



TOWNSHIP OF WALL
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 12, 2020

7:00 P.M.
REMOTE MEETING

Mayor Braun	Yea	Administrator Bertrand	Yea
Deputy Mayor Kingman	Yea	Asst. Administrator Kohri	Yea
Committeeman Farrell	Yea	Attorney Wolf	Yea
Committeeman Orender	Yea	Township Clerk Lang	Yea

Salute to the Flag and a Moment of Silence.

Sunshine Statement

In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act," Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the following manner: the annual notice was forwarded to the official Township newspapers and was posted in the Wall Township Municipal Building. All notices are on file with the Township Clerk.

Roll Call

Mayor Braun

- o Mayor Braun announced that the Township would be presenting a proclamation honoring Girl Scout, Riya Ajmera. He noted that Riya was not remotely logged into the meeting and asked that the proclamation be held until she was available remotely.

Administrator Bertrand:

- o Administrator Bertrand announced the remote rules for the meeting

COVID-19 Update

Administrator Bertrand:

- o Administrator Bertrand noted Governor Murphy modified the executive order to reflect that indoor gatherings be no more than 25 people. He discussed the impact of that executive order on public meetings.
- o He noted that the Township is working with the Board of Education and available for any assistance that they might need to reopen schools in the fall.

Chief Brown:

- o Chief Brown reported the following numbers:
 - State cases: 185,938
 - State deaths: 14,046
 - Monmouth County cases: 10,368
 - Monmouth County deaths: 759
 - Wall Township cases: 480
 - Wall Township Long Term Care Facilities: 178 (37% of the total cases in Wall)
 - Wall Township Deaths: 69 (87% associated with long term care facilities)
 - Chief Brown provided an age range breakdown of cases in Wall: \
- o He reported that the overall numbers remain low, with a rate of transmission of .92 and a positivity rate of 2.1%.

- He noted that the Governor has placed a voluntary quarantine for individuals traveling from 33 states.
- He reiterated the executive order which further limited the number of people permissible to gather in indoor spaces.
- He said that the Police Department has had no issues in staffing and continue to return to normal operations and normal patrol activities.
- He said that public safety in the community remains paramount and that the Police Department has been conducting highly visible checks on the business and residential areas in the community.
- He thanked the first responders, Department of Public Works, and Township officials for their unified response and planning during the last storm.

For Action / Consent Agenda

Administrator Bertrand Summarized the Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

All items listed on the "Consent Agenda" are considered routine by the Township and will be adopted or approved collectively by a single motion and roll-call vote of a majority of the Township Committee. All items are available for public inspection on the Township's website at wallnj.com and in the office of the Township Clerk. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If a discussion is desired on any item, it will be considered separately. The Mayor asks if any member of the Township Committee wishes to consider any item separately. If not, he/she requests a **Motion** to approve the items listed. **Motion-Second-Roll Call Vote**

Resolution No. 20-0801- Approval of vouchers for July 23, 2020 through August 12, 2020 in the amount of \$9,631,017.87

Resolution No. 20-0802 - Authorization to re-establish the dates, times, and places of the Township Committees Meetings for 2020

Resolution No. 20-0803 – Authorization to correct Resolutions No. 19-1116 and 20-0304 which authorized the Township to submit the strategic plan for the Wall Community Alliance Municipal Grant for fiscal year 2021 as a result of state funding cuts

Resolution No. 20-0804 - Authorization for the Advertisement of Bids for emergency and non-emergency pump and motor repairs and the purchase of new pumps and motors

Resolution No. 20-0805 – Authorization to execute the Settlement in the Matter of Golin vs. Wall Township

End of Consent Agenda

Motion - Second - Roll Call Vote

Motion to adopt – Deputy Mayor Kingman

Second – Committeeman Farrell

Roll Call Vote: Consent Agenda

Committeeman Farrell	Yea
Committeeman Orender	Yea
Deputy Mayor Kingman	Yea
Mayor Braun	Yea

Yea	Nay	Recuse	Absent
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Committee Reports:

Committeeman Kevin Orender: Public Works, Economic Development, Veteran's Services, Board of Health

Committee Chair's Reports:

Committeeman Orender:

- Committeeman Orender noted that the Township is in touch with the Veteran's. He explained that the September event had to be cancelled. He noted the intention of planning an outdoor event.
- He commended the Department of Public Works for their response to the storm and the brush pickup associated with the same.
- He discussed his enthusiasm for the new roller hockey rink.

Items for Discussion:

Administrator Bertrand:

- Administrator Bertrand noted that all items are ongoing.

Committeeman Farrell: Administration and Finance, Education, Environmental

Committee Chair's Reports:

Committeeman Farrell:

- Committeeman Farrell noted that he met the new Superintendent of the Board of Education. He said that he looks forward to working with her. He discussed the anticipated decisions regarding the new school year and remote learning.
- He noted that the Environmental Advisory Board would be meeting the following Thursday.

Items for Discussion:

Administrator Bertrand:

- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to accept and certify the 2019 Municipal Audit
- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to renew the contract with the Affordable Housing Alliance for affordable housing administrative agent services for a two (2) year period June 1, 2019 – May 31, 2021 at a cost not to exceed \$6,500 per year
- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to approve the change of text, title, or amount of Appropriation N.J.S.A.40A-4-85 Municipal Alliance Grant in the amount of \$890.85 as a result of state funding cuts
- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to approve items of revenue and appropriations N.J.S.A. 40A-87 Municipal Alliance Grant in the amount of \$3,563.40 as a result of state funding cuts

Deputy Mayor Kingman: Recreation, Public Safety

Committee Chair's Report:

Deputy Mayor Kingman:

- Deputy Mayor Kingman thanked Chief Brown and his staff for their efforts during the power outage. He also commended the Department of Public Works for their hard work after the storm.
- He reiterated Committeeman Orender's sentiments regarding the roller hockey rink.

Items for Discussion:

Administrator Bertrand:

- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking Authorization to execute a contract with Philadelphia Insurance Companies for a blanket accident coverage for the Recreation Department at a premium cost not to exceed \$6,492.00 for the period 9/22/2020 through 9/21/2021
- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking approval of new Recreation programs and associated fees

- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to approve a person-to-person transfer of a Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1352-33-014-010 held by Grainmonger, LLC to Brook 35 Liquor Inc.

Mayor Braun: Department of Land Use and Development, West Belmar Gateway

Committee Chair's Reports:

Mayor Braun

- Mayor Braun noted that the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment are very active. He noted the uptick in permits for swimming pools and an application for a building by the airport.
- He discussed a meeting on the West Belmar Gateway and the finalization of the developer's agreement for the solar farm.
- He echoed the sentiments of his colleagues in reference to the response of the Police and Public Works Departments and the completion of the roller hockey rink.
- Mayor Braun discussed a brief meeting he had with Wall Township School Business Administrator Brian Smyth.

Proclamation honoring Girl Scout, Riya Ajmera

Items for Discussion:

Administrator Bertrand:

- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization for the Municipal Clerk to advertise for public bids for the Municipal Building and Library roof replacement projects
- Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township would be seeking authorization to award a contract to Sonnenfeld + Trocchia Architects, P.A. for Bidding (not to exceed \$2,500) and Construction Services (not to exceed \$10,000) for the Municipal Building and Library roof replacement projects

Public Comment: Opportunity for anyone to comment with a limit of seven (7) minutes per speaker

The public comment portion of our meeting is to allow the public to bring to the Committee's attention their concerns or comments. In accordance with NJSA 10: 4-12(a), the committee asks the public to limit their comments to seven minutes or less. The Committee will respect the public's time by refraining any comment until the speaker has finished with their allotted time. It should be further noted that the public comment portion of our meeting is not structured as a question and answer session. If a member of the public has questions, they seek answers to; an appointment can be made with the Township Administrator's office during regular business hours. The attorney will regulate the time during the comment portion of our meeting.

Administrator Bertrand

- Administrator Bertrand reviewed the rules of engagement for the public portion of the remote meeting

Betsy Cross -2043 New Bedford Road

- Ms. Cross asked that specific areas in town be identified as to when they can expect brush pickup from the storm.
- She opined that the Township should provide more outreach during times of emergency, similar to some surrounding towns.
- She discussed the reopening of the schools and the various issues she has with the Board of Education.

Resident

- She inquired about the security measures at the schools.

Close Public Comment

Motion – Second - Roll Call Vote

Motion to close – Committeeman Orender

Second- Committeeman Farrell

Roll Call Vote: Close Public Comment

Committeeman Farrell	Yea
Committeeman Orender	Yea
Deputy Mayor Kingman	Yea
Mayor Braun	Yea

Yea	Nay	Recuse	Absent
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Closing Comments from the Township Administrator:

Administrator Bertrand:

- o Administrator Bertrand noted that the Township was starting from the north side of town and working south for brush pickup.
- o He reported that the Township utilizes the Police Department’s social media page as they are staffed 24/7.
- o He noted that he had no comment regarding the Board of Education complaints made by Ms. Cross.

Chief Brown:

- o Chief Brown explained that discussing security measures would be counterintuitive to security, but the department is actively working on them and keeping the school’s safe.

Closing Comments from the Township Committee:

Mayor Braun

- o He discussed the anticipated plan for the schools to reopen but noted that it is ever changing

Resolution No. 20-0806 - Authorization to discuss matters in private session

Motion - Second – Roll Call Vote

Motion to adopt – Committeeman Orender

Second- Committeeman Kingman

Roll Call Vote: 20-0806 Private Session

Committeeman Farrell	Yea
Committeeman Orender	Yea
Deputy Mayor Kingman	Yea
Mayor Braun	Yea

Yea	Nay	Recuse	Absent
4	0	0	0

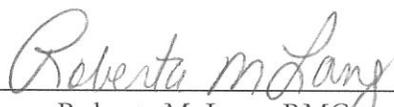
Return to Public Session and a Motion to Adjourn

Motion - Second - Voice Vote - All in Favor

Motion to Adjourn by **Committeeman Kingman** and seconded by **Committeeman Orender**

Meeting adjourned at **8:50 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,



 Roberta M. Lang, RMCO

Township Clerk