Public Meeting March 17, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. Those present were J. Granstrom, C. MacAdams, B. Darrow, P. McConnell, J. Clotworthy, S. Ostrom The Solicitor was Brian Louzke

Public Notice:

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

MEETING MINUTES: Work Session held February 5, 2025 and Regular session held February 18, 2025

Motion to accept C. MacAdams 2nd P. McConnell

All In Favor: Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Motion to accept C. MacAdams 2nd B. Darrow

All In Favor: Carried

CORRESPONDENCE: Administrator Ryan Giles read the resignation letter of Council member Christina Houchins

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 B. Darrow 2nd P. McConnell All in Favor: Carried

John Clotworthy stated for the record he is a private citizen, business person and council member and went on to explain the importance to him and his family regarding the memorialization / honorary renaming of Salem Road. John continued by addressing concerns on social media that were brought up and clarified each one.

Bonnie McKinney 113 Lake Drive discussed the history of Salem Road and stated there are many families that have deep roots in the Borough of Brooklawn. Mrs. McKinney stated she would reach out to the Camden County Historical Society regarding plaques that would recognize the history.

Motion to close B. Darrow **2**nd C. MacAdams All in Favor: Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

Ordinances: (Introduced on February 18, 2025) 2nd Reading - Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 6-2025 – Amending and Supplementing Chapter 150, Entitled "Miscellaneous Regulations", of the Code of the Borough of Brooklawn

Ordinance No. 7-2025 – Amending and Supplementing Chapter 112, Entitled "Parks and Recreation", of the Code of the Borough of Brooklawn

Ordinance No. 8-2025 – Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Completion of Various Improvements Capital Improvements in the Borough of Brooklawn, Appropriating the Sum of \$945,000

Motion to Open to the Public By C. MacAdams 2nd P. McConnell Motion to Close to the Public By C. MacAdams 2nd B. Darrow

Adoption:

Motion to Adopt: By C. MacAdams 2nd P. McConnell

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

NEW BUSINESS:

BUDGET:

Introduction of:

2025 Municipal Budget by Title Only

First Reading:

Motion to Introduce: By B. Darrow 2nd C. MacAdams Roll Call Vote: 5-0

ORDINANCE: First Reading - Introduction of Ordinance

Ordinance No. 9-2025 - Amending Chapter 32 Land Use Procedures in the Code of the Borough of Brooklawn

Motion to Introduce: By B. Darrow **2**nd J. Clotworthy **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. 83-2025 – Authorizing Acceptance of a Certified List from the Brooklawn Fire Department of Participating Members for LOSAP (Length of Service Awards program) for the Year 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 84-2025 – Authorizing the Borough of Brooklawn's Participation in the National Park Service River Town Review Through Partnership with Old Pine Farm Natural Land Trust

RESOLUTION NO. 85-2025 – Authorization to Install Speed Bumps Along Timber Blvd. and Pershing Road

RESOLUTION NO. 86-2025 - Authorizing the Painting of the Water Recycling Tank

RESOLUTION NO. 87-2025 – Authorizing a Property Tax Exemption for a Totally Disabled Veteran, Anthony Ciletti

RESOLUTION NO 88-2025 - Authorization to Approve Change Order No. 3 to Extend the Contract Time (160) Calendar Days to Allow for the Purchase, Delivery and Construction of a New Pole Barn Structure to House the New GAC Equipment

RESOLUTION NO. 89-2025 – Authorization to Approve Change Order No. 4 to reflect the addition of new pressure transmitters to replace the old gauges prior to and after the new GAC equipment as requested by the system operator. Revising the contract cost from 1,633,972.11 to \$1,863,717.11 (Increase of \$229,745.00).

Motion to accept B. Darrow **2**nd J. Clotworthy **Roll Call Vote:** 5-0

END CONSENT AGENDA CONCLUSION OF NEW BUSINESS:

BILLS & VOUCHERS:

List of Bills:

Motion to pay all bills and vouchers that are in order

Motion to accept J. Clotworthy 2nd C. MacAdams Roll Call Vote: 5-0

OPEN TO COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council member Clotworthy discussed the police calls regarding the Rodeway Inn. John requested of Sargeant McKenney to look into a follow up discussion with the owners of the property. Council member Clotworthy stated he was asked of a resident about the possibility of speed bumps along Tommy MacAdams Way. There was a discussion of possibly reducing the speed on the street. Council member Ostrom brought up the subject of the Rodeway Inn and working on more manpower to address the matter. Council member Darrow gave an update on the ball fields and stated the new bleachers look great and thanked M. Ostrom for getting the job completed. Bruce also discussed the netting along Browning Road and the cost involved along with what is needed to complete the project. Council member P. McConnell discussed the Easter Egg Hunt on April 19th and stated the time is to be determined. Council president C. MacAdams gave a pickle ball court update and stated it is going to look great when completed. Colin stated they should be pouring the concrete shortly and the glass to follow. He stated it is a state of the art court and will attract more residents to get out and enjoy family time together. Colin gave a March Madness Contest update. Public works superintendent M. Ostrom talked about additional signage that have been ordered and will follow up when they are delivered. Mike discussed GAC filtration system and gave an update on the new water filtration system. Council member Darrow discussed a monthly wine tasting event along the waterfront for the summer. Mayor Granstrom discussed the community garden and stated there was a grant completed by both Administrator Giles and C. Houchins. Mayor discussed the possibility of benches at the pavilion. Council president MacAdams expressed his concerns about permanent benches under the pavilion as it may attract homeless people to seek shelter and place to sleep. M. Ostrom stated he may have some options and that the redevelopment committee could meet with him to discuss it. Mayor Granstrom inquired about the water tower repainting and M. Ostrom stated he would get a timeline and email council members. Administrator Giles discussed the financial disclosure statement that was emailed to everyone and the importance of the deadline to complete it. Ryan also discussed the importance of gathering the history of the town that is currently being research and compiled that we can eventually share with all our residents. Fire Chief McKinney explained the mutual aid plan that will be submitted to the state and thanked council in advance for their signatures on the form.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: J. Clotworthy 2nd S. Ostrom

All in favor: Carried

Next meeting (work session) scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, 2025