

## HAINESPORT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES January 4, 2022 7:00 P.M.

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of January 4, 2022 with instructions for internet access was included in a meeting notice sent to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post On January 6, 2021 and advertised in said newspapers on January 8, 2021, and January 9, 2021 respectively posted on the website and the bulletin board in the municipal building on January 9, 2021 and has remained continuously posted as required under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. FLAG SALUTE

Mayor MacLachlan directed the Fire Company to do their presentation at this time.

### 3. PRESENTATION

A. Hainesport Fire Company – Purchase of New Pumper Truck

Office of Emergency Management Coordinator/Fire Department Volunteer Bill Challender and Volunteer Fire Chief Shaun Bozarth reported on their 2 1/2 years of investigation and findings in the search for a new pumper truck. They have been working with their Committee liaisons and engineers as well. They presented literature to the Committee on the Pierce pumper truck that will replace the old one and function as a rescue vehicle. This will prove very advantageous since the number of volunteer firefighters is down. One vehicle can be taken to a scene and function for two purposes. The price will be approximately \$713,000 through the National Coop. We can trade in our old vehicles to help with the cost. Mayor MacLachlan asked how we would pay for the new truck. Ms. Kosko answered we can do a Capital Ordinance which will take two months or Bond for it. Mr. Levinson asked about the need to replace equipment per State requirements and about the need for a ladder truck. Chief Bozarth responded that the vehicles have a retirement age according to NFPA. After that, there is no trade-in value. Also, our ISO insurance rates could go up if we keep using a vehicle past 15 years. We have 2 ladder trucks that respond to our calls from Westampton and Mt. Laurel, so we do not need a ladder truck. We respond to calls for the other towns as well with our equipment. Mr. Montgomery mentioned the ladder truck issue affecting the ISO rating in relation to affordable housing. It sounds like the rating should not be affected then. Mrs. Gilmore asked about the \$700,000 piece of equipment that we refurbished. She wanted to know if it will be traded in. Chief Bozarth said no, it is still in good condition. Mayor MacLachlan asked how long it would take to get the new truck. Chief Bozarth answered about 19 months. Mr. Clauss added that buying it now would lock in the price, and guarantee the trade-in values if we trade in where we buy. Ms. Kosko suggested we prepare an Ordinance to secure the funding for the new truck.

- 4. **ROLL CALL -** present were Mayor MacLachlan, Committeeman Clauss, Committeeman Levinson, Committeewoman Gilmore and Committeeman Montgomery. Also present were Township Clerk/Administrator Paula Kosko and Attorney John Gillespie.
- 5. MINUTES

#### A. APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF DECEMBER 14, 2021

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

#### 6. **REPORTS**

- A. Tax Collector December 2021, 4th Quarter 2021, Year End 2021
- B. Code Enforcement December 2021
- C. Fire Official December 2021
- D. Construction December 2021, Year End 2021
- E. Emergency Services Reports December 2021

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeeman Levinson. All yes.

# 7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – Non-Ordinance Agenda items only (Comments are limited to 5 minutes)

**Anna Evans,** 63 Parry Drive (online) – asked which other towns the Mayor had heard there were Builder's Remedy lawsuits. **Mayor MacLachlan** answered he spoke to Moorestown and Mt. Laurel. The Marne Highway project, which was part of the towns affordable housing settlement agreement, brought in 800 more residents, 20% of which is affordable housing.

#### 8. RESOLUTIONS

A. **RESOLUTION 2022-32-1** – Establishing the 2022 Temporary Budget

Motion: Committeeman Levinson. Second: Committeeman Clauss. All yes.

B. **RESOLUTION 2022-33-1** – Authorizing Transfer of Plenary Retail Distribution License from Hainesport Wine & Liquor, Inc. to Charlie's Wine & Liquor, Inc.

Motion: Committeeman Levinson. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

C. **RESOLUTION 2022-34-1** – Authorizing a Long Term Financial Agreement Between the Township of Hainesport and BTC III Hainesport Logistics Center Urban Renewal LLC for Property Located Within the Route 38-Marne Highway Redevelopment Area and Specifically Known as Block 42, Lots 1, 1.01, 1.03, 2 and 2.01 Pursuant to the New Jersey Long-Term Tax Exemption Law, <u>N.J.S.A</u> 40A:20-1 *et seq*. **Mr. Clauss** said he is stunned at the benefits of this project. It is cleaning up a problem site and bringing in revenue. He thanked Paula Kosko, John Gillespie and Jim Mancini for their hard work. **Mayor MacLachlan** said that we will be receiving millions in tax dollars for the entire township. **Mr. Montgomery** added that once cleaned up, this will be a great local ratable.

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

#### 9. **BUSINESS**

A. Approval of Business Licenses (See Attached)

Motion: Committeeman Montgomery. Second: Committeeman Levinson. All yes.

#### 10. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (Comments are limited to 5 minutes)

Anna Evans, 63 Parry Drive – congratulated Leila Gilmore on her excellent term as Mayor.

#### 11. COMMENTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

**Ms. Kosko** congratulated the Committee on their appointments and looks forward to working with the staff, professionals and the Governing Body.

#### 12. COMMENTS FROM THE SOLICITOR

**Mr. Gillespie** thanked the Committee for reappointing him. He looks forward to working with them in the New Year.

#### 13. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

**Committeeman Montgomery** congratulated Gerry Clauss and Bruce MacLachlan. He also thanked Leila Gilmore for her great job as Mayor last year. He reminded residents that we have free radon tests available. He thanked Chief Bozarth for driving Santa around in the fire truck. He commented that our construction office processed 457 permits last year, approximately 1.25/day for \$15 million dollars' worth of improvements to town. Hainesport is a small but mighty town.

**Committeeman Clauss** thanked everyone for having confidence in him. It is an honor to serve. He congratulated Bruce MacLachlan, Leila Gilmore and the great crew we work with.

**Committeeman Levinson** said it is a privilege to serve on the Committee. He is committed to the town and things are looking up for Hainesport in the New Year.

**Committeewoman Gilmore** congratulated Gerry Clauss and Bruce MacLachlan. She thanked all for attending. She recognized the great deal of effort put forth by everyone in the building. She listed some upcoming events:

Sr. Citizen meetings every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at the Street Community Center.

Jan  $21^{st}$  - 10 am Storytime at the Street Center for ages 2 1/2 to 5 years old – if you would like to volunteer to read, please contact Donna Casey in the Recreation Department at extension 121.

February 12 - The Hearts to Give shoebox project. They fill shoeboxes with personal items to benefit the homeless in the area. They are working with a church Mt. Holly that serves the homeless. Drop off will be at the Street Center 10 am -12 pm.

We are a Township that is moving forward with new ideas new programs and new successes.

**Mayor MacLachlan** thanked Leila for the great job she did as Mayor. He gained a lot of respect for her seeing her involvement with the Township. He hopes she continues to be just as involved. He looks forward to running together this year. He thanked the Committee, all the people in the building, John Gillespie and the other professionals.

#### 14. BILL LIST

Motion: Committeeman Levinson. Second: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

#### 15. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:24 P. M.

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeeman Levinson. All yes.

Respectfully Submitted, Paula L. Kosko Administrator/Municipal Clerk

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