

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH
ANNUAL YEAR'S END MEETING
January 4, 2016**

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach held its Annual Year's End Meeting on January 4, 2016 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 our official newspapers, the Asbury Park Press, and Berkeley Times and were posted on the bulletin board at the Pine Beach Municipal Building, Pine Beach Website and the Pine Beach Post Office. This statement shall become a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL: Present: Matthew Abatemarco, Susan Coletti, Raymond Newman, Richard Polhemus, Barry Wieck
Absent: Robert Budesca

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS AND FLAG SALUTE LED BY SCOUTS from Boy Scout Troop 114, Cub Scout Troop 114 and Girl Scout Troop 87.

Mayor Cuneo called for a Moment of Silence, with special remembrance for recently deceased residents Geraldine Staeger, Fred Barbatschi, and Brian Maresca.

MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Dec. 9, 2015 was made by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mrs. Coletti.

5 Ayes

MOTION to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting held Dec. 21, 2015 was made by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

5 Ayes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS, None
NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 15-124, Change Order #1 final amended to Johnson Baran for roadwork on Radnor Ave. was moved following a motion by Mr. Abatemarco and a second by Mrs. Coletti.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no questions or comments from the public.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Wieck stated that 2015 was a very busy year in the Borough. He thanked the many volunteers who worked on decorations, dog water stops along the river, participated in "Paint the Town Pink", Admiral Farragut Point was dedicated, our new water well was installed, we purchased a new roll off truck and dumpsters, had a successful Egg Hunt, celebrated our 90 years of incorporation on July 4, had a successful Walk Against Drugs, had outdoor movies in Vista Park, we sponsored an expired medicine drop and a flu clinic.

Mr. Polhemus echoed Mr. Wieck's sentiments, that the people of Pine Beach work together and make the town special. The part time council members work hard and are dedicated to the Pine Beach residents. The office staff employees, public works and police department all serve the residents well. They help make Pine Beach a special place along the Toms River.

Mr. Abatemarco commented that seven years ago he came to serve on the Council, and the council worked together to make improvements and beautify the town. The employees are dedicated to their commitment to the town, and he thanked them for their hard work.

Mr. Newman thanked Mr. Abatemarco for his guidance in helping him during his first term and stated that he will be missed.

Mrs. Coletti stated that she will miss working with Mr. Abatemarco.

Mr. Abatemarco is proud that he ran for public office, and that amazing things have happened. The Council has worked to get grants and to get things done. The finance officer worked hard to utilize the money in the budget for the greater good. We improved the waterfront and worked with the past chief and present chief to make things happen. He recalled a letter from a parent concerning Sgt. York, who took the time to talk to a troubled child and helped the family. Mr. Abatemarco is proud that no decisions were based on politics. He thanked the community for the opportunity to sit on Council.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo stated that it was amazing how Mr. Abatemarco has learned how government worked, learning the process and using it to the town's benefit. Mr. Abatemarco was foremost in looking for grants for the waterfront improvements; he has a knowledge and passion for the town. His input will be sought after now that he's

retired from council. Mayor Cuneo presented Mr. Abatemarco with a plaque memorializing his seven years working on Council.

ADJOURN SINE DIE upon a motion by Mr. Polhemus and a second by Mr. Abatemarco.
