# MINUTES TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN PUBLIC COMMITTEE MEETING August 19, 2021

Pennsauken Township Public Committee Meeting was held at the Municipal Building located at 5605 N. Crescent Blvd Pennsauken, NJ 08110 on Thursday August 19, 2021.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor DiBattista at 6:00 pm, who also called for the Salute to the Flag, to be followed by a Moment of Silence.

Mayor DiBattista announced the meeting complies with the "Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act".

The meeting commenced with a roll call by the Township Acting Clerk.

**PRESENT:** Committeeman Olivo, Committeeman Martinez, Committeewoman Roberts, Deputy Mayor Rafeh, and Mayor DiBattista

Also, present were Township Administrator Tim Killion, Acting Municipal Clerk Pamela Scott-Forman, Deputy Clerk Ana Matos and Solicitor Linda Galella, Esq.

There was no special request for electronic participation in the meeting.

**NOTE:** Meeting was streamed live on YouTube.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regular meeting August 5, 2021

Closed session minutes August 5, 2021

Committeeman Olivo moved the motion to approve meeting minutes.

Deputy Mayor Rafeh seconded the motion.

An affirmative 5/0 voice vote was recorded.

# RESOLUTION(s) (PUBLIC MAY COMMENT) The Following Resolution(s) will be considered individually

# 2021:230

RESOLUTION GRANTING RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND FORTY-EIGHT CENTS (\$ 2,407,248.48) TO BRITTIN VILLAGE, LP LOCATED AT 3911 FEDERAL STREET, BLOCK 4514, LOT 2

WHEREAS, Britton Village, LP has requested the release of a Performance Bond being held by the Township of Pennsauken for site improvement costs at the premises located at 3911 Federal Street Bock 4514, Lot 2; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board Engineer has inspected the site and has found the work performed satisfactory and in substantial conformance with the approved plan, and has recommended the release of the performance bond; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey agrees to release the Performance Bond in the amount of Two Million, Four Hundred and Seven Thousand, Two Hundred and Forty-Eight Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$ 2,407,248,48) to Brittin Village LP.

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the municipal clerk is authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Planning & Zoning Office and to Brittin Village LP, 531 Market Street, Camden, NJ 08102.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Pennsauken Township Committee.

#### Motion To Adopt:

Name	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Olivo	٧		٧			
Martinez		٧	٧			
Roberts			٧			
Rafeh			٧			
DiBattista			٧			

No Public Wished To Comment

# 2021:231

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN

**WHEREAS**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that Danielle Lippincott is hereby appointed as Tax Collector for the Township of Pennsauken; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** The Tax Collector is appointed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-142 and shall hold office for a term of four (4) years from the first day of January next following the appointment. January 1, 2021, and expire December 31, 2024; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** The Tax Collector shall be appointed by the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Township Committee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-145, et seq., the Tax Collector shall be qualified and certified as required and shall be subject to tenure rights and removal procedures as set forth in said statutory provisions.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** copies of this resolution be forwarded by the Township Clerk to Daniel Lippincott, Tax Collector and Pennsauken Township Chief Financial Officer.

# Motion To Adopt:

Name	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Olivo		٧	٧			
Martinez			٧			
Roberts	٧		٧			
Rafeh			٧			
DiBattista			٧			

No Public Wished To Comment

# RESOLUTION(s) (PUBLIC MAY COMMENT) The Following Resolution(s) will be considered by consent agenda

#### 2021:232

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT ON 3RD QUARTER PROPERTY TAXES

**WHEREAS,** the below listed overpayment for the year designated is held in reserve by The Township of Pennsauken; and

**WHEREAS,** the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2021 was paid by both University Title and Corelogic creating an overpayment; and,

WHEREAS, Corelogic has requested the overpayment to be refunded back to them.

**NOW, THEREFOR, BE TI RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the following overpayment be refunded to Corelogic.

CORELOGIC 3001 HACKBERRY RD IRVING, TX 75063

REFUND TO:	BLOCK	LOT	AMOUNT	QUARTER	YEAR
CORELOGIC	3503	7	\$2,237.29	3 <sup>RD</sup>	2021

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That a certified copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Township of Pennsauken Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer by the Township Clerk.

#### 2021:233

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF CROSSING GUARD (Lori Santino)

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken in the County of Camden and the State of New Jersey that Lori Santino has resigned from her position of Crossing Guard. No refund is due.

Lori Santino 3006 Gladwyn Avenue Pennsauken, NJ 08109

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the Chief Financial Officer, Chief of Police and Human Resources.

### 2021:234

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF CROSSING GUARD (Nora Thompson)

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken in the County of Camden and the State of New Jersey that Nora Thompson has resigned from her position of Crossing Guard. No refund is due.

Nora Thompson 7411 River Road Pennsauken, NJ 08110

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the Chief Financial Officer, Chief of Police and Human Resources.

#### 2021:235

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF RAFFLE LICENSE TO GENESIS COUNSELING CENTER, INC.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the Township Clerk is authorized to issue a Raffle License to the following and is hereby authorized to waive the Township fees associated with said license:

Name: Genesis Counseling Center, Inc.

Address: 566 Haddon Avenue Collingswood, NJ 08108

Where Event Is Being Held: Cooper River Park, Pennsauken, NJ

Date of Event: September 25, 2021

Township License #: RA21:02 (baskets)

State Registration ID -90-5-41388

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that background affidavits on the Officers and the Member in Charge have been received and the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to issue said license upon the approval of the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission (LGCCC).

#### 2021:236

RESOLUTION FOR UNPAID MUNICIPAL CHARGES FOR EXAMPLE BUT NOT LIMITED TO GRASSCUTTING, CLEAN-UP AND BOARD-UP; ESTABLISH A FINAL BILLING; IMPOSE MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENTS; ENFORCE THROUGH TAX SALE; AND IMPOSE MUNICIPAL LIENS.

**WHEREAS**, The Township of Pennsauken has incurred an expense in the year(s) 2021 against various properties within the Township for failure of the property owner to comply with Municipal Ordinances concerning the condition of their property, and;

**WHEREAS**, The Township is empowered under N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.13; N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.14; AND, N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.5(F)(2), to impose a Lien for the recovery of those monies expended by the Municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of

Pennsauken, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the attached list of properties designated by Block and Lot number, the owner of record and mailing address of record. The amount listed constitutes a demand by the Township for payment by the property owner for the cost incurred by the Municipality.

**BE IT FURTHUR RESOLVED**, if payment for the Municipal assessment is not received in full to the Township of Pennsauken, C/O Danielle Lippincott, Tax Collector, 5605 North Crescent Boulevard, Pennsauken, New Jersey 08110 that the Municipal Assessment will be enforced by Tax Sale, becoming a Municipal Lien in accordance with New Jersey State Statue.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the Tax Collector and the Chief Financial Officer by the Township Clerk

#### 2021:237

RESOLUTION FOR UNPAID MUNICIPAL CHARGES FOR GRASSCUTTING (2020); AND ESTABLISH A FINAL BILLING; IMPOSE MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENTS; ENFORCE THROUGH TAX SALE; AND IMPOSE MUNICIPAL LIENS.

**WHEREAS**, The Township of Pennsauken has incurred an expense in the year(s) 2021 against various properties within the Township for failure of the property owner to comply with Municipal Ordinances concerning the condition of their property, and;

**WHEREAS**, The Township is empowered under N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.13; N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.14; AND, N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.5(F)(2), to impose a Lien for the recovery of those monies expended by the Municipality.

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#### 2021:238

RESOLUTION FOR UNPAID MUNICIPAL CHARGES FOR GRASSCUTTING (2021); AND ESTABLISH A FINAL BILLING; IMPOSE MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENTS; ENFORCE THROUGH TAX SALE; AND IMPOSE MUNICIPAL LIENS.

**WHEREAS**, The Township of Pennsauken has incurred an expense in the year(s) 2021 against various properties within the Township for failure of the property owner to comply with Municipal Ordinances concerning the condition of their property, and;

WHEREAS, The Township is empowered under N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.13; N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.14; AND, N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.5(F)(2), to impose a Lien for the recovery of those monies expended by the Municipality.

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the Tax Collector and the Chief Financial Officer by the Township Clerk

#### 2021:239

RESOLUTION APPOINTING EDDIE DAVILA TO THE UNEXPIRED TERM ON THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AS ALTERNATE No. 2 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden and the State of New Jersey that the following individual is hereby appointed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as Alternate No. 2 member for an unexpired term expiring December 31, 2021.

#### **Eddie Davila**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution will be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the Chief Financial Officer, Zoning Officer and Eddie Davila.

## Motion To Adopt:

Name	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Olivo		٧	٧			
Martinez			٧			
Roberts	٧		٧			
Rafeh			٧			
DiBattista			٧			

No Public Wished To Comment

# **CONFERENCE ITEMS / ITEM OF DISCUSSION - NONE**

# **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

#### July 2021

 Budgeted
 \$ 1,804,253.88

 Statutory Expenditures
 \$ 9,675.08

 Section 8
 \$ 46,077.02

Committeeman Martinez moved the motion to approve payment of the bills. Committeewoman Roberts seconded the motion.

An affirmative 5/0 voice vote was recorded.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORT(s) - NONE**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE**

Committeeman Martinez moved the motion to close the floor for public comment. Committeewoman Roberts seconded the motion.

An affirmative 5/0 voice vote was recorded.

#### **COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

# **Mayor DiBattista**

- Covid numbers unfortunately are climbing back up. We need to stay vigilant and continue to work together.
- Please continue to wash your hands, social distancing and using a mask when needed.
   Please stay as safe as possible together we can make it through.

# **Deputy Mayor Rafeh**

- Our thoughts and prayers for everyone going through this disease. We are with you all.
- Please stay safe. Covid-19 is not gone yet, and we need to continue to work together.
- September 4<sup>th</sup> we are having an "End of Summer Pool Party" for Pool members only. Hours are 12 pm-8 pm with pool time and 5 pm-7 pm music and food.
- September 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:45pm we will have a "Flag Placement Ceremony" for all the victims of 911.
- September 19<sup>th</sup> will be our annual "Car Show" on Maple Ave from 10 am- 4 pm please join us.

# **Committeewoman Roberts**

- Thank to everyone who supported Lemonade for Change fundraiser. We had a great turn out
- There is a free School supply event on Park Ave it is first come first serve. We know times are hard and everyone needs a hand.

#### **Committeeman Martinez**

- Environmental Commission has a cleanup event on August 29<sup>th</sup> at 10 am and on August 26, 2021, from 5:30 pm-8 pm they have an event for Trail Fun Night. Please visit their website for more information.
- Fall sports are ongoing please register if you would like your child to participate. We have Soccer, Football and Baseball.

# **Committeeman Olivo**

- Pennsauken Creek clean up are fun please join to help Pennsauken stay clean.
- Thank you to Public Works for answering a cleanup call from the past storm. Residents were safe and tree was removed.
- Thank you to Joe Scavuzzo, for the facility tour.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Committeewoman Roberts moved the motion to Adjourn. Committeeman Olivo seconded the motion. An affirmative 5/0 voice vote was recorded.

TIME: 6:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deputy Clerk, Ana Matos

**ADOPTED: September 2, 2021**