

# MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 19, 2025

Mayor Ferro calls the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

## STATEMENT OF NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY P.L. 1975, C231 IS READ.

I hereby announce that pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the annual meeting notice which was transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and the Trenton Times, posted on the public announcements bulletin board in Town Hall and filed in the Office of the Township Clerk on December 20, 2024.

ROLL CALL: Committeeman Eric Davis – present, Deputy Mayor Chris Morris – absent, Committeeman Tara Zabrosky – present, Committeeman Jeff Ziner – present and Mayor Al Ferro – present. Also, in attendance: Zachary Styczynski, Esq. - Township Attorney, Kevin Abernethy – Township Administrator and Kathleen Hart - Municipal Clerk.

Resolution 25-86 Authorizing the Holding of an Executive Session, at Which the Public Shall be Excluded was moved by C/Ziner; second by C/Davis.

## ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Davis, C/Zabrosky, C/Ziner, M/Ferro

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: DM/Morris

Time In: 7:08 p.m.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session was moved by C/Davis; second by C/Ziner with an all in favor.

Time Out: 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Ferro calls the meeting to order 8:07 p.m. followed by a flag salute and a moment of silence.

Municipal Clerk read, the following statement:

All attendees and participants agree to conduct themselves in a manner appropriate for public gathering. Individual speakers should be advised that no right of privacy protects a person's public comments made in a public forum. Accordingly, all participants bear responsibility for their own statements and commentary.

## CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Resignation received from Romeo Montano, Electrical Subcode Official/Inspector, effective March 28, 2025.

## RESOLUTIONS: CONSENT RESOLUTION POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARD.

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER ITEM "CONSENT AGENDA" ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE (1) MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS, IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED OF ANY ITEM, THAT ITEM WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

25-87 Payment of Vouchers – March 19, 2025

25-88 Resolution Authorizing the Township of Millstone to Become a Joint Signatory with the Friends of Millstone Township Historic Registered Properties to the 2025 Preserve New Jersey Capital Historic Preservation Grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust and Execute an Owner Approval Form

25-89 Resolution Appointing Monmouth County Agriculture Development Board Representative

25-90 Resolution General Comments & Recommendations to the 2023 Annual Audit

25-91 Amending Resolution 21-136 and Approving Change Order Number 1 for Marathon Engineering & Environmental Services for the Provision of Environmental Consulting Services for Block 57.01, Lot 21.02

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Motion to adopt was moved by C/Davis, second by C/Ziner.

## ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Zabrosky, C/Ziner, C/Davis, M/Ferro

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: DM/Morris

## REPORTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2025:

Tax Collector	\$10,377,200.49
Clerks Report	\$ 1,720.70
Dog License	\$ 1,314.00
Municipal Court	\$ 5,811.62
Recreation	\$ 37,440.68
Construction	\$ 33,365.00
COAH	\$ 0.00
2025 Interest Revenue	

Motion to file, Moved C/Ziner, Second C/Zabrosky, with an all in favor.

## TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES:

### 1. Regular Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2025

Motion to adopt was moved by C/Zabrosky, second M/Ferro.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Zabrosky, M/Ferro

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: C/Ziner, C/Davis ABSENT: DM/Morris

### 2. Executive Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2025

Motion to adopt was moved by C/Zabrosky, second by M/Ferro.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Zabrosky, M/Ferro

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: C/Ziner, C/Davis ABSENT: DM/Morris

### 3. Regular Meeting Minutes – March 5, 2025

Motion to adopt/table, Moved C/Davis, Second C/Ziner.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Davis, C/Ziner, M/Ferro

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: C/Zabrosky ABSENT: DM/Morris

### 4. Executive Meeting Minutes – March 5, 2025

Motion to adopt, Moved C/Ziner, Second C/Davis.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Ziner, C/Davis, M/Ferro

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: C/Zabrosky ABSENT: DM/Morris

## APPOINTMENT TO BE MADE BY THE MAYOR

Mayor's appointment to the Millstone Township Park and Recreation Commission

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BE IT RESOLVED that Brian Perillo is hereby appointed to the Millstone Township Recreation Commission as an Alternate I member to fulfill the unexpired term of Justin Andrillo, term ending December 31, 2026.

Mayor's appointment to the Shade Tree Commission

BE IT RESOLVED that Eric Sinha is hereby appointed as member to the Millstone Township Shade Tree Commission, to fulfill the unexpired term of Bruce Wolf, term ending December 31, 2028.

BE IT RESOLVED that Amanda Blanco is hereby appointed as member to the Millstone Township Shade Tree Commission, to fulfill the unexpired term of Mary Beckish, term ending December 31, 2027.

### APPLICATION FOR A SOCIAL AFFAIRS PERMIT:

1. Millstone Township Elks BPOE #2613 filed for a Social Affairs Permit for an event to be held on July 19, 2025 from 12PM to 6PM Millstone Elks, 22 Burnt Tavern Road.

Motion to approve, Moved C/Davis, Second M/Ferro with an all in favor.

### LIAISON REPORTS:

C/Zabrosky mentions that the Millstone Township Seniors had their St. Patrick's Day Party. It was a nice turn out and the girl scouts joined them for crafts. Open Space/Agricultural Council Clam Bake is on June 1, 2025 at Wagner Farm Park.

C/Davis announced that the Environmental Commission's Annual Stream Cleanup is to be held on April 12, 2025 at 9:00 am. C/Davis acknowledged the resignation and contributions of Bruce Wolf on the Shade Tree Commission. The Shade Tree Commission is looking for volunteers. If anyone is interested, please complete and submit a Talent Bank Application.

C/Ziner stated that the Board of Education will be presenting their 2025/2026 budget for the up-coming school year at the next Board of Education meeting and encourages residents to attend. The Board will be presenting the budget on April 7, 2025 at 9:30am at the primary school, and on April 22, 2025 at the Middle School at 6:30pm.

M/Ferro mentioned that the State requires the Emergency Operations Plan to be revisited every two years. He advised that the town is ahead of the curve and will be sending Millstone's EOP plan to the County for approval in June.

Presentation by Alexie Neccrosov an Eagle Scout member of Troop 116 and resident of 12 Hickory Drive, Millstone, NJ. He is making the request to set up a service project at 24 Baird Rd. His project would be to construct bee hives to promote and support pollination. He would be setting up hives along with warning signs on the property. The hives will contain approximately ten thousand bees and any honey that is produced the Baird House can sell or donate. He explains that the construction will contain three boxes with ten frames where the bees attach their honeycombs. The Mayor inquires as to whether a hive could be constructed with a clear window to have students visit and observe the pollination project. The Township Committee approves of the project and construction can begin.

The Mayor asks the Friends of Millstone Township Historic Registered Properties if they have considered hosting another farm to table event. They mentioned that they are having a meeting on March 31, 2025 at 7:00pm located at 215 Millstone Rd. to share ideas and discuss upcoming events. The Mayor suggested that they reach out to the School Superintendent to consider having a contest with the students for suggesting events for the 250th Anniversary. The Friends mention that April 26, 2025 that they are going to have a Molly Pitcher Presentation and will be sending out flyers with all of the information, and partnering with the Allentown High School History Club on this event.

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NEW BUSINESS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

The Township Administrator mentioned that the police issued 23 tickets for traffic enforcement and to please slow down.

M/Ferro made the following announcements:

Curbside Spring Clean Up is scheduled for the week of April 7th thru the 11th. Please check the Township website for further details and restrictions.

Environmental Annual Stream Cleanup – April 12th.

Spring Brush Drop Off Dates – April 19, April 26, May 3 and May 10 8am to 1pm. Location is at 15 Baird Rd.

Fire Fighter Association has their 2025 Fund Drive. The Mayor implores all to donate if you can.

Mosquito Madness Tire Pick-up Program sponsored by Monmouth County is from February 1, 2025 thru March 31, 2025. You can put up to ten tires out without the rims at the curb. Please call the County to schedule a pick-up.

Paper Shredding Event sponsored by Monmouth County for Millstone Township is scheduled for May 31, 2025 at Millstone Park, located at 4 Red Vally Rd. from 9am to 1pm. Please visit the Township website for additional dates within the County.

The Millstone Fire Company's Ladies Auxiliary will be holding their annual Spring Rummage Sale on April 5, 2025 from 8am to 2pm at the Community Center.

COMMENTS FROM THE DAIS:

The Mayor acknowledges the passing of Salvatore Frascino, a former School Resource Officer on March 5, 2025 and Michael Rosen, a township resident, on February 21, 2025. The Township Committee sends their condolences to the families.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: (Limited to ½ Hour)

M/Ferro opens the meeting to the public at 8:45 p.m.

Gerry Stankowitz, Township Auditor, discussed the 2023 Audit which is an independent financial audit required by the State of New Jersey. He explained that after all testing was done in all departments the results complied with the necessary requirements and that there were no recommendations for corrective action. Moving forward, he advised to make sure that the ordinances line up with the fee schedule, personnel documents are in agreement with the personnel manual, vacation and sick time are aligned and to consolidate the numerous bank accounts that exist.

M/Ferro closes the meeting to the public at 8:59 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn: Moved by C/Ziner; second by C/Davis with an all in Favor.

Time Out 9:00 p.m.

Audio of the meeting is available in the Municipal Clerks Office.

March 19, 2025 Township Committee Meeting Minutes approved at a Township Committee meeting held on April 16, 2025.

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Kathleen Hart, RMC  
Municipal Clerk