

JUNE 10, 2024

Mayor Rick Adams called the regular meeting of the Township of Bass River Commission to order on June 10, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act were complied with as notice was published to the *Beacon* and the *Atlantic City Press* stating the time, date and place of this meeting.

The following Commission Members were in attendance: Deputy Mayor Louis Bourguignon and Mayor Rick Adams.

Mayor Adams led the salute to the flag.

Mr. Bourguignon moved, second by Mr. Capriglione that the minutes of the meetings of April 1, 2024, May 13, 2024 and May 24, 2024 be approved. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of the Commission.

RESOLUTION #61-24

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING JANE ALLEN TO THE FILL THE VACANCY ON THE BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP COMMISSION

Mr. Adams moved, second by Mr. Bourguignon that Resolution #61-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of the Commission.

ORDINANCE 2024-3

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER AMENDING TITLE 13 PUBLIC SERVICES OF THE BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP CODE, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Mr. Adams moved, second by Mr. Bourguignon that Ordinance 2024-3 be approved on first reading and schedule second reading and public hearing for July 8, 2024. It was so moved by the following vote: Yes-Allen, Bourguignon, Adams; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

ORDINANCE 2024-4

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15.16, SOIL REMOVAL, CHAPTER 13.08, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT, AND, TITLE 17, ZONING, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Mr. Adams moved, second by Mr. Bourguignon that Ordinance 2024-4 be approved on first reading and schedule second reading and public hearing for July 8, 2024. It was so moved by the following vote: Yes-Allen, Bourguignon, Adams; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

ORDINANCE 2024-5

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER
PERTAINING TO TREE REMOVAL AND MITIGATION OF
TREES DUE TO STATE OF NJ STORMWATER POLLUTION
PREVENTION REGULATIONS**

Mr. Adams moved, second by Mr. Bourguignon that Ordinance 2024-5 be approved on first reading and schedule second reading and public hearing for July 8, 2024. It was so moved by the following vote: Yes-Allen, Bourguignon, Adams; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

ORDINANCE 2024-6

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER AMENDING TITLE 6
ANIMALS, TITLE 8, HEALTH AND SAFETY, AND TITLE 13 PUBLIC
SERVICES OF THE BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP CODE, COUNTY OF
BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

Mr. Adams moved, second by Mr. Bourguignon that Ordinance 2024-6 be approved on first reading and schedule second reading and public hearing for July 8, 2024. It was so moved by the following vote: Yes-Allen, Bourguignon, Adams; No – none; Abstain – none; Absent – none.

RESOLUTION #62-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS
RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF
CLAIMS**

Mr. Bourguignon moved, second by Mr. Adams that Resolution #62-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of the Commission.

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RESOLUTION #63-24

**AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS RIVER 2024
YEAR MUNICIPAL BUDGET BY THE INSERTION
OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND
APPROPRIATION FROM THE STATE OF NEW
JERSEY FOR THE 2024 CLEAN COMMUNITIES
GRANT**

Mr. Bourguignon moved, second by Mrs. Allen that Resolution #63-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of the Commission.

RESOLUTION #64-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS
RIVER TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE
SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND
EXECUTION WITH THE NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE
ADAMS AVENUE FROM RIVERSIDE DRIVE TO
MAPLE AVENUE ROADWAY PRESERVATION
PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$215,310.00**

Mr. Adams moved, second by Mr. Bourguignon that Resolution #64-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of the Commission.

RESOLUTION #65-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS
RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE TURNOVER
OF UNCASHED COURT FUNDS**

Mr. Bourguignon moved, second by Mr. Adams that Resolution #65-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of the Commission.

RESOLUTION #66-24

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BASS
RIVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL
CERTIFICATION OF THE 2023 MUNICIPAL
AUDIT**

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Mr. Adams moved, second by Mr. Bourguignon that Resolution #66-24 be approved as read. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of the Commission.

Mrs. Allen read the Court report for May 2024; a copy of which is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office for inspection.

Mr. Bourguignon stated the roof on the municipal building is being repaired and Mayor Adams stated the Public Works employees have been trimming back brush within the roadways right-of-way.

Township Solicitor reported she has been working on the Stormwater Management Ordinances which was introduced this evening, Governor Murphy has signed the OPRA reform bills which will help the Clerk's of New Jersey but still be transparent with the residents of the towns.

Mayor Adams stated he will be bringing back the use of volunteers to help around town, people who are willing to help just need to let the Clerk's Office know; he also stated complaint forms can be submitted without signatures and anonymously moving forward.

Mr. Bourguignon moved, second by Mr. Adams that the meeting be opened to the public portion of the meeting. It was so moved.

Chris Pinella, asked if revisions have been made to the zoning maps and ordinances more specifically with regards to commercial property.

The Solicitor stated the township has adopted an ordinance for all zoning regulation changes and the new map is being worked on by the engineer.

Josh Collins, 5625 Route 9 asked since the town adopted new ordinances regarding stormwater, will him pumping water that is flooding his property into route 9 cause a fine to him.

Township Solicitor asked for him to come see her after the meeting as there is regulations regarding that once the ordinances are adopted, but she would like to research the question and give him the correct answer.

Howard Rothchild asked is the township will have to purchase a street sweeper because of the stormwater regulations.

Township Clerk stated that is not mandated at this time.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Bourguignon moved, second by Mr. Adams that the public portion be closed. It was so moved.

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Mr. Bourguignon moved, second by Mr. Adams that the meeting be adjourned.
The motion was unanimously approved at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**JENNY GLEGHORN, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK**

Approved:

**WILLIAM "RICK" ADAMS
MAYOR**