

**Township of Franklin
Township Committee Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2020**

Call to Order:

Time: 7:30 PM

Mrs. Flaim: Present
Mr. Deegan: Present
Mr. Doyle: Present

Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Absent
Mayor Bruno: Present

Salute to the Flag:

The Mayor led the Salute to the Flag.

Open Public Meetings Act Statement:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was forwarded to the official Township newspapers, posted on the bulletin board and Township Website on January 2, 2020. This meeting is being videotaped and will be on Channel 9.

Chief Zimmer and Matthew Mc Closkey's mom spoke about the compassion award. The award was given to Allison Schempp for her exemplary service to the residents of the Township.

Finance: No Questions on the bill list.

Motion R-62-20 Promoting Stephen Casamassima to the Rank of Corporal

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Absent Mayor Bruno: Yes
Mr. Doyle: Yes

Motion R-63-20 Reappointing Nathaniel Tabler as a Class II Special Officer for the Township of Franklin Police Department

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Absent Mayor Bruno: Yes
Mr. Doyle: Yes

Motion R-64-20 Reappointing Frank Paulson as a Class II Special Officer for the Township of Franklin Police Department

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan

Roll Call:

Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes
Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Absent Mayor Bruno: Yes
Mr. Doyle: Yes

Police Department: Chief Zimmer thanked the Committee for promoting Corp. Casamassima. There will be a fund raiser at Muncie's on May 2.

First Public Portion:

Motion to Open: Flaim Second: Deegan

Rene Pistilli-Leopardi asked about the budget transfer resolution and the emergency temporary resolutions. Mr. Salvatore explained that some bills are still coming in. Mr. Salvatore explained the 2020 temporary budget procedures.

Motion to Open: Flaim Second: Deegan
All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Approve Correspondence and Reports

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan
All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Approve Bill List

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan
Roll Call:

Motion to Introduce on O-5-20 Releasing, Extinguishing and Vacating the Rights of the Public in a Portion of Paper Streets

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan
 Roll Call:
 Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes
 Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Absent Mayor Bruno: Yes
 Mr. Doyle: Yes

Motion to Introduce on O-6-20 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan
 Roll Call:
 Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Yes
 Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Absent Mayor Bruno: Yes
 Mr. Doyle: Yes

Public Portion:

Motion to Open: Flaim Second: Deegan

Rene Pistilli Leopardi 2782 E. Grant Avenue, thinks that Mr. Yusko should get a Saturday off but it still should be covered. Mr. Deegan said that after speaking with Mr. Yusko, the traffic was heavy on Friday. She thinks a part time person should be hired. Ms. Leopardi said that she feels there should be a fee for Landlord Tenant Registration. She thinks it would help people to maintain their properties and the properties not become unsafe. She asked about the recycling problem. Mayor Bruno said it is getting better but it is a work in process. Some cans are being flagged and not picked up because it was not acceptable. Mrs. Leopardi brought up the CDD contract and who Mrs. Brent answers to at this time.

Motion To Close: Flaim Second: Deegan

Committee Reports:

Mr. Doyle said he is helping to plan out the maintenance of the parks. He is working to get Malaga Lake Park cleaned up for the memorial.

Mr. Deegan said he attended the EDC meeting. He attended the Recreation meeting and is working on plans for the Memorial Day parade. He also attended the Senior Advisory Committee meeting and a representative from Nutri-Serve was in attendance. Nutri-Serve will work with the seniors to make some changes.

Mrs. Flaim congratulated Mary Petsch-Wilson on the birth of her baby girl. Mrs. Flaim has been looking at the Fleet Maintenance options for buying police cars.

Mayor Bruno attended the senior lunch and celebrated the 100th Birthday of Mrs. Della'Ringa. Mayor Bruno attended the Mayor's dinner along with Mrs. Flaim.

Motion to go into Closed Session: Flaim Second: Deegan

Motion to Adjourn to Closed Session:

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan
 All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion to Close Closed Session and Reopen Regular Meeting:

Motion: Flaim Second: Deegan
 All in Favor: Unanimous

Motion R-68-19 Amending R-15-20 Board and Commissions

Motion: Deegan Second: Doyle
 Roll Call:
 Mr. Deegan: Yes Mrs. Flaim: Absent
 Mrs. Petsch-Wilson: Absent Mayor Bruno: Yes
 Mr. Doyle: Yes

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Deegan

Second: Doyle

Time: 9:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk