

**COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

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

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT WISNIEWSKI: 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 13, 2017 edition of *The Ocean Star* and the January 19, 2017 edition of *The Asbury Park Press*.

A. PROCLAMATION

1. Recognition of Haley Hanrahan Ocean County Mayors' Association Scholarship Award

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "Tonight the first item that we will be doing on the Agenda is recognizing one of the scholars that we are fortunate to have living in Point Pleasant. Haley Hanrahan has received a scholarship from the Mayor's Association. All of us on Council offer our congratulations to an unbelievably smart and dedicated young lady. We would also like to say thank you for your dedication and a thank you to her unbelievable parents who have supported her."

2. Child Abuse Prevention Month 2017

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "I have the Chief here. He has enacted some programs, I don't think a lot of people realize. We have special rooms in the Police Department with toys and games. This creates a nurturing environment in stressful situations. It is under his tutelage that these situations are less stressful for the children and they get to relax while their parents are going through some tough times. I want to congratulate the Chief and the young ladies that are here. Thank you for coming out."

PRESENTATION

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "Our next presentation shows how corporate America can help small town America. Corporate America wants to give back to the town that helps in their success. Investor's Bank Foundation has decided to give the Borough of Point Pleasant a gift to help us establish a park with no boundaries. A park where special needs kids can go and enjoy the recreational space that will be provided for them to make it a natural park where they can be just natural kids.

Presenting a check this evening are personnel of Investor's Bank. The first check that they will be giving us is for \$20,000.00. They have promised us an endowment of \$100,000.00. That is \$20,000.00 to the

Borough of Point Pleasant for the next 5 years to ensure the sustainability of the park with no boundaries. I would like all of Council to step down and Bill Borowsky to accept this check because he has been in the forefront of making this a reality.”

Investor’s Bank: “Investors Bank has been in the community for the past 5 years. Since then the bank has always wanted to be a part of the community and give as much as they can. We have given over \$90,000.00 to different organizations in this community and now this \$100,000.00 puts us at almost \$200,000.00 in the 5 years that we have been here that Investor’s Bank has donated. We love being a part of the community and we thank you very much.”

B. WORKSHOP

1. Committee Reports

Council Member Snyder stated the following: “I just want to remind everybody that Earth Day is this Saturday from 12-4pm. The Environmental Commission has been working very hard at putting this together with the help from the Department of Public Works, our Chief of Police, Lt. Downs and the Police Explorers. There are going to be 84 exhibitors there this year. Council will once again be passing out tree seedlings for free in order to replenish what we have lost with Sandy and through the years. There will be a bounce house, inflatables, food trucks and a petting zoo. Please come out, the weather is supposed to be very nice on Saturday so we are looking for a good time.”

Council Member Thulen stated the following: “Last week we had a Land Use Committee Meeting. We discussed a couple of pending matters. One is we are still looking for a part time building inspector. If you know anybody out there who is looking for a part-time job please tell them to send a resume to the Construction Official.

Last year we were able to basically break even with our fees in the Construction Department which is one of the goals that I had coming into this office. I feel the Construction Department has a very necessary goal and that is to keep us all safe and help residents sleep at night in a safely constructed building. However, I don’t think it is necessary for the taxpayers to have to pay for that service. In the Construction Department we charge fees to offset the work that we do. The DCA recently came in and said we were doing very well. I want to continue with our Department and make sure that we continue with the process of accurate and timely inspections. We will also be discussing some more possible changes to the fee schedule.

Also, we spoke about and will be investigating further the prospect of sidewalks. People make changes to their homes and businesses but nothing in regards to sidewalks. So it is something that we will be looking into.

The Floodplain Committee has come up with a nice action plan. I know there is another meeting coming up but I don’t have the date on that right now. But you will be able to look it up on our website. If anyone has any comments about our final plan, you can come out to the meeting.”

Council Member DePaola stated the following: “First up, as Chairperson of the Public Safety Committee, a Point Boro First Aid ambulance volunteer came to give us a demonstration of their new striker stretcher system which is an automated stretcher which allows our volunteers to be able to lift and move patients without getting back injuries. With at push of a button it allows our volunteers to be able to safely and effectively move injured patients to the ambulance so they can make it to the hospital. So, I want to thank them for coming out here tonight and showing us some of the positives that are done with the support of the Borough and the Borough taxpayers.

I also want to remind our residents that on April 27th we will be having our Senior Exposition held at Saint Martha's Church from 10am to 2pm and there will be various clubs and local organizations and businesses there giving out information that may be of benefit to our seniors as well as care givers. That event will be at Saint Martha's Church because we currently do not have a Point Pleasant Borough Senior Center and they were gracious enough to allow us to utilize their facility and so it will be held at Saint Martha's but it is a Point Pleasant Borough Function."

Council Member Borowsky stated the following: "I have some great news to report to Mayor and Council. Our new Rec Director, Sheri Silversmith met with representatives from Capture Point recently. They had a very productive meeting. Moving forward, preschool and pre-k registration and tuition payments will be online. A lot of us who have kids in town know what we all had to go through standing in line hours and hours in advance to get your child enrolled. It will now be available online. I am 99% positive it will go on without a hitch.

All the Point Pleasant programs are in full swing. Several of the programs are very popular and had a great response. This great response has caused some wait-lists. So moving forward with some of the more popular programs in the future, Sheri is going to add some additional sessions to these programs. There is no reason why so many people should be missing out on the more popular programs. She is also in the process of adding something new this year. It is going to be a bus trip to the holiday light show in Manhattan. It is going to include dinner at a fine Italian restaurant and a 4 hour guided tour around Manhattan in a bus to view a lot of the lights in the city. There will be a couple of stops along the way for people to stop and get out and do a little shopping. She is very excited about this. It sounds like a great time.

We will be having a Recreation Committee Meeting next Wednesday night. April 26th at 7pm right here. Jenn Beahm will be in attendance to tell us where she is at with evaluating all the parks and seeing what kind of grants she plans on applying for to upgrade a lot of the parks.

Finally, I want to give a big giant thank you to Investor's Bank. We cannot say thank you enough for your generosity in this town. A couple years ago this idea of a park with no boundaries was just an idea and a dream. Thanks to your generosity we are so much closer to this being a reality. I can't say thank you enough."

Council President Wisniewski stated the following: "Other than a really heartfelt thank you to Investor's Bank and despite the popular demand, I have no report."

2. Report of Mayor

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: "For the Memorial Day Bike Parade for the Memorial Day event that we hold in the park. We are doing something a little bit different this year. We want to get an intergenerational aspect going where young kids can ride around in the park on a decorated bike and the Veteran's will be there to pick the best bikes. So what you are going to have is an intergenerational event. Hopefully with 2 or 3 generations and I think that is important to bring the different generations of the people in Point Pleasant together at more events.

Speaking of events, next week is National Volunteer Week from April 23rd to April 29th. It is pretty good timing when you consider tonight that we had a demonstration of a volunteer who came over to show us the newest piece of equipment that the Borough Council has purchased for them. We are very fortunate to have a superior number of people who volunteer many hours to this town in regards to training as well as responding to emergencies. They save this town so much money, but money is secondary when you look at their enthusiasm and their desire to help. This is one of the reasons why this town was picked as the best town in Ocean County to raise a family. We are energized. There is a feeling of positivity throughout

the town. We are doing better. We will continue to do better. We will continue to make this town the best that we can make it. You know it is really heartfelt up here when you see people in town come up and say, we have never done this before but we are doing this and we like it. Like Councilman Bill Borowsky just stated, we have so many people wanting to get involved. Years ago, it was said, it is filled and we are not going to do anything. The new philosophy is, if we have the people and they want to come, we are going to make more programs and more classes so they can fit. It is our duty as leaders to ensure that we include everybody and by including everybody, it gives them a quality of life that is better than what they had before. So I am happy to hear those programs were a success. I am happy to see the First Aid is doing so well.

I had a meeting with the Police Chief this morning and he gave some great results. Some of the things I cannot talk about because they are security things that we will be doing. But be rest assured that this town is different and the reason that we are different is because we have positive energy from the people who live in this town and we have a Mayor and Council who will go to the ninth degree to ensure that we have the best of the best that we can provide.”

C. MINUTES

- 1. Approve Council Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2017**
- 2. Approve Executive Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2017**

MOTION: Approve Minutes

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Absent

Mr. Borowsky: Abstain

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

D. ORDINANCES

- 1. Final Reading and Public Hearing
Ordinance No. 2017-14 Amending and Supplementing Chapter XIX of the Borough Code Entitled, “Land Use” and Specifically Section 19-20.3 Entitled “Review Fee Escrow Deposits”**

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting up for public hearing

Seeing no hands, Mayor Sabosik closed this portion of the meeting.

MOTION: Adopt Ordinance

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Absent

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

2. Introduction

Ordinance No. 2017-15 Amending and Supplementing Chapter IV of the Borough Code, Specifically Section 4-2 Entitled “Hawkers, Peddlers, Canvassers and Solicitors”

MOTION: Adopt Ordinance

MADE: Mr. Thulen

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Absent

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

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: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mrs. Snyder

APPROVED: All in Favor

Council President Wisniewski opened the meeting to the public.

Seeing no hands, Council President Wisniewski closed 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. (159-2017) Bills and Claims**
- 2. (160-2017) Void Check Resolution**
- 3. (161-2017) Request Chapter 159 Budget Insertion – Distracted Driving**

The bills totaling the amount of \$9,613,989.57 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: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Thulen

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Absent

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: *Abstain/Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

***Mrs. Snyder Abstained from all payments made to Bathgate, Wegener & Wolf and Yes to all others**

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. (162-2017) Authorize Adjustment and/or Refund on Certain Tax or W/S Accounts**
- 2. (163-2017) Authorize Auction of Abandoned Vehicles – Police Department**
- 3. (164-2017) Awarding the Bid for Phase 2 of Various Drainage Improvements to Curb Con, Inc. - COF #2017-137**
- 4. (165-2017) Authorizing and Approving the Point Pleasant Borough Police Department’s Participation in the Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program**
- 5. (166-2017) Authorize Refund or Building Permit Fee - Block 83, Lot 23, 600 Rispo Drive**
- 6. (167-2017) Approving the Following Applications:**
 - Date Change for the Nellie F. Bennett PTO 2 Mile Family Fun Run/Walk to May 6, 2017 at 8:30 am at the Nellie Bennett Elementary School**
 - Point Pleasant Chamber of Commerce Summerfest – Social Affairs Permit for June 2, 2017 – June 4, 2017 at Community Park**
- 7. (168-2017) Authorizing DPW to Solicit Bids for the Purchase of Water Meters and Equipment**
- 8. (169-2017) Authorizing a Waiver of Building Permit Fees for the In-Ground Pool at the Property Located at 1712 Riviera Court**

MOTION: Adopt Consent Agenda

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Thulen

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Absent

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

H. OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

5 Minute Limit Per Person. Ordinance No. 530. An Ordinance to establish by-laws to govern the organization and procedures of the Borough Council for meetings and deliberations. Section 5. Public Participation. Each member of the public shall keep his or her remarks brief, pertinent to the issues being discussed and shall not exceed a time period of five (5) minutes in order to adequately provide all members of the public with the opportunity to address the Governing Body consistent with good order and efficiency.

MOTION: Open the meeting to the public

MADE: Mr. Borowsky

SECOND: Mrs. Snyder

APPROVED: All in Favor

Judy Villano: Sunshine Harbor – Thanked the Mayor and Council for all their assistance and cooperation for the cleanup and appreciated all the advertising. She also thanked the DPW for their assistance and specifically mentioned that Jude picked up the recycling and Joy donated gloves and bags and they were very appreciative.

Seeing no other hands, Mayor Sabosik closed this portion of the meeting.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Adopt Resolution authorizing Mayor and Council to retire into Executive Session.

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council are desirous of retiring into Executive Session to discuss applicable exceptions to the N.J. Open Public Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, those matters relate to the following:

- 1. Personnel**
- 2. Contract/Possible Litigation**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Point Pleasant, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Mayor and Council shall retire into Executive Session to discuss the Aforesaid matters; and
2. That minutes shall be taken; and
3. That the matters to be discussed will be in all likelihood be known to the Public when and if the necessity for confidentiality no longer exists; and
4. That at the conclusion thereof, the meeting shall again be opened to the public.

MOTION: To Retire into Executive Session Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

APPROVED: All in favor

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Dasti stated the following: “In closed session we discussed some potential litigation matters as well as a personnel matter. There is going to be one add-on resolution that Mrs. Jones will read.”

9. (170-2017) Adjust Time and Benefits to Full Time Employee for Jennifer Burr

MOTION: Adopt Resolution

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Absent

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Thulen: Yes

CARRIES: Yes

MOTION TO ADJOURN

All in Favor

TRANSCRIBED BY: VERONICA THWING, DEPUTY CLERK

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

**ANTOINETTE JONES
BOROUGH CLERK**

**ROBERT A. SABOSIK
MAYOR**