

**Cape May Court House, New Jersey
TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLE
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORK SESSION AGENDA
July 19, 2021 5:00 PM (prevailing time)**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor's Announcement: I hereby declare that notice has been given to the Herald Times, the Atlantic City Press and posted on the bulletin board of the Middle Township Municipal Building, stating the time and place of the following meeting, as required in P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 of the State of New Jersey. (Sunshine Law).

Notice of this meeting was properly given in Resolution No. 26-21 entitled "Establishing Work Session Meeting Nights" which was adopted by Township Committee of the Township of Middle on January 7, 2021.

Members present are Mayor Donohue, Deputy Mayor Gandy, and Committeemember Norris

Deputy Business Administrator Suzanne Schumann, Deputy Township Clerk Andrea Singley, Township Engineer Vincent Orlando & Municipal Solicitor Marcus Karavan. **Business Administrator/Township Clerk Kimberly Krauss was absent**

FLAG SALUTE:**PRESENTATIONS OR DISCUSSIONS:**

Retail Transit License – ICONA

Andrea Singley:

- *Explained what a retail transit license is*

Marc, Icona:

- *Provided background on operations associated with the applied licensing*

Mayor Donohue:

- *Asked if they are licensed through Avalon*
- *Asked how often they take people out on the boat*
- *Asked how many passengers can go out on the boat*

Marc, Icona:

- *Stated tours were on weekends on Saturdays and Sundays and sometimes during the week; explained they are restricted by the tide; further explained they would have 6 paying passengers and 2 crew members*

Mayor Donohue:

- *Asked how the Township is to move forward with this process*

Andrea Singley:

- *Explained Townships next steps to support to license*

Mayor Donohue:

- *Stated he had no objections; explained he would have the solicitor review and draft the letter; stated they would send the letter once complete*

Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund –
Membership Renewal – Paul Miola, Executive Director

Paul Miola:

- *Gave background and history on the establishment of Municipal Joint Insurance Funds; Stated Middle Township had been a member since 1992; continued to provide background on insurance fund for members of the public; explained the membership is a protection for catastrophic claims; stated every town in Cape May County are currently members in the fund; provided handouts to Committee; reviewed packets handed out to Township Committee; commented on financial stabilization of the fund; reviewed dividends on page 7 of the handout; discussed steps taken to assist with Covid-19 pandemic; spoke of potential impact on employee matters due to recreational marijuana use; discussed impact of new legislations regarding sexual abuse; commented on new firefighters cancer presumption; explained the pension offsite directive changes; discussed impacts of social inflation; continued to review packet distributed to Township Committee*

Mayor Donohue:

- *Asked about independent fire districts that the Township has under their membership; asked if the JIF deals with them directly*

Paul Miola:

- *Stated yes and explained the process*

Mayor Donohue:

- *Stated the ACMJIF had done a stand-up job during deep dark days of covid when things were still in the air*

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS AND PROJECT UPDATES:**Administration:****Finance:****Public Works:****Engineering:**

Legal:

Tax Collection:

Tax Assessment:

Construction/Planning/Zoning:

Recreation:

Police / Animal Control/ Code Enforcement:

Buildings and Grounds:

Sewer:

Economic Development:

Personnel:

Zoning:

Township Clerk:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Lauricella, Cape May Court House:

- *Asked about jury trials; asked is there was a way that the Township could take that off the table with new employee waiver*

Paul Miola:

- *Stated employees cannot waive rights*

Stan Doniger, Rio Grande:

- *Asked about what is offered as far as replacement costs*

Paul Miola:

- *Explained what costs are covered and what is reimbursed*

Stan Doniger, Rio Grande:

- *Asked about what type of covered is provided*

Paul Miola:

- *Stated all risk other than exclusions*

Stan Doniger, Rio Grande:

- *Asked about bonding*

Paul Miola:

- *Explained fidelity bonding on all employees; provided examples*

Stan Doniger, Rio Grande:

- *Asked if they cover environmental*

Paul Miola:

- *Stated they do not provide environmental coverage and must seek separate coverage from the JIF for that; explained it was voted upon that the municipalities choose to seek outside coverage for environmental*

Motion to Adjourn Meeting – 5:29pm

1st: Committeeman Gandy

2nd: Committeeman Norris

Roll Call Vote: Committeeman Gandy, Committeeman Norris, Mayor Donohue

Andrea N. Singley, Deputy Township Clerk

Minutes prepared by E. Bowman