

CINNAMINSON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

March 18, 2024

Meeting Minutes

Mayor Conda announced that the Regular 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 8, 2024.

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

Also present: Eric Schubiger, Administrator; Julia Edmondson, CFO; Lisa Passione, Municipal Clerk, Carmen Saginario, Solicitor; Kevin Gauntt, Superintendent of Public Works, Richard Calabrese, Chief of Police; Michael Minton, Director of Economic Development,

PRESENTATION

Employee of the Year Awards. Mayor Conda presented awards to employees from Administration, Department of Public Works and Public Safety.

The first award for Administration was presented to Janine McLaughlin. Janine is the Township’s Accounts Payable/Payroll representative in the finance department. Janine began working for the Township in 2022 and has a lot of interaction with both employees and vendors who do business with the Township. Janine’s colleagues cited her stellar attendance record, problem-solving skills and the ability to multitask as some of her greatest strengths.

For Public Safety Mr. McGill presented the award to Sergeant Michael Czarzasty. Sergeant Czarzasty began working for the Township in 2001. He brings a variety of skills and attributes to the Police Department Sergeant Czarzasty is always willing to take on new assignments in order to meet the Department goals. He has established a great relationship with other public entities, in and outside of Cinnaminson and has led all of Cinnaminson’s community initiatives.

For Public Works Mr. Segrest presented the award to Collin Stringham. Collin is a laborer in the Park’s division of Public Works. Collin began working for the Township in 2019. Collin’s colleagues cited his stellar attendance record, outstanding work ethic and positive demeanor as some of his greatest strengths.

Liaison Reports

Finance and Economic Development– Mr. Horner

Nothing to report.

Public Works – Mr. Segrest

Curbside brush collection has resumed. Residents are reminded that brush must be left at least 10 feet away from storm drains per the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. As a result of the recent weather events which significantly impacted Cinnaminson and the surrounding areas, several residents have expressed interest in flood mitigation assistance programs. The Township, along with the help of Remington and Vernick, our Township Engineers are looking into a couple different programs. There may be others that we look into, but these are two of note. One is the Blue Acres flood program. Blue Acres is a voluntary state-sponsored flood buyout

program that works with willing sellers to purchase their homes that have been damaged by storm events and are prone to future flooding. Residents are encouraged to visit blueacresprogram or contact (609) 954-0982 for detailed information regarding this program. You can also reach out to the Township engineer or the Township directly through the Township administrator.

There is one other program. It is called the Flood Mitigation Assistance program, FMA. The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Disaster Recover and Mitigation. With communities that have been impacted by severe repetitive flood damage, to alleviate eligible residential properties resulting in lower flood insurance premiums. Participating property owners may be eligible to receive financial assistance to help cover the cost of construction to mitigate their property and supplement the cost of this location during the construction. Basically, this program will allow you to lift your home. So instead of repairing it over and over you lift is so you're not affected as much by the flood waters. FEMA and the New Jersey DCA determine which residential properties are potentially eligible for mitigation assistance based on repetitive flooding events in the past and risk of significant damage in future flood events. This program is always accepting applications. Submitting an application is not a guarantee of funding but an opportunity to show interest in the home elevation program.

Public Safety – Mr. McGill

The February 2024 activity report for the Police Department is as follows: Total incidents – 2261, Total arrests – 15, Total property checks – 801, Total motor vehicle stops – 320, Total motor vehicle summonses – 229, Total DWI – 4, Morgan Cemetery calls – 0

Parks & Recreation and Veterans Affairs – Deputy Mayor Kravil

In regards to Parks and Recreation, we are finalizing our summer concert series. We have scheduled eight bands so far. We have some returning bands as well as some new and eclectic bands joining our series. The series will begin on Thursday, July 11th and run through August 29th. These will be every Thursday night at Wood Park starting at 7:00 pm.

Administration and Health and Senior Services – Mayor Conda

I want to remind people to go to cinnaminsonnj.org for all information pertaining to the Township or visit our Facebook page or our YouTube channel where you can watch these meetings every month. Next week we will be issuing the March 2024 newsletter.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance 2024 – 2 Ordinance of the Township of Cinnaminson Amending Chapter 290, Provisions for Flood Hazard Reduction, of the Township Code to Add “Privately Owned Salt Storage” To be advertised in the Burlington County Times. Public hearing is March 18, 2024.

Mayor Conda asked for a motion to introduce Ordinance 2024-2. MOTION TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 2024-2 MADE BY MR. SEGREST, seconded by Mr. McGill. Roll call vote. Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest - aye, Deputy Mayor Kravil – aye, Mayor Conda – aye. Ordinance 2024-2 was introduced.

Ordinance 2024 – 3 Ordinance Regulating Removal of Trees on Private Property and Amending Chapter 450 of the Township Code, Entitled “Trees” To be advertised in the Burlington County Times. Public hearing is March 18, 2024.

Mayor Conda asked for a motion to introduce Ordinance 2024-3. MOTION TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 2024-3 MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kravil. Roll call

vote. Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest - aye, Deputy Mayor Kravil – aye, Mayor Conda – aye. Ordinance 2024-3 was introduced. To be advertised in the Burlington County Times. Public hearing is March 18, 2024.

Ordinance 2024 – 4 Ordinance Vacating, Releasing And Extinguishing Any And All Public Rights To A Portion Of The Street Known as Berry Street, Located Between Block 301, Lot 1 and Block 302, Lot 1 and Consisting of .21 Acres, Within The Township Of Cinnaminson, Subject To Certain Terms And Conditions To be advertised in the Burlington County Times. Public hearing is March 18, 2024.

Mayor Conda asked for a motion to introduce Ordinance 2024-4. MOTION TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE 2024-4 MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mayor Conda. Roll call vote. Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest - aye, Deputy Mayor Kravil – aye, Mayor Conda – aye. Ordinance 2024-4 was introduced.

ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance 2024 – 1 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and To Establish a Cap Bank

Mayor Conda asked for a motion to open public comment on Ordinance 2024 - 1. MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT ON ORDINANCE 2024 - 1 MADE BY MR. SEGREST, seconded by Mr. McGill. Voice Vote. All aye.

Seeing no one come forward Mayor Conda asked for a motion to close public comment on Ordinance 2024 - 1. MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT ON ORDINANCE 2024 - 1 MADE BY MR. SEGREST, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kravil. Voice vote. All aye.

Mayor Conda asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 2024 – 1. MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2024 - 1 MADE BY MR. HORNER, seconded by Mayor Conda. Roll call vote. Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest – aye, Deputy Mayor Kravil – aye, Mayor Conda – aye. Ordinance 2024 – 1 was approved.

MAYOR CONDA MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LITIGATION, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kravil. Voice vote. All aye.

6:49 pm.

MAYOR CONDA MADE A MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION, seconded by Mr. McGill. Voice vote. All aye.

7:13 pm.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2024 – 53 to authorize Appointment of Cove House, LLC as Conditional Redeveloper for Block 1403, Lots 25 and 26.

Mayor Conda asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2024-53. MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2024-53 MADE BY MR. HORNER, seconded by Mr. Segrest. Roll call vote.

Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest – aye, Deputy Mayor Kravil – aye, Mayor Conda – aye. Resolution 2024-53 was approved.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Resolution 2024 – 54** Authorize Award of Contract for Solid Waste to Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc.
- Resolution 2024 – 55** Authorize Non Fair and Open Contract for Purchase of Trash Toters
- Resolution 2024 – 56** Authorize Non Fair and Open Contract for Cinnaminson Library Handrail Replacement Project
- Resolution 2024 – 57** Authorize Third Amendment to Redevelopment Agreement with Global Cinnaminson I, LLC
- Resolution 2024 – 58** Transfer of 2023 Budget Appropriations
- Resolution 2024 – 59** Authorize Release of Performance Bond, Establishment of Maintenance Bond and Final Payment for Reconstruction of Union Landing Road – Phase 2 & 3 Project

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Conda asked for a motion to open public comment on the consent agenda. MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT MADE BY DEPUTY MAYOR KRAVIL, seconded by Mayor Conda. Voice Vote. All aye.

Jarmilla Sheppard, 215 W. Front Street, Palmyra on behalf of the East Riverton Civic Club asked for more details regarding Resolution 2024-59. Mr. Barbadoro explained the process for payment, posting and release of bonds and the scope of work that this project covered. Ms. Sheppard thanked Joe for his time.

Michael Goins, 100 Purnell Avenue inquired regarding Resolution 2024-54, the new cost and if the same trash carts can be used. Mr. Schubiger confirmed the increase in price and that the same trash carts currently being used will continue to be used.

Seeing no one else come forward Mayor Conda asked for a motion to close public comment. MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE CONSENT AGENDA MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mr. Segrest. Voice Vote. All aye.

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

Approval of Minutes

MAYOR CONDA MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 4, 2024, seconded by Mr. Horner. Roll call vote. Mr. Horner – aye, Mr. McGill – aye, Mr. Segrest - aye, Deputy Mayor Kravil – aye, Mayor Conda – aye. Minutes were approved.

Approval of Bill List

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

Staff and Professional Comments

Mr. Schubiger thanked everyone involved in negotiating the trash contract. Under the leadership of our liaison, Mr. Segrest and Mayor Conda we had a lot of discussions. This has been a trying time for everyone. This is probably one of our largest contracts to deal with. We've had issues over the past five years. Kevin Gauntt took it by the reins and did a number of analyses on how to better our collection and met with contractors. It took a lot of time and effort. Mr. Schubiger also thanked Township engineer Joe Barbadoro and CFO Julia Edmondson as well. It was a large undertaking.

Public Comment

MAYOR CONDA asked for a motion to open public comment. MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT MADE BY MR. SEGREST, seconded by Mayor Conda. Voice vote. All aye

Michael Goins, 100 Purnell Avenue asked if there was any update on the trucking company and the dirt and rocks coming on to Riverton Road. Mr. Schubiger advised that Chief Calabrese and our Public Works Superintendent both reached out to the business owner. Chief Calabrese said the owner has a street sweeper coming and intends to pave the area but is waiting for DEP approval.

Mona Washington, 908 James Avenue thanked everyone regarding the parking at the New Jersey Transit lot. There is an improvement and a difference in the traffic.

Terry Wallace, 2807 Burgundy Drive has water coming into her home and is looking for assistance from the Township. There is a pipe in her backyard that she believes is causing the problem and believes it is Township owned. Discussion ensued with Committee members and professionals regarding who owns the pipe and what can be done.

Joe Gallagher, previous owner of 2807 Burgundy Drive also gave a history of the property.

Mona Washington, 908 James Avenue commented on her experience with flooding at her property and offered some suggestions to Ms. Wallace.

Mayor Conda and professionals advised that they will continue to research and work on resolving this issue.

Jerry Lentz, 1625 Pennsauken Street asked about flood mitigation on his street. There have been problems since December. Mr. Barbadoro advised that they have applied for funding to reconstruct Pennsauken Street to help move some of the storm water that is on the surface. There may be issues with trees and brush blocking the creek water. Mayor Conda stated that we cannot go into that area without approval from the State. Mr. Saginario commented that DEP approval is needed to go into wetlands. Mr. Lentz requested that the Township look into this.

Not seeing anyone else come forward, Mayor Conda asked for a motion to close public comment. MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT MADE BY MR. MCGILL seconded by Deputy Mayor Kravil. Voice vote. All aye.

Comments from Committee

None

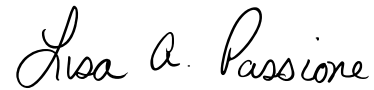
Mayor Conda asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kravil. Voice vote. All aye. Meeting was adjourned.

7:59 pm

Duly passed and adopted:

April 1, 2024

Respectfully submitted:



Lisa A. Passione, RMC
Municipal Clerk