

Public Meeting
June 21, 2021

Meeting was opened by Mayor Branella at 6:30pm. Those present were J. McCleary, M. Mevoli, P. Moses and P. McConnell. The Solicitor was Timothy Higgins, Esq.

This Meeting was advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and complies with all the laws therein.

MEETING MINUTES: Regular Session & Executive Session Held on May 17, 2021 and Special Meeting held on June 7, 2021

Motion to accept P. Moses
2nd M. Mevoli
All In Favor - Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Motion to accept M. Mevoli
2nd P. Moses
All In Favor - Carried

CORRESPONDENCE: T. Twichell stated there has been a good response on social media regarding the fireworks on Saturday, June 26th

PROCLAMATION PRESENTATION: Gloucester City High School Students

ENGINEER'S REPORT - Greg Fusco discussed the resolutions on the agenda for the governing body approval. Greg also discussed the final voucher and change order for the renovations to Borough Home properties. Greg talked about the water main interconnector project. Greg also discussed the Open Space funding and inquired about the community garden fencing. Administrator Giles stated we want to have the fence completed and have the beds installed by the fall. The bulkhead plantings were discussed.

PUBLIC PORTION: (Individuals must state their name and address for the record and respect the five-minute time limit while addressing the Governing Body)

Motion to open M. Mevoli
2nd P. Moses
All in Favor - Carried

Motion to close P. Moses
2nd P. McConnell
All in Favor - Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

Public Hearing: Tabled from May 17, 2021

(Introduced March 15th, 2021)

ORDINANCE No. 7-2021 - Amending Chapter 72, Construction Codes, Uniform, for the Borough of Brooklawn, County of Camden, State of New Jersey

Motion to Open to the Public By: P. Moses 2nd: P. McConnell
Motion to Close to the Public By: M. Mevoli 2nd: P. McConnell

Adoption:

Motion to Adopt By: M. Mevoli 2nd: P. McConnell
Roll Call Vote 4-0

Public Hearing:

(Introduced May 17, 2021)

ORDINANCE No. 11-2021 - Establishment of a Green Development Checklist for Major Development

ORDINANCE No. 12-2021 - Regulating Outdoor Lighting in the Borough of Brooklawn

ORDINANCE No. 13-2021 - Adding Chapter 121A, Smoking in Public Areas, in the Code of the Borough of Brooklawn

Motion to Open to the Public By: P. Moses 2nd: P. McConnell
Motion to Close to the Public By: P. McConnell 2nd: M. Mevoli

Adoption:

Motion to Adopt By: M. Mevoli 2nd: J. McCleary
Roll Call Vote 4-0

NEW BUSINESS:

Introduction of:

ORDINANCE No. 16-2021 - Vacating Portions of a Certain Right-Of-Ways Within the Borough of Brooklawn

First Reading
Motion to Introduce: M. Mevoli
2nd P. McConnell
Roll Call Vote: 4-0

CONSENT AGENDA

The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Borough of Brooklawn and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

(Motion to approve/deny all Resolutions listed under the Consent Agenda by Roll Call Vote)

RESOLUTION NO. 89-2021 - Appointment of Housing Inspector - Dennis Morina

RESOLUTION NO. 90-2021 - Authorizing the Sale of Certain Borough Owned Properties

RESOLUTION NO. 91-2021 - Authorizing Renewal of Liquor Licenses for 2021-2022

RESOLUTION NO. 92-2021 - Authorizing Award of Contract for 2022 Pickup Truck

RESOLUTION NO. 93-2021 - Authorization to Apply Municipal Lien

RESOLUTION NO. 94-2021 - Support for the Brooklawn Fire Department to Participate in a Volunteer Tuition Credit Program

RESOLUTION NO. 95-2021 - Authorizing the Submission of an Application to the New Jersey Finance Board Pursuant to N. J. S. A. 40A:2 -26

RESOLUTION NO. 96-2021 - Authorizing Change Order No. 5 - Final for Work Performed by B & H Contractors on the Water Treatment Plant Improvements and Water Distribution System Rehabilitation with a Decrease of \$1000.00

RESOLUTION NO. 97-2021 – Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$1,141,000 of General Obligation Bonds, USDA Series 2021, of the Borough of Brooklawn; Making Certain Covenants to Maintain the Exemption of the Interest on Said Bonds from Federal Income Taxation; and Authorizing Such Further Actions and Making Such Determinations as May be Necessary or Appropriate to Effectuate the Issuance and Sale of the Bonds

Prior to the consent agenda vote there was a discussion regarding the sale of Borough owned property referenced in resolution 90-21 and it was agreed the auction bid would start at \$35,000.

Motion to accept: P. Moses
2nd: M. Mevoli
Roll Call Vote 4-0

END CONSENT AGENDA

-----**CONCLUSION OF NEW BUSINESS**-----

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS: \$287,329.69

Motion – J. McCleary
2nd – M. Mevoli
Roll Call Vote: 4-0

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Council member P. Moses stated New Jersey Sustainable application was submitted and thanked everyone involved for their efforts to get it completed and discussed the process going forward. P. Moses also discussed a new nursery he will be working with for the rain garden and stated he will be reaching out to Council President J. McCleary for the collaboration with Rotary Club for planting. Patrick also stated the new welcome packet is completed and ready to be distributed. Council President J. McCleary discussed the Borough Homes and gave an update on renovations and mentioned the Borough Homes inspections that were recently completed and issues that need to be addressed are being addressed. Julie also stated a new colling/heating unit was installed in one of the Borough Homes. Council member M. Mevoli stated the new scoreboard has been put up and looks very nice. Council Member Mevoli discussed the ballfields and the police cameras. Council member P. McConnell reminded everyone the fireworks are on Saturday, June 26 and inquired about a rain date. Administrator Giles stated he will find out regarding the rain date. P. McConnell thanked Public Works for the job well done especially on Memorial Park and the clean up along the waterfront. Mayor Branella discussed the pending project list and would discuss it further with Council so the small

projects previously discussed can begin to be worked on again. Administrator Giles reminded everyone to please complete the financial disclosure statement and the importance of doing so to avoid any fines.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Motion P. Moses
2nd P. McConnell
All in favor - Carried

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, July 19, 2021