

**TOWNSHIP OF UPPER
2100 TUCKAHOE ROAD
PETERSBURG, NJ 08270
CAPE MAY COUNTY
AGENDA FOR MARCH 25, 2024**

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE – 4:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

SUNSHINE ANNOUNCEMENT

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 11, 2024 Regular and Closed Session Minutes

REPORT OF GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS

ADMINISTRATOR OVERVIEW

2024 BUDGET

1. Public hearing and final adoption of Ordinance No. 002-2024 RE: CALENDAR YEAR 2024 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14).
2. Authorizing the reading of the 2024 Annual Municipal Budget by title only.
3. 2024 Budget - Public Hearing.
4. Local Unit Budget Examination.

CONSENT AGENDA

All Consent Agenda items listed below are routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. If the Mayor or any Committee member wishes a particular agenda item to be considered separately, it will be removed from the consent agenda and acted on separately.

FILING OF REPORTS BY CONSENT

5. Animal Control
6. Zoning Board 2023 Annual Report

RESOLUTIONS TO BE APPROVED BY CONSENT

7. Congratulating the Upper Township Basketball Association's 8th Grade Boys Team on winning the South Shore Basketball League Championship.
8. Designating the 1st Thursday in May "A Day of Prayer in Upper Township".
9. Congratulating employee Edward Carter of the Upper Township Public Works Department for his winning entry in the Upper Township Safety Award Program for the 1st quarter of 2024.
10. Accepting a donation in the amount of \$15,850.00 for the purchase of a Van Duyne lifeguard boat in memory of Rita A. McIlhenny.
11. Authorizing the Upper Township Fourth of July celebration event to be held on July 4, 2024 at Amanda's Field and setting the vendor fees.
12. Declaration of Emergency pursuant to Township Code Section 7-3.2 in order to provide temporary no parking restrictions during the Upper Township Fourth of July celebration event on July 4, 2024 (Rain Date July 5, 2024).
13. Authorizing the annual Fourth of July fireworks display.
14. Authorizing the award of a professional services contract with the Coastal Research Center at Stockton University for shoreline monitoring and consulting services for beach related issues.
15. Appointing Thomas G. Smith, Esquire to act as Special Legal Counsel regarding tax court matters and matters in which the regular Township Solicitor may have a conflict of interest.
16. Authorizing a contract with Trinity Code Inspections, LLC for interim building, electric, plumbing, and fire protection inspections and plan review services.
17. Authorizing a progress payment for engineering services for the 2023 Paving Project with funds from the 2023 Capital Improvement Bond Ordinance in the amount of \$28,275.50.
18. Resolution of the Township of Upper, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, authorizing the Township of Upper to submit an eligibility determination and funding application to the United States of America acting through Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture for a Predevelopment Planning Grant (PPG).
19. Appointing Bruckner Chase as a part-time employee to the Upper Township Division of Emergency Medical Services.

ORDINANCES

20. Public hearing and final adoption of Ordinance No. 003-2024 RE: AN ORDINANCE VACATING VALLEY AVENUE, WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER, COUNTY OF CAPE MAY AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

21. Public hearing and final adoption of Ordinance No. 004-2024 RE: AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 10, SECTION 2 (LEAD-BASED PAINT INSPECTION IN RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS) TO THE CODE OF UPPER TOWNSHIP.
22. Public hearing and final adoption of Ordinance No. 005-2024 RE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER TO ACQUIRE THE TOWER ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 477, LOT 6 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER.
23. Introduction and first reading of Ordinance No. 006-2024 RE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 20 (ZONING) OF THE CODE OF UPPER TOWNSHIP.

CORRESPONDENCE

NEW BUSINESS

24. Bid results for Towing, Storage & Lockout services.
25. Donation of beach wheelchair from the DeSatnick Foundation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PAYMENT OF BILLS

26. "I hereby move that all claims submitted for payment at this meeting be approved and then incorporated in full in the minutes of this meeting."

PUBLIC COMMENT – LIMITED TO FIVE (5) MINUTES PER PERSON

CLOSED SESSION

27. Resolution to conduct a closed meeting pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, from which the public shall be excluded.
 - Personnel
 - Contract negotiation – Louis A. Bonato Appraisal services
 - Contract negotiation – Beacon Animal Rescue
 - Contract negotiation – CME Engineering services
 - Contract negotiation – MUA Host Community Benefit Agreement
 - Litigation – Hemby v. Township of Upper

RECONVENE PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

**Please note—the order of the agenda may be changed at the discretion of the Township Committee.