BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON
MINUTES OF MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 10, 2016 at 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL ROOM AT MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A regular monthly Council Meeting of the Borough of Barrington was held on May 10, 2016, at 6:03 pm in the Council Room at the Barrington Municipal Building, with Mayor Klaus presiding.

**CALL TO ORDER**: Mayor Klaus called the meeting to order with 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 is also posted in the main office of the Borough Clerk where notices are primarily 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 with the following present:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	Rink	- yes

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

<u>PROCLAMATIONS OF THE MAYOR</u>: National Police Week as read by Councilman Robenolt, Emergency Medical Services Week as read by Mayor Klaus and Military Appreciation Month as read by Council President Popiolek.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Mayor Klaus noted that Council was provided with a copy of the printed minutes of the April 5, 2016, Caucus and the April 12, 2016, Council meeting and asked if there were any corrections. Seeing none, on a Motion by Robenolt and Rink, the Caucus and Council minutes were approved by all members of Council present.

## **MOTION IS CARRIED**

<u>COMMITTEE REPORTS:</u> The Municipal Clerk read a summary of the April, 2016, monthly reports as submitted by Chief Dave Roberts for Police; Chief Jason Houck for the Fire Company, Chief Barbara Willson for the EMS/Ambulance; Fire Official Steve DePierri for Regional Fire Alliance; Code Official John Szczerbinski for the Construction Department, Tax Collector Kristy Emmett for Tax and Sewer Collections, Court Administrator Catherine Lawson for Municipal Court and Superintendent Michael J. Ciocco for Department of Public Works.

On a Motion by Nicholson and Popiolek, the monthly reports 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 that the following ordinances are for public hearing and adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 1054: FIXING THE 2016 COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 1055: OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 29, POLICE DEPARTMENT, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON

On a Motion by Ludwig and Rink the second reading of the ordinances was approved with the

following poll vote:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- yes	Rink	- yes

On a Motion by Nicholson and Bergeron the public hearing on the above Ordinances was opened.

Mary Beth Barraclough asked if there will be a fee for the Chaplain. Councilman Robenolt and Clerk Terry Shannon advised that there was not, it is a volunteer position.

Seeing no further comments from the public, on a Motion by Ludwig and Robenolt the public hearing on the above Ordinances was closed.

On a Motion by Bergeron and Rink the ordinances were adopted with the following poll vote:

Ludwig	- yes	Popiolek	- yes
Nicholson	- yes	Bergeron	- yes
Robenolt	- ves	Rink	- ves

## ORDINANCES ADOPTED

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1056: FIXING THE COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON COVERED BY THE AFSCME, COUNCIL 71, CONTRACT

ORDINANCE NO. 1057: BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS PIECES OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$434,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$222,300, MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

ORDINANCE NO. 1058: ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 46, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES,, IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON

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	- ves	Rink	- ves

Mayor Klaus announced that the public hearing on above ordinances will be held during the June 14<sup>th</sup> council meeting following proper advertising and a public hearing.

**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.

<u>RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-55:</u> AUTHORIZING THE BUDGET TO BE READ BY TITLE AT TIME OF PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-56: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR THE SUBMISSION OF A N.J.D.O.T FEDERAL AID SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (S.R.T.S.) PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY RELATED IMPROEMENTS ALONG COPLEY ROAD (COUNTY ROUTE NO, 666)

<u>RESOLUTION 5-2016-57:</u> AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF TAVISTOCK AND BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON RELATIVE TO BARRINGTON PROVIDING OFFICE SUPPORT SERVICES

<u>RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-58:</u> RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-59: APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH AFSCME COUNCIL #71 RELATIVE TO CERTAIN PUBLIC WORKS AND CLERICAL EMPLOYEES AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT SAID CONTRACT

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-60: APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH CHIEF OF POLICE DAVID ROBERTS

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-61: APPOINTING DAVID URON AS ACTING CHIEF

RESOLUTION NO.5-2016-62: APPOINTING KRYSTAL JANKOWSKI TO THE POSITION OF POLICE RECRUIT

<u>RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-63:</u> AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF BODY CAMERAS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER STATE CONTRACT

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-64: AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH NIXLE

<u>RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-65</u>: AUTHORIZING SALE OF EQUIPMENT NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE BARRINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT TO THE SOMERDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-66: SUPPORTING THE CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION OF MAY 23 – JUNE 5, 2016

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-67: DELETING 2016 TAX EXEMPTIONS

**RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-68: REFUND OF HOMESTEAD BENEFIT** 

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2016-69: APPROVING THE MAY BILL LIST – TOTAL \$ 4,828,055.94

On a Motion by Ludwig and Nicholson, the Resolutions as read were approved with the following poll vote:

Ludwig - yes Popiolek - yes Nicholson - yes Bergeron - yes Robenolt - yes Rink - yes

## **RESOLUTIONS APPROVED**

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2016 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:** On a motion by Robenolt and Popiolek the public hearing on the 2016 Municipal Budget was opened. Mayor Klaus advised that if you have comments or questions to come forward and state your name and address for the record. Public comment is limited to five minutes per person.

Seeing no comments, on a motion by Ludwig and Nicholson, the public hearing was closed. with the following poll vote:

Ludwig - yes Popiolek - yes

Nicholson - yes Bergeron - yes Robenolt - yes Rink - yes

On a motion by Popiolek and Robenolt the Resolution was approved with the following poll vote:

Ludwig - yes Popiolek - yes Nicholson - yes Bergeron - yes Robenolt - yes Rink - yes

#### **RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED**

# **COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY:**

**COUNCILMAN LUDWIG -** please remain patient and safe with the Clements Bridge Road project; be careful of the police and the school kids. Congratulations Krystal on your appointment.

**COUNCILWOMAN NICHOLSON** – congratulations to Krystal; Dave Roberts, you will be missed and welcome Dave Uron as Acting Chief. Adding Krystal is a great addition to the department. Reminder that Barrington Day is May 21<sup>st</sup> from 11am-3pm. Bracelets for inflatables, pony rides and games are \$5 each; there will be plenty of food, a canine demonstration and vendors from town. Memorial Day services begin at 9am at the Fire Company and 10 am at the Municipal Building, please come join us for the service.

**COUNCILMAN ROBENOLT** – welcome all to the meeting tonight, thanks for coming. Congratulation to Krystal, I know you will do a good job; we will swear you in after you attend the academy. Congratulations to Dave Roberts on his retirement and thank you for all your years of service. Congratulations on appointment of Dave Uron as Acting Chief. Thank you to the rest of the department for coming out tonight. As you can see we are taking great steps moving forward and adding a lot of things to help you guys out; continue your great effort because it is greatly appreciated by the borough.

**COUNCILMAN RINK** – welcome all Congratulations to Crystal, that was me who said hello to you the other day; you are doing a great job. Congratulation to Dave Uron on your appointment as Acting Chief. Dave Roberts, it was great to have you as Chief and it is always great to have a Chief live on your street. I've known Dave since he was born and wish you congratulations.

**COUNCILWOMAN BERGERON** – fifteen years ago in closed session for Police personnel actions I said did any minorities or women apply for a position as a police officer and I was advised no. I said before I leave I would like us to get a little diversity and now, under Dave Roberts leadership, we accomplished both. Not only that but Krystal was welcomed and there were no issues and everything seems to be going positive and we are going in the right direction! Congratulations to everybody and Dave I wish you happiness and success in your retirement.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT POPIOLEK** – wished Chief Roberts a restful retirement and thank you for your years of service. You really did an excellent job bringing our department into the millennium. Acting Chief Uron, congratulations on your appointment, 3<sup>rd</sup> generation law enforcement officer, I am quite sure you will make the town as safe as your father and grandfather did. Krystal, congratulations to you as well, not only as an excellent Special but I know you will continue to excel in the academy and we look forward to swearing you in then. Of all the well wishes, the most important was the proclamation the Mayor read for Police appreciation week. In the media today more so than ever, there is a lot of eyes on our men and women in uniform that service us day in and day out protecting the streets we live in and I can see why sometimes they may feel underappreciated reading some of the accounts. But please know that I appreciate everything that you do for us, I think we have class A department and I know Chief Uron will keep it that way, so thanks to every one of you. The Clements Bridge Road project is still under construction and will be for some time so thanks to Chief Robert, the Department of Public Works and Dr. Kennedy from the Barrington Business Association for meeting with us come up with a solution to detour and re-route some of the traffic so our retail businesses aren't completely cut off from visibility. The Council President asked Dr. Kennedy if she heard feedback from the placing of signs and

she advised that most were positive; it's a mixed bag because everyone recognizes the need for the project; the complaints have died down. Council President Popiolek said it is not a perfect solution but it is the best that we can do with what we have. Enjoy the rest of spring and we will see you next month.

**MAYOR KLAUS** – said Dave Roberts was a terrific asset when he took over as chief, we were very excited and now we are very sad to see you go; the official date of retirement is in September. Dave Uron, 3<sup>rd</sup> generation, it makes you sound old but we know you will do a great job. Congratulations to Krystal, a nice diversity to the group. Thank you all for what you do, it is greatly appreciated. Please don't forget to display your flag for the Police and Military on the dates we mentioned. We could beat Clements Bridge to death but soon it will be a memory. Since they started on this end they will finish down in Runnemede who will have it during the worst part of the summer. Barrington Day is the 21<sup>st</sup> so please come and support our vendors and Memorial Day is our annual celebration of our residents who were in the service. At our next meeting we will, by Resolution, appoint our Chaplin. Summer is coming, thank you all for coming out tonight.

**PUBLIC PORTION**: Mayor Klaus advised that if you have comments or questions 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 Bergeron and Popiolek the public portion of the meeting was opened.

Melissa Murphy of 3 Copley Road said she is here tonight for an update on the Copley Road speeding issue. She was very upset not to receive information from the meeting with the county. She feels that nothing is being done to help with the speeding on Copley. It was determined that Mrs. Murphy was not included in the email string. Greg Evans of KEI Engineers advised that Greg Fusco attended the meeting and a preliminary improvement plan has been filed and submitted to the county. New 25 mph painting in the roadway in four locations and more field work at Chesterfield and Copley and Mercer and Copley for bump outs which were discussed at the meeting. The improvement plan provided shoulder lines decreasing the width of the road and crossroad signage in the roadway. Councilman Ludwig advised that he thought Mrs. Murphy was on the email string to receive the emailed plan. The plan came out a week or two ago and apologies were made that she was not included on the email chain. Councilwoman Nicholson said she did have someone from the Freeholders Office call Mrs. Murphy so yes they were in contact with her. Only two members of council were allowed to go to the meeting and she was not aware that Mrs. Murphy wasn't included on the email. Councilman Ludwig said one of the first meetings Mrs. Murphy attended "Mike" was the point person so things have been explained to him, maybe Mrs. Murphy should be the point person. Acting Chief Uron said the county contacted him and on Thursday or Friday they need traffic control on Copley Road. Mrs. Murphy would like more police out as there are no tickets given from 3pm-9pm.

Mike Maristan, also of Copley Road said he has seen an officer there one day between 9:30-10am but normally no one is there; also there is a situation at night with speeders. Schools are ending in June and kids will be out playing. Something needs to be done about the speeding.

Mayor Klaus advised that Mrs. Murphy will receive all the emails tomorrow and he asked the Engineer, Greg Evans to forward them to her. Mayor advised that the only reason she did not hear from him is that he did not have any firm dates for when the plans will be implemented yet.

Paul Gross, 346 Tavistock Boulevard, congratulated Dave Uron on becoming Acting Chief. He said he was unaware there was a debt limit on what the town could borrow and asked it the \$400,000 will put us over the limit and he was advised by Tim Higgins that it will not.

Patricia DeVito, of the Willows Apartments, thanked the police for their service in the complex. There is a flatbed truck on Hancock Dr, which is a problem, can signs be put up that say 25 mph? There is also a problem with commercial trucks on the property. Mayor Klaus advised that is it is private property and we cannot put the sign up. Councilman Popiolek said they had a meeting with the new owners and they are going to improve the entire complex as they realize the previous owners had turned a blind eye. The Councilman said they will meet with the partners to suggest a new management company as well.

Mary Beth Barraclough of 1004 Copley Road asked the Clerk about the nine burglaries mentioned on the police report. Clerk Shannon said there were nine calls for burglaries but we don't know if they were

actually burglaries or not. Acting Chief Uron said it could be change from a vehicle or a cell phone taken.

Mike Campana of 228 W. Gloucester Pike said speeding is a lost cause. If he doesn't come or call and complain the 25 mph doesn't matter. You need a police car out there every day at different times. Our guys sit on Clements Bridge Rd so why not on Copley Road or Gloucester Pike. Councilman Ludwig said Copley is different and Mike said because Gloucester Pike has trucks and they don't. The Borough needs to write the tickets so people know not to speed in town.

With no further comments from the public, on a motion by Rink and Robenolt, the public portion of the meeting was closed.

With no further business to be transacted, on a motion by Bergeron and Popiolek the meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

APPROVED: <u>Terry Shannon</u>

Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk