

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

6:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Mark Walsifer, Councilman Thomas Brennan, Councilman James McCracken, Councilman Thomas Carvelli, Council President Patricia Wann, Borough Attorney Patrick Varga, Business Administrator Edward Kirschenbaum and Borough Clerk April Claudio

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to The Coast Star, the official newspaper of the Borough of Belmar, and the Asbury Park Press on December 2, 2020 and notice of this meeting was prominently posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building and filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Belmar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Our troops and their families and Connie Dallaportas

PRESENTATIONS: Honoring George Komitas, Belmar Police & Belmar Emergency Medical Services

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:

Mayor Walsifer stated he is working on a new ordinance regarding using water during the demolition process which will be on the next meeting's agenda.

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Councilman Brennan made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2021 meeting, which was seconded by Mayor Walsifer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Brennan, McCracken and Walsifer

ABSTAIN: Wann and Carvelli

REPORTS OF COUNCIL

Councilman Carvelli: Planning Board meets on the 20th. Thanked everyone who ran the Belmar Five Mile Run and fireworks.

Councilman McCracken: Housing Authority met today. Working on providing Covid-19 booster shots to the residents. The budget was also introduced. Shade Tree Commission meets on the 3rd Wednesday.

Councilman Brennan: Thanked the Library for allowing his band to play last week.

Councilwoman Wann: Was glad to be back at meetings.

Mayor Walsifer: Thanked DPW, Police and all the beach employees for a great summer. Announced the 9/11 Light up the Shore event this weekend. San Gennaro festival is coming up on the 18th. Belmar Prof Surf Contest and Surfer's Healing events are this weekend.

PUBLIC SESSION: Public Session on resolutions only on the Agenda. We will continue to have a Public Session at the end of this meeting.

None

Councilman Brennan made a motion to close the public session, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA - RESOLUTIONS:

All matters listed in the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Councilman Carvelli offered the following resolutions for adoption:

No. 2021-199

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

- No. 2021-200 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS**
- No. 2021-201 **RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO FIFTEENTH AVENUE PHASE II**
- No. 2021-202 **RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR NO KNOCK REGISTRY DECALS**
- No. 2021-203 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF BIDS**
- No. 2021-204 **RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED A CONTRACT FOR THE PAINTING OF THE BELMAR WATER STORAGE TANK PROJECT TO ALLIED PAINTING, INC.**
- No. 2021-205 **RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE DEDICATION BY RIDER PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 (DEDICATION BY RIDER) FOR FEES RECEIVED FOR CERTAIN PROGRAMS IN THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, NJ**
- No. 2021-206 **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CREATING A FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR**

Seconded by Councilman Brennan and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Brennan, Wann, McCracken, Carvelli and Walsifer

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-28 *Second Reading & Public Hearing*

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 19: "TRAFFIC" TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN INTERSECTIONS AS MULTI-WAY "STOP INTERSECTIONS" AND TO DELETE CERTAIN "THROUGH STREETS"

Public Hearing: None

Councilman McCracken made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilman Brennan and approved unanimously.

Councilman Brennan made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-28, which was seconded by Councilman Carvelli and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Brennan, Wann, McCracken, Carvelli and Walsifer

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-29 *Second Reading & Public Hearing*

ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING ORDINANCE 2021-17 AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED ON BLOCK 83, LOT 10 IN THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR.

Public Hearing: None

Councilman Carvelli made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved unanimously.

Councilman Brennan made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-29, which was seconded by Councilman Carvelli and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Brennan, Wann, McCracken, Carvelli and Walsifer

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-30 *First Reading & Introduction*

ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2021-15 ENTITLED SMALL CELL EQUIPMENT AND WIRELESS POLES IN PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Councilman Brennan made a motion to offer Ordinance 2021-30 for first reading and introduction, which was

seconded by Councilman Carvelli and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Brennan, Wann, McCracken, Carvelli and Walsifer

PUBLIC SESSION:

Jan Sammon, 1613 Route 71 Wall, would like to see the skate park repaired and reopened. There is a facebook group that has been created to try to save the skate park.

John Ennis, 418 7th Avenue, felt the Council should look into cheaper options for reopening the skate park.

Sharon Russell Fowler, Belmar Library, announced the library has new hours. This Thursday is an elder care workshop. Next week is the Pat Roddy concert.

Claire Hayner, 221 18th Avenue, thanked everyone for a wonderful summer. September 26th is the NJ Run for the Fallen. She would like to have the fire truck present with the American flag.

Cheri Russo, 1218 Briarwood Road, spoke on behalf of her 87-year-old neighbor who could not attend the meeting. She inquired about getting a handicap parking space. Mayor Walsifer suggested she send a letter to the Police Chief. She asked if there are any daytime activities for seniors. Mayor Walsifer stated they are working on bringing back some programs but have to be careful since we are still in a pandemic.

Councilman Brennan made a motion to close the public session and adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

April Claudio
Municipal Clerk