

# FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

## WORKSHOP MEETING

April 4, 2023

At 7:00 p.m., the Township Committee met in room 214 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, Committeewoman Fasano, Mayor Walker

**Absent:** Committeeman Preston

**Also, in attendance:** Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Ms. Mladinov, Executive Secretary; Mr. Ball, Esq., Township Attorney; Mrs. Abouzeina, Municipal Clerk

Mr. Cook 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. Youth Guidance Council Membership Interview
- 1B. Volunteer Board & Commission Members
- 1C. Departmental Structure and Promotions

### **2. PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS**

- 2A. Various Updates

### **3. ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE**

- 3A. Land Bank

4. 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 Mrs. Fasano

Vote:

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Preston

**ABSTAIN:** None

At 7:00 p.m., the Township Committee adjourned to executive session.

Executive Session adjourned at 7:50 pm.

At 8:00 p.m., the Workshop Meeting was called to order.

Mayor Walker re-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”.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

**Absent:** Committeeman Preston

**Also, in attendance:** Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Ms. Mladinov, Executive Secretary; Mr. Ball, Esq., Township Attorney; Mrs. Abouzeina, Municipal Clerk

### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Mr. Cook moved to approve the Workshop and Executive Meeting Minutes 3/7/2023 seconded by Mr. Ammiano

Vote:

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Preston

**ABSTAIN:** None

### **REPORTS**

ABC Social Affair Permit – VFW Post 3474 Fundraiser – 50 Waterworks Road - 4/20/23 – From 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

ABC Social Affair Permit – Freehold Township Day at Michael J. Tighe Park – 7/8/23; Rain Date 7/16/23 – From 12:00 noon to 11:59 p.m.

Mrs. Abouzeina stated the Social Affair Permits were in order and approved by the Chief of Police

### **NEW BUSINESS**

R-23-75 - Resolution Approving Consolidated Bills List

Mrs. Fasano read Resolution R-23-75, the Consolidated Bills List in the amount of \$5,353,616.19 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

Vote:

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Preston

**ABSTAIN:** None

O-23-7 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 190 (Land Use), Article XIII (Zone Regulations), Section 190-142.1 (ML-12 – Moderate- and Low-Income Housing Zone – 12,500 Square Feet) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mr. Cook moved ordinance O-23-7 for Public Hearing to the Township Committee meeting of April 25, 2023, seconded by Mr. Ammiano

Vote:

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Preston

**ABSTAIN:** None

O-23-8 – An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Block 32.05, Lots 6 and 7 Located at 353 and 355 East Freehold Road

Mr. Cook moved ordinance O-23-8 for Public Hearing to the Township Committee meeting of April 25, 2023, seconded by Mr. Ammiano

Vote:

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Preston

**ABSTAIN:** None

### **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 is desired of any item, that item will be considered separately.”

R-23-76 – Resolution Disbursing an Overpayment of Taxes

R-23-77 - Resolution Authorizing the Township of Freehold, through the Freehold Township Police Department, to Participate in the Defense Logistics Agency, Law Enforcement Support Enforcement Support Office, 1033 Program to Enable the Freehold Township Police Department to Request and Acquire Excess Department of Defense Equipment

R-23-78 – Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Sports Camp Director Services as an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service

R-23-79 – Resolution Authorizing Execution of Stand Still Agreement for Foreclosure Rights at Block 49.37, Lot 1

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

Vote:

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Preston

**ABSTAIN:** None

**Motion**

Mr. Cook moved to appoint Margaret Hass as a member for the Youth Guidance Council, seconded by Mr. Ammiano

Vote:

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** Mr. Preston

**ABSTAIN:** None

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

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

There being no comments from the dais, Mayor Walker adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

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Sanabel Abouzeina, Township Clerk