

**BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON
MINUTES OF MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 11, 2017, at 6:00 PM
COUNCIL ROOM AT MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A regular monthly Council Meeting of the Borough of Barrington was held 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.

ROLL CALL

The Municipal Clerk called roll of Council and with the following in attendance:

Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Ludwig, Councilman Robenolt, Councilman Beach and Councilwoman Fawley; Council President Popiolek had an excused absence.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Klaus noted that Council was provided with a copy of the printed minutes of the March 7, 2017, caucus and closed session meeting and the March 21, 2017, council meeting and asked if there were any corrections. Seeing none, on a Motion by Beach and Fawley the caucus and council minutes were approved by all members of Council present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Municipal Clerk read a summary of the March 2017, monthly reports as submitted by Chief David Uron for Police, Chief Jason Houck for the Fire Company, Chief Barbara Willson for the EMS/Ambulance, Acting Code Official, Chris Mecca for Construction, Tax Collector Kristy Emmett for Tax and Sewer Collections and Superintendent Michael J. Ciocco for Recycling.

On a Motion by Harris and Beach the monthly reports were approved as submitted by all members of Council present.

PROCLAMATIONS: May as Better Hearing Month was presented to Dr. Elizabeth Kennedy from Associates in Hearing HealthCare.

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

The Clerk read the following ordinances by title:

- Ord. 1068 Calendar Year 2017 Ordinance to Exceed Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and Establish a CAP Bank
- Ord. 1069 Adding Article IX, Community Cats, to Chapter 48, Animals, in the Borough Code
- Ord. 1070 Adding Article IV, Registration of Defaulted Mortgage Property, to Chapter 95 in the Borough Code
- Ord. 1071 Amending Chapter 128, Zoning, Signs (*removes color restriction*)

On a motion by Ludwig, second by Harris, the second reading was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-yes, Beach-yes, Fawley-yes. On a motion by Ludwig, second by Beach, the public hearing was opened. Seeing no public comment, on a motion by Harris and Robenolt the public hearing was closed.

On a motion by Ludwig, second by Beach, the adoption of the ordinances was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-yes, Beach-yes, Fawley-yes.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION ON FIRST READING:

Ord. 1072 2017 Salary Ordinance for Non-union Employees and Officials

On a motion by Ludwig, second by Harris, the first reading of the ordinance was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-yes, Beach-yes, Fawley-yes. Mayor Klaus announced this ordinance will be considered for adoption following proper notice and a public hearing to be held at the May 9 council meeting.

RESOLUTIONS: The Municipal Clerk read the following resolutions by title, one after another, and Council will have the opportunity to vote as Consent Agenda at the end of the reading.

4-2017-49 Introduction of the 2017 Municipal Budget

4-2017-50 Authorizing an Advance for the Women's League for the Easter Egg Hunt

4-2017-51 Authorizing a Property Maintenance Lien on 25 W. Gloucester Pike

4-2017-52 Approving the March Bill List in the Total Amount of: \$570,601.62

On a motion by Robenolt and Harris, the resolutions Consent Agenda as read was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-yes, Beach-yes, Fawley-yes.

RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENTS: (no council approval required)

Mayor Klaus announced that Councilman Michael Beach is appointed as a Class III Member to the Planning Board for a one-year term.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

COUNCILMAN LUDWIG – apologized for being late to the meeting. Welcomed Mike Ciocco, Supt. of Public Works, back from vacation. Said the Girls Softball opening day was very nice and the weather was great.

COUNCILWOMAN FAWLEY— this is her first council meeting and glad to be part of the team and work with everyone here. Has learned quite a lot so far.

COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS – apologized for missing the Girls Softball opening day. The Easter Egg Hunt was great, it was run by the Women's League; Barrington Day is May 20 from 11am-3pm at the Little League Field with a rain date of May 21 from noon-4 pm; Softball and Little League will be running the basket auction so come out and support them; May 29 is Memorial Day Service at 10 am at the Borough Hall; the clock is anticipated to be dedicated following the Memorial Day Services; July 3 at 6:30 pm is the parade with fireworks at dark, around 9-9:30 pm. The rain date for the parade and fireworks is July 7. All is moving forward with the new playground, drawings are available to see in the Mayor's office; this playground will be an "all-inclusive playground" for kids of all abilities. Rachel McCleery, one of our young residents, passed away last weekend, she fought a long, hard battle with cancer--please pray for her family.

COUNCILMAN BEACH – congratulations to my close friend Councilwoman Fawley, she will be great for this town and has good financial background. There will be a Smart 911 meeting on May 3 for the seniors at the VFW/SRC at 7pm.

COUNCILMAN ROBENOLT – thanks for coming out. All of Public Safety is moving in the right direction, all departments are doing well. We are continuing to work on the police contract. Also if anyone would like to attend, the McCleery Family is having the viewing at Fosters Funeral Home tomorrow night. The McCleery family has been active with both the fire company and ambulance squad.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT POPIOLEK— absent

MAYOR KLAUS- thanks to all who worked on the Centennial Dinner and all who attended, what a great time, thank you for your help and support. Girls Softball did a great job with their opening day. Hoping Barrington Day and all events this year will have a Centennial theme. We will be closed on May 29, Memorial Day, but will have services at 10 am and anticipate dedicating the clock following the service. July 3 for fireworks and parade, please use Centennial as a theme. Thanks Candice Fawley and welcome aboard. The Mayor then asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Rachel McCleery, she fought hard at a very young age to survive!

PUBLIC PORTION:

On a motion by Harris and Fawley, the public portion of the meeting 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.

Jennifer Milligan – 102 Lawrence Ave, is a Barrington Business Association member and wants to be sure residents know they exist, that there are other BBA member businesses and other businesses in town that are located off of Clements Bridge, including the White Horse Pike and Gloucester Pike. Some of those businesses don't get the same recognition as the ones on Clements Bridge Road. They have requested business registrations and notice of when new businesses move into town. Their website is www.BBAofNJ.org. They would like assistance getting their existence out through the community. Councilman Beach said we would like to do anything we can to help our businesses in town. Councilwoman Fawley asked when and where they meet next and was advised at the Municipal Building on April 20th at 7pm. Ms. Milligan is a member at large and has offered that organizations in town can also connect to their website.

Paul Gross, 346 Tavistock Blvd – said the Centennial Celebration was a fine event. He asked what is a tax CAP bank. CFO Denise Moules advised that a municipality may, by ordinance, increase the COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) percentage up to 3.5% and bank the difference between its final appropriations that are subject to the cap and 3.5% increase. Cap banking is not automatic. A single ordinance can be used to accomplish both activities: increasing appropriations and banking any unappropriated balance.

Seeing no further comments from the public, on a motion by Harris and Beach the public portion of the meeting was closed.

With no further business to be transacted, on a motion by Ludwig and Robenolt the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

APPROVED: Terry Shannon
Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk