

BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH+
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 8, 2022

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach held a public meeting on June 8, 2022 in the Municipal Building, 599 Pennsylvania Ave at 7:30 PM. Mayor Cuneo called Dane and Tucker to the podium and they called the meeting to order. The Mayor then 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: Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck

Absent: Mr. Keesling (who signed in electronically at a later time and his attendance will be noted in the minutes)

Absent: Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

The Salute to the Flag was led by Council President Wieck

Mayor Cuneo called for a Moment of Silence to remember those who served in the military and for the recent tragic events at the school and supermarket and for those who have lost loved ones.

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

A MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2022 was made by Mr. Wieck and seconded by Mrs. Coletti

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 3 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 3 Absent (Mr. Keesling, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton).

A MOTION to accept the work meeting minutes of May 9, 2022 was made by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Wieck

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 3 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 3 Absent (Mr. Keesling, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton).

A MOTION to accept the work meeting minutes, both open and closed of May 23, 2022 was made by Mr. Wieck and seconded by Mrs. Coletti

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 3 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 3 Absent (Mr. Keesling, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton).

At this time Mr. Keesling joined the meeting remotely.

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE AND TAX COLLECTOR REPORTS were approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Wieck

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 2 Absent (Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton)

BILLS RESOLUTION 2022-53 Authorizing payment of Borough Bills in the amount of \$174,738.97 was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman followed by a second from Mr. Wieck.

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

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 2 Absent (Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2022-54, Renewal of the Club License for the Pine Beach Yacht Club for 2022-2023 was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and a second by Mr. Wieck.

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 3 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 1 Abstain (Mrs. Coletti) 2 Absent (Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton)

Resolution 2022-55, Renewal of the Distribution License for World Wine for 2022-2023 was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and a second by Mr. Wieck

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 2 Absent (Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton)

Resolution 2022-56, Authorizing the finance officer to issue a check for July 4 cash prizes in the amount of \$230.00 was approved following a motion by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Newman.

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 2 Absent (Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton)

Resolution 2022-57, Authorizing the closing of the Boat Ramp due to safety concerns on July 4 or rain date for the Fireworks on the Toms River was approved following a motion by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Wieck.

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 2 Absent (Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton)

Resolution 2022-63, Renewal of the Liquor License for the Lamp Post for 2022-2023 was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and a second by Mr. Wieck.

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

The Mayor called for a vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Oppose, 2 Absent (Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton)

ORDINANCES WITH PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE 2022-02-789

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 26 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH ENTITLED "POLICE DEPARTMENT"

This ordinance was introduced on May 11, 2022, advertised in the Asbury Park Press on May 18 and posted on the bulletin board of the municipal building.

THE MAYOR CALLED FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 2022-02-789

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

The Mayor closed the public hearing and called for a motion. The ordinance was passed following a motion by Mr. Wieck and a second by Mr. Newman

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

ORDINANCE 2022-03-790

CALENDAR YEAR 2022 ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

This ordinance was introduced on May 11, 2022, advertised in the Asbury Park Press on May 18 and posted on the bulletin board of the municipal building.

THE MAYOR CALLED FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 2022-03-790

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

The Mayor closed the public hearing and called for a motion. Ordinance 2022-03-790 was approved following a motion by Mr. Wieck and a second by Mrs. Coletti

Roll Call: Yes: Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent: Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

THE MAYOR ANNOUNCED THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE 2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The 2022 Municipal Budget was introduced on May 11, 2022 and published in summary in the Asbury Park Press on May 18, 2022. Copies are available for interested people.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

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

Resolution 2022-58, Adoption of the 2022 Municipal Budget was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Wieck.

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

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

ORDINANCE 2022-05-795

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, ESTABLISHING MINIMUM-MAXIMUM LIMITATIONS ON SALARIES TO BE PAID THE MAYOR, COUNCILPERSONS, AND ALL OTHER MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH”, AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES.

This ordinance was introduced on May 23, 2022, advertised in the Asbury Park Press on May 27 and posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building

THE MAYOR OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING:

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

The Mayor closed the public hearing. Mr. Wieck made a motion to approve the ordinance which was seconded by Mr. Newman.

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

ORDINANCE 2022-06-796

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF \$50,000.00 FOR THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF A COMPLETE PROGRAM OF REASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

This ordinance was introduced on May 23, 2022, advertised in the Asbury Park Press on May 27 and posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building

THE MAYOR CALLED FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 2022-06-796

Hearing no questions or comments from the Council or members of the public, the Mayor closed the public hearing on the ordinance. Mrs. Coletti made a motion to approve the ordinance and Mr. Keesling seconded.

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

Resolution 2022-59, Authorizing financing of the Special Emergency Appropriation of \$50,000.00 for the preparation and execution of a complete program of reassessment of real property was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and Mr. Wieck provided the second.

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

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

Resolution 2022-60, Employment of Temporary Tax Assessor Assistants was approved following a motion by Mrs. Coletti and seconded by Mr. Wieck.

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

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

Resolution 2022-61, Awarding a professional services contract to Lynch Appraisal Services for the revaluation of Borough properties was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mrs. Coletti.

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

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

Resolution 2022-62, Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Raymond Hall, CTA for a reassessment program was approved following a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Wieck

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

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE 2022-04-794

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$515,000 THEREFOR, INCLUDING A \$315,000 NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$196,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

This ordinance will be advertised in the Asbury Park Press on June 15 and have a public hearing on July 13.

This being the introduction of the Bond there was no discussion.

The Mayor called for a vote for introduction of the ordinance, and Mrs. Coletti made a motion to introduce the bond ordinance which was seconded by Mr. Wieck

Roll Call: Yes, Mrs. Coletti, Mr. Keesling (remotely), Mr. Newman, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Saxton

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo thanked those assembled for coming to the meeting.

Al Vega, 130 Pennsylvania Ave. spoke about the speeding and traffic on the 100 and 200 blocks of Pennsylvania Ave. He would like to see traffic calming devices, such as speed bumps, utilized to slow the speeders. The all-way stop signs on Motor Rd. and police presence have not stopped the problem. Mr. Vega made note that there is a 25 MPH speed limit and by statute the Borough has the ability to put speed bumps in the local road. He feels the road is being used as a cut-through to avoid the Rt. 9 traffic.

Mayor Cuneo suggested installing rumble strips first to see if they help. They were recently installed on Monument Rd. and Prospect Avenue and they seem to be helping cut down on speeding there.

Erik Schulwitz, 220 Pennsylvania Ave. has seen speed bumps by other schools and he would like to see them on Pennsylvania Ave. in the area of the school crossing.

Mr. Vega suggested the Borough have a traffic study to see what would work best

Samantha Vega, 130 Pennsylvania Ave. is concerned about the safety of the children, there is significant speeding now. The Mayor asked what time of the day the speeding takes place. It is constant traffic and speeding.

John and Lorin Falana, 236 Pennsylvania Ave. are concerned about the safety of the children and people walking along the street.

Amy Phillips, 126 Pennsylvania Ave. mentioned that traffic has increased and has seen people walking dogs having to get out of the way of the vehicles.

Mayor Cuneo will look into the costs and will speak to the police chief about the situation. Mr. Newman mentioned that the all way stop signs have reduced accidents 60% at the stop signs and that the rumble strips help slow the cars down.

Mark Brady, 700 Pennsylvania Ave. mentioned that the paving project on Rt. 9 has used Pine Beach for the detour and increased the traffic.

The Mayor will reach out to the school for assistance. Mr. Keesling mentioned a “Cut Through” ordinance in Ft. Lee that restricts nonresidents on streets during rush hours.

Lynn Bressman, 828 Linden Ave. is the school crossing guard in front of the school and commented that cars fly by her, including the parents and teachers.

The Mayor suggested safety is first and he will speak to the police, county and school officials. He thanked the residents for coming to the meeting and Mr. Newman added that this is the first time this matter has been brought to council attention. The Mayor gave his email address to the residents and invited them to send him their concerns. He mentioned that it took eight to twelve years to get the all way stop signs, we asked for three streets and the County installed two. The rumble strips and flashing lights are working to slow people down. The county recently striped the center line of the roads also.

The Mayor suggested contacting the school board and county commissioners also with the resident’s concerns.

Mr. Brady brought up a problem he is having with discolored water in his home. He showed a discolored filter from his home water system. The public works superintendent had installed a new water tap to his home but it has not made a difference in water quality. The Mayor commented that he will speak to Mr. Sedlak about the situation. He added that we are having a problem with our water tower repair; one company will not remove their antenna so the tower can be repaired and painted.

There were no further questions or comments from the public and the Mayor went on to Council Comments.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Keesling had nothing.

Mrs. Coletti agreed with the residents about speeding in town, Riverside Drive is another road people speed on.

Mr. Newman had nothing to add to the meeting

Mr. Wieck complimented the Finance Officer for getting the budget done and accepted by the state.

Mr. Wieck reminded everyone that the July 4 celebration is coming up fast. He hopes for good weather and that everyone joins in the parade, field games and the cardboard boat race.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo thanked the people for coming to the meeting and bringing their young children.

Regarding youth sports, the teams are doing well. He wishes all of the graduating athletes well with their future endeavors.

The proms are this week, and he urged all to be careful driving. He will continue to work on the resident's traffic concerns.

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 and the meeting was closed.
