

**BOROUGH OF PENNS GROVE
COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM
VIA VIDEO TELECONFERENCE (VTC)
JANUARY 17, 2023 MINUTES**

STATEMENT: In accordance with Section V of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231 P.L. 1975, Notice of this meeting was posted on the Borough of Penns Grove Municipal Bulletin Board designed for that purpose. Notice was also posted on the Borough of Penns Grove website: www.pennsgrove-nj.org and was emailed to the official newspaper as provided by Resolution. This September 5, 2023 meeting is being held via “Zoom” online meeting platform.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Thomas

INVOCATION: Mandy Renner, Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Carter – present, Marinaro – present, Martin – present, Rambo – present, Scott – present, Worley – absent

MINUTES:

October 18, 2022 – Regular Session

Motion to adopt **Scott** Second **Marinaro** – motion passed

PAYMENT OF BILLS & APPROVAL OF BILL LIST:

Motion to adopt: Martin Second: Scott – motion passed

Presentation- USDA Grant – 413 USDA Grant for community center, requires a public hearing regarding project, engineer, design, contractor is included in the cost. Location – rehab project (Community Center), Timeline – depends on evaluation

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION BY CONSENT:

2023-1-25 – RESOLUTION CANCELING TAX OVERPAYMENTS FOR DELINQUENT AMOUNTLESSTHAN \$10.00

2023-1-26 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMPENSATION TO THE BOROUGH FOR DELINQUENT TAX PAYMENTS

2023-1-27 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY SALARY INCREASE FOR DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

2023-1-28 – EMERGENCY TEMPORARY RESOLUTION N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20

Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-1-25 through 2023-1-28 by consent: Marinaro Second: Martin – motion passed

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION

2023-1 – A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SALARY ORDINANCE

Motion to adopt by Title only Scott second Marinaro – motion passed

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Buildings & Grounds (Worley, Carter, D. Scott): Mr. Tarver – Renovation for Tax Collector – put out bid to redo offices; waiting on third bid for insurance company

General Government/Finance/Personnel (A. Scott, Worley, Marinaro): Everbridge agreement to let community know what is going on

Housing/Zoning & Planning (Marinaro, Worley, Rambo): Full Time Position in Housing

Recreation/Board of Health (Carter, A. Scott, D. Scott): Scott- Rec moving to first Monday every month and looking for volunteers; Covid/Flu immunizations at House of Wright 4 to 6 PM

Public Works/Streets & Roads (Rambo, Marinaro, A. Scott):

Public Safety (D. Scott, Rambo, Carter): Grievance has been settled

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Business Administrator Report: Shared Services agreement, Carneys Point still could not explain 70,000 fees; 64,000 gap; Direct Waste Services will be the new trash company - \$27,500 per month - \$200,000 savings from CP; trash on Thursdays, Recycle on Friday and bulk once a month; Brush/Plow in house; Townhall meetings will be taking place; BA within next 10 days

Finance Officer Report: Edmunds was rolled over; tax budget was inputted

Public Safety Director Report: Mr. Rivera – Warrant recall – The Hubble; December numbers have been done; accidents have been up (County Roads) year to year comparison next meeting; House suspected of selling drug – needs to be investigated; Delaware Ave

Fire Chief Report

Ambulance/EMS Captain Report

Attorney Report: 1/19/23 Expungement Event with the County , Borough will be doing their own event; sponsor a housing seminar

Mayoral Comments: MLK Silver Run event; Townhall January 31 at 6 PM re: Barber Ave Park

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 2023-1-28 – SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Washington - Communication on trash; tomorrow Covid/Flu shots, Free hot meal \$25/\$50 gift cards 4 to 6 PM

Greg Martin, Spruce Street – People need to start using trashcans not just put trash out; Crossing guards – absent will cop was just sitting in car wash back up people for crossing guard

Joyce Martin, 51 Penn Street – trailer in road at 110 Pittman – trash all over

Mayor – Board of Health back together

Vivian, Bay Street - Give an incentive to keep roads clean; flooding on Bay St

Mr. Tarver- Storm water system – 3 engineers stated due to geographic flooding will not be able to stop

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting Martin Second Scott

NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2023 AT 6:30 P.M

MINUTES NOT VERBATIM

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