

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 1, 2021

Mayor Daniel James called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Deputy Township Clerk, Karen A. Bacon read the Sunshine Notice Statement as follows:

Sunshine Notice: This meeting is called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law. Posting a copy of the Annual Meeting Schedule on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and emailing a copy to the Atlantic City Press and Burlington County Times and all those requesting copies on January 7, 2021. All the above posting, filing & mailing have taken place on May 27, 2021.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor James, Deputy Mayor Seybold and Committeeman Gadd.
Professionals: Stephen Raymond, Jr., Esq.; Engineer Kevin Dixon; Township Clerk Lisa H. Hand -
Absent; Deputy Township Clerk Karen Bacon and CFO Kristen Manning.

Approval of Minutes

May 4, 2021 – Regular Meeting

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Seybold, seconded by Committeeman Gadd the above Minutes were approved:

Roll Call: Gadd. Seybold, James

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

PROCLAMATION

Mayor James read the following Proclamation and along with Ambulance Chief Barbara Cavileer presented the Proclamation to the daughters of Raymond and Vanny Bartling.

Proclamation

Honoring the Children of Raymond & Vanny Bartling

WHEREAS, the Green Bank Volunteer Ambulance Company was called for a Medical Emergency at the residence of 36 Turtle Creek Road on May 25, 2021; and **WHEREAS**, the children of Mr. & Mrs. Bartling were getting off the School Bus and found their Mother having a Medical Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Giana, age 11 and Sadie age 10, kept their wits about them and called for the Ambulance; and

WHEREAS, Giana and Sadie should be commended for their clear thinking on getting help for their Mother.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Daniel L. James, Mayor of the Township of Washington, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, do hereby honor Giana and Sadie Bartling for their quick thinking and calling 911 for the Ambulance for their Mother.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the Township of Washington to be affixed this 1st day of June, 2021.

Deputy Mayor Seybold – Public Works Report – High wind events - checking road for limbs and trees; Helped Leigh Gadd put new signs up at Township Landing; Took 2017 Truck to CAMCO for Plow Repair; Cut Grass at Senior Center; weed wacked & cutting grass at Maintenance Yard; weed wacked & cutting brush at Township Landing; Gravel – Washington/Maxwell Road; Patten Lane & School Bus turn-around; picked up roadside trash and delivered recycling container to resident in Lower Bank.

Went up to Bordentown to pick up the new recycling schedules, which will be in your new tax bills. The recycling will be off on the two week schedule (no drivers) and we will try to keep you informed of the dates. Please flatten all cardboard which will help.

Mayor James – Working to get more money from Green Acres and still working on the tax maps.

Public Comments

Barbara Cavileer – River Road, Lower Bank – Can Godfrey Bridge Road be widen?

Engineer Dixon – We would certainly try, but it would need Pinelands approval and very expensive.

Barbara Cavileer – Take pictures of our parking lot tonight; it will help when going to the County on our parking issues.

Marie Heffley – Henderson Avenue – Is there a time line on Lance Run Road?

Mayor James – No.

Marie Heffley – What about the street sign?

Committeeman Gadd – We are working on getting the sign up back up.

Mike Alexander – River Road, Lower Bank – expressed his concerns about the wording of the proposed ordinance (Ord. #2021-06). We would like to have a say before the ordinance is introduced again. We would also like to see the standardized form before it's approved.

Brian Detrick – Turtle Creek Road – A President of the Ambulance Squad, we need more discussion on the proposed ordinance.

Mayor James – I said I would table the ordinance. (Ordinance was tabled)

Sarah Camillo – River Road, Lower Bank – There is an issue of speeding in Lower Bank; animals are being killed and I almost got hit. No one is doing a full stop at the bridge. We need to lower the speed limit, we need to get serious about this.

Committeeman Gadd – We have contacted the State Police. Radar signs are being moved around.

Mayor James – We can ask the State Police for a speed trap. We are doing what we can, there is a shortage of speed signs in the Township.

Horace Somes – Turtle Creek Road – Very pleased of the tabling of Ordinance #6. There is drainage issues within the Township. The culverts are designated by a map. One of the culverts on Turtle Creek Road needs to be addressed. I forwarded a notice to the Clerk's Office on Public Safety.

Dan Walters – Route 563, Green Bank – What is the recreation money? Tennis courts/baseball fields would be great. The speed limit in front of the Municipal Building is too much. Chatsworth has speed bumps, why can't we get them?

Committeeman Gadd – We explored this and signed for a review with the County.

Aaron Camillo – Thank you for the recycling bin. There is a speeding problem, but I don't want a speed bump in front of my house because of the noise. We need the State Police ticketing the speeders.

Public Comments was closed.

Adjournment

Motion made by Committeeman Gadd, seconded by Deputy Mayor Seybold to adjourn at 7:56 pm.

Roll Call: Gadd. Seybold, James

Ayes: 3

Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,
Karen A. Bacon
Deputy Township Clerk