Kernan came to discuss Oldman's Bluff, which was at one time a large lot but now is 22 different lots located on Kings Highway. They are trying to decide what options they have with this property. Currently they have discussed with the Tax Assessor their option for Farmland Assessment and have submitted that paperwork. Mayor Eachus ask if they would be interested in preserving, which they stated yes they would be interested in finding out if this is possible. Township Clerk will reach out to them with more information on preservation once she find out if it is in the project area and if the small lots can be preserved or if the subdivision would have to be reversed in order to go this route. If the State has a minimum lot size for preservation the Clerk will reach out to the Planning Board Solicitor to figure out the process of reversing the subdivision.

Motion made by Crevino, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonowski to approve Resolution 22-073, authorizing the cancellation of 2022 taxes and refund of overpayment for a Total Disabled Veteran (B:2.07, L:9, Hinman) Ayes all.

Motion made by Crevino, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonowski to approve Resolution 22-074, authorizing cancellation of 202 taxes for a Total Disabled Veteran (B:4.01, L:7 Weiser) Ayes all.

Motion made by Crevino, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonowski to approve Resolution 22-075, awarding contract to Richard A. Alaimo to complete phase 1 ADA Improvements at Marlton Park. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Crevino to authorize the Mayor to sign Account Agreements with Franklin Bank. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonowski to authorize the Mayor to sign the Municipal Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan Grant Agreement. Ayes all.

Motion made by Crevino, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonowski to authorize the Clerk to advertise Notice to Bidders for 2022 or 2023 Ram Chassis Regular Cab or Equal with 9 foot dump body, 9 foot snow plow, and UTG spreader or equal. Ayes all.

Motion made by Bonowski, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Crevino to authorize the Clerk to sign the general scope of work description for BIS Digital to prepare quote for new computer and software in Court Room. Ayes all.

Discussion items –

Mike Stocklos, Deputy Tax Assessor came to discuss the North Point Warehouse Project and the need for outside assistants when it comes to the assessment of these buildings. The Tax Assessor's Office has been working with the CFO on coming up with the best solution for budgeting for this project. Currently, for the rest of 2022 it appears that the Township would just need to provide North Point with COAH Cost. The cost for just the COAH fee assessment can be paid for out of the Tax Assessor's OE. The Tax Assessor Office will reach out the companies that provided a quote and see if they are willing to break the quote into phases. If the companies are willing to create phases it will help the Township budget for 2023 for these assessments.

Niki Arbittier reviewed the Lead Based Ordinance updates with Committee. Township Committee agreed CO fees should stay the same as they are now and only increase for those rentals that fall under this ordinance. This ordinance will be ready for introduction at the September meeting after making one minor change to include wording that the landlord is responsible for all cost of hiring an inspector even if they use the Townships inspector.

Mayor and Township Committee reviewed the updated housing forms, which go along with the Lead Based Paint Ordinance.

Motion made by Eachus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Crevino to approve the updated Landlord Tenant Registration, CO for Sales, CO for Rentals, and Co Checklist. Ayes all.

Richmans Center should have an updated Redevelopment Plan to the Committee within a few weeks. Crevino asked the Clerk to reach out and invite them to the next Committee meeting to review the plan.

Franklin Bank would like to use the Court Room on September 20, 2022 at 11:30am-2:30pm.

Motion made by Eachus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonowski to approve the request from Franklin Bank for use of the Court Room on September 20<sup>th</sup>. Ayes all.

The Clerk still has not heard a definite answer for the County Board of Election regarding cameras on the Election Box, without the cameras this box cannot be opened during the election. Township Committee is allowing 2 weeks for a response or will be removing the box and giving it back to the County Board of Election.

The Convenience Center will resume daylight savings hours on November 6th closing at 5:00pm.

Motion made by Eachus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonowski to open the public comment. Ayes all. Hearing no comments Motion made by Bonowski, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Crevino to close the public comment. Ayes all.

Motion made by Eachus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonowski to adjourn at 8:15 PM. Ayes all.

Melissa Fackler, Clerk