

Public Meeting  
January 17, 2023

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

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

**VACANCY ON COUNCIL:**

Nomination for Council by the Democratic Committee are as follows:

Stacey Ostrom

Kim Meehan

Kevin Everhart

**Motion to nominate Stacey Ostrom**  
**Motion made by: P. Moses 2<sup>nd</sup>: M. Mevoli**  
**Roll Call Vote: 3-0**

**OATH OF OFFICE** - New Council Member Stacey Ostrom by Mayor McCleary

**MEETING MINUTES:** Regular Session held December 20, 2022 and  
Reorganization meeting held January 7, 2023

**Motion to accept J. Granstrom 2<sup>nd</sup> M. Mevoli**  
**All In Favor**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Motion to accept M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Moses**  
**All In Favor**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**N/A**

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** - Greg Fusco stated there is a resolution regarding recreation grant for children's playground is on the agenda. Once resolution is approved the application will be submitted. Funding from DOT roads program to be submitted for approval.

**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 J. Granstrom 2<sup>nd</sup> M. Mevoli**  
**All in Favor**

**Motion to close M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> J. Granstrom**  
**All in Favor**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Introduction of:**

**ORDINANCE No. 1-2023** – COLA Ordinance for 2023

**Introduction of:**

**ORDINANCE No. 2-2023** – Salary Ordinance for 2023

**Introduction of:**

**ORDINANCE No. 3-2023** – Amending Article III, in Chapter 150, Zoning, in the Code of the Borough of Brooklawn

**First Reading:**

**Motion to Introduce: By J. Granstrom 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Moses**

**Roll Call Vote: 3-0**

**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. 61-2023** – Authorization for Increase of Temporary 2023 Budget

**RESOLUTION NO. 62-2023** – Authorization to Refer Certain Matters to the Borough of Brooklawn Planning Board for Review and Recommendations Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26

**RESOLUTION NO. 63-2023** – Directing and Authorizing the Brooklawn Planning Board to Undertake a Preliminary Investigation to Ascertain Whether Certain Properties and Areas Within the Borough of Brooklawn are in Need of Redevelopment

**RESOLUTION NO. 64-2023** – Approval of Telephone Allowance for Mayor and Council

**RESOLUTION NO. 65-2023** - Approval of Telephone Allowance and Travel Expenses for Certain Borough Employees

**RESOLUTION NO. 66-2023** - Approval to Pay Certain Bills Prior to Council Meetings

**RESOLUTION NO. 67-2023** - Authorizing Bingo and Raffle License for Avon Parent Teachers Association

**RESOLUTION NO. 68-2023** - Authorizing Bingo and Raffle License for The Arc of Camden County

**RESOLUTION NO. 69-2023** - Authorizing Raffle License for PTA Alice Costello Elementary School

**RESOLUTION NO. 70-2023** - Authorizing Tax Assessor to File, Stipulate, Settle Both Regular and Added/Omitted Tax Appeals, and Roll Back Tax Complaints for the Borough of Brooklawn

**RESOLUTION NO. 71-2023** - Authorize the Execution and Submission of the Application for Local Recreation Improvement Grant, FY2023 for the Brooklawn Children's Playground Improvements

**RESOLUTION NO. 72-2023** - Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement by and Between Westville Fire District #1 and the Borough of Brooklawn to Provide Services of a Code Enforcement Official

**RESOLUTION NO. 73-2023** - Authorizing Bingo and Raffle License for Rotary Club of Gloucester City - Brooklawn

**RESOLUTION NO. 74-2023** - Appointment of Planning and Zoning Mayor Designee - Stacey Ostrom

**Motion to accept M. Mevoli 2nd P. Moses  
Roll Call Vote: 3-0**

**END CONSENT AGENDA**

**ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:** Reminder of change of date for February Council meeting (Moved to Tuesday, February 21, 2023 due to Presidents Day holiday)

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:** Mayor McCleary stated all council members have received their committee assignments and if anyone has any question or concerns regarding their assignments, to please discuss with her.

**BILLS & VOUCHERS:** Approval of payment of Bills: \$152,592.83

**Motion to accept P. Moses 2<sup>nd</sup> M. Mevoli  
Roll Call Vote: 3-0**

**COMMENTS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Council member J. Granstrom stated he looks forward to working with new Council member S. Ostrom and congratulated her. Council member Granstrom asked a question regarding the website for clarification and also had a discussion about the possibility of an information board especially for the purpose of notifying people in the event of flooding. There was a discussion between council members, police chief and public works regarding the ongoing flooding situation and ways to notify the public. Council member M. Mevoli congratulated new Council member S. Ostrom and Mayor McCleary. Council member Mevoli clarified that the state was contacted regarding a meeting about the flooding and that he looks forward to a response regarding a date for the meeting. Council president P. Moses congratulated S. Ostrom and stated he looks forward to working with her. Patrick also stated he is looking forward to the meeting with the state and working together to find a solution. Patrick also thanked the police department for the great job they do handling the flooding situation. Council member S. Ostrom thanked everyone for having her as part of council. Public works deputy superintendent M. Ostrom stated leaf season is completed for the year. Mike also discussed the Clean Shores program and the recent clean up along the waterfront from the storm damage. Administrator Giles congratulated new council member S. Ostrom and stated he will be working with her on the budget since she was appointed to the finance committee. Mayor McCleary congratulated S. Ostrom and Council president P. Moses and stated she is looking forward to everyone achieving great things as everyone continues to build on Mayor Emeritus Branella's accomplishments.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> J. Granstrom  
All in favor**

*Next meeting scheduled on Tuesday, February 21, 2023*