

# MEETING MINUTES

TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN  
Economic Development Commission  
JULY 17, 2019 - 10:00 AM

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

- **ROLL CALL**

Ken Baulderstone	<u>X</u>
Spencer Hondros	<u>X</u>
Bob Lange	<u>Absent</u>
William Laudien	<u>X</u>
Anthony Scuorzo	<u>X</u>
Mitch Bernstein	<u>X</u>
Lee Eagles	<u>X</u>

## FLAG SALUTE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT – PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT, ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS PROPERLY PROVIDED BY SENDING COPIES OF THE NOTICE OF MEETING TO TWO NEWSPAPERS, THE ASBURY PARK PRESS AND THE PRESS OF ATLANTIC CITY. THE NOTICE WAS POSTED AT THE OFFICE OF THE TOWNSHIP CLERK AND ON THE BULLETIN BOARD OF THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

## REGULAR MEETING

### Chairman's Opening Remarks:

Chairman Eagles discussed the future development of retail on Route 9. Retail has changed and it will affect Waretown. Big companies are becoming obsolete and smaller eateries and stores are more popular.

### Introduction of Marketing Brochure:

Mitch Bernstein discussed the Marketing brochure which emphasizes the small-town feel of Waretown with access to everything a consumer may want. There are developments being made to the town making it even more appealing to businesses and consumers. The brochure shows attractions such as Marinas, businesses and the culture that Waretown has to offer.

Anthony Scuorzo discussed distributing the brochures to many places around town to help get the word out to possible businesses who may be interested in developing here.

The Economic Development Commission jointly discussed opinions for small changes to the brochure including attractions to focus on, the verbiage on the brochure, and creating a website to display the brochure.

### General Discussion:

Chairman Eagles discussed the Cleanliness and beautification of Waretown as well as the properties being developed on Route 9. Chairman Eagles suggested coming up with some realistic Ideas to make Route 9 more desirable.

Spencer Hondros discussed the Economic Development committee coming up with suggestions for developing Route 9 from North to South and presenting their proposals at the next meeting. Everyone agreed.

Mitch Bernstein discussed the importance of street lighting. Lighting is crucial to the appeal of the town.

The Economic Development commission jointly discussed the businesses such as Sonic and other properties that pay taxes and will need to upkeep their property. The committee will speak to these businesses and see what the owners plan on doing in the future.

Mayor Ken Baulderstone discussed the process concerning the general developer of a property in town. There is no time limit to develop the property. Once the developers ask for Permits, there are individual time limits put on them, but for the developer in general, they do not have a time limit to do anything to the property.

**Township Updates:**

Mayor Ken Baulderstone discussed Township updates. Steel was delivered and put in place at the Dunkin Doughnuts and to the liquor store. A Grant was issued for \$365,000 to be used for road resurfacing on Michigan Avenue. An application for a grant has been completed and if granted will be used for road resurfacing on Kennedy Avenue. The bulkheads which belong to the township need to be replaced. The township has applied for all permits from the DEP to expedite this process. There has been 4% increase to the Water and Sewer rates effective September 2019. One Million Dollars has been requested in bonds to replace a pump station on Bay Shore Drive and to do repairs on a pump station on Diamond Drive.

The Economic Development Commission will meet again on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 10:00am.

**Motion to Open for Public Comment:**

Mitch Bernstein made a motion for Public Comment. Spencer Hondros seconded the motion.

Ken Baulderstone	<u>          X          </u>
Spencer Hondros	<u>          X          </u>
William Laudien	<u>          X          </u>
Anthony Scuorzo	<u>          X          </u>
Mitch Bernstein	<u>          X          </u>
Lee Eagles	<u>          X          </u>

**Motion to Close Public Comment:**

William Laudin made a motion to Close. Lee Eagles Seconded the motion.

Ken Baulderstone	<u>          X          </u>
Spencer Hondros	<u>          X          </u>
William Laudien	<u>          X          </u>
Anthony Scuorzo	<u>          X          </u>
Mitch Bernstein	<u>          X          </u>
Lee Eagles	<u>          X          </u>

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Lee Eagles made a motion to adjourn. Spencer Hondros Seconded the motion.

Ken Baulderstone	<u>          X          </u>
Spencer Hondros	<u>          X          </u>
Bob Lange	<u>        Absent        </u>
William Laudien	<u>          X          </u>
Anthony Scuorzo	<u>          X          </u>
Mitch Bernstein	<u>          X          </u>
Lee Eagles	<u>          X          </u>