

**TOWNSHIP OF COLTS NECK
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 8, 2019, 7:30 P.M.
TOWN HALL**

The meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Orgo, who requested Sergeant Morgan Savage lead the Salute to the Flag. 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 December 13, 2018 stating that a regular meeting of the Colts Neck Township Committee would be held on May 8, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Town Hall. The notice was 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 Thomas Orgo, Deputy Mayor Frank Rizzuto; Committeemen Michael Viola, Russell Macnow and J.P. Bartolomeo

Also Present: Township Administrator Kathleen Capristo; Municipal Clerk Beth Kara; and Township Counsel Fay Szakal, Esq.

Absent: None

1. MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS:

- NATIONAL POLICE WEEK, MAY 12 THROUGH MAY 18, 2019 was read in full by Mr. Bartolomeo on behalf of Mayor Orgo. This proclamation publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in this Township and throughout the Nation for safeguarding the rights and freedoms of all within the Township. It recognizes Officers Campan and Capriotti for their participation in the 2019 Police Unity Tour bicycle ride from Trenton to Washington, D.C. to raise funds and awareness of officers who have died in the line of duty, and calls for all Township flags to be flown at half staff on May 15 in recognition of Peace Officers Memorial Day and in honor of all fallen Officers and their families. Chief Santucci accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Police Department, and thanked the Township Committee for their support this week and throughout the year. Chief Santucci and all Officers present received a standing ovation.
- NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH WITHIN COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP, MAY 2019 was read in full by Mr. Bartolomeo on behalf of Mayor Orgo. This proclamation urges all citizens to support organizations such as the Court Appointed Special Advocate of NJ, and engage in activities that strengthen families and communities to provide the optimal environment for children to learn, grow and thrive so that all children have the benefit of happy, healthy and safe homes. Ms. Anita Dedalis accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Woman's Club of Colts Neck, and received a round of applause.

- 2. PRESENTATION: WILDLIFE COMMITTEE RESULTS OF DEER SURVEY.** Mr. Robert Mahoney, Chair of the Wildlife Committee, presented a history on the Wildlife Committee, the results of the harvest through the Monmouth County Park System Deer Management Program, and the results of the deer census conducted in the Clover Hill Section of the Township. Discussion ensued regarding the estimated number of deer, opening hunting to six days per week to accommodate the hunter that works, the feasibility of donating deer meat to local food banks, and the culling of deer, which results in deer from surrounding areas following water sources, of which the Swimming River is the largest water source in Monmouth County. While it was agreed the deer issue is State-wide and should be dealt with

by the State, the chance of this occurring is slim. Discussions ended with Township Committee in unanimous agreement to have Wildlife Committee work with Long Range Planning to explore how other municipalities are addressing the deer issue and prepare something for Township Committee review and approval. Mayor Orgo thanked Mr. Mahoney and the Wildlife Committee for their diligence on this issue.

3. **PRESENTATION: ZONING BOARD APPLICATION 1008, REQUEST FOR TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE APPROVAL OF ZONING BOARD CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, EASEMENT: 26 WESTMINSTER DRIVE, BLOCK 13, LOT 76.** Mr. Michael Gaglio, homeowner, presented and is requesting Township Committee approval on a drainage easement issue. Discussion ensued. Mr. Gaglio was requested to obtain a letter from a design professional or architect that there is no adverse impact on adjacent properties for the Township Committee review. Mr. Gaglio was advised that once he has submitted the requested documentation, he is to contact Administrator Capristo to have this issue re-scheduled on a Township Committee meeting agenda.

4. **ORDINANCE 2019-9: CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE PURCHASE OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, AND APPROPRIATING \$445,100.00 THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY** was read by title at first reading by Mayor Orgo. Ms. Capristo advised the capital items included herein were included in the 2019 Municipal Budget. Hearing no comments Mayor Orgo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Bartolomeo and unanimously carried. Mayor Orgo set the public hearing May 29, 2019.

RECORD OF VOTE						
Committeeman	M	S	Yes	No	NV	Ab
Mayor Orgo			X			
Deputy Mayor Rizzuto			X			
Viola			X			
Macnow	M		X			
Bartolomeo		S	X			
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5. **ORDINANCE 2019-10: ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING ORDINANCE 2018-8 (WHICH PROVIDED FOR VARIOUS 2018 GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS) HERETOFORE FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ON MAY 9, 2018 TO AMEND THE DESCRIPTION, INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION BY \$440,000 (INCLUDING AN ADDITIONAL GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$290,000) AND TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZATION OF BONDS OR NOTES BY \$432,857** was read by title at first reading by Mayor Orgo. Ms. Capristo advised this ordinance amends the purposes of the original ordinance to include various roadway and intersection improvements throughout the Township and reflects the \$290,000 NJDOT Grant, as well as the funds required for the acquisition of the DeAngelis property. Hearing no comments, Mayor Orgo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Bartolomeo and unanimously carried. Mayor Orgo set the public hearing May 29, 2019

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6. **RESOLUTION 2019-83:** RESOLUTION DECLARING JUNE 7, 2019 GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY was read by title Mayor Orgo. Mr. Bartolomeo read the resolution in full. Mr. Macnow commented on the proactive coordination between the Board of Education and the Police Department for school safety. Mayor Orgo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Bartolomeo and unanimously carried.

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7. **RESOLUTION 2019-84:** RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP PROFESSIONAL TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 AND AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 WITH AN ESTIMATED VALUE THAT MAY EXCEED \$17,500 was read by title by Mayor Orgo. This resolution appoints Griffin Engineering to provide professional engineering services to the Township. Hearing no comments, Mayor Orgo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried.

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Bartolomeo		X			
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8. **RESOLUTION 2019-85:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MUNICIPAL ASSISTANCE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS AND COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP was read by title by Mayor Orgo. Hearing no comments, Mayor Orgo called for a motion. Mr. Rizzuto made a motion to approve, seconded Mr. Bartolomeo and unanimously carried.

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Bartolomeo	S	X			
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9. **RESOLUTION 2019-86:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF SECURITY MONITORS BETWEEN COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP AND THE COLTS NECK SCHOOL DISTRICT was read by title by Mayor Orgo. Ms. Capristo advised this authorizes Security Monitors during the Recreation Summer Camp Program and is identical to the agreement entered into last year. Hearing no comments, Mayor Orgo called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried.

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10. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Capristo advised the Township received the final grant monies from Monmouth County in the amount of \$94,000 for the walking path.

Ms. Capristo advised the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is seeking Township Committee approval to utilize Township roads for their 9th Annual Cycle for Life event scheduled for September 28, 2019. Township Committee gave unanimous approval; however, Mr. Macnow commented based on previous issues with this group, they are to be reminded their riders are to be courteous and follow the rules of the road. A certificate of insurance will be requested when notifying of Township Committee approval as well as the reminder for the courtesy of its participants, a copy of which will be provided to Chief Santucci.

11. **MOTION TO APPROVE VOUCHERS:** Mr. Viola stated he reviewed the vouchers and recommends approval of the following:

Animal Control	\$12.60
Capital Fund	\$2,671.97
COAH	\$326.60
Construction Trust	\$1,035.46
Current Fund	\$5,071,174.15
Escrow	\$9,272.76
Farmland Preservation Trust	\$4,603.18
Grant Fund	\$577.30
TOTAL	<u>\$5,089,674.02</u>

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

- Mr. Macnow Sakoutis Brothers Disposal;
- Mr. Bartolomeo Adams Buchan and Paolo; and
- Mr. Rizzuto Fire Department Expenditures.

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12. TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Rizzuto advised the Weekend in Old Monmouth was a success and noted many visitors came to the Montrose Road Schoolhouse. Mr. Rizzuto liked the addition of the on-line County-wide treasure map keyed to the sites included as part of this year's program.

Mr. Rizzuto reported the Historical Preservation Committee unveiled a historical marker at the former Conover homestead, 100 Conover Road. Mr. Garrett Thompson, whose mother was a Conover, attended the unveiling. Garrett Conover, constructed his home circa 1754, which became one of the earliest houses built in Colts Neck and was surrounded by a large farm.

Mr. Rizzuto advised the Friends of Library are revamping their bi-laws. On June 3, the Library hosted a class trip for local students where as part of the program, each student received a Library card. Mr. Rizzuto asked all to check the Library's website for the many program offerings, one of which is the pony carts scheduled June 19 at the Town Hall parking lot.

Mr. Viola reported the Alliance met and will be participating in the National Night Out scheduled for August 6 at the Colts Neck High School parking lot. Also participating will be members of the Police Department, the Fire Department and NWS Earle.

Mr. Viola advised vaping is increasing among students and is now appearing in the grade school. All were urged to follow this closely, as vaping is not without adverse medical consequences. Many webinars and meetings are being held within our local communities about the increased vaping among underage youth.

Mr. Viola advised the New Jersey Health Department has published a brochure which provides a habitat checklist to mosquito-proof your yard. Mr. Viola noted any container holding water can be a breeding ground for mosquito larvae, and after 7 days, larvae will be adult mosquitoes. Mr. Viola urged awareness and to keep containers free of standing water.

Mr. Viola reported the Colts Neck Business Association met today and is finalizing plans to participate in the Memorial Day Parade and to host the fireworks at Bucks Mill Park on July 3, 2019.

Mr. Bartolomeo thanked Ms, Judy Laufer for her suggestion. The Police attended the monthly Senior Citizens meeting with a portable safe for the secure disposal of unwanted medications. Those attending made use of this device. A medications drop box is located within the pond-side lobby entrance of the Police Department and may be accessed weekdays between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Mr. Bartolomeo advised the Second Annual Farmhouse 5K will be held at Town Hall May 12; no registration is required. The Memorial Day festivities will begin with a Bicycle Decorating Contest at 10 a.m. at the Colts Neck First Aid Station. At 10:30 a.m., the parade will begin from Town Hall, to Heritage Way, to Heyers Mill Road, with the ceremony held at the Colts Neck Fire House #2. Following the ceremony, a complementary picnic of hot dogs and refreshments is planned.

Mr. Bartolomeo commented on the improvements to the DPW Yard and urged residents to visit and see for themselves.

Mr. Bartolomeo noted the new multi-purpose field at Five Point Park is being utilized daily, and he offered his thanks to Duncan Thecker for his generous donation that made this field a reality for Colts Neck.

Mayor Orgo advised if you are a senior and want a curbside pick-up of unwanted items during the Clean Up Day program this year, tomorrow is the last day to sign up. Please call DPW to make arrangements. Mayor Orgo noted tires will not be accepted.

Mayor Orgo advised brush pick up will be completed Tuesday for the Spring collection. He thanked those residents who are bringing their brush to the DPW yard. DPW will accept brush at the yard from residents and permitted landscapers until the end of October. The brush is being ground into mulch and placed throughout the Township.

13. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

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

Ms. Marjorie Wold, resident and a member of the Colts Neck Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, advised last year there were 31 Monmouth County municipalities and the Monmouth County Freeholders participating; she is hoping for 100% participation within Monmouth County this year. Ms. Wold spoke of this grassroots movement and thanked the Township Committee for their support. Photographs were taken of the group members and the Township Committee.

Ms. Elaine Mann, resident, thanked Mr. Mahoney for his presentation this evening. Ms. Mann questioned if there are other options available and if local butchers could be utilized. Ms. Mann questioned the purpose of the Highlands shared services agreement and was advised their equipment would be utilized to collect the senior citizens curbside items during Clean Up Day. Ms. Mann questioned how the Township is verifying the brush brought to DPW by landscapers originates in within the Township. Ms. Mann questioned the legality of a home-based business within the Township. Ms. Mann was advised the business was vetted by the Zoning Officer, and has been licensed by the Clerk and operates within the requirements established for home based businesses within the Township.

Mr. Vito Viola, resident, advised Delicious Orchards is hosting a tractor pull 11:00 a.m., Saturday, May 18 for the benefit of the Ashley Lauren Foundation and urged all to attend.

Ms. Alison DeNoia, resident and member of the Colts Neck Community Band (CNCB), advised the CNCB have two performances scheduled, one at the Colts Neck High School on May 16 and one at Thompson Park on June 6. She urged all to attend for a memorable evening. Ms. DeNoia thanked the Township Committee for attending the Kentucky Derby event hosted by the Lions Club at Bucks Mill Park. This event was well attended, and the proceeds will be utilized for Lions programs.

Mr. Kevin O'Brien, resident, noted the deer are a challenge and questioned why this has been referred to Long Range Planning. Mr. Macnow responded advising Long Range Planning vets legislation having long-term impact on the Township, which reduces the possibility of impulsive legislation. Mr. O'Brien stated the Public Works Department is doing a great job.

Ms. Anne Sherwood, resident and member of Wildlife Committee, advised there are residents feeding the deer, which increases the deer population.

Ms. Judy Laufer, resident, stated she called the New Jersey Deer Control, and they have been spraying her front yard with great results. She also noted the deer population in her neighborhood has decreased since one of the properties is changing ownership.

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

11. **RESOLUTION 2019-87:** EXECUTIVE SESSION was read by title by Mayor Orgo, who then called for a motion. Mr. Macnow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bartolomeo and unanimously carried by voice vote. Mayor Orgo advised the next Township Committee Meeting is scheduled for May 29, 2019, 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall, and the Township Committee would not be returning this evening to take action.

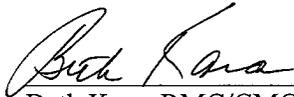
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Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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

Motion by Mr. Bartolomeo to adjourn meeting, seconded by Mr. Rizzuto and unanimously carried by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 p.m.



Beth Kara, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

