

Public meeting  
November 20, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Mayor McCleary at 6:30 pm. Those present were M. Mevoli, Moses, 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 session held on October 16, 2023

**Motion to accept J. Clotworthy 2<sup>nd</sup> P. McConnell  
All In Favor: Carried**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** **Motion to accept P. Moses 2<sup>nd</sup> S. Ostrom  
All In Favor: Carried**

**CORRESPONDENCE:** N/A

**ONGOING PROJECTS:** Mayor gave an update on continuing projects including the opening of Chipotle.

**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. McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Moses  
All in Favor: Carried**

Pat Newcome of 117 Pennsylvania expressed her concerns regarding the lighting around the ballfield area along Timber Blvd. Her concerns were addressed by Council member Mike Mevoli. Katherine Maass of 306 Christiana St. inquired as to why there was not a sign with rules for use of the playground. Her concerns were addressed by Council member John Clotworthy. Fran McKinney of 107 Lake Drive expressed concerns regarding the drainage project near his residence and engineer Greg Fusco addressed the matter. Gary Bobo of Gloucester City requested utilizing the ball fields for a baseball travel Program. Mr. Bobo said he would provide all necessary paperwork needed for use of the fields. Council member Mike Mevoli addressed the matter.

**Motion to close P. McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Moses  
All in Favor: Carried**

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** - Greg Fusco the Borough received 148,970 grant from DOT. for 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. (Center to Lake Drive) project. Greg gave an update on phase 2 of 4<sup>th</sup> street. Final vouchers are on the agenda. Contracts were issued and a pre-construction meeting has been scheduled for the work on 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Regarding the water treatment plant, the DEP called with additional questions on the project. Minor changes were made to the specifications and were sent to the state.

**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. 145-23** - Authorization to Apply Municipal Lien

**RESOLUTION NO. 146-23** - Authorization to Advertise for Purchase of Calcium Hypochlorite Tablets

**RESOLUTION NO. 147-23** - Authorize Agreement with Camden County Animal Shelter Homeward Bound Pet Adoption, Inc.

**RESOLUTION NO. 148-23** - Authorization to Establish and Implement a Fair and Open Process for the Selection of Various Professional Service Providers for the Borough of Brooklawn for the Year 2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 149-23** - Authorizing Acceptance of Resignation from Fire Subcode Official - David Munoz, Effective November 20, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 150-23** - Authorizing Acceptance of Resignation from Police Officer, Cody Nicholas Effective November 13, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. 151-23** - Authorization to Execute Contract for Borough of Brooklawn Police Chief

**RESOLUTION NO. 152-23** Authorization to Execute Contract for Borough of Brooklawn Police Officers

**RESOLUTION NO. 153-23** - Authorization to Execute Contract for Borough of Brooklawn Public Works Superintendent

**RESOLUTION NO. 154-23** - Authorization to Approve Final Voucher No. 4 and Final Change Order No. 4 for Work Performed by DiMeglio Construction Company, Inc. for the Reconstruction of Fourth Street - Phase 2 Project (a decrease of \$33,755.25)

**RESOLUTION NO. 155-23** - Authorize Budget Transfer #1

**RESOLUTION NO. 156-23** -Authorize Shared Services Agreement by and Between the Boroughs of Mt. Ephraim, Barrington and Brooklawn and the Borough of Oaklyn Relative to the Sharing of the Services of the Oaklyn Municipal Court by and for the Boroughs of Mt. Ephraim, Barrington and Brooklawn

**RESOLUTION NO. 158-23** - Authorize Bingo & Raffle Licenses for Brooklawn American Legion

**Motion to accept M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Moses  
Roll Call Vote: 5-0**

(Council member Ostrom abstained from Resolution No. 153-23)

**END CONSENT AGENDA**

**CONCLUSION OF NEW BUSINESS:**

**ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:**

New meeting format - Mayor McCleary discussed the new format and what will be expected going forward regarding reports from each Council member.

**FIRE APPLICATION:**

Acceptance of Fireman's Association Application for Membership:

Joseph M. Marshall  
Andrew M. Marshall

**Motion to accept P. Moses 2<sup>nd</sup> P. McConnell  
All in Favor: Carried**

**BILLS & VOUCHERS:**

List of Bills:

Motion to pay all bills and vouchers that are in order

**Motion to accept M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> S. Ostrom  
Roll Call Vote 5-0**

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

Police Chief Ellis discussed Police Officer Cody Nicholas's resignation and his new position and wished him the best of luck. Public Works Asst. Superintendent Mike Ostrom stated due to the construction along New Broadway that the snowflake decorations are only being installed along a portion of the street and also discussed leaf collection and preparations for winter. Council member Ostrom asked for clarification as to where leaves should be placed. Council member Clotworthy discussed the soft grand opening of the playground and thanked everyone that was involved in the process. Council member M. Mevoli stated there is an issue with a section the siding at the Community Center that needs to be addressed and a concern for rodents entering the building. Council member Mevoli also discussed the ball fields and stated the hand dryers at field of dreams need to be repaired. Council member Mevoli also discussed the centennial celebration. Council member McConnell

Council member Moses discussed the Bonal Blues Concert at the Community Center and our annual tree lighting and gave details about both events. Council member Moses thanked Public Works in advance for all their hard work especially with our new tree. Council member Moses stated it was a successful Halloween party in October at the Community Center and then discussed the bus shelters on New Broadway. Deputy Clerk Todd Twichell stated the newsletter will be in mailboxes by the weekend with lots of information for residents, including all our holiday events. Borough Administrator Giles stated there is no money to spend for 2023 and discussed the new budget including the amount for the 100 year celebration. Mayor McCleary stated she would like to work on a project in 2024 for fundraising for pediatric cancer.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: RESOLUTION NO. 159-2023** - Authorizing executive session to discuss church property

**Motion M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> J. Clotworthy**

**All in favor: Carried**

**Time in: 7:38 pm**

Back to public session 8:00 pm

**RESOLUTION NO. 160-23** - Authorization to decline the offer received of \$310,000 for the purchase of church property

**Motion: M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> P. McConnell**  
**Roll Call Vote: 5-0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 157-23** Authorize the Execution of a Redeveloper's Agreement with Delco Development, Inc., or its Assigns, for Purposes of Implementing the Redevelopment of Block 105, Lot 2

**Motion: M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> J. Clotworthy**  
**Roll Call Vote: 5-0**

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Moses**  
**Roll Call: 5-0**

*Next meeting scheduled for Monday, December 18, 2023*