

Upper Pittsgrove Township

August 9, 2022

A regular meeting of the Upper Pittsgrove Township Committee was held in the Township Hall on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Edward Meschi reading the public announcement stating that adequate notice had been given provided under the “Open Public Meetings Act” with a flag salute and the following present:

Edward Meschi	Committeeman
Jack Cimprich	“
David Zeck	“
Bruce Bishop	“
Susan DeFrancesco	CFO
Brian Coles	Public Works Superintendent
& Township Visitors	

Cimprich moved that the minutes of the July 12, 2022 regular and special meetings be approved as received which motion was seconded by Bishop adopted unanimously with Seery abstaining.

The following monies were received from:

Susan DeFrancesco, Tax Collector – Taxes Collected	\$ 314,246.95
Linda R. Stephens - Zoning Permits	40.00
– CO	200.00
– White Goods	302.00
- CC Stickers	67.00
- Marriage License	28.00
- Certified Copies	30.00
Michael Raio – 200’ List	10.00
Timothy O’Donnell – Fire Inspection Fees	577.00
NJ State – ARP Act	175,581.50
County of Salem – Poll Workers	6,491.44
Borough of Elmer – Shared PW Services	6,960.00
Pilesgrove Joint Court – Fees	1,039.94
Garden State Homes – Pad Fees	1,600.00
Camden Iron – Recycling	543.60
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on NOW	547.25
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on MMA	<u>173.32</u>
TOTAL	\$ 508,438.00

The Treasurer’s report showed the following balance as of July 31, 2022:

Current Fund - Checking Account	\$2,086,702.71
Current Fund - Money Market Account	1,017,201.72
Alt. Landfill Closure Escrow Fund	38,612.54
Capital Improvement Fund	791,789.93
COAH Developer’s Fees Escrow Fund	102,850.54
COAH Twp. Contribution	325,019.24
Farmland Preservation Fund	64,285.88
Municipal Alliance Trust Fund	8,111.46
Veterans Memorial Fund	654.42
American Recovery Act	<u>175,581.50</u>
TOTAL	\$4,610,809.94

Seery moved that the approved bills listed on the “BILL PAYING LIST” as presented to the Committee be paid which motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Cimprich – Yes Seery – Yes Zeck – Yes Meschi – Yes

Zeck introduced “RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THIRD QUARTER TAX DUE DATE” R-47-2022

Zeck moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Seery and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Cimprich – Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Meschi - Yes

Cimprich introduced “RESOLUTION ACCEPTING MORTGAGE PAYOFFS FROM CHERYL A. HADIK” R-48-2022

Cimprich moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Cimprich – Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Meschi - Yes

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SALEM CITY, LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF SALEM AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, BEING DESIGNATED HOME TO THE WIND INSTITUTE FOR THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY” R-49-2022

Seery moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Cimprich – Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Meschi - Yes

Seery introduced ”RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TONWSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTS GROVE GRANTING A CORRECTION OF ERRORS” R-50-2022

Seery moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Cimprich – Yes Seery – Yes Zeck – Yes Meschi - Yes

Cimprich introduced “RESOLUTION AWARDING QUOTES FOR CERTIFIED OUTBOUND SURVEYS AS REQUIRED FOR THE PLANNING INCENTIVE GRANT” R-51-2022

Cimprich moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Cimprich – Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Meschi – Yes

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public for comment. No one present spoke. The Mayor closed the meeting to public comment.

After a brief discussion regarding bicycle clubs utilizing Township roads for events, without providing the proper information to the Township. Zeck brought up that due to this lack of communication, directional markers were applied to the roads instead of along the road as required by the Township. The Mayor had spoken to the event organizer and would provide the information to the Clerk. The Township Committee authorized the Clerk to send them a letter outlining the procedures that needed to be followed to hold an event within the Township.

Cimprich introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Pittsgrove that the public shall be excluded from the following portion of this meeting during which time the Township Committee will discuss a subject for which the general nature is Contract Negotiations. It is estimated that the time when, and the circumstances under which, the discussion conducted in closed session can be disclosed to the public is at the conclusion of the issue.

Cimprich moved that this resolution be adopted which motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes Meschi - Yes Seery - Yes Zeck – Yes Cimprich – Yes

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Pittsgrove at a meeting held on the 9th day of August 2022.

Linda R. Stephens, Clerk

Zeck moved that the next portion of the meeting be opened to the public. This motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted unanimously.

The Township Committee decided to not enter into a Letter of Intent with the Tattleaux Solar Group, LLC at this time. They did request that the Clerk set up a conference call with the Mayor, Township Solicitor and the Clerk to review the amended letter of Intent submitted by Tattleaux and the process for going out to bid to lease the ground at the closed landfill to an entity for the sole purpose of constructing a community solar array.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to meet at the call of the Mayor.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Stephens, Clerk