

**BOROUGH OF PINE BEACH
REGULAR MEETING
August 14, 2013**

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Beach held a Regular Meeting on August 14, 2013 in the Municipal Building, 599 Pennsylvania Ave. at 7:30 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 BERKELEY TIMES, OCEAN SIGNAL AND THE ASBURY PARK PRESS, 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. Abatemarco, Mr. Budesca, Mr. Keczkemethy, Mr. Polhemus,
Mr. Wieck
Absent: Mrs. Coletti

The FLAG SALUTE was lead by Council President Polhemus

Mayor Cuneo offered a Special Remembrance for recently deceased resident Adele Joa.

MAYOR CUNEO ANNOUNCED THAT COPIES OF ALL REPORTS ARE ON THE SIDE TABLE

MOTION to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 10, 2013 was made by Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Keczkemethy

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Abstain, 1 Absent

MOTION to accept the minutes of the Special Meeting of August 1, 2013 was made by Mr. Budesca and seconded by Mr. Abatemarco

Roll Call: 4 Ayes, 1 Abstain, 1 Absent

TREASURER'S REPORT was read by Mrs. Steib and moved by Mr. Abatemarco and seconded by Mr. Polhemus

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

REVENUE REPORTS, both Tax Collector and Miscellaneous Revenue were read by Mrs. Steib and approved following a motion by Mr. Abatemarco and seconded by Mr. Budesca

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

BILLS RESOLUTION 13-08- A, B, C, D was summarized by Mrs. Steib and approval by motion of Mr. Polhemus and seconded by Mr. Keczkemethy

Mayor Cuneo announced the Borough's policy, ALLOWING FIVE MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE BILLS RESOLUTION

There were no questions from the public.

Mr. Cuneo asked about the crossing guard salary being on the list for July 31, and Mrs. Steib explained that there was a special function the lifeguards participated in and it was left off their last pay check and that the pay period is always 2 weeks previous.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatemarco, Mr. Budes, Mr. Kecskemethy, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mrs. Coletti

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chief Sgro reported that for the month of July 2013 the police department responded to 268 calls for service.

On July 11th the department conducted a random motor vehicle safety checkpoint in conjunction with the NJ State Motor Vehicle Commission. These checkpoints are conducted periodically throughout the state and since the elimination of the safety portion of motor vehicle inspection, continue to be a valuable tool to insure that vehicles on our roadway are roadworthy.

On July 4th the department participated in and provided traffic control for the Pine Beach Annual Independence Day Parade. The parade went off without a hitch and as usual there were many residents on hand along the viewing route.

Although the Fireworks on the Toms River were a bit shorter this year due to budget constraints, there were still large numbers of people who came to our town to enjoy the event. The entire department was on hand to provide traffic and crowd control. Everything went well with no reported incidents.

Summer is in full swing and our town is once again full of people enjoying the outdoors. Please be mindful of this when driving. Our officers are out there and continue to strictly enforce out traffic laws to insure the safety of everyone. On behalf of the entire department I wish everyone a safe and healthy summer.

Mr. Abatemarco made a motion to accept the Police, municipal court, water and sewer utility, building inspector, public works reports approved as submitted and Mr. Kecskemethy a seconded.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatemarco, Mr. Budes, Mr. Kecskemethy, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mrs. Coletti

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Cuneo swore in police officer Robert King as a regular full time police officer.

Mayor Cuneo announced the appointment of Conrad Reitz as Alternate member to the Land Use Board. He has previous land use board experience in his former town.

Resolution 13-73 Authorizing indebtedness for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of the bulkhead replacement project was approved following a motion by Mr. Budes which was seconded by Mr. Wieck

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatemarco, Mr. Budes, Mr. Kecskemethy, Mr. Polhemus, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mrs. Coletti

Resolution 13-74, Authorizing CDBG Work Change order of reduction of \$1,500.00 was moved by Mr. Polhemus with a second by Mr. Abatemarco

Mr. Polhemus explained that this is concerning the ramp covering; the contractor used galvanized nails instead of stainless steel nails. It won't affect the quality or safety of the cover, it's a variation of the specifications.

Roll Call: Yes, Mr. Abatemarco, Mr. Kecskemethy, Mr. Polhemus
Abstain, Mr. Budes, Mr. Wieck
Absent, Mrs. Coletti

Resolution 13-75, authorizing the Mayor and Police Chief to sign enrollment application for the Ocean County Police Academy was approved following a motion by Mr. Abatemarco and seconded by Mr. Kecskemethy.

Mayor Cuneo explained that unfortunately this is something we have to do.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Marcy Van Zile asked about the Pine Beach 5K funding, if the Borough contributes money to it. Mayor Cuneo explained that some of the funding is provided from the Municipal Alliance grant, and additionally the Tourism grant. The Borough does not contribute any funds. The Mayor stated that the 5K runs on its own, and he knows funding sponsorships are down. Mr. Wieck suggested that the Borough should ask for a financial accounting from the Pine Beach 5 K.

Mrs. Van Zile asked about the 5K scholarship, that this year there were applications available but Mr. Lill told her that the scholarships haven't been awarded because he is unsure if there will be enough money; she also commented that her older daughter received the scholarship last year and that the check was returned from the bank.

Mrs. Schlatterer volunteered on the committee, and financials were not brought up at any of the meetings she attended.

Mr. Schlatterer asked if there was a program to clean storm drains in town, that they are covered by debris. Mr. Wieck replied that he has some community service workers and that clearing the tops of storm drains is on their list of projects. The Mayor added that residents are asked to help clear storm drains near their homes.

Mr. Schlatterer mentioned the permits needed for using the docks. The docks are loaded with people, and many don't have badges. The Chief will pass it along to the officers. Mr. Schlatterer also was concerned about the size of the crabs being caught, with people taking small crabs. Mr. Wieck mentioned that it is under the Fish and Game regulations; and the Chief added that in the past, if a police officer sees small crabs in the bucket, the entire bucket is emptied into the river. Mrs. Van Zile mentioned that there is a sign at the New Jersey Ave. pavilion that shows the legal size of crabs.

Chief/Administrator Sgro commented that Mr. Wieck has spearheaded the work with Ocean County Probation to use community service workers on various projects. He spends a lot of time working on cleanup projects. Mr. Schlatterer offered to help.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Abatemarco and Mr. Budesca hope that people are enjoying the nice weather and Mr. Keczkemethy hoped people could take time off to enjoy the weather with their families.

Mr. Wieck thanked volunteers and participants in the Walk Against Drugs. It's a good, positive program, as is our Independence Day celebration. He thanked Mrs. Van Zile for all her family's work on the Pocket Park project and beach cleanup. Pine Beach is special, it's a good small home town, and there are always positive comments about it.

Mr. Polhemus echoed everyone's hope for a nice summers end.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Cuneo mentioned that Pine Beach has a sense of community. For 20 years his neighborhood didn't change, but now Dorinda Brethwaite and Adele Joa are gone, and the Accardi's have moved. The good news, a former resident purchased the Accardi home and are very happy to be back, and a resident purchased the Brethwaite home.

The fire Department sign reminds people that school is opening soon. The children are still outside playing, and fall sports are starting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8PM following a motion by Mr. Abatemarco which was seconded by Mr. Budesca.