

## CINNAMINSON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

June 6, 2022

### Meeting Minutes

Mayor Kravil announced that the Work Session Meeting of the Township Committee was being held at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 1621 Riverton Road, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077. This meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act," P.L. 1975 c.231, having been duly noticed to the Burlington County Times and the Courier Post on January 7, 2022.

In attendance: Mr. Conda, Mr. Horner, Mr. Segrest, Deputy Mayor McGill, Mayor Kravil.

Also present Eric Schubiger, Administrator; Julia Edmondson, CFO; Justin Strausser, Solicitor; Lisa Passione, Municipal Clerk, Michael Minton, Director of Economic Development

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Chapter 162 of Cinnaminson Municipal Code

Mayor Kravil explained that this discussion involves the recent public interest in keeping chickens in residential areas. Currently chickens are not permitted in residential areas. Tonight we are seeking public feedback regarding this topic. Mayor Kravil opens public comment on this topic.

Geri Hines, 808 Turner Avenue asked for clarification on what the discussion is about. Mayor Kravil responded that currently chickens are not allowed. The ordinance under discussion is because we have had some interest from some residents regarding changing the code to allow for chickens in the residential zone.

Michael Goins, 100 Purnell Avenue stated that he is for the ordinance but would not want to see roosters allowed. Mayor Kravil clarified that it would not include roosters.

Janice Smith, 109 Purnell Avenue states that she supports the ordinance.

Gwen Baile, 24 Hampton Road, Haddon Township, founder and chair of Camden County Chicken and Therapy Hens gave a presentation to committee members regarding potentially amending our ordinance to allow for chickens in residential areas. She believes that chickens should be allowed, are not noisy, same decibel as a conversation. Committee members questioned Ms. Baile regarding various aspects of allowing chickens in residential areas. Ms. Baile stated that they are not any harder to maintain then owning a dog or cat. She has helped 20 towns change their ordinance. She reviewed highlights of the ordinance. She gives a class for new chicken owners which she believes is imperative. It is a two and a half hour class on Zoom. A Backyard Chicken Advisory Board would be established.

Ben Young, 116 Woodview Lane asked when the ordinance was changed to not allow chickens. Chickens had been allowed in the past.

Mayor Kravil thanked Ms. Baile for the information. No action will be taken tonight. Township Committee will be considering all of the available information and discuss with our professionals how we want to proceed.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Resolution 2022 – 87** Renewal of 2022/2023 Liquor Licenses
- Resolution 2022 – 88** Accepting Revised Performance Guarantees and Inspection Escrows for On-Site Improvements at 1 Seabox Drive
- Resolution 2022 – 89** Cancellation of Taxes for Totally Disabled Veteran, Block 3106, Lot 5.14
- Resolution 2022 – 90** Refund of Overpaid Taxes, Block 1710, Lot 13
- Resolution 2022 – 91** Parking for St. Charles Carnival
- Resolution 2022 – 92** Property Lien – Block 2002, Lot 15
- Resolution 2022 – 93** Establishing Cinnaminson Township as a Stigma Free Zone for Mental Health Awareness
- Resolution 2022 – 94** Authorize Purchase of Ambulance from the Township of Delanco Fire District #1 and Transferring Said Ambulance to the Cinnaminson Fire District #1

## **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Kravil asked for a motion to open public comment on consent agenda items only. MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA MADE BY MR. CONDA, seconded by Mayor Kravil. Voice Vote. All aye.

Chief William Kramer, Cinnaminson Fire District, 1704 Jackson Street commented regarding Resolution 2022-94. He thinks it is important that the public understands the foresight committee had (*unintelligible*). Chief Kramer thanked committee for what they have done in continuing the relationship that we have with the Township.

Ben Young, 116 Woodview Lane commented about prior Emergency Management services. (*unintelligible*) Two budgets independent of each other. He doesn't understand why the Township is purchasing an ambulance for the Fire District. There are two budgets independent of each other.

Committee Member McGill responded to Mr. Young's comments. The ambulance was bought so that neither taxing entity would have to raise their taxes. Obviously the Fire District would have to raise their tax rate. Township Committee looked into whether we could use the ARP funds for this purpose. There have been some unforeseen issues with the ambulances. This is something we felt that would help the Fire Department and all of the residents. Mayor Kravil added that nothing is more important to us than helping our residents, especially when it comes to using grant monies. If it keeps our residents safe in their darkest hour, we were thinking of that when it came to using the grant money.

Chief Kramer, Cinnaminson Fire District - Rescue America Funds has specific language that allows municipalities to recognize other governmental entities.

Not seeing anyone else come forward, Mayor Kravil asked for a motion to close public comment on the consent agenda. MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA MADE BY MR MCGILL, seconded by Mayor Kravil. Voice Vote. All aye.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA MADE BY MR. CONDA, seconded by Mr. McGill. Roll call vote, Mr. Conda – aye, Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest – aye, Mayor Kravil – aye. Consent agenda was approved.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Kravil asked for a motion to approve the minutes of May 16, 2022. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES MADE BY MR. SEGREST, seconded by Mr. Conda. Roll call vote. Mr. Conda – aye, Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest abstained, Mayor Kravil – aye. Minutes were approved.

**Approval of Bill List**

Mayor Kravil asked for a motion to approve the bill list. MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILL LIST MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mayor Kravil. Roll call vote. Mr. Conda – aye, Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest – aye, Mayor Kravil – aye. Bill list was approved.

**Staff and Professional Comments – None**

**Public Comment**

MAYOR KRAVIL MADE A MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT, seconded by Mr. Conda. Voice vote. All aye.

Michael Goins, 100 Purnell Avenue asked what the status was of the ordinance regarding cemeteries that was tabled. Mr. Schubiger responded that the committee and professionals are still reviewing the ordinance.

Not seeing anyone else come forward, Mayor Kravil asked for a motion to close the public comment portion of the meeting. MR. SEGREST MADE A MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT, seconded by Mayor Kravil. Voice vote. All aye.

**Comments from Committee**

Mr. Segrest commented about the Annual McKeever Tournament that was this past weekend at Wood Park. They did a great job.

Mayor Kravil thanked Public Works for preparing Wood Park and cleaning up afterwards.

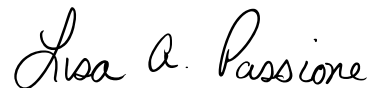
MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING WAS MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mr. Conda. Voice vote. All aye. Meeting was adjourned.

7:12 pm

Duly passed and adopted:

Respectfully submitted:

*June 27, 2022*



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Lisa A. Passione, RMC  
Municipal Clerk