

**MINUTES  
TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
June 15, 2016 (5:30PM)**

A Meeting of the Pennsauken Township Committee was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 in the Caucus Room at the Pennsauken Township Municipal Building, 5605 N. Crescent Blvd. Pennsauken, NJ 08110.

The Meeting came to order at 5:30 PM by Mayor Kneib who called for roll call which was recorded as such:

**PRESENT:** Committeeman John Figueroa, Committeewoman Betsy McBride, Committeeman Jack Killion and Mayor John Kneib

**ABSENT:** Deputy Mayor Rick Taylor

Present were Township Administrator Edward Grochowski, Municipal Attorney Michael Joyce, Township Clerk, Gene Padalino, Deputy Clerk Pamela Scott-Forman,

Roll call was followed by the Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence.

Mayor Kneib announced that the Meeting was being held in compliance with the "Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act".

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES-**

Meeting-May 25, 2016

A motion to approve the minutes on the agenda was made by Committeeman Figueroa a second to the motion was made by Committeeman Killion

The minutes of May 25, 2016 were approved with a 4/0 affirmative voice vote.

**ORDINANCE - First Reading – No Public Comment**

**2016:12 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, CHAPTER 111 THEREOF, ENTITLED "BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS".**

Mr. Grochowski explained this would so we can drain stagnant water left in/on pools that have been vacated or foreclosed upon. The Township will then place a lien against the house.

Name	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
<i>Figueroa</i>			√			
<i>Killion</i>	√		√			
<i>McBride</i>		√	√			
<i>Taylor</i>						√
<i>Kneib</i>			√			

**RESOLUTION(s)- Public May Comment -The Following Resolution(s) will be considered individually**

2016:192

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN AUTHORIZING AND ACCEPTING THE SALE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4401 MADISION AVENUE, PENNSAUKEN, NEW JERSEY, BLOCK 4608, LOT 16, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CAMDEN COUNTY MORGUE BUILDING, FROM THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.3**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.3, the governing body of a county may authorize by resolution the sale of land, not needed for county purposes, to a municipality in the county without complains with any other law governing disposal of lands by counties for a consideration which may be nominal; and

WHEREAS, the Chosen Board of Freeholders of the County of Camden ("County") has determined it no longer needs for county purposes the following land located and situated at 4401 Madison Avenue, Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, also more commonly known as the Camden County Morgue Building, more specifically shown on the tax map as Block 4608, Lot 16, which parcel consists of approximately 0.720 acres, and by way of Resolution Number 11 adopted May 19, 2016, has resolved to transfer said lands to the Township of Pennsauken; and

WHEREAS, the County has further resolved that the transfer by deed in fee simple for the above identified parcel to the Township of Pennsauken for the sum of One (\$1.00) Dollar would be in the best interest of the County; and WHEREAS, the County and the Township of Pennsauken shall execute an Agreement of Sale which will detail the remaining terms and conditions with respect to disposition and transfer of the parcel subject to review and approval as to the form and content of said agreement by the Office of County Counsel and the Solicitor of the Township of Pennsauken.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken that the proper officials be and are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary or required, including but not limited to, all documents for settlement, to effect the sale and transfer by deed of 4401 Madison Avenue, Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, also more commonly known as the Camden County Morgue Building, more specifically shown on the tax map as Block 4608, Lot 16, which parcel consists of approximately 0.720 acres from the Chosen Board of Freeholders of the County of Camden for the sum of One (\$1.00) Dollar.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the remaining terms and conditions with respect to the aforementioned Agreement of Sale and disposition of the parcel shall be subject to review and approval as to the form and content of said agreement by the Office of County Counsel and the Solicitor of the Township of Pennsauken.

Mr. Grochowski commented that the County moved in to Camden, this property will be considered for redevelopment or knocked down to be determined by Committee.

No one from the public wished to comment.

Name	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
<i>Figueroa</i>	√		√			
<i>Killion</i>		√	√			
<i>McBride</i>			√			
<i>Taylor</i>						√
<i>Kneib</i>			√			

**RESOLUTION(s)- Public May Comment -The Following Resolution(s) will be considered consent agenda**

**2016:193**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING A JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the appointment of a municipal Magistrate for the Township of Pennsauken; and WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose; and WHEREAS, the N.J.S.A. 2B:12-4 requires that a resolution be adopted that appoints a judge of the municipal court judge;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Steven Petrillo, Esquire is hereby appointed a judge of the Municipal Court for the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden and State of New Jersey
2. The term of such appointment shall be for a term of three (3) years, commencing June 1, 2016 and expiring May 31, 2019 as fixed by law in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2B:12-4.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forward by the Township Clerk to the Chief Financial Officer and Steve Petrillo, Esquire and the Assignment Judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Camden County.

**2016:194**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE PERMISSION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN TO PARTICIPATE IN A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND FIVE (5) OTHER MUNICIPALITIES TO APPLY FOR THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE'S FY 2016 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM-TOTAL GRANT AMOUNT: \$ 10,591.00**

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township of Pennsauken to participate in the aforementioned program this resolution is a request to the Township Committee for permission to apply and participate; and

BE IT RESOLVED that if permission is granted the funding will be utilized by the Pennsauken Police Department for equipment related to community policing.

The exact amount of Pennsauken Township's portion of the grant is \$ 10, 591.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the grant will be in collaboration with Camden County, Camden City, Cherry Hill Township, Gloucester Township, Lindenwold Boro and Winslow Township.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken that permission is hereby granted to apply and participate in the aforementioned collaborative effort.

Mr. Grochowski commented this is done annually for the police

Ellyn McMullen – Palace Court questioned if the Ten Thousand would be split between the townships or just Pennsauken's part?

Mr. Grochowski replied the Ten Thousand is Pennsauken's share.

No other public wished to comment

Name	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
<i>Figueroa</i>	√		√			
<i>Killion</i>			√			
<i>McBride</i>		√	√			
<i>Taylor</i>						√
<i>Kneib</i>			√			

#### CONFERENCE /ITEMS OF DISCUSSION-

- 1) Discussion of Businesses in Redevelopment Areas

In the absence of Mr. Carr and Mr. Cardwell, Mr. Grochowski gave the report.

6305 S. Crescent Blvd. next to H&R Appliance who were given previous approval.

7300 N. Crescent Blvd. suite 1C 1700 sq. ft. to Suite 1A 6700 sq. ft. a move for the decal location. Suite 1C will now be occupied by Coastal Coach for bus maintenance.

Committeewoman McBride questioned if it would be a number of busses. Committeeman Killion stated it couldn't be no more than 2 maybe 3 at the most because of space.

Committee requested that they fix the fencing, which is unsightly to the residents on Wyndham prior to any movement.

Mr. Grochowski commented that the Township now has three major companies, maybe a fourth who has relocated their headquarters to Pennsauken. By name J & J Snacks, Purata and Bayada nursing.

Committee commented that Frank should do a feature story on all of them and a push to have the Courier Post and Inquirer to do article also.

#### DEPARTMENT REPORT(s) and/ or Country Club Revenues to Date-

Motion made by Committeewoman McBride to accept the reports

Seconded by Committeeman Figueroa

An affirmative voice vote of 4/0

#### Mayor Kneib opened the floor for public comment

Ellyn McMullen - Palace Court questioned if she could have the name of the person and the department that is now doing the abandoned homes and who that person reports to.

Mayor Kneib replied her name is Tracey Howarth and she is working diligently on a list of abandoned homes

Zoe Patel – Haddonfield Road stated he and his partner currently have a greenhouse behind M & M Liquors and are interested in having a 2<sup>nd</sup> structure. They initially asked if Committee had any concerns before they go before the planning board again.

Committeewoman McBride asked if they could explain what they do again.

He stated they have 320 sq. ft. of water based herbs (leafy greens and herbs) which is grown indoors. They grow in 40 foot containers and the entire process takes about 6 weeks from start to harvest. They commented they are still perfecting the operation. They are affiliated with the University of Pennsylvania and hope to in the future sell at Farmers Markets.

Committee had no objections, and wished them luck.

A resident from Sherwood terrace commented about Laurel Aveneu and that for 2 months trash has been being left at the end of their street and it now looks like a dump. Large contractor bags, cans of paint and 5 gallon drums of tar and even a toilet. He stated he called and nothing has been done.

Mr. Joe Scavuzzo – Director of Public Works commented that unfortunately they can't just go grab bags not knowing what's in them. He explained the process for Code Enforcement who send a notice which gives 10 days to respond and another 10 days if they request an extension.

A resident commented that he's lived here 35 years and has never seen anything like this before. He also stated that the street sweeper hasn't been down the street in 8 years.

Committeewoman McBride moved a motion to close the floor to the public  
Committeeman Killion seconded the motion  
An affirmative 4/0 voice vote was recorded

Committeeman Figueroa moved a motion to adjourn  
Committeewoman McBride seconded the motion  
An affirmative 4/0 voice vote was recorded

Meeting adjourned at 5:59 pm

Respectfully Submitted

  
Pamela Scott-Forman  
Deputy Clerk

**MINUTES APPROVED: JULY 6, 2016**