

**COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

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| <b>Mayor:</b>                 | <b>Robert A. Sabosik</b>         |
| <b>Council President:</b>     | <b>Charlene Archer</b>           |
| <b>Council Member:</b>        | <b>William Borowsky</b>          |
| <b>Council Member:</b>        | <b>Joseph Furmato</b>            |
| <b>Council Member:</b>        | <b>John Wisniewski</b>           |
| <b>Council Member:</b>        | <b>Antoinette DePaola</b>        |
| <b>Council Member:</b>        | <b>Valerie Coulson</b>           |
| <b>Borough Attorney:</b>      | <b>Christopher Connors, 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 7, 2022, edition of *The Ocean Star* and January 7, 2022, edition of *The Asbury Park Press*.

**Mayor Sabosik stated the following:** “Tonight, I have the honor of saying thank you to a great individual and organization, Friends of Solo Foundation. For people who do not know what this foundation is, their mission is to protect K-9s before, during and after their job by providing them with the equipment necessary for their safety. And as you see, our two officers to the left, one a two-legged and one a four-legged, are both protected.”

**A. PROCLAMATION  
Honoring James Waiter Founder & President Friends of Solo**

James Waiter spoke and thanked the Mayor and Council for all they have done for K-9 units.

**B. WORKSHOP  
1. Committee Reports**

**Council Member Furmato stated the following:** “At this time I do not have a committee report, but I do want to take a moment of silence for the people of Ukraine and all they are going through. This should not be happening in 2022. I want all of us to please give a moment of silence. Thank you.”

**Council Member Wisniewski stated the following:** “We have a Finance meeting set up for tomorrow and we are going to go through our first run through of the Municipal Budget. We will be discussing water and sewer and the overall municipal budget at 5:30pm tomorrow night.”

**Council Member Coulson stated the following:** “We have one Land Use ordinance on tonight’s agenda and that is amending the affordable housing parameters. The Committee is also finalizing some variance ordinances adjusting several of the variances that we plan to introduce at the next council meeting.”

**Council Member DePaola stated the following:** “First off, I would like to again, extend my thanks to Mr. Waiter and his foundation, Friends of Solo. I was fortunate enough to be able to meet him during the Fall Festival and found him to be quite engaging and believed in his mission. It just shows how one person can truly make a difference.

The Point Pleasant Borough School district is planning the second strategic plan meeting with the members of the community to discuss various challenges throughout the school districts. The meeting is on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm. It is for visioning strengths and challenges, so hopefully there will be a lot of participants their to have input into the school process. I want to thank Councilman Borowsky for being our Liaison to the school board.”

**Council Member Borowsky stated the following:** “Pre-school registration starts Wednesday at 10am for current students enrolled in preschool now, and at 1pm for all other Borough residents. Our Spring registration brochure will be out tomorrow. Registration for those programs start on March 11<sup>th</sup> for Borough residents.

This year’s Easter Egg hunt is scheduled for April 9<sup>th</sup>. There are four different age groups, and it will start at 11am.

This Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, The Mayor, our Borough Administrator, Joe Furmato and I are going to have a light meeting with representatives from Colliers Engineering Firm to discuss plans for a new Recreation Center. I will have more information for you at the next meeting. Also, I would like to echo Councilman Furmato’s sentiments for Ukraine. To the military there, give them hell. We are pulling for you.”

**Council President Charlene Archer stated the following:** “The Environmental Commission are very active getting ready for Earth Day. This is the first one they have had since 2019 so they are very excited. They are also going to have rides for the kids, vendors, a band at the bandshell and this is all going to be on April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12pm to 5pm. The rain date will be April 24<sup>th</sup>. They also wanted to mention that in May, plastic bags are going to be banned. So they will have information on that new law that is coming into effect.”

## **2. Report of Mayor**

**Mayor Sabosik stated the following:** “This months Mayor’s Hours is going to be March 9<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-7pm. This is for anyone who wishes to come forward to talk about anything they like. There will be other Council Members there and the Town Administrator. This is a friendly venue where you have the opportunity to discuss issues where people might be afraid of crowds or do not want to talk in front of others at a council meeting. This is a very good way for us to connect with each other.

On February 16<sup>th</sup>, we had a meeting with the Ocean County Mayor’s Meeting. We had the NJDLGS director there to speak with us and she talked to us about various grants, including grants for towns who have shared services. We are looking into a possibility on getting some grants from the State. She was a very energized speaker, so it was a pleasure listening.

Another meeting we have coming up on Wednesday at 10am, I will be down in Toms River with the Road Department with a plethora of issues, from speed studies, to traffic, to getting better turn lanes in our town. I will keep you abreast of that at the next meeting. I look forward to a very productive meeting with their representatives and their road department.

Saturday, April 9, 2022, there will be the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Beach Cleanup. I will keep you abreast of that information of where and when. It will be 9am-12:30pm.

Going back to the Friends of Solo Foundation. This is really a great foundation. This protects our police dogs. His website is friendsofsolo.org. If anyone knows anyone who can help out, please do. He is a very energized, hard-working individual. As he said tonight, he started with one and is now up to 17 donated vests. I think it shows what one individual can do to create a safe environment for our four-legged officers.”

**C. MINUTES**

1. **Approve Council Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2022**
2. **Approve Executive Session Minutes of February 14, 2022**

**MOTION: Approve Minutes**

**MADE: Mr. Borowsky**

**SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

**Ms. Archer: Yes**  
**Mr. Wisniewski: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**  
**Ms. DePaola: Yes**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**  
**Ms. Coulson: Yes**

**CARRIES:**

**D. ORDINANCE**

1. **Final Reading and Public Hearing**  
**Ordinance No. 2022-03 – Amending and Supplementing Subsection 7-3.4 of the Borough Code to Add Additional No Parking Areas Under Schedule II**

**MOTION: to Table Ordinance**

**MADE: Mr. Borowsky**

**SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

**Ms. Archer: Yes**  
**Mr. Wisniewski: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**  
**Ms. DePaola: Yes**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**  
**Ms. Coulson: Yes**

**CARRIES:**

2. **Final Reading and Public Hearing**  
**Ordinance No. 2022-04 – Amending and Supplementing Chapter 19 Entitled “Land Use”**

**Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting to the public for comment.**

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

**MOTION: Approve Ordinance**

**MADE: Mr. Furmato**

**SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

**Ms. Archer: Yes**  
**Mr. Wisniewski: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**  
**Ms. DePaola: Yes**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**  
**Ms. Coulson: Yes**

**CARRIES:**

2. **Introduction**  
**Ordinance No. 2022-05 Amending Chapters 8, 9, 12 and 19 of the Borough Code**

**MOTION: Approve Ordinance**

**MADE: Mr. Furmato**

**SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

**Ms. Archer: Yes**  
**Mr. Wisniewski: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**  
**Ms. DePaola: Yes**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**  
**Ms. Coulson: 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. Wisniewski**

**APPROVED: All in Favor**

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

**Seeing no hands, Council President Archer 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. (090-2022) Bills and Claims**
- 2. (091-2022) Approve Emergency Temporary Appropriation**

**The bills totaling the amount of \$1,469,835.65 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. Coulson**

**SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

**Ms. Archer: Yes**  
**Mr. Wisniewski: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**  
**Ms. DePaola: Yes**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**  
**Ms. Coulson: 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. (092-2022) Authorize Adjustment and/or Refund on Certain Tax or Water/Sewer Accts.**
- 2. (093-2022) Authorize Refund of Lien Redemption and Premium Paid at Tax Sale**
- 3. (094-2022) Authorize Recreation Department Refunds**
- 4. (095-2022) Authorize Recreation Department to Hire Part-time Seasonals**
- 5. (096-2022) Authorize Refund Demolition Bond – Block 376, Lot 65, 2229 Laurel Dr.**
- 6. (097-2022) Authorize Release of Performance Bond Guarantee to Daniel Sager, 1513 Fernwood Avenue, Block 326, Lot 16**
- 7. (098-2022) Authorize Release of Performance Bond Guarantee to Tom and Amy Walsh, 1328 Sunrise Avenue, Block 333, Lot 5**
- 8. (099-2022) Approving the Following Applications:**
  - Earth Day Celebration, Riverfront Park, Saturday, April 23, 2022, from 12:00 PM-4:00 PM, (rain date Sunday, April 24, 2022)**
  - Social Affair Permit - Point Pleasant Chamber of Commerce, Summerfest, Friday, June 3, 2022, and Saturday, June 4, 2022 (rain date June 5, 2022) at Community Park.**

**MOTION: Adopt Resolutions**

**MADE: Mr. Borowsky**

**SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

**Ms. Archer: Yes**

**Mr. Borowsky: Yes**

**Mr. Furmato: Yes**

**Mr. Wisniewski: Yes**

**Ms. DePaola: Yes**

**Ms. Coulson: Yes**

**CARRIES:**

**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. Furmato**

**SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

**APPROVED: All in Favor**

**Mayor Sabosik opened the meeting to the public.**

**Dennis Vitkauskis:** 2117 Foster Road – Asked why, at the last council meeting, approving the Shore House Grill to keep their tent until late March was an Executive Session decision rather than during the public portion of the meeting.

**Mr. Pannucci:** Responded that anything that has to do with Ordinances can sometimes lead to litigation which would then need to be discussed in Executive Session.

**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. 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. Archer**

**SECOND: Mr. Wisniewski**

**APPROVED: All in favor**

**RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Mr. Connors:** “In Executive Session we discussed matters of anticipated litigation.”

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**All in Favor.**

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

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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

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**ROBERT A. SABOSIK  
MAYOR**