

Public meeting
October 16, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Mayor McCleary at 6:30 pm. Those present were M. Mevoli, J. Granstrom, P. McConnell, J. Clotworthy, S. Ostrom. The Solicitor was Timothy Higgins

Public Notice:

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

MEETING MINUTES: Regular & executive sessions held on September 18, 2023 & special meeting held on October 2, 2023

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Motion to accept J. Clotworthy 2nd S, Ostrom
All In Favor: Carried**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Administrator Ryan Giles and Mayor McCleary read letters from Brooklawn United Methodist Church thanking Public Works and Brooklawn Police for the help with the Church's recent Block Party.

ONGOING PROJECTS:

Mayor McCleary discussed the Fall Festival cancellation, upcoming Halloween Party, Indigo grand opening, new playground

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 J. Clotworthy
All in Favor: Carried**

Nina Cattanea of 115 Pennsylvania Road expressed her concerns regarding the recent chlorine levels in the water supply and also asked when there would be a meeting regarding the PFNA situation. Resident also expressed concerns regarding the lighting along Timber Blvd. by the ballfield. The issues were addressed by Greg Fusco, Mike Mevoli, Mike Ostrom and Chief Shamus Ellis. Pat Newcome of 117 Pennsylvania Road expressed her dislike of the new pavilion on the waterfront and inquired if anything would be going inside it. Resident Pat Newcome also asked if the flushing of the fire

hydrants can be completed at night instead of during the day when people are showering and doing laundry. There was also an inquiry regarding the progress of Take 5 Car Wash and Cannabis Cultivator.

Kathleen Maass of 306 Christiana St. inquired about the finishing touches on the new playground, and was addressed by Council member J. Clotworthy as to the completion of the project.

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT - Greg Fusco stated DOT will be issuing their concurrence letter regarding Lake Drive project that was awarded, but as soon as they do, a contract can be issued and scheduling of the reconstruction project will occur. Still waiting for authorization from USDA to advertise for PFNA project.

OLD BUSINESS:

(Introduced a at special meeting held on October 2, 2023)

ORDINANCE No. 13-2023 - Amending Article II of Chapter 150, Zoning, in the Code of the Borough of Brooklawn

**Motion to Open to the Public: M. Mevoli 2nd P. McConnell
Motion to Close to the Public: J. Granstrom 2nd M. Mevoli**

Adoption:

Motion to Adopt: M. Mevoli 2nd P. McConnell

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

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. 138-2023 - Authorization to Apply Municipal Lien

RESOLUTION NO. 139-2023 – Authorize a Shared Services Agreement By and Between the Borough of Westville and the Borough of Brooklawn Relative to the Services of a Tax Collector by and for the Borough of Brooklawn

RESOLUTION NO. 140-2023 – Authorization to Execute Contract for Borough Administrator

RESOLUTION NO. 141-2023 – Authorization to Execute Contract for Borough Administrative Employees

RESOLUTION NO. 142-2023 - Authorize Resolution to Affirm the Borough of Brooklawn's Civil Rights Policy

RESOLUTION NO. 143-2023 - Appointment of Temporary Police Officer - Dylan Barsony

RESOLUTION NO. 144-2023 - Authorizing Shared Service Agreement between the Borough of Brooklawn and Camden County Department of Public Works for Installation and Maintenance of Solar Powered Rapid Flashing Beacons

Motion to accept: J. Clotworthy 2nd M. Mevoli
Roll Call Vote: 5-0

END CONSENT AGENDA

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION: Best Practices - Administrator Giles discussed with Mayor and Council the score of 35 out of 40 and what items need to be addressed.

CONCLUSION OF NEW BUSINESS:

BILLS & VOUCHERS:

List of Bills:

Motion to pay all bills and vouchers that are in order

Motion to accept: M/ Mevoli 2nd: P. McConnell
Roll Call Vote: 5-0

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Mayor McCleary introduced Dan Direnzo from Bellmawr EMS who addressed Mayor and Council regarding services provided to Brooklawn and looks forward to continue working with the Borough of Brooklawn. Fire Chief McKinney stated they have new

members. Police Chief Ellis stated all is good with the Department. PW Superintendent M. Ostrom stated the playground is close to completion and more work will be done at the new pavilion. Council member S. Ostrom no comment. Council member P. McConnell stated the hours for trick or treating and inquired about leaf collection. Council member M. Mevoli stated he is very pleased with the new playground and also stated the waterfront looks good. He also mentioned the grass is growing in the damaged areas of the baseball field. Council member J. Clotworthy gave a detailed wrap up of the close completion of the playground and stated signs will be going up when they are ready to be installed as well as pads throughout for safety. John Clotworthy thanked everyone involved that volunteered with the construction including public works employees. Council member S. Granstrom stated there should possibly be a daily update on the circle flooding. Administrator Giles stated the next meeting would most likely include the increase for EMS and stated he is looking into increasing the budget for the fire department. The finance committee would meet by the end of the year to discuss the new budget.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: M. Mevoli 2nd P. McConnell

All in favor: Carried

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, November 20, 2023