

January 10, 2023, Workshop Meeting of the Hazlet Township Committee. The meeting has been properly noticed and advertised in accordance with the open public meeting act. Notice has been duly given to the newspapers and posted in the Hazlet Township Municipal Building. It is currently 7:00 P.M. on January 20, 2023, Roll call please:

Mary L. Lynch, Municipal Clerk, called the roll and the following was recorded:

PRESENT: Mayor Sachs
Deputy Mayor Terranova
Committeeman Glackin
Committeeman Cavuto
Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator
James Gorman, Esq.
Mary L. Lynch, Municipal Clerk

Absent: Committeeman Preston

New Business:

Business and Rental unit Liability Insurance & Implementation of P.L.C. 92.

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- Copy of new law for Business and Rental unit Liability Insurance & Implementation was sent to Jim Gorman, Esq. An ordinance will need to be adopted. Commercial properties landlords must register with the Town for their insurance.

Committeeman Glackin- As part of the requirement of registering a business, can we combine both business and insurance registration?

Jim Gorman, Township Attorney- Who will be handling this?

Mary Lynch, Municipal Clerk- We do business licensing between October 1st through September 30th every year.

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- What is the current cost of a business license?

Mary Lynch, Municipal Clerk- \$75 or \$400 depending on square footage.

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator-If you have a residential landlord registration fee, we are to perform a habituality inspection at least every three years. We are supposed to do this with the Housing Inspector.

Mayor Sachs- When a new person is hired, he can start inspecting.

Mary Lynch, Municipal Clerk- Regarding residential homes, that is Laura in Zoning.

Old Business:

Hazlet Pool Update-

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- The pool is leaking however only the step pool, kiddie pool.

Kenny Kurk- DWP Superintendent- We are now going to plug the drains to see if we can isolate to see if it the diffuser valve. We had Todd Harris pools come in. They have replaced the faulty valve and they the drainage pit boxes. We have filled the pool and it is still losing water. So now we are going to plug the drain boxes and see if we still lose water. If we lose with that, we are confident the leak will be within the diffusers.

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- One of the things we have been looking at for the future, if it is the diffusers, you could put another layer of concrete on there and another pump closer to the entrance. Which can be used in the future if the sprinkler pool and the step pool are redone. To make it more of a splash pad area with a little waiting pool with features, to combine the two. It gives more flexibility in the future however it is a last resort.

Kenny Kurk- DWP Superintendent-Correct. If the problem can be isolated and fixed, that would be the easy way.

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- The goal is to be able to use that pool this summer. However, we must start thinking now about what we want to do for repairs once the pool closes for that area as the other pools are fine. Also, we do need to come up with a short term and long-term solution. I would advise some people on the Committee work with me and Kenny to come up with plans. Also, regarding the rates that I handed out a month or so ago. Maureen, can you give me your feedback.

Maureen Miller- Honestly, I did not think it was that bad. Regarding the children pricing, as a lot of seniors bring their grandchildren to the pool, I think \$15 per child is pricey for our town. I was wondering about the Tennis Courts they need some attention.

Kenny Kurk- DWP Superintendent- I know the High School just had theirs redone and I will be getting the contact information. I will be reaching out and explain to them, what we would like done.

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- Do you have anything else as you are the only citizen here, we could open the citizen's hearing.

Maureen Miller- I wanted to know if anyone has looked into lifeguards for the swim club? I know we have been advertising and now I see other towns looking as well.

Mayor Sachs- As Maureen is the only citizen, can we close the Citizen's hearing?

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- Yes.

2023 Road Program Discussion

Dennis Dayback, T&M Engineer- Regarding the 2023 Road Program, we have spoken about two areas, the West Keansburg area and the other is East of Hazlet and Mason Drive. We have subdivided the town into larger sub-areas. I have looked in those two areas and broke them into more sub-areas within Sub-area G and Sub-area K to get an estimated cost of the roads. There is a constringence in this cost for unknowns as when we go into constructions, there is a lot we do not know. The number presents are construction only does not include soft cost. It gives a feel for how much the roads are going to cost.

Motion to go into Executive Session

Offered: Committeeman Glackin 2nd- Committeeman Cavuto

Voice vote: Yes

Motion to close Executive Session

Offered: Committeeman Glackin 2nd- Mayor Sachs

Voice vote: Yes

8th Street Park Project

Dennis Dayback- T&M Engineer-Looked at a few things and talked about things that can be looked at to try and build the park as originally anticipated. Multi-purpose, basketball, and pavilion. A couple of things we can look at, we can eliminate the sports lighting. Kenny brought up a good point about having lighting there. It can be introducing a hangout and vandalism.

Mayor Sachs- I agree with the lighting and a I also agree with the pavilion.

Dennis Dayback- T&M Engineer- A ten-foot fence around the basketball court, not really needed. However, there will still be a fence around the Multi-Purpose area. Eliminating the two items, the lighting alone is \$200,000.00 in sports lighting. That gets us back to \$1,200,000.00 building the park, the way we originally anticipated.

Deputy Mayor Terranova- If we do not put lights and pavilion, we are saving \$400,000.00 what can be given?

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- You can pave the other half of the road.

Dennis Dayback- T&M Engineer- To confirm no lights and no pavilion and no fence. Are we okay with moving the multi-purpose court.

Township Committee agrees.

The Veterans Resolution-

Will be on the January 24th, 2023, agenda. The VFW will be given permission for their fundraiser on Laurel Avenue and Route 36. The Township committee has agreed.

PROCLAMATION

Deputy Mayor Terranova- Regarding Kristina Kivicic, International United Ms. Jersey.

Robert Bengivenga, Municipal Administrator- Yes. We can do a proclamation for her.

Mary L. Lynch
Municipal Clerk