

**INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF
CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 12, 2017**

The meeting of the Carneys Point Industrial Commission was held on the above date at the time of **6:30 p.m.** Mr. Kerswill called the meeting to order; read the **Open Public Meeting Act** and led the **Salute to the Flag**.

Roll call was taken; Bomba, Brayerton, Johnson, Kerswill, O'Donald and Redfield were present. Mrs. Jones was not in attendance at this meeting. Also present was J. Proffitt-Secretary. A Quorum was established.

Motion was made Mr. Bomba to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2017 regular Industrial Commission meeting, seconded by Mr. Redfield and a unanimous vote was taken.

Under **Correspondence** Mr. Kerswill mentioned that Mr. O'Donald has a new e-mail address. Mrs. Proffitt made a new contact list for everyone and it's in the packet. Mr. Kerswill said before the end of the meeting could everyone provide their name, phone number and email address they would like put on the new website.

Old Business. Mr. Kerswill said they are looking to our State Representatives to see what is out there for us to offer a company relocating here. The Members discussed a grant writer. Mr. Kerswill said the Township does not have a grant writer this year. He said if any grants come along and the Industrial Commission wants to apply, Mrs. Stout in finance will assist. Mr. Bomba said what about someone like Margaret Maxwell Mood, Grant Writer. She would take a percentage of the total grant that was received for her salary. Mr. Bomba said the Salem County Health and Wellness Department has a grant writer. He was willing to ask for the names. Mr. Kerswill asked for volunteers to reach out he the 3rd Legislative District and speak to them on incentives to come to New Jersey. Mr. Bomba said he would be seeing them so he would address this topic with them. Mr. Redfield said he would give Melissa DeCastro Freeholder a call. Mr. Bomba said Ben Laury or Bob Vanderslice would be better to contact from the County. Mr. Redfield said Freeholder DeCastro is from Carneys Point. Mr. Kerswill said to ask them all and see what can be done. Mr. Kerswill said see if they will discuss this with our Subcommittee. Mr. Kerswill said he is drafting a letter of introduction to send to the businesses we would like to visit. The letter will ask if they would give us some time and if they could answer a few simple questions. Mr. Kerswill said Mr. O'Donald updated the list of developers in the area and a copy is in each packet. Mr. Bomba asked which ones are from New Jersey. Mr. O'Donald said he will separate them out if possible. Mr. Brayerton said he spoke to John Ashcraft former President to the Board of Trustees with Salem Community College about working with the Township on promoting Carneys Point. Mr. Ashcraft said they have a budget for this type of thing and he thinks the College will join in. The new President of the Board of Trustees is Dorothy Hall. Mr. Brayerton also mentioned sending letters to Doctors in the area. Mr. Kerswill said what about a medical arts building or an urgent care facility. Ms. Johnson said insurances would rather send people to urgent care facilities than hospitals, good idea.

Mr. Kerswill gave an update on the website. He showed the Commission members a slide of what has been designed so far. The questions that were asked were answered to the best of his ability. All the members liked what they saw in the site. Committeeman Dowe arrived to the meeting. He said it looked great.

Mr. Kerswill asked Mr. Bomba to give an update on the Salem County Economic Development Commission. He said they will be meeting at the College on Thursday, June 15th at 4 pm. He said he recently attended a SJ Development Council meeting. He said a lot of Gloucester County was discussed and light rail and where it is going. He mentioned the development in Glassboro around Rowan College. He said this all started around twelve years ago. Even over in Delaware, the water front took years to get it up and going. So, what we do today may take years to get going. Mr. Bomba said he met a couple who said they would come to our meeting and discuss State funding and development. He mentioned housing for Salem Community College as a possibility.

Mr. Redfield told the members that Kast Distributors will be making settlement on the property on June 26th. Mr. Kerswill said he received a phone number from the Zoning Officer Kim Minguez of a company that is looking to relocate to this area. Mr. Kerswill said he is not sure if they want new or existing buildings. He asked if he should call them or give the number to a Committeeperson. The members said to make contact to see what they are looking for.

Under **New Business** Mr. Dowe mentioned property off of Fenton Drive which was given to the Township. Mr. Dowe said the Township Committee looked at three types of water retention/detention systems to see what would help residents in that area. He said the intention is to market the housing lots to a developer and have the developer put the water detention/retention system. Mr. Bomba said this lot is open space and asked if it can be built on. He did say a permitted use is a pond. The Industrial Commission or Township can look for grants for the placement of a pond. Mr. Dowe said he wanted to speak to the Engineer first to get more information on the property. Mr. Bomba mentioned TRIAD as a grant writer.

Mr. Bomba asked about business cards. He wanted to know if the Commission was still getting them. Mr. Kerswill said yes but was waiting on the website being put in place first. A code will be put on the cards to go directly to the website.

Mr. Bomba made a motion to approve the bill list, seconded by Mr. Brayerton and all were in favor.

Mr. Kerswill opened the meeting up for **Public participation**. With no comments or questions this portion was closed.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Redfield, seconded by Mr. O'Donald to adjourn. Motion passed with six affirmative votes. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Adopted: 7.10.2017


June Proffitt, Secretary