

**BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON
MINUTES OF MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2013, at 8:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A regular monthly Council Meeting of the Borough of Barrington was held on January 15, 2013, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Barrington Municipal Building, with Mayor Robert Klaus presiding.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Klaus called the meeting to order and made the following statement: "This meeting is held in compliance with Chapter 231 of the open public meetings act of 1975 and appropriate notice has been given. Notice of the meeting was filed with the Retrospect and Courier Post and also in the main office of the Borough Clerk where notices are currently kept. He then led the salute to the flag of our country and thanked all for coming out tonight.

ROLL CALL: The Municipal Clerk called roll of Council and reports the following:

Ludwig	- present	Popiolek	- present
Nicholson	- present	Bergeron	- present
Robenolt	- present	DelVecchio	- present

Also on dais: Municipal Clerk Terry Shannon and Borough Solicitor Timothy Higgins, Esq.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor Klaus noted that Council was provided with the minutes of the November 8, 2012, caucus meeting and the regular council meeting for December 18, 2012, and asked if there were any corrections.

Seeing no corrections, on a Motion by BERGERON and LUDWIG the minutes of the November 8 caucus and regular council meeting for December 18, 2012, were approved as submitted by all members of Council present except Councilwoman Nicholson who abstained.

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- abstain	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	DelVecchio	- yes

MOTION IS CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS: The Municipal Clerk read a summary of the December, 2012, monthly reports as submitted by Chief Joseph H. Eisenhardt, Jr. for Police; Chief John Sutch for the Fire Company; Chief Barbara Willson for Ambulance/EMS; Superintendent Michael J. Ciocco for Department of Public Works; Fire Official Stephen DePierri for Regional Fire Alliance; Tax Collector Kristy Emmett for Tax and Sewer Collections; no Court report this month.

On a Motion by POPIOLEK and BERGERON the monthly reports for December, 2012, were approved as submitted by all members of Council present.

MOTION IS CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS: ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION

The Municipal Clerk stated there are none at this time.

NEW BUSINESS: ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION ON FIRST READING The Municipal Clerk stated that the following ordinances are for introduction on first reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 993: ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 99, RENTAL PROPERTIES, IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON.

ORDINANCE 994: ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 53, CONSTRUCTION CODE ENFORCING AGENCY, IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON.

ORDINANCE NO. 995: ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN LAND BY THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON FROM VERNON DUCKREY, AND AUTHORIZING THE LITIGATION NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT SAID ACQUISITION.

ORDINANCE NO. 996: ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN LAND BY THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON FROM SHIV ESTATES LLC, AND AUTHORIZING THE LITIGATION NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT SAID ACQUISITION.

ORDINANCE 997: ADOPTING THE AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 753, REGARDING THE BARRINGTON ECONOMIC REDEVELOPMENT - PHASE I AND II PROJECT AREA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN.

On a Motion by NICHOLSON and POPIOLEK the Ordinances as read were approved with the following poll vote:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	DelVecchio	- yes

MOTION IS CARRIED

Public hearing on above ordinances will be held at our February 12 council meeting and after proper legal advertisement.

NEW BUSINESS: RESOLUTIONS The Municipal Clerk advised that she would read the following Resolutions by title, one after another, and Council will have the opportunity to vote as a Consent Agenda at the end of the reading:

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2013-17: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING COUNCILMAN SHAWN LUDWIG AS A CLASS III MEMBER TO THE PLANNING BOARD.

RESOLUTION 1-2013-18: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE BARRINGTON PLANNING BOARD TO REVIEW THE REQUESTED AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 753 REGARDING THE BARRINGTON ECONOMIC REDEVELOPMENT - PHASE I AND II PROJECT AREA REDEVELOPMENT PLAN.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2013-19: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH DELAWARE VALLEY SODA SYSTEMS.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2013-20: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE MODIFICATION AGREEMENT WITH NJDOT FOR THE STREETScape PROJECT.

RESOLUTION 1-2013-21: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL A-2753 REQUIRING DIRECT PAYMENT OF ENERGY TAXES TO MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.

RESOLUTION 1-2013-22: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN OPPOSITION TO THE APPROVAL PROCESS FOR NON-SHBP HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS AS PROPOSED BY N.J.A.C. 5:30-18.1 THROUGH 18.4 AND N.J.A.C. 6A:23A.

RESOLUTION 1-2013-23: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING THE JANUARY BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 695,945.60.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2013-124: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF HADDON HEIGHTS RELATIVE TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

On a Motion by BERGERON and NICHOLSON the Resolutions as read were approved with the following poll vote:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	DelVecchio	- yes

MOTION IS CARRIED

COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: The Clerk announced that the following are a change from the appointments that were announced at the Reorganization meeting.

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>DIRECTOR</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>
Zoning, Planning, Construction	KLAUS	Popiolek	Ludwig
Green Team	LUDWIG	Robenolt	Klaus

On a Motion by NICHOLSON and ROBENOLT the appointments as read were approved with the following poll vote:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	DelVecchio	- yes

MOTION IS CARRIED

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY:

COUNCILMAN LUDWIG – school representatives and information, Michael Drumm is President; Carla Pawling vice President and Scott Manlove is Barrington representative to Haddon Heights School Board and Mark Correa is representative to attend Borough Council meetings. Upcoming School board meetings were given with the budget on March 2nd at 7 pm. Chief Eisenhardt. Lt. Roberts, Superintendent Arcodia and Business Manager Sam Dutkin met to discuss school safety; changes will cost money. School contacted PSE&G regarding energy savings program, Tri- state lighting who takes on 80% and school pays 20% and savings alone will pay for itself. We will see if it applies to municipalities, we are going green! Municipal Clerk said we already use the program. School audit report is good and they have been and will continue to be financially stable. He asked Mike Drumm if he had anything to add; he did not. Hope all have a good winter.

COUNCILWOMAN NICHOLSON – had a wonderful 2012 serving as Councilwoman and looking forward to the next three years. The Councilwoman is Director of Community and Civic Affairs and Parks and

Recreation and reports the following date: opening day for Little League is March 23, opening day for Girls Softball is April 6, Easter Egg Hunt is March 30, Earth Day is April 20 and Barrington Day is May 18. Barrington Women's League is restarting with a meeting on January 31st at 7pm in the Senior Center. We are trying to bring back all they did including spelling bee, bike parade in July 4th parade, Halloween Parade. If you are interested or have any questions and want to volunteer for any event please contact me by email or leave a message with Eileen. Thank you.

Mayor asked if the dates will be published and he was advised that yes – in Barrington on Track and on the website.

COUNCILMAN ROBENOLT – congratulations to the newly installed Fire Company officers: Dave Ehrman as President, as well as John's newly appointed Junior Officers; I'm sure they will continue to do an outstanding job. Over the weekend Councilwoman Nicholson and the Councilman attended an educational seminar for newly elected officers. We got good information but probably left with more questions than when we got there, but, it put us off on the right foot. We are lucky in Barrington. Some towns lost 50-60 % of their tax rate's and that will affect them for years to come. We really lucked out with impact of Sandy in the state. FEMA will help with loans and they will have to repay that debt service. We are lucky to have the professional staff we have, we have a good support staff within the Borough. Thank you!

COUNCILMAN DELVECCHIO – nothing to report at this time – have a great month, Happy New Year and keep warm!

COUNCILWOMAN BERGERON – advised that Mayor & Council submitted a residents name to Camden County for the Martin Luther King Freedom medal and the person was selected. Bill Patton will be the recipient and Mayor Klaus and the Councilwoman will attend the event. We are pleased he was selected. As Director of Senior and Disabled Services for the county she reported that the offices in Collingswood will be closing and will be moved to the DePierro Center in Blackwood as of April 1. Notices will go out shortly about the move, phone numbers will remain the same. They will have programs "on the road" to bring to towns.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT POPIOLEK – next month the Planning Board will hear application for site plan review from Hill Development, redeveloper of Harvey Card Shop property. The proposal is exciting. An informal public meeting was held before this meeting and about a half dozen or so residents came out. Their concerns will be looked at and rectify if possible. On a personal level its change; and change is scary. We put our faith and trust in our professional to review the project and if they say its ok and feasible then I give Mr. Hill my personal support. Thank you.

MAYOR KLAUS – as Councilwoman Bergeron mentioned Bill Patton is to receive the MLK medal, he is also the managing editor of the Barrington on Track and he is doing a great job. Sgt. Dave Uron is here at the meeting tonight, thank you Dave for attending. Councilwoman Nicholson mentioned volunteers and they are needed throughout town. All events have the same faces volunteering, we need newer and younger people; please encourage residents to volunteer! Council meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month but beginning in February at 6pm instead of 8pm and Caucus will be held the Tuesday before Council at 6:30 pm instead of 7:30 pm. Due to OPPRAH rules the caucus minutes must be posted on line 48 hours before the council meeting. Thursday nights do not give us enough time to get the posting completed. Martin Luther King Day is a day of volunteering so if you are interested call us and we will set you up with something. Reorganization was a real nice event, standing room only, Barrington Band played, if you couldn't come please make it a point to come next year. Thanks for coming out tonight.

PUBLIC PORTION: Mayor Klaus advised that if you have a comment or question to come forward and state your name and address for the record. Public comment is limited to five minutes per person.

On a motion by NICHOLSON and LUDWIG the public portion of the meeting was opened.

DOUG CATTS, 215 Edwards Ave, with reference to the property at the Northeast corner of Gloucester Pike-was it sold or not? He was advised that it has not been sold. Mayor said it is for sale, someone mentioned tonight that the price went up. Mayor is familiar with the property owners and had not heard that. Ideas were thrown around, nothing definite at this time. Council President Popiolek added that there is no real agenda, we looked at many alternatives, it is and has been a blighted property. It can't be sold as a house, not structurally sound. It's not suitable as a commercial property due to ingress and egress. Given the economy banks are not lending money for startup projects like this. We did send property owners information to see if they would be willing to sell their property to a redeveloper, making one large use area. Asking price and fair market value is close to two million dollars. We are looking at realistic options; last EDC meeting it was mentioned to look for Open Space grant money to purchase property, tear it down and put a park or memorial monuments to beautify the area. It is a major thruway and now it is an eyesore. We are open to anything, we are still just looking.

MIKE DRUMM, 15 E. Gloucester Pike, lives next to corner property being discussed. I got the impression from the caucus meeting that the borough is seeking a grant to build a 9-11 Memorial on that corner property and now the asking price is going up. Mayor said property owners have not even been approached with any of this. Mr. Drumm asked if the project was further than the borough is saying it is. He was advised no. Council President Popiolek said that we bounce around ideas at caucus and this was one of them. We may not even get approved for Open Space; the borough is not in a position to buy the property. Mr. Drumm said if we put up a park it would land lock his property and it is the center of town. Couldn't we put up a gazebo or a clock or something in the meantime? He was advised that if grant money is used for Open Space it must stay that way forever. Councilman Popiolek said this is a shot in the dark. We have never applied for a grant like that; a lot goes into something like that. Mike Drumm asked the solicitor, Tim Higgins, if he would be notified if something was going up. He saw on Realtor.com that the price went up \$60,000. Mr. Higgins said it depends, not if it was an Open Space grant. Mr. Higgins also added that we have nothing to do with what the owner posts on Realtor.com. If there is speculation is occurring, we have no control over that. Council President Popiolek and Councilman Klaus said they have no information about the asking price of this property. They reiterated that we are just kicking around ideas and nothing is definite at this time.

With no further comments from the public on a motion by BERGERON and NICHOLSON the public portion of the meeting was closed.

MOTION IS CARRIED

With no further business to be transacted, on a motion by BERGERON and POPIOLEK, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

ATTEST: Terry Shannon
Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk