

Public Meeting
December 20, 2021

Meeting was opened by Mayor Branella at 6:30 pm. Those present were J. McCleary, M. Mevoli, J. Granstrom, P. Moses, P. McConnell, J. Clotworthy
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 held on November 15, 2021

**Motion to accept: M. Mevoli 2nd: P. McConnell
All In Favor: Carried**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Motion to accept: P. Moses 2nd: J. Clotworthy
All In Favor**

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

ENGINEER'S REPORT - Greg Fusco

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: P. Moses 2nd: P. McConnell
All in Favor**

**Motion to close: M. Mevoli 2nd: J. Clotworthy
All in Favor**

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS

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. 129-21 - Authorize Cancellation of Property Taxes Under \$10.00

RESOLUTION NO. 130-21 - Authorization of Deferred School Taxes

RESOLUTION NO. 131-21 - Authorize Budget Transfer #2

RESOLUTION NO. 132-21 - Authorize Award of Contract for Purchase of Calcium Hypochlorite Tablets

RESOLUTION NO. 133-21 - Authorize Shared Service Agreement Between the Borough of Brooklawn and the Borough of Bellmawr, Relative to the Maintenance of Municipal Fleet for the Borough of Brooklawn

RESOLUTION NO. 134-21 - Acceptance of Resignation of Joshua Blackiston

RESOLUTION NO. 135-21 - Authorize Agreement with Camden County Animal Shelter Homeward Bound Pet Adoption, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 136-21 - Authorize Cancellation of Numerous Accounts as Per Audit

RESOLUTION NO. 137-21 - Authorizing Emergency Reconstruction of Well 4

**Motion to accept: P. Moses 2nd: P. McConnell
Roll Call Vote: 6-0**

END CONSENT AGENDA

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

Reorganization Meeting Date

Dates for Council Meetings in January and February 2022 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day & Presidents Day)

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

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS: \$630,844.00

**Motion to accept: P. McConnell 2nd: P. Moses
Roll Call Vote: 6-0**

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Council member Moses discussed the upcoming Shade Tree meeting and exciting new plans for the new year and wished everyone a Merry Christmas. Council member Mevoli thanked everyone involved in the tree lighting and also thanked Public Works for the beautiful decorations. Council member Mevoli also discussed the ballfields and the possibility of use of the fields for Little League training and stated the necessary details would need to be added to the resolution. Council member Clotworthy commented on the great Christmas decorations and stated he enjoys all the events and the small town feeling of Brooklawn and also stated this is his second year and how being on Council feels like a family to him. Council member McConnell commented on the Christmas decorations this year, and a thank you to Iwona Kuczek for her help with decorating the gazebo. Council member McConnell stated she wanted to wish Officer Blackiston the best of luck as he leaves his position with the Borough of Brooklawn. Council member Granstrom inquired about the emergency water main connection and also inquired when the project would begin. The questions were addressed by Administrator Giles. Council member Granstrom also commented on the Brooklawn Circle and the social media group, "Is the Brooklawn Circle Flooded?" Council member Granstrom also stated the Legion field looks fantastic and wished everyone Happy Holidays. Assistant Superintendent of PW Mike Ostrom stated all Christmas Decorations have been completed and stated the street light repair list has been turned over to PSE & G. The 4 well redevelopment has been completed and all snow plow equipment is ready for the season and lastly Mike stated he is working with Chief Ellis a new digital speed limit sign for Hannevig Ave. Council President discussed the concern of residents that have come to recent Council meetings regarding the need for repairs at the playground. Council President McCleary discussed a collaboration with Fox Roach Trident Charities, Gloucester-Brooklawn Rotary and the Borough as well as Alice Costello School for improvements to the playground through grants. Council member McCleary stated Council member Clotworthy agreed to spear head the project. Administrator Giles stated there is also funds available that will contribute to the cost of the project. Council member McCleary stated there will be more information to share in the near future and thanked Council for their support of the project. Deputy Clerk Todd Twichell wished everyone a happy holiday season. Administrator Giles thanked the Administrative office for their hard work throughout the past year and also thanked both the Police dept. and Public Works for their hard work and thanked the Fire dept. as well as the support of Council throughout 2021.

Motion to adjourn:

Motion: P. McConnell 2nd: M. Mevoli

All in favor: Carried

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, January 3, 2022 (Reorganization)