

MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 3, 2024

Mayor Ferro calls the meeting to order 7:11 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 21, 2023.

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

Resolution 24-115 Authorizing the Holding of an Executive Session, at Which the Public Shall be Excluded was moved by C/Ziner; second by C/Davis.

Municipal Clerk read Resolution 24-115 Authorizing the Holding of an Executive Session, at Which the Public Shall be Excluded into the record.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion to adjourn Executive Session was moved by C/Davis second by C/Ziner. All in Favor.

Time In: 7:13 p.m.; Time Out: 8:08 p.m.

M/Ferro calls the regular meeting to order at 8:12 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.

ORDINANCE:

FIRST READING

24-06 ORDINANCE ACCEPTING CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR A PORTION OF BLOCK 16, LOT 9.10 LOCATED AT 1700 RIKE DRIVE

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: This Ordinance accepts a Conservation Easement for a portion of Block 16, Lot 9.10 upon completion of improvements and release of performance guarantees.

Motion to adopt was moved by C/Davis; second by C/Ziner.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Second reading and Public Hearing to be held on April 17, 2024 at 8:00 p.m. at the Millstone Township Meeting Room, 215 Millstone Road, Perrineville, New Jersey.

FIRST READING

24-07 ORDINANCE ACCEPTING CONSERVATION EASEMENT, SIGHT TRIANGLE EASEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY DEDICATIONS FOR BLOCK 59, LOT 9.05 LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 537 AND BURNT TAVERN ROAD

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: This Ordinance accepts a conservation easement, sight triangle easement and right-of-way dedications from Shelly Leibowitz for Block 59, Lot 9.05.

Motion to adopt was moved by C/Davis; second by C/Ziner.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Second reading and Public Hearing to be held on April 17, 2024 at 8:00 p.m. at the Millstone Township Meeting Room, 215 Millstone Road, Perrineville, New Jersey.

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.

24-116 Payment of Vouchers – April 3, 2024

Motion to adopt was moved by C/Ziner; second by C/Davis.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes – March 20, 2024

Motion to adopt was moved by C/Ziner; second by C/Davis.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

2. Executive Meeting Minutes – March 20, 2024

Motion to adopt was moved by C/Davis; second by C/Ziner.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

LIAISON REPORTS:

C/Davis reminded residents that the Annual Stream Clean-Up, sponsored by the Environmental Commission and the Watershed, is scheduled for April 13th from 9am – 12pm at 215 Millstone Road. Please register and come out to help keep the waterways clean.

C/Ziner stated that the annual Clambake for Open Space is scheduled for June 2, 2024. There are two seatings. The 1st seating is from 1pm – 3pm and the 2nd seating is from 3:30 – 5:30pm.

M/Ferro stated that a meeting has been scheduled on April 17th at 1PM with the Veterans Council and Township Administrator to discuss the Memorial Day Parade festivities. Please come out on Memorial Day to honor our Veterans. M/Ferro stated that the Fire/EMS responded to 85 calls for the month of March which included 60 medical calls, 9 motor vehicle accidents, 16 fire calls and 44 transports to various hospitals. The day shift had 55 calls and the night shift had 35 calls. M/Ferro and the Township Administrator both stated that the fire

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department responded within a very short period of time on downed trees that were blocking the road in two different sections of town. Their services are unbelievable.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Township Administrator stated that Millstone Road from Baird Road to Route 33 has been paved and Back Bone Hill Road is next. Please obey the traffic patterns.

OLD BUSINESS: None

COMMENTS FROM THE DIAS:

M/Ferro made the following announcements:

The Primary Election is June 4th from 6am – 8pm. Early Voting for the Primary Election will be from May 29th through June 2nd with the two closest locations being Manalapan Township, Monmouth County Library Headquarters, 125 Symmes Drive and Upper Freehold Township, Hope Fire Company #1, 82 Route 526, Allentown.

Millstone Township Clean Communities, the Environmental Commission and Monmouth County are sponsoring a Tire Disposal Event on April 20th from 8am – 1pm at the Department of Public Works, 899 Perrineville Road.

The Monmouth County Senior Advisory Council is holding a Community Listening Session for residents of Allentown, Millstone, Roosevelt and Upper Freehold to discuss and find solutions to challenges as you age in your home on April 12th from 10:30am – 12pm at Hope Fire Company, Allentown, NJ. You will need to preregister by April 5th.

Monmouth County Paper Shredding Events for 2024: The two closest locations are Upper Freehold Township, 314 Route 539, Cream Ridge on May 4th and Freehold Township, 1 Municipal Plaza, Freehold on September 7th. This is a free service for Monmouth County residents.

Spring Rummage Sale: April 13th from 8am – 2pm at the Community Center, hosted by the Millstone Township Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary.

Annual Spring Bulk Clean Up: April 1st with maximum allowed per household 5’x5’x5. Please visit the website for more details including items that will not be picked up. Some of the items that will not be picked up include electronics, wood pallets and mattresses, which will only be picked up if covered in clear plastic.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: (Limited to ½ Hour)

M/Ferro opens the meeting to the public at 8:24 p.m.

No public comment.

M/Ferro closes the meeting to the public at 8:24 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was moved by C/Ziner; second by C/Davis. All in Favor.

Time Out 8:25 p.m.

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

April 3, 2024 Township Committee Regular Meeting Minutes approved at a Township Committee meeting held on May 1, 2024.

Kathleen Hart, RMC
Municipal Clerk