

BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH  
WORK MEETING  
January 24, 2022

The work meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach took place on January 24, 2022 in the meeting room of the Municipal Building, 599 Pennsylvania Ave. and electronically on ZOOM at 7:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by Council President Wieck and he 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. KEESLING (Via ZOOM), MR. NEWMAN, MR. POLHEMUS,  
MR.SAXTON, MR. WIECK  
ABSENT: MRS. COLETTI

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Council President asked Council members to Review Resolution 2022-18 Payment of Borough bills in the amount of \$507,321.86 and called for a motion.

FORMAL ACTION:

Resolution 2022-18, Payment of Borough Bills in the amount of \$507,321.86 was approved following a motion by Mr. Saxton and seconded by Mr. Polhemus.

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

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

Community Development Block Grant 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing was announced by Mr. Polhemus

The purpose of this public hearing is to provide citizens and non-profit/for profit organizations of the Borough of Pine Beach an opportunity to comment on all proposed applications, the prioritization of the applications and the selection of the proposed application to be submitted to Ocean County for funding consideration.

One Community Development Block Grant application has been received for accessibility improvements to the Pennsylvania Ave. walkway, New Jersey Ave. to Avon Rd.

Mr. Polhemus remarked on the successful housing rehabilitation program funded by the CDBG grants the last two cycles and feels this replacement to the walkway will benefit many people.

Mr. Polhemus opened the Public Comments on the proposed project:

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

The Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Polhemus announced that the Borough's priority for the Community Development Block Grant is the improvements to the Pennsylvania Ave. walkway.

Mr. Newman mentioned that Mrs. Coletti is home and getting around with a walker. She feels much better and will start physical therapy next week

MAYOR'S REPORT, The Mayor was delayed

COUNCIL PRESIDENT WIECK

Council President Wieck announced that resident Meghan Polhemus is interested and qualified to be a member of the Pine Beach Environmental Commission, and he would ask Council to consider her appointment as a two year alternate member.

Mr. Wieck made a motion to appoint Meghan Polhemus to the Pine Beach Environmental Commission and Mr. Saxton Seconded.

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

Mr. Wieck called for a vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstain (Mr. Polhemus) 1 Absent (Mrs. Coletti)

Ms. Polhemus information will be forwarded to the Environmental Commission.

S. COLETTI, Absent

J. KEESLING stated that he will do his utmost for the Borough.

R. NEWMAN asked for Executive Session

R. POLHEMUS would like to speak in Executive Session

J. SAXTON requested an Executive Session. He also commented on the news the past few days concerning the New York Police officers being shot answering a domestic problem. He is glad he lives in a small town and that the Mayor and Council work with the police department to make Pine Beach a safer town.

POLICE CHIEF

FINANCE OFFICER

PUBLIC WORKS

CLERK had no comments

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

Fire Company John Kubilewicz stated that the fire company has been negotiating with the COVID testing people to bring a site to Pine Beach.

Retired Council Member Robert Budesa was present and Mr. Wieck presented him with a plaque memorializing his years of service. He was thanked and congratulated by all present.

Mr. Wieck mentioned that he met Mr. Budesa in 1975 when he closed on his house. Mr. Budesa has been a good friend and coworker all these years.

Mr. Polhemus thanked Mr. Budesa for his work and dedication to the Borough and stated that he was a good friend and his mentoring was amazing.

There were no other public comments and the work meeting was suspended to go into executive session following a motion by Mr. Polhemus and a second by Mr. Newman.

Executive Session:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach have determined that in accordance with the provisions of NJSA 10:4-12b, Closed Session to discuss (8) Personnel is necessary. The public will be informed of the discussion within forty-five days of the conclusion (NJSA 10:4-13)

The ZOOM Portion of the meeting was closed and the members of the public left the meeting.

The Executive Session was ended and the Council returned to the open session.

There was no further public business to be discussed and the Work Meeting was adjourned following a motion by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Polhemus. All were in favor.

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