

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH
REGULAR MEETING
July 11, 2012**

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach met on July 11, 2012 at 7:30 PM at the Municipal Building, 599 Pennsylvania Ave. 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 BERKELEY TIMES, RIVERSIDE SIGNAL AND THE ASBURY PARK PRESS, 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. Abatemarco, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Polhemus
Absent, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Wieck

FLAG SALUTE was lead by Council President Polhemus

Mayor Cuneo offered Special Remembrance for recently deceased resident George Quick and former resident Dona Rae Timoney

MAYOR CUNEO ANNOUNCED THAT COPIES OF ALL REPORTS ARE ON THE FRONT TABLE

MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 13, 2012 was made by Mr. Abatemarco and seconded by Mrs. Coletti.

4 Ayes

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

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatemarco, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Polhemus
Absent, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Wieck

REVENUE REPORTS, tax collector and miscellaneous revenue were presented by Mrs. Steib and approved following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Abatemarco.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatemarco, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Polhemus
Absent, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Wieck

BILLS RESOLUTION 2012-7-A, B, C, D were read by Mrs. Steib and moved by Mr. Abatemarco, seconded by Mrs. Coletti.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatemarco, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Polhemus
Absent, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Wieck

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Abatemarco read the police report. For the month of June 2012 the police department responded to 248 calls for service.

On 6/12 we participated in the annual FEMA graded nuclear exercise. This exercise tests the skills of our first responders in cases where they may need to mobilize due to an event at the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station.

With the completion of our departments DARE program our DARE officer Ptl. Ron Ridsen attended the Pine Beach School's annual year end luau and presented the students with their certificates.

On June 24th the annual Pine Beach 5K was held. The event was well attended and the weather was perfect. As usual the entire department is on hand for the event to insure the safety of both our residents and the participants. I am happy to report that the event was successful and uneventful.

On June 26th through June 28th I attended the annual New Jersey State Chiefs of Police Training Conference in Atlantic City, NJ. The conference expo displays all of the latest equipment and services available to enhance law enforcement activities, as well as holding training lectures. This year's most impressive lecture was given by Chief John Bouthillette of the South River, NJ Police Department. Chief Bouthillette was shot multiple times in an incident while on duty. He has made it his mission to lecture to his brother officers on his experience and what he did that helped him survive the incident. Chief Bouthillette has roots tied to Pine Beach as his parents owned a home on Merion Ave. for many years.

On behalf of the entire department Chief Sgro would like to wish everyone a safe and healthy summer and to remind everyone to please be patient while driving and be vigilant in looking out for pedestrian traffic. Remember that the law states that you must stop for pedestrians crossing at intersections or crosswalks, whether marked or unmarked.

Mr. Abatamarco made a motion to accept the police, municipal court, water and sewer utility, building inspector, public works reports approved as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

Mayor Cuneo commented that the Pine Beach 5K was uneventful only in respect to no emergencies. It was a very exciting day in town.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatamarco, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Polhemus
Absent, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Wieck

UNFINISHED BUSINESS, None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 12-69, Sustainable New Jersey was moved by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatamarco, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Polhemus
Absent, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Wieck

Resolution 12-70, Authorizing sustainable grant application was accepted following a motion by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Abatamarco.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatamarco, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Polhemus
Absent, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Wieck

Resolution 12-71, Deferred School Tax, was approved following a motion by Mr. Budesca and seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

Mr. Budesca made note that there was a decrease in the deferred school tax, and not an increase. The resolution was amended to reflect the decrease of \$2,213.70 following a motion by Mr. Abatamarco and seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

A motion to approve the amended resolution was made by Mr. Budesca and seconded by Mr. Abatamarco.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatamarco, Mr. Budesca, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Polhemus
Absent, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Wieck

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE 12-03-637

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ESTABLISHING A LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM FOR MEMBERS OF THE

BEACHWOOD FIRST AID SQUAD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD

This ordinance was published in the Asbury Park Press on June 29, 2012 and posted on the bulletin board of the Pine Beach Municipal Building. Copies are available

MAYOR CUNEO CALLED FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 12-03-697

There were no questions from the public or council.

Resolution 12-72, Beachwood First Aid Length of Service Program ballot question was moved by Mr. Abatemarco and seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

Mr. Polhemus commented that our resolution must mirror Beachwood's and that the question will appear on the ballot in November.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The first aid captain reported that there have been 725 calls for First Aid in Beachwood and Pine Beach this year, and only 9 times they couldn't get enough manpower to get the rig out. He stated that the state has taken away training funds, and that refresher course class cost \$250 to \$260 every three years. There are 24 elective class hours, and they cost \$50 to \$240 a class. The first aid squad is striving to keep membership in good EMT standing but it is expensive and they are asking Pine Beach to help with the costs. There are 25 members, with 15 being still active.

The President of the First Aid squad brought up an issue about past donations from the Borough not being received, and Mayor Cuneo replied that he had sent a letter and is working with Beachwood Borough towards an agreement of the shared costs.

The training officer mentioned that costs are going up, and that they try to share costs with other squads. They share the CPR classes and equipment with the Beachwood and Pine Beach police departments.

Mayor Cuneo replied that Pine Beach is under some constraints on the budget. It's a lean budget with small increases. There is little left over after salaries and contractual obligations. The First Aid provides a valuable service, and our problem is that we don't have the resources. The Council wants to help but there are budgetary constraints and we're trying to work with the First Aid.

Mayor Cuneo explained that Pine Beach thought there was an agreement with the First Aid Squad that the Borough made a financial obligation to furnish the new building (\$120,000 bond) with the understanding that the bond payment would take the place of our contribution until the bond is paid up. The people who negotiated on both sides are gone.

In replying about an incorrect comment from the First Aid concerning the purchase of police cars, Chief Sgro indicated that the Borough has a program to lease police vehicles on a regular basis and it has been found that the process keeps repair costs down. We leased one new one last year and one new one this year and the amount is in the budget.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Abatemarco commented that he was glad it was a safe July 4. He is hopeful that a resolution will be worked out with the first aid squad.

Mr. Budesca felt that July 4 was very successful and thanked everyone who worked on the committee. He added that last meeting he mentioned that Lydia Hull was the Intermediate East Teacher of the Year, and has since found out that the Toms River High School South Teacher of the Year was Mark O'Leary, another Pine Beach resident.

Mr. Budesca finds it troubling to have a disagreement with the volunteers, but money is difficult. He sincerely appreciates the work the first aid does and he hopes to have it worked out with Beachwood.

Mrs. Coletti mentioned that Lindsey Van Zile has worked hard on the clean communities and cleaned the beach after the July 4 fireworks. She is working on a recycling program called Terracycle. Mrs. Coletti thanked everyone for working hard on the July 4 celebrations, and thanked Mayor Cuneo for putting her in touch with an awards company that saved a lot of money.

Mr. Polhemus thanked the July 4 committee for their hard work. He also mentioned the success of the Pine Beach 5K, that the residents were understanding of the road closures. People put a lot of time into the race, including the fire company and the first aid.

Mr. Polhemus mentioned that due to the crazy weather this past weekend, an extra brush pick up will be done. Just put the brush out and we'll try to get it the end of this week.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo commented that the Pine Beach 5 K and July 4 celebrations were back-to-back events, and a lot of people worked on both of them. He thanked them for their hard work and enthusiasm.

We have had the public hearing on the Length of Service program, and it will be placed as a referendum on the November ballot. He hopes that the first aid and council will get out and explain the program to the residents.

The Pine Beach Yacht Club held its "Feed the Need" regatta, and there were 125 sailors. On July 23 and 24 Island Heights will be sponsoring the Sailing Junior Olympics and there will be over 300 young sailors on the river.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM following a motion by Mr. Budesa, which was seconded by Mrs. Coletti.

Charlene A. Carney, RMC/MMC
Municipal Clerk