

Upper Pittsgrove Township

September 14, 2021

A regular meeting of the Upper Pittsgrove Township Committee was held in the Township Hall on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Edward Meschi reading the public announcement stating that adequate notice had been given provided under the “Open Public Meetings Act” with a flag salute and the following present:

Edward Meschi	Committeeman
David Zeck	“
Jack Cimprich	“
Michael J. Seery, Sr.	“
Bruce Bishop	“
Susan DeFrancesco	CFO
Brian Coles	Public Works Superintendent
& Township Visitors	

Cimprich moved that the minutes of the August 10, 2021 regular meeting be approved as received which motion was seconded by Seery adopted unanimously.

The following monies were received from:

Susan DeFrancesco, Tax Collector – Taxes Collected	\$2,370,130.85
- Tax Collector Redemption Checks	19,683.94
Linda R. Stephens - Zoning Permits	60.00
- CO	200.00
- White Goods	224.00
- Convenience Center Stickers	14.00
- Marriage License	84.00
- Certified Copies	40.00
Timothy O'Donnell – Fire Safety Fees	45.00
State of New Jersey – Uniform Safety	2,428.08
- FERT #1	200,148.30
Pilesgrove Joint Court - Court Costs	1,632.08
C & H – Hauling Refund	2,550.00
Camden Iron – Recycling	1,153.71
Garden State Homes – Pad Fees	1,600.00
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on NOW	260.54
First National Bank of Elmer - Int. on MMA	<u>588.59</u>
TOTAL	\$2,600,843.09

The Treasurer's report showed the following balance as of August 31, 2021:

Current Fund - Checking Account	\$ 464,982.21
Current Fund - Money Market Account	3,290,371.76
Alt. Landfill Closure Escrow Fund	38,506.70
Capital Improvement Fund	992,901.81
COAH Developer's Fees Escrow Fund	95,433.26
COAH Twp. Contribution	325,102.06
Farmland Preservation Fund	102,635.31
Municipal Alliance Trust Fund	7,700.04
Veterans Memorial Fund	<u>654.59</u>
Total	\$5,493,869.24

Seery moved that the approved bills listed on the "BILL PAYING LIST" as presented to the Committee be paid which motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery – Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi – Yes

Boy Scout, Dylan Tuthill, Troop #38 gave an Eagle Scout presentation to the Township Committee. He was proposing to construct and locate an all metal B17 replica plane at the Veteran's Monument to honor the bomber pilots and radio operators from World War II, of which his grandfather was a member. Dylan went on to explain that the plane was being constructed in such a way that no upkeep would be required.

Seery made a motion to grant Dylan Tuthill permission to complete his Eagle Scout project at the Township Veteran's Memorial. This motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted unanimously.

Cimprich introduced "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBURGH, COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING ORDINANCE 2021-3 ENTITLED 'ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES'" known as Ordinance 2021-6.

Cimprich moved that this ordinance be approved on first reading and that a copy of this ordinance be published in the *South Jersey Times* issue of September 17, 2021 together with a notice of its introduction and a public hearing to be held at the Township Hall on October 12, 2021 at 7:00PM.

This motion was seconded by Seery and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi - Yes

Cimprich introduced "RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBURGH GRANTING A CORRECTION OF ERRORS" known as R-47-2021.

Cimprich moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi – Yes  
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Township Committeeman Cimprich informed the Township Committee that there were two vacancies on the Ag Advisory Board and made a motion that William Gantz and Edward Meschi

be appointed to those vacated seats. This motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi – Abstain

Bishop introduced “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT RENEWING MEMBERSHIP IN THE GLOUCESTER, SALEM, CUMBERLAND COUNTIES MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND” known as R-48-2021.

Bishop moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi -

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBORO GRANTING DISABLED VETERAN STATUS TO KENNETH ALLAN STANLEY” known as R-49-2021.

Seery moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi - Yes

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION APPOINTING A DEPUTY REGISTRAR” R-50-2021

Seery moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi - Yes

Cimprich introduced “RESOLUTION AWARDING QUOTE FOR CERTIFIED OUTBOUND SURVEYS AS REQUIRED FOR THE PLANNING INCENTIVE GRANT” R-51-2021

Cimprich moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Seery and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Abstain      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Abstain      Meschi - Yes

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION AWARDING QUOTE FOR TITLE/SETTLEMENT WORK AS REQUIRED FOR THE PLANNING INCENTIVE GRANT” R-52-2021

Seery moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Cimprich and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Abstain      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Abstain      Meschi – Yes

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Cimprich introduced “RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBORO ACCEPTING THE FORM OF REPLACEMENT PERFORMANCE SURETY BOND POSTED BY UPLAT DEVELOPMENT, LLC

AFFECTING A PARCEL KNOWN AS BLOCK 6, LOTS 17, 18 AND 19 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBORO, COUNTY OF SALEM, STATE OF NEW JERSEY” R-43-2021

Cimprich moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi – Yes

Seery introduced “RESOLUTION TO REFUND MONEY TO HOLLY VIEW CORP % PERLMUTTER DUE TO ASSESSMENT DECREASE DUE TO FARMALND QUALIFIED LAND; BLOCK 4 LOTS 5, 8.01 + 8.03” R-54-2021

Seery moved that this Resolution be adopted, which motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Cimprich – Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Meschi - Yes

The Township Committee has received a petition addressing safety concerns regarding the intersection of Route 77 and Glassboro Road. After a brief discussion, Seery made a motion to authorize the Clerk to compose a letter to the New Jersey Department of Transportation. This motion was seconded by Bishop and adopted unanimously.

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public for comment. Business owners, Mary Coombs and Dawn Clark asked the Township Committee to grant A Garden Party relief from the existing Ordinance 2021-3. Mrs. Clark stated that A Garden Party had two weddings booked for October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> and wanted the capabilities of offering their clients the option to have wine or beer at their events. Their attorney, Emily McDonough had submitted the request in a letter dated September 14, 2021 to the Township Committee earlier in the afternoon requesting the same. The Mayor said he was not sure if granting relief was possible, and authorized the Clerk to consult with the Township Attorney.

Bishop introduced the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Pittsgrove that the public shall be excluded from the following portion of this meeting during which time the Township Committee will discuss a subject for which the general nature is Personnel and Contract Negotiations. It is estimated that the time when, and the circumstances under which, the discussion conducted in closed session can be disclosed to the public is at the conclusion of the issue.

Zeck moved that this resolution be adopted which motion was seconded by Seery and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Meschi - Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Cimprich – Yes  
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#### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Pittsgrove at a meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021.

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Linda R. Stephens, Clerk

Cimprich moved that the next portion of the meeting be opened to the public. This motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted unanimously.

Cimprich made a motion authorize Public Works Superintendent, Brian Coles to issue a written warning to Public Works Truck Driver Cody Hamilton. This motion was seconded by Zeck and adopted upon a call of the roll.

Bishop - Yes      Meschi - Yes      Seery - Yes      Zeck – Yes      Cimprich – Yes

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to meet at the call of the Mayor.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Stephens, Clerk