

BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH
REGULAR MEETING
October 9, 2024

The Governing Body of the Borough of Pine Beach held a meeting on October 9, 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 lead by Council President, Mr. Wieck.

Mayor Cuneo asks for a moment of silence for the victims of the hurricanes over the past week.

Copies of all reports are on the front table.

A MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 11, 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(second)	Yes(motion)	Yes	Yes

A MOTION to accept the work meeting minutes of September 9, 2024 both open with formal action and executive session, is made 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

A MOTION to accept the work meeting minutes of September 23, 2024 both open with formal action and executive session, is made by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Wieck. There are no questions or comments from Council or the public, all were in favor, Mr. Keesling abstain due to absence 9/23.

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

BILLS RESOLUTION 2024-83 A motion is made by Mr. Keesling and seconded by Mr. Newman authorizing payment of Borough Bills **\$542,649.17**. 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(motion)	Yes	Yes(second)	Yes	Yes	Yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A MOTION is made by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Wieck 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	Yes	Yes(second)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hearing none

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE 2024-08-814

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF PORTIONS OF MONUMENT ROAD (PAPER STREET), FOR PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

This ordinance was introduced on September 11, 2024 and published in the Asbury Park Press on September 13, 2024.

The Mayor reads the Ordinance summary and opens the hearing or public comments.

Mayor Cuneo explains to the public that this is a paper street and is vacating for the homeowner. Hearing no further Council comments, the Mayor looks for Public comments. Hearing none the Mayor calls for a motion. Mr. Wieck makes a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2024-84 Mr. Newman makes a motion to designate Trick-or-treat as Wednesday October 30th, between 4-9pm, seconded by Mrs. McGee. No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-85 Mr. Polhemus makes a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign Deed of Easement for construction and maintenance of a shared-use path with Ocean County, seconded by Mr. Newman. No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-86 Mr. Newman makes a motion to appoint Hannah Jacobus as Affordable Housing Liaison, seconded by Mr. Wieck. No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-87 Mr. Polhemus makes a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign Shared Service Agreement with Ocean County Recycling center, seconded by Mr. Newman. Denise Brown of 823 Linden Ave. asks the Mayor for an explanation of this service. The Mayor explains that this is where the recycling we pick up gets dropped and processed. The mayor calls for a vote, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-88 Mr. Newman makes a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign Shared Service Agreement with Somerset County for competitive pricing and fuel delivery. Motion is seconded by Mrs. McGee, No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-89 Mr. Newman makes a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign Shared Service Agreement between Ocean County Prosecutor's Office for Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program (D.W.I.E.P.), seconded by Mr. Wieck. No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-90 Mr. Newman makes a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign a Shared Service Agreement between Ocean County Prosecutor's Office for Drug Recognition Expert Callout Program (D.R.E.C.P.), seconded by Mr. Wieck. Denise Brown, of 823 Linden Ave. asks for an explanation of this service. Mayor Cuneo explains that this is an expertise service from the Prosecutor's Office, they maintain the necessary training and certification for us to use as a call out as needed.

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

Resolution 2024-91 Mr. Polhemus makes a motion to appoint Nancy Westling as Clerk Typist, seconded by Mr. Newman. Mr. Wieck states he has known Nancy for years and attests to the great addition she is to our staff. Mr. Polhemus thanks the Clerk for an efficient interview process. No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-92 Mr. Newman makes a motion authorizing the hiring of PBPD full time officer, Travis Squire, seconded by Mr. Wieck. No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-93 Mr. Wieck makes a motion authorizing the hiring of PBPD Class II officers Vincent Servis, Sean Williams, and Matthew Cox, seconded by Mr. Newman. No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

Resolution 2024-94 makes a motion authorizing payment No.2, final payment to Seacoast Construction for NJDOT FY2024 Municipal Aid Improvements to Lincoln Ave. and Radnor Ave. and acceptance of maintenance bond, seconded by. Mr. Wieck comments that they did a beautiful job on these projects. No public comments were made, all are in favor.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Daniel Kessel of Ortley Beach asks if there is any news on the petition filed in the Clerk’s office. Mayor Cuneo states that at this moment the Clerk is working on verifying the signatures and corresponding to the Petition Committee for amendments.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mrs. McGee states that she is praying for the residents of Florida and all the people who are worrying about their families. Trunk-or-Treat is Oct. 19th, Mrs. McGee is very excited about a great turnout.

Mr. Saxton thanks the public for coming out tonight.

Mr. Newman hopes to have the co-founder of Hope Sheds Light at the work meeting on November 12. He also mentions that a Pine Beach bluff tree was named in the County’s Championship tree booklet.

Mr. Polhemus thanks the Clerk for always putting together an organized agenda and for using the website for public meeting information, he thanks Patricia as well. Trunk-or-Treat is Oct. 19th, Mrs. McGee and Mr. Newman have done a great job planning with vendors, Mr. Polhemus encourages the public to come out and enjoy the event. Continuing he warns the public about it getting darker quicker and to be cautious of walkers.

Mr. Keesling thanks the public for coming out, Halloween season means it is darker out, asks public to be careful of walkers and bikers in our community.

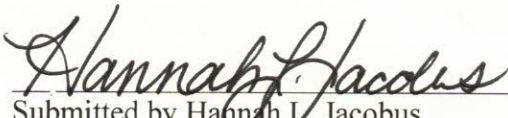
Council President Wieck advises the pubic that he has placed booklets of Consumer Affairs important numbers in the breezeway.

MAYORS COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo thanks the public for coming out. He states that the last storm Helene affected greater areas than the Florida Gulf Coast. The shock and devastation in Tennessee and North Carolina are exponential. The Borough empathizes with these areas after Super Storm Sandy’s lasting effects on the community. We as a community know what effort it takes to rebuild.

Mr. Newman adds that the Fire Company is having its annual service this Sunday at the Pine Beach Chapel in memorial of those who have served and passed on. Also, elections are being held November 5th here at Borough Hall, please take your opportunity to Vote, it is a precious right.

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 11/13/2024