

Little Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting

November 14, 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.

3. 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 November 14, 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."

4. ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: Mr. Kehm; Mr. Laney

5. PRESENTATIONS:

- National Family Caregiver Month
Deputy Mayor Maxwell read the National Family Caregiver Month proclamation.
- National Homeless Children and Youth Awareness Month
Mayor Scibetta read the National Homeless Children and Youth Awareness Month proclamation and the Mayor and Committee Members presented the proclamation to Family Promise of the Jersey Shore.
- National Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
Deputy Mayor Maxwell read the National Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month proclamation.
- Citizens on Patrol (COP) 25th Anniversary
Committeeman Gormley read the COP 25th Anniversary proclamation and the Mayor and Committee Members presented the proclamation to the Little Egg Harbor Township Citizens on Patrol.
- NJ State Association of Chiefs of Police Re-Accreditation by Director Harry Delgado
Director Harry Delgado presented Chief Hawkins with a re-accreditation certificate for the Police Department.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- September 27, 2024 Special Meeting
- October 10, 2024
- October 10, 2024 Executive Session

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Motion to Approve: Maxwell

Second: Gormley

Roll Call: Yes: Mayor Scibetta
Mr. Gormley abstained from the September 27, 2024 Special Meeting and yes to the balance.
Mr. Maxwell abstained from the September 27, 2024 Special Meeting and yes to the balance.

7. ORDINANCE [SECOND READING AND ADOPTION]

Ordinance 2024-28 Bond Ordinance Providing for Various Road and Drainage Improvements, Appropriating \$1,000,000 Therefore and Authorizing the Issuance of \$950,000 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the Costs Thereof, Authorized in and By the Township of Little Egg Harbor, In the County of Ocean, New Jersey

Motion to Table till December Committee Meeting: Gormley

Second: Maxwell

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

Ordinance 2024-26 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter 215 of the Township Code of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, Entitled "Zoning" so as to Amend Section 215-4.2 Entitled "Zoning Map"

Motion to Open to Public: Gormley

Second: Maxwell

All in Favor

No comment from the public.

Motion to Close to Public: Maxwell

Second: Gormley

All in Favor

Motion to Adopt: Gormley

Second: Maxwell

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

8. ORDINANCE [FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION]

Ordinance 2024-29 Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Various Public Works and Police Equipment, Appropriating \$1,465,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,391,750 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the Costs Thereof, Authorized in and by the Township of Little Egg Harbor, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey

Motion to Introduce: Maxwell

Second: Gormley

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

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Ordinance 2024-30 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: Gormley

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

Ordinance 2024-31 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter 293 of the Township Code Entitled "Solid Waste and Recycling Collection"

Motion to Introduce: Maxwell Second: Gormley

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

Ordinance 2024-32 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, Amending and Supplementing Chapter 144 of the Township Code Entitled "Building Material Dropoff"

Motion to Introduce: Gormley Second: Maxwell

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

9. 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.

Township Attorney, Melanie Appleby, requested that the Committee table Resolution 2024-273 till due to restructuring the agreement.

2024-273 Authorizing the Acceptance of Spinnaker Drive Conditioned Upon Completion of Certain Improvements by Amboy Bancorporation/N.R. LLC. *[A resolution authorizing the township to accept a letter of credit from Amboy Bancorporation in the amount of \$116,340.00 to assure the completion of Spinnaker Drive and the Stormwater Basins at Harbor View Estates]*

Motion to Table: Gormley Second: Maxwell All in Favor

Township Attorney, Melanie Appleby, requested that the Committee void Resolution 2024-284.

2024-284 Authorizing the Tax Collector to Remove the Duplicative Added/Omitted for 2024 for Block 325.19, Lot 9 (211 Lake Champlain Drive) From Tax Sale List

Motion to void Resolution 2024-284: Gormley Second: Maxwell All in Favor

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

RESOLUTIONS

- 2024-267 Granting an Unpaid Leave of Absence to Susan Munson *[A resolution authorizing unpaid leave of absence for Susan Munson pursuant to FLMA beginning October 3, 2024]*
- 2024-268 Authorizing the Appointment of Fredrick Cramer as Assistant Zoning Officer for the Construction/Zoning Department *[A resolution appointing Fred Cramer as Assistant Zoning Officer for the Construction/Zoning Department at a rate of \$25.35/hr., effective immediately]*
- 2024-269 Authorizing the Transfer of Barbara Jeffery from the Finance Administration Office to the Department of Public Works *[A resolution authorizing a lateral transfer of Barbara Jeffery from the Finance Administration Office to the Department of Public Works]*
- 2024-270 Authorizing the Township Administrator to Advertise and Hire a Full-Time Public Safety Telecommunicator for the Little Egg Harbor Police Department
- 2024-271 Ratifying the Terms of a Memorandum of Understanding with AFSCME NJ Council #63, White Collar *[A resolution authorizing the execution of a memorandum of understanding with the AFSCME NJ Council #63, White Collar, interpreting Article X, Call-in time and overtime]*
- 2024-272 Authorizing the Township of Little Egg Harbor to Enter into a Cooperative Pricing System Agreement with the Somerset County Energy Cooperative Pricing System for the Purchase of Gasoline *[Rescinding Resolution 2024-255 and authorizing the execution of a cooperative pricing agreement with Somerset County for the purchase of gasoline]*
- 2024-274 Authorizing the Execution of an Amended Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Stafford for Use of Trash Truck *[An amended shared services agreement with Stafford Twp for the temporary use of a trash truck until December 31, 2024]*
- 2024-275 Authorizing an Amendment to the 2024 Budget to Allow for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue and Appropriation Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 *[Authorizing an amendment to the 2024 budget for the insertion of FY2022 Safe Routes to Schools –Design Assistance Program in the amount of \$425,094.78]*
- 2024-276 Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property by Open Public Auction in Accordance 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]*
- 2024-277 Authorizing the Tax Collector to Cancel Taxes Pursuant to N.J.S.A 54:4-3.30 on Property Qualifying for Veterans Property Tax Exemption (James V. Montefusco, Block 325.93, Lot 17)

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11. BILL RESOLUTION 2024-287

A Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$7,365,030.19

Motion to Approve: Gormley

Second: Maxwell

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

12. BEST PRACTICES

Business Administrator/CFO, Rodney Haines stated every year the state of New Jersey requires the Township to fill out the best practices checklist which he has completed and the inventory is in accordance with the guidelines. He stated the Township scored 39.5 and the state aid will not get reduced since it was above a score of 35. He also stated no vote is required and the checklist will be uploaded to the website after the meeting.

13. MISCELLANEOUS APPROVALS

- Bingo Application No. 2024-005 for Bayman Men's Club, Inc.; Bingo Games at 102 Newport Way on Various Dates from January 19, 2025 through December 14, 2025
- Raffle Application No. 2024-049 for Bayman Men's Club, Inc.; 50/50 On-Premise Raffle at 102 Newport Way on Various Dates from January 17, 2025 through December 5, 2025
- Raffle Application No. 2024-050 for The Friends of the Little Egg Harbor Library; On-Premise Gift Auction at 290 Mathistown Road on December 13, 2024
- Raffle Application No. 2024-051 for West Tuckerton Fire Company Auxiliary; 50/50 On-Premise Raffle at 505 Route 9 South on April 5, 2025
- Raffle Application No. 2024-052 for West Tuckerton Fire Company Auxiliary; On-Premise Gift Auction at 505 Route 9 South on April 5, 2025
- Raffle Application No. 2024-053 for West Tuckerton Fire Company Auxiliary; On-Premise Lottery Hat at 505 Route 9 South on April 5, 2025
- Raffle Application No. 2024-054 for American Legion Post 493 Mystic Island; Instant Pull tab Raffles at 420 Radio Road from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025
- Raffle Application No. 2024-055 for American Legion Post 493 Mystic Island; On-Premise 50/50 Raffle at 420 Radio Road on Various dates from January 1, 2025 through December 24, 2025

Motion to Approve: Maxwell

Second: Gormley

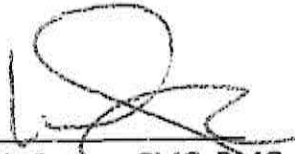
All in Favor

14. TOWNSHIP ENGINEER COMMENTS

Township Engineer, Jason Worth, reported 2023 Road Program with Arawak Paving is completed, although there is some driveway restoration and curbing and siding that still needs to be done. The Mystic Island Phase 3 project are under state review and the gas company will be replacing the lines by early next year. He stated the Township was notified by the NJDOT for municipal aid funding with Atlantis Blvd. was approved by \$349,750.

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



Kelly Lettera, CMC, RMC
Township Clerk

** "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."*