### MINUTES BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING OF MONDAY, MAY 7, 2018

Mayor Cope called the regular meeting of the Bass River Township Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 p.m. Present at meeting were: Mayor Deborah Buzby-Cope and Commissioner Louis Bourguignon. Also present and Solicitor Joanne O'Connor. Members of the public were present at this meeting. Absent: Deputy Mayor Nick Capriglione and Township Clerk Amanda Somes

#### FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Cope led the flag salute and read the sunshine statement.

#### PAYMENT OF BILLS:

The motion was made by Mayor Cope to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$385,381.52. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Capriglione to approve bills for payment. Votes: Cope –Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All Present in favor and bills were ordered paid.

		\$
ACE OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT	CHAIN SAW SUPPLIES & BLADE SHARPENING	163.94
ACE POWER SUPPLY	PARTS	\$ 33.32
AIR & GAS TECHNOLOGIES	ANNUAL SERVICE CONTRACT	\$ 1,274.00 \$
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	ELECTRICITY MAR/APR. 2018	۶ 4,947.73
AT&T	ALL IN ONE MAR. 2018	\$ 57.72 \$
BASS RIVER BD OF ED	LOCAL SCHOOL TAX 5/8/18	123,726.00
BASS RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	BRES YEAR BOOK AD 2018	\$ 90.00 \$
BEACONS	BUDGET SUMMARY 2018	64.06
BELLIA TECH, LLC	TECH SUPPORT MARCH 2018	\$ 85.11 \$
BURLINGTON COUNTY BCIT	TRAINING COURSES #6624	165.00
BURL CO TREAS, LANDFILL	TIPPING FEES MARCH & APRIL 2018	\$ 7,627.60 \$
BURL CO TREASURER	SALT USAGE 12/9/18 - 3/22/18	5,028.97
BURL CO TREASURER	2ND QTR. COUNTY TAXES	\$ 180,290.46 \$
CAM CO.	PARTS	160.32 \$
CASA PAYROLL SERVICES	APRIL 2018 PAYROLL SERVICE	232.00
CHRISTOPHER NORMAN, ESQ.	PLANNING BD. MEETING 4/19/18	\$ 300.00 \$
CINTAS	UNIFORMS SERVICING	374.67
COMCAST	SERVICE 4/19/18 - 5/18/18	\$ 106.00 \$
DANTE GUZZI ENGINEERING ASSOC.	ENGINEERING SERVICES APRIL 2018	4,229.11
READYREFRESH BY NESTLE	SERVICE 3/1/18 - 3/31/18	\$ 13.76 \$
FRANK PARSONS	EXPANSION DRIVE	84.00
GOLDENBERG MACKLER SAYEGH	IN REM #4 3/31/18	\$ 1,712.49

GRAMCO BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS	BLUE BURN CD'S		\$ 99.50
HOME DEPOT	SUPPLIES		\$ 276.35
JERSEY SHORE RESTROOMS, LLC	PORT A POTS 4/13/18 - 6/7/18/18		\$ 340.00
KATHLEEN HOFFMAN	TONNAGE REPORT		\$ 50.00
KEVIN S. QUINLAN	APRIL 2018 PROSECUTIONS		\$ 1,600.00
KOWALSKI TIRE	TIRE PICK UP		\$ 200.00
LANGUAGE SERVICE ASSOCIATES	LANGUAGE SERVICES MAR/2018		\$ 16.80
MUNIDEX INC	TAX ASSESSOR CARDS		\$ 555.12
NAPA AUTO PARTS	PARTS		\$ 112.25
NEW GRETNA POSTMASTER	PO BOX 214 ANNUAL RENTAL	42/42/47	\$ 54.00
NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS	NATURAL GAS 3/13/18 - 4/12/18	12/13/17 - 2/8/18	\$ 543.24
OFFICE BASICS, INC.	OFFICE & HOUSEKEEPING SUPPLIES		\$ 221.87
PEACH COUNTRY TRACTOR	CARTRIDGE		\$ 34.51
PEGGY BECK	BANK MILEAGE APRIL 2018		\$ 73.44
PETER C. LANGE	LEGAL SERVICES JAN. & FEB. 2018		\$ 5,126.00
RICHARD IRETON	MILEAGE 1ST QTR. 2018		\$ 69.60
ROBYN FIRTH	TAX OFFICE SUB		\$ 315.21
STAPLES INC	E2470SWD 24" CLASS		\$ 69.30 \$
STATE OF NJ DIV EMPLOYER ACCTS	REIMBURSEMENT BILLING		4,274.62 \$
THE EXIT LIGHT CO., INC.	EXIT LIGHT & ALARM		\$ 118.00 \$
TIM LOVINGHAM	REIMBURSEMENT FOR SUPPLIES		83.96 \$
TRACTOR SUPPLY CREDIT PLAN	SUPPLIES		163.95 \$
TRANSFORMATION ENTERPRISES	MARCH 2018 ROLL-OFF		4,990.00 \$
TRICO / GROFF TRACTOR NEW JERSEYLLC	PARTS		266.84 \$
UNIVERSAL COMPUTING SERVICES	MESSAGE / MAILERS		281.90 \$
VAL-U AUTO PARTS	PARTS		15.29 \$
VERIZON	PHONES APR. 2018		705.63 \$
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL CRAMER 2/24-3/23		33.96 \$
WALMART COMMUNITY/SYNCB	SUPPLIES		209.75 \$
WEX BANK	FUEL MARCH 2018		1,970.80 \$
CHRISTOPHER NORMAN, ESQ.	ESCROW		361.00 \$
DANTE GUZZI ENGINEERING ASSOC.	ESCROW		361.00 \$
BASS RIVER PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL 4/12/18		15,546.68 \$
BASS RIVER PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL 4/26/18		14,808.40 \$
HASLER, INC.	POSTAGE MARCH 2018	TOTAL	666.29
		TOTAL	\$

#### **ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

#### **ORDINANCE 2018-03**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, GREEN ACRES PROGRAM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b).

Mayor Cope read Ordinance 2018-03 upon first reading by title only. The motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-03 upon first ready by title only was made by Commissioner Bourguignon and seconded by Mayor Cope. Votes: Cope-Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Ordinance 2012-03 was hereby approved upon first reading by title only with second reading and public hearing scheduled for the July regular meeting.

#### *ORDINANCE 2018 – 03*

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, GREEN ACRES PROGRAM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b).

WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River is the owner of certain property identified as follows:

Block 76, Lot 10A

Block 77, Lots 12 and 48

Block 80, Lot 4

Block 103, Lot 177

Block 120, Lots 10, 12, 13 and 14

As identified on the Tax Map for the Township of Bass River; and

WHEREAS, this property is not needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b) permits the sale of Township property to a department of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program has made an offer to purchase the aforementioned property as evidenced by the correspondence attached hereto and incorporated herein as Schedule "A"; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Township to sell the Property to the State of New Jersey in a manner set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a finding is made by the Bass River Township Board of Commissioners that the approval of this Ordinance pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14(b) will be in the best interest of the residents of the Township of Bass River.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Bass River to authorize the sale of the aforementioned property to the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program for the amount of ONE HUNDRED TWELVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINETY (\$112,990,000.00) DOLLARS

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED that the Mayor and Clerk shall be authorized to execute the appropriate contract documents for sale of this land to the State of New Jersey.

#### **ORDINANCE 2018-04**

# AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER AMENDING TITLE 5 BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS OF THE BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP CODE

Mayor Cope read Ordinance 2018-04 upon first reading by title only. The motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-04 upon first ready by title only was made by Commissioner Bourguignon and seconded by Mayor Cope. Votes: Cope-Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Ordinance 2012-04 was hereby approved upon first reading by title only with second reading and public hearing scheduled for the July regular meeting.

#### **Ordinance 2018-04**

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER AMENDING TITLE 5 BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS OF THE BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP CODE

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the Township of Bass River after reviewing the existing regulations and pursuant to the recommendation of the Township Solicitor, find that there is a need to modify the Bass River Township Code provisions as currently exists under Title 5 of the Township Code to add Chapter 5.05 which is applicable to Bingo and Raffle Licenses; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desire to amend Title 5 of the Township Code to provide for the Township Clerk to be the issuing authority responsible for approving bingo and raffle licenses and to otherwise amend the Township Code with respect to bingo and raffle licensing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River that Bass River Township Code Title 5 is amended to add Chapter 5.05 entitled "Bingo and Raffle Licenses" as follows:

#### 5.05 BINGO AND RAFFLES.

#### 5.05.010 STATUTORY AUTHORITY; COMPLIANCE AND PROVISIONS.

Subject to all provisions of N.J.S.A. 5:8-24, et.seq." Bingo Licensing Law," N.J.S.A. 5:8-50, et. seq. "Raffles Licensing Law," and in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13-47 et seq." Rules of Legalized Games of Chance" issued by the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission, games of chance shall be permitted in the Township of Bass River.

#### 5.05.020ISSUING AUTHORITY

The issuing authority, as defined in N.J.S.A. 5:8-24, et seq. and N.J.S.A. 5:58-50, et seq. responsible for approving bingo and raffle licenses shall be the Municipal Clerk.

#### 5.05.030 SUNDAY GAMES

Any applicant authorized by law to conduct any games of chance, including raffles and bingo, shall be permitted to conduct the same on any day of the week, including Sunday as provided by N.J.S.A. 5:8-31 and N.J.S.A. 5:8-58.

#### 5.05.040 LICENSE APPLICATION

Subject to all provisions of N.J.S.A. 5:8-26 and N.J.S.A. 5:8-52 each applicant for a license to hold and operate games of bingo or raffle shall file with the Township Clerk written application with required fees. The issuing authority shall approve or deny all applications for bingo or raffle licenses.

#### 5.05.050LICENSE FEES

- a. Licensing fees payable to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission shall be as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:47-4.9.
- b. The Township shall collect a separate fee equal to that levied by the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:47-4.10.

#### 5.05.060 ORGANIZATIONS ELIGIBLE FOR LICENSE

No license to conduct a game of chance as authorized by law shall be issued to any organization not having a bona fide situs established in good faith within the State of New Jersey and actively engaged in serving one or more of the authorized purposes as defined by the rules and regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

#### 5.05.070 UNLICENSED GAMES UNLAWFUL; VIOLATION OF LAW

- a. No person, organization, club, company or squad shall conduct, operate, run or sponsor any unlicensed bingo or raffle within the municipality;
- b. No person, organization, club, company or squad shall violate any of the terms or provisions of any one (1) or more of the following:
  - 1. Bingo Licensing Law, N.J.S.A. 5:8-24 et seq.
  - 2. Raffle Licensing Law, N.J.S.A. 5:8-50 et seq.
  - 3. Bingo and Raffles, N.J.A.C. 13:47 et seq.
  - 4. Any provisions of this section.

#### 5.05.080 SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE

The governing body, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:8-30 and N.J.S.A. 5:8-57, may suspend and revoke any issued bingo or raffle license, after a hearing, for any violation of this chapter or applicable state law. The governing body may suspend the operation of a bingo or raffle license pending a hearing, in which case a hearing must be held within five (5) days after such action. Notice of hearing shall be served personally upon an officer of the licensee or the member in charge of the bingo or raffle or sent by registered mail or certified mail to the licensee at the address shown on the license. All decisions and findings by the governing body regarding suspension or revocation of a bingo or raffle license shall be in writing.

#### 5.05.090 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Any person, organization, club, company or squad who violates any of the provisions of this section shall be subject to the following penalties:

- a. Suspension and revocation of any outstanding license;
- b. Suspension from obtaining a bingo or raffle license in the municipality for a period of one (1) year from the date of violation;
- c. If a person, not more than ninety (90) days imprisonment and/or fine of not more than five hundred (\$500.00) dollars;
- d. If an organization, club company or squad, a fine of not more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars; or
  - e. As provided in the New Jersey Administrative Code.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that all other provisions of the Township Code currently in effect, are hereby saved from repeal, and shall remain in full force and effect;

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that if any provision of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision or clause of this chapter shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this ordinance.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

#### **RESOLUTION 2018-39**

### AUTHORIZING SALE OF VARIOUS TOWNSHIP OWNED PROPERTIES Block/lot

1/20, 1/21, 57/1, 63/51, 63/54, 101/35, 103/185, 120/19, 73/17, 78/31, 103.A/50, 103.E/4, 115/17, 120/16

OFFER REJECTED Resolution Rejected

#### **RESOLUTION 2018-40**

# A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN TOWNSHIP OWNED PROPERTIES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a) OF THE LOCAL LANDS AND BUILDINGS LAW

The motion was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon to approve Resolution 2018-40 Authorizing sale of Block 57, Lot 44.B to Matt O'Grady for \$750.00—Offer for other Properties Rejected. Votes: Cope—Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Resolution 2018-40 was hereby approved.

#### BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2018-40

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN TOWNSHIP OWNED PROPERTIES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a) OF THE LOCAL LANDS AND BUILDINGS LAW

WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River is the owner of certain lands within the Township which were acquired through the In-Rem foreclosure process; and

WHEREAS, the Township Commissioners have determined that these properties are not needed for public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Properties were listed for public auction pursuant to the provisions of New Jersey Local Finance Notice 2008-9 and N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a); and

WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River received bids for the sale of certain pieces of property listed for public auction.

WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River has accepted submitted bids for the sale of certain property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the below bids for the purchase of certain property are accepted:

Block 57 Lot 44.B Bid amount: \$750.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for the sale of land, as well as any other related documents necessary and incidental to the sale of property.

#### **RESOLUTION 2018-41**

# A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN TOWNSHIP OWNED PROPERTIES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a) OF THE LOCAL LANDS AND BUILDINGS LAW

The motion was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon to approve Resolution 2018-41 Authorizing sale of Block 40, Lot 3 to Jarrod and Amanda Miller for \$10,000. Votes: Cope—Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Resolution 2018-41 was hereby approved.

#### BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2018-41

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN TOWNSHIP OWNED PROPERTIES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a) OF THE LOCAL LANDS AND BUILDINGS LAW

WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River is the owner of certain lands within the Township which were acquired through the In-Rem foreclosure process; and

WHEREAS, the Township Commissioners have determined that these properties are not needed for public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Properties were listed for public auction pursuant to the provisions of New Jersey Local Finance Notice 2008-9 and N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a); and

WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River received bids for the sale of certain pieces of property listed for public auction.

WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River has accepted submitted bids for the sale of certain property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the below bids for the purchase of certain property are accepted:

Block 40 Lot 3 Bid amount: \$10,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for the sale of land, as well as any other related documents necessary and incidental to the sale of property.

#### **RESOLUTION 2018-42**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY GRANTING RAFFLE LICENSES TO LITTLE EGG HARBOR TUCKERTON PBA CHARITY, INC.

The motion was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon to approve Resolution 2018-42. Votes: Cope—Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Resolution 2018-42 was hereby approved.

#### RESOLUTION 2018-42

## A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY GRANTING RAFFLE LICENSES TO LITTLE EGG HARBOR TUCKERTON PBA CHARITY, INC.

WHEREAS, the Little Egg Harbor Tuckerton PBA Charity, Inc. has filed applications with the Township Clerk for raffle licenses to conduct raffles, and the applicant has paid the proper fees for said licenses; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River believes that said applicant is qualified to conduct the raffles are bona fide active members of said organization and that the raffle will be conducted in accordance with the New Jersey Administrative Code 13:47; and

WHEREAS, the following raffle licenses are requested on the dates and during the hours listed:

a. RA: 2018-003—On Premise 50/50 Draw Raffle

Date: June 2, 2018

Place: Breezes Bar and Grill, 5724 Route 9, Bass River, NJ

*Time:* 8 p.m.

Bass River Twp., NJ 08224

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. That the Township Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of the aforementioned raffle license.
- 2. That the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to issue said license on behalf of the Township of Bass River.

#### **RESOLUTION 2018-43**

### A RESOLUTION APPOINTING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

The motion was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon to table Resolution 2018-43. Votes: Cope—Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Resolution 2018-43 was hereby approved.

#### RESOLUTION 2018-43

### A RESOLUTION APPOINTING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, there exists a need for an Emergency Management Coordinator for the Township of Bass River;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Sally Bourguignon be and hereby is appointed Emergency Management Coordinator for the remainder of the 3 year term, effective as of May 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018.

#### **RESOLUTION 2018-44**

## A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE DESIGNEE TO SERVE AS TRUSTEE TO GREAT BAY REGIONAL EMS

The motion was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon to approve Resolution 2018-44. Votes: Cope—Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Resolution 2018-44 was hereby approved.

#### RESOLUTION 2018-44

#### A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE DESIGNEE TO SERVE AS TRUSTEE TO GREAT BAY REGIONAL EMS

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Trustee to be designated for Great Bay Regional EMS for the Township of Bass River;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mary Capriglione, be and hereby is appointed as alternate designee Trustee of the Great Bay Regional EMS for the period of one year affective 05/1/2018-12/31/2018.

### **RESOLUTION 2018-45**

### A Resolution of the Township of Bass River authorizing The Township to invite public bid for the leasing of a portion of the Maintenance Yard, Block 3, Lot 2 in the Township of Bass River Pursuant to NJSA 40A:12-14

The motion was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon to approve Resolution 2018-45. Votes: Cope—Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Resolution 2018-45 was hereby approved.

Bass River Township Resolution 2018-45

A Resolution of the Township of Bass River authorizing The Township to invite public bid for the leasing of a portion of the Maintenance Yard, Block 3, Lot 2 in the Township of Bass River Pursuant to NJSA 40A:12-14 WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River is the owner of certain property known as Bass River Township Maintenance Garage Property, 5576 Route 9, Block 3, Lot 2 in Bass River Township, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, this property is not needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14(a) permits the leasing of Township property after public bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Bass River would like to lease the aforementioned property after public bidding to the highest bidder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Bass River that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to move forward with the public bidding process for the leasing of a portion of the premises know as Bass River Township Maintenance Garage Property, 5576 Route 9, Block 3. Lot 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED that the Mayor and Clerk shall be authorized to execute the appropriate form of Lease in this matter.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

2018 Municipal Budget Public Hearing and Adoption:

The motion was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon to approve the 2018 Municipal Budget by Title and to Open meeting for Public Hearing on the Budget. Votes: Cope-Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and Meeting was open for public comments on the budget.

Comments Heard: Question heard concerning the amount of line item for fire company EMS and Squad 85. There is no substantial increase or decrease in any line item.

Being no further public comment, the motion to close the public portion was made by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Mayor Cope. All present in favor.

The motion to adopt the 2018 Municipal Budget was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon. Votes: Cope-Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All present in favor and Budget was hereby adopted.

#### REPORTS:

The following reports were noted.

Report of Solicitor

Report of Municipal Court

Report of Safety Coordinator

Pinelands Board of Education member Tom Williams gave an update on High School Graduation and advised the high school will be closed after graduation and all next year. They will break ground for all other projects at the end of the month. Anticipating being back in the high school in September 2019. The tax bill for renovations will be reflected in the August bill.

Mayor said there will be a public hearing for the Jobs Creek Bridge Project on June 26<sup>th</sup> here at town hall.

Beautification Committee sent letters to DEP, legislature and Governor regarding clear cutting of trees.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

The meeting was open for public comment upon a motion by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Mayor Cope. All in favor.

Be no further comments, the motion to close the public portion was made by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Mayor Cope. All in favor and public portion was closed.

Being no further business to come before the Board the motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon. All in favor and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted Amanda S. Somes, RMC Township Clerk