Little Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting Minutes

JULY 13, 2023

7:30 P.M.

Mayor Blaise Scibetta called the Little Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Time: 7:30 p.m.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Township Clerk Kelly Lettera read the Open Public Meeting Statement: "This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. Notice of this meeting of July 13, 2023 was duly advertised, posted in the Municipal Complex, and has remained posted as required under the aforesaid statute. The Municipal Clerk is directed to include a record of this statement in the minutes of the meeting."

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

PRESENTATIONS:

National Night Out (August 1, 2023) by Sergeant Sean Crotty

▶ Purple Heart Recognition Day (August 7, 2023)

Sergeant Sean Crotty provided the Committee and the residents with information for the National Night Out event that is being held on August 1, 2023 at the sports complex.

Committeeman Kehm read the Purple Heart Recognition Day proclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 8, 2023

▶ June 8, 2023 Executive Session

Motion to Approve: Maxwell

Second: Gormley

Roll Call:

All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-18

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, Repealing and Replacing Chapter 242 of the Township Code of the Township of Little Egg Harbor Entitled "Noise"

Motion to Open to Public: Gormley

Second: Kehm

All in Favor

Ms. Duda of West Navinsink Drive expressed concern on raising the noise hours to 11pm for her and other residents that work early and go to bed early.

Township Attorney Melanie Appleby further explained why the ordinance is in need of being changed for enforcement purposes. She stated the ordinance that is currently in place the police and

construction have no way to enforce the ordinance and further allows enforcement for nuisances at any time not just during the specified hours within the ordinance.

Ms. Reyes of West Anchor Drive stated voices carry especially across the lagoons and she would like the noise ordinance to reflect 10pm versus 11pm.

Township Attorney Melanie Appleby further explained the ordinance hour guidelines.

Committeeman Kehm asked about special events that happen at businesses.

Township Attorney Melanie Appleby stated there are exceptions under the ordinance for businesses and special events. She further stated anyone can call at any time to complain about a noise nuisance.

Mr. Mooney of Windstar Drive stated he understands the changing of the ordinance based off decibel levels and enforcement but the time should stay at 10pm not 11pm.

Mayor Scibetta suggested to table the ordinance and further discuss the times in the ordinance.

Mr. Ferwerda of Cervetto Road spoke regarding the noise ordinance.

Mr. Tomasiak of South Baltimore Drive stated the township did a great job on the ordinance but the issue is raising the time to 11pm.

Motion to Close to Public: Gormley

Second: Kehm

All in Favor

Motion to Table Indefinitely: Kehm

Second: Gormley

All in Favor

Roll Call:

All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

Township Attorney Melanie Appleby explained in full detail Ordinance 2023-19 since it is also a noise ordinance.

ORDINANCE 2023-19

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter 261 of the Township Code of the Township of Little Egg Harbor Entitled "Parks" so as to Amend §261-26, "Noise"

Motion to Open to Public: Laney

Second: Kehm

All in Favor

No public comment.

Motion to Close to Public: Laney

Second: Gormley

All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Maxwell

Second: Laney

Roll Call:

All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-20

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, Amending and Supplementing the Township Code so as to Amend Chapter 299, Streets and Sidewalks, Article V, "Rights-Of-Way" and Create a New Article VI, "Encroachment Upon Rights-Of-Way"

Motion to Open to Public: Kehm Second: Maxwell All in Favor

No public comment.

Motion to Close to Public: Kehm Second: Laney All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Kehm Second: Maxwell

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-21

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, Amending and Supplementing the Township Code so as to Amend Chapter 18, Entitled "Community Development, Department of"

Motion to Open to Public: Maxwell Second: Kehm All in Favor

No public comment.

Motion to Close to Public: Kehm Second: Gormley All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Kehm Second: Maxwell

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-22

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter 261, Entitled "Parks"

Motion to Open to Public: Kehm Second: Maxwell All in Favor

No public comment.

Motion to Close to Public: Kehm Second: Laney All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Kehm Second: Gormley

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-23

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter 134, Entitled "Animals"

Motion to Open to Public: Kehm

Second: Gormley

All in Favor

Mr. Reyes of West Anchor Drive requested an explanation of the ordinance.

Township Attorney Melanie Appleby explained in full detail the ordinance about properly restraining their dogs outside of their own property.

Motion to Close to Public: Kehm

Second: Laney

All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Kehm

Second: Maxwell

Roll Call:

All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-24

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, Authorizing the Acquisition by Donation of Block 262, Lot 16 on the Tax Map of the Township of Little Egg Harbor From FS Properties 152, LLC Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-4

Motion to Open to Public: Kehm

Second: Laney

All in Favor

No public comment.

Motion to Close to Public: Laney

Second: Maxwell

All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Laney

Second: Gormley

Roll Call:

All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-25

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of Jersey, Amending the Township Code of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, so as to Amend Chapter 14, Entitled "Claims Approval"

Motion to Open to Public: Kehm

Second: Laney

All in Favor

Ms. Ken, General Manager of Mystic Island Casino questioned if the ordinance has anything to do with the sale of the casino.

Township Administrator Rodney Haines explained the ordinance and that it has no affiliation of Mystic Island Casino.

Motion to Close to Public: Kehm

Second: Maxwell

All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Kehm Second: Laney

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-26

[SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Increase of Final Appropriations to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits for CY 2023 and to Establish a Cap Bank Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

Motion to Open to Public: Gormley Second: Kehm All in Favor

Mr. Ferwerda of Cervetto Road requested that the township not increase taxes.

Mr. Mooney of Windstar Drive requested that the Township Administrator explain what the bank cap is exactly.

Township Administrator Rodney Haines explained in full the purpose of the ordinance.

Motion to Close to Public: Kehm Second: Laney All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Gormley Second: Kehm

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

ORDINANCE 2023-27

IFIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION]

An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, to Establish the Compensation of Township Employees

Motion to Introduce: Maxwell Second: Laney

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

RESOLUTION 2023-196

Authorizing the 2023 Municipal Budget be Read by Title Only [This resolution is to save time prior to opening of the public hearing by permitting the budget be read by title as opposed to reading every line item.]

Motion to Approve: Maxwell Second: Laney

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

PUBLIC HEARING 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

CFO Rodney Haines explained the budget we have up for public hearing tonight is \$28,550,368.88. He explained taxes to fund that are \$20,694,154.21. There is a 2.5 cent tax increase staying within the 2%

levy cap and equates to a \$74.32 increuse on a \$300,000 assessment. The increase is needed for pension increases, health insurance increases and debt service.

Motion to Open to Public: Gormley

Second: Laney

All in Favor

Mr. Mooney of Windstar Drive asked if the insurance is health or liability.

Township Administrator Rodney Haines stated both insurances were increased.

Mr. Ferwerda of Cervetto Road asked how much in funds is the Warren Grove Fire Company receiving.

Township Administrator Rodney Haines stated the Warren Grove Fire Company receives \$2,400 annually and the check is listed on tonight's bill list for payment.

Motion to Close to Public: Gormley

Second: Laney

All in Favor

RESOLUTION 2023-222

Resolution Amending the 2023 Municipal Budget

Motion to Approve: Maxwell

Second: Laney

Roll Call:

All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

Township Business Administrator/CFO Rodney Haines stated the reason for the amendment is the additional \$170,000 of state aid received.

RESOLUTION 2023-197

Resolution Adopting the 2023 Municipal Budget [The budget has total general appropriations of \$28,550,368.88. The amount to be raised by taxation to support the budget will be \$20,694,154.21]

Motion to Adopt: Maxwell

Second: Gormley

Roll Call:

All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

CONSENT AGENDA

A Consent Agenda includes items of business which are not controversial and do not require individual discussion. The Consent Agenda is moved, seconded, and voted upon as one item by the Governing Body.

Mayor Scibetta read by title all the Resolutions on the consent agenda.

RESOLUTIONS

July 13, 2023 Committee Meeting Minutes Page 7	
2023-198	Appointing Kasey Powers, QPA, as Program Manager for Utilization of Procurement Cards (P-Cards) [The appointment of Kasey Powers, QPA, as Program Manager for day-to-day oversight and management of the utilization of P-Cards]
2023-199	Authorizing the Promotion of Martin Delaney to the Position of Heavy Truck Driver [An appointment promoting existing employee Martin Delaney from a Laborer I to Heavy Truck Driver position]
2023-200	Authorizing the Appointment of Michael-Anthony DiMauro as Laborer 1, Clean Communities (Seasonal) for the Department of Public Works [The appointment of Michael-Anthony DiMauro as DPW Laborer 1 (Clean Communities-Seasonal), effective June 14, 2023 at a rate of \$14.13/hr]
2023-201	Authorizing the Appointment of Jacob Wilk as Laborer 1, Clean Communities (Seasonal) for the Department of Public Works [The appointment of Jacob Wilk as DPW Laborer 1 (Clean Communities-Seasonal), effective July 12, 2023 at a rate of \$14.13/hr]
2023-202	Authorizing the Re-Appointment of Mandi M. Johnson as Tax Assessor for the Township of Little Egg Harbor and Amending Resolution 2023-175 [Resolution amends the term to reflect no appointment term expiration due to tenure.]
2023-203	Authorizing the Preparation of Specifications for Demolition of the Structure Located at 28 West Navasink Drive (Block 325.104, Lot 37)
2023-204	Authorizing the Preparation of Specifications for Demolition of the Structure Located at 108 East Navasink Drive (Block 325.105, Lot 5)
2023-205	Authorizing the Submission of an Application to the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration Requesting a Grant Under the Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program For Great Bay Boulevard [Authorizing the submission of an application to USDOT, FHA, for an improvement project to Great Bay Blvd to elevate the roadway and install tunnels underneath for terrapins and other wildlife species]
2023-206	Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 (Final) for the Mystic Beach and Parkertown Beach Replenishment and Stabilization Project to JPC Group, Inc. [Change Order 1(Final) decreases the original contract amount from \$2,817,073.00 to \$2,801,472.55 for Mystic Beach and Parkertown Beach Replenishment and Stabilization Project with JPC Group, Inc.]
2023-207	Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Stafford for the Production and Distribution of Brine [A shared services agreement, for a term of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027, with Stafford Township for the production and distribution of brine to aid in snow and ice removal in the amount of \$.20 cents per gallon with \$.08 cent per gallon delivery charge]
2023-208	Authorizing an Agreement with Ben Shaffer Recreation Through Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ) Cooperative under Bid Numbers ESCNJ 20/21-22 and ESCNJ 20/21-02, Co-Op #65MCESCCPS [Awarding a ESCNJ Cooperative Contract to

Page 8 Ben Shaffer Recreation for a swing set at the recreation complex along with playground surfacing materials for the recreation complex and parkertown beach in the amount of \$35,704.51] Authorizing an Agreement with American Cargo Group Trailers Through Sourcewell 2023-209 National Cooperative Contract #092922-AGO [Awarding a Sourcewell National Cooperative Contract with American Cargo Group Trailers for a Polar White Cargo Trailer in the amount of \$12,462.00 for Public Works] Authorizing a Waiver of the LEH Housing Rehabilitation Program Cap as to 242 Valley 2023-210 Forge Drive Project (Lupo) to Rehabco, Inc. [Authorizing a waiver of the \$20,000 program guideline cap for the rehabilitation project at 242 Valley Forge Drive, in an amount not to exceed \$37,755.007 Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property by Open Public Auction in Accordance 2023-211 with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.8 [Authorizing the sale of surplus personal property through Sourcewell National Cooperative, GovDeals, Inc., public auction] Awarding a Contract to Reclam the Bay, Inc. to Provide the Spat-on-Shell Project for 2023-212 Parkertown Beach [Awarding the contract with Reclam the Bay, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$17,200, for the spat-on-shell project for Parkertown Beach marsh sills, jetties and breakwaters to enable oysters to grow and form a living feeding structure] Awarding a Contract to Reclam the Bay, Inc. to Provide the Spat-on-Shell Project for 2023-213 Mystic Beach [Awarding the contract with Reclam the Bay, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$35,100, for the spat-on-shell project for Mystic Beach marsh sills, jetties and breakwaters to enable oysters to grow and form a living feeding structure] Awarding a Contract to Aris Wind, LLC for an Aris Wand Wind Smart Pole to Provide 2023-214 Lighting with Smart Pole Capabilities for the Township Recreation Complex [Awarding the contract with Aris Wind, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$37,955.00, for lighting at the Township Recreation Complex with Smart Pole capabilities] Awarding One (1) Plenary Retail Consumption License to Mancini Ventures, LLC 2023-215 [Mancini Ventures, LLC has satisfied all legal requirements to award and issue a new Plenary Retail Consumption liquor license including payment to the township in the amount of \$401,000] Awarding One (1) Plenary Retail Distribution License to Lotus 9, LLC [Lotus 9, LLC 2023-216 has satisfied all legal requirements to award and issue a new Plenary Retail Distribution liquor license including payment to the township in the amount of \$504,000] Authorizing the Establishment of a Fund to Accept Cash Donations for the Township 2023-217 Community Center Authorizing the Establishment of a Fund to Accept Cash Donations for the Township 2023-218 Environmental Commission

2023-219 Certifying Tax Liens for Costs Incurred in Accordance with the Property Maintenance

Code

2023-223 Authorizing a Corrective Action Plan [Office of State Comptroller requires submission of a

corrective action plan for LEH sick and vacation leave policies]

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion to Open to Public: Gormley Second: Kehm All in Favor

Ms. Varamo of Newport Way spoke regarding Resolution 2023-205 and stated Great Bay could have better means beyond tarrapin tunnels such as speed limits, signs or speed bumps.

Township Engineer Jason Worth stated they are looking into what other improvements they can add in to better the area based off the grant guidelines. He stated there are some other grant opportunities that will be becoming available soon as well.

Motion to Close to Public: Kehm Second: Gormley All in Favor

Motion to Approve: Laney Second: Gormley

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

BILL RESOLUTION 2023-220

A Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$5,413,059.54

Motion to Approve: Maxwell Second: Laney

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta

Mr. Laney abstained from 23-00639 and yes to the remaining bills.

MISCELLANEOUS APPROVALS

Raffle Application Amendment for License 2023-019 for Pinelands July 4th Celebration, Inc., On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at Ocean County Golf Course at Atlantis, 261 Country Club Blvd Amending Date to September 28, 2023

Raffle Application Amendment for License 2023-020 for Pinelands July 4th Celebration, Inc., On-Premise Gift Auction at Ocean County Golf Course at Atlantis, 261 Country Club Blvd Amending Date to September 28, 2023

Raffle Application No. 2023-31 for Great Bay Regional Volunteer EMS, On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at 830 Railroad Ave. on August 5, 2023

Raffle Application No. 2023-32 for Great Bay Regional Volunteer EMS, On-Premise Tricky Tray at 830 Railroad Ave. on August 5, 2023

Raffle Application No. 2023-33 for American Legion Post 493, On-Premise Gift Auction at 420 Radio Road on July 22, 2023

- Raffle Application No. 2023-34 for American Legion Post 493, On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at 420 Radio Road on July 22, 2023
- Raffle Application No. 2023-35 for Ocean County Foundation for Vocational and Technical Education, On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at 261 Country Club Blvd on October 5, 2023
- Raffle Application No. 2023-36 for West Tuckerton Fire Company, On-Premise Gift Auction at 505 Route 9 South on April 13, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2023-37 for West Tuckerton Fire Company, On-Premise Lottery Hat Raffle at 505 Route 9 South on April 13, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2023-38 for West Tuckerton Fire Company, On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at 505 Route 9 South on April 13, 2024

Motion to Approve: Kehm Second: Gormley All in Favor

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER COMMENTS

Township Engineer, Jason Worth, reported the Stage Road Project is underway with drainage that started this week then the contractor will be working on curbing and then they will be back the week of August 14 for milling and paving. He stated additional notices will go out in the effected neighborhoods. He stated the County will be replacing the Otis Bog Bridge between Stage and Nugentown Road and will begin sometime in August. He stated while they are working on the bridge the surrounding roads will be closed with detours. He stated once the County has a schedule that schedule will be provided to the town. Mr. Worth reported that the bulkhead project is moving along with four or five more weeks of construction. He stated there are several bids that are going out for lighting and site work at the Recreation Complex with the openings being on August 3, 2023. He ended with speaking on the grant application that was submitted in May for the NJDOT local transportation project fund on pedestrian improvements to Oak Lane. He stated the township received the full \$750,000 in funding for the project. He stated once the two projects are done sidewalks will be from the High School, Jr. High School, Nugentown, Gifford, onto Stage Road, across Route 9, down Oak Lane, down Radio Road to the Tuckerton border to The Willows of Harbor House will all be connected with sidewalks.

PUBLIC COMMENT - Any Topic

Motion to Open to Public: Maxwell Second: Laney All in Favor

Ms. Ken, General Manager of Mystic Island Casino questioned if the town is aware that the casino is closing and they are opening up a liquor store. She wanted to see if the sale of the casino was approved.

Township Administrator Rodney Haines stated he is unaware of the plans but the issuance of the liquor license was approved at the meeting tonight. He further stated the township did not deny any sale on the casino. He stated the distribution license was approved for issuance tonight.

Mr. Ferwerda of Cervetto Road asked about the issuance of the liquor license.

Township Attorney Melanie Appleby explained in full detail the issuance of the two new liquor licenses and further stated the township has no control on what they do with those license.

Mr. Mooney of Windstar Drive spoke regarding the PEAK meeting and asked for further information on the outcome of the meeting. He asked as to why the meetings are scheduled at 5pm. He also asked about information on the beach wheelchairs. He asked why Mystic Island does not have ADA parking spots. He also asked about ID cards for the skate park.

Deputy Mayor Maxwell stated the final meeting was advertised and the information was sent to the state for approval. He stated once the township gets notification it will be provided as a public document.

Mayor Scibetta stated those interested in getting a key for the beach wheelchair, can contact the Clerk's Office.

Township Engineer Jason Worth stated the road leading to Mystic Island Beach is a county road and the county is responsible for the parking leading up to the beach.

Dr. Edmonds of Spruce Drive thanked the police department for all their help with Center Street.

Mr. Ferwerda of Cervetto Road requested to change his street name and Pineland Commission lands.

Motion to Close to Public: Kehm Second: Laney All in Favor

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Committeeman Ray Gormley hoped everyone is having a great summer.

Committeeman Ken Laney stated the Community Center is still in need of safety equipment for those children in need. He also reported that the July 4^{th} celebration was great and he thanked all who participated and joined in on the event. He wished everyone a great end of the summer.

Committeeman John Kehm stated the Community Center has been down for several years and there is a new Recreation Director and she is looking for volunteers to bring back the events to the community center. He stated there will be some upcoming conversations regarding the Trunk or Treat event and whether the township will hold the event. He further thanked the police department and public works for all their work that is being done at the community center to keep it clean and safe on a daily basis.

Deputy Mayor Dan Maxwell thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting and all the comments to help with the betterment of the town. He continued by stating he, Chief Hawkins and Mayor Scibetta were honored to attend the Pinelands Regional HS graduation this year. He stated the July 4th event was tremendous and Tuckerton Borough did a great job on the parade. He stated the Senior Advisory meeting will be held on August 31 at the Terraces with OC Health Department and Chief Hawkins as the guest speakers. Lastly, he wished that everyone enjoy the final weeks of the summer.

Mayor Blaise Scibetta spoke on the Township wide garage sale event that is taking place July 15-16. He stated a list of all the houses participating and a map will be posted online the Friday prior to the event. He stated on August 19 at 10am a Meet the Mayor event will be taking place at the library. He reiterated how amazing the July 4th celebration was in addition to the Pinelands High School graduation. He continued by reading a letter that was received from the middle school and thanked the Mayor for attending. He stated at the August meeting the students winners of the essay contest will be in attendance for the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 2023-221

A Resolution Authorizing the Convening of an Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act

Township Attorney Melanie Appleby stated the Committee needs to go into Executive Session to discuss Contractual Matters and Personnel, formal action maybe be taken.

Motion to Approve: Kehm

Second: Laney

All in Favor

Motion to Close Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Township Meeting: Kehm

Second: Laney

All in Favor

RESOLUTION 2023-224

Authorizing the Appointment of Sean Dawson as a Special Law Enforcement Class III Police Officer

Motion to Approve: Kehm

Second: Laney

All in Favor

Motion to Close Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Township Meeting: Kehm

Motion to Adjourn: Maxwell

Second: Laney

All in Favor

I hereby certify the foregoing Minutes were formally approved by the Little Egg Harbor Township Committee.

Kelly Lettera, RMC Township Clerk

^{* &}quot;Any invocation that may be offered before the official start of the Committee meeting is offered by a person who is expressing private thoughts as governed by his or her own conscience, to and for the benefit of the Committee. The views or beliefs expressed by the invocation speaker have not been previously reviewed or approved by the Committee and do not necessarily represent the religious beliefs or views of the Committee in part or as a whole. No member of the community is required to attend or participate in the invocation and such decision will have no impact on their right to participate actively in the business of the Committee."