

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor DeGiralamo called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

2. "Sunshine Law" Announcement - Adequate notice of this public meeting has been published in the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News, posted on the municipal bulletin board and the Township website in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. This notice has also been filed in the Municipal Clerk's office.

3. FLAG SALUTE

4. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Mr. Mazza	x	
Mr. Hirt		x
Mr. Stiger	x	
Mr. Lordi	x	
Dr. DeGiralamo	x	

Also present Trishka Waterbury Cecil, Esq., Robert Clerico, Engineer, Grace Brennan, CFO and Ella M. Ruta, Municipal Clerk.

5. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

6. VISITORS – none scheduled

7. REPORTS RECEIVED – acknowledged

- a. Road Dept.- Week Ending; 5/20/22; 5/27/22; 6/03/22; 6/10/22
- b. Zoning Officer – May 2022
- c. Animal Control Officer – May 2022
- d. Public Safety Director – written report submitted. No outstanding issues other than routine. Working with PVFC Chief Narbonne and Hunterdon County Communications to correct issues with Fire Box alerts.
- e. Pattenburg Volunteer Fire Company – reported on regulations regarding facial hair for volunteer firefighters responding to active fires.
- f. Engineer's Report
 - Provided an update on NJDOT Application for 2023 Municipal Aid Application for Perryville Rd. – Section 4B.

At this time the Mayor asked State Trooper Lombardi if he had a report. Trooper Lombardi reported on an incident at the Elementary school where a student threatened another student. Precautionary steps were taken by the school.

Mr. Lordi said he contacted the school about the incident and was told that no one was in danger at any point.

8. CORRESPONDENCE/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – no comments/reports from Committee members

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor asked that speakers be respectful and considerate in their comments.

Margaret McCarrol, 27 Baptist Church Rd., 22 year resident of the Township, complained about the trench installed on her property during construction on Baptist Church Rd. She said the trench will damage her septic tank and asked that the trench be removed.

Engineer Clerico stated that the trench was monitored and no water was observed in the grass swale even after rain.

Ms. McCarrol said garbage from neighboring properties is now floating on her property.

Engineer Clerico stated the design is typical and has been used on all Township roads.

Mr. Lordi asked if there could be a satisfactory resolution to the concerns resident’.

Engineer Clerico gave a detailed explanation of the drainage design of that section of Baptist Church Rd. and said no problem was observed with standing or water runoff even after a heavy rain. He said that he will follow the Committee’s guidance as to the resolution of the complaint, but he is of the opinion that improvements to the road did not create the problem.

At this time the Mayor asked Mr. Lou Judice to present “Owl”, an electronic device allowing live streaming of Committee meetings.

Mr. Lou, former Mayor of Bethlehem Twp., Mr. Judice said he is managing all media type activities for the Township. He gave a brief presentation of “OWL” and said that it would work well with remote meetings.

Bethlehem Twp’s Mayor Muir commented that it is a great device and said their meetings recorded with “OWL” are available on the website if anyone wants to see the quality of the recording.

Karen Wisnosky, 710 Deer Field Lane, asked if the Rating List of the Twp roads needing repairs is available, as promised by the Mayor at the last meeting. Mr. Stiger said his expectation is that it would be available next month. Ms. Wisnosky also asked the rating of Perryville Rd. and why the road was selected to potentially receive NJ DOT grant. Mr. Stiger and Engineer Clerico provided an explanation and answered Mrs. Wisnosky’s questions about reasons certain roads are chosen for State grants. Brief discussion ensued about repairs, grants, main roads versus roads in developments.

A recreation Committee member informed the Committee that Bethlehem Presbyterian Church asked to use the Pavilion at Finn Rd. Park on July 24th from 9 am -12 pm. No fee will be collected because it is a religious organization and there is no scheduling conflict. Application and Certificate of Insurance will be provided.

Mayor DeGiralamo asked for a motion to approve the request subject to the Church providing COI before July 24th.

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Mazza			x			
Mr. Hirt						x
Mr. Stiger	x		x			
Mr. Lordi			x			
Dr. DeGiralamo		x	x			

Motion carried

Jackie Gazzillo, 51 Wyckoff Drive, suggested that Finn Road Park could be utilized for more activities. She said a grant is available to install a basketball court. Mr. Mazza said that because of impervious coverage, basketball or

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tennis courts cannot be installed in the park. In addition, Finn Rd. Park was purchased with Green Acres Funds and there are limitations what can or cannot be done at the park.

Mayor said that he would be proposing bringing running water to the Pavilion. He said that with plans to hold different events at the Park, running water would allow for food preparation at events.

Jay Santamaria, 2 Gravel Hill Rd., complained about volume and speed of traffic on the road. He asked that speed limit signs be installed and enforced. He said there could be consequences if the Committee failed to take action. Engineer Clerico explained that the Township has to follow State Statutory Regulations, one of which is conducting a speed limit survey in order to establish a speed limit. Possibility of putting speed bumps and redesigning the intersection, making a 90 degree turn onto the road was discussed. The Engineer said only if the Township has the right of way.

The Committee agreed for Engineer Clerico to look into Mr. Santamaria’s request.

Anthony Kearns, Esq. said he was speaking on behalf of the PVFC. He praised volunteers and said how admirable it is that volunteer firefighters leave their jobs and families at all hours of the day and night to help strangers. Atty. Kearns said the history of PVFC is a great one and it is a big part of this community. He said that it might not be the priority of volunteer firefighters to follow and keep up with all the regulations. Atty. Kearns said the Chief Narbonne is pretty good at it. He said that he is hoping, after speaking with Atty. Waterbury Cecil, that if an issue arises he would be contacted and have a chance to resolve it with PFVC before it becomes a problem. Atty. Kearns emphasized that it is a highly regulated field as it should be, but if we all can work together it will make it much easier for everyone. Mr. Kearns thanked everyone for their time and attention and said he is looking forward to working with everyone.

10. PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-6

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING RENEWAL OF MUNICIPAL CONSENT TO COMCAST OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY II, LLC TO CONSTRUCT, CONNECT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM IN THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

To open Public Hearing

Voice Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Mazza			x			
Mr. Hirt						x
Mr. Stiger		x	x			
Mr. Lordi	x		x			
Dr. DeGiralamo			x			

Motion Carried

To Close Public Hearing

Voice Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Mazza			x			
Mr. Hirt						x
Mr. Stiger	x		x			
Mr. Lordi		x	x			
Dr. DeGiralamo			x			

Motion carried

To Adopt

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Mazza	x		x			
Mr. Hirt						x
Mr. Stiger		x	x			
Mr. Lordi			x			
Dr. DeGiralamo			x			

Motion carried

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. NEW ORDINANCES - 1st Reading

13. NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA: All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent Agenda and will be considered separate.

- a. **RESOLUTION #2022-71:** 2022-2023 Liquor License Renewal – The Pattenburg House

**RESOLUTION #2022-71
UNION TOWNSHIP; HUNTERDON COUNTY**

**2022-2023 PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE; with Conditions
Legacy East, LLC t/a Pattenburg House**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the township of Union, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the following Plenary Retail Consumption License be issued in the Township of Union effective July 1, 2021 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk, or her duly authorized agent, is hereby authorized to execute, issue and deliver such license to the following licensee with the Special Conditions noted below:

NAME & TRADE NAME: Legacy East, LLC
t/a Pattenburg House

LOCATION & ADDRESS: 512 County Road 614
Asbury, NJ 08802

LICENSE NUMBER: 1025-33-004-011

Special Conditions: 1. All doors and windows, in the building, must be closed while music, live or recorded, is being played.

2. Live music shall not be played within the confines of the building at any other time than Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

- 3. The petitioner shall provide a security person on all dates and at all times that live music is being played at the licensed premises.
- 4. The patio and deck adjacent to the Pattenburg House may be utilized for lunches and dinners with the deck and patio to be closed and all patrons removed there from by 10:00 p.m. every evening. All food orders and service shall terminate by 9:00 p.m. each evening.
- 5. The Pattenburg House is limited to 92 seats (persons to be served) and such patron count shall not be increased in the utilization of the patio and deck and the total seating capacity for service of patrons shall be 92 seats, including the patio, deck and restaurant/bar areas of the Pattenburg House.
- 6. The only egress onto the patio and deck area after 10:00 p.m. shall be for “emergency exit” purposes only, and the outside gate to the deck shall be locked after 10:00 p.m. so that no entrance can be gained to the patio and deck area.
- 7. The door to the deck and patio area from inside the Pattenburg House shall be clearly marked as an emergency door.
- 8. The front door of the Pattenburg House shall not be propped or maintained in an open condition at any time that entertainment is performing.
- 9. The parking lot will be striped.

BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution, certified to be a true copy by the Municipal Clerk, be forwarded to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

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b. **RESOLUTION #2022-72:** 2022-2023 Liquor License Renewal – Mountain View Chalet

RESOLUTION #2022-72

UNION TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY

2022-2023 PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE – RENEWAL

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the following Plenary Retail Consumption License be issued in the Township of Union to be effective on July 1, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk or his/her duly authorized agent is hereby authorized to execute, issue and delivery such license to the following licensee:

Name & Trade Name: Gatanis & Fokas Foods Inc.
t/a Mountain View Chalet

Location & Mailing Address: 154 State Rte. 173 West
Asbury, New Jersey 08802

License #: 1025-33-005-004

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution, certified to be a true copy by the Municipal Clerk, be forwarded to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

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- c. **RESOLUTION #2022-73**: 2022-2023 Liquor License Renewal – The Farmhouse at the Grand Colonial

RESOLUTION #2022-73

UNION TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY

2022-2023 PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE – RENEWAL

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the following Plenary Retail Consumption License be issued in the Township of Union to be effective on July 1, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk or his/her duly authorized agent is hereby authorized to execute, issue and delivery such license to the following licensee:

Name & Trade Name: Grand Colonial Operations LLC
t/a The Farmhouse at the Grand Colonial

Location & Mailing Address: 86 West Highway 173
Hampton, New Jersey 08827

License #: 1025-33-002-008

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution, certified to be a true copy by the Municipal Clerk, be forwarded to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

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- d. **RESOLUTION #2022-74**: Chapter 159 – Elizabethtown Gas Company, Game on Grant

RESOLUTION 2022-74

CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION

RECREATION GRANT – ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY, GAME ON GRANT

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director of may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey, hereby request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2022 in the sun of \$1,000.00, which is now available from Elizabethtown Gas Company, Game On Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$1,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Elizabethtown Gas Company Game On Grant, Recreation - Other Expenses; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from Elizabethtown Gas Company in the amount of \$1,000.00.

- e. **RESOLUTION #2022-75:** Purchase of New Carpeting for Municipal Building – 1st Floor

**TOWNSHIP OF UNION
IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON**

**RESOLUTION #2022 – 75
PURCHASE OF NEW CARPETING FOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING - 1ST FLOOR**

WHEREAS, The Township Committee of the Township of Union has determined that there is the need to purchase new carpeting for the first floor of the Municipal Building, and

WHEREAS, this item will be purchased from Aldo Design Group, 35 Hayward Avenue, Carteret, NJ, at the purchase price of \$17,499.57; and

WHEREAS, there is appropriated in Capital Ordinance 2022-2 the sum of \$20,000 for this purchase;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Union hereby authorizes the CFO to issue the purchase order for the purpose of purchasing new carpeting for the 1st floor of the Municipal Building.

- f. **RESOLUTION #2022-76:** To Refund Redemption to Lienholder – TSC #2021-003

**RESOLUTION #2022-76
TOWNSHIP OF UNION, HUNTERDON COUNTY
RESOLUTION TO REFUND REDEMPTION TO LIENHOLDER**

WHEREAS, Tax Sale Certificate #2021-003 was issued to US Bank as Custodian for Actlien Holding Inc, in the amount of \$3,754.26 on October 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the lien was redeemed on May 25, 2022, in the amount of \$9,270.79 in accordance with provisions of NJSA 54:5-60 et seq.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 15th day of June, 2022, by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, Hunterdon County, State of New Jersey, as follows:

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- 1. The Treasurer issue a check in the amount of \$9,270.79 and a premium of \$28,100.00 for a total of \$37,370.79 payable to US Bank Cust Actlien Holding, 50 South 16th St, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102
- 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

g. RESOLUTION #2022-77: 2022 Salary Resolution

**RESOLUTION #2022 - 77
UNION TOWNSHIP; HUNTERDON COUNTY
2022 SALARY RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, a salary ordinance has been adopted by the Township of Union, Township Committee, indicating salary ranges; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined the amount that each employee is to be paid for the year 2021 as follows:

Salaries are for a period of one year unless otherwise noted:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mayor	\$ 4,800.00
Township Committee	4,500.00
Township Clerk	67,462.50
Deputy Clerk/Dep. Registrar/Admin. Asst.	12,937.50
Registrar	5,407.00
Tax Collector	18,006.00
Deputy Tax Collector	50.00 p/h
Tax Assessor	31,142.00
Certified Municipal Finance Officer	41,072.00
Personnel Administrator	12,304.00
Payroll Administrator	6,360.00
Accounts Payable Clerk	4,241.50
Emergency Management Coordinator	6,787.50
Deputy Emergency Mgmt. Coordinator	2,484.00
911 Coordinator	0.00
Public Safety Coordinator	5,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF ROADS AND FACILITIES

Part Time Public Works Staff	\$15.00 - \$30.00 p/h
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LAND USE DEPARTMENT

Zoning Officer	10,350.00
Deputy Zoning Officer	1.00
Planning Bd./Bd. of Adjustment Secretary	26,392.50

MISCELLANEOUS

Recycling Coordinator	8,797.50
Dog Registrar	6,288.00

Recycling Attendant Helper/Dumpster Attendant Helper \$15.00- \$16.00 p/h

MISCELLANEOUS – Travel expenses, training and education expenses, overtime, health and disability insurance, retirement and life insurance, paid holidays, sick pay, leaves of absence, paid vacations, equipment allowances, emergency meal allowances and other benefits shall be as set forth in the current Union Township Personnel Manual, or in accordance with applicable law.

h. **RESOLUTION #2022-78:** Approving Agreement with the NJ State Police for Discretionary Police Services Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 53:2-1

RESOLUTION #2022 - 78

**Township of
Union Hunterdon
County, New Jersey**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE
FOR DISCRETIONARY POLICE SERVICES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 53:2-1**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 53:2-1 authorizes the New Jersey State Police (“NJSP”) to “co-operate with any . . . local authority in . . . preserving law and order”; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Union (“Township”) requires the assistance of the NJSP in providing additional patrols within the Township for amplified police presence and traffic control, including in particular in the area around Exit 12 on Interstate 78; and

WHEREAS, the specific dates, times and intervals of said patrols shall be as mutually agreed to between the Township and NJSP, but is expected to consist of one Trooper working a six-hour shift once a week; and

WHEREAS, in exchange for these additional patrols, the Township shall reimburse the NJSP for overtime, vehicle use and overhead at a rate of \$103.53 per hour per member assigned, subject to a total not-to-exceed cost of \$15,000.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Union in Hunterdon County, New Jersey as follows:

1. The findings set forth in the preamble to this resolution are hereby incorporated as if fully restated herein.
2. The Chief Financial Officer of Union Township is hereby authorized and directed to sign on behalf of the Township the “Agreement for Discretionary Police Services” and “Addendum to Agreement for Police Services” attached to this resolution as Exhibit “A,” or such other agreement and addendum consistent with the terms hereof as shall have been reviewed and approved by the Township Attorney.
3. The term of the agreement shall be from June 15, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

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- 4. During the term of the agreement, the Township shall reimburse the NJSP for overtime, vehicle use and overhead at a rate of \$103.53 per hour per member assigned, subject to a total not-to-exceed cost of \$15,000.00
- 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

i. **RESOLUTION #2022-79:** Authorizing the Mayor to Submit an Application for a Grant to the Rediscover Hunterdon’s Communities Grant Program

TOWNSHIP OF UNION
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION 2022 – 79

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT TO THE REDICSOVER HUNTERDON’S COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Hunterdon County recently announced a municipal grant program entitled the Rediscover Hunterdon’s Communities Grant Program (RHCGP); and

WHEREAS, Union Township has scheduled its annual Community Day for September 25, 2022 after a two-year hiatus due to COVID-19 in 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Township has begun its outreach for the event and has already received commitment to participate from many groups; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Community Day is to encourage interactions between our residents and Township Officials and volunteers, to create an opportunity for local nonprofit organizations to share information and recruit new members, and to provide a day of family fun; and

WHEREAS, the financial assistance offered by the RHCGP will enable the Township to provide even more family activities and entertainment, and therefore attract more people than ever before.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey authorizes the Mayor to submit an application for a grant from RHCGP for an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

j. **Motion to Approve:** Annual Kennel License Renewal – Aladdin Kennels

k. **Payment of Bills**

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Mazza			x			
Mr. Hirt						x
Mr. Stiger	x		x			
Mr. Lordi			x			
Dr. DeGiralamo		x	x			

Motion Carried

End of Consent Agenda

l. Discussion – Attorney Fees

Mayor DeGiralamo questioned if attorney fees are public records. Atty. Waterbury Cecil answered “yes”. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding legal invoices with regard to PVFC. Mayor stated that some of those invoices were unnecessary in his opinion. Atty. Waterbury Cecil provided detailed explanation of those invoices.

Mr. Mazza asked and Mr. Stiger agreed that we wait a month to see if the situation improves.

m. Discussion – Union Township Logo

Mr. Lordi said that he was given a task to design, or help design, the Township’s Logo. He said he is working with Township resident Nicole Gratcofsky and there are a few different options to present to the Committee tonight. Proposed designs were distributed to the members. Mr. Lordi said a couple of historians were contacted for their input. Each design was very briefly discussed. He said there was a lot of thought put into each design. He said all the credit would have to go to Nicole who diligently worked on all designs. No final decision was made. Mr. Lordi will take suggestions and comments made tonight and go back to the drawing board.

n. Discussion/Motion to Approve – The Hunterdon Games

Mayor DeGiralamo acknowledged the presence of Janice Kovach, Mayor of Town of Clinton and Paul Muir, Mayor of Bethlehem Township.

He said that some time ago it was discussed with the Mayor of Town of Clinton to have a summer Olympics competition at Spruce Run. Since then, Mayor said Spruce Run reservoir is closed due to blue and green algae bloom in the water. A meeting was held to find an alternate location where other municipalities expressed interest in participating. Since 8 municipalities would be participating it was agreed that “Hunterdon Games” instead of “Summer Olympics” will be held in Union Twp. The following are municipalities participating in the event: Alexandria, Bethlehem, Clinton Town and Township, Franklin, High Bridge, Lebanon Borough and Union. The event is scheduled for Saturday, August 20th from about 12:30 pm to 5:30 pm at Finn Road Park. Rain date the following day, Sunday, August 21st. The Mayor provided details of the event.

The Mayor said that after presenting the concept to UT Recreation Committee they had reservations about some aspects of holding the event at Finn Rd. Park. He said all issues such as parking and adequate amount of volunteers were remediated. He briefly explained. The Mayor said the cost to each Township would be around \$4,000.00.

Mr. Mazza mentioned the cost of UT Department of Road & Facilities employees should be added as an expense. Mayor said the crew has not been asked of their availability.

Mayor asked for comments about the event.

A representative from the Recreation Committee said that a scaled down version (starting smaller and built from the experience) was proposed by the Rec Committee to the Mayor.

Mr. Mazza expressed his disappointment that the Township Committee only tonight found out that there will be 8 municipalities participating.

Discussion ensued regarding notifying the Township Committee.

At this time, Mayor asked for a motion to approve the Hunterdon Games at Finn Road Park as presented tonight. Mr. Mazza asked what is actually being approved, scaled down version of the event as recommended by UT Rec Committee or a version with 8 municipalities participating.

A Rec Committee representative said that they would be recommending approval of a scaled down (smaller) version and grow from there.

Clerk clarified that the motion is to approve Hunterdon Games, as presented in writing and explained by the Mayor tonight. CFO Brennan asked that the motion be approved subject to a Certificate of Insurance being provided naming Union Township as an additional insured. She also asked if any consideration has been given to use Bundt Park in Clinton Township or Bethlehem Township Heritage Park. The reason for asking is that those parks have bathroom facilities, running water and a septic system. Her concern is what Finn Road Park can hold. Mayor answered that this event will not be nearly the size of FinnFest.

The following motion was made and seconded for approval: To hold “Hunterdon Games” in Finn Road Park on Saturday, August 20th (1 pm – 6 pm); rain date: Sunday, August 21st.

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Mazza				x		
Mr. Hirt						x
Mr. Stiger	x		x			
Mr. Lordi				x		
Dr. DeGiralamo		x	x			

Motion Denied

Mr. Mazza proposed a motion be presented to approve the event as recommended by UT Rec Committee. No second was offered.

The Clerk suggested holding another meeting that would give the Committee additional time to further discuss and come to an agreement to everyone’s satisfaction.

Mr. Stiger proposed that participation by other municipalities be limited to 4. No second was offered.

Miglis Donald, 441 Route 579, commented on the Mayor statements that he is trying to make everything inclusive, but Mr. Donald said Olympics are not inclusive. They are held for highest quality athletes and suggested that the number of events and participants be reduced from the original proposal and still allow for all 8 municipalities to participate.

Paul Muir, Bethlehem Twp. Mayor, said that parks where the event will be held in future years can be rotated. However, this year being it is Mr. DeGiralamo’s idea it should be held in Union Twp. Mr. Muir also said there is excitement about this event and support on the County level.

Mr. Lordi suggested that perhaps the Games could be held, as mentioned tonight in one of the participating municipalities. He said lessons learned from this year’s event could be applied to our town the following year. Mayor answered that he does not want the first Games held in another Township. It is an idea that originated in Union Twp. and if it needs to be downsized to make everyone happy so be it.

Janice Kovach, Town of Clinton Mayor, said every week there is an event hosted by the Town. This event is about having fun and bringing communities together. Our parks should not be shrines, she said they are there for use of our communities. This event is an opportunity to have fun and Mayor Kovach said she is looking forward to having fun.

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Mayor Muir made additional statements in favor of holding Hunterdon Games in Union Twp.

Mayor DeGiralamo asked that the following motion be approved: To reduce the number of participants per team to 20 with all 8 municipalities participating.

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Mazza				x		
Mr. Hirt						x
Mr. Stiger		x	x			
Mr. Lordi				x		
Dr. DeGiralamo	x		x			

Motion Denied

Discussion regarding Hunterdon Games continued.

Mr. Stiger recommended that we schedule a Special Meeting in about a week to address everyone’s issues and concerns and come to an agreement as to location and the size of this event.

Mike Sadusky suggested, as an alternate location, one of the Township schools. They have parking, running water, bathroom facilities, etc.

Mr. Stiger asked that the following motion be approved: to schedule a special meeting to finalize plans for Hunterdon Games.

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Mazza			x			
Mr. Hirt						x
Mr. Stiger		x	x			
Mr. Lordi			x			
Dr. DeGiralamo	x		x			

Motion Carried

14. REPORTS

- a. **Attorney’s Report** – no report tonight
- b. **Committee Report**

Mr. Stiger reported the following:

- Made a comment on Ancillary Police Patrols agreement approved earlier tonight.
- 30 participants in well testing this year.
- Gave an update on fall cleanup. Thanked Brandi Bartolomeo who brought girls crew to help with the cleanup.

Mr. Mazza reported the following:

- Updated the Committee on the June Rec Committee meeting

- Rec Committee Chairman McCormack met with Engineer Clerico at Finn Rd. Park to discuss paving of the trail and expansion of parking lot
- New shed was delivered to the Park
- Volleyball court will be improved

Mr. Lordi reported the following:

- On 6/13/22 met with Alan Ford and a Township resident about Perryville One building within the Foster Wheeler Complex. The building is being auctioned off.
- Hoping that the design of the Township Seal is approved at the next Committee meeting. Redesigning of our website will not start until the Seal is approved
- Possibly going back to bi-weekly meetings was briefly discussed. It was agreed to wait a few months to decide.

c. Finance Officer's Report

- Tax Collector will be back to work in two weeks.
- Resolution to apply for a grant available through The County was approved tonight. It is a \$5,000.00 grant and hopefully it will be approved. If received it will be applied towards our Community Day scheduled for September.

d. Mayor's Report

Mayor DeGiralamo appointed Brandi Bartolomeo as Alternate Member to Union Township Planning Board/Board of Adjustments.

- Union Hills Fire – updated the Committee on fund raising for affected residents. No information on when units will be habitable again.
- Asked residents present at the meeting if they received the latest Newsletter. Responses were that some did and some did not.

15. PUBLIC COMMENTS – none

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Township Committee at this time Mr. Stiger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 p.m. Mr. Mazza seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Transcribed by: Ella M. Ruta, Municipal Clerk

David DeGiralamo, Mayor