FLAG SALUTE
Council President Burton led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, announced that notice of the meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and followed by roll call.

ROLL CALL
PRESENT
Elisabeth McCartney
Jason Allen
Donovan Gardner
Norma Trueblood
Gaye Burton

ABSENT

Also, present: Mayor David Patriarca, Business Administrator Daniel Hornickel, Solicitor Andrew Bayer and Township Clerk, Amy P. Cosnoski.

CALL TO ORDER
Council President Burton called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION
61-2020 Authorizes Council to go into Closed Session – Not Adopted

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Lisa Vandergrift & Sheila Burton, Browns Mills – 1. Noted that they had gone to court last Tuesday for the matters concerning their neighbors’ home on Hanover Boulevard. Stated that Code Enforcement had advised that the best they could do is to give them the highest fine they could which would be $1,000.00. Advised that the Judge let them go in making payments again. Stated she does not understand how they are in compliance as the issues continue. Commented on the various issues going on at this home. Noted the Business Administrator stated that he would talk to the County but the County states that they cannot do anything until the Township laws are rewritten. Mr. Hornickel advised that he and Mr. Bayer had met with the County and they indicated that the Township needs to adopt additional language in our ordinance in order for them to do inspections inside the house. Mr. Bayer added that they typically do multi-family homes. Mr. Hornickel advised that the County had provided the names of some of the other towns for us to review their ordinances. Noted that we are apparently missing some language to allow the County to come in and do inspections on the inside of homes throughout the township. Council President Burton asked what the timeframe was for this. Mr. Hornickel noted that he is hoping to introduce an ordinance at the next meeting. Mr. Bayer advised that the agreement with the County would also need to be updated. Discussion ensued on the property and how it needs to be cleaned up. Mayor Patriarca advised that Code Enforcement would be out there tomorrow issuing every violation they could. Advised that we are limited in what we can and cannot do and that the courts are the ones to make the decisions. Mr. Bayer explained how the process works. Councilman Gardner suggested that the ordinance start with the Construction Official being given more authority.

Robert & Sharon Warren, Pemberton – 1. Advised that they had a petition signed by all of their neighbors and passed it out to Council along with picture showing the activities of the mechanics shop being run out of their neighbors’ home. Advised of the parking problems for them and their other neighbors because of this business. Councilman Allen asked if these types of businesses can be run out of a private home. Ms. Warren stated that it could not and further explained various issues they have had to deal with. Mr. Warren noted that since they started pressing the issues with the renters of the home, they have received a threatening letter from the homeowner regarding a fence issue and passed a copy of it out to Council. Mrs. Warren stated that she felt as though they were being harassed. Councilman Allen noted that Mr. Benedetti would be able to assist them. Mr. Bayer advised on the Township Code regarding this matter. Discussion ensued on the business that is being run and challenges The Warrens have faced for years. Mr. Hornickel noted that they had notified the Division of Taxation in December, but that the Division cannot share what they are doing about it.
Evan Dalgo, North Jersey – 1. Noted that he represented all types of real estate investors. Commented on the lot on Birmingham and South Pemberton Roads. Noted that it is a 200-acre parcel and asked what the current interested redeveloper has plans for. Mr. Hornickel explained what the developer had presented to the Township and added that they had provided an escrow agreement to the Solicitor. Councilwoman McCartney asked what his interest was. Mr. Dalgo advised that he was out here for his investors and was here to get more information for them. Mayor Patriarca suggested he contact Mr. Benedetti as he is the Director of Community Development.

James Boland, Browns Mills – 1. Commented on the Code Enforcement issues in town. 2. Noted the sinkhole issue at Mr. Sawka’s property. 3. Asked if there was any development with the RING camera program. 4. Commented on Resolution 68-2020 and the grant money being spent responsibly. Commented on other grants that were received from this Commission and questioned what we are getting from these studies. Council President Burton asked the Mayor to address the grants received and how they were utilized. Mr. Hornickel explained the resolution and noted that these were Federal funds. Asked Council to keep in mind that County Route 530 has been decimated with the construction that is currently going on. Stated that while this is going on, it is the right time to get Planners in to do studies on that stretch of roadway to start heading down the road towards progress. Councilman Allen further explained the resolution and the expectations of the Township to comply.

Analese Boland, Browns Mills – 1. Talked about her 100 days at school event and having to dress up like an old lady or a man. Noted that they also celebrated Valentine’s Day as well as some other fun stuff she did including flipping a penny 100 times.

Mike Sawka, Pemberton – 1. Advised that the sinkhole is being addressed. 2. Commented on the business that is being run out of the home that Mr. and Mrs. Warren are concerned about. Noted that this is a Zoning issue and stated that he has had to submit letters advising of which codes he felt certain properties were in violation of as he feels that Code Enforcement do not know all of the codes.

America Phillips, Presidential Lakes – 1. Asked how the fire building is coming along in Presidential Lakes. Mayor Patriarca advised that there is an item on the agenda tonight for Council to approve a well to fill the fire trucks. Ms. Phillips asked when it will be open. Mayor Patriarca advised that Recreation was working on that and noted that we are still waiting on the sign to come in and hopes to have an opening some time later in March. 2. Commented on the house on Hanover Boulevard. Stated that the Township has to do something for the people who live around this home. Noted that she cannot understand how they have gotten away with this for so long. 3. Commented on large holes down Spring Lake Boulevard. 4. Advised on a house on New York and West Virginia with several moving containers. Stated that something has been happening at that house because the cars have not been moved but that there is a dumpster there. 5. Stated she is waiting to see if the Presidential Lakes Civic Association will have to pay to use the community center as she feels that will be double dipping since they are tax payers. Council President Burton advised that anyone who uses the community center will have to pay to use it and we are all tax payers. Stated that as far as the civic association they will look into it, but felt that Council had already advised her of this previously. Mayor Patriarca advised that this was covered under the ordinance.

Craig Augustoni, Chief of Fire Department – 1. Advised that they are full steam ahead and noted that he had gone out into the community today for membership. Explained the various avenues they are utilizing to encourage membership. Advised that they have been in the fire station making preparations for when they will officially be in there and start responding to calls from there. Commented on the recruitment efforts they have been making. Encouraged Ms. Phillips to let people know they are open for recruitment. Noted that after the grand opening they will have a recruitment night there and then will branch out to the other communities. Councilman Allen asked for an overview of the requirements for membership. Chief Augustoni explained the different types of membership and stated that there is a role for everyone.

Seeing no other residents wishing to be heard, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

Consent Agenda: All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine by the Township Council and will be enacted by one motion. Should a Council Member wish to
discuss a consent agenda item separately, that item can be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the regular agenda.

Councilman Allen asked to pull New Business item A5.

Motion by Trueblood and Allen to approve the consent agenda as amended. Trueblood, yes; Allen, yes; McCartney, yes; Gardner, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA

MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting Minutes of February 2, 2020

Motion by McCartney and Gardner to approve the Meeting Minutes. McCartney, yes; Gardner, yes; Trueblood, yes; Allen, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

62-2020 Authorizes various routine refunds in the total amount of $17.00.

63-2020 Approves a Release and Indemnification Agreement with the County of Burlington for 2020 Events, Road Closures.

64-2020 Approves an Interlocal Services Agreement for the use of adjacent County property and the Township Parking Lots for the St. Ann's Church Carnival.

65-2020 Authorizes refund to Deep Run Farms, LLC of tax overpayment in the amount of $638.83.

66-2020 Authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to refund Premium Lien Monies from the Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated account in the amount of $3,000.00.

67-2020 Authorizes the transfer of funds from CY2019 Budget in the total amount of $17,000.00.

68-2020 Authorizes an application to the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission for a Transportation & Community Development Initiative Grant of approximately $100,000.00 to conduct a Planning Study of County Route 678 and 530 (Pemberton-Browns Mills Road from Pemberton Borough to the Browns Mills Town Center Redevelopment Area)

69-2020 Authorizes an application to the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) for a Grant for the Acquisition of Replacement Air Packs for the Pemberton Township Volunteer Fire Department.

NEW BUSINESS

*a. Purchases over $3,000

1. Public Works - Installation of 4" Well at Presidential Lakes Firehouse/Recreation Center from JW Jenkins & Sons in the total amount of $4,550.00.

2. Public Works - 1000' of Split Rail Fencing for West End Park from Alenco Fence & Lumber Corporation in the total amount of $3,263.00.

3. Public Works - Purchase and Installation of 2 Firestone 23.5R25 tires for loader from Custom Bandag, Inc. in the total amount of $4,675.06.

4. Public Works - 2500 milling teeth for Bomag Asphalt Milling Machine from Jesco, Inc. in the total amount of $11,300.00.

5. Police - 40 weapon mounted flashlights - TLR-1-HL Streamlight Brand from Galls in the total amount of $5,780.80. Pulled from the Consent Agenda and considered later in the meeting.

6. Public Works - Emergency rebuild of blower motor from Willier Electric Motor Repair Co., Inc. in the total amount of $3,381.00.

*b. NJ State Fireman’s Association Membership Application for Preston Jardine with the Pemberton Township Volunteer Fire Co.

Motion by Allen and Trueblood to approve the Consent Agenda. Allen, yes; Trueblood, yes; Gardner, yes; McCartney, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.
ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING AND/OR ADOPTION

ORDINANCE 1-2020
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 10-2019 WHICH ESTABLISHED CY2019 SALARIES FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON

Council President Burton opened this portion of the meeting for a public hearing.

James Boland, Browns Mills – 1. Stated he was going to comment on what he would have if he had more information. Ms. Cosnoski advised that Ordinance 10-2019 is on the Township website and has been since it was adopted in 2019 and that Ordinance 1-2020 has been on the website since its introduction in January.

Seeing no other residents wishing to be heard, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

Motion by Allen and McCartney to adopt Ordinance 1-2020. Allen, yes; McCartney, yes; Gardner, yes; Trueblood, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2-2020
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF BLOCK 894, LOTS 56, 76, 86 AND 88.02 BY WAY OF QUITCLAIM DEED

Council President Burton opened this portion of the meeting for a public hearing.

James Boland, Browns Mills – 1. Stated that he did not read the ordinance but that he had reviewed the Zoning Map. Mr. Hornickel provided a background on this ordinance and explained why he would be asking Council to table this ordinance tonight. Noted he would be asking the NJ DEP to pay us for a portion of the property and that either way we would be looking to have the property preserved.

Seeing no other residents wishing to be heard, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

Motion by McCartney and Trueblood to table Ordinance 2-2020 until the June 3rd, 2020 meeting. McCartney, yes; Trueblood, yes; Gardner, yes; Allen, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 3-2020
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 552, LOT 1.01

Council President Burton opened this portion of the meeting for a public hearing.

James Boland, Browns Mills – 1. Asked what the ideas were for this property. Mayor Patriarca noted that a grant was received and will take care of the street scaping in that area and a part will include a walkway through the property with a seating area similar to what is by the Little Red Schoolhouse.

Lisa Vandergrift, Browns Mills – 1. Noted that she likes the idea that they came up with. Suggested planting some fruit trees in that are to allow for the homeless population to have a food source.

Seeing no other residents wishing to be heard, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

Motion by Allen and Gardner to adopt Ordinance 3-2020. Allen, yes; Gardner, yes; Trueblood, yes; McCartney, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE 4-2020
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEMBERTON AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF AN ACCESS EASEMENT FROM JERSEY CENTRAL POWER
Councilman Allen asked why we needed access to the property. Mr. Hornickel explained that pump station #2 is located off of this access road and JCP&L does not really maintain it leaving it difficult for us to get back to it. Noted that we asked for a permanent easement to alleviate this issue.

Motion by Trueblood and Allen to introduce Ordinance 4-2020 with a public hearing to be held on March 4th, 2020. Trueblood, yes; Allen, yes; McCartney, yes; Gardner, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

* a. Purchases over $3,000

5. Police - 40 weapon mounted flashlights - TLR-1-HL Streamlight Brand from Galls in the total amount of $5,780.80. Pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Councilman Allen advised that he would need to abstain from this as the monies may be subject to review by his employer.

Motion by Gardner and McCartney to approve New Business item A5. Gardner, yes; McCartney, yes; Allen, abstain; Trueblood, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS


BILL LIST
Approval by Council required for payment of vouchers

a. Bill List dated 2/14/2020
b. MUA 2019 Bill List dated 2/14/2020

Council President Burton asked about the bill for a payment to Willis Towers. Mr. Hornickel advised that it is basically an insurance payment. Councilman Allen asked if he should abstain. Mr. Hornickel stated he did not have to.

Motion by Gardner and McCartney to approve the Bill Lists. Gardner, yes; McCartney, yes; Allen, yes with the exception of any and all grants and bills pertaining to the NJ State Police or the Attorney General's office; Trueblood, yes; Burton, yes. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Bayer reported: Nothing to report.

MAYOR'S AND/OR BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mayor David Patriarca reported: Advised that they are continuing to work on the budget. Stated it will be a difficult and challenging year but we will get through it. Noted that it is due to Council by February 28th and they will meet that deadline. Commented that DPW is working up at Bayberry and on erosion issues that have been going on there. Stated that the Ong's Run Walk Path Project is complete and open. Advised that he had met with Pinelands to discuss some possible extensions of the sewer service area and possibly servicing some of the School District.

Daniel Hornickel reported: Noted that Recreation had completed the patching of the surface at Imagination Kingdom. Added that it was Administrations intention to present Council, at the next meeting, with a grant to be accepted to resurface the playground entirely. Noted that Public Works had finished the township wide brush collection and had picked up 721 piles of brush. Stated they are also finishing up the annual basin repair and cleaning and hope to be done by the Spring. Added that they have already inspected 817 out of 946 basins. Advised that they are now out working on an erosion issue at Mirror Lake Beach. Commented that Sunshine Dashieill has added the department reports to the Township website and explained how to access them. Stated he is hoping to have a presentation to Council at the next meeting for the 2020 Census. Commented on Mr. Boland’s idea about the RING doorbell cameras. Stated he had done some research and it
would be great to do but to offer the benefit the RING will put up $50.00 and the Township has to put up the $50.00. Commented that for 200 homes it would be $10,000.00 and we just do not have it in this year’s budget. Stated that it was something that we could maybe look at for next year.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Councilman Gardner – Thanked Mr. Hornickel for the information on the RING program and noted that he did not realize that the Township would have to pay the other half of the cost. Stated he appreciates Mr. Hornickel’s hard work and dedication to the town and he is glad he is here. Commented on looking into the company that is delivering parts to the business on Vincentown Road. Questioned if parking is allowed in the median on Spring Lake Boulevard. Mayor Patriarca noted that it is not allowed and noted we may have to update the no parking in that area. Asked Mr. Boland to bring in a picture of Analese dressed like an old lady from her 100 days of school event. Stated he is looking forward to the new fire building and appreciated their service. Thanked all for coming out.

Councilwoman Trueblood – Thanked all for coming out. Thanked all for the feedback they are providing. Thanked the Fire Chief and the Business Administrator for getting all of this information to Council. Wished all a good evening.

Councilman Allen – Thanked all for coming out.

Councilwoman McCartney – Thanked Administration and Sunshine Dashiell for coordinating the monthly reports on the website. Stated it was very easy to use and very thorough. Noted that the South Jersey Food Bank would be at the Browns Woods Apartments tomorrow at 2:00 pm. Noted that Mr. Boland had volunteered last time and she hopes he can make it out again. Advised that on Sunday at the BMIA building, there would be a collection of non-perishable items for Operation Yellow Ribbon, which is for the troops in the Middle East. Advised on the needed items and added that there would be a general meeting as well. Thanked all for coming out.

Council President Burton – Thanked all for coming out. Noted that some times they do not know about certain issues unless the public brings it to them. Thanked Fire Chief Augustoni for the signs and the push for membership. Noted she is excited about the new firehouse coming soon to Presidential Lakes. Stated she wanted to tip her hat to Administration once again as she sees we are running a tight ship and she loves the transparency. Noted that she is working with the Pinelands Family Success Center in hopes of doing another clean up or pride day in the Summer. Thanked all those that she works with and she appreciates all of the concerns from the public.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy P. Cosnoski

Amy P. Cosnoski, RMC, Township Clerk