

**MINUTES OF THE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF  
UPPER DEERFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, HELD ON  
THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2022, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 1325  
HIGHWAY 77, SEABROOK, NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO NOTICE**

Present were: James Crilley, John Daddario, Bruce Peterson, Thomas Speranza, and Scott Smith all being members of the Township Committee. Also present: Rocco Tedesco, Solicitor; Roy Spoltore, Township Administrator/Clerk; Amy Colaneri, CFO; and Teresa Warburton, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Committeeman James Crilley, and he read the following public meeting announcement.

"This meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act." Notice of the meeting has been provided and published as required by law in the Daily Journal and The Press, Cumberland County Edition. Notice has also been posted in the Municipal Building. The Clerk shall enter this statement in the minutes of this meeting. In compliance with State Fire Safety Statues the Chairman instructs those present how to exit the room in an emergency."

James Crilley gave an invocation followed by the flag salute led by John Daddario.

At this time James Crilley, Chairman opened the meeting for public comment.

Roberta Johnson of Chiari Lane was concerned about abandoned vehicles parking on Chiari Lane, she stated that she has contacted management and the state police. The Township will reach out to the state police to see what solutions are available. There being no other public comments, James Crilley, Chairman called for the approval of the minutes for the meeting of June 2, 2022. On a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Thomas Speranza to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to accept the minutes as received, unanimously approved 5-0.

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing the Tax Collector to Adjust Taxes for a Wartime Service-Connected 100% Disability- Burgos. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Thomas Speranza, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

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**INSERT RESOLUTION**

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Tax Payment to be Refunded. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Thomas Speranza, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

**INSERT RESOLUTION**

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for

West Dawson Drive, Acorn Drive, Oak Hill Drive and Colonial Terrace Reconstruction. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

#### INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Awarding Bid to Ricky Slade Construction Inc. for the Reconstruction of Love Lane, Midway Avenue and Maple Avenue. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John Daddario, seconded by Bruce Peterson, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

#### INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Appointing Part Time Construction Code Administrative Clerk-Vera. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Thomas Speranza, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

#### INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Appointing Individual as Temporary Seasonal Intern-Cobb. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Urging the Swift Passage of S-330 Which Restores Energy Tax Receipts. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Thomas Speranza, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

#### INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled ax Payment of Bills, in the amount of \$1,401,265.32. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Thomas Speranza, seconded by, Bruce Peterson to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

#### INSERT RESOLUTION

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

John Daddario reported that the two streetlights in the back of the Mill Creek development are still not working. NCLL is wrapping up their season.

Scott Smith reported that public works has been doing a good job on Fox Road.

Bruce Peterson stated that there are commercial vehicles entering the convenience center disposing of brush. Mr. Peterson suggested looking into license plate tag readers or cameras so that tickets could be issued. The problems typically occur during weekdays when commercial vendors are working.

Thomas Speranza reported that the state police are making progress in identifying the individuals who have been vandalizing Red Barn Deli. He added that the state police have caught the individual who has been stealing cars, otherwise it is quiet in the township.

Mayor Crilley reported that he handed out two humanitarian awards at the Upper Deerfield Township School graduation ceremony. The mayor attended the Cumberland County Utilities Authority meeting that was completed in 18 minutes. He added that he attended the Cumberland County Economic Development Meeting, where Upper Deerfield Township informed the group of the proposed and discussed economic projects in the Township.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Roy Spoltore, Administrator stated that the Nitrate Removal Treatment System installation at the Love Lane Water Treatment Facility is moving along. Paul Miola from the ACMJIF will be at the July 21<sup>st</sup> township meeting to answer any questions, as the Township is up for its three-year renewal into the JIF in 2023. The Site Plan and Application for the Mod Car Wash on Highway 77 and S. Burlington Road was approved by the Planning Board. The monthly departmental reports for May are contained in this evening's packet for review.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Rocco Tedesco, Solicitor reported that Brian Murphy and the Mill Creek developers are discussing the close out items that need to be completed. He also had a contract matter to discuss with the committee in closed session pertaining to the redeveloper agreement for Bristol Ponds.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Nancy Ridgway of Irving Avenue reminded everyone that the next meeting is July 21<sup>st</sup>. With no other public comments and no further business to come before the Committee Chairman James Crilley, called for a resolution Authorizing Closed Session to discuss contract negotiations for the Bristol Ponds Redevelopment Agreement and other matters requiring attorney client privileged confidential communications. After the redevelopment agreement has been signed, the closed session minutes will be released. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

#### INSERT RESOLUTION

The Committee reopened the public portion of the meeting on a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario and unanimously carried.

With no other public comments and no further business to come before the Committee, on a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Thomas Speranza to adjourn the meeting, and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Teresa L. Warburton, Recording Secretary

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Roy J. Spoltore, Township Clerk