

Little Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting

APRIL 11, 2024

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Blaise Scibetta called the Little Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Time: 7:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Maxwell requested that everyone keep Mr. Ferwerda's family in their thoughts and prayers. He passed away and then stated that Mr. Ferwerda was a staple in town and volunteered on the Planning Board, Environmental Commission and did many good things for the town.

3. INVOCATION

Pastor Jason Rios, Tuckerton United Methodist Church said the opening invocation.

4. 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 April 11, 2024 was duly advertised, posted in the Municipal Complex, and has remained posted as required under the aforesaid statute. I am directed to include a record of this statement in the minutes of the meeting."*

5. ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: Mr. Kehm

6. PRESENTATIONS:

- Earth Day (April 22, 2024)

Committeeman Laney read the Earth Day proclamation and the Mayor and Committee presented the proclamation to Little Egg Harbor Township Environmental Commission/Green Team.

- National Volunteer Week (April 21-27, 2024)

Deputy Mayor Maxwell read the National Volunteer Week proclamation.

- National Autism Acceptance Month

Mayor Scibetta read the National Autism Acceptance Month proclamation and the Mayor and Committee Members presented the proclamation to New Horizons in Autism, Inc. Residential Coordinator Timothy Miller.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- March 14, 2024
- March 14, 2024 Executive Session

Motion to Approve: Laney

Second: Gormley

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

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11. 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

- 2024-100 Opposing Senate Bill 2347 and 1106 Regarding the Development of Accessory Dwelling Units
- 2024-101 Accepting the Resignation of and Authorizing the Compensation of Accumulated Time to Tyler Galgano *[Tyler Galgano resigned as of March 15, 2024 with a total payout of \$6,140.17 for unused time]*
- 2024-102 Authorizing the Appointment of Daniel Zusi as a Special Law Enforcement Class III Police Officer for the Township of Little Egg Harbor Police Department
- 2024-103 Authorizing the Release of a Performance Bond Posted for Winding Run Estates by Kara, Phase 1 at Block 282, Lot 1.04
- 2024-104 Authorizing the Release of a Performance Bond Posted for the Shores at Little Egg Harbor, LLC – Nugentown Estates Phase II
- 2024-105 Authorizing the Release of a Restoration Bond Posted for Country Club Estates LLC
- 2024-106 Authorizing the Release of a Supplemental Maintenance Guarantee Posted for the Shores at Little Egg Harbor, LLC – Nugentown Estates Phase 1
- 2024-107 Authorizing the Release of a Performance Guarantee Posted for Road Opening at 29 West Anchor Drive to M&O Excavating LLC
- 2024-108 Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Thomas Maino and the PBA Local No. 295 Union *[Authorizing the execution of a MOA regarding retirement healthcare contributions for Thomas Maino in the PBA Local No. 295 Union contract]*
- 2024-109 Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement and an Employment Agreement with the Administrative Support Staff *[Authorizing the execution of a MOA and employment agreement to include the newly appointed Accounting Assistant in the Administrative Support Staff Contract]*
- 2024-110 Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 (Final) For Improvements to Stage Road to Arawak Paving Co. Inc. *[Change Order 1(Final) increases the original contract amount from \$694,900.00 to \$704,388.52 for Improvements to Stage Road with Arawak Paving Co. Inc.]*

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- 2024-111 Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Ocean for the FY24 Traffic Enforcement Program Grant *[The Traffic Enforcement Program is ran by the Ocean County Sheriff's Office in an effort to improve the safety of motorists and pedestrians on county roads and highways]*
- 2024-112 Authorizing the Tax Collector to Cancel Lien and Taxes on Property Donated to the Township of Little Egg Harbor by FS Properties 152, LLC (Block 262, Lot 16) *[Authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel the municipal lien for overdue taxes and fees and 2nd quarter property taxes]*
- 2024-113 Authorizing Tax Refund
- 2024-114 Authorizing the Adoption of an Emergency Temporary Budget for the Year 2024 *[N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides that, in addition to temporary appropriations necessary for the period prior to the adoption of the budget and regular appropriations, the governing body may make emergency temporary appropriations for any purposes for which appropriations may lawfully be made for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the date of the adoption of the budget for the current fiscal year.]*
- 2024-115 Granting An Unpaid Leave of Absence to Jeffrey Delapena
- 2024-118 Ratifying the Terms of a Memorandum of Agreement and Authorizing the Execution of the Collective Negotiations Agreement with AFSCME NJ Council #63, White Collar

12. CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Mr. Andrews of Osborn Island commended the Mayor and Committee Members for approving Resolution 2024-100.

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

Motion to Approve: Laney Second: Gormley

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

13. BILL RESOLUTION 2024-116

A Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$3,910,353.68

Motion to Approve: Maxwell Second: Gormley

Roll Call: All Yes: Mr. Gormley; Mr. Laney; Mr. Maxwell; Mayor Scibetta
Mr. Laney abstained from 24-00268 and yes to the balance.

14. MISCELLANEOUS APPROVALS

- Raffle Application No. 2024-014 for Fund a Bull Bulldogs in Rescue, On-Premise Tricky Tray at 140 7th Avenue, #15 on May 4, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2024-015 for St. Francis of Assisi Church, On-Premise Golf Hole in One Raffle at LBI National Golf Resort on May 6, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2024-016 for St. Francis of Assisi Church, On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at LBI National Golf Resort on May 6, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2024-017 for St. Francis of Assisi Church, On-Premise Gift Basket Raffle at LBI National Golf Resort on May 6, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2024-018 for Mariner's Lodge #150 F&AM Craftmans Club, On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at LBI National Golf Resort on July 20, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2024-019 for Women's Club by the Bay, Inc., On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at 102 Newport Way on June 14, June 22 and July 20, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2024-020 for Women's Club by the Bay, Inc., On-Premise Gift Auction at 102 Newport Way on August 18, 2024

Motion to Approve: Gormley

Second: Maxwell

All in Favor

15. TOWNSHIP ENGINEER COMMENTS

Township Engineer, Jason Worth, reported the NJDOT approved the application for the 2023 Road Improvement Program and bid notices will go out next week. He continued by reporting the MUA's project for the Potomac's, Susquehanna's, Raritan's and Shrewsbury's is underway and the notice is out and bids will be received then awarded at the May 14, 2024 meeting. Lastly he reported the Oak Lane Safety Improvement project is well underway. He stated he will get a schedule from the MUA so residents can be informed.

16. PUBLIC COMMENT - Any Topic

Motion to Open to Public: Gormley

Second: Laney

All in Favor

No public comment.

Motion to Close Public Comment: Maxwell

Second: Gormley

All in Favor

17. TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Committeeman Gormley stated volunteerism in Little Egg is second to none and it takes a total town effort for the town to run as it does. He finished with stating a Tuckerton resident, known as "Big Pete" sadly passed away and to keep the family in their thoughts and prayers.

Committeeman Laney congratulated the newly appointed police officers and thanked the Environmental Commission for being in attendance tonight as well as all the towns volunteers. He stated the township wide clean-up event is on Saturday April 20 beginning at 9am at the Municipal Complex. He also

