

For those attending the meeting, masks will be required and social distancing protocols will remain in effect *

**** A physician's note on prescribed letterhead must be provided in advance of the meeting to the Township Clerk as a condition of being allowed to be present at the meeting without a mask. No exceptions will be made.***

READINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
JANUARY 18, 2022 AGENDA

A. Mayor Huelsebusch *calls the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.* announcing that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised. The Township Committee aims to begin the public portion of its meeting at 7:30 p.m.; however, there are times when the Executive Session may run longer than anticipated. We ask for the public's patience as the Committee completes its work prior to the public meetings.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session Resolution

Personnel / Police Department

Personnel / Conceptual Reorganization

Contract Negotiations / Professional Services

- *Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP (Township Auditors)*
- *Sharon A. Dragan, Esq. / Mason, Griffin & Pierson (Township Attorney)*
- *McManimon & Scotland (Bond Counsel)*
- *Martin Allen, Esq. (Tax Appeal Attorney)*
- *Fisher & Phillips, LLP (Labor Attorney)*
- *Van Cleef Engineering (Township Engineer)*
- *Finelli Consulting Engineers Inc (Conflict Engineer)*
- *Clarke, Caton & Hintz (Township Planners)*
- *Brian Davis, Esq. / Stephen Davis, Esq. (Municipal Prosecutor)*
- *Robert Ballard, III (Alternate Prosecutor)*
- *Scott Mitzner, Esq. (Public Defender)*
- *Anthony Rotunno, Esq. (Alternate Public Defender)*
- *Surenian, Edwards, & Nolan, LLC (Special Counsel)*
- *Richard Cushing, Esq. (Special Counsel)*
- *Matthew Giacobbe, Esq. (Special Counsel)*
- *JEC Computers (Computer Maintenance)*
- *AEIS (Inspection Svcs. for Lake Cushetunk Dam)*
- *Animal Control Solutions (Animal Control Services)*
- *Princeton Public Affairs Group (Governmental Relation Matters)*

Contract Negotiations / Agriculture Maintenance Contract / Block 55, Lot 19.01

Contract Negotiations / Amendment to Contract / Block 95, Lot 12.06

Attorney-Client Privilege / Executive Session Minutes / December 20, 2021

Attorney-Client Privilege / Executive Session Minutes / December 29, 2021

Potential Litigation / Affordable Housing

Potential Litigation / Rotimi Owoh, Esq. (on behalf of African American Data Research Institute) v. Readington Police Department (Hunterdon), GRC Complaint No. 2021-332

Litigation / Attorney-Client Privilege

Litigation / Oakland Drive West Pump Station Upgrade

Litigation / Civil Action Summons / Rosehill and Rosedale Cemetery Associations vs. Township of Readington and the Township Committee of the Township of Readington

C. SALUTE TO FLAG

D. REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION

E. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed with an asterisk "*" are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Committee member or citizen requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

1. * *Resolution Authorizing a Service Charge on Returned Checks for Insufficient Funds*
2. * *2022 Sewer Rate - memo dated January 3, 2022 from Kris Boxwell, Tax Collector*
3. * *Discharge of Mortgage / Block 21.04, Lot 507.01 (709 Well Sweep Road)*
4. * *Resolution Authorizing Morris County Cooperative Purchase (Gasoline and Diesel Fuel)*

F. * APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of December 20, 2021 Meeting

Minutes of December 29, 2021 Meeting

Minutes of January 3, 2022 Meeting

G. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC for items listed on the agenda only

H. CORRESPONDENCE / OTHER INFORMATION

1. Letters dated November 15, 2021 from Jennifer Ader, Municipal Clerk, Township of Tewksbury regarding *"Adoption of An Ordinance of the Township of Tewksbury, Hunterdon County, New Jersey Accepting the Dedication of Barlow Drive"* and *"Adoption of An Ordinance of the Township of Tewksbury, Hunterdon County, New Jersey Amending Article IX, Fees, Guarantees, Inspections, Off-Tract Improvements and General Enforcement, Section 909, Site Plan Review, of the Development Regulations Ordinance."*
2. Letter dated December 17, 2021 from Joshua Eckert, Counsel for Jersey Central Power & Light Company, in *the Matter of the Petition of Jersey Central Power & Light Company for Approval of a Change to its Zero Emission Certificate Recovery Charge.*
3. Email dated January 10, 2022 from Don Tretola, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, regarding *NJ Jersey's Governor Program "We Value our Veterans."*

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. *An Ordinance to Provide for the Acceptance of Property Known as Block 73, Lot 15 in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey from Flood*
2. *An Ordinance of the Township of Readington, Hunterdon County and State of New Jersey Repealing Ordinance #19-2021 which Prohibited All Classes of Cannabis Businesses within the Township and Amending Chapter 88 of the Code of the Township of Readington Entitled "Cannabis Businesses" to Permit Certain Classes of Cannabis Businesses*
3. *An Ordinance of the Township of Readington, Hunterdon County and State of New Jersey Amending and Supplementing Chapter 88 of the Code of the Township of Readington to Establish a Cannabis Transfer Tax and User Tax in the Township*
4. *An Ordinance of the Township of Readington to Amend the Zoning Map and Article IV "District Regulations" of Chapter 148 "Land Development" of the Code of the Township of Readington to Create a New Zone Known as the Licensed Cannabis Business Overlay (LCBO) Zone District*
5. *Resolution to Amend 6 Owl Court Contract for Sale of An Affordable Housing Unit*

6. ***Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of Readington, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, Referring the Proposed Redevelopment Plan for Block 36, Lot 4, 5, 5.02, 5.04 65 and 66 to the Township of Readington Planning Board***
7. ***Request for Financial Support for Clean Communities - letter dated December 16, 2021 from Raritan Headwaters***

J. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

K. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

L. ENGINEER'S REPORT

M. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **John Albanese**
Planning Board/Affordable Housing
Recreation
Social Services
2. **Betty Ann Fort**
Historic Preservation / Museums
Zoning
Emergency Services / Fire Official
Library Services
3. **Jonathan Heller**
Board of Health
Sewer Advisory
Environmental Commission
* ***Payments of Bills***
* ***Tax Cancellations***
* ***Tax Overpayments***
4. **Juergen Huelsebusch**
Police Department / Traffic Safety
Agricultural Advisory Committee
Farmland / Open Space Advisory Board
5. **Adam Mueller**
Construction & Code Enforcement
Engineering / Roads / Building & Grounds / Recycling
 • ***Engineer's Report***
Municipal Court

N. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

O. COMMENTS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

P. ADJOURNMENT