

**BOROUGH OF PITMAN  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
JUNE 24, 2019**

**Call to Order**

Time: 8:00 p.m.

**Salute to the Flag/Moment of Silence**

Council President Blass

**Open Public Meetings Act Statement** - Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, I hereby announce that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by adopting a schedule of regular meetings for 2019, which was posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board, sent to the "South Jersey Times" and filed with the Municipal Clerk on January 5, 2019.

**Roll Call**

Councilman Austin: Present  
Councilman Pierpont: Absent  
Councilwoman Rudley: Present  
Mayor Johnson: Absent  
Clerk O'Donnell: Present

Council President Blass: Present  
Councilman Razzo: Present  
Councilman Weng: Present  
Borough Solicitor Krachun: Present

**Proclamation Presentation**

McCowan Memorial Library 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Award Presentation**

Pitman Parade Committee Chairman, Councilman Michael Razzo, announced the Grand Marshals for the 2019 Fourth of July Parade. Mr. Doyle Owens and Mr. Clarence Kane, the two oldest members of Pitman based American Legion Post 49, were chosen by the committee in honor of the parade theme of honoring the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the American Legion and all veterans organizations.

**Approval of Minutes**

Work Session, Formal Meeting, and Closed Formal Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2019

Motion: Weng

Second: Rudley

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes  
Councilman Pierpont: Absent  
Councilwoman Rudley: Yes  
Mayor Johnson: Absent

Council President Blass: Yes  
Councilman Razzo: Yes  
Councilman Weng: Yes

**Council Reports**

Councilman Austin congratulated Mr. Owens and Mr. Kane on their selection as Grand Marshals, and had no further report for Council.

Council President Blass

No report.

Councilman Razzo

Councilman Razzo congratulated Mr. Kane and Mr. Owens. He reminded everyone that the Fourth of July Parade begins at 9:55 a.m., and that the fireworks over Alcyon Lake begin at dusk.

Councilman Razzo asked for volunteers to help with the Freedom Four Mile Race before the parade, and to help with the line-up of the parade participants.

Councilman Weng

No report.

Councilwoman Rudley

In regard to the Pitman Police Department, Councilwoman Rudley announced that Sgt. Carson, Cpl. Leach, Det. Barbetta, Inv. Bailey, Ptlm. Decker, and Ptlm. Stefanopoulos, have each completed basic training in Active Shooter Management on June 21.

The Pitman Police Department is excited to announce that they will be participating in the scheduled Pop-Up Parks on June 27, July 18, and August 15. Chief McAteer would like to thank the Greater Pitman Chamber of Commerce for including them in these events.

Councilwoman Rudley reminded everyone that in addition to the usual activities offered during the Pop-Up Park, on August 8 there will be a focus on our Pitman Senior Citizens. In addition to providing them with a lot of resources and information, free berry treats will be available for them to enjoy.

New Business

**Ordinance No. 18, 2019 – Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Completion of Various Capital Improvements and the Acquisition of Various Pieces of Equipment in and for the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$772,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of up to \$731,000 Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection With the Foregoing**

First Reading

Motion: Austin

Second: Rudley

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: No

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razzo: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Ordinance No. 19, 2019 – Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, Appropriating \$90,000 for the Acquisition of Various Equipment for the Water and Sewer Utility**

First Reading

Motion: Austin

Second: Weng

Councilman Austin: No

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razzo: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Resolution No. 97, 2019 – Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Authorizing the Transfer of 2018 to 2019 Real Estate Tax Credits**

Motion: Austin

Second: Razze

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razze: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Resolution No. 98, 2019 – Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Authorizing Refund of Real Estate Taxes**

Motion: Austin

Second: Rudley

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razze: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Resolution No. 99, 2019 – Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Confirming the Report of the Tax Collector in the Matter of the Performance of Pest Control Services for 81 Circle Avenue, Block 21 Lot 1 on the Tax Map of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester**

Motion: Austin

Second: Weng

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razze: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Resolution No. 100, 2019 – Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Confirming the Report of the Tax Collector in the Matter of the Property Maintenance for 43 Highland Terrace, Block 80 Lot 10 on the Tax Map of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester**

Motion: Austin

Second: Razze

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razze: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Resolution No. 101, 2019 – Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Confirming the Report of the Tax Collector in the Matter of the Property Maintenance for 3 S. Woodbury Road, Block 147 Lot 1 on the Tax Map of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester**

Motion: Austin

Second: Rudley

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razze: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes  
Mayor Johnson: Absent

Councilman Weng: Yes

**Resolution No. 102, 2019 – Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey Confirming the Report of the Tax Collector in the Matter of the Property Maintenance for 17 Walnut Avenue, Block 199 Lot 1 on the Tax Map of the Borough of Pitman, County of Gloucester**

Motion: Austin

Second: Weng

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razzo: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Payment of Bills**

Motion: Austin

Second: Razzo

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Abstains to # 37549; Yes to approve all other items on the bill list.

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razzo: Yes

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Event Permit**

**Event: Fourth of July Parade & Fireworks**

Sponsor: Pitman Parade Committee

Contact Person: Michael Razzo

Date & Time: Thursday, July 4, 2019 – 9:55 a.m. Parade and Fireworks at dusk

Rain date: Friday, July 5, 2019 – 6:30 p.m. Parade and Fireworks at dusk

Location: Parade - Highland, Adams & Broadway and side streets off of Highland Terrace

Fireworks - W. Holly & Cedar Avenues and Betty & Alcyon Lake Parks

Motion: Austin

Second: Weng

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes

Council President Blass: Yes

Councilman Pierpont: Absent

Councilman Razzo: Abstain

Councilwoman Rudley: Yes

Councilman Weng: Yes

Mayor Johnson: Absent

**Event: Informational Table/Petition & Letter of Support Signing**

Sponsor: Pitman Education Association (PEA)

Contact Person: Laurie Boyle

Date & Time: Wednesday, July 3, 2019; 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Sidewalk in front of Borough Hall

Borough Hall foyer if inclement weather

Motion: Razzo

Second: Rudley

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: No  
Councilman Pierpont: Absent  
Councilwoman Rudley: No  
Mayor Johnson: Absent

Council President Blass: Abstain  
Councilman Razzo: No  
Councilman Weng: No

**Event: Laurel Market – Approved 1/28/19**

Amend Event Permit to include use of Shertel Park on Saturday, July 6, 2019.

Motion: Razzo

Second: Rudley

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Yes  
Councilman Pierpont: Absent  
Councilwoman Rudley: Yes  
Mayor Johnson: Absent

Council President Blass: Yes  
Councilman Razzo: Yes  
Councilman Weng: Yes

**Raffle License Applications**

**Event: Highland Annual Labor Day Carnival**

Applicant: Highland Chemical Engine Company

Contact Person: Jeff Penuel

- Type: 1. Off-Premises (Big 50/50)  
September 2, 2019; 9:45 p.m.  
2. Non-Draw Raffle  
August 29, 30, 31 September 2; 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.  
3. On-Premises Raffle (50/50)  
August 29, 30, 31, September 2; 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.  
4. On-Premises Raffle (Merchandise Prizes)  
August 29, 30, 31, September 2; 10:00 p.m.

Motion: Razzo

Second: Rudley

Roll Call:

Councilman Austin: Abstain  
Councilman Pierpont: Absent  
Councilwoman Rudley: Yes  
Mayor Johnson: Absent

Council President Blass: Yes  
Councilman Razzo: Yes  
Councilman Weng: Yes

**Public Portion**

Motion to open to the public: Razzo

Second: Austin

Time: 8:30 p.m.

No public comment.

Motion to close the public portion: Razzo

Second: Austin

Time: 8:30 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Motion: Austin

Second: Rudley

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith O'Donnell  
Borough Clerk/Administrator