

**COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019
7:00 P.M.**

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

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 11, 2019 edition of *The Ocean Star* and *The Asbury Park Press*.

A. PROCLAMATION

1. National Friends of Libraries Week – 2019

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: “Tonight I am going to go first with my committee report because I want to talk about the library. The librarians are the unsung heroes of this town. As I have said previously, I love to read, and they provide so many great services to this town for many generations young and old. You are the best of the best. So tonight, we will be doing another Proclamation in your honor and we will start with that.”

Dolores Sheppard, President of Friends of the Library thanked the Mayor and Council for their recognition and support and spoke of the different programs they have coming up. They will be reaching out to local businesses asking if they would to donate to the Friends of the Library.

B. WORKSHOP

1. Committee Reports

Council Member Furmato stated the following: “On our consent agenda tonight item numbers 7 and 8 are awarding bids for paving six roads, two of which will be for reconstruction. Also, the final phase of the water meters is coming up. On the consent agenda, we will be purchasing 700 water meters and that will allow us to finish the rest of the houses in town and that should be completed by February.”

Council Member Snyder stated the following: “The Environmental Commission has had a very busy last few months. As some of you know, they have started the GAT traps test groups. So right now, there are two test groups using these mosquito traps and Mike Romanowski, who was previously been with the Ocean County Mosquito Commission, has actually been reviewing the sticky cards from the traps. The primary purpose of the trap is to catch the Tiger Mosquito. But what he is finding on the sticky cards is that not only the Tiger Mosquitos on the cards. So, he is in the process identifying the mosquitoes and trying to figure out exactly which mosquitoes are plaguing Point Pleasant and how we can address that problem. There are two more test groups that will be implemented. I always thought that mosquitoes ended soon but they last

until the first frost. So it is not too late to be a test group and they are looking for more test groups to start in the spring of next year. I had previously mentioned that the Environmental Commission is working on the Sustainable Jersey reports and applications to increase our rating which will, in turn, position us better for more grants. That is being spearheaded by Heidi Reilly of the Environmental Commission. She has put feelers out to see if anyone else would be interested in joining the Sustainable Jersey Green Team. She has had approximately 30 people who have contacted her with interest. If anyone is interested in being a part of the Sustainable Jersey Green Team, please reach out to the Environmental Commission. They have a Facebook page, or you can reach out to Heidi Reilly herself if you know her, she is also part of the Garden Club. The primary purpose of the Green Team will be to help doing certain parts of the application that will ultimately be submitted to the state of New Jersey. It is just a lot of data collection and filling out the forms. So the more people who can get involved with that, the more likely that the application will be completed. They have already scheduled a tentative date for Earth Day. It is tentatively scheduled for April 25, 2020.”

Council Member DePaola stated the following: “As most of our residents know, we hosted an Elks in the Park event this weekend on Saturday. I would just like to say thank you very much to our DPW crews and our Police Officers. They did an awesome job. It was a big crowd and hard to keep after but our officers made certain that there were no incidents and that security was top notch. And DPW ensured the safety and cleanliness of the facility. It was a beautiful day enjoyed by everyone who was there. Again, I would like to say thank you very much to our Borough employees at town hall who went out of their way to make sure all of the I’s were dotted and T’s were crossed to make certain it was a great day. The weather cooperated which made it a nice day too.

The next Community Watch Organization meeting will be next Tuesday at 7:00pm here in the courtroom. We will be discussing the Trick or Trunk event which takes place in the parking lot. We will have all the details solidified in the next week or so and it will be advertised in the Ocean Star Newspaper.

Lastly, tonight you will notice under ordinances that there is an ordinance for introduction creating two new four way stop signs at the intersections of Curtis Avenue and Moore Avenue and again at Curtis Avenue and Chestnut Street. I understand that the residents in that area have been clamoring for some sort of traffic control devices over there. As the Mayor and Council, we elected to go ahead and put it for introduction and see how the people feel about that. I know we have had discussions with the police about this and we have come to different conclusions about what is best to calm the traffic over there but the Mayor and Council felt that it was important to move forward with it. So it is on the agenda this evening and before it is adopted we will have a public hearing on it which will be October 28th. So then we will open it to the public and see if people have any further ideas or new ideas.”

Council Member Borowsky stated the following: “This past Wednesday, September 18th, there was a Recreation Advisory Board meeting. Some of the things discussed were the preschool programs. There are 6 classes and 99 students and they were all full. Miss Ann is retiring after 26 years. So there is going to be a new assistant head teacher. She meets all the qualifications to be the head teacher for 2020.

Some of the other things discussed were the permits this year at Riverfront Park. There was a total of 57 permits issued. So this was a little bit of a success. It brought in a little over \$3,500.00 for the town. The beach badges sold this year were up from 180 last year to 200 this year. I think everybody is in agreement of the beautiful job Public Works has done making it so much more attractive.

Also discussed was Haunts in the Park which is Friday from 5pm to 9pm. It is going to be a flat fee this year which is \$3.00 for everybody. There will be a preview hour for the younger ones. Also this year, Half Moon Point will be running the concession stand. They will have soups and sliders which should be good and White Caps Ice Cream truck will be there.

The Christmas tree lighting will be Wednesday, December 4th from 5:30pm-8:30pm.”

Acting Council President Wisniewski stated the following: “I attended the Elks and it was a great event. It is amazing when we barter with such a great organization like the Elks, what a successful event that size could be.

In response to Councilwoman Snyder, I will volunteer to be a GAT Trap because all the mosquitoes seem to follow me and attract to me.

And a fun fact about the Library, Benjamin Franklin is the one who started the United States Public Library. So congratulations to them.”

2. Report of Mayor

Mayor Sabosik stated the following: “I also want to thank the Elks for taking the risk and putting forth such a great event for all the residents. The DPW and the Police Department did a wonderful job. I was there for approximately 5 hours and it was just an enjoyable day to see a lot of our neighbors and see grandparents and grandkids together just having an enjoyable day together on the Arnold Avenue property. My intent and hopefully Council’s intent is to have them again next year and keep bringing them back. Because they are a great organization and really a part of this town even though their address is another entity.

Unfortunately, we lost our former Administrator’s and former Borough Clerk, David Maffei. He passed away last week and I know all of us give condolences to his family. He was a great guy and worked for a long time for this town.

C. MINUTES

- 1. Approve Council Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2019**
- 2. Approve Executive Session Meeting of September 9, 2019**

MOTION: Approve Minutes

MADE: Mrs. Snyder

SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Mr. Thulen: Absent

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

CARRIES:

D. ORDINANCES

- 1. Final Reading and Public Hearing
Ordinance No. 2019-18 - Amending and Supplementing Chapter 3-27 of the Borough Code Entitled “Use of Skate Park”**

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting for public participation.

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

MOTION: Adopt Ordinance

MADE: Mr. Borowsky

SECOND: Ms. DePaola

Mr. Thulen: Absent

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

CARRIES:

2. **Final Reading and Public Hearing**
Ordinance No. 2019-19 – Amending and Supplementing Chapter 19-28 Entitled, “Design Standards and Details” and Specifically Section 19-28.5 Entitled, “Off-Street Parking” of the Borough Code

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting for public participation.

Dennis Vitkauskis: 2117 Foster Road – Asked if this meant that every business would have to have off-street parking now.

Mr. Pannucci: Responded that this ordinance is just cleaning up all the language that didn’t differentiate between new construction and old construction. Stated that the ordinance wasn’t clear and this fixes that.

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

MOTION: Adopt Ordinance

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Mr. Thulen: Absent

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

CARRIES:

3. **Introduction**
Ordinance No. 2019-20 – Creating Two New Four-Way Stop Signs at the Intersections of Curtis Avenue and Moore Avenue and Curtis Avenue and Chestnut Street and Thereby Amending and Supplementing Chapter VII, Section 6.2 Entitled “Stop Intersection” of the Borough Code

Councilwoman Snyder requested to table this ordinance to do more research on this, get engineers involved and have more studies conducted.

Councilman Borowsky seconded this request in agreement that more information is needed.

MOTION: TO TABLE ORDINANCE

MADE: Mrs. Snyder

SECOND: Mr. Borowsky

Mr. Thulen: Absent

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

CARRIES:

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

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

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: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Borowsky

APPROVED: All in Favor

Acting Council President Wisniewski opened the meeting to the public.

Dennis Vitkauskis: 2117 Foster Road – Inquired about Consent Agenda item #7. Asked which streets would be affected.

Councilman Furmato responded.

Seeing no other hands, Acting Council President Wisniewski closed this portion of the meeting.

F. RESOLUTIONS

“All matters listed under item “Resolution” 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. (223-2019) Bills and Claims
- 2. (224-2019) Void Check Resolution

The bills totaling the amount of \$777,213.57 are to be paid as presented. The bills and claims list are 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. Borowsky

Mr. Thulen: Absent

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

CARRIES:

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. (225-2019) Authorize Adjustment and/or Refund on Certain Tax or Water/Sewer Accts.
- 2. (226-2019) Authorize Refund of Lien Redemption and Premium Paid at Tax Sale

3. (227-2019) **Authorize Recreation Department Refund**
4. (228-2019) **Approving the Following Applications:**
 - **Bay Head Shore Property Owners, Social Affair Permit, Corn Hole Tournament, Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 12:01 PM – 7:00 PM (rain date October 20, 2019).**
 - **Chamber of Commerce, 39th Annual Halloween Parade, Sunday, October 27, 2019 starting at 12:00 PM on Bridge Avenue**
5. (229-2019) **Approving Confirming the Following Personnel Appointments**
 - **James M. Cook, hereby appointed to the position of temporary, part-time DPW Laborer at a salary of \$15.00 per hour, effective September 23, 2019.**
 - **Eric T. Leonhardt be appointed to the position of Substitute Crossing Guard, effective September 23, 2019 at the rate of \$22.45 per hour, as per the current Teamsters Local Union No. 469 Collective Bargaining Agreement.**
6. (230-2019) **Authorize CME Associates for Affordable Housing Administration Agent Services – COF #2019-138**
7. (231-2019) **Awarding the Bid for the Mill and Overlay at Various Locations Project to Earle Asphalt Company – COF #2019-140**
8. (232-2019) **Awarding the Bid for the Reconstruction of Glenwood Drive and Center Street Project to Earle Asphalt Company – COF #2019-141**
9. (233-2019) **Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of Water Meters to Rio Supply Company – COF #2019-142**

MOTION: Adopt Consent Agenda

MADE: Ms. DePaola

SECOND: Mr. Borowsky

Mr. Thulen: Absent

Mr. Wisniewski: Yes

Mr. Furmato: Yes

Ms. DePaola: Yes

Ms. Snyder: Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes

CARRIES:

H. OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

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MOTION: Open the meeting to the public

MADE: Mr. Borowsky

SECOND: Mrs. Snyder

APPROVED: All in Favor

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting to the public

Stephanie Polaski: 1205 Curtis Avenue – Thanked the members of the Council and Mr. Pannucci for listening to their concerns regarding the speeding and increased traffic on Curtis Avenue. Also added that the police department has been wonderful. Stated that finally after six years of their street being a non-stop cut through for traffic we have made progress. Feels that it is a taking a step back to do more studies and research before adding the stop signs to Curtis Avenue. Noted that none of the residents of Curtis Avenue are objecting to this and asked that the Mayor and Council please help make the streets safer for their kids, pedestrians and residents of the town.

Seeing no 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. Contractual/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: Mrs. Snyder

APPROVED: All in Favor

Mr. Dasti stated the following: “In Executive Session we discussed a couple things one of which was preliminary contract negotiations and a couple of administrative and personnel matters.”

MOTION TO ADJOURN

All in Favor.

TRANSCRIBED BY: VERONICA THWING, DEPUTY CLERK

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

**ANTOINETTE JONES, RMC, CMR
BOROUGH CLERK**

**ROBERT A. SABOSIK
MAYOR**