

Upper Pittsgrove Township

October 8, 2024

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
David Zeck	“
Bruce Bishop	“
Michael J. Seery, Sr.	“
Susan DeFrancesco	CFO
& Township Visitors	

Bishop moved that the minutes of the September 10, 2024 regular meeting minutes be approved as received which motion was seconded by Zeck adopted unanimously.

The following monies were received from:

Susan DeFrancesco, Tax Collector – Taxes Collected	\$ 203,494.29
Linda Stephens – Zoning Permit	80.00
– COs/Reinspections	125.00
- White Goods	148.00
- Convenience Center Stickers	50.00
- Certified Copies	30.00
- Marriage License	56.00
Tim O’Donnell – Registration	25.00
Michael Raio – 200’ List	10.00
State of NJ – ERT #2	135,023.17
County of Salem – Municipal Alliance	1,206.66
Borough of Elmer – PW Shared Services	3,181.80
Pilesgrove Joint Court - Court Costs	969.76
Garden Homes Management – Pad Fees	1,600.00
Flett Exchange – Sale of sRECs	2,612.00
NJ Advance Media - Reimbursement	84.39
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on NOW	376.36
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on MMA	744.93
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TOTAL	\$ 349,817.36

The Treasurer’s report showed the following balance as of September 30, 2024:

Current Fund - Checking Account	\$1,008,637.86
Current Fund - Money Market Account	3,126,862.05
Alt. Landfill Closure Escrow Fund	38,864.44
Capital Improvement Fund	735,479.08
COAH Developer’s Fees Escrow Fund	56,193.14
COAH Twp. Contributions	326,896.45
Farmland Preservation Fund	108,480.92
Municipal Alliance Trust Fund	8,101.90
Veterans Memorial Fund	654.76
American Recovery Act	<u>82,160.00</u>
Total	\$5,492,330.60

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 – Absent Seery – Yes Zeck – Yes Meschi – Yes

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for “AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBORO AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBORO ORDINANCES TO REPEAL ORDINANCE 2016-3; TO ADOPT NEW FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS; TO ADOPT FLOOD HAZARD MAPS; TO DESIGNATE A FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE” known as Ordinance 2024-18 at 7:05PM as advertised.

The Mayor read the Ordinance by title, stating that it had been published in *South Jersey Times* issue of September 13, 2024 as required.

After hearing no comments for or against this Ordinance, the Mayor declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:07PM.

Seery moved that this ordinance be finally adopted on second reading and that a notice of its adoption be published in the *South Jersey Times* issue of October 11, 2024. This motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted upon a call of the roll.

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

The Clerk presented the Township Committee with a bid received for the Resurfacing of Fitchhorn Road Section II through NJDOT.

CERTIFICATION

I, Susan DeFrancesco, CFO do hereby certify that adequate funds are available for said contract and that the line-item appropriations to be charged will be .

Susan E. DeFrancesco, CFO

Bishop introduced “RESOLUTION AWARDDING BID FOR FITCHHORN ROAD, SECTION II RESURFACING” R-46-2024.

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

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

Zeck introduced “NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DIVISION OF LOCAL STATE AID AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD STATE AID PROJECT” R-47-2024.

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

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

The Clerk presented to the Township Committee quotes received for the septic repairs at 392 Monroeville Road, Block 18 Lot 44.

CERTIFICATION

I, Susan DeFrancesco, CFO do hereby certify that adequate funds are available for said contract and that the line-item appropriations to be charged will be .

Susan E. DeFrancesco, CFO

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION AWARDDING QUOTES FOR SEPTIC REPAIRS AT 392 MONOROEVILLE ROAD” R-48-2024.

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

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

Discussion and introduction “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCES #92-6 AND 2009-6 FOR LOCAL ENFORCEMENT OF THE UNIFORM FIRE SAFETY ACT IN THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBORO” known as Ordinance 2024-19.

Seery moved that this ordinance be approved on first reading and that a copy of this ordinance be published in the *South Jersey Times* issue of October 11, 2024 together with a notice of its introduction and a public hearing to be held at the Township Hall on November 12, 2024 at 7:00PM.

This motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

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

Seery introduced "RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBORO GRANTING DISABLED VETERAN STATUS TO ALISTER MACE" R-49-2024.

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

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

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

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

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public for comments. New resident Stefanie Stevenson asked who was awarded the septic quote and the work timeframe. Resident Betty Coombs asked why the website still said under construction, inquired as to what was happening on Block 6 Lot 19, and suggested to the Elmer Times reporter to put biographies and future plans of the candidates running for offices in the paper for people to read.

There being no comments from the public and no further business the meeting was adjourned to meet at the call of the Mayor.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Stephens, Clerk