# BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON MINUTES OF MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING JULY 9, 2019 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 with the following in attendance: Councilman Ludwig, Councilwoman Harris, Council President Robenolt, Councilman Popiolek and Councilwoman Fawley. Also on dais: Mayor Klaus, Municipal Clerk Terry Shannon and Timothy Higgins, Esq. Councilman Beach was absent.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Klaus reported that council was provided with the minutes of the June 5, 2019 Caucus and the June 11, 2019 Council meetings and asked if there were any corrections or abstentions. On a motion by Fawley, second by Robenolt, the minutes were approved by a majority of members of Council present with Popiolek and Harris abstaining.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Municipal Clerk read a summary of the June 2019, monthly reports from the following departments: Police, EMS, Regional Fire Alliance, Construction, Tax & Sewer Collector, DPW Recycling and the May Municipal Court. The Fire Company's computers were down so they will provide two monthly reports next month. On a motion by Harris, second by Popiolek the monthly reports were approved as submitted by all members of Council present.

### ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION:

The Clerk read the following ordinances by title.

Ord. 1111 Repealing Ordinance 948, Removing Stop Signs at Russell and Adams Aves

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

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

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

On a motion by Harris, second by Fawley, the ordinance was adopted with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-yes, Popiolek-yes, Fawley-yes. Ordinance 1111 was adopted.

# **ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION ON FIRST READING:** None

#### **RESOLUTION CONSENT AGENDA**

The Clerk read the following resolutions to be approved by consent agenda:

7-2019-70	Authorizing Emergency Cleaning and Televising of Various Storm Drainage Pipes and
	Emergency Repairs to the Sanitary Sewer Pipes along Lawrence Avenue
7-2019-71	Awarding a Contract to M.D. Remodeling for Tax Office Security Wall
7-2019-72	Authorizing Liens against Certain Properties for Costs Incurred in Accordance with the
	Property Maintenance Code
7-2019-73	Deleting 2019 Tax Exemptions
7-2019-74	Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Expense for Grant Received
7-2019-75	Approving the July Bill List in the Total Amount of \$1,150,178.99
7-2019-76	Change Order No. 1—Commerce Drive, Phase 2
7-2019-77	Authorizing Execution of a MOU with the American Red Cross

On a motion by Robenolt, second by Ludwig, the resolution consent agenda as read was approved with the following poll vote: Ludwig-yes, Harris-yes, Robenolt-yes, Popiolek-yes, Fawley-yes

# COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

COUNCILWOMAN FAWLEY – thanks for coming out tonight and thanks to those who also came to the meeting last week; it was helpful to hear from the residents affected by the storm. Thanks to Patti Harris for the parade and events. Happy rest of summer to all.

COUNCILMAN POPIOLEK – welcome all. Thanks to those who participated in the parade and fireworks. Fantastic with weather cooperating. Thanks to the Logue Family for their enthusiasm for the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fireworks. We did have changes this year and we appreciate your cooperation--your safety is our priority. Wish you a nice rest of July. Please check in on your elderly neighbors and make sure they are alright.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROBENOLT – thanks for coming. Thanks to the Department Heads and staff for their work on parade and fireworks. Lots of people working hard to pull these events off. Thank you Patti Harris and your committee. Police, DPW, EMS and Fire all did a great job as did Fire Alliance. Thank you all.

COUNCILMAN LUDWIG – will wait to speak until we hear from the residents.

COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS – thanks all for coming out tonight. Thanks to all of Public Safety for help with parade and fireworks. All new this year as we couldn't go behind Woodland School for the fireworks. It was a decision based on setbacks and safety concerns. Fireworks went up higher so all could see them. Mayor & Mrs. Klaus were parade Grand Marshalls of the parade. Parade started planning in January--it takes lots of time and effort. Thanks all committee and staff. Next event is the Police's National Night Out on August 6 from 6-9 pm with alot of free stuff and it will be held at the Wish Upon a Star Park, hope to see you then.

<u>PUBLIC PORTION:</u> On a motion by Fawley, second by Harris, 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.

Paul Gross, 346 Tavistock Blvd – did not think it was necessary to have the safety wall in the Tax Office but after what happened in Virginia Beach he has changed his mind and is glad it will go in. Can't find his August tax payment. Clerk Shannon advised they were not mailed out yet as we are waiting for our tax rate. Mr. Gross then stated that \$400,000 is a lot to put out for the sewer vacuum equipment for a small town and we need to combine with other towns. State and county should be paying for this large equipment, not the little towns. The county should provide it and the small towns can rent the equipment

from the state or county. Somebody needs to tell those in charge of the state we can't go on like this. Mr. Gross spoke directly to those who suffered worse than he did from the flooding last week saying he is sorry for them. Mayor Klaus asked if Mr. Gross moved back in his house yet and was advised by Mr. Gross that they won't be back in their house 'til maybe the end of July or later as there is still a lot of work to do.

CARLOS GARCIA, 125 Erie Ave – addressed Councilwoman Harris and said it rained last week and after three minutes the street was flooding again. He and the neighbors looked in the pipes and they were ½ filled with mud and debris, water has nowhere to go; he asked if anything has been done to fix this. Councilman Ludwig stated that we did not forget about them; we have a plan in place. A contract was awarded today and work will begin in two weeks. Mr. Garcia said we will see him at every meeting to document their streets issues. Councilman Ludwig added that once everything has been cleared out, DPW will have the system on a maintenance plan.

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

With no further business to be transacted, on a motion by Robenolt, second by Ludwig, the meeting was adjourned at 6:21 pm.

APPROVED:

Terry Shannon Municipal Cl

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