

**MINUTES BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING OF MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2019**

Mayor Cope called the regular meeting of the Bass River Township Board of Commissioners to order at 7:00 p.m. Present at meeting were: Mayor Deborah Buzby-Cope and Commissioner Louis Bourguignon. Also present Township Clerk Amanda Somes and Solicitor Joanne O’Connor. Members of the public were present at this meeting. Deputy Mayor Nicholas Capriglione arrived at 7:25 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Cope led the flag salute and read the sunshine statement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 4, 2019 were presented to the Board for review. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon. Votes: Cope-Yes, Capriglione-absent, Bourguignon-Yes. Minutes of the March 4, 2019 regular meeting were hereby approved.

Minutes of the executive session of March 4, 2019 were presented to the Board for review. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mayor Cope, seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon. Votes: Cope-Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. Minutes of the February 4, 2019 executive session were hereby approved.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

The motion was made by Mayor Cope to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$403,772.27. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bourguignon to approve bills for payment. Votes: Cope –Yes, Capriglione-Absent, Bourguignon-Yes. All in favor and bills were ordered paid.

ACADEMY SECURITY	SECURITY REPAIR	\$ 125.00
A.F.D. TITLE COMPANY, INC.	TITLE WORK	\$ 1,650.00
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC	ELECTRICITY FEB/MAR 2019	\$ 2,346.13
A T & T	ALL IN ONE FEB. 2019	\$ 61.20
BASS RIVER BD OF ED	LOCAL SCHOOL TAX 4/3/19	\$ 126,200.00
BEACONS	PUBLIC NOTICE	\$ 39.26
BELLIA TECH, LLC	TECH SUPPORT FEB. 2019	\$ 461.02
BURLINGTON COUNTY BCIT	TRAINING SAFETY OFFICERS	\$ 60.00
BURL CO MUN CT ADM ASSN	CAPE MAY CONFERENCE	\$ 250.00
CASA PAYROLL SERVICES	MAR. 2019 PAYROLL	\$ 262.20
CINTAS	SUPPLIES	\$

		144.92
		\$
COMCAST	SERVICE 3/19/19 - 4/18/19	108.00
		\$
COPIERS PLUS	EQUIPMENT	13.00
		\$
DANTE GUZZI ENGINEERING ASSOC.	ENGINEERING SERVICES	6,557.55
		\$
DANTE GUZZI ENGINEERING ASSOC.	ZONING REVIEWS	150.00
		\$
READYFRESH BY NESTLE	SERVICE FEB. 2019	25.76
		\$
GRAND HOTEL	SPRING CONFERENCE 6/3 - 6/19	474.00
		\$
HOME DEPOT	SUPPLIES	560.39
	PORT A POT OAK LANE 3/15/19 - 4/11/19	\$
JERSEY SHORE RESTROOMS, LLC	MAR. 2019	85.00
	PROSECUTIONS	\$
KEVIN S. QUINLAN		2,400.00
		\$
LANGUAGE SERVICES	SERVICES FEB. 2019	63.00
		\$
LESLIE LUSTBADER	2019 LEASE PAYMENT	1,309.30
		\$
MR. BOB'S	PORT A POTS 2/26/19 - 4/22/19	473.60
		\$
MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOC. OF NJ	2019 EDUCATION CONFERENCE	350.00
		\$
NAPA AUTO PARTS	PARTS	337.74
		\$
NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE	BILLABLE POLICE SERVICES	1,173.84
		\$
NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS	NATURAL GAS 2/14/19 - 3/13/19	644.55
		\$
OFFICE BASICS, INC.	OFFICE & HOUSEKEEPING SUPPLIES	425.61
		\$
PEGGY BECK	BANK MILEAGE MAR. 2019 & SEMINAR	99.36
		\$
PINELANDS REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST	REGIONAL SCHOOL TAX 4/5/19	180,485.50
		\$
Q C LABS/ EUROFINs	WATER TESTING	281.35
		\$
RUMPF REID & DOLCY	PUBLIC DEFENDER 3/4/19	750.00
		\$
STAPLES INC.	CHAIR	59.99
		\$
TRACTOR SUPPLY CREDIT PLAN	SUPPLIES	146.03
		\$
TRANSFORMATION ENTERPRISES	FEB. 2019 ROLL-OFF	4,055.00
		\$
TRASHCANS UNLIMITED	PUSH DOOR DRUM LID	534.12
		\$
TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	4TH QTR. MARRIAGE LICENSES	50.00
		\$
VERIZON	PHONES FEB/MAR 2019	660.39
		\$
VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL CRAMER 2/24 - 3/23	42.21
		\$
WALMART COMMUNITY/SYNCB	SUPPLIES	495.94
		\$
WEX BANK	FUEL FEB. 2019	970.15
		\$
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP, INC	FIRE COMPANY SUPPLIES	611.17
		\$
BASS RIVER PAYROLL ACCT	PAYROLL 3/14/19	15,789.13

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STATE OF NJ DIV OF PENSIONS	CONTRIBUTION	\$ 33,285.00
	TOTAL	\$ 403,772.27

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Cope read a Proclamation in recognition of passing Don Bragg.

PROCLAMATION
HONORING AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND
CAREER OF FORMER BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP RESIDENT
DONALD "TARZAN" BRAGG

A Bass River Township Governing Body resolution honoring and celebrating the life and career of former Bass River Township resident, Donald George Bragg.

WHEREAS, Donald George Bragg was born on May 15, 1935, in Penns Grove, N.J. where he excelled as a standout football star at Penns Grove High School and occasionally competed in the decathlon participating in 10 separate track and field events; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bragg was recruited and attended Villanova University. During his senior season, in the winter of 1957, Mr. Bragg joined, what was later termed, one of collegiate track and field's greatest squads; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bragg won the National Collegiate Athletic Association's outdoor championship in 1955 and was the IC4A pole-vault champion, both indoor and outdoor, from 1955 to 1957; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bragg broke the world indoor record when he vaulted 15 feet 9½ inches on Feb. 13, 1959, at Convention Hall in Philadelphia and set a world outdoor record by vaulting 15 feet 9¼ inches at the Olympic trials at Stanford Stadium in July 1960.

WHEREAS, Mr. Bragg became a national figure when he won a gold medal at the 1960 Summer Olympics in Rome, Italy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bragg and his wife, Theresa Fiore Bragg operated a summer camp for boys in Chatsworth, N.J., in the 1960s and '70s that concentrated on remedial reading and mathematics. At camp, he would tell intense stories about the Jersey Devil and would have an area called Tarzanville - he built five Tarzan swings that caused campers to go from station to station if they navigated the course correctly. He would let out a Tarzan yell at camp around midnight, and the campers would think it was the Jersey Devil; and

WHEREAS, in the late 1960s, Mr. Bragg was a special assistant for youth affairs to New Jersey's governor and then became the athletic director at Richard Stockton College of New Jersey (formerly Stockton University) in Galloway, New Jersey in the '70s and '80s; and

WHEREAS, After the Olympics, Mr. Bragg fulfilled a life-long dream and began work on a Tarzan movie in Jamaica. However, the project was shelved over a copyright dispute; and

WHEREAS, In 1996, Mr. Bragg was inducted into the U.S. Track and Field Hall of Fame and later moved to California, where he coached pole vaulters and often made appearances as a motivational speaker.

WHEREAS, In 2010, Mr. Bragg was part of a delegation of U.S. athletes who visited Rome on the 50th anniversary of the 1960 Olympics. He was chosen as a keynote speaker, where, before thousands of people, he relived his greatest triumph and demonstrated his Tarzan yell one last time.

WHEREAS, Mr. Bragg is survived by his wife, Theresa Fiore Bragg and their sons, Mark and Jeff, their daughters Renee Bragg and Tracey Bragg and 11 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River honor the life of Donald George Bragg, celebrate his outstanding career and remember the lifelong connections he had to the Township of Bass River; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River that this Board honors the life and career of Donald George Bragg.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 2019-29

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BURLINGTON COUNTY FOR COOPERATIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2021-2023

The motion was made by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Mayor Cope to approve Resolution 2019-29. Votes: Cope–Yes, Capriglione–Absent, Bourguignon–Yes. All present in favor and Resolution 2019-29 was hereby approved.

RESOLUTION 2019-29

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BASS RIVER TOWNSHIP TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BURLINGTON COUNTY FOR COOPERATIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2021-2023

BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bass River, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey to authorize an Agreement with Burlington County for cooperative participation in the Community Development Act of 1974.

SECTION I. *Certain federal funds are available to Burlington County under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987. Public Law 93-383, as amended; and*

SECTION II. *It is necessary to establish a legal basis for the County and its people to benefit from this Program; and*

SECTION III. *An agreement has been proposed under which Bass River Township and the County of Burlington in cooperation with the other municipalities will establish an Interlocal Services Program pursuant to NJSA 40:8A-1 et. Seq., and*

SECTION IV. *It is in the best interest of the Township of Bass River that the Agreement entitled "Agreement between the County of Burlington and certain municipalities located therein for the establishment of a cooperative means of conducting certain community development activities", a copy of which is on file at the Municipal Clerk's Office.*

SECTION V. *The Township of Bass River shall enter into the Agreement with the County of Burlington mentioned with all supplements and agreements thereto. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement on behalf of Bass River Township and affix thereunto the Official Seal.*

SECTION VII. *This Resolution shall take effect immediately after passage and publication as provided by law.*

REPORTS:

The following reports were noted.

Report of Solicitor
Report of Municipal Court
Report of Safety Coordinator

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The meeting was open for public comment at 7:34 p.m. upon a motion by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Capriglione. All in favor.

L. Assur requested an update on the township's request to the Pinelands Commission to change the pinelands preservation/village borders. Mayor said the master plan has been submitted to the Commission and we now wait for their review and comments.

N. McCarten asked if there were any plans for natural gas to continue further up route 542. Mayor said that natural gas may be coming from the other direction from Washington Township.

C. Swanseen requested a fence around the basketball court and noted the rim and the backboard are terrible and it would be nice to invest in a good one.

Being no further comments, the motion to close the public portion was made by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Capriglione. All in favor and public portion was closed at 7:49 p.m.

Being no further business to come before the Board the motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Bourguignon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Capriglione. All in favor and meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Amanda S. Somes, RMC
Township Clerk