

FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORK SESSION ACTION MEETING
VIA TELECONFERENCE
MARCH 3, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Byrd read the OPMA Statement into the record as follows:

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

This meeting of the Fairfield Township Committee shall come to order. The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meeting of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interests are discussed or acted upon. This meeting held on this 3rd day of March 2021 via teleconference is held pursuant to notice having been submitted to The South Jersey Times, The Daily Journal, and The Press of Atlantic City on January 11, 2021 and also duly posted on the Township website.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG / MOMENT OF PRAYER

Mayor Byrd led the flag salute followed by a moment of prayer given by Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr.

ROLL CALL

The following roll call was recorded as follows:

Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr., present; Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr., present, Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr., present and Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., present.

MEMBER ABSENT

Committeeman David Gonzalez.

ALSO PRESENT

Township Administrator Michael Burden, Township Solicitor Albert K. Marmero and Township Clerk Linda M. Gonzales.

Mayor Byrd read the minutes into the record and asked the Township Committee if they had any questions. There were none. Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to approve the Regular Action Meeting January 20, 2021, Work Session Action Meeting February 3, 2021 and Regular Action Meeting February 17, 2021.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

REGULAR ACTION MEETING JANUARY 20, 2021

Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr. moved to approve the minutes for the January 20, 2021 meeting as written seconded by Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr., yes; Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr., yes; Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr., yes and Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., yes.

WORK SESSION ACTION MEETING FEBRUARY 3, 2021

Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr. moved to approve the minutes for the February 3, 2021 meeting as written seconded by Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr., yes; Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr., abstained; Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr., yes and Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., yes.

REGULAR ACTION MEETING FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr. moved to approve the minutes for the February 17, 2021 meeting as written seconded by Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr., yes; Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr., yes; Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr., abstained and Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., yes.

REVIEW OF BILL LIST PROVIDED BY CFO

Mayor Byrd asked the Township Committee if they had any questions and or conflicts on the bill list provided by the Chief Financial Officer. Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr. and Mayor Byrd placed on the record their conflict on payable 21-00121 & 21-00122 /South State, Incorporated. There being no further questions or conflicts, Mayor Byrd read Resolution No. 64 - 2021 into the record and entertained a motion to adopt

RESOLUTION NO. 64 - 2021

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TOWNSHIP BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$68,263.35

Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. moved to adopt Resolution No. 64 - 2021 seconded by Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr., yes, but abstained on payables to South State, Incorporated; Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr., yes; Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr., yes and Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., yes, but abstained on payables to South State, Incorporated.

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING)

None

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING (SECOND READING)

None

Mayor Byrd read the Consent Agenda into the record as follows and for the record Resolution No. 66 - 2021 is tabled. Mayor Byrd asked the Township Committee if they had any questions. There were none. Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to adopt.

CONSENT AGENDA

(RESOLUTION NO. 65 - 2021 THROUGH RESOLUTION NO. 66 - 2021)

The Consent Agenda includes items of business which are not controversial & do not require individual discussion. A motion approving the Consent Agenda is moved, seconded and voted upon as one item by the Township Committee. If any discussion is requested on a Consent Agenda item, it is removed from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda

RESOLUTION NO. 65 - 2021

A RESOLUTION OF APPROPRIATION RESERVE TRANSFER

RESOLUTION NO. 66 - 2021

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY APPROVING CATERING PERMIT APPLICATION / ANDREOTTI'S CATERING

On a motion by Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. to approve the above Resolutions by Consent Agenda seconded by Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr., yes; Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr., yes; Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr., yes and Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., yes.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS / REMARKS

Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. stated that he just wanted to tell everyone to keep being safe, wear your face masks and that the vaccine is being rolled out, however we still need to keep ourselves safe.

Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr. stated to continue wearing your face masks when all possible and encouraged everyone to go and get vaccinated for the COVID-19 and be safe and careful.

Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr. echoed the same remarks and thanked everyone for tuning in tonight's teleconference meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT / REMARKS

Mayor Byrd reiterated the same remarks as the Township Committee and that he appreciates our residents for joining tonight's teleconference meeting.

Mayor Byrd read into the Public Comments on Current Agenda Items & Non Agenda Items as follows:

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS & NON AGENDA ITEMS

In order for the Committee to conduct the business of the Township in the most productive manner possible, meeting attendees will be given five (5) minutes, all-inclusive to comment on any agenda item(s) without comment or question from the Committee and any non-agenda items including all dialogue, questions and responses from both the speaker and the Committee for the designated public portion of the meeting. There may be no transference of a speaker's time to other attendees. At the appropriate time, please state your name and address for the record.

Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to open Public Comment on Current Agenda Items & Non Agenda Items.

Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. moved and seconded by Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr., yes; Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr., yes; Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr., yes and Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., yes.

There were no comments. There being no comments from the public, Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to close the Public Comment on Current Agenda Items & Non Agenda Items.

Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. moved and seconded by Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Tommy Clark, Jr., yes; Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr., yes; Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr., yes and Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., yes.

There was no need for an Executive Session.

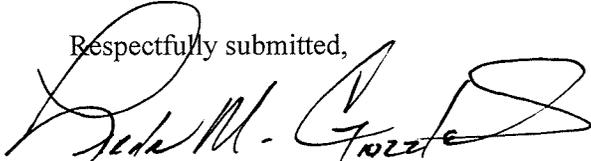
EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

AUTHORIZING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC (ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)

There being no further business to come before the Township Committee, Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Committeeman Mark K. Pierce, Sr. moved and seconded by Deputy Mayor Marvin Pierce, Jr. All members voted in the affirmative. The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda M. Gonzales, RMC
Township Clerk