

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK HELD APRIL 19, 2022**

A Regular Meeting of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee was held on April 19, 2022 with Mayor Timothy W. Bradway calling the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

STATEMENT OF NOTICE GIVEN

The Township Clerk read the following statement.

This is a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek being held in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" N.J.S.A. 10:4-6. To insure the right of citizens to have adequate advance notice of and the right to attend meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting them is discussed or acted upon. Advance written notice of this meeting was given by way of the Annual Notice which was filed with the Lower Alloways Creek Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times and posted on the Bulletin Board in the lobby of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Municipal Building in compliance with said Act.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Bradway led in the Flag Salute.

Motion (Venable, Crane) to allow members of the Township Committee to fully participate by means of zoom or Telephone conference in this meeting.

The motion to allow members of the Township Committee to fully participate by means of zoom or Telephone conference in this meeting passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Crane, Collier, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE

Present: Mr. Collier, Mr. Crane, Mr. Palombo, Mr. Venable and Mayor Bradway

Absent: none

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Also in attendance were 7-(seven) members of the public including Superintendent of Public Works, Lewis Fogg; Fire Chief, Steve Fisher; Solicitor, Linwood Donelson III and Township Clerk, Ronald L Campbell Sr.

PAYMENT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Motion (Venable, Collier) that all properly audited vouchers be paid.

The motion to pay properly audited vouchers passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: (Collier # 24234) Absent: none

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

The Mayor requested that the minutes reflect that the March 2022 Monthly reports to the Township Committee have been received from the following Departments and are on file with the Clerk: Construction Office, Engineer, Municipal Court, Police Department, Public Works, Sewer and Tax Collector.

MINUTES

Motion (Collier, Crane) to approve the Regular Meeting and Closed Session Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting held on March 15, 2022.

The motion to approve the Regular Meeting and Closed Session Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting held on March 15, 2022 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Collier, Crane, Palombo, Venable and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

RESOLUTIONS

Motion (Venable, Collier) for Resolution 2022-48, a resolution authorizing the auction sale of items no longer needed for public use, using the Online Auction Site GovDeals.com.

RESOLUTION 2022- 48

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF SURPLUS PUBLIC PROPERTY ITEMS AT GOVDEALS.COM ONLINE AUCTION.

WHEREAS, The Township of Lower Alloways Creek has surplus public property items, which it no longer has need of for public service; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A 11-36 authorizes municipalities to offer for sale, public property which is no longer needed for public service; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee does authorize the following items:

1. Various computers and related equipment

2 – HP PRO Core I3 Desktops E3T56UT#ABA

3 – HP Core I5 Desktops C6Z98UT#ABA

1 – Dell Optiplex Celeron Desktop 170L

2 - Unknown Older Desktops 486s?

2 - Dell Latitude D600 Laptops, one charger and carry bag

1 – Cisco Catalyst 2950 8 port switch

be offered for auction online through Govdeals.com whose headquarters are located in Montgomery Alabama, pursuant to New Jersey Public Property Laws and Local Finance Notice 2008-09.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does authorize the sale of this surplus public property by online auction at Govdeals.com and does authorize the Purchasing Agent to negotiate with Govdeals.com as to the terms and conditions of their commission and any other particulars pertaining to the auction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the terms and conditions of the online auction be available at the Municipal Clerk's Office and available through the auction website pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2008-09.

The motion for Resolution 2022-48 authorizing the auction sale of items no longer needed for public use, using the Online Auction Site GovDeals.com passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway
Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Venable, Collier) for Resolution 2022-49, a Resolution to authorize Municipal Consent for the Lower Alloways Creek Parent Teacher Organization to hold an On Premise Draw Raffle May 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION 2022 -49
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL CONSENT
FOR THE CONDUCT OF A RAFFLE

WHEREAS, the Lower Alloways Creek Parent Teacher Organization has submitted a properly executed Application for a License to operate an On-Premise Merchandise Raffle at 967 Main Street - Canton, Lower Alloways Creek, New Jersey in Lower Alloways Creek Township, and

WHEREAS, the Committee has reviewed said Application and has determined that the applicant is qualified and that the members designated to conduct these games are qualified, and

WHEREAS, the Committee has determined that the games will be conducted according to the regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, hereby grants municipal consent to the Lower Alloways Creek Parent Teacher Organization to conduct an:

On-Premise Merchandise Raffle MAY 14, 2022 from 4:00 pm – 10:00 pm

At 967 Main Street - Canton, in Lower Alloways Creek Township, New Jersey and does also hereby waive any municipal fee.

The motion for Resolution 2022-49 to authorize Municipal Consent for the Lower Alloways Creek Parent Teacher Organization to hold an On Premise Draw Raffle May 14, 2022 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway
Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Venable, Crane) for Resolution 2022- 50, a Resolution opposing the Consolidation of LAC School with other Salem County School Districts in a Countywide School/Regional District.

RESOLUTION 2022- 50
A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE CONSOLIDATION OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK
SCHOOL WITH OTHER SALEM COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN A COUNTYWIDE
SCHOOL/REGIONAL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS the County Commissioners of the County of Salem desired to study the various options available with respect to the education of county students on a PK-12 basis, and;

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of the County of Salem arranged for a formal study to be conducted to consider the consolidation of school districts in the County of Salem for educational, financial, demographic, and racial impacts of the lawful alternatives to the current

educational configuration of the existing thirteen autonomous school districts and the Creativity CoLaboratory Charter School, and;

WHEREAS, the study has been completed and the findings were presented at a meeting held in January of this year at the Salem Community College, along with a 322 page document with the findings and recommendations to identify the educational, racial, and financial implications of the alternative proposed education scenarios for all the Salem County School Districts, and;

WHEREAS, although the proposals forecast financial savings after ten years for all school districts, the savings would not be achieved without the financial assistance in Transitional Aid support from the State of Jersey, and;

WHEREAS, the proposal argues there could be an increase in the programs being offered and provide better opportunities for all the county's students, the Township of Lower Alloways Creek School and its residents would lose local control and likely its school building would be abandoned.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does oppose the consolidation of the Lower Alloways Creek School District into a consolidated countywide school system or two part county regional district system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the County Commissioner Board, Lower Alloways Creek School District Superintendent and Board President.

The motion for Resolution 2022-50 opposing the Consolidation of LAC School with other Salem County School Districts in a Countywide School/Regional District passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Crane, Collier, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Venable, Collier) for Resolution 2022-51, a Resolution to read the Budget by Title only at the time of the Public Hearing.

RESOLUTION 2022 -51

A RESOLUTION TO READ THE 2022 BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY AT THE TIME OF THE PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-8 provides that the budget be read by title only at the time of public hearing if a resolution is passed by not less than a majority of the full governing body, providing that at least one week prior to the date of hearing a complete copy of the approved budget as advertised has been posted in the Municipal Building, the local public library, and copies have been made available by the Clerk to persons requesting them; and

WHEREAS, these conditions have been met;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, that the budget shall be read by title only at the time of Public Hearing.

The motion for Resolution 2022-51 to read the Budget by Title only at the time of the Public Hearing passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Venable, Palombo) for Resolution 2022-52, a Resolution to authorize Municipal Consent for the Lower Alloways Creek Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary to hold an On Premise Draw Raffle November 8, 2022.

RESOLUTION 2022 -52
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL CONSENT
FOR THE CONDUCT OF A RAFFLE

WHEREAS, the Lower Alloways Creek Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary has submitted a properly executed Application for a License to operate an On-Premise Merchandise Raffle at 15 New Street, Hancocks Bridge, New Jersey in Lower Alloways Creek Township, and

WHEREAS, the Committee has reviewed said Application and has determined that the applicant is qualified and that the members designated to conduct these games are qualified, and

WHEREAS, the Committee has determined that the games will be conducted according to the regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, hereby grants municipal consent to the Lower Alloways Creek Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary to conduct an:

On-Premise Merchandise Raffle November 8, 2022 at 12:00 pm

At 15 New Street, Hancocks Bridge, in Lower Alloways Creek Township, New Jersey and does also hereby waive any municipal fee.

The motion for Resolution 2022-52 to authorize Municipal Consent for the Lower Alloways Creek Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary to hold an On Premise Draw Raffle November 8, 2022 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Palombo, Collier, Crane and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING AND POSSIBLE FINAL ADOPTION

2022 Budget

Mayor Bradway opened the Meeting to a Hearing of Public Comment on the 2022 budget, the Totals of Revenues and Appropriations being \$ 9,585,020.75.

No one from the Public indicated that they had any comments on the 2022 Budget.

Mayor Bradway closed the Public Hearing on the 2022 Budget.

Motion (Venable, Crane) to adopt the 2022 budget, the Totals of Revenues and Appropriations being \$ 9,585,020.75.

The motion to adopt the 2022 budget, the Totals of Revenues and Appropriations being \$ 9,585,020.75 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Palombo, Collier, Crane and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Ordinance 2022-02

Mayor Bradway opened the Meeting to a Hearing of Public Comment on the Ordinance 2022-02, an Ordinance amending the Capital Budget of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek and authorizing Capital Appropriations in the amount of one hundred ninety three thousand two hundred dollars (\$193,200.00) for the purposes of: Fire Department equipment, Building & Grounds equipment & materials, school equipment, materials and computers.

No one from the Public indicated that they had any comments on Ordinance 2022-02, an Ordinance amending the Capital Budget of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek and authorizing Capital Appropriations in the amount of one hundred ninety three thousand two hundred dollars (\$193,200.00) for the purposes of: Fire Department equipment, Building & Grounds equipment & materials, school equipment, materials and computers.

Mayor Bradway closed the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2022-02, an Ordinance amending the Capital Budget of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek and authorizing Capital Appropriations in the amount of one hundred ninety three thousand two hundred dollars (\$193,200.00) for the purposes of: Fire Department equipment, Building & Grounds equipment & materials, school equipment, materials and computers.

Motion (Collier, Crane) for final adoption of Ordinance 2022-02, an Ordinance amending the Capital Budget of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek and authorizing Capital Appropriations in the amount of one hundred ninety three thousand two hundred dollars (\$193,200.00) for the purposes of: Fire Department equipment, Building & Grounds equipment & materials, school equipment, materials and computers.

ORDINANCE 2022-02

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK AND AUTHORIZING CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED NINETY- THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$193,200.00) FOR THE PURPOSES OF: FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT, BUILDING & GROUNDS, SCHOOL EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS AND COMPUTERS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE, Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

Section 1. That One Hundred ninety three thousand two hundred dollars (**\$ 193,200.00**) is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement General Fund for the purposes so outlined below.

Section 2. That Ninety eight thousand dollars (**\$ 98,000.00**) is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement General Fund for the purpose of acquiring Fire Department Equipment (Air Packs & Fire Hose)

Section 3. That Fifty seven thousand dollars (**\$ 57,000.00**) is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement General Fund for the purpose of replacing or acquiring building and grounds equipment (roofs at Leisure Arms, heating units Leisure Arms, maintenance of metal roof on pole building PW, AC/Heat pump Police Dept and carport building for the Bulk Dumpster at PW).

Section 4. That thirty two thousand two hundred dollars (**\$ 32,200.00**) is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement General Fund for the purpose of replacing or acquiring materials and equipment for the local school (oven, flooring and computers).

Section 5. That six thousand dollars (\$ 6,000.00) is hereby appropriated from the Capital Improvement General Fund for the purpose of purchasing computers and related equipment.

Section 6. The Capital budget of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistencies herewith. Detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services shall be on file with the Clerk and available there for public inspection.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by the law.

Public Hearing on this Ordinance shall be on Tuesday April 19, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., at the Municipal Building, 501 Locust Island Road, Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey.

This Ordinance which was introduced for First Reading on March 15, 2022 shall be published by Title in the South Jersey Times and placed on the Township's Bulletin Board giving notice of said Public Hearing as required by Law.

Introduction: March 15, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. COLLIER			Y			
MRS. CRANE		S	Y			
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MR. VENABLE	M		Y			
MAYOR BRADWAY			Y			

Final: April 19, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. COLLIER	M		Y			
MRS. CRANE		S	Y			
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MR. VENABLE			Y	Fire Equipment		
MAYOR BRADWAY			Y			

The motion for final adoption of Ordinance 2022-02, an Ordinance amending the Capital Budget of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek and authorizing Capital Appropriations in the amount of one hundred ninety three thousand two hundred dollars (\$193,200.00) for the purposes of: Fire Department equipment, Building & Grounds equipment & materials, school equipment, materials and computers passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Collier, Crane, Venable, Palombo, and Bradway

Nays: (Venable, on Fire Equipment) Abstain: none Absent: none

Ordinance 2022-03

Mayor Bradway opened the Meeting to a Hearing of Public Comment on Ordinance 2022-03, an ordinance amending previous ordinances fixing the compensation paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

No one from the Public indicated that they had any comments on Ordinance 2022-03, an ordinance amending previous ordinances fixing the compensation paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

Mayor Bradway closed the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2022-03, an ordinance amending previous ordinances fixing the compensation paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

Motion (Crane, Collier) for final adoption of Ordinance 2022-03, an ordinance amending previous ordinances fixing the compensation paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

ORDINANCE 2022-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PREVIOUS ORDINANCES FIXING THE COMPENSATION PAID TO THE APPOINTED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, in the County of Salem and the State of New Jersey, that an Ordinance Fixing the Compensation to be paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek is hereby amended to provide rates of Salary and Wage compensation as follows:

POSITION		2022
CADET SLEO II	hourly	Current NJ Minimum Wage
SEASONAL WORKER	hourly	Current NJ Minimum Wage
ELECTRICAL SUB-CODE OFFICIAL / ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR	annually	\$7,000.00
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	annually	\$42,546.12
PURCHASING AGENT	annually	\$42,546.12
TAX ASSESSOR	annually	\$19,872.68
TAX COLLECTOR	annually	\$23,491.19
TOWNSHIP CLERK	annually	\$76,624.42
ZONING OFFICER	annually	\$5,064.30

SECTION 1. Other provisions that may increase any one individual's compensation include, but are not limited to: overtime, extended shifts, night shift differential, holidays, longevity and other provisions in agreements with the Township of Lower Alloways Creek or stated in the Municipal Employees Policy Manual.

SECTION 2. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith to the extent of such inconsistencies be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage and publication as required by law. The provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect until amended or repealed.

Public Hearing on this Ordinance shall be on Tuesday April 19, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., at the Municipal Building, 501 Locust Island Road, Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey.

This Ordinance which was introduced for First Reading on March 15, 2022 shall be published by Title in the South Jersey Times and placed on the Township's Bulletin Board giving notice of said Public Hearing as required by Law.

Introduction: March 15, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. COLLIER	M		Y			
MRS. CRANE		S	Y			
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MR. VENABLE			Y			
MAYOR BRADWAY			Y			

Final: April 19, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. COLLIER		S	Y			
MRS. CRANE	M		Y			
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MR. VENABLE			Y			
MAYOR BRADWAY			Y			

The motion for final adoption of Ordinance 2022-03, an ordinance amending previous ordinances fixing the compensation paid to the Appointed Officers and Employees of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Crane, Collier, Venable, Palombo, and Bradway

Nays: (Venable, on Fire Equipment) Abstain: none Absent: none

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

Motion (Collier, Crane) to approve the payment of the Enforsys billing from the County of Salem at a cost of \$ 6,286.00.

The motion to approve the payment of the Enforsys billing from the County of Salem at a cost of \$ 6,286.00 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0-1

Ayes: Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Venable

Motion (Venable, Collier) to approve the purchase and installation of an Injection Pump and Injectors for the New Holland Tractor from Leslie G Fogg at a cost of \$ 4,308.06.

The motion to approve the purchase and installation of an Injection Pump and Injectors for the New Holland Tractor from Leslie G Fogg at a cost of \$ 4,308.06 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Venable, Collier) to approve the overnight attendance and payment for Kevin Clour to attend the Public Purchasing Educational Forum, April 26 & 27 at Golden Nugget Atlantic City, NJ at a cost of \$ 633.00.

The motion to approve the overnight attendance and payment for Kevin Clour to attend the Public Purchasing Educational Forum, April 26 & 27 at Golden Nugget Atlantic City, NJ at a cost of \$ 633.00 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Venable, Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Palombo, Crane) to authorize the Purchasing agent to advertise for the receipt of Sealed Bids for FIRE HOSE, AIR PACKS and Leisure Arms Units re-Shingle per the specifications herein attached.

Mrs. Crane commented that she was told that there a price increase coming for the Air Packs and she is sure that there is a State Contract for the Air Packs, where we could purchase the Air Packs tomorrow and not pay the additional price increase by going out to bid in a few weeks.

Motion (Palombo, Crane) to amend the motion to add the words; or purchase through State Contract.

The motion to amend the motion to add the words; or purchase through State Contract was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-1

Ayes: Palombo Crane, Collier and Bradway

Nays: Venable Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Palombo, Crane) to approve the amended motion to authorize the Purchasing agent to advertise for the receipt of Sealed Bids or purchase through State Contract for FIRE HOSE, AIR PACKS and Leisure Arms Units re-Shingle per the specifications attached.

The motion to approve the amended motion to authorize the Purchasing agent to advertise for the receipt of Sealed Bids or purchase through State Contract for FIRE HOSE, AIR PACKS and Leisure Arms Units re-Shingle per the specifications attached was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-1

Ayes: Palombo, Crane, Collier and Bradway

Nays: Venable Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Crane, Collier) to authorize the purchase of computers for the CFO, Tax Collector and Clerk at a cost not to exceed \$ 6,000.00.

The motion to authorize the purchase of computers for the CFO, Tax Collector and Clerk at a cost not to exceed \$ 6,000.00 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Crane, Collier, Palombo, Venable and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Collier, Crane) to have the Police Department rear area AC system replaced at a cost not to exceed \$7,250.00.

The motion to have the Police Department rear area AC system replaced at a cost not to exceed \$7,250.00 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0-1

Ayes: Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Venable

Motion (Collier, Crane) to appoint Mark Kargman as the LAC / Elsinboro Municipal Court Public Defender through December 31, 2022.

The motion to appoint Mark Kargman as the LAC / Elsinboro Municipal Court Public Defender through December 31, 2022 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0-1

Ayes: Collier, Crane, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Venable

Motion (Palombo, Venable) to approve the advertisement for two Summer Workers for the period June 1, through September 30.

The motion to approve the advertisement for two Summer Workers for the period June 1, through September 30 was passed by a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Palombo, Venable, Collier, Crane, and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

CORRESPONDENCE: All correspondence received has been distributed to the proper parties

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Public Works:

Superintendent Fogg stated that he had seen pictures of the damaged new Recycling truck and it appears to have been damaged in the front bumper and it is possible the door hinges are out of alignment. Gran Turk had it fixed once, but it was not satisfactorily repaired. Superintendent Fogg stated that the new Recycling truck which we have not taken delivery of yet, is to go back to Hunter Peterbilt be repaired correctly. Superintendent Fogg stated that he has no intention of taking delivery of the truck unless it is properly fixed to be as new.

Superintendent Fogg stated that he has communicated with Mr. Nardelli at Fralinger Engineering about getting the Alloway Creek Neck repaving started, he is hopeful it will start in a few weeks.

Superintendent Fogg stated that the West Branch Tide Gate is waiting for the Castle Group to determine the repairs which will be done, in the meantime brackish water is coming back into Canton Drain.

Fire Department:

Chief Fisher stated that in last month's minutes in his report it incorrectly had Frank Pompper and Robert Hartman, it actually was Jeffrey Pompper and Robert Clark.

Chief Fisher stated that the Department is selling tickets for the Asparagus & Egg Breakfast on May 22.

Chief Fisher stated that the department participated in a recent Fire Burn training and Mrs. Crane and Mr. Collier also were present, with Mr. Collier going into the burn area.

Chief Fisher stated that there is still equipment in the Canton Fire House some of which is good and he has no place for and some of which is no longer any use to the department and can be sold.

Mayor and Committee Members

Mrs. Crane stated that the Log Cabin Open House is this weekend.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

A resident had concerns that the Public Works Department were mowing private roads and private property and that there wasn't proper supervision of its employees who appear to travel on roads that are not on the way to anywhere they should be going.

Mr. Collier asked for an update on securing a Cell Tower,
The Clerk stated that he had been in communication with Mr. Lupo and he had stated that he has been getting the proposal for the Cell Companies in order and will be making connection with his cell provider contacts in the coming weeks.

Mayor Bradway stated that the PSEG outage is in progress and on Schedule

No one from the Public indicated that they wished to make any further comments.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion (Crane, Collier) for a resolution to convene into a Closed Session of Business. 8:20 pm

**RESOLUTION 2022 – 53
A RESOLUTION FOR A CLOSED SESSION**

WHEREAS, in order to protect personal privacy and to avoid situations wherein the public interest might be disserved, the Open Public Meetings Act permits public bodies to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which certain matters are discussed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that a portion of the meeting of the Township Committee be closed to the public to enable the Township Committee to discuss, and where appropriate, take action concerning the following matter(s) as permitted in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

____ 3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

____ 6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law.

____ 7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than in (4) above in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matter falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.

____ 8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.

More specifically, the matter to be discussed involves the following:

1. Personnel

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the matters discussed will be available for public inspection

1. At such time the matter is concluded

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Closed Session is expected to continue for fifteen (15) minutes and there after the regular meeting would then reconvene and further business by the Committee Will not take place at its conclusion.

The motion for a resolution to convene into a Closed Session of Business passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Crane, Collier, Palombo, Venable, and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

Motion (Collier, Crane) to come out of Closed Session and return to Open Session business of the Township Committee. 8:42 pm

The motion to come out of Closed Session and return to Open Session business of the Committee passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 5-0

Ayes: Collier, Crane, Palombo, Venable, and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: none

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Venable, Collier) to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

The motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.

Minutes of the April 19, 2022 Meeting were approved at a Township Committee Meeting held May 17, 2022

ATTEST:

LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

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