

BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON
MINUTES OF MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
May 8, 2018 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: Council President Ludwig, Councilwoman Harris, Councilman Beach and Councilwoman Fawley. Also on dais: Mayor Klaus, Municipal Clerk Terry Shannon and Borough Solicitor Timothy Higgins, Esq. Councilman Popielek and Robenolt were absent.

PROCLAMATION: Declaring the First Friday in June to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day as read by Councilwoman Harris.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mayor Klaus noted that council was provided with the minutes of the April 3, 2018, caucus and the April 10, 2018, council meetings and asked if there were any corrections. Seeing none, on a motion by Ludwig, second by Beach, the caucus and council minutes were approved by all members of Council present with Councilwoman Harris abstaining on both and Councilwoman Fawley abstaining on council minutes as they were not present at those meetings respectively.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: The Municipal Clerk read a summary of the April 2018, monthly reports from the following departments: Police, Fire, EMS, Regional Fire Alliance, Construction, Tax & Sewer Collector and Recycling; there was no Court report. On a motion by Harris, second by Fawley, the monthly reports were approved as submitted by all members of Council present.

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

Ord. 1088 Fixing the 2018 Compensation of Certain Officers and Employees of the Borough of Barrington

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

On a motion by Harris, second by Beach, the public hearing was opened.

Seeing no comments from the public, on a motion by Ludwig, second by Fawley, the public hearing was closed.

On a motion by Harris, second by Ludwig, the ordinance was adopted with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Beach-yes, Fawley-yes.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION ON FIRST READING:

Ord. 1089 Amending Chapter 59, Fire Prevention, in the Borough Code (Fire Alliance fees)

On a motion by Harris, second by Ludwig, the ordinance for introduction on first reading was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Beach-yes, Fawley-yes.

Mayor announced that this ordinance will be considered for adoption after proper notice and a public hearing to be held during the June 12 council meeting.

RESOLUTION CONSENT AGENDA: The Clerk read the following resolutions:

- 5-2018-53 Authorizing Agreement with Camden County Improvement Authority Relative to the Emergency Services Building Roof Project
- 5-2018-54 Resolution Appointing Property Maintenance Officers
- 5-2018-55 Certifying a Lien Against Certain Properties for Costs Incurred by the Borough in Accordance with the Property Maintenance Code
- 5-2018-56 Deleting 2018 Tax Exemptions
- 5-2018-57 Authorizing the 2018 Municipal Budget to be Read by Title at Public Hearing
- 5-2018-58 Approving the May Bill List in the Total Amount of \$2,230,338.93

On a motion by Fawley, second by Harris, the resolution consent agenda as read was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes on all except he abstained on Resolution 5-2018-54, Harris-yes, Beach-yes, Fawley-yes. Resolution consent agenda was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:

On a motion by Harris, second by Ludwig, the public hearing was opened.

PAUL GROSS, 346 Tavistock Blvd., asked about debt service and the significant increase. Mayor Klaus asked CFO Denise Moules reply and she advised that it was to pay down the BAN, temporary financing to reduce the amount that we owe for temporary financing, so we are paying off the debt. The BAN will be paid off over the next ten years. Mr. Gross asked if it was to payoff WAWA's lot and was advised that we are receiving money from the PILOT to pay down the debt. Ms. Moules advised that there are two different ways they are paying us back. Councilman Ludwig said if Mr. Gross still does not understand he can sit down with Denise and discuss it. Mayor Klaus advised that we are not making a lot of money on it but it is not costing the taxpayers anything.

Seeing no further comments from the public, on a motion by Harris, second by Ludwig, the public hearing was closed.

On a motion by Ludwig, second by Fawley, Resolution 5-2018-59 to Adopt the 2018 Municipal Budget, was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Beach-yes, Fawley-yes. The Budget was adopted.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LUDWIG – its spring time and kids are out more so please be slow down, across the entire town. He thanked Mike Ciocco, Supt. of DPW for the good work on his budget and taking care of all that you do.

COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS – there is a softball tournament May 12 at the Little League field; twelve borough employees will have a team; if you hit a home run you must donate \$5 to a charity that baseball will choose. Barrington Day is May 19 11am-3:30pm at the Shreve Av baseball field, rain date is Sunday. We have dunk tank and the proceeds from the dunk tank will go to the Sexton family. Memorial Day service is May 28 at 10 am at the Borough Hall, our guest speaker is Shane Camardo, a borough resident and former Marine. June 14 is graduation for Woodland Middle School June 21 is Haddon Heights High School. Please wear orange on June 1.

COUNCILMAN BEACH – hope everyone is enjoying the weather. The seniors' are having a Night Out at the VFW/Senior Center on May 16 at 6:30 pm. This event is free and the Camden County Freeholders have provided the Kevin Kelton Band as entertainment for the night.

COUNCILWOMAN FAWLEY – thanked all who helped on Earth Day. Lots of people stepped out and advised that they did their yards, every little bit helps and it was great to see all the people coming out even in their own . Terry Shannon and the TNR Program where out and it was cool to see all that they do. All was really good and we hope to expand it next year.

MAYOR KLAUS – the borough ABE Group gave out canned food and gift cards to over 30 borough families and individuals last Saturday. Also included in the bags was information on vote by mail, registering pets and senior events. At this time we don't have a date for the next distribution but this Saturday is the mail carriers food collection, the collected food comes to the ABLE Group. If anyone has time to volunteer please come out and give us a hand right here at the borough hall.

Council President Ludwig added that he hopes all the mothers have a great Mother's Day.

PUBLIC PORTION: On a motion by Ludwig, second by Beach, 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.

DIANE SCHREYER, 212 Nassau Dr – National Teachers Appreciation Day is today so she applauded all those in education. Councilwoman Harris added that they are celebrating at Avon and Woodland today with breakfast for the teachers; each day there is something given to the teachers.

Councilman Ludwig added that it is also Nurses Week. Mayor stated it is also Municipal Clerks Week.

BOB FINE, 906 Mercer Dr - having problems with abandoned house next to them at 912 Mercer, a Fannie Mae property. There is an underground oil tank that has leaked and contaminated their property. They can't get Fannie Mae to do anything; can the borough help? Solicitor Higgins suggested that Mr. Fine get an Environmental Attorney because this is not a town problem. Mr. Fine will see Mr. Higgins after the meeting for attorney information.

LACEY MURPHY, 304 W 2nd Ave – would like a refund for permits paid that she said should have been paid by the people who were “flippers” and not she and her husband. Solicitor Higgins said they cannot speak with her directly because she sent a letter to the borough saying she has an attorney. She asked if they would meet with her if she doesn't have an attorney because she never gave him a retainer. The solicitor said yes and to see him after the meeting.

ERNIE RINK, 401 Hobart Dr – spoke about the speeding all day long on Mercer Dr. Would like it on the record that he reported it and is looking for a speed checker.

SHIRLEY HART, 500 Thomas Ave – has a problem with noise from a neighbor for twelve years now, including loud music and barking dogs; and she just can't take any more; a police officer told her this should not be bothering her. She is ill and can't get to court in Oaklyn. She has checked with other towns and their ordinance defines frequency of noise where ours does not; can ours be changed? Mayor Klaus asked Ms. Hart to meet with him and Chief Uron after the meeting.

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

With no further business to be transacted, on a motion by Beach, second by Ludwig, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 pm.

APPROVED:

Terry Shannon

Terry Shannon, Municipal Clerk