

**April 18, 2023**

A Neighborhood Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Roxbury was held on April 18, 2023, at 7:00PM at The Lake Hopatcong Foundation located at 125 Landing Road, Landing, New Jersey. This meeting was held for the purpose of general discussion with Township residents.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Rilee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT**

Adequate notice of this Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Roxbury was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: On December 28, 2022, notice was emailed and faxed to the Daily Record, the Newark Star Ledger, The Roxbury Register and published in the Daily Record; notice shall also remain posted throughout the year on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building.

**ROLL CALL (Present):** Deputy Mayor Jaki Albrecht, Councilman Thomas Carey, Councilman Mark Crowley, Councilman Robert DeFillippo, Councilman Fred Hall, Councilman Shawn Pottillo, Mayor Jim Rilee; **Absent:** None

**Also Present:** John Shepherd, Township Manager

**Staff:** Richard Blood, Public Works Director; Kellie Ann Keyes, Assistant General Supervisor of Clean Communities & Recycling Coordinator

**Public:** Ten (10) members of the public; Fred Aun, Reporter for TAPinto Roxbury

**OPENING REMARKS**

Mayor Rilee welcomed everyone to the Neighborhood Meeting.

**Introduction of Council Members**

Mayor Rilee introduced members of the Council.

**Introduction of Staff**

Mayor Rilee introduced staff members who were in attendance.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**Lake Hopatcong Foundation & Lake Hopatcong Commission Update**

Marty Kane, Colleen Lyons, and Kyle Richter provided the following updates:

- Lake related activities and projects
- Overview of the 2023 weed harvesting
- Overview of the aeration system (*planning in progress*)
- Installation of public sewers in Jefferson Township
- Floating Classroom and the Shrink Wrap Recycling Program
- Mitigation efforts for geese management
- Landing Channel dredging project

**Shippenport Road Update**

Mr. Blood provided an update on the following:

- Shippenport Road construction project
- New Jersey Natural Gas Paving

**Landing Bridge Update**

Mr. Shepherd provided an update on the Landing Bridge construction schedule

**Clean Communities**

Kellie Ann Keyes provided details regarding the Townwide Clean-Up scheduled for Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Volunteers are needed.

**Area News**

- Ribbon Cutting at the new Perfetti Park
- Change in recycling collection schedule for 2023
- Shore Hills Beach Club and DPW clean-up on Rogers Drive

**QUESTION – PUBLIC PORTION**

Residents commented/brought up subjects including the following:

- Notification of well testing regarding the presence of PFAS and PFOS
- Post rendering of Landing Bridge on Township website
- Status and update of the Port Morris Fire Station property
- Plans for Habitat for Humanity development
- Road paving list for 2024
- Correspondence with property owner of Pathmark Plaza regarding Supermarket franchise
- Cost of the new recycling program
- Sidewalk repair on Center Street, Palmer Street
- Warehouse on King Town Mountain; warehouse ordinance; size limit
- Acquisition of old “Bank” building on Lakeside Boulevard
- Air pollution caused by demolition of buildings in preparation of new Landing bridge
- Potential cannabis businesses in Landing, and Township Ordinance
- Assessment and removal of dead trees on Orben Drive
- Fenced off areas/parking lots during demolition and construction of Landing bridge
- Installation of gas, water, and sewer lines associated with the Landing bridge project
- Installation of sewer line on bridge to accommodate any future expansion projects

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:45PM, Deputy Mayor Albrecht made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Carey seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: All in Favor – Yes; Motion carried unanimously, 7 to 0.

Submitted by:

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Amy E. Rhead, RMC  
Township Clerk

**MINUTES APPROVED BY COUNCIL:**

**DATE:** May 9, 2023

**ROLL CALL:** Deputy Mayor Albrecht - Yes  
 Councilman Carey - Yes  
 Councilman Crowley - Yes  
 Councilman Hall - Yes  
 Councilman Pottillo - Yes  
 Mayor Rilee - Yes