

DOWNE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 22, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

The Downe Township Committee met in the Meeting Room of the Municipal Office on Monday, April 22, 2024 at 9:00a.m. Mayor Michael L. Rothman, presided. Committeeman Robert Campbell, Steve Byrne, and Larry Jordan, Sr. were in attendance. Municipal Solicitor Nathan VanEmbden was also present.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / STATEMENT REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Mayor Rothman called the meeting to order; led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement.

ROLL CALL

Present – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman

Absent - Bart

PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE 2024-04 - *Sewer User Fee Ordinance*

On a motion by Campbell and seconded by Byrne to open the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2024-04.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman

Absent – Bart

Vote: All in favor

There being no comments, a motion was made by Campbell and seconded by Byrne to close the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2024-04

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman

Absent – Bart

Vote: All in favor

FINAL ADOPTION – ORDINANCE 2024-04 – *Sewer User Fee*

On a motion by Campbell and seconded by Byrne for the Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-04.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman

Absent – Bart

Vote: All in favor

PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE 2024-08 - *Sewer Utility Bond Ordinance Replacing and Superseding in All Respects Bond Ordinance No. 2024-01, Adopted on January 22, 2024, by the Township of Downe, in the County of Cumberland, NJ, Which Bond Ordinance Replaced and Superseded in all Respects Bond Ordinance No. 2020-7, Adopted on May 11, 2020, to Increase the Appropriation Amount for the Construction of the New Wastewater Treatment Facility and Sewer System to Serve the Fortescue and Gandy's Beach Sections of the Township, and Authorizing the Issuance of Sewer Utility Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$35,000,000*

On a motion by Campbell and seconded by Jordan to open the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2024-08.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman

Absent – Bart

Vote: All in favor

There being no comments, a motion was made by Campbell and seconded by Byrne to close the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2024-08

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

FINAL ADOPTION ORDINANCE 2024-08 - Sewer Utility Bond Ordinance Replacing and Superseding in All Respects Bond Ordinance No. 2024-01, Adopted on January 22, 2024, by the Township of Downe, in the County of Cumberland, NJ, Which Bond Ordinance Replaced and Superseded in all Respects Bond Ordinance No. 2020-7, Adopted on May 11, 2020, to Increase the Appropriation Amount for the Construction of the New Wastewater Treatment Facility and Sewer System to Serve the Fortescue and Gandy's Beach Sections of the Township, and Authorizing the Issuance of Sewer Utility Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$35,000,000

On a motion by Campbell and seconded by Byrne for the Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-08.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2024-09 - Ordinance of the Township of Downe, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey to Provide for the Establishment of a Municipal Sewer Utility

On a motion by Campbell and seconded by Byrne to open the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2024-09.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

There being no comments, a motion was made by Campbell and seconded by Byrne to close the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2024-09.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

FINAL ADOPTION - ORDINANCE 2024-09 - Ordinance of the Township of Downe, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey to Provide for the Establishment of a Municipal Sewer Utility

On a motion by Jordan and seconded by Campbell for the Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-09.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2024-10 - Ordinance of the Township of Downe, in the County of Cumberland, New Jersey Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Service Agreement with the County of Cumberland in Connection with Certain Sewer Improvements to be Constructed within the Township of Downe

On a motion by Byrne and seconded by Campbell to open the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2024-10.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

There being no comments, a motion was made by Jordan and seconded by Campbell to close the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2024-08

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

FINAL ADOPTION - ORDINANCE 2024-10 - *Ordinance of the Township of Downe, in the County of Cumberland, New Jersey Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Service Agreement with the County of Cumberland in Connection with Certain Sewer Improvements to be Constructed within the Township of Downe*

On a motion by Jordan and seconded by Campbell for the Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-10.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

RESOLUTION

R-63-2024 *Resolution Authorizing the Application to the NJ Clean Energy Program Community Energy Planning Grant Program*

A motion was made by Jordan and seconded by Byrne to adopt Resolution No. R-63-2024.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

PUBLIC COMMENT

On a motion by Jordan and seconded by Campbell, the meeting was opened to the public for comment.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent – Bart
Vote: All in favor

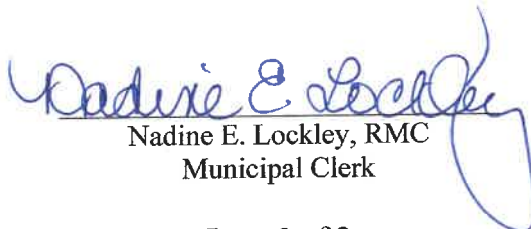
There being no comments, the public comment portion was closed on a motion by Jordan and seconded by Campbell.

Roll Call: Aye – Byrne, Campbell, Jordan, and Rothman
Absent - Bart
Vote: All in favor

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Campbell and seconded by Byrne.

Vote: All in favor


Nadine E. Lockley, RMC
Municipal Clerk