

Public Meeting  
January 16, 2024

Meeting was called to order by Mayor McCleary at 6:30 pm. Those present were J. Granstrom, P. McConnell, S. Ostrom, C. MacAdams. 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 December 18, 2023 and  
Reorganization meeting held January 6, 2024

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

N/A

**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

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

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** - Greg Fusco stated there is a voucher and change order on the agenda for Landberg Construction for approval. The 2023 NJDOT application for Third Ave. is being prepared for submission. Greg gave an update on the water plant plans and discussed the timeline for the project and award of contract.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Introduction of:**

**ORDINANCE No. 1-2024** – COLA Ordinance for 2024

**Introduction of:**

**ORDINANCE No. 2-2024** – Salary Ordinance for 2024

**First Reading:**

**Motion to Introduce:** C. MacAdams **By** Sec. P. McConnell

**Roll Call Vote:** 5-0

**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. 58-2024** - Authorization for Increase of Temporary 2024 Budget

**RESOLUTION NO. 59-2024** - 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. 60-2024** - Authorizing Bingo and Raffle License for Haddon Township High School

**RESOLUTION NO. 61-2024** - Approval to Pay Certain Bills Prior to Council Meetings

**RESOLUTION NO. 62-2024** - Authorization to Approve Voucher No. 1 and Change Order No. 1 for Work Performed by Landberg Construction LLC for the Reconstruction of Fourth Street - Phase 2 Project (no increase or decrease)

**RESOLUTION NO. 63-2024** - Authorize Acceptance of Resignation from Police Officer Dylan Barsony

**RESOLUTION NO. 64-2024** - Authorizing Bingo and Raffle License for Rotary Club of Gloucester City -Brooklawn

**Motion to accept** P. Moses **2<sup>nd</sup>** S. Ostrom  
**Roll Call Vote**

**END CONSENT AGENDA**

**ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:** Reminder of change of date for February Council meeting  
(Moved to Tuesday, February 20, 2024 due to Presidents Day holiday)

**CONCLUSION OF NEW BUSINESS:**

**BILLS & VOUCHERS:**

List of Bills:

Motion to pay all bills and vouchers that are in order

**Motion to accept P. Moses 2<sup>nd</sup> J. Granstrom**

**Roll Call Vote: 5-0**

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Council member Patrick Moses gave an update on Sustainable New Jersey. Council member S. Ostrom gave an update on all Borough Homes where repairs were needed. Council member J. Granstrom gave an update regarding flooding and suggested a sea wall or bulk head is needed to resolve the matter. Council member Granstrom also stated for the police committee he will be scheduling a meeting with Police Chief Shamus Ellis gave an update on the Police department and the three new hires and their academy training. Administrator Giles stated a meeting will be scheduled with the Fire Department and the committee. Council member McConnell stated leaf collection for the season has ended and discussed the debris along the waterfront from the recent storm and the clean-up process. Council member Moses gave an update on Celebrations and upcoming events and also gave an update on the progress of the bus shelters.

Public Works Assistant Superintendent M. Ostrom talked about the Clean Shores program and the schedule for assistance by them for cleanup of the waterfront. Mike also discussed the recent trimming of trees by Nelson tree service contracted by PSEG. Mike shared with Mayor and Council a logo sign he had made recently and suggested it be placed at the new pavilion. Administrator Giles stated the Empire Diner was sold and now will be the Falcon Diner and a new sign will be going up soon. Owner of Knotty Oaks - Victoria Square may be acquiring 2 new tenants. The Weber's property should be demoed within the next month as the new owner has received approval from Planning and Zoning. The Ameral building was recently sold. Administrator Giles gave an update on the status of tax collection for the Borough.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: RESOLUTION NO. 65-2024** - Authorizing executive session to discuss matters of contract Time in 7:25 pm

**Motion P. McConnell 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Moses**

**All in favor: Carried**

*Next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 2024*