

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH**  
**WORK MEETING**  
**October 21, 2024**

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach held a meeting on October 21, 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
Absent	Absent @ roll call	present	present	absent	present

**NEW BUSINESS**

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Cuneo announces that Trunk-or-Treat was an awesome turnout and the weather was cooperative.

Mayor asks the Council to review the Atlantic Shores Offshore Wind Project letter he was approached with; the Council makes comments to support the cause to appose the Offshore Windmill project. A letter in support of the efforts to stop will be sent by Clerk.

A discussion is had to move the time up for next years meeting time to 6:30pm. The Council has agreed to move up the time.

Mrs. McGee enters the meeting.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT WIECK**

Mr. Wieck advises the Council and the public that the PBPD will host Coffee with a Cop at Vista Park, Saturday October 26 at 10am-12pm.

Mr. Wieck reminds the public that boats must be off the beach by November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**L. MCGEE**

Mrs. McGee thanks the Council for allowing this event to be added to the Borough Events for the year. It was a huge success and Mrs. McGee makes many thanks to those who helped, donated, and participated in the Trunk-or-Treat event. Mrs. McGee takes a moment to thank her family, the Coletti Family, the Newman Family, the Wieck Family, the Wnek Family the Ocean County Sheriff's Department for attending, the PBPD for attending in full force and also Lt. Morris for being a judge for the event, Rose Weston for being a judge, the PBVFC for showing up with all of the vehicles, Bruce and Charlene Carney for entering the PBVFC Jeep and dedicating time and gifts, the Borough Office Staff for advertisement and efforts, Sue Pitch from the Environmental Commission, and Justine Saxton for taking photos. A special shoutout to our Local Businesses who participated; Roy Rogers, Mason's, Eco Guard, Sea Scouts, Accent Apparel, the Pine Beach Elementary School PTO for their Hocus Pocus car, and the Republican Club.

Mrs. McGee concludes by wishing everyone a Happy Halloween and a safe Trick-or-Treat evening.

**R. NEWMAN**

Mr. Newman asks if there is an update on the grant for the County Recreational Equipment, Clerk responds no update yet. Mr. Newman states that the equipment at Vista Park is getting worse and in need of

replacement. The addition of Pickle Ball courts to Walling Field is an amazing addition and has brought light to this area, and the equipment at this area would be a great addition.

Mr. Newman continues with thanks to all volunteers of the Trunk-or-Treat event as well as the participants. For the first time event he thinks the turnout was excellent. He thanks the staff for their support and Patricia Wnek and family for their help on event day. Mr. Newman makes thanks to Gino from Big Man Management for being the MC of the event, the Face Painter, Buster from Blue Claws, Mike Sedlak and his DPW staff for cleaning the park and bathrooms, Hannah Jacobus and her staff for getting the word out on social media and throughout the Borough Hall, PBPD for attending in uniform and were willing to help in any way needed, the PBVFC for bring all the trucks down, the Ocean County Sheriff's Office, and all volunteers.

Mr. Newman announces that he looks forward to October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025!

#### R.POLHEMUS

Mr. Polhemus announces that the PBPD has approached the Personnel Committee to begin contract negotiations for the contract that expires 12/31/2025. The Personnel Committee has copies of the contract and will review and make any notes.

Mr. Polhemus congratulates Mr. Newman and Mrs. McGee on a wonderful event, next year having a committee together for the planning stages may be beneficial. More and more of the community is coming out for these events.

Mr. Newman adds that November the 10<sup>th</sup> is the Marine Corps Birthday and November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans day to honor all Veterans. Thank a Vet and thank a Marine.

#### CLERK

The Clerk received a petition for Ordinance 2024-04-810 Cannabis on September 30<sup>th</sup>. After a review of all signatures, the petition was sent back to the petition committee for amendments. After no response to the request for amendments the petition has been denied. The estoppel period has concluded, and the Ordinance is effective.

Newsletter items are due by October 25<sup>th</sup> (Friday) to [PWnek@pinebeachnj.gov](mailto:PWnek@pinebeachnj.gov)

Calendar items are needed for 2025.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Scott Slickers of 510 Radnor Ave. states that he was very grateful for the Trunk-or-Treat event and the opportunity to bring his grandkids. They were very excited, and their painted pumpkins are on the front porch. Great job to all those involved.

Anita Holland of 625 Radnor Ave. asks if the Municipal Alliance is still around. The Mayor states that unfortunately not, the changes in the regulations for events made it difficult. Mrs. Holland asks if there is anything the Municipality can do to host some of these senior events? The Mayor suggests a sponsor but will be willing to work with them for meeting room space.

Susan Pitch of 312 Grant Ave. states the Trunk-or-Treat event was so successful, she would like the out of pocket expenses the Council put out reimbursed. She also suggests that some community events for all ages be added.

John Kubilewicz, President of PBVFC states they are working Fire Fest out, most participants are allowing them to keep the fee as a donation. The Fall raffle is starting, see any member for a ticket to win a Blue Claws suite and a chance at the 50/50 drawing in December.

The area is in a Code 3 drought which means no outdoor burning.

Hearing no other comments, the Mayor looks for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Newman makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, motion is seconded by Mr. Wieck, all were in favor.



Hannah L. Jacobus, Clerk

Approved: 11/13/2024