

BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH
WORK MEETING
April 7, 2025

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach held a meeting on April 7, 2025 in the Municipal Building, 599 Pennsylvania Ave. at 6:30 PM. 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

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
present	present	present	absent	present	present

NEW BUSINESS

Review

Introduction:

ORDINANCE 2025-03-817

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH CAP BANK FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

This ordinance will be advertised in the Asbury Park Press April 16th and will have a public hearing on May 14th, 2025 at the regular scheduled Council meeting at 6:30pm.

Review of Resolutions:

Bills Resolution 2025-39 Approval to pay Borough bills in the amount of **\$124,106.18**

Resolution 2025-40 Approving the application for the NJ State Fireman's Association member Raymond Newman Jr.

Resolution 2025-41 100th Annual Independence Day Grand Marshals Susan Colletti and Robert Brown

Resolution 2025-42 Authorizing the waiver of fees for the PBVFC raffle license

Resolution 2025-43 Authorizing Cannabis Business License Application has proposed a type of Cannabis Business that is permitted within the Borough and would not exceed any Municipal license limit

Resolution 2025-44 Amendment to the emergency temporary operating budget Rights Act

Resolution 2025-45 In compliance with the Local Finance Board regulations the 2024 Municipal Budget will be subject to self-exam review

Resolution 2025-46 Governing Body certification of compliance with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Civil

Resolution 2025-47 Intro to Municipal Budget CY2025

Resolution 2025-48 Authorizing the cancellation of old outstanding checks from the Borough of Pine Beach Municipal Court

Resolution 2025-49 Authorizing the Social Affairs Permit for the PBVFC

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cuneo states that a copy of the budget has been passed out by the CFO, Linda Covello and will be introduced at the Council Meeting April 9th. Mr. Wieck adds that the Police Department is looking for a seventh officer, any luck getting that in this budget? Linda and the Mayor states they

spoke with the Chief on this matter. The funds left in CAP are \$50,000 and not enough to cover a salary for this position.

The Mayor continues with updating the Council and Public that the Mayor, Engineer, and an Architect met to consider adding an addition to the building to square up the back portion adding a secured Court area.

The Mayor asks Mr. Newman to elaborate on the request for purchasing the message board sign, Mr. Newman expresses the main concern was for use during emergency events. There is a ten-year warranty, and this will allow us to make residents aware of events that may not be on Facebook or the internet.

Mr. Newman adds to the budget discussion that the Fire Co has asked for an increase in their donation from the Borough of \$500. Mr. Newman says that this will help the Fire Company offset some of the State and Federal regulations. Mr. Keesling states that he received a detailed accounting for the company that helps with understanding their needs. He thanks the Fire Company for providing this.

A motion was made by Mr. Newman to add the \$500 donation in the 2025 budget, seconded by Mr. Wieck.

Mr. Keesling	Mrs. McGee	Mr. Newman	Mr. Polhemus	Mr. Saxton	Mr. Wieck
Yes	Yes	Yes	absent	Yes	Yes

Mayor Cuneo received an update to the Borough's NJDOT project, our Engineer will begin the bidding process so we are ready for the warmer months to pave Grant Ave, as well as clarification that Berkeley Residents own the turn around at the end of Grant Ave. the Engineer will add that to the bid as Bid B for pricing and share with these owners for their expense or Berkeley's.

The Mayor would like to hold a sale for the contiguous homeowners to Borough lots and the one Borough owned buildable lot. Continuing, the Mayor states the Council will need to review and begin looking into the water rates as they no longer cover cost of supplies and the debt payments. There are infrastructure repairs that have been quoted at 1-2 million dollars. This would be an additional bond debt the water account would take on.

B. WIECK – Council President

Mr. Wieck asks to have an employee check the lifeguarding equipment, Clerk confirms she will assign this as well as the request to complete the memorial Day & Independence Day parade route closures with the County Engineer. Mr. Wieck excitedly announces the slide at Station Ave has been replaced after a long wait on the installation. April 25th is the Admiral Farragut Alumni Event at Vista Park Memorial Bluff.

J. KEESLING

Mr. Keesling states he has reached out to PBYC for a joined effort beach cleanup, waiting for response. Mayor Cuneo suggests he pick a date and speak with Mike Sedlak, DPW, for containers and bags. Mr. Keesling shares that in efforts to ensure the beaches & docks are ready for 100-year anniversary celebrations, he rode along with DPW supervisor Mike Sedlak to address repairs. He requests the area of the Henley and Riverside pier to be trimmed back for walkers.

L. MCGEE

Mrs. McGee announces that the Egg Hunt is this Saturday, weather permitting, Sunday rain date. She also brings in a sample for the Council shirts for order.

R. NEWMAN

Mr. Newman thanks PBPS, Justine Saxton, and everyone else involved. The students' artwork at the event last meeting was great. Mr. Newman expresses that the Pine Beach Fire Co has requested

the OEM operations be moved into the newly renovated Fire House. They request \$1,000 per month for use of the radio room, conference room, and private office for OEM coordinator. Charlene Carney adds that the basement of the Borough Hall was completed using 966 Grant funding money for OEM.

J. SAXTON

Mr. Saxton requests the insurance liaison, Mr. Keesling, to begin the discussion for changing the insurance to reduce costs for both employees and the employer. Mr. Keesling agreed to investigate this more with assistance from finance and the clerk's office. Mr. Newman and Mr. Wieck share they both have good reviews of the difference card the County has gone to for savings. Mr. Saxton expresses that the agenda looks good and reminds Council to get their agenda items in so the public can be aware of the items being discussed at the work meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Paul Gioe, Owner of New Jersey Outboards, asks the Mayor and Council to explain the change in the Commercial permit for the Boat Ramp. The Mayor states there was no change in the Ordinance, they have been undercharged for years and will now need to obtain a permit per trailer they intend to use for any business. Mr. Gioe says when they store a boat for their customers, they use the Windy Cove boat ramp to launch for the season. The Mayor confirms that the owners of the boats would need to purchase their own personal boat ramp permit for the year at Borough Hall, which is open Monday through Friday, 9-4pm.

John Kubilewicz, Pine Beach Fire Co President states the fire company has a fund drive letter going out and the second round of the capital drive to follow. He thanks the Council for considering the monetary donation increase for 2025.

Mr. Wieck makes a motion for an executive session regarding personnel (8) and collective bargaining (5). The motion is seconded by Mr. Saxton.

A motion is made by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mr. Saxton to adjourn the meeting. All are in favor.


Hannah L. Jacobus, RMC

Approved: 5/14/2025