



DELAWARE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 14, 2021 – 7:30 PM

In Person

Mayor Waltman called the regular meeting of the Delaware Township Committee to order on June 14, 2021 at 7:30 PM. Mayor Waltman announced that this meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was faxed to the Hunterdon County Democrat, Trenton Times, Courier News and the Star Ledger, was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and filed with the Township Clerk on January 5, 2021.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Waltman led those in attendance in the pledge to the nation's flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Waltman, Committee Members Daniel Kwasnik, Charles Herman and Susan Lockwood along with Township Clerk Maria Andrews, Deputy Township Clerk Tiffany Crivelli, and Township Attorney Joseph Tauriello.

APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

A motion by Herman, seconded by Lockwood, to approve the Committee's 5/10/2021 Regular Meeting and Executive Session minutes was approved by voice vote.

A motion by Herman, seconded by Waltman, to approve the Committee's 4/12/2021 Executive Session minutes was approved by voice vote. It was noted for the record that Committeewoman Lockwood recused herself from this matter.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Committeeman Kwasnik reported that the Department of Public Works had two employees out for a brief period of time due to illness, but that they are now back to full staff.

Committeewoman Lockwood advised that the Open Space Committee had a property closing but there was some misunderstanding when they met with the owner. Committeewoman Lockwood noted that the Township Representative did not feel that they could do anything to get the closing to be completed at that time and they will try again at a later date.

Committeewoman Lockwood stated there was no new information on the Pipeline.

Committeeman Herman noted that there will be a Fishing Derby at the Copeland Farm 435 Rosemont Ringoes Road on 7/17/21 and Fireworks on 9/11/21. Committeeman Herman also stated that the Recreation Commission is working on the new trail and will look into some changes to work with residents who have concerns with it. Committeeman Herman stated there have been a lot of complaints regarding dogs off leash and stated the Recreation Commission is considering more signs posted with the ordinance. Mayor Waltman noted that the Chief of Police has been sending officers to provide a warning first and then after a warning, people in violation will be fined.

Committeeman Herman stated that the Personnel Committee met to discuss the needs of the Department of Public Works for a seasonal employee to replace one that they do not have.

Mayor Waltman noted there have been many complaints regarding speeding on County Route 523 by County Route 604. Mayor Waltman stated residents went to the County to ask for the speed limit to be reduced to 25 mph, however the County did not seem interested. Mayor Waltman advised the Chief of Police is not against reducing the speed limit and thinks it will be beneficial to the area. Mayor Waltman then inquired if this is something the Township Committee should vote on to ask the county to reduce the speed limit. Committeewoman Lockwood suggested the Mayor send a letter stating the Township is in support of lowering the speed limit.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Waltman opened the floor to public comment for any items listed on the agenda.

Edward Gola, 15 Paulmier Road and John Weiss, 11 Paulmier Road, expressed some concerns and recommendations regarding Parking Permits for Paulmier Road.

Hearing no other members of the public speak up, Mayor Waltman closed the floor to public comment.

INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCES

Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2021-05

Mayor Waltman read Ordinance No. 2021-05 by title.

**Delaware Township
Ordinance No. 2021 – 05
An Ordinance to Amend Section 230-12 of the Delaware Township Municipal Code
Prohibiting the Operation of Any Class of Cannabis Businesses Within Its Geographical
Boundaries**

WHEREAS, in 2020 New Jersey voters approved Public Question No. 1, which amended the New Jersey Constitution to allow for the legalization of a controlled form of marijuana called “cannabis” for adults at least 21 years of age; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2021, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2021, c. 16, known as the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act” (the “Act”), which legalizes the recreational use of marijuana by adults 21 years of age or older, and establishes a comprehensive regulatory and licensing scheme for commercial recreational (adult use) cannabis operations, use and possession; and

WHEREAS, the Act establishes six marketplace classes of licensed businesses, including:

- Class 1 Cannabis Cultivator license, for facilities involved in growing and cultivating cannabis;
- Class 2 Cannabis Manufacturer license, for facilities involved in the manufacturing, preparation, and packaging of cannabis items;

- Class 3 Cannabis Wholesaler license, for facilities involved in obtaining and selling cannabis items for later resale by other licensees;
- Class 4 Cannabis Distributer license, for businesses involved in transporting cannabis plants in bulk from on licensed cultivator to another licensed cultivator, or cannabis items in bulk from any type of licensed cannabis business to another;
- Class 5 Cannabis Retailer license for locations at which cannabis items and related supplies are sold to consumers; and
- Class 6 Cannabis Delivery license, for businesses providing courier services for consumer purchases that are fulfilled by a licensed cannabis retailer in order to make deliveries of the purchases items to a consumer, and which service would include the ability of a consumer to make a purchase directly through the cannabis delivery service which would be presented by the delivery service for fulfillment by a retailer and then delivered to a consumer.

WHEREAS, section 31a of the Act authorizes municipalities by ordinance to adopt regulations governing the number of cannabis establishments (defined in section 3 of the Act as “a cannabis cultivator, a cannabis manufacturer, a cannabis wholesaler, or a cannabis retailer”), cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services allowed to operate within their boundaries, as well as the location manner and times operation of such establishments, distributors or delivery services, and establishing civil penalties for the violation of any such regulations; and

WHEREAS, section 31b of the Act authorizes municipalities by ordinance to prohibit the operation of any one or more classes of cannabis establishments, distributors, or delivery services anywhere in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, section 31b of the Act also stipulates, however, that any municipal regulation or prohibition must be adopted within 180 days of the effective date of the Act (*i.e.*, by August 22, 2021); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 31b of the Act, the failure to do so shall mean that for a period of five years thereafter, the growing, cultivating, manufacturing, selling and reselling of cannabis and cannabis items shall be permitted uses in all industrial zones, and the retail selling of cannabis items to consumers shall be a conditional use in all commercial and retail zones; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the initial and any subsequent five-year period following a failure to enact local regulations or prohibitions, the municipality shall again have 180 days to adopt an ordinance regulating or prohibiting cannabis businesses, but any such ordinance would be prospective only and would not apply to any cannabis business already operating within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware has determined that, due to present uncertainties regarding the potential future impacts that allowing one or more classes of cannabis business might have on New Jersey municipalities in general, and on the Township of Delaware in particular, it is at this time necessary and appropriate, and in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of Delaware Township’s residents and members of the public who visit,

travel, or conduct business in Delaware Township, to amend Delaware Township's zoning regulations to prohibit all manner of marijuana-related land use and development within the geographic boundaries of Delaware Township; and

WHEREAS, officials from two prominent non-profit organizations that have been established for the purpose of advising New Jersey municipalities on legal matters such as have been presented by the Act (those organizations being the New Jersey State League of Municipalities and the New Jersey Institute of Local Government Attorneys) have strongly urged that, due to the complexity and novelty of the Act; the many areas of municipal law that are or may be implicated in decisions as to whether or to what extent cannabis or medical cannabis should be permitted for land use purposes or otherwise regulated in any particular municipality; and the relatively short duration in which the Act would allow such decisions to be made before imposing an automatic authorization of such uses in specified zoning districts subject to unspecified conditions, the most prudent course of action for all municipalities, whether or not generally in favor of cannabis or medical cannabis land development and uses, would be to prohibit all such uses within the Act's 180-day period in order to ensure sufficient time to carefully review all aspects of the Act and its impacts;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware in Hunterdon County, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Pursuant to section 31b of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act (P.L. 2021, c. 16), all cannabis establishments, cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services are hereby prohibited from operating anywhere in the Township of Delaware, except for the delivery of cannabis items and related supplies by a delivery service.
2. Section 230-12 of the Delaware Township Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding a new paragraph (Y) as follows: "All classes of cannabis establishments or cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services as said terms are defined in section 3 of P.L. 2021, c. 16, but not the delivery of cannabis items and related supplies by a delivery service, shall be prohibited in all zoning districts."
3. Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Delaware Township Code that is inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
4. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.
5. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication and filing with the Hunterdon County Planning Board, and as otherwise provided for by law.

ATTEST:

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

James Waltman, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Maria Andrews, Clerk of the Township of Delaware, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an ordinance duly adopted by the Township Committee of Township of Delaware on June 14, 2021.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Lockwood, seconded by Herman to open Ordinance #2021-05 for public hearing was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Hearing no members of the public speak up, a motion by Lockwood, seconded by Herman to close Ordinance #2021-05 for public hearing was unanimously approved by voice vote.

A motion by Lockwood, seconded by Herman to adopt Ordinance #2021-05 was approved by roll call vote.

Herman: Yes, Kwasnik: Yes, Lockwood: Yes, Vocke: Absent, Waltman: Yes

Mayor Waltman read Ordinance No. 2021-06 by title.

**Delaware Township
Ordinance No. 2021 – 06**

**An Ordinance of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon, and State of New Jersey to
Authorize an Expenditure and Appropriation from Reserve for Police Vehicle/Equipment
\$33,000.00 for the Purchase of a Police Utility Interceptor, All-Wheel Drive and Accessories**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon, and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Delaware Township has a need for a police vehicle; and,

Section 2. Delaware Township hereby authorizes an appropriation and expenditure for the vehicle to exceed \$33,000.00; and,

Section 3. Total amount to be expended from Reserve for Police Vehicle/Equipment shall not exceed \$33,000.00.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

A motion by Lockwood, seconded by Herman to introduce Ordinance #2021-06 and move forward with a public hearing set for July 12, 2021 on Ordinance #2021-06 was approved by roll call vote.

Herman: Yes, Kwasnik: Yes, Lockwood: Yes, Vocke: Absent, Waltman: Yes

RESOLUTIONS

**Delaware Township Resolution #2021-53
PERC Test Witness**

WHEREAS, as of April 30, 2021, Robert Kleckner is retired as Delaware Townships PERC Test Witness and;

WHEREAS, the Delaware Townships Professional Services Contract with Colliers Engineering provides this service in their contract under Section IV 2(b) and;

WHEREAS, The Delaware Township Board of Health has unanimously voted on May 3, 2021 to use Colliers Engineering as the Delaware Township PERC Test Witness, while keeping the Percolation Tests fees in the Code of Delaware Township, Chapter 381, Article II §381-6;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, effective June 15, 2021, the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, appoints Colliers Engineering as the PERC Test Witness.

ATTEST:

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

James Waltman, Mayor

**Delaware Township Resolution #2021-54
NJDCA Grant**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) announced the Local Recreation Improvement Grant (LRIG) Fiscal Year 2021, that supports improvement and repair of public recreation facilities including local parks, municipal recreation centers, and local stadiums; and

WHEREAS, the grant application deadline is May 24, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Township Recreation Commission has recommended an application to be submitted for improvements to Sarah Dilts Farm Park, located at 19 Buchanan Road, Stockton, NJ identified as Block 42, Lot 7; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$125,000 to carry out a project to make improvements to Sarah Dilts Farm Park to include rehabilitation of the basketball courts and tennis courts.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Township Committee recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith.

ATTEST:

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

James Waltman, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Maria Andrews, Clerk of the Township of Delaware, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is correct and true copy of Resolution #2021-54 adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey on June 14, 2021.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

**Delaware Township Resolution #2021-55
Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
Fiscal Grant Cycle July 2020 - June 2025
FORM B**

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Township Council of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore, has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Hunterdon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Central Hunterdon Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2022 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$ <u>15,463.00</u>
Cash Match	\$ <u>3,865.75</u>
In-Kind	\$ <u>11,597.25</u>

2. The Township Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.
3. The Township Council further acknowledges that the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission shall act as Fiscal Agent to all Hunterdon County Municipal Alliance Consortiums to provide a streamlined process for the reimbursement of expenditures.

APPROVED:

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

James Waltman, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I, Maria Andrews, Clerk of the Township of Delaware, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing is correct and true copy of Resolution #2021-55 adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey on June 14, 2021.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

**Delaware Township Resolution #2021-56
ABC License Renewal – Blackdog, Inc**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey has reviewed an application for renewal of a Plenary Retail Consumption license for the twelve-month period ending June 30, 2022 for the following licensed premise:

Blackdog, Inc.
Trading as the Sergeantsville Inn
601 Rosemont Ringoes Road
Sergeantsville, New Jersey 08557
License #1007-33-002-005

WHEREAS, no timely written objection has been filed with the office of the Delaware Township Clerk related to these licensed premise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Delaware Township Committee does hereby grant a one-year renewal to the above listed licensed premise.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Delaware Township Clerk is authorized to execute a license and to issue the license certificate to Blackdog, Inc.

ATTEST:

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

James Waltman, Mayor

**Delaware Township Resolution #2021-57
Bids for Road Maintenance and Materials
Including an Extension of Road Bids from 2020**

WHEREAS, bids for road maintenance and materials were received on May 13, 2021 as part of the joint bid for Delaware, Franklin and Kingwood Townships; and

WHEREAS, only one bid was received for emulsified asphalt; and

WHEREAS, the contract for the municipal maintenance work and material in the Township of Delaware in the County of Hunterdon be and is hereby awarded to the following:

Item Description	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Distance (miles)	Mileage Adj	Adjusted Unit Price	Bidder
Emulsified Asphalt – Grade CRS-2P (FDA)	30,000	GAL	\$2.98	N/A	N/A	N/A	Garden State Asphalt Materials

WHEREAS, the Township did not receive bids for any of the other materials that it sought bids for; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey that pursuant to Section VIII of the Bid Specifications for 2020, the Delaware Township Committee is exercising its option to extend the contracts for an additional 12 months, for the year 2021, based on the same terms and conditions for the following:

Item Description	Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Distance (miles)	Mileage Adj	Adjusted Unit Price	Bidder
3/8" (#8) Clean Crushed Stone (Screw or Belt Washed), No Limestone (FOB)	800	Ton	\$25.00		\$	\$	H&K
1" Quarry Process/Road Blend (FOB)	200	Ton	\$13.00		\$	\$	Stavola
1" Quarry Process/Road Blend (FDS)	200	Ton	\$20.50				Stavola
¾" Clean Crushed Stone (FOB)	200	Ton	\$15.00		\$	\$	Stavola
1.5" Clean Crushed Stone (FDS)	200	Ton	\$22.50				Stavola

1.5" Clean Crushed Stone (FOB)	100	Ton	\$11.90		\$	\$	H&K
1.5" Clean Crushed Stone (FDS)	100	Ton	\$21.80				H&K
2.5" Clean Crushed Stone (FDS)	100	Ton	\$21.80				H&K
Screenings (FOB)	100	Ton	\$11.25		\$	\$	H&K
Screenings (FDS)	100	Ton	\$19.50				Stavola
Rip Rap, R-4 6"-8" (FDS)	100	Ton	\$28.00				H&K
Rip Rap, R-7 24"-42" (FOB)	100	Ton	\$36.00				H&K
Rip Rap, R-7 24"-42" (FDS)	100	Ton	\$50.00				H&K

WHEREAS, Asphalt and fuel price adjustments will be made in accordance with the NJDOT standards; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Delaware has a need for a Hot Mix Asphalt supplier within 20 miles and will go to bid; and

WHEREAS, the presiding officer of this body be and is hereby directed to sign for and on its behalf the contract in the prescribed form for said maintenance work and material; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk of this body be and is hereby directed to seal said contract with the corporate seal of this body and to attest to the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the contract for Emulsified Asphalt is hereby awarded to Garden State Asphalt Materials as provided above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the Township shall extend its 2020 contracts with H&K and Stavola for up to 12 months as provided for above.

ATTEST:

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

James Waltman, Mayor

Certification

I, Maria Andrews, Clerk of the Township of Delaware, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of Resolution #2021-57 adopted by the Delaware Township Committee on June 14, 2021.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Herman, seconded by Lockwood to approve Resolutions #2021-53 - 57 was approved by roll call vote.

Herman: Yes, Kwasnik: Yes, Lockwood: Yes, Vocke: Absent, Waltman: Yes

NEW BUSINESS/OTHER

Girl Scout Troop 80372 presented their Bronze Award Project, a Food Sharing Stand and Composter to be built in the Municipal Building parking lot, to the Township Committee.

Committeeman Herman thought it was a great idea and one of the best presentations in a while. Committeeman Herman noted that the Township recently lost the farmers market and this would be good to also help those in need.

Committeewoman Lockwood inquired when the Girl Scouts would start their project. The Troop advised they are hopeful to start the second week of July and have it completed within a week.

A motion by Herman, seconded by Lockwood to allow Girl Scout Troop 80372 to execute their Bronze Award Project was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Mayor Waltman noted an Alternate Member is needed to sign bills for the Finance Committee in the absence of another member. Committeeman Herman was nominated.

A motion by Waltman, seconded by Lockwood, to approve Committeeman Herman as an Alternate Member to the Finance Committee was unanimously approved by roll call vote. It was noted for the record that Committeeman Herman recused himself from this matter.

Herman: Recused, Kwasnik: Yes, Lockwood: Yes, Vocke: Absent, Waltman: Yes

Mayor Waltman inquired what suggestions the Recreation Commission has regarding Dilt's Park. Brian Sulewski, Chairperson of the Recreation Commission stated that the Recreation Commission would like to see the Tennis and Basketball courts repaired/resurfaced, enhancements to the Reimer Trail, expanding parking, a Pickle Ball court as well as to look into hiring a park planner to advise on how the layout of the park should be for current function and future expansion. Brian Sulewski also noted that there are stumps by the main entrance that should be grinded down. Committeeman Kwasnik advised he would look into the stump grinding with DPW Director Jay Trstensky.

Brian Sulewski also noted he has received a lot of complaints regarding the bathroom facilities. Brian Sulewski suggested that funds be raised to build one large building to house bathrooms and the snack shack.

Mayor Waltman stated a park planner makes sense and asked if the Recreation Commission would want to find their own park planner or for the Township to reach out to the Engineer. Brian Sulewski asked the Township to speak with the Engineer so that the process can start and end with the same person.

Mayor Waltman recommended a special meeting is needed to be dedicated to the discussion of the Open Space Referendum. Mayor Waltman suggested forming a subcommittee to gather prior to the special meeting with the purpose to discuss language and how it is to be presented, Committeewoman Lockwood agreed and would like to be one of the people involved. Committeewoman Lockwood also suggested Rosalind Westlake or Bob Hornby be invited to

represent the Open Space Committee. Mayor Waltman noted CFO Diane McDaniel should also be present for the finance aspect as well as a representative from the Recreation Commission.

A motion by Herman, seconded by Lockwood to hold a special meeting on July 29, 2021 at 6:00 pm was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Herman: Yes, Kwasnik: Yes, Lockwood: Yes, Vocke: Absent, Waltman: Yes

Mayor Waltman stated that last month the HOA for Paulmier Road voted in favor of an ordinance for seasonal parking. Mayor Waltman noted that he spoke with the Chief of Police regarding enforcement and it was suggested to be enforceable from April 1 – October 31. The Chief suggested special placards be designed for the residents and placed within view for the officers to see. The Chief also noted that if there was no visible placard, the officers would not be able to knock on doors of houses, but that enforcement would be considered upon common sense such as if there was an obvious party at a residence and that the officers would use their best judgement. Township Attorney Tauriello stated he would write an ordinance for the next meeting and then it would go to public hearing for the public to voice their suggestions.

Committeeman Herman inquired about fines and if there was a parameter for excessive fines. Township Attorney Joseph Tauriello stated he was not sure where the line would be drawn for fines, but would look at other town and suggested if ticketing does not work, perhaps make it a tow away zone. Mayor Waltman noted the Chief of Police is reluctant to make the area a tow away zone.

The following residents expressed some concerns and recommendations regarding the proposed ordinance for parking permits on Paulmier Road:

Patrick Miller, 17 Paulmier Road
Nick Harrington, 2 Paulmier Road
John Weiss, 11 Paulmier Road
Jeffrey Sullivan, 18 Paulmier Road

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Waltman opened the floor to public comment for items not on the agenda.

Hearing no members of the public speak up, Mayor Waltman closed the floor to public comment.

FINAL COMMENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Mayor Waltman stated that the Township had technical issues with the Zoom meeting tonight and going forward there would be only live meetings, no hybrid.

Committeewoman Lockwood stated that residents advised her that the lights in the Municipal lot were not coming on the right time. Committeewoman Lockwood suggested to locate the timer and perhaps show someone else how to change them. Committeeman Kwasnik advised he would speak with DPW Director Trstensky.

Committeewoman Lockwood noted that the Hunterdon Area Energy Cooperative was originally only for residents and now it is also for municipalities. Committeewoman Lockwood stated it does not cost the Township anything and it could save money and she was certain this was something that was agreed upon previously.

Committeeman Herman stated that renovations at Town Hall are moving along and the week of July 4th the doors and windows should be installed. Committeeman Herman noted that timing to open to the public would need to be figured out once painting and renovations are complete.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST

A motion by Lockwood, seconded by Herman to approve payment of the \$207,542.96 bill list was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Herman: Yes, Kwasnik: Yes, Lockwood: Yes, Vocke: Absent, Waltman: Yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Approval of Resolution #2021-65: To Enter into Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Contracts and Subjects Falling Under Attorney-Client Privilege – *The discussion is expected to take approximately 30 minutes. Action may be taken.*

A motion by Herman, seconded by Lockwood to approve Resolution #2021-65 and enter into Executive Session was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Herman: Yes, Kwasnik: Yes, Lockwood: Yes, Vocke: Absent, Waltman: Yes

Resolution #2021-65

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this governing body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Committee of Delaware Township, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows: Contracts, Personnel Matters, and subjects falling under Attorney-Client privilege. The discussion is anticipated to take approximately 30 minutes. Action may be taken.
3. It is intended at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public when the matter has been resolved.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Maria Andrews, Township Clerk, RMC

A motion by Lockwood, seconded by Herman to return to Open Session was unanimously approved by voice vote.

It was noted for the record that the Committee was in Executive Session from 9:12 PM – 9:40 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Herman, seconded by Lockwood to adjourn the meeting was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 PM.

Tiffany Crivelli, Deputy Clerk

James Waltman

Approved: