

Minutes of the Agenda Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Commercial held on Monday, June 15, 2020 at 6:00 P.M., at the Township Hall, 1768 Main Street, Port Norris, NJ 08349

Those present:

Mike Vizzard	Mayor
Fletcher Jamison	Committeeman
Ryan Broughton	Committeeman
Hannah E. Nichols	Township Clerk
Heather Sparks	Deputy Clerk

Call Ins:

Thomas Seeley	Solicitor
Edward Dennis	Engineer

Mayor Vizzard presided and called the meeting to order with the announcement that meeting was advertised, being electronically recorded and being held in full compliance of the Open Public Meeting Act. Mayor announced that engineer and solicitor would be attending meeting telecommunications

Mayor Vizzard said we have no officials present, he called upon Edward Dennis who attended meeting by phone.

Mr. Dennis said that he didn't have a lot to report that the state had approved the extension of High Street down to Surfside Products in the Port Norris Riverfront Roadway Improvements Project. Mr. Dennis asked the committee if they wanted to have another joint meeting with the individuals that own property down to the river or adjoins the road that are being improved. He said he believes that we will be able to go out to bid in July. Also, Red Fern Drive plans are ready and we are working on getting this out to bid in July. Mr. Dennis said that applications have to be filed for municipal aid for 2021 by July 1st and that the committee has decided that Keron Drive and Parsons Lane as priority 1, and Milbourne Drive and Dennis Lane as priority 2.

Mayor Vizzard asked solicitor if he had anything to report on.

Mr. Seeley reported that a Certified letter was sent to Mr. Raymond White regarding Block 48, Lots 6082-6088, 140X100, that was foreclosed on by the township because Mr. White never paid the taxes on the property nor did he file the deed until after the township foreclosed.

Clerk, Hannah Nichols, said there is an interested party that wants to bid on the property. Do we own it, can we put it up for sale?

Mr. Seeley said at present there is a cloud over this property and if anyone wants to bid on it they should be told there's a cloud and possible lawsuit.

Mayor Vizzard said committee received a letter from George Castellini, Cumberland County Freeholder, that he had sent to Governor Murphy requesting that the governor move swiftly allowing the businesses in Cumberland County to open.

Committee received a request from the Commercial Township Board of Education asking if the committee would still sponsor two awards for two Outstanding Eighth Grade Students.

Mayor asked the committee for their input in this matter.

Committeeman Jamison said we've always given two \$100 awards to students in the eighth graduating class, and I think we should still do it.

Committeeman Broughton said he approved and Mayor Vizzard said he was for it.

Clerk said the school has provided her with the names of the students: Nay'Quan Coriano and Raymond Miles.

Mayor Vizzard said we have an e-mail from Ashley Wolk, Municipal Division Manager of Cumberland County Courts, that the Commercial Township shared services with CS Regional has been approved and the starting date will be July 1, 2020.

Mayor Vizzard said we have been informed by Liz Hernandez, Administrator, Board of Elections stating that Mauricetown Fire Hall will be the only designated poll for anyone that wants to vote provisional ballot or for any individuals that are handicapped for the July 7, 2020 Primary Election. Poll opens at 6:00 a.m. and closes at 8:00 p.m. The governor recommends everyone vote by absentee ballot because of the Coronavirus this primary election. Mayor said there will be a ballot box installed at the township hall, Memorial Avenue side for anyone that doesn't want to use the postal service.

Mayor said the state has informed us that 2020 Census forms are being delivered to homes throughout Commercial Township and if no one is at home the census workers are leaving the form bag on the door knob.

Committeeman Jamison said that individuals can file on line.

Mayor said he hopes everyone will fill out the forms, everyone should be counted and they just have to put it in the mail, postage is paid.

Mayor said we have resolutions for the regular meeting on the 18th.

Resolution 2020-64: Establishing CS Regional Court Administrator Patricia Turkali As A Signer on the Commercial Township Municipal Court Bank

Account

Resolution 2020-65: Approving Liquor Warehouse Corp (Lallis Liquors) Plenary Distribution Liquor License Renewal 2020-2021

Resolution 2020-66: Approving Renewal of Club License for Mauricetown Gunning Club for year 2020-2021.

Resolution 2020-67: Approving Specifications Preparations on Properties Deemed For Demolition As Determined By The Commercial Township Construction Officials and Going Out For Proposals

Resolution 2020-68: Budget Insertion Clean Communities Money \$16,235.71.

Resolution 2020-69: Authorizing Tax Collector To Process Third Quarter "Estimated" Tax Bills Due August 1, 2020

Resolution 2020-70: Municipal Aid Application Keron Drive & Parsons Lane, Priority 1

Resolution 2020-71: Municipal Aid Application Milbourne Drive & Dennis Lane, Priority 2

Mayor asked Committee if they had any reports and being none asked for a motion to adjourn.

Hannah E. Nichols, Township Clerk