

MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 7, 2022

Mayor Ferro calls the meeting to order 7:07 p.m.

STATEMENT OF NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY P.L. 1975, C231 IS READ.

I hereby announce that pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the Annual Meeting Notice which was mailed to the Asbury Park Press and the Trenton Times, posted on the public announcements bulletin board in Town Hall and filed in the Office of the Township Clerk on December 20, 2021.

ROLL CALL: Committeeman Eric Davis – absent, Deputy Mayor Chris Morris – present, Committeeman Michael McLaughlin – present, Committeeman Tara Zabrosky – present and Mayor Al Ferro - present. Also, in attendance: Brian Chabarek, Esq. - Township Attorney, Kevin Abernethy – Township Administrator and Kathleen Hart - Municipal Clerk.

Motion to adopt Resolution 22-177 was moved by C/McLaughlin; second by DM/Morris.

Municipal Clerk read Resolution 22-177 Authorizing the Holding of an Executive Session, at Which the Public Shall be Excluded

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/McLaughlin, DM/Morris, C/Zabrosky, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: C/Davis

Motion to adjourn Executive Session was moved by C/McLaughlin; second by DM/Morris. All in Favor.

Time In: 7:09 p.m.; Time Out: 7:42 p.m.

Mayor Ferro calls the regular meeting to order at 8:03 p.m. followed by a flag salute and a moment of silence.

All attendees and participants agree to conduct themselves in a manner appropriate for public gathering. Individual speakers should be advised that no right of privacy protects a person’s public comments made in a public forum. Accordingly, all participants bear responsibility for their own statements and commentary.

PRESENTATION:

M/Ferro presented Debbie Novellino and read into the record the Certificate of Appreciation.

On behalf of the residents of the Township of Millstone and the Township Committee, we hereby express our sincere appreciation to Debbie Novellino.

Debbie Novellino was appointed as a member to the Shade Tree Commission from 1994 until December 31, 2013 with the last 12 years as Chairperson. Ms. Novellino continues to volunteer as Vice Chairperson for the Millstone Township Historic Registered Properties. She has volunteered countless hours of service contributing her time and talent by providing valuable service and dedication to the Township of Millstone. The Township Committee values what you have done.

With our most heartfelt thanks and best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

M/Ferro presented Michael Novellino and read into the record the Certificate of Appreciation.

On behalf of the residents of the Township of Millstone and the Township Committee, we hereby express our sincere appreciation to Michael Novellino.

Michael Novellino was appointed as a regular member to the Zoning Board on January 1, 2004, nominated and appointed Vice Chairman on January 13, 2005, nominated and appointed as Chairman on January 26, 2006 until his retirement on August 30, 2022. Mr. Novellino volunteered countless hours of service to the Zoning Board, displayed professionalism, dedication, thoroughness and concern, while keeping the betterment of the Township of Millstone first and foremost. The Township Committee values what you have done.

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With our most heartfelt thanks and best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

The Township Committee extends their best wishes and thanks them for all they have done for the Township.

M/Ferro introduces Sargent Terebetski from the NJ State Police. Sargent Terebetski states that there are a lot of car thefts occurring in Millstone and the surrounding areas. Please don't leave keys in the car or any valuables and lock your vehicles. The car thieves are just driving away with the higher end cars. Also suggests not leaving garage door openers in the car either, as the thieves will be able to have access to your homes. The NJSP is also increasing their presence at schools. M/Ferro asks if the NJ State Police works in conjunction with the school district for active shooter drills. Sargent Terebetski states that the schools have set up their policies and the NJ State Police does a simulation of active shooter every two years and they continue to do classes. He will look into whether an officer can participate in the school's active shooter drills. Township Administrator asks if the Troopers could show their presence on Paint Island Springs, Stagecoach Road, Agress Road, Roberts Road and Prodelin regarding speeding. C/Zabrosky questions cars passing school buses. Discussion takes place regarding video cameras and their assistance to the NJ State Police. Township Administrator states he can send out a Nixle to the residents if the NJ State Police is looking for video to assist in an investigation. Sargent Terebetski will be at the next Township Committee meeting with updates.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Resignation received from Mike Novellino, Board of Adjustment Chairman effective August 30, 2022.
2. Email received from NJDEP announcing approval for the 2022 NJUCF Stewardship Grant submitted for the 2022-2023 Street Tree Inventory & Risk Assessment

RESOLUTIONS: CONSENT RESOLUTION POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARD.

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER ITEM "CONSENT AGENDA" ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE (1) MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS, IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED OF ANY ITEM, THAT ITEM WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- 22-178 Payment of Vouchers – September 7, 2022
- 22-179 Resolution of Support from Millstone Township Authorizing the Sustainable Jersey Grant Funded by PSEG
- 22-180 Resolution of Reappointment of Municipal Clerk and Registrar of Vital Statistics
- 22-181 Resolution General Comments & Recommendations to the 2021 Annual Audit
- 22-182 Resolution Authorizing Electronic Tax Sale In-Lieu of Costs
- 22-183 Resolution Authorizing Electronic Tax Sale
- 22-184 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Estoppel Certificate in Connection with a Lease Agreement Dated May 19, 2015 Between the Township of Millstone and Gaelic Communications, LLC
- 22-186 Resolution Approving Change Order No. 1 for 2021 Roadway Improvement Project
- 22-187 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of a John Deere Z994R Diesel Commercial Ztrak

C/Zabrosky made a motion to pull Resolution 22-185 from the consent agenda for further discussion; second by C/McLaughlin.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Zabrosky, C/McLaughlin, DM/Morris, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: C/Davis

Motion to adopt Consent Agenda Resolutions 22-178 through 22-184, 22-186 and 22-187 was made by C/McLaughlin; second by DM/Morris.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Zabrosky, C/McLaughlin, DM/Morris, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: C/Davis

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RESOLUTION:

22-185 Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Developer's Agreement for VJS Holdings, LLC, Block 16, Lot 9.10, Site Plan No. PB 21-09

C/Zabrosky asks for more clarification on this resolution. Township Attorney states that the Developer’s Agreement outlines all of the conditions the Planning Board approved including the 11 special conditions that the Developer has to abide by. Township Attorney also states that the Developer’s Agreement contains enforcement provisions and consequences if the Developer does not abide by the terms of the Agreement.

Motion to adopt Resolution 22-185 was moved by C/Zabrosky; second by C/McLaughlin.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Zabrosky, C/McLaughlin, DM/Morris, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: C/Davis

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes – August 17, 2022

Motion to adopt regular meeting minutes of August 17, 2022 was made by C/McLaughlin; second by C/Zabrosky.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/McLaughlin, C/Zabrosky, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: DM/Morris ABSENT: C/Davis

2. Executive Meeting Minutes – May 18, 2022

Motion to adopt executive meeting minutes of May 18, 2022 was made by C/McLaughlin; second by M/Ferro.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/McLaughlin, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: DM/Morris, C/Zabrosky ABSENT: C/Davis

3. Executive Meeting Minutes – June 1, 2022

Motion to adopt executive meeting minutes of June 1, 2022 was made by C/McLaughlin; second by C/Zabrosky.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Zabrosky, C/McLaughlin, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: DM/Morris ABSENT: C/Davis

APPLICATION FOR A RAFFLE LICENSE:

1. Friends of Millstone Township Historic Registered Properties, RA #297, On-Premise 50/50 Raffle to be held on September 18, 2022 at 4 Red Valley Road.

Motion to approve was moved by DM/Morris; second C/McLaughlin.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: DM/Morris, C/Zabrosky, C/McLaughlin, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: C/Davis

2. Heart of New Jersey Chorus, Inc., RA #298, Off-Premise 50/50 Raffle drawing to be held on December 4, 2022 at 18 Schoolhouse Road.

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Motion to approve was moved by C/McLaughlin; second DM/Morris.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: DM/Morris, C/Zabrosky, C/McLaughlin, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: C/Davis

3. Heart of New Jersey Chorus, Inc., RA #299, On-Premise Merchandise Raffle drawing to be held on December 4, 2022 at 18 Schoolhouse Road.

Motion to approve was moved by C/Zabrosky; second DM/Morris.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: DM/Morris, C/Zabrosky, C/McLaughlin, M/Ferro
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: C/Davis

LIAISON REPORTS:

C/Zabrosky states that CentraState is offering health service screenings including COVID-19 and flu vaccines and would be able to bring their mobile clinic to Millstone. Township Administrator states this could be done in conjunction with the Seniors meeting. C/Zabrosky will bring this up at the next Seniors meeting.

DM/Morris states that Millstone Day is Sunday, September 18th from 12-5pm at Millstone Park. There will be a lot of activities, including at least 6 food trucks, inflatables, very small car show, artifacts from the Baird Homestead and multiple live entertainment. Township Administrator states that Jackson Township lent us their recreation stage for the live entertainment.

M/Ferro states that the Fire/EMS responded to 139 calls for the month of August which included 102 medical calls, 18 motor vehicle accidents, 19 fire calls and 82 transports to various hospitals.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS:

M/Ferro expresses sympathy and condolences to the DeBlasio family. Tony DeBlasio passed away on August 1, 2022. He is the owner of Millstone Family Pharmacy and Tony’s Pharmacy in Freehold. Our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to the family.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: (Limited to ½ Hour)

Mayor Ferro opens the meeting to the public at 8:38 p.m.

Charles Boris, 60 Red Valley Rd, voices his concern with regard to the recent burglaries and if you find someone breaking into your home or car, don’t take matters into your own hands and leave it up to the police to handle.

Danielle Sims, 13 Robertsville Road, congratulates Mike and Debbie Novellino on their years of services with Millstone Township.

Stephen Barthelmes, 6 Lisa Court appreciates everything Mike Novellino has done as Chairman of the Zoning Board. As Vice Chair, he only had to cover 5 meetings since 2004, which shows Mike’s dedication to the town. Thank you and good luck.

Mayor Ferro closes the meeting to the public at 8:44 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

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Motion to adjourn was moved by C/McLaughlin; second by DM/Morris. All in Favor.

Time Out 8:44 p.m.

Audio of the meeting is available in the Municipal Clerks Office.

September 7, 2022 Township Committee Regular Meeting Minutes approved at a Township Committee meeting held on September 21, 2022.

Kathleen Hart, RMC
Municipal Clerk