## FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REGULAR ACTION MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE MAY 18, 2022

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tommy Clark, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Clark 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 ensure 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 2022 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 10, 2022 and duly posted on the Township website.

## SALUTE TO THE FLAG / MOMENT OF PRAYER

Mayor Clark led the flag salute followed by a moment of prayer given by Committeeman Mike Peterson.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The following roll call was recorded as follows:

Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., present; Committeeman Mike Peterson, present and Mayor Tommy Clark, Jr., present.

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Committeeman Stephen M. Bateman and Committeeman David Gonzalez.

## **ALSO PRESENT**

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

Mayor Clark asked the Township Committee if they had any questions on the Work Session Action minutes of May 4, 2022. There were none. Mayor Clark entertained a motion to approve the minutes.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### WORK SESSION ACTION MEETING MAY 4, 2022

Committeeman Mike Peterson moved to approve the Work Session Action minutes of May 4, 2022 as written seconded by Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. Roll Call Vote: Deputy Mayor Byrd, yes; Committeeman Peterson, yes and Mayor Clark, yes.

## ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING) (ONE)

Mayor Clark read Ordinance No. 5 - 2022 into the record as follows:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 5 - 2022

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REVISION AND CODIFICATION OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND. STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Mayor Clark entertained a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 5 - 2022 on first reading.

Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. moved and seconded by Committeeman Mike Peterson. Roll Call Vote: Deputy Mayor Byrd, yes; Committeeman Peterson, yes and Mayor Clark, yes.

#### ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING (SECOND READING)

None

## REVIEW OF BILL LIST PROVIDED BY CFO

Mayor Clark asked the Township Committee if they had any questions and or conflicts on the Bill List provided by the Chief Financial Officer. There were no questions and or conflicts. Mayor Clark read Resolution No. 94 - 2022 into the record and entertained a motion to adopt.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Clark, yes.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 94 - 2022

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TOWNSHIP BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$310,706.36 Committeeman Mike Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 94 - 2022 seconded by Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. Roll Call Vote: Deputy Mayor Byrd, yes; Committeeman Peterson, yes and Mayor

Mayor Clark read Resolution No. 96 - 2022 under the Consent Agenda into the record and entertained a motion to table.

Mayor Clark asked the Township Committee if they had any questions or concerns with the Consent Agenda minus Resolution No. 96 - 2022. There were none. Mayor Clark entertained a motion to adopt.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

(RESOLUTION NO. 95 - 2022 THROUGH RESOLUTION NO. 100 - 2022)

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. 95 - 2022

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF STREET OPENING PERMIT TO SOUTH JERSEY GAS COMPANY PERMIT NO. 7 - 2022 / INSTALLATION OF GAS SERVICE / 823 MARK DRIVE (783' EAST OF FORDVILLE ROAD)

## RESOLUTION NO. 96 - 2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF SAFETY AIR-PAKS SCOTT NJ STATE CONTRACT 17-FLEET-00819

Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. moved to table Resolution No. 96 - 2022 seconded by Committeeman Mike Peterson. Roll Call Vote: Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr., yes; Committeeman Peterson, yes and Mayor Clark, yes.

## RESOLUTION NO. 97 - 2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO 2022 FORD EXPLORERS THROUGH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NJ COOPERATIVE AND ONE 2022 FORD F-450 DUMP TRUCK THROUGH STATE CONTRACT #A88214 FROM BEYER FORD FOR \$135,836.40

#### RESOLUTION NO. 98 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT OF SALE FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 18, LOT 16.03

## RESOLUTION NO. 99 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT OF SALE FOR PROPERTY KNOW AS BLOCK 18, LOT 16.04

## RESOLUTION NO. 100 - 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT OF SALE FOR PROPERTY KNOW AS BLOCK 18, LOT 14

On a motion by Committeeman Mike Peterson to approve the above Resolutions by Consent Agenda with the exception of Resolution No. 96 - 2022 seconded by Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Bateman, yes; Deputy Mayor Byrd, yes but abstained on Resolution No. 91 - 2022; Committeeman Gonzalez, yes; Committeeman Peterson, yes and Mayor Clark, yes.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS / REMARKS

Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. reminded everyone to continue to be safe as COVID-19 still exists as the numbers are ramping up and to take care of yourself and your family and he also thanked everyone for joining tonight's teleconference meeting.

Committeeman Mike Peterson echoed the same remarks. He advised that he checked the website and it indicated Cumberland County was still green and all the counties that surround us are in yellow. He stated to continue to wear your masks and protect your family and protect the community.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT / REMARKS

Mayor Clark reiterated the same remarks. He stated that we all are trying to be safe as COVID-19 still is present and to wear your masks when suitable and too take care of yourself and your family.

Mayor Clark read the Public Comment 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 Clark entertained a motion to open Public Comment on Current Agenda Items & Non-Agenda Items.

Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. moved and seconded by Committeeman Mike Peterson. Roll Call Vote: Deputy Mayor Byrd, yes; Committeeman Peterson, yes and Mayor Clark, yes.

There were none. Mayor Clark entertained a motion to close Public Comment on Current Agenda Items & Non-Agenda Items.

Committeeman Mike Peterson moved and seconded by Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. Roll Call Vote: Deputy Mayor Byrd, yes; Committeeman Peterson, yes and Mayor Clark, 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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Deputy Mayor Benjamin Byrd, Sr. moved seconded by Committeeman Mike Peterson. All members voted in the affirmative. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Linda M. Gonzales, RMC

Township Clerk