

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH
REGULAR MEETING
November 14, 2018**

The Mayor and Council held a meeting on November 14, 2018 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: Present: Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent: Mr. Saxton

The Flag Salute was led by Council President Wieck

Mayor Cuneo offered a Special Remembrance for recently deceased residents Anna Bezak, Fred Lesser, Virginia Britt, George Jacob and George Buzinkai Jr.

The Mayor announced that copies of all reports are available on the front desk.

A MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 10, 2018 was made by Mr. Budesca and seconded by Mr. Wieck

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public

5 Ayes, motion carried

A MOTION to accept the minutes of the meeting held October 22, 2018 was approved by motion of Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Newman

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public

5 Ayes, motion carried

THE TREASURER'S REPORT was read by Mrs. Steib and approved following a motion by Mr. Budesca and seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

REVENUE REPORTS, both Tax Collector and Miscellaneous Revenue were read by Mrs. Steib and approved following a motion by Mr. Polhemus, with Mr. Newman seconding.

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

BILLS RESOLUTION 11- 2018 - A, B, C, D was read in summary by Mrs. Steib, and approved following a motion by Mr. Budes and seconded by Mr. Newman

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Municipal Court, water and sewer utility, building inspector reports approved as submitted following a motion by Mr. Wieck and a second by Mr. Newman

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public

5 Ayes, motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

18-104, Pine Beach support of litigation with the Toms River Regional public school to address the unequal treatment of the distribution of state aid was moved by Mr. Budes and seconded by Mr. Newman

Mr. Budes stated that the Toms River School District is trying their best to provide students with quality education. The enrollment is down but they continue with a high efficiency of cost per student yet the state keeps cutting their funding. Most of the school facilities are in need of capital improvements and the district has delayed a bond issue hoping to make up some of the state aid. There were no other questions or comments from the Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

18-105, Council acknowledgement of a review of the Best Practices Inventory CY 2018-SFY 2019 was approved following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Newman

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

18-106, Authorizing advertisement for professional services for 2019 on the Borough's website was moved by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Wieck

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budesa, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

18-107, Authorizing participation in the O.C. Prosecutor's Drug Recognition Expert Callout Program was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

Mayor Cuneo announced that we have participated with the Prosecutor's programs for several years

There were no other questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Abstain, Mr. Budesa
Absent, Mr. Saxton

18-108, Authorizing participation in the O.C. Prosecutor's Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program Was moved by Mr. Newman and Mrs. Coletti provided a second.

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Abstain, Mr. Budesa
Absent, Mr. Saxton

18-109, Authorizing participation in the O.C. Prosecutor's "Move Over" Law Enforcement Program was approved following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and a second by Mrs. Coletti

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budesa, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton
Abstain, Mr. Budesa

18-110, Corrective Action Plan for the comments in the 2017 Municipal Audit was approved following a motion by Mrs. Coletti and Mr. Budesa provided a second.

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budesa, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

18-111, Water billing adjustments to the 2018 excess billing as a result of incorrect meter readings and/or meter malfunctions was approved by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Newman.

Mayor Cuneo stated that this is basic housekeeping; the utility clerk did a nice job insuring the accuracy of the billing.

There were no questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

18-112. Emergency Appropriation due to repairs to the public work garage as a result of vehicle impact was approved following a motion by Mr. Wieck and a second by Mr. Newman

Mr. Newman explained that this emergency is for repairs to the public works building. The Mayor explained that it will affect our cap calculation for 2019.

There were no other questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

18-113, Awarding a contract to Celco Partnership, D/B/A/ Verizon Wireless for the lease of a portion of the water tower and water site for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating cellular or radio communications was approved following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Newman.

Mr. Polhemus commented that the proposal has been reviewed by our engineer and attorney and will provide additional revenue for the town. Mr. Newman thanked the Mayor for following through on the negotiations. Mr. Budesca asked if it is a five year lease, and it is.

There were no further questions or comments from Council or members of the public.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Saxton

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Cuneo welcomed student Gianna from Toms River North High School who was present for a school assignment.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mrs. Coletti wished everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving

Mr. Newman was very proud to announce that Pine Beach is a small town with top athletes. The Ocean County Middle School Cross Country Champion (Varsity Division, Boys 1st Place) is our own Justin Newman.

Mr. Polhemus wished all a Happy Thanksgiving and mentioned the Holiday Tree Lighting is December 2 at 4:30 PM at the Municipal Building. It's a great community event.

Mr. Polhemus congratulated Mr. Budesca and Mr. Saxton for their reelection.

Mr. Budesca shared the good wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving. He is very concerned about the lack of state funding for the Toms River Schools.

Mr. Wieck spoke about Mr. Budesca being dedicated to this community.

Mr. Wieck spoke about the recent naming of the John C. Bartlett Jr. Park. In 1964 Berkeley Island was a pile of sand, and Freeholder Bartlett created and rebuilt it into a beautiful park and playground for all to enjoy.

Yesterday a resident came to the work meeting to complain about the road repair by N. J. Natural Gas on Grant Ave., and today our public works and the County worked on the problem. This small town cares about our neighbors and do all we can to work on problems.

Former resident and Mr. Wieck's good friend Fred Lesser passed away; there will be a celebration of his life at the Pine Beach Yacht Club on November 18 from 3:30 to 7.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo congratulated Mr. Budesca on his reelection, he is glad he is continuing to serve the community. Mr. Saxton is new to Council and has done a good job so far.

The Mayor is glad to see the signs on the highway have already been changed to read John C. Bartlett Jr.

The Borough Tree Lighting is December 2 and is a nice small town event

The Mayor thanked the Veterans on council for their service.

Mayor Cuneo thanked the council for their support for the cell tower resolution, there will finally be more revenue coming into town.

Regarding Affordable Housing, our rehabilitation program is starting. Applications are being accepted for repairs to homes for those who are income eligible.

The Mayor congratulated Mr. Newman for his son Justin's achievement as the Ocean County Middle School Cross Country Champion. He also mentioned that the fall season has ended and winter sports are in play.

The Mayor commented that Thanksgiving is a time for family and for reflection on our Country's foundation.

There was no further business to discuss, and the meeting was adjourned following a motion by Mr. Newman and Mr. Polhemus provided a second. All were in favor.