

Borough of Pine Hill
Council Meeting
May 19, 2014
Pine Hill Borough Hall
7:30 P.M.

Mayor Green called the meeting to order.

Deputy Clerk, Patricia Hendricks delivered the Sunshine Law and the awareness for the town.

Roll Call: Patricia Hendricks, Deputy Clerk
Councilman Warrington-present, Councilwoman McCullen-present, Councilman Knott-present, Councilman Jaxel-present, Councilman Robb-absent, Councilman Burke-present, Mayor Green-present, Mr. Mallon-present, Mrs. Hendricks-present, Mr. Patterson-present, Mr. Cray-present, Mr. Cardis-present

Mayor Green read the Proclamation for Click-It-Or-Ticket 2014.

Approval of Minutes: April 14, 2014

Motion to approve: Councilwoman McCullen, 2nd Councilman Knott
All in Favor: 5 yes votes

Approval of Bills: May 2014

Motion to approve: Councilman Jaxel, 2nd Councilman Knott
Roll Call: 4 yes votes Councilman Burke Abstained

Committee Reports: April 2014

Deputy Clerk Hendricks read the Committee Reports
Motion to approve: Councilman Knott, 2nd Councilman Jaxel
All in Favor: 5 yes votes

Mayor Green asked Council if there were any matters to be discussed.

Councilwoman McCullen reported that the Business Administrator Mr. Mallon received a letter request last Wednesday evening from the Pine Hill Rams Association. She stated that on Thursday she received a written copy, based on what was requested she wanted to make sure that the topic was covered for the Borough and the Rams. Councilwoman McCullen commented that she checked with the Borough Public Works Director and there was no problem with the location on the tent structure that was there last month without prior notice. She stated that the Public Works Director had no problem with the water, however there may be an issue with the electrical connection and she is checking with the Borough code enforcement official on what will require electrical inspection permit. She reported that the problem with trash was corrected by enlarging the trash container. She stated that she had not had an opportunity to speak with Chief Winters yet regarding the additional traffic there. She said that her concern was that the School and MUA had to clean up their parking lots because unfortunately even though the Rams group cleaned up the trash at the

fields you cannot follow up with every person to make sure that they do not discard their trash on the ground. She commented that she did find out through the Fire Inspector that the electrical wiring that was used for the two machines the last time the hot dog and pretzel machine looked as if they met the electrical inspection and the hook up will not be a problem. She stated that what they cannot have because of it being a Green Acres Field is propane gas, charcoal barbecue and sterno cans to do any heat. She commented that her plan was to get Council's approval before she responded to the Pine Hill Rams letter and she stated that is what the delay was.

ORDINANCE #2014-914 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VIII OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL, CAPTIONED "TRAFFIC"

First Reading

Mayor Green read the Ordinance

Motion to move Ordinance #2014-914: Councilman Warrington, 2nd Councilwoman McCullen Roll Call: 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #2014-82 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) (Click-It-Or-Ticket 2014)

Motion to move Resolution #2014-82: Councilman Warrington, 2nd Councilwoman McCullen Roll Call: 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #2014-83 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL WAIVING CONSTRUCTION FEES FOR THE PINE HILL BOROUGH MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Motion to move Resolution #2014-83: Councilman Warrington, 2nd Councilman Jaxel Roll Call: 4 yes votes Councilman Knott Abstained

RESOLUTION #2014-84 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JAMES V. MALLON AS BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR AND DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

Motion to move Resolution #2014-84: Councilwoman McCullen, 2nd Councilman Knott All in Favor: 5 yes votes

Mayor Green made a motion to open to the public.

Scott Ford – 14 Madison Avenue

Mr. Ford thanked Mrs. McCullen for bringing up their issue they had. He reported that unfortunately due to poor communications between their two groups they were forced to come up with an alternative to run a food stand. He commented that they contacted the other group regarding the food stand and offered to pay them however they were denied. He reported that since it was last minute they had to figure out a way to make it work and someone came up with the idea for a tent and it was done unknowingly that there were other avenues to follow. He commented that he went over different items with Mr. Mallon

over the phone. He stated that they were not aware of any trash offsite and that they are more than willing to check for any trash that maybe around in the future. He said that there were no open sternos they just had the two machines hooked up to the electrical outlets. He stated if that requires an electrical inspection he is more than willing to comply and make himself available for whatever is needed.

Councilwoman McCullen reported that one of her main concerns was the electrical and knowing that there is a code for the electrical items especially with Public Parks and Rec.

Matt Rosano – 1309 Daniels Avenue

He reported that he was there on behalf of the South Jersey Pine Hill Rams. He stated he really appreciated the Borough putting the effort forth for the tents. He commented that their parents work the stands and fields and they do take pride in making sure that it is clean. He reported that they pay for the tents, so the kids are really paying for them and it takes them away from going to a tournament. He said that he does not understand what the issue is with the food stand because they did use it last year and kept it clean. He commented that on his behalf he put up a fence free labor for the Pine Hill Youth and it had nothing to do with the Pine Hill Rams. He reported that is how they operate because they are here for the kids. He said that the girls went to a tournament last weekend and they had a big disagreement with some of the people at the Pine Hill Youth, our parents were lied to, got two of our kids suspended and got our coach suspended from the tournament. He said that those two girls had to go and watch their team and thank god they went and won for them. He stated that all of their parents were very uncomfortable at the tournament.

Tina Liss – 107 Park Avenue

She asked about the Borough website and if there was one because she was having a problem getting on it.

Mr. Mallon reported that there was a problem with the Borough website. He stated that it was not the Borough having an issue but SJTP. He said that it was down this morning, got fixed and then there were issues in the afternoon and it was down again.

Mayor Green reported that normally the Borough website is fine.

Ms. Liss asked if Pine Hill offered compost to the residents.

Mayor Green stated that they do not have any compost. He reported that the Borough actually ships their leaves to Gloucester Township. He said that he was not sure if Gloucester Township gives it away or sells it.

Mr. Cardis reported that they sell it.

Ms. Liss asked if she could get it from there.

Mr. Cardis commented that she could buy it.

Ms. Liss asked if she could take computers to Public Works.

Mayor Green commented that she could take them to Public Works during normal business hours Monday through Friday. Mayor Green reported that the residents can call the Borough Hall and they will arrange something for that.

Ms. Liss commented about Atlantic Avenue and the paper road Edgewood they put the water down through the woods there. She stated that at the end of Atlantic Avenue there is a water pipe that does not have a cap on it and there are all kinds of rocks and stuff on top of it. She commented that it no longer has that concrete thing around it to protect it. She stated that the trash truck insists on coming down there, if you look at the road it is a mess and they broke all the concrete off of it. She asked if someone would be able to check their water pipe. She reported that on the other side of it there is a huge TV and mattresses that someone dumped there. She stated that when other people see it then everyone begins dumping stuff there. She asked if the Borough can stop the trash truck from going down there.

Mayor Green said they would look into it.

Michelle Briggs – 128 Bramau Avenue

Ms. Briggs stated that she is here on behalf of Rams Softball Team. She stated that she feels that it is discussing how adults can lie to parents and children are pulled off of a tournament. She reported that she is all about supporting and they decided that the best place for their daughter was the Pine Hill Rams. She commented that two of their players had to sit and watch their other teammates play a tournament that they worked very hard to do. Ms. Briggs stated that she feels something needs to be done with the Pine Hill Youth Association if the Borough wants that program to continue because she can see it completing dissolving at this point because of the way things are ran. She question how someone is in charge of the Pine Hill Youth Association when they do not even live in the town. She reported that they asked to see things such as where money is disbursed and they are denied of that. She commented that is the reason why they moved with the Pine Hill Rams. She stated that it should be more focused around the kids and to keep the Pine Hill Youth up and going the Borough will need to do something about the way it is being ran.

Lori Fianza – 91 Country Club Road

Ms. Fianza stated that she is here as a mother and a grandmother. She reported that she has been in Pine Hill for 56 years so she has seen a lot of what has gone on here with Pine Hill Youth Association and the Rams. She stated that she does not want her family, friends or their friends to leave the town; I want them to stay here and play. She commented that she does believe and agrees with the parents that it is time that the President of the Pine Hill Youth Association either steps down voluntarily or we ask for her resignation. Ms. Fianza commented that she did horrible thing to the girls this past weekend; she blamed the coach and called her a liar. Ms. Fianza said you just don't do those things. She asked where do they have to start and do they come to the Borough.

Mayor Green reported that the Pine Hill Youth Association is like the baseball Pine Hill Rams, football Pine Hill Rams and Interboro they are all independent organizations. He stated that they do not come under the Borough as far as who is in charge or any bylaw rules. He commented that it is no different than the American Legion or the Pine Hill Fire Department. Mayor Green stated unfortunately as far as that goes there is not much Mayor

and Council can do as far as forcing someone to step down or change bylaws. He reported that it would have to be done by the organizations individual members.

Ms. Fidanza asked if they had to go to the Board of the Pine Hill Youth Association and ask for her to step down.

Mayor Green answered that is where they would have to go.

Ms. Fidanza said thank you.

Walt Davis – 1 Franklin Avenue

Mr. Davis asked about the Atlantic Pump Station and if anyone from the MUA was there.

Mayor Green stated that he did not see anyone from the MUA there.

Mr. Davis said that he was interested and would like to see how things interact and develop with it. Mr. Davis commented that since they were getting fees that it would be nice if somebody attended the meeting just as a courtesy even though it is already approved. He asked the Mayor if he agreed with that.

Mayor Green said not necessarily at the end of the day whether Mayor and Council waive the fees or do not waive the fees they would be put into the project. Mayor Green stated by waiving the fees the Borough of Pine Hill is ultimately saving the residents money.

Mr. Davis asked in regards to the fees and what is involved with them.

Mayor Green reported that they were the construction permit fees.

Dina Nicolucci – 18 Hazel Lane

Ms. Nicolucci reported that her daughter was directly affected with the tournament. She stated that even though it is not for Mayor and Council she would like it on the record that Karen Stover came to her quite a few times at her job especially begging for her daughter to play for PHYA; saying that it was allowed for her daughter to play on the two leagues and that there was not a conflict so she did. Ms. Nicolucci stated that two nights before the game she turned in a roster with her daughter's name on it and got her daughter kicked off the tournament. Ms. Nicolucci commented that she did not warn her or tell her and her daughter cried herself to sleep. She stated that it is not fair that her daughter had to sit there and watch her team play; she had the nerve to say to her she did what was fair for the kids when she was lied to and let her son play for free so her daughter would play. Ms. Nicolucci said she just wanted to put it on record.

Angela Rosano – 1309 Daniels Avenue

She stated that she was directly affected by the same thing. She stated that she is the coach of the 8 year old Rams. She commented that in the beginning of her season the girls were on her roster; like Dina said they were begged to play. She reported that she was told they were playing in one league and they were playing in a different one which was submitted by Karen and she did not warn the parents what could happen. Ms. Rosano reported that she had her taken off the field and her two players sat and they were told they could not finish out the season with the girls on that league. She commented that it affected all of

them and if this is for the kids she does not understand why it happened. Ms. Rosano said she does not really feel that it was for the kids but for personal feelings towards other people. She said as Dina stated she lied to these parents, she begged them to play and when someone is asking you to play for free Ms. Rosano stated she really cannot step in the way of what parents decide for their kids. She feels it should have been told to the parents what was happening. Ms. Rosano commented that she also feels the Pine Hill Youth Association will be dissolved if something does not happen because it is not about the kids over there it is about their personal feelings.

Allen Muff – 143 Bramau Avenue

Mr. Muff stated his concern is the same thing. He commented that he has a daughter that played for the Pine Hill Youth Association and it never got better. He said not much was done to improve his daughter's skills. He said the outcome is they are going to one day be playing for Pine Hill High School and it is for everybody's benefit.

Michael Cantu Jr. – 1022 Turnersville Road

Mr. Cantu reported that he has three little girls and likes the option that there is a choice; there is a higher level team but he said at the same time if he wanted to sign his three kids up to Pine Hill Youth he should have the option to do both and not feel uncomfortable in his town where he pays taxes to play baseball. He stated that he is sure both organizations paid fees to use the Joey Green Field and he would love to be able to walk four houses down the street and have his two older daughters play softball and not have to worry about going to Overbrook; all the extra running around and Pine Hill should be able to use Pine Hill fields.

Motion to Close to the Public: Councilman Warrington, 2nd Councilman Burke
All in Favor: 5 yes votes

Councilman Warrington asked about someone saying there were fees to use the fields.

Councilwoman McCullen reported to Councilman Warrington that she did not sit in nor participate in the negotiated agreement for use of the Joey Green field. She stated that it was resolved between the two organizations. She commented that it is her understanding that the only fee that Parks and Rec has asked any organization to use any of the Borough fields was to post a five-hundred dollar security bond; then if there is any damage done to the building or facility that would require something to be corrected it would come out of that security bond. She stated if it is not used in one year then it can carry over to the next year.

Councilwoman McCullen would like to make a motion that Council approve the request of the Pine Hill Rams for the creation of their tent structure for their tournament over Memorial Day weekend and that they be contacted if an electrical permit is required.

Motion to approve request: Councilwoman McCullen, 2nd Councilman Burke
All in Favor: 5 yes votes

Council Reports:

Councilman Warrington reported that Chief Winters is not there tonight because he is at a summit on increasing heroin use in the County and the area. He stated that there are 500

attendees and he is one of the presenters. He commented that as everyone is aware Pine Hill is one of the two towns that provide nasal Nar can which reverses heroin. He reported that this month we had a week of three saves and a week of two saves.

Mayor Green reported that this Monday is Memorial Day and service will be at Veteran's Park at 11:00am.

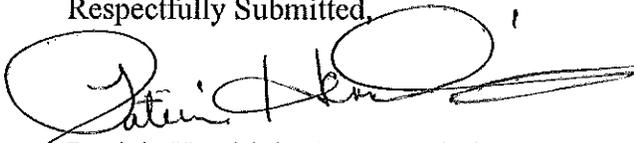
Mayor Green reported the following meetings.

Council Meeting – Monday, June 2, 2014
Fire Commission – Thursday, June 5, 2014
Municipal Utility Authorities – Wednesday, May 21, 2014
Planning Board – Thursday, June 12, 2014
School Board - Tuesday, May 27, 2014

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Knott, 2nd Councilman Jaxel
All in Favor: 5 yes votes

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia Hendricks, Deputy Clerk