

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH  
REGULAR MEETING  
November 13, 2024**

The Governing Body of the Borough of Pine Beach held a meeting on November 13, 2024 in the Municipal Building, 599 Pennsylvania Ave., at 7:30 PM. Mayor Cuneo 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

**ROLL CALL:**

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

Flag salute was led by Council President, Mr. Wieck.

Mayor Cuneo asks for a moment of silence for all Veterans who passed on and their families.

**Ceremonial Resolutions:**

***Police Department Hiring and Promotions***

A motion has been made by Mr. Newman to accept the following resolutions as consent agenda items, seconded by Mr. Wieck. Mr. Wieck states it is great to see the ranks filled with young smiling faces. Mr. Keesling welcomes the new officers and their families to our community. Mrs. McGee welcomes the new officers and hopes they stay safe. Mr. Saxton also looks forward to working with each of them.

**Resolution 2024-92** Reaffirming the hiring of PBPD full-time officer, Travis Squire

**Resolution 2024-104** Authorizing the hiring of PBPD full-time officer, Matthew Cox

**Resolution 2024-105** Authorizing the hiring of PBPD full-time officer, Evan Gisinger

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes	Yes(second)

**Resolution 2024-106** A motion is made by Mr. Newman authorizing the promotion of Ptl. Christopher Juliano to the position of Detective for the PBPD, motion is seconded by Mr. Saxton. Mr. Wieck states that Mr. Juliano has now been with the department for a long time and hopes for a long and fruitful position as detective here in Pine Beach. Mr. Keesling states Det. Juliano has always been kind and very generous with his time. The Council wished him success and safety in his newly appointed position.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes(second)	yes

The Mayor swear is the newly appointed Full Time Officers and Detective of the Pine Beach Police Department; Travis Squire, Matthew Cox, and Evan Gisinger with the support of their families, friends, and fellow officers look on. The officers then took a minute to thank the Council and the Department for the opportunity, and their families for their unwavering support.

Brief intermission for families to congratulate, take photos, and meet some of the Council.

Copies of all reports are on the front table.

A MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 9, 2024 is made by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Newman. There are no questions or comments from Council or the public, all were in favor.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes(second)

A MOTION to accept the work meeting minutes of October 7 & October 21, 2024 is made by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Wieck. There are no questions or comments from Council or the public, all were in favor, Mr. Keesling abstained due to absence on October 21.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Abstain	Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes(second)

#### MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE AND TAX COLLECTOR REPORTS

A MOTION is made to accept the miscellaneous revenue and tax collector reports as submitted by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Polhemus. There are no questions or comments from Council or the public, all were in favor.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes(second)	Yes	Yes

**BILLS RESOLUTION 2024-96** A motion is made by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Saxton authorizing payment of Borough Bills **\$1,147,355.53**. There are no questions or comments from Council or the public, all were in favor.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes(second)	Yes

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A MOTION is made by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Polhemus to accept committee reports, as submitted by Water & Sewer utility, Public Works, and Construction. There are no questions or comments from Council or the public, all were in favor.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes(second)	Yes	Yes

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### RESOLUTIONS:

**Resolution 2024-97** Awarding Contracts For The Furnishing And Delivery Of Gasoline Fuel To Riggins, Inc through the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes(second)	yes

**Resolution 2024-98** Authorizing advertising for professional service contracts for 2025

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(second)	Yes(motion)	Yes	yes



**Resolution 2024-99** Approving the Mayor and Councils review of the 2024 Best Practices Survey. Mr. Wieck asked some questions after reviewing the materials provided. Mayor and the Clerk answered all questions.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes(second)

**Resolution 2024-100** Authorizing the appointment of Special Counsel for Tax Appeal, Martin Allen

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(second)	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes

**Resolution 2024-101** Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Ocean County “Schedule C” agreement

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(second)	Yes(motion)	Yes	yes

**Resolution 2024-102** Authorizing the Borough to join the National Joint Powers Alliance/Sourcwell State Contract

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes(second)	Yes(motion)	yes

**Resolution 2024-103** Authorizing the Department of Public Works for the purchase of 2025 Peterbilt 548 and Compaction rear loader full package through Sourcwell Contract #110223-THC. Mr. Wieck thanks Public Works Supervisor Mike Sedlak for the research on this item. Mr. Polhemus mentioned that this process took awhile and is a major purchase that will benefit the citizens of Pine Beach. Mr. Saxton states this vehicle is well deserved by DPW and glad the Council made the decision to move forward with this.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes	Yes(second)

**Resolution 2024-107** Authorizing the redemption of lien for block 60 lot 9

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes(second)	Yes(motion)	yes

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Christian DeLeone thanks the Council for the opportunity to attend tonight’s meeting as he is a Boy Scout looking to obtain Eagle Scout ranking in the future. Mrs. McGee wishes Christian good luck, she is a mother of an Eagle Scout.

## COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Newman follows up on a few items. Happy Veterans Day and Birthday to the Marine Corp firstly. Second, the lights have been secured for the Tree Lighting event by the Sheriff’s Department as per the Chief. Mr. Newman also discussed the Electric Vehicle issue with the Chief and will issue safety warnings to those improperly using these vehicles.

Mr. Keesling thanks all Veterans of all Branches for protecting us all and defending our Nation’s rights. The sacrifices and the importance of the Military is not forgotten. He thanks the Borough for electing him for another three-year terms and he vouches to be an advocate for common sense.

Mr. Saxton states that we owe Veterans a debt of gratitude. He congratulates Mr. Keesling on his re-election. He is happy the Borough remains behind them, and he will continue to deliver on what makes Pine Beach great. 2025 is the Borough’s 100-year anniversary. Exciting times coming with out new pavilion at Vista Park, and exciting events put on through the Pine Beach Preservation Committee.

Council President Wieck states it is wonderful to see the Police Department in here tonight with its new members. He reminds the public that Wreaths Across America dedication of wreaths will be Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup> at the Admiral Farragut Bluff and Memorial Site.

#### MAYORS COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo thanks the public for coming out. He then congratulates Mr. Saxton and Mr. Keesling on their re-election to Council. Election day was very busy, and he thanked everyone for coming out. Continuing he mentions the great turnout of families to support the new officers and newly promoted Detective. The Mayor expresses that it is a great honor to swear these gentleman in. He takes a moment to congratulate Det. Julianio for moving up and doing the work without the title and it is time to give him the earned title.

Mayor Cuneo states that the Tree Lighting is December 1<sup>st</sup> at Borough Hall. Additionally, the Mayor hopes everyone recognized and thanks those who have served our Nation and are with us and those who have passed on. The Cannabis Ordinance has passed, and the committee has gotten together to discuss the issuance of license in 2025. Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and to get out and watch the High School sports as many of them are in the final weeks and potentially the championships for their sports.

There were no other comments or questions, and Mayor Cuneo called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Newman made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Wieck seconded the motion, all were in favor, the meeting was adjourned.



Submitted by Hannah L. Jacobus

Approved 12/11/2024