

FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

January 23, 2023

At 7:15 p.m. the Township Committee met in Mayor's caucus of the municipal building. Mayor Walker read the following statement:

"In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting was announced on January 9, 2023 by: 1.) posting a notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building reserved for that purpose, 2.) by mailing such notice to the offices of the official newspapers of the Township and 3.) by filing such notice with the Township Clerk".

In Attendance: Committeeman Ammiano, Committeeman Cook,
Committeeman Preston, Committeewoman Fasano
Mayor Walker

Absent: None

Also in attendance: Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Mr. Ball
Esq. Township Attorney; Mrs. Abouzeina, Municipal
Clerk, Mrs. Bartolomeo, Deputy Clerk

Mr. Ball read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from meetings of public bodies in certain circumstances which are set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b); and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Freehold is of the opinion that such circumstances currently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Freehold as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from the discussion of any action upon the hereinafter specified matters
2. The nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

1. PERSONNEL

1A. Employee Dedications

2. ATTORNEY -CLIENT PRIVILEGE

- 2A. Ordinance Amendment
- 2B. Affordable Housing
- 2C. Pending Litigation

3. It is anticipated at this time the above-stated subject matter will be made public approximately thirty (30) days or at such time as any litigation discussed is resolved

The foregoing resolution was moved by Mr. Cook and seconded by Mr. Preston

VOTE:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, and Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

At 7:16 pm, the Township Committee adjourned to Executive Session.

Executive Session adjourned at 7:57 pm.

At 8:00pm, the Regular Meeting was called to order.

Mayor Walker re-read the following statement:

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Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance

In Attendance: Committeeman Ammiano, Committeeman Cook, Committeewoman Fasano, Committeeman Preston and Mayor Walker

Absent: None

Also in attendance: Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Mr. Ball Esq., Township Attorney; Mrs. Abouzeina, Municipal Clerk and Mrs. Bartolomeo, Deputy Clerk

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mr. Preston moved to approve the Reorganization Meeting Minutes 1/6/2023 seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mr. Preston, and Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Mrs. Fasano

REPORTS

Mrs. Abouzeina read the report of the Tax Collector for the Month of December 2022:

Net Receipt:	General Fund	\$1,121,797.62
	Water Account	\$ 669,533.75
	Sewer Account	\$ 858,158.54

PRESENTATIONS

R-23-27 – Resolution Appointing Kara Antonides as Police Officer

Mr. Preston read Resolution R-23-27, and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston and Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN:None

Oath of Office – Kara Antonides

Mayor Walker read the Biography/ Background for the police officer.
Mayor Walker administrated the Oath of the office.

Certificates of Achievement – Freehold Township High School 2022 Gymnastics Team

Each Gymnast received a day named in their Honor Presented by Mayor Walker

Certificates of Achievement – Freehold Township High School 2022 Girls Soccer Team

Each Soccer Player received a day named in their Honor Presented by Mayor Walker

NEW BUSINESS

R-23-28 - Resolution Approving Consolidated Bills List

Mr. Ammiano read Resolution R-23-28, the Consolidated Bills List in the amount of \$2,427,413.68 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston and Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN:None

O-23-1 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 51 (Police Department), Section 51-6 (Qualifications of Applicants for Membership) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mr. Preston moved ordinance O-23-1 for public hearing to the Township Committee meeting of February 21, 2023 seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston and Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN:None

O-23-2 – Ordinance Amending Chapter 190 (Land Use), Article VI (Site Plan Procedure), Section 190-37 (Applicability) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mr. Ammiano moved ordinance O-23-2 for public hearing to the Township Committee meeting of February 21, 2023 seconded by Mr. Cook

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston and Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN:None

FORMAL ACTION – CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

Matters listed under the items of “Consent Agenda” are required to conduct the day-to-day operations of the Township, and will be enacted by one (1) motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion of any item is desired, that item will be considered separately

R-23-29 – Resolution Authorizing an Affordability Assistance Loan Repayment Agreement with the Buyer of an Affordable Housing Unit at 2509 Wyeth Drive

R-23-30 – Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with Highland Park Borough for Information Technology Services

R-23-31 – Resolution Authorizing 2022 Budget Transfers

R-23-32 – Resolution Awarding Contracts for the Furnishing and Delivery of Water/Sewer Chemicals

R-23-33 – Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Duplicate Tax Sale Certificate

R-23-34 - Resolution Approving Wireless Communication Facilities
Modification Application For Centerline Communications, LLC for
AT&T, 4340 Route 9 South, (Approximately ½ Mile South of the
Intersection of US Route 9 with Craig Road/East Freehold Road and
within the Rear Yard of the Existing Optimum Facility), Block 4, Lot
42, Application No. WCFMA 19-22

R-23-35 – Resolution Authorizing Conditional Release of Performance
Guarantees for Freehold Business & Technology Park, Site Plan No.
657-99 (Phase I), Block 49, Lot 46.031, Located on Willow Brook
Road

Mr. Cook read the Consent Agenda resolutions and moved them for adoption,
seconded by Mr. Preston

Vote:

AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Fasano, Mr. Preston, Mayor Walker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

There being no further business, Mayor Walker asked for any comments or
questions from the public.

There were no comments from the public, Mayor Walker asked for any
comments from the dais.

Mr. Preston congratulated the new police officer, the gymnastics team, and the
girl's soccer team.

Mr. Cook said ditto to Mr. Preston Comments.

Mayor Walker Adjourned the Meeting at 8:31pm

Sanabel Abouzeina, Township Clerk