

**Borough of Mount Ephraim
November 27, 2024, Caucus Agenda, 3:00pm**

•CAUCUS MEETING CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE: Time: _____

•ROLL CALL:

Mayor Carney _____ Commissioner Marrone _____ Commissioner Wolk _____

•“OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW” ANNOUNCEMENT (Mayor will read)

This meeting is being held in compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” and notice of this meeting has been posted in the legal newspapers of the municipality, on the borough bulletin board and on the borough website.

•OPEN PUBLIC PORTION: Mayor Carney will open the public portion of the meeting

(Please state your name for the record. Comments are limited to five minutes.)

Ron Breining, Brian's recommendation for Assessor, will be present to meet the Governing Body

Motion to close public portion: _____ All in favor: _____

•DISCUSSION ITEMS BY DEPARTMENT:

► Fire Department:

1. JIF Claim for Squad repair
2. Recruitment and Retention program
3. Advertisement for Sale of Engine

► Public Works, Bldgs & Grnds, Land Use, Zoning and Construction:

4. Holiday decorations
5. Finalization of DPW contract
6. Request to waive fee for MEYAA raffle license
7. Renewal of SSA with Bellmawr for collection of Runnemedede trash

► Police Department:

8. Repairs needed for Keri System for entrance doors

► Administration/Finance:

9. RFP's for Sacred Heart Church properties
10. Resolution cancelling stale checks
11. Resolution for budget transfers
12. Resolution setting dates for January meetings (caucus in December is the 18th)

- 13. Resolution authorizing use of borough property for tree sales (action item)
- 14. Resolution to renew membership in the SNJREBF (health benefits)
- 15. Resolution to renew membership in the Regional Fire Alliance

•Review of items for November 6, 2024, Commission meeting agenda

◆Ordinances for public hearing and adoption:

- 2024-13 Amending Chapter 165-16, Rental Property Fees, and Chapter 319, Rental Properties, in the Code of the Borough of Mount Ephraim
- 2024-14 Amending, Supplementing and Revising Chapter 389, Article II, of the Borough Code Entitled "Tax Abatement for Home improvements" and Renewing Chapter 389, Article IV, of the Borough Code Entitled "Tax Abatement for Commercial and Industrial Improvements and Construction"
- 2024-15 Amending Section 127-2, Fees, in Chapter 127, Construction Codes, Uniform, in the Borough Code

◆Resolutions:

- Resolutions cancelling stale checks
- Resolution authorizing budget transfers
- Resolution setting the dates for the January meetings
- Resolution to renew membership in the SNJREBF
- Resolution to renew SSA with Bellmawr for collection of Runnemedede trash

•ENGINEER'S REPORT Review of monthly report/discussion items; discuss DCA Recreation grant; DOT awarded \$171,473 to Mt. Ephraim for E. Buckingham

•SOLICITOR'S REPORT

•REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

•ACTION ITEMS--RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Res. 24-100 Authorizing the Use of Borough Property for Tree Sales and Various Events

Motion to approve: _____ 2nd _____ Poll Vote: _____

•MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ All in favor: _____ Time: _____

RESOLUTION 24-100

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF BOROUGH PROPERTY FOR TREE SALES AND VARIOUS EVENTS

WHEREAS the Borough of Mount Ephraim ("Borough"), a New Jersey municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey and located in Camden County; and

WHEREAS the Borough owns property identified as Block 34, Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.02, 10, 11, 12 and 19, commonly known as the "Sacred Heart Property"; and

WHEREAS Joseph D. Pacitti of Jawn Co., 1150 Haddon Avenue, Collingswood, NJ, (the "Vendor") has requested the Borough permit it to utilize the parking lot of the Sacred Heart Property through December 24, 2024 for Christmas tree sales and various events; and

WHEREAS the Vendor shall pay the Borough two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per day for its use of the property; and

WHEREAS the Vendor shall provide a valid Certificate of Insurance and execute a Hold Harmless Agreement prior to utilization of the Sacred Heart Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Commissioners of the Borough of Mount Ephraim, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that Joseph D. Pacitti of Jawn Co., shall be authorized and permitted to utilize the parking lot of the Sacred Heart Property through December 24, 2024 in exchange for payment in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jawn Co.'s use of the Property shall be contingent upon the vendor providing a valid Certificate of Insurance and executing a Hold Harmless Agreement in a form to be approved by the Borough Solicitor.

**BOROUGH OF MOUNT EPHRAIM
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Vote: Carney_____ Marrone_____ Wolk_____

CERTIFICATION

I, Terry Shannon, Clerk for the Borough of Mount Ephraim, hereby certify this to be a true copy of a resolution approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mount Ephraim at the caucus meeting held November 27, 2024

Terry Shannon, Borough Clerk