### COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021 7:00 P.M.

Mayor:	Robert A. Sabosik
<b>Council President:</b>	Antoinette DePaola
Council Member:	William Borowsky
Council Member:	Joseph Furmato
Council Member:	John Wisniewski
Council Member:	<b>Charlene Archer</b>
Council Member:	Valerie Coulson
Borough Attorney:	Jerry J. Dasti, Esq.
Borough Administrator:	Frank Pannucci
Borough Clerk:	<b>Antoinette Jones</b>

#### THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

<u>STATEMENT BY MAYOR SABOSIK</u>: 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, 2021, edition of *The Ocean Star* and January 7, 2021, edition of *The Asbury Park Press*.

#### A. WORKSHOP

#### 1. Committee Reports

**Council** Member Charlene Archer stated the following: "Nothing is really going on with the Environmental Commission right now. Things are quiet now due to the holidays so we will probably start back up again in January. I do want to thank everybody in town, the DPW, the Police Department and the Chamber of Commerce for a successful Christmas Tree lighting on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Also, we had another event at Riverfront Park. We had a meet with Santa Claus, and it was very successful. The children were out, and everyone loved it. We had hot chocolate and cookies and it was a great success. I really think the people in town are enjoying all our events and all the town is doing right now. I also would like to wish everyone a very happy holiday and a very healthy new year."

**Council Member Wisniewski stated the following:** "We are still trying to get our Finance Committee meeting set up. I also would like to echo Charlene's comments about our events. They were both very successful. If you didn't have a chance to stop by, you really missed out. We have some really great things going on for the residents and even some of our neighbors from other towns. Thank you to everyone who took part and volunteered."

**Council Member Coulson stated the following:** "With Land Use and Zoning we are operating with a full staff now which is great. And just to keep it short, I would also like to say that the Christmas events in the parks were very successful, and everyone seemed to really enjoy it. I wish everyone a happy holiday season."

**Council Member Furmato stated the following:** "One of our wells needs to be inspected to ensure proper operation and we put it out for bid back in early December, but we only received one bid, so we are going to rebid it. Also, on roads for the year, we had 16 scheduled, 3 roads are going to be pushed off until the spring. It is a little lighter this year than usual. We usually do about 17 so next year we should have a bigger number. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone."

Council Member Borowsky stated the following: "As Councilwoman Archer and Councilman Wisniewski touched on, our Christmas tree lighting this past Friday night was a huge success. I would like to give some props to Sheri and her staff in the Recreation Department and DPW for the great job. It is estimated that we had 2,000 people there that night. It was a huge success, and it continues to get better and better. So, hats off to all involved that made that happen. On December 7<sup>th</sup> registration for Borough residents for our winter recreation programs opened up. Signups are through the roof. We had a great response. Some of the programs have a 20 person wait list. So, Sheri is trying to squeeze more programs in since the wait list is so big. On December 14<sup>th</sup> those registrations will open up to non-residents in town. They will close altogether on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Preschool will have its open house on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Tonight, under consent agenda item #7 we will authorizing approval to accept the Ocean County Senior Services Grant for contract year 2022. Sheri put in for extra money and received nearly double what she has gotten in previous years so great job Sheri. That money will be used for more fitness programs and socialization programs for the seniors. This will also cover the rent at both of our senior facilities. Our Beehive now meets in 2 different facilities. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, they meet at St. Martha's from 10am-2pm and on Wednesday and Friday they meet at Life Chapel here on Bridge Avenue. Wednesday is from 8:30am-12pm and Friday is 10am-2pm. AARP Tax season is upon us, and we will start on January 3<sup>rd</sup> for the seniors. Anybody who wants their taxes done for free, you can call the Beehive and make an appointment and you can get your taxes done for free. Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everybody!"

Council President Antoinette DePaola: "Right now the Community Watch Organization is doing their annual toy drive for Dottie's House and the families at Dottie's House. We are also collecting donations up through Friday for the moms at Dottie's House. If anyone is willing to donate, they are accepting any type of beauty products for the moms and toys for the children. We did an adopt a child program where somebody in the community was paired up with a child and that child will receive pajamas and clothing for the winter. That was also done through the Community Watch along with our Police Department. We would like to thank the Police Department and the PBA again for their help in coordinating this and for the generous donations they give us to keep this going. That event will end on Friday and the gifts will all be brought to Dottie's House on Friday morning. Once again, thank you to this wonderful community and all our employees that make it so successful. We did have a wonderful tree lighting and a very nice meeting with Santa at Bennett Cabin. These are all the reasons we love Point Pleasant, and we want to keep that small town feel by having events like this that are very family oriented. Moving forward, we would like to be able to continue this and let's keep Covid under control so we can do that. One more thing, I would like to say congratulations to Councilman Bill Borowsky whose son is in the Marines and will be returning home for Christmas. That is a great gift, for everyone else, Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year."

#### 2. Report of Mayor

**Mayor Sabosik stated the following:** "As everyone has heard we have a theme up here. And the theme is doing things for our residents. I want to personally thank the Council for funding the events that they previously have mentioned. It is for the betterment of our whole town. It creates a culture of positivity which is part of the reason why people keep moving into our town. We are one of the safest towns in the State thanks to our Police Department. We are one of the most densely populated. So, by having these events we are getting people to come out to our parks and enjoy everything we can offer them. In the summertime, we have Summerfest in the park, it was a little late this year, but still a great event. All our

previous councilmembers mentioned everything that we do at Christmastime. In October, we had Haunts in the Park and Trick or Trunk. All these events create a town spirit. A town spirit that leads to one another to depend on one another in times of happiness and in times of need. And isn't this what elected officials are supposed to do? Aren't we supposed to create a positivity in our towns to help people enjoy life and bring happiness to all the generations? So, I am very proud of the Council up here for funding these events. I am happy that there are businesses in town who also create a financial helping hand to us. As we go into the Holiday Season, I wish everybody a very Merry Christmas and let's have a safe season for all so that when we come back in January, we can say what a great time we had in December and what a great year we could look forward to in the great town of Point Pleasant Borough."

#### B. <u>MINUTES</u>

- 1. Approve Council Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2021
- 2. Approve Executive Session Minutes of November 22, 2021
- **MOTION:** Approve Minutes

MADE: Ms. Archer	SECOND:	Mr. Wisniewski
Ms. DePaola: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Borowsky <u>: Abstain</u>	Mr. Furmato <u>: Yes</u>
Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Abstain</u>	Ms. Archer: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Coulson: <u>Abstain</u>

#### **CARRIES:**

#### C <u>ORDINANCE</u>

1. <u>Final Reading and Public Hearing</u> Ordinance No. 2021-19 – Setting Ranges for the Borough's Governing Body and Certain Full-time Officials and Employees

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting to the public to discuss this ordinance.

**Kevin Ostrander:** 609 South Manetta Drive – Asked for clarification of the ordinance and what the range means.

**Mr. Pannucci:** Responded every 2-3 years we must update the salary ranges due to collective bargaining agreements and this must be done by ordinance. This doesn't change anybody's salary.

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

**MOTION:** Approve Ordinance

MADE: Mr. Furmato

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Ms. DePaola: Yes	Mr. Borowsky <u>: Yes</u>	Mr. Furmato <u>: Yes</u>
Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Archer: Yes	Ms. Coulson: Yes

#### **CARRIES:**

D. <u>OPEN PUBLIC SESSION</u> (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: <u>Ms. Archer</u>

SECOND: <u>Mr. Wisniewski</u>

APPROVED: <u>All in Favor</u>

#### Council President DePaola opened the meeting to the public.

**Dennis Vitkauskis:** 2117 Foster Road – Asked about Consent Agenda Item #12 Covid Carry Over Vacation Time. Mr. Vitkauskis asked about the Covid wording.

**Mr. Pannucci:** Responded because of Borough Ordinance you are only allowed to carry-over a limited amount of time but because of Covid, municipalities are allowing employees to carry their additional time, but this time must be used by the end of 2022.

#### Seeing no other hands, Council President DePaola closed this portion of the meeting.

E. <u>RESOLUTIONS</u>

"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."

(280-2021) Bills and Claims
(281-2021) Authorization Transfer of 2021 Budget Appropriations

The bills totaling the amount of \$1,751,977.94 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: Mr. Borowsky

SECOND: Mr. Furmato

Ms. DePaola: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Borowsky <u>: Yes</u>	Mr. Furmato <u>: Yes</u>
Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Archer: Yes	Ms. Coulson: Yes

#### **CARRIES:**

## F. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

"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. (282-2021) Authorize Adjustment and/or Refund on Certain Tax or Water/Sewer Accts.
- 2. (283-2021) Authorize Refund of Lien Redemption and Premium Paid at Tax Sale

3.	(284-2021)	Momenialize Defund of Dianning Deard Fearow Account for Diack 82
З.	(204-2021)	Memorialize Refund of Planning Board Escrow Account for Block 83, Lot 12 – 619 Highland Drive
4.	(285-2021)	Authorize Refund of Demolition Bond for Block 342, Lot 45 – 1619
٦.	(203-2021)	Northstream Parkway
5.	(286-2021)	Authorize Refund of Construction Fee for Block 260, Lot 6 – 1404
J.	(200-2021)	George Street
6.	(287-2021)	Authorize Disposal of Surplus Property via Online Auction – Police
0.	(207-2021)	Department
7.	(288-2021)	Authorizing Approval to Accept the Ocean County Senior Services
7.		Grant for the Contract Year 2022
8.	(289-2021)	Authorize Recreation Department Refunds
<b>9</b> .	(290-2021)	Authorize Recreation Department to Hire Part-Time Seasonals/Senior
	(	Services Grant
10.	(291-2021)	<b>Recreation Department – Establishment of Fees for 2022</b>
11.	(292-2021)	Authorize Execution of a Shared Service Agreement with the Ocean
		<b>County Prosecutor – Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program</b>
		(D.W.I.E.P.) 2021/2022
12.	(293-2021)	Approve Carry Over Vacation Time for Borough Employees
13.	(294-2021)	Authorize Release of Performance Bond for The Bluffs at Point
		Pleasant Block 105, Lots 28, 39, 40 & 41 A/K/A 1125 Arnold Avenue,
		Point Pleasant
14.	(295-2021)	Authorize Release of Performance Bond and Acceptance of
		Maintenance Bond for 2020 NJDOT Oriole Way Reconstruction
		Project – S&G Paving, Inc.
15.	(296-2021)	<b>Rejecting the Sole Bid Submitted for the Well #9 Rehabilitation Project</b>
16.	(297-2021)	Confirming Personnel Actions:
		- Dennis Adametz is moving his retirement date from February 1,
		2022, to March 1, 2022.
		- Retirement of Thomas Falke as Supervisor of Water and Sewer
18	(200 2021)	effective June 1, 2022.
17.	(298-2021)	Authorize Canceling Taxes and Authorizing a Refund Pursuant to
		N.J.S.A.54:4-3.32 – Marquard
TON-	Adopt Resol	utions

MOTION: Adopt Resolutions

MADE: Mr. Furmato	SE	COND: Mr. Wisniewski
Ms. DePaola: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Borowsky <u>: Yes</u>	Mr. Furmato <u>: Yes</u>
Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Archer: Yes	Ms. Coulson: Yes

**CARRIES:** 

Councilman Borowsky acknowledged the two great employees that are retiring, Dennis Adametz and Thomas Falke.

#### G. <u>AUTHORIZATION</u>

**1.** Authorize Re-Advertisement for Bid of Well #9 Rehabilitation Project

**MOTION:** Approve Authorization

MADE: Ms. Archer

SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski

Ms.	DePaola:	Yes	5
Mr.	Wisniews	ski:	Yes

Mr. Borowsky: Yes Ms. Archer: Yes Mr. Furmato<u>: Yes</u> Ms. Coulson: <u>Yes</u>

#### **CARRIES:**

Mayor Sabosik also recognized Dennis Adametz and Thomas Falke. Both are great employees and will be truly missed.

#### H. OPEN PUBLIC SESSION

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**MOTION: Open the meeting to the public** 

MADE: <u>Mr. Wisniewski</u>

SECOND: Ms. DePaola

**APPROVED:** <u>All in Favor</u>

Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting to the public.

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

#### I. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u>

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 <u>Ms. DePaola</u>

SECOND: Ms. Archer

**APPROVED:** <u>All in favor</u>

#### **RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Mayor Sabosik:** Stated that in Executive Session the Council retained Mr. Dasti, Esq., to seek legal action against Finest Kitchens on Route 88. The buildings are decrepit and against the codes of Point Pleasant.

**Mayor Sabosik:** Stated the following Resolutions were discussed in Executive Session and will be added to tonight's agenda:

# 18. (299-2021) Opposing Toll Hikes on the Garden State Parkway and the New Jersey Turnpike

**MOTION: Adopt Resolution** 

MADE: Ms. DePaolaSECOND: Ms. ArcherMs. DePaola: YesMr. Borowsky: YesMr. Furmato: YesMr. Wisniewski: YesMs. Archer: YesMs. Coulson: Yes

**CARRIES:** 

19. (300-2021) Appointing SAV Consulting Services, LLC for Point Pleasant Borough Temp HR Work – COF #2021-147

**MOTION:** Adopt Resolution

MADE: Mr. FurmatoSECOND: Ms. DePaolaMs. DePaola: YesMr. Borowsky: YesMr. Furmato: YesMr. Wisniewski: YesMs. Archer: YesMs. Coulson: Yes

**CARRIES:** 

20. (301-2021) Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of South Toms River Confirming Personnel Actions

**MOTION:** Adopt Resolution

MADE: Ms. Archer	SECOND: Mr. Furmato	
Ms. DePaola: <u>Yes</u>	Mr. Borowsky <u>: Yes</u>	Mr. Furmato <u>: Yes</u>
Mr. Wisniewski: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Archer: <u>Yes</u>	Ms. Coulson: <u>Yes</u>

**CARRIES:** 

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** 

All in Favor.

# TRANSCRIBED BY: VERONICA THWING, DEPUTY CLERK

ATTEST:

**APPROVED:** 

ANTOINETTE JONES, RMC, CMR BOROUGH CLERK ROBERT A. SABOSIK MAYOR