

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2018**

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach met on August 8, 2018 at 7:30 PM in 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 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. Budesa, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton, Mr. Wieck

THE FLAG SALUTE was led by Council President Wieck

Mayor Cuneo offered a Special Remembrance for recently deceased resident Hugh Young

Mayor Cuneo announced that copies of all reports and resolutions are available on the front table.

A MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 2018 was made by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Saxton

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

The Mayor called for those in favor, 6 Ayes, motion carried

TREASURER'S REPORT was approved as submitted following a motion by Mr. Budesa and a second by Mrs. Coletti.

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

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

REVENUE REPORTS, both Tax Collector and Miscellaneous Revenue were approved as submitted following a motion by Mr. Saxton and Mr. Budesa seconded.

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

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

BILLS RESOLUTION 2018-08-A, B, C, D were approved by motion by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Polhemus

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. Saxton, Mr. Wieck

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

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

6 Ayes, Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions:

18-78, Extension of grace period for third quarter tax payment to August 31 was approved following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and a second by Mr. Newman

Mayor Cuneo explained that there was a delay with the state and school budgets but now our bills are approved.

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

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

18-79, Authorizing PB Volunteer Fire Co use of Vista Park for Fire Fest on September 22, along with allowing alcoholic beverages to be sold, was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Saxton.

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

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

18-80, Appointment of Judge Stacey Kerr for a 3 year term was moved by Mr. Budes and Mr. Newman provided a second.

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

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

18-81, Transfer of sewer and water payments collected at tax sale August 6, 2018 was approved following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and a second by Mr. Budes.

Mayor Cuneo explained that this is normal business.

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

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

18-82, Rejecting a proposal for the lease of a portion of the water tower and water tower site was moved by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Budes

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

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

18-83, Auctioning the 2007 Automated side loader trash truck on line through GovDeals was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Saxton.

The Mayor explained that we purchased a new trash truck and this is to sell the old one using an on line service.

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. Saxton, Mr. Wieck

18-84, Urging the Governor to restore Toms River Regional Schools state aid in full and to fix the state education formula so that state aid is distributed fairly to all districts was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and a second by Mr. Polhemus.

Russell K. Corby, President of the Toms River Regional School Board and former Mayor, was present and explained the many issues with the tax base for the Toms River Regional School district being impacted by Hurricane Sandy and the number of home foreclosures, with Toms River being the third highest in the state. Budget cuts will affect the class size, cause layoffs, bigger class sizes, fewer school sports and reduce the maintenance of our aging schools.

The school funding formula needs to be revisited and be more distributed more fairly to all districts.

Council members are very concerned and hope that the school district gets relief.

Mr. Corby was thanked for coming and explaining the situation and what the school board is doing about the funding.

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

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

18-85, Approval to place "Autistic Child" signs on local roads was moved by Mrs. Coletti 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. Saxton, Mr. Wieck

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE 18-04-753

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$39,599.78, INCLUDING \$17,599.78 FROM INSURANCE PROCEEDS AND \$22,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AN ALL-WHEEL DRIVE POLICE VEHICLE WITH POLICE EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

This ordinance received a first reading on July 18, 2018, was published in the Asbury Park Press on July 25, 2018 and is posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building. Copies are available free of charge.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE:

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

Mr. Wieck made a motion to approve Ordinance 18-04-753 and Mr. Newman seconded.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kevin Simon, Fire Company President thanked the Mayor for speaking at the service at the Pine Beach Chapel honoring the fire fighters. Other Councilmembers attended the service and the fire department volunteers appreciated the support.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mrs. Coletti spoke about the Night Out Against Crime event held yesterday, how successful it was and the community came together for a fun night. Councilman Polhemus provided the music; the police and fire company were all there, along with many alliance volunteers. She saw many acts of kindness at the event.

Mr. Newman added that it was a nice turnout, and the new K-9 unit was introduced to the public and Keto was put through some training exercises and the new K-9 vehicle was displayed.

Mr. Polhemus thanked Thea Kratochvil, Alliance Coordinator for putting the event together with the many Alliance volunteers. It was very nice that the fire company was honored.

School is just around the corner, and soon busses will be coming around town so everyone should be careful.

Mr. Budesza thanked Mr. Corby for coming to the Council meeting to discuss the school funding issues.

Mr. Budesza commented on the heat wave, and hopes it cools off soon.

Mr. Wieck commented on the new K-9 patrol, that Keto is an amazing animal and will complete extensive training.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo added that Night Out Against Crime is always fun, the Alliance puts together a great evening. The movie in the park followed the Night Out celebration, and it was really good. The kids and adults had a lot of fun. The fire department and police department had a great showing; it's good to meet our emergency responders on a social level. He also thanked all of the volunteers who made it possible. The Tee shirts are awesome; the Mayor looks forward to seeing them all around town.

The yacht club sailors are busy, wrapping up their season. School sports will be starting practice soon.

There are improvements to the waterfront, the lights at the pier have been replaced so all 5 will be lit tonight.

Mayor Cuneo thanked former Mayor Corby for coming to the meeting to discuss the school funding; the tax budget is very difficult to understand.

Years ago the Borough got off state aid because it fluctuated each year and they developed a steady budget without it.

Mayor Cuneo hopes all will enjoy the rest of the summer.

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