

**TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING  
MAY 30, 2018, 7:30 P.M.  
TOWN HALL**

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The meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Bartolomeo followed by a salute to the flag led by the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students in attendance tonight. The following statement was read by Municipal Clerk, Ms. Kara. "The notice requirements of the New Jersey Public Meetings Law have been satisfied by noticing the News Transcript on January 10, 2018 stating that a regular meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee would be held May 30, 2018 at 7:30 p.m., Colts Neck Town Hall, 124 Cedar Drive, Colts Neck, New Jersey. The notice requirements have been posted on the Township website and a copy is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk."

Roll call by Ms. Kara indicated the following:

Present: Mayor J. P. Bartolomeo, Deputy Mayor Thomas Orgo, and Committeemen Frank Rizzuto, Michael Viola and Russell Macnow

Also Present: Township Administrator Kathleen Capristo; Municipal Clerk Beth Kara; and Township Counsel Meghan Bennett Clark, Esq.

Absent: None

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- APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MEETINGS OF APRIL 25, 2018 AND MAY 9, 2018.** Mayor Bartolomeo called for comments and/or revisions. Hearing none, Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve both sets of meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried.

<b>RECORD OF VOTE</b>						
Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Bartolomeo			X			
Deputy Mayor Orgo		S	X			
Rizzuto			X			
Viola			X			
Macnow	M		X			
M - Moved   S - Seconded   X - indicates vote   NV - Not Voting   Ab - Absent						

- CLEAN COMMUNITIES POSTER CONTEST:** Ms. Elaine Mann spoke of the focus of Clean Communities Program: litter abatement, enforcement and clean ups, and spoke of the support of this poster contest from Mrs. Desmond, who represented all fourth grade teachers this evening. Ms. Mann then asked Mayor Bartolomeo to announce the first, second and third place winners of the annual 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Poster Contest, which are as follows: Third Place (\$25): Daniel Annunziato, Isabella Kerris, Daniel DeSerio and Madeline Fazzolori. Second Place (\$50): Grace Forero, Liam Collum, Lily McMahon, and Taylor Shapses. First Place (\$100): Sabrina Maza, Celia Dostert, Tessa Liggio, and Sofia Marx. Each winner received a monetary award, and a round of applause was given as group photographs were taken of the students and their posters, which were on display in the meeting room at Town Hall the past week.

Mayor Bartolomeo called for a five-minute recess at 7:39 p.m.

Mayor Bartolomeo called the meeting to order at 7:44 p.m. and advised the Township Committee would be going into Executive Session now and would be returning to continue tonight's regular meeting upon conclusion.

- RESOLUTION 2018-72: EXECUTIVE SESSION** was read by title by Mayor Bartolomeo, who then called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Viola and unanimously carried. The Township Committee, Administrator, Clerk, Planner and Counsel left the meeting room.

RECORD OF VOTE						
Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Bartolomeo			X			
Deputy Mayor Orgo			X			
Rizzuto			X			
Viola		S	X			
Macnow		M	X			
M - Moved S - Seconded X - indicates vote NV - Not Voting Ab - Absent						

At 8:05 p.m., the Township Committee, Administrator, Clerk, Planner and Counsel returned to the meeting room. At 8:06 p.m., Mayor Bartolomeo called the meeting to order.

4. **RESOLUTION 2018-68:** RESOLUTION DECLARING JUNE 1, 2018 AS GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY was read by title by Mayor Bartolomeo. Mayor Bartolomeo commented a resident will comment on this resolution during the public comments portion of the meeting tonight and called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Viola and unanimously carried.

RECORD OF VOTE						
Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Bartolomeo			X			
Deputy Mayor Orgo			X			
Rizzuto			X			
Viola		S	X			
Macnow		M	X			
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5. **PRESENTATION:** SOURCE MICRO BREWERY, 300 ROUTE 34, VACATE HIGHWAY ACCESS EASEMENT AND PROPOSE ANOTHER EASEMENT. Mr. A.J. Garito, Two River Engineering, was presenting this evening.

Mr. Macnow recused himself from the presentation and left the meeting room.

Mr. Garito spoke of the need to vacate the existing easement and provide another location for the easement. Township Committee had no issues and gave unanimous consent (Bartolomeo, Orgo, Rizzuto, Viola approved; Macnow recused). Counsel Bennett Clark requested Mr. Garito have his client's legal counsel prepare the necessary paperwork to vacate the easement for introduction and second reading and public hearing at a future meeting. Mr. Garito advised his client will be pursuing access to Brandywine.

Mr. Macnow returned to the meeting room at 8:15 p.m., and the meeting continued.

6. **DISCUSSION:**

- GK DISTILLING, INC. – APPLICANT REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF LICENSED EXTERIOR SPACE. Counsel Bennett Clark advised she has reviewed the proposal and has no issues with it from an Alcoholic Beverage Control viewpoint. Township Committee voiced their unanimous approval.
- POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINING, JUNE 5, 2018, MCPO MISSING CHILD TRAINING. Township Committee unanimously approved training for Chief Kevin Sauter.

7. **ORDINANCE 2018-11:** CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, AND APPROPRIATING \$417,050 THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN

AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY was read by title at second reading by Mayor Bartolomeo. The improvements were approved in the 2018 Municipal Budget and include computer upgrades for all departments, \$50,000 for the Fire Department's future purchase of a pumper truck, Fire Department radios, turn out gear, thermal imaging camera, and SCBA packs; Bucks Mill Park field improvements, Police patrol vehicle replacements, Police in-car camera system, Police communications equipment and Police firearms range improvements; Public Works tractor replacement, salt spreaders, security camera system, tire changer and balancer, truck lift, mower, cardboard compactor, welder, brine system, fuel management system, and a shed. Hearing no comments from the Township Committee, Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion to open the public hearing. Mr. Macnow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote. Hearing no comments, Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion to close the public hearing. Mr. Macnow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote. Mayor Bartolomeo then called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried.

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Mayor Bartolomeo		X			
Deputy Mayor Orgo	S	X			
Rizzuto		X			
Viola		X			
Macnow	M	X			
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8. **ORDINANCE 2018-12:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SETTING THE SALARY AND WAGE RANGES FOR TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES was read by title by Mayor Bartolomeo. Ms. Capristo advised this is routine and necessary whenever there is a change to the positions or salary ranges previously set. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried. Mayor Bartolomeo set the public hearing June 13, 2018.

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Committeeman	M S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Bartolomeo		X			
Deputy Mayor Orgo		X			
Rizzuto	S	X			
Viola		X			
Macnow	M	X			
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9. **RESOLUTION 2018-69:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT WITH THE PARTICIPATION IN A COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM was read by title by Mayor Bartolomeo. Ms. Capristo advised this is the second phase of the installation of the All Purpose Field, noting the site work is complete. The Township must authorize the joining of the Cooperative and be accepted by the Cooperative, which will enable the Township to purchase turf at Cooperative pricing. Hearing no comments from the Township Committee, Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Viola and unanimously carried.

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Mayor Bartolomeo		X			
Deputy Mayor Orgo		X			
Rizzuto		X			
Viola	S	X			
Macnow	M	X			
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10. **RESOLUTION 2018-70:** RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AND CERTIFYING LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP) CREDITS FOR 2017 FOR COLTS NECK FIRST AID SQUAD was read by title by Mayor Bartolomeo. Ms. Capristo advised certification was received from the First Aid Squad for its members for LOSAP credits for 2017 volunteer service. Hearing no comments, Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Orgo and unanimously carried.

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Deputy Mayor Orgo	S	X			
Rizzuto		X			
Viola		X			
Macnow	M	X			
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11. **RESOLUTION 2018-71:** RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AND CERTIFYING LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP) CREDITS FOR 2017 FOR COLTS NECK FIRE COMPANY NO. 1 AND NO. 2 was read by title by Mayor Bartolomeo. Ms. Capristo advised the Fire Department has provided certification for its members for LOSAP credits for 2017 volunteer service. Hearing no comments, Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Viola and carried by Messrs: Bartolomeo, Orgo, Viola and Macnow; Mr. Rizzuto abstained.

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Mayor Bartolomeo		X			
Deputy Mayor Orgo		X			
Rizzuto				X	
Viola	S	X			
Macnow	M	X			
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12. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Capristo advised the Sports Foundation is sponsoring the Tony Garito Memorial Home Run Derby on June 23, 2018 at Laird Road Park. The Sports Foundation is seeking Township Committee approval to serve beer and wine at this event. The Sports Foundation has applied to the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control for a Social Affairs Permit, and the Township has received confirmation of insurance with alcohol coverage from the Mid Jersey JIF Director. Township Committee in unanimous agreement to approve the serving of beer and wine to those of legal age at this event.

13. **MOTION TO APPROVE VOUCHERS:** Mr. Rizzuto noted he reviewed the vouchers and recommends approval of the following:

Animal Control	\$79.61
Capital Fund	\$20,253.55
COAH	\$2,562.50
Construction Trust	\$12,390.30
Current Fund	\$407,527.49
Escrow	\$5,861.62
Farmland Preservation Trust	\$1,018.00
Grant Fund	\$7,340.25
Tax Collectors Trust	\$26,061.19
Trust Fund	\$11,955.09
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$495,049.60</b>

Mr. Rizzuto made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Macnow and unanimously carried with the following abstentions for approving bills from:

- Mayor Bartolomeo Adams Buchan and Paolo; and
- Mr. Rizzuto Fire Department expenditures.

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Deputy Mayor Orgo			X			
Rizzuto	M		X		X	
Viola			X			
Macnow		S	X			
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**14. TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Mr. Viola reported the Wildlife Committee is developing an informational post for the website. The most deer incidents with vehicles are occurring on CR 537, SH 18 and 34.

Mr. Viola advised he attended Sen. Vin Gopal’s roundtable today in Freehold, which was attended by many small business owners. A major topic of discussion was the objection to the Governor’s raising the minimum wage to \$15 an hour and the adverse impact this increase will have on small businesses. Sen. Gopal stated they are working on incentives for small businesses.

Mr. Rizzuto reported the Fire trucks are being readied for the Memorial Day Parade, and he thanked Alan Ryan.

Mr. Rizzuto noted the Friends of the Library Community Garden is being readied for the growing season. He urged any individuals or groups interested to contact Janine Yodakis through the Librarian. Mr. Rizzuto advised the Spelling Bee is scheduled for June 1 in the Library. In addition, there is now signage on the Library pillars, and the Library is included on the new Municipal complex signage on Cedar Drive. There will be a new, large Library sign installed soon on the Library side of Winthrop Road. In addition, Verizon will be moving to fiber optics at the Library.

Mr. Bartolomeo commented a new Municipal Complex sign is also being placed at the east end of Heyers Mill Road.

Mr. Macnow reported he and the Mayor and the Administrator are working with the Police and professionals to design a new Police and Court building with the hope of bonding in 2019. Mr. Macnow noted water is infiltrating the existing building, which was originally constructed in 1962 for the State Police barracks, adding the Court in 1985, and has outlived its usefulness. The new building is planned on the same footprint and should serve for another 50 years.

Mr. Macnow advised he attended the presentation given by the Schools Superintendent at the Primary School, which is on the School website. On October 2, a Special Election will be held for a referendum for rehabilitation, enhancements and security in the local schools. have the opportunity to vote at to rehabilitate and make enhancements to the schools. Mr. Macnow urged all residents to view the video.

Mr. Orgo reported the construction on Hillsdale Road is nearing completion, and the roadway should be open very soon.

Mayor Bartolomeo spoke of the flag given to the Township in appreciation for the thoughtfulness and support of USMC Corporal Daniel Baldassare’s memorial service. Mayor Bartolomeo advised this was one of 12 flags flown by the Marine Aerial Refueller Transport Squadron 452 (VMGR 452), and he thanked LtCol James Sfayer for his part in this remembrance. This flag will remain as a permanent part of Town Hall, and displayed as a remembrance of Cpl. Daniel Baldassare, USMC.

Mayor Bartolomeo thanked many for making this year's Memorial Day Parade a success despite the weather. Due to heavy rains before the commemoration, the program was moved to Fire House 2, which brought the Town together for a hot dog and conversation after the ceremony.

Mayor Bartolomeo reported the first Farmhouse 5K had approximately 150 participants, and was very well received. On June 8, Music in the Park will take place at Town Hall together with a group renewal of wedding vows performed by Mayor Bartolomeo. On June 17, the Fishing Derby is scheduled in Bucks Mill Park, with the Fishing Derby awards presented that evening on the front lawn of Town Hall with a movie under the stars to follow. On June 23, the Sports Foundation will be hosting the Home Run Derby at Laird Road Park. Mayor Bartolomeo urged all residents to be part of these community activities, regardless if they have children participating.

Mayor Bartolomeo noted he spoke with Sen. Vin Gopal about the comments appearing in the local news about NWS Earle students attending Colts Neck Schools. Mayor Bartolomeo stated Colts Neck welcomes the children of our military families living at NWS Earle with open arms.

**15. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion to open the meeting to public comments. Mr. Macnow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote.

Ms. Marjorie Wold, resident, was joined by other members of the community and spoke on behalf of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, a group that is working to end gun violence across the Country. Ms. Wold thanked Mayor Bartolomeo and the Township Committee for their support tonight by passing the resolution which calls for all legislators to address this problem, and for designating June 1, 2018 as Gun Violence Awareness Day within the Township. Ms. Wold advised a rally is being held in Asbury Park on June 2, and all were encouraged to attend and wear the color orange.

Ms. Elaine Mann, resident, commented on her being replaced after 25 years as Clean Communities Coordinator within the Township.

Mr. David Mann, resident, commented on the condition of various Township roads while driving Fire Department rigs, which require wide turns. Mr. Mann also expressed concern about Boundary Road, and was advised that section of Boundary Road is in Marlboro Township.

Ms. Judy Laufer, resident, advised NWS Earle is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with an Open House on Friday, June 8.

Mr. Alan Ryan, resident, thanked Mr. Tom Michos, resident and owner of the Cabooze Bar and Grill in New York Penn Station, for donating the hot dogs for this year's Memorial Day Parade picnic after the ceremony. Mr. Ryan thanked his wife, Dina, for preparing the hot dogs that day. Mr. Ryan thought the speaker was phenomenal, and he would like to return to Fire House 2 next year for the ceremony and picnic. Mr. Ryan then thanked Thom Hennessy, Dave Mann and Rich Galinski for their part in the Memorial Day commemoration, and urged all to remember the Veterans and to thank those in uniform for their service. Mr. Ryan noted the Taeschler family donated the mulch in preparation for the commemoration.

Mr. Brian Becker, Associated Humane, spoke of the feral cat program. Mr. Becker was advised by Counsel Bennett Clark to provide the Administrator with this information.

Mr. Chuck Camarata asked about the 2018 road maintenance schedule. Mr. Orgo commented the Township received no grants to pave this year. It was suggested Mr. Camarata see Ms. Capristo for further information.

Mayor Bartolomeo advised all to go to the "Report a Concern" portal on the home page of the Township's website to report issues they see in Town. The reporting can be done anonymously and assists the Township's Code Enforcement Officers in pinpointing problem locations and educating residents on leaves, brush, and many other issues.

Ms. Anna Appolonia, resident and CNBA Officer, advised the CNBA fireworks will be held July 3 at Bucks Mill Park. Ms. Appolonia commented this is a wonderful family event and urged all to come and enjoy.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion to close the meeting to public comments. Mr. Macnow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Viola and unanimously carried by voice vote.

16. **RESOLUTION 2018-72A: EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Mayor Bartolomeo called for a motion. Mr. Viola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote. Counsel Bennett Clark advised the Township Committee would not be returning tonight to take formal action.

RECORD OF VOTE						
Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Bartolomeo			X			
Deputy Mayor Orgo			X			
Rizzuto		S	X			
Viola	M		X			
Macnow			X			
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Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Macnow, seconded by Mr. Viola and unanimously carried to adjourn Closed Session. Motion by Mr. Orgo, seconded by Mr. Macnow and unanimously carried to reconvene in public session and adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m.



Beth Kara, RMC/CMC  
Municipal Clerk