

**CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee was held on the above date at the time of 6:00 p.m. Present were Committeemen, Pelura, Dowe, Bomba and Mayor Brown. Mr. Dennis was not in attendance. Also, present were K. Mitchell CMFO, J. Proffitt-Clerk, S. Cosaboon, Engineer, D. VanNamee Police Chief and A. Telsey Solicitor. Ms. C. English Administrator was virtual.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order and read the **Open Public Meeting Act**. He led the **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**. **Roll call** was taken.

Mayor Brown started by congratulating Mr. Dennis on winning the election for the unexpired seat for two more years. He also mentioned that Mr. Bomba is still in the running for the three-year term. Ballots still need to be counted due to a two-vote difference.

Departmental Reporting, Mr. Bomba complemented the Fire Department and Rescue Squad along with the Police Department on the evaluation of the Nursing Home on 6th Ave. He mentioned the surge of water was 9.7 feet above high tide. Mayor Brown commented the water went over the seawall. They evaluated the nursing home early and all the residents were moved out when the flooding started. Mr. Pelura said it was our two Ambulance members Ted Stranahan Jr. and Jason Ellis who thought this out before the flood started.

Mayor Brown asked Mr. Cosaboon if he had any thing to report. Mr. Cosaboon said the playground at the Recreation Complex is out for bid. The bid opening is December 2nd. He mentioned they also did some work on School House Lane.

Mr. Dowe said he had no new report for the Courts but the Recreation Commission held their annual Halloween festivities on October 28th at the Recreation Complex. He said he heard it was a success due to he not being unable to attend. Mr. Pelura said the Recreation Committee did a great job and all the kids who attended looked great. Mr. Pelura mentioned it was not very highly attended, even though this event was advertised. Mr. Dowe mentioned during budget meetings they were given money to hire a person for the Recreation Complex. Mr. Dowe said he is making a motion to advertise for this position now, Mr. Pelura seconded and all were in favor. There is a description on file for what they are looking for.

Mr. Pelura mentioned the 2022 free Rabies Clinic will be on January 22nd at the Fire House. Times are 9 to 10:30 for dogs and 10:30 to 11:00 for cats. Licenses can be purchased at the clinic.

Chief VanNamee mentioned a road closure for Habitat for Humanity, SueAnn Leighty for November 12, 13 and 14 for their housing build. Mr. Pelura asked where? This is on Monroe and Market Streets.

Mr. Dowe motioned to approve the reports, seconded by Mr. Bomba and all were in favor.

Mayor Brown mentioned that all properly audited vouchers are being paid in the amount of \$188,003.80. Mr. Pelura made a motion to approve the bill list, seconded by Mr. Bomba and all were in favor.

Mr. Bomba motioned to approve the **minutes from the Regular Committee meeting held on October 20, 2021**, seconded by Mr. Pelura and all were in favor and Mr. Dowe abstaining.

RESOLUTION 2021-231

APPROVE REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE BOND

Mr. Bomba motioned to authorize the reduction of the Performance Bond by \$32,999.25 and \$42,901.21 for Courses Landing URE, LLC. Seconded by Mr. Pelura and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-232

NEW BANK ACCOUNT FOR AACHCP PROPERTY, LLC

Mr. Pelura made the motion to authorize a new bank account under the name AACHCP PROPERTY, LLC. Seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-233

COMMITTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUNDS FOR 47 7TH AVENUE, BLOCK 1, LOT 16 KNOWN AS "FRANGIBLE DISK PROPERTY"

Motion by Mr. Bomba to approve the Affordable Housing Funds for 47 7th Ave., seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken with Mayor Brown abstaining.

RESOLUTION 2021-234

CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR BROADWAY STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Dowe motioned to approve Change Order #2 in the amount of an increase of \$587.50 to Paving Plus, LLC, seconded by Mr. Bomba and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-235

FINAL PAYMENT #3 TO PAVING PLUS, LLC FOR BROADWAY STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Motion was made by Mr. Bomba to make final payment to Paving Plus, LLC for the Broadway Street Roadway Improvements in the amount of \$22,582.48. Seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-236

CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR BIANCA AVENUE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Bomba motioned to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of a decrease of \$21,604.50, seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken with Mr. Pelura abstaining.

RESOLUTION 2021-237

FINAL PAYMENT TO WJV GENERAL CONTRACTORS, LLC

Motioned by Mr. Bomba to approve the final payment in the amount of \$7,177.20 to WJV General Contractors, LLC for the Bianca Avenue Roadway Improvements. Seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken with Mr. Pelura abstaining.

RESOLUTION 2021-238

CANCEL 2021 TAX BILLING DUE TO IN REM FORECLOSURE

Mr. Bomba made a motion to approve the cancelation of 2021 tax billing for block 255, lot 5.01 in the amount of \$470.33 due to In Rem Foreclosure. Seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-239

REFUND DUPLICATE TAX PAYMENTS TO CORELOGIC

Mr. Dowe made a motion to approve the refund of \$3,671.34 to CoreLogic for duplicate taxes paid. Seconded by Mr. Bomba and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-240

REFUND 2021 OVERBILL PAYMENTS

Mr. Pelura motioned to approve the refund of three block and lots due to 2021 overbilled payments. Seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-241

REFUND TAX BILLING PAID FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

Motioned by Mr. Dowe to approve the refund of taxes paid to two residents in the amount of \$2,491.06 and \$601.49. Seconded by Mr. Pelura and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-242

CANCEL TAX BILLED FOR 100% TOTAL DISABLED VETERAN

Mr. Pelura made a motioned to cancel taxes to Block 233.01, Lot 12 in the amount of \$2,491.06 due to 100% Total Disabled Veteran. Seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-243

CANCEL TAX BILLED FOR 100% TOTAL DISABLED VETERAN

Mr. Pelura made a motioned to cancel taxes to Block 233.03, Lot 2 in the amount of \$2,289.56 due to 100% Total Disabled Veteran. Seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2021-244

APPROVE A TRANSFER RESOLUTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$85,800.00

Mr. Pelura motioned to approve the transfer of funds within the 2021 Budget in the amount of \$85,800.00, seconded by Mr. Bomba and a unanimous vote was taken.

Final Reading and Public Hearing of Ordinance 989.

ORDINANCE 989

AN ORDINANCE VACATING ALLEYWAY ALONG BLOCK 206, LOTS 1, 2 AND 3 IN DEEPWATER. Mayor Brown opened the meeting for any questions or comments, with none this portion was closed. A motion to adopt was made by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Bomba and a unanimous vote was taken.

Under **Correspondence:** Mayor Brown mentioned a thank you note from Megan Meiler at the High School for the Committee's support during the Homecoming festivities.

There was a letter of resignation from Edward Voyles effective immediately as the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator. Motion was made by Mr. Dowe, seconded by Mr. Bomba to accept the resignation. All were in favor.

Letter from NJDOT informing the Township of an award of \$171,000.00 grant monies for the 2022 Municipal Aid Program for Ives Avenue improvements.

Letter from the County Board of Commissioners to see if there is any interest in a possible partnership with them on spending the Recovery Funds on expansion of Broadband. Mr. Pelura said we should look into this partnership. Ms. Mitchell said they would take a percentage but did not specify how much. Also, she called Comcast to see how much it would cost for broadband

for the Township. It would be the resident's responsibility to connect to the broadband. Ms. Mitchell said she will contact the County to get more information.

Accept a resignation from Teresa Walker from the Planning Board Class I effective immediately. Mr. Bomba made a motion to accept the resignation seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor.

With nothing under **Old Business the Committee moved on to New Business:** Mr. Pelura made a motion to authorize the Clerk to go out for RFP's for Professional Services for 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor.

Mayor Brown asked for authorization to sign the Subscription Renewal Agreement for the Carneys Point Fire Department. This commences on January 9, 2022. Ms. Mitchell said this is their reporting system. Mr. Bomba made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor. Mayor Brown reminded everyone that our next meeting will be held on Monday, November 15th due to the League of Municipalities in Atlantic City.

Mayor Brown moved on to **Public Participations:** Ms. Lisa G. of 95 Johnson Ave. spoke of their road being a dead end. The neighbor keeps calling the Police on them. He drives behind their house and parks on their grass. Chief VanNamee said the road is called Howard Street. The neighbor put a few sheds on this property. The neighbor said Mr. Fogg gave him permission to drive on the road. Mayor Brown said then Mr. Fogg needs to rescind permission. She said there was a pipe that was cracked due to the neighbor driving over it and they had to have it repaired at their expense.

Tony who also lives at 95 Johnson Ave. also brought up the pipe. He said he was not told 30 feet of his yard is not his. He mentioned the police are there almost every other day. He is worried about their grandchildren being hit because their yard is not fenced. Also, he has concerns about a motorcycle club at the end of the street. Mayor Brown said he is looking into that issue.

Mr. Telsey said they can look at the subdivision resolution

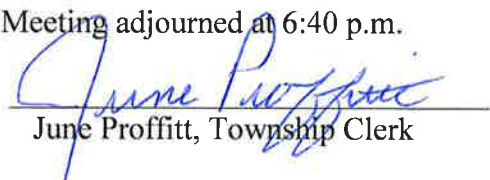
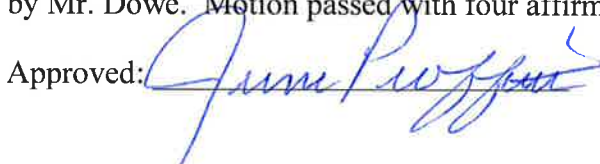
Raymond Light of 95 Johnson Ave. was told by Mr. Fogg he did not want to get involved to leave him alone.

Patty Bomba of Hawks Bridge Rd. said the construction for Habitat is on hold due to sewer problems.

With no more questions or comments from the Public this portion was closed. Mayor Brown mentioned there is no Executive Session for tonight so he asked for a motion to adjourn.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Bomba to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Dowe. Motion passed with four affirmative votes. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Approved:


June Proffitt, Township Clerk