

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH
WORK MEETING
March 25, 2024**

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach held a meeting on March 25, 2024 in the Municipal Building, 599 Pennsylvania Ave. at 7:30 PM. Council President Wieck called the meeting to order and read the STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE 'OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW' P.L. 1975 C 231 NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS SENT TO THE ASBURY PARK PRESS AND THE STAR-LEDGER AND POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARDS OF THE PINE BEACH MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND THE PINE BEACH POST OFFICE. THIS STATEMENT SHALL BECOME A PART OF THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THIS MEETING

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
present	present	present	present	present	present

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Newman requests an update for the Vista Park Pavilion, Mayor Cuneo states that the Engineer is working on putting the bid package together.

NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cuneo commends all efforts at the Egg Hunt on Saturday even with the delay for the weather. The Ocean County Engineer meeting has led to a potential project regarding the erosion of Avon Beach.

The Mayor then asks CFO, Linda Covello to give her report for the 2024 Budget. Linda reviews and discusses some budget items that need clarification. The Mayor asks all lists for wants and wishes to be sent not only to Linda but to him as well as the Clerk for approval on the items. The official introduction of the budget is scheduled for the April 10th Council meeting with adoption of budget May 8th. The Mayor then mentions that it is in the Borough's interest to apply for completing the Riverwalk again.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WIECK

Mr. Wieck notifies the Council of an incident that took place at the Vista Park playground over the weekend. The playground requires additional fill to be added, CFO confirms that she has received this request for the urgent safety requirements. Independence Day Committee meeting on March 27th at 6:30pm, Borough Hall.

J. KEESLING

Mr. Keesling updates the Council that he is waiting for a quote back from the private carting company Mr. Newman provide information for.

L. MCGEE

Mr. McGee thanks everyone for their help, then thanked the Newman Family and Mr. Polhemus for stepping up and making the Egg Hunt a huge success. Wishes everyone a great day!

R. NEWMAN

Mr. Newman first thanks everyone for stepping up on the rain date for the Egg Hunt. He was concerned with Beachwood having theirs at the same time, but attendance was excellent. Mr. Newman states he appreciates the Pine Beach Volunteer Fire Co. for bringing the Bunny. Mr. Newman would like to note next year when we order the eggs to ensure the toys inside are child friendly for chocking hazards. Mr. Polhemus comments that he would like to expand then younger zones due to higher attendance in those categories.

R. POLHEMUS

Mr. Polhemus thanks Linda for coming and beginning to explain the 2024 budget details so the Council can better understand the request process. On behalf of the Council to Linda Covello we appreciate your time tonight. Mr. Polhemus then thanks Mrs. McGee and all the volunteers on Saturday for the Egg Hunt for their hard work and states the event went seamlessly and the public seemed to really enjoy themselves. Mr. Polhemus states he is looking forward to future events and is proud of the outcome.

J. SAXTON

Mr. Saxton congratulates Mrs. McGee for her excellent job with the Egg Hunt. He then thanks CFO, Linda Covello for coming tonight and reviewing the budget questions the Council has. Mr. Saxton is still working with Mr. McKenna with the Cannabis Ordinance, expected to be present to Council shortly.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

John Kubilewicz, President of the Pine Beach Fire Co. shares that PBVFC has been awarded \$55,000 in grant funding. Mr. Kubilewicz confirms with Linda Covello that they will wait for the budget to be passed before submitting requisitions to finance. Mr. Kubilewicz will look for the Council's support in the future in making the previous Senator Connor's bill a permanent fixture with the new administration. He then shares the building updates for the Fire House and states they will need to do a Capital Fund to complete the interior and will look for sponsorship of rooms from the residents.

Hearing no other comments the Mayor wishes everyone a Happy Easter and Mr. Newman makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion is seconded by Mr. Keesling, all were in favor.



Hannah L. Jacobus, Clerk

Approved: 4/10/2024