

At 5:00 p.m. the Regular Meeting of the Alloway Township Finance Committee was called to order by P. Ed McKelvey, Mayor. The meeting was advertised in the designated newspapers in accordance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. The flag salute was led by Mayor McKelvey.

Roll Call: Present: Angelus, Leady, McKelvey

Also in attendance were Acting Municipal Clerk, Brittany Vanaman, CFO/QPA Elizabeth Pigliacelli, Treasurer Lois Yarrington, Public Works Acting Foreman David Cobb, Backup Sewer Operator Ray Zarin, and Public Works Employee Matt Fordham.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Motion to Open: Leady, 2nd by: Angelus, **Vote:** All in favor

Jessi Harris, Alloway Township Fire Company, was in attendance.

Motion to Close: Leady, 2nd by: Angelus, **Vote:** All in favor

Mayor McKelvey then acknowledged the Public Works employees in attendance, and reviewed the following with them regarding a previous meeting that had taken place the week prior. He explained that he would like to review the new Public Works Facilitator Position with the Public Works Department, and also review the status of Oil and Stone project that is currently underway. Mayor McKelvey reiterated that this project needs to be Public Works top priority. David Cobb provided the Committee a list of roads that he believes should be considered for the 2025 Oil and Stone project. He stated that he would like to start working on the prepping them as soon as he finishes the 2024 project roads. Deputy Mayor Leady agreed. David stated that the 2024 project roads should be completed by the end of the month, weather permitting. Deputy Mayor Leady stated that mowing cannot be neglected. David Cobb acknowledged that mowing will be completed after the roads are done being prepped. Pertaining to the list David Cobb provided, he stated that Tice's Lane may need a pipe across it. Mayor McKelvey then asked the Public Works employees their thoughts on the summer hours, starting the day at 6:00 am. All agreed they like the earlier start time. Ray Zarin, then stated he has been experiencing several issues with the sewer, and has ordered a draw down test. Discussion ensued. Ray Zarin also mentioned tat he would like to make several upgrades to the system, one being vacuum pit green/red light indicators.

FINANCE ITEMS:

The Township Committee members reviewed the Bill List and with no one having any questions, the approval sheet for the Bill List was signed.

Motion by: Leady, 2nd by: Angelus **Vote:** All in favor

The Township Committee discussed the following with the CFO, Treasurer and Clerk:

Township Committee Email quote – Committee were all in agreement that this was necessary and instructed the Clerk to move forward with establishing the new email accounts with I.T., Edmunds – dog licensing system quote – Bette Jo, CFO, at the request of the Clerk's office received a quote for Edmunds Dog Licensing System to replace the current system MACS. Acting Clerk Vanaman will get a demo and if the new system is acceptable can proceed with ordering the new software. Republic Bank Notice- CFO reviewed the notice received regarding Fulton acquiring Republic Bank, NJ DOT Municipal Aid Grant 2025 – Committee would like to apply but will need to review potential roads. Cedar Street will be considered. Lambert Street Survey – at the request of the Mayor, the Township Engineer provided a quote for a survey regarding the drainage area on Lambert Street. Committee has revisions, the Mayor stated he will reach out to the Engineer to address.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Pump Station Land Purchase - Township Solicitor is reviewing the draft contract. Once received the contracts can be signed by all parties and sent to Salem Oak Title for closing.
2. Update on Foreclosures – Clerk Vanaman updated the committee that Attorney made an amendment to the original complaint and is still drafting the second complaint.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request from resident regarding TDV (Total Disabled Veteran) cancellation of taxes. Discussion ensued. Historically, the date of cancellation is established by the date the resident applied. This being the standard practice of the Township Tax Assessor, the Committee agreed that the cancellation date will be effective as of the date of the application, not the beginning of the year.
2. Ranch Hope Bike Race – Committee agreed it was ok to hold the event.
3. Public Works Facilitator position, discussed with Public Works at beginning of the meeting
4. Public Works Summer hours, discussed with Public Works at beginning of the meeting.

The Mayor discussed issues with the money box at the Lake; someone has been able to pull deposited money envelopes out of the box. David Cobb is currently making a new box. Melvin Remster, Public Works, in addition is now collecting the money on the weekends. Also discussed was the camera at the lake. Public Works will make any adjustments to ensure it is functioning properly.

AGENDA REVIEW: MAY 16, 2024

The Committee members had no revisions for April’s meeting minutes. Clerk Vanaman reviewed the items on the upcoming meeting Agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion by Leady, seconded by Angelus, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Vote: All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany Vanaman, Acting Municipal Clerk