

December 27, 2021  
Municipal Building  
121 Evergreen Road  
New Egypt, NJ 08533

The special meeting of the Plumsted Township Committee of December 27, 2021 was called to order by Mayor Marinari.

**STATEMENT:** "This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act." It was presented for publication to the Asbury Park Press and Trenton Times and posted on the Bulletin Board.

Deputy Clerk Cicero read the following statement regarding remote meetings:

Please be advised that this meeting is being held in person and remotely according to DLGS guidelines as presented in Resolution No. 2020–351 that was adopted at the December 28, 2020 Township Committee meeting. Participants' audio will be muted until the public comment portion of the meeting. We ask that each participant mute themselves as well to avoid any interference in the recorded meeting.

There will be an opportunity for public comment during the meeting which shall be limited to 5 minutes per person. At the time you wish to make public comment, you may unmute yourself accordingly.

Should there be any disruption from the public during the meeting, they will be warned and should the conduct continue, they will be muted or removed from the public meeting.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**THOSE OFFICIALS PRESENT WERE:**

COMMITTEEMAN BOWEN COMMITTEEMAN GRILLETTO COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA  
DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK MAYOR MARINARI ATTORNEY ZABARSKY DEPUTY CLERK  
CICERO

BA/Clerk Witham and Chief Meroney attended via Zoom.

Mayor Marinari asked everyone to rise for the flag salute followed by a moment of silence.

Marinari said there is no need for an Executive Session.

Marinari called the workshop session of the meeting to order. He asked for any comments about the agenda from the committee. There were none.

Marinari called the regular session of the meeting to order.

**MINUTES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:** none

**PRESENTATIONS:** none

**CORRESPONDENCE:** none

**ORDINANCE: Second Reading and Public Hearing –** none

**ORDINANCE: Introduction –** none

**RESOLUTION CONSENT AGENDA:**

**THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ON A CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE AND SHALL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. SHOULD ANY MEMBER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SEEK SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF ANY ITEM, THAT ITEM SHALL BE REMOVED AND DISCUSSED SEPARATELY. THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WILL BE VOTED ON IN ONE VOTE.**

RESOLUTION NO. 2021–358 – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED AND EASTERN ARMORED CAR SERVICES, INC.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021–359 – AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MONMOUTH WIRE & COMPUTER RECYCLING, INC. TO PROVIDE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING SERVICES TO PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP FOR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-360 – APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF DEFIBRILLATORS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM SOUTH TOMS RIVER EMS

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-361 – AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE LAND USE BOARD RECOMMENDATION TO GRANT A 2022 SOIL REMOVAL EXCAVATION AND MINING LICENSE TO EXCAVATING MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT, INC.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-362 – AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONWIDE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH JOHNSON & JOHNSON, MCKESSON, CARDINAL HEALTH AND AMERISOURCEBERGEN TO RESOLVE CLAIMS INVOLVING THEIR ROLES IN THE COUNTRY’S OPIOID CRISIS

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-363 – TO CANCEL PROPERTY TAXES FOR 2022 DUE TO EXEMPT STATUS AS PER THE LENNAR PILOT PROGRAM

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-364 – AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH POLICEAPP.COM FOR ONLINE RECRUITMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-365 – AUTHORIZING MEMBERS OF THE PLUMSTED POLICE DEPARTMENT TO UTILIZE EXPIRES FLOATING HOLIDAYS AND UNUSED VACATION HOURS IN 2022

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-366 – AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-367 – APPOINTING CHRISTOPHER ROSE AS THE CONSTRUCTION CODE OFFICIAL AND PLUMBING INSPECTOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-368 – APPOINTING DENA KAISER AS THE ZONING OFFICER FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-369 – APPOINTING KEVIN SCHMALZ AS THE FIRE SUBCODE OFFICIAL/INSPECTOR AND PLUMBING SUBCODE OFFICIAL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-370 – APPOINTING STANLEY PANDZA AS THE BUILDING SUBCODE OFFICIAL/INSPECTOR AND MOBILE HOME INSPECTOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-371 – AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FY2023 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE AGREEMENT AGAINST ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE GRANT

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-372 – APPOINTING THEODORE TOBIASSEN AS THE TAX ASSESSOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-373 – AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF A SEWER LOAN

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN BOWEN, RESOLUTIONS 2021-358 THROUGH 2021-373, ON PAGES ONE AND TWO OF THE AGENDA, WERE APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES, WITH COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA VOTING NO ON 2021-373.

**REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS AND PROFESSIONALS:**

Mayor Marinari asked if there were any comments on the Bill List of December 27, 2021.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN BOWEN, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN GRILLETTO, THE BILL LIST OF DECEMBER 27, 2021 WAS APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES, WITH DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK ABSTAINING AND COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA VOTING NAY ON NOS. 718, 890 AND 915.

**ADD ON RESOLUTIONS:**

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, RESOLUTION NO. 2021-374 – AUTHORIZING A STIPEND TO RANDY PRIEST FOR PERFORMING ADDITIONAL DUTIES WAS APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES, WITH COMMITTEEMAN GRILLETTO ABSTAINING.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN BOWEN, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, RESOLUTION NO. 2021-375 – APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE LAND USE BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED WAS NOT APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES, WITH DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK, COMMITTEEMAN GRILLETTO, COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA ABSTAINING

**REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR COMMITTEE REVIEW:** TOWNSHIP ENGINEER REPORT –none; CONSTRUCTION REPORT – Plumsted and New Hanover November 2021; TAX COLLECTOR REPORT – November 2021; FINANCIAL REPORTS –Revenue Summary by Month November 2021; Abbreviated Summary Budget Account Status November 2021; Treasurer’s Report November 2021; Recap Journal 2021; POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT – November 2021; PLUMSTED BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT #1 MEETING MINUTES – 11/1/21 PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP MUA MINUTES – none.

Marinari asked if there was any old business.

Marinari asked Chief Meroney to talk about the purchase of a new police vehicle. Meroney said he would like to purchase a new vehicle to replace higher mileage vehicles and reduce maintenance costs. The vehicle would be purchased off the lot from a dealer they have used previously. Three of the current police cars have over 100,000 miles on them. The money for the new vehicle would come from the off-duty trust fund.

Grilletto asked about delivery of the Ford Explorer that was ordered earlier in the year. Meroney said it should be coming in at the end of February 2022.

Marinari asked Meroney to speak about the Jacobstown Road safety issues. Meroney said there are safety issues at the entrance to Jacobstown Road from the Lennar project. He said he met with a representative from Lennar last week. Lennar removed one tree that they planted in their site line and contacted the engineering department at the county about another tree adjacent to the development entrance. The county told Lennar to contact the homeowner about the tree. The county engineering department said it will be doing a study about reducing the speed limit on Jacobstown Road.

Marinari asked if there were any questions for Meroney. There were none.

Marinari spoke about the bid opening for EMS services in January. He said that at that point, it will be up to the new committee to decide what they want to do.

Bowen asked if a resolution was needed for the police vehicle. Marinari said it should be held until the reorganization meeting.

Marinari asked for public comment.

Earl Meroney said he appreciated the support he was given by Committeeman Trotta and Deputy Mayor Sorchik after they appointed him as Chief of Police and for all they have done for the department.

Randy Priest said it has been a pleasure to work with Jack Trotta and Eric Sorchik. They will be missed.

There were no other comments and Marinari closed public comment.

Marinari said this will be his last meeting as Mayor. He hopes that some good has been done in the last two years. He thanked the committee members for their support and Jack Trotta and Eric Sorchik for their years of service during the ups and downs of the community. He also thanked the employees for their support. He thanked his wife.

Marinari asked for a motion to adjourn.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN TROTTA, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN BOWEN, THE DECEMBER 27, 2021 MEETING WAS ADJOURNED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nadene Cicero, RMC, CMR  
Deputy Municipal Clerk