

**COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2016  
7:00 P.M.**

<b>Mayor:</b>	<b>Robert A. Sabosik</b>
<b>Council President:</b>	<b>Joseph Furmato</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>Antoinette DePaola (Absent)</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>John Wisniewski</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>William Borowsky</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>Pamela Snyder (Absent)</b>
<b>Council Member:</b>	<b>Michael Thulen, Jr</b>
<b>Borough Attorney:</b>	<b>Christopher Dasti, Esq.</b>
<b>Borough Administrator:</b>	<b>Frank Pannucci</b>
<b>Borough Clerk:</b>	<b>Antoinette Jones</b>

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

**STATEMENT BY MAYOR SABOSIK:** Pursuant to the applicable portions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given. Notice of this meeting of the Governing Body has been posted in the corridor of the Municipal Building, published in the January 8, 2016 edition of *The Ocean Star* and communicated to *The Asbury Park Press*.

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: “I just want to say it is a pleasure to see the Girl Scouts here and what a great job they have done. I just came back from Berkeley Township, and this is why Councilwoman DePaola is not here, her father has passed away and he was a great believer in education. Berkeley Township has named the gym at Berkeley Township Elementary School in honor of her father and the ceremony is this evening. It is great to see what has happened in Berkeley and it is great to see what is happening in Point Pleasant with all the hard work, dedication and smiling faces that I see out there. So who wants to come forward so I can read something to you? Come on, everyone come up.”

**A. PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Girl Scouts - Community Garden**

Many of the Girl Scouts spoke enthusiastically about the Garden, what they grew, the friends they made and all the hard work they put into it. This experience has shown them how important the work they do really is.

A few of the Parents and Troop Leaders thanked Councilman Bill Borowsky for his support and for funding the garden and they thanked Chief Larsen and the Mayor for their support.

One of the Troop Leaders talked about how fun it was for the girls to pick from the garden and when they brought the fresh vegetables to St. Gregory’s Pantry, they were so thankful for what they gave to them. So what they are doing isn’t just helping the girls, it is helping other people.

Mayor Sabosik read the Proclamation to the Girl Scouts and thanked them again for all their work.

## 2. Holman & Frenia/Himanshu Shah, CFO - 2015 Annual Audit

Councilman Wisniewski introduced Bob Allison and Himanshu Shah.

Bob Allison thanked the Administration, the Governing Body and the Chief Financial Officer for all of the help extended to them during the completion of the Audit.

Bob Allison explained the Audit to the room and gave a presentation.

Himanshu Shah also explained how the Audit works in municipalities and how our financial position has improved.

Frank Pannucci stated the following: “This Mayor and Council and Administrative team really came together in January 1, 2015 and from that point on we have had our fund balance increased, an increased bond rating, our tax collection rate is 98% for the first time in recent history and we have stronger financial controls. This team has stabilized taxes and this audit shows that the Borough’s best days are still ahead of itself with what this Mayor and Council have done instituting policies for Mr. Shah and myself and the rest of the Borough to follow. So this has really been a fantastic audit and as an Administrator, I couldn’t be happier with it.”

Bob Allison pointed out that the teamwork and communication this town has now has really been a positive experience.

Councilman Borowsky commented that as someone who sees 300-500 residents a day, a lot of people are very happy that their tax bills are on time. I have gotten a lot of positive comments.

Council President Furmato also added that he has gotten a lot of comments and public appreciation that there was no increase in taxes.

Mayor Sabosik stated the following in closing: “Before you gentlemen leave, I just want to thank you for your professionalism and your service to the town of Point Pleasant. All of us up here have some background in the finances of business but beyond that, you two gentlemen have served this town very well and I applaud your professionalism, your dedication and your ability to help us in such a short time. For the last 15 or 20 years, the town has had some tough audits. It has had some audits that were not exactly the epitome of good town management. In a very few years we have moved forward and as Himanshu has said, about 4 years ago, it was not very nice. Bob, you mentioned how it was a bit tough to get information. This is the key point. Our Government of Point Pleasant, this Council and this Mayor, we are very transparent. We want people to know how good the town is doing. We want them to move here. We want them to take care of their houses and if they do that, this town will get better because we are taking care of the finances to the best of our ability by having the best of the best in you two. So I thank you a lot.”

Councilman Wisniewski stated the following: “Just on a final note, the Mayor gave the proper respect to these two guys. I am a man of few words. I think you can remember a few years ago, a few people were up here and I said a lot of words and they weren’t the nicest words. We were struggling. So I just want to say congratulations. Things are good. A few years ago when I was storming up and back behind the dais, it was because our financial reports weren’t adding up and there were problems. My blood pressure was ready to explode.”

Mayor Sabosik commented to Mr. Wisniewski that it goes to his attributes as being chairman of the Finance Committee and being a CPA. He commended Mr. Wisniewski on the tremendous job he has done and the ideas he has brought forth that this town has implemented. He thanked Councilman Wisniewski personally for a job well done.”

## **B. WORKSHOP**

### **1. Committee Reports**

**Council Member Wisniewski stated the following:** “With the Finance Committee, the budget worksheets have already gone out to the Department Heads, so we expect the budget to be completed again in the approved time frame that we have been doing in the more recent years. We have had years in the past when we barely finished the old one at this point in time.

As far as Open Space, the Committee and specifically Rich Morris, always seize to amaze me, they already have most of the plans and supplies ready for Santa at the Bennett Cabin. I left my notes at home but I believe it is set for the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of December but I will give the dates at the next meeting.

Originally we were going to give a proclamation to Craig Bowers who has dedicated a lot of time cleaning up White Lawn Cemetery. He couldn’t make it tonight, so we are going to do it at the next meeting. Mr. Bowers has arranged to have the Department of Corrections show up at White Lawn Cemetery and help him with things like heavy lifting and the bigger items that keep the cemetery looking as good as it has. I give him even more credit because if you look at some of the smaller cemeteries around the state, you can see that a lot of them are in disrepair and are not kept the way they should be. White Lawn is kept really good. If you drive passed that cemetery you can really see how nice White Lawn has been kept.”

**Council Member Thulen stated the following:** “The Construction and Zoning Committee has been working on different things over the summer and trying to help people who have been lifting their houses due to storm Sandy. One of those items is on the agenda for tonight in regards to existing homes being lifted or worked on. It touches on parking requirements. Over the next couple weeks, the Committee, myself, the Construction Official and our borough attorney got some comments back over some of the initiatives we are trying to work on in regards to Sandy affected homes and hopefully we will have some stuff in September.”

**Council Member Borowsky stated the following:** “On Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> the DPW had a Committee meeting. Attending was Administrator Frank Pannucci, our Engineers Ernie Peters and John LeCompte, DPW Superintendent Bob Forsyth, Council President Joe Furmato and myself. From the Engineers report, I will discuss some of the projects that were discussed. The vehicle storage building. The building is complete and should be finished this week so that project has come along nicely. Bennett Avenue Roadway Reconstruction, the concrete drainage work is complete. The paving should be completed by the end of next week. I talked to Bob today and he said that it would take 3-5 days to mill and rip out and a few days to lay some new gravel. The various drainage projects was discussed. Construction is under way and they should be complete by the end of the month. Two projects that are going to run in unison, the rehabilitation of Well #10 on Memorial Drive and Memorial Drive elevated water tank painting. These projects help maintain and extend the useful life of the well and water tower.

The 2006 mill and overlay projects, the County Schedule C program, Catherine Street, Donna Drive and Partridge Run. Those 3 roads were done this past summer.

As for the fishing pier down on Bay Avenue, Bids are due on August 25, 2016 at 11:00am.

The sewer video/repair contract will be awarded tonight to A to Z Site Contractors. It is for repairs to the existing sewer lines and several locations around town that was from the television project from a couple months ago.

The skate park is opened again after some repairs. Also, the possibility of putting lights there was discussed.

We are going to receive bids on August 30<sup>th</sup> for our water meters. This is part of that 4 year project.”

**Council President Furmato stated the following:** “The Fall Recreation schedule will be coming out. It is ready to be printed. There is good stuff in there for our young kids all the way up to our senior citizens.

Also, congratulations to all of our Olympic athletes for all of the Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. It is just amazing what these athletes are doing.

As Mr. Mayor said, Congratulations to Councilwoman Toni DePaola on her father’s honor. They are naming a middle school gym after her father. He was a great guy.

National Night Out across the street was a great success and the next day we had the Pirates at Riverfront Park which drew a really big crowd there.”

## **2. Report of Mayor**

**Mayor Sabosik stated the following:** “Tonight on our consent agenda, one of the items is Recognition of the Efforts of the Point Pleasant Borough Police Department and all Police Departments throughout the United States. This is a support Resolution for the hard work and dedication they do providing safety to all of us and it is really fitting. Councilwoman DePaola was going to bring this up but since she is not here she has asked me to say this, every month we are now getting letters stating what a great job our police officers are doing. This month we have 2 letters. Officer Siveen Greenan stopped by with some pre-K kids and she took her time to talk with them for 25 minutes and the preschool teacher said the light in their eyes were so bright because this police officer stopped and talked to them and treated them so well. The letter went on and on about how this officer was kind and considerate and took into account how young they were. We also have another letter about Detective Hill thanking her for her capabilities in times of sorrow for a family. You know, it is tough to be a police officer but this shows they have a heart. It shows that they care and it shows that our Police Department is the best of the best. We enjoy these letters and we want people to keep writing in. It is a testimony to how good the department is doing and it is an honor to this town and their Chief, Richard Larsen.

School is going to be starting in a couple weeks and Borough Hall, in the town Administrator’s Office will have paperwork from Councilman MacArthur’s Congressional Program for students. He has a congressional reading challenge and a congressional APP challenge. All the paperwork will be in our town Administrator’s office. It is easy to fill out. There will be critical thinking and intellectual growth in our youth and it will be very interesting to see how many of our youths can enter these programs and possibly get something back from the Councilman.

I am very happy to report this evening that our very own Point Pleasant Rotary has decided to donate \$8,000.00 to the town of Point Pleasant to help pay for a new electronic sign in Community Park. They

will be coming in at the next meeting to present us with the check. What is very important about this, is how a cooperative effort leads to a program with three different organizations that can create a platform for the benefit of all of our citizens. The Rotary in town will pay for the sign. The Chamber of Commerce will run the sign. Ads on the sign will be promoting our local merchants. Most of them are neighbors who live in the town. This is to create a positivity in the overall growth potential for the businesses to have a great winter and summer to let them grow to the next level. For the town, we will have the sign for any emergencies or any statements. The police will have ultimate control when they need to announce anything. So this is a great effort where three different groups of individuals are coming together to make this town better. That is what we all are, we are all neighbors. We all work together making the quality of life of this town the best that we can make it.

I also would like to announce the first ever Panther Pride Run will be on October 9<sup>th</sup>. It is a 5K run. It is for the benefit of Panther Pride. I would love to be in it, but my wife and I will be bringing the grandkids to Disney World that week so I think I will be walking and running more than the 5K.

We have also applied for the NJ State Transportation for Streetscape and Corridor Enhancements for use by pedestrians, Bicycles and other non-motorized forms of transportation. This is a continuing program by this administration to try to improve the ability for non-motorized transportation throughout this town. We will continue to do this. We will continue to go for grants. We will continue to look to make this town better for biking and walking and non-motorized transportation.”

**C. MINUTES**

- 1. Approve Council Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2016**
- 2. Approve Executive Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2016**

**MOTION: Approve Minutes**

**MADE:** Mr. Thulen

**SECOND:** Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Furmato: Abstain

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Abstain

Ms. DePaola: Absent

Ms. Snyder: Absent

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

**D. ORDINANCES**

- 1. Final Reading and Public Hearing  
**Ordinance No. 2016-11 – Amending and Supplementing the Borough’s Zoning Map for Properties Known as 646-648 Ocean Road and 1205 Brown Street, Block 141, Lots 1 and 18, Point Pleasant, NJ****

Mayor Sabosik opened up this portion of the meeting to the public for discussion on this ordinance. Seeing no hands, Mayor Sabosik closes this portion of the meeting.

**MOTION: Adopt Ordinance**

**MADE:** Mr. Wisniewski

**SECOND:** Mr. Furmato

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Absent

Ms. Snyder: Absent

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

2. **Final Reading and Public Hearing**  
**Ordinance No. 2016-12 – Amending and Supplementing Chapter XIX of the Borough Code Entitled, “Land Use”**

Mr. Dasti stated: “Just so the public and Governing Body is aware, last year the Borough Zoning and Construction office have been reviewing a lot of the Ordinances in town and apparently about 8 years ago there were changes made to the Borough Ordinance in regard to the conditional uses and it was only made to certain portions of the zoning districts. This ordinance is intended to clean that up and apply it for the remaining zoning districts in the Borough.”

Mayor Sabosik opened up this portion of the meeting to the public for discussion on this ordinance. Seeing no hands, Mayor Sabosik closes this portion of the meeting.

**MOTION: Adopt Ordinance**

**MADE:** Mr. Wisniewski

**SECOND:** Mr. Thulen

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Absent

Ms. Snyder: Absent

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

3. **Introduction**  
**Ordinance No. 2016-04 – Amending and Supplementing Chapter XIX of the Borough Code Entitled, “Land Use – Off Street Parking”**

**MOTION: Adopt Ordinance**

**MADE:** Mr. Thulen

**SECOND:** Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Absent

Ms. Snyder: Absent

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

E. **OPEN PUBLIC SESSION (Resolutions, Consent Agenda and Authorizations Only)**  
**Five (5) Minute Limit Per Person**

MOTION: Open the meeting to the public

MADE: Mr. Thulen

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

APPROVED: All in Favor

**Council President Furmato opened the meeting to the public.**

**Seeing no hands, Council President Furmato closes this portion of the meeting.**

**F. RESOLUTIONS**

“All matters listed under item “Resolutions” will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired on any item, this item will be removed and will be considered separately.”

1. (218-2016) Bills and Claims
2. (219-2016) Request Chapter 159 Budget Insertion – Hazard Mitigation Grant – Tide Flex Valves
3. (220-2016) Void Check Resolution

The bills totaling the amount of \$7,734,846.24 are to be paid as presented. The bills and claims list is on file in the Clerk’s Office and can be reviewed Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and on Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**MOTION: Adopt Resolutions**

**MADE: Mr. Wisniewski**

**SECOND: Mr. Thulen**

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Absent

Ms. Snyder: Absent

Mr. Thulen: Yes

**CARRIES: YES**

**G. CONSENT AGENDA**

“All matters listed under item “Consent Agenda” will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired on any item, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.”

1. (221-2016) Governing Body Certification of the Annual Audit
2. (222-2016) Authorize Re-Hire Preschool Employees for 2016/2017 School Year
3. (223-2016) Authorize the Hiring of Fall 2016 Recreation Program Instructors
4. (224-2016) Authorize Refund Demolition Bond – Block 350, Lot 1 – 1752 Bay Isle Drive
5. (225-2016) Authorize Refund Building Permit Fee – 1209 Wilmington Street
6. (226-2016) Authorize Refund Escrow Account – Zoning Board of Adjustment
7. (227-2016) Authorize Adjustment and/or Refund on Certain Tax or W/S Accounts
8. (228-2016) Awarding Contract to A to Z Site Contractors, Inc., for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Construction Project – Phase 1A
9. (229-2016) Recognition of the Efforts of the Point Pleasant Borough Police Department and All Police Departments Throughout the Nation
10. (230-2016) Authorize RVV to Provide Engineering Design and Contract Management Services for Handicap Improvements at Borough Hall
11. (231-2016) Authorize RVV to Provide Engineering Design for Well #5 (Clifton Avenue Water Treatment Plant)
12. (232-2016) Authorize DPW to Solicit Bids for Generator Installations at Various Locations
13. (233-2016) Confirming Personnel Appointments:
  - Robert F. Stauffer, Sr., Point Pleasant Boro Fire Department Station 75, Volunteer Firefighter, effective August 16, 2016.

- Robert F. Stauffer, Jr., Point Pleasant Boro Fire Department Station 75, Volunteer Firefighter, effective August 16, 2016.
- Thomas J. Stauffer, Point Pleasant Boro Fire Department Station 75, Volunteer Firefighter, effective August 16, 2016.
- Vince Geraldi, is hereby appointed to the position of part-time, Building Inspector, effective August 22, 2016, at \$34.00 per hour, up to 20 hours per week.

14. (234-2016) **Approving the Following Application:**

- a. The Shore House Bar & Grille, Petition to Extend Licensed Premises, Fundraiser, September 11, 2016, 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM and Point Pleasant Foundation for Excellence in Education, September 24, 2016, 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM.
- b. Point Pleasant Panther Athletic Booster Association, Panther Pride Run/Walk 5K Race on Sunday, October 9, 2016 beginning approximately 8:30 AM or 9:00 AM.

**MOTION: Adopt Consent Agenda**

**MADE: Mr. Wisniewski**

**SECOND: Mr. Thulen**

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Absent

Ms. Snyder: Absent

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

**H. OPEN PUBLIC SESSION  
Five (5) Minute Limit Per Person**

MOTION: Open the meeting to the public

MADE: Mr. Wisniewski

SECOND: Mr. Thulen

APPROVED: All in Favor

**Council President Furmato opened the meeting to the public.**

Dennis Vitkauskis: Foster Road – Asked for clarification on the Ordinance on the agenda for off-street parking.

Mr. Thulen: Explained that when people are raising their houses they have to have their driveways redone. This ordinance allows them the ability to do what they need to without being over-charged for the repair work needed.

**Seeing no other hands, Council President Furmato closed this portion of the meeting.**

**I. EXECUTIVE SESSION  
1. Personnel**



**2. Contract/Possible Litigation**

**MOTION:** To go into Executive Session Mr. Wisniewski

**SECOND:** Mr. Thulen

**APPROVED:** All in Favor

**RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Dasti: Stated in Executive Session we discussed the ongoing contractual negotiations with the Borough's bargaining unions, some personnel matters and also a litigation update on pending litigations. We also have a few add-on resolutions and authorizations that our Governing Body is going to approve.

**MOTION: Resolution Confirming 2016 Length of Service Award List**

**MADE: Mr. Wisniewski SECOND: Mr. Borowsky**

Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes  
Ms. DePaola: Absent Ms. Snyder: Absent Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

**MOTION: Resolution Confirming Appointments to the Office of Emergency Management**

**MADE: Mr. Wisniewski SECOND: Mr. Thulen**

Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes  
Ms. DePaola: Absent Ms. Snyder: Absent Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

**MOTION: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of the Memorandum of Agreement for Transportation Workers Union Local No. 225**

**MADE: Mr. Thulen SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes  
Ms. DePaola: Absent Ms. Snyder: Absent Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

**MOTION: Authorization Legal Action Against Wickitbad, LLC for ongoing violations**

**MADE: Mr. Thulen SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

Mr. Furmato: Yes Mr. Wisniewski: Yes Mr. Borowsky: Yes  
Ms. DePaola: Absent Ms. Snyder: Absent Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: YES

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

All in Favor

**TRANSCRIBED BY: VERONICA THWING, DEPUTY CLERK**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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**ANTOINETTE JONES  
BOROUGH CLERK**

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**ROBERT A. SABOSIK  
MAYOR**