

BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022, 6:00PM, MAYOR/COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Harris called the meeting to order in council chambers at 6:00pm with the Sunshine Statement and led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk called roll and the following were present: Councilman Beach, Councilman Cerrito, Councilman Drumm, Councilman Hanson, Councilman Ludwig and Councilman Robenolt. Also present were Mayor Harris, Clerk Shannon and Solicitor Tim Higgins.

First Public Portion

On a motion by Councilman Ludwig, second by Councilman Drumm, the first public portion of the meeting was opened. Seeing no public comment, on a motion by Councilman Hanson, second by Councilman Robenolt, the public portion was closed.

ENGINEER'S REPORT—Greg Evans reported on the following items

Action items: Approve a resolution for submission of a Camden County Open Space grant for Lost World Park improvements.

Review of monthly report:

Regarding I-Bank and EIT funding, we estimate that using the I-Bank/EIT funding, we will save \$155,000 for the Beaverbrook project.

We are meeting with Mike Wiley and Councilman Hanson tomorrow to review the Lost World Park project.

CDBG funding for senior programs will be submitted this Friday.

We submitted plans to DOT for the 2021 Roads Program and expect to receive bids in April.

CLERK'S REPORT—Clerk Shannon reported on the following items

Proposal from ERI to consolidate the three redevelopment plans into one modern updated redevelopment plan so it is in line with current redevelopment law and incorporates all of the revisions that have been adopted over the years. Cost for this work is \$7000.00. Denise has confirmed funding is available for this. Resolution will be on the council agenda.

Cannabis ordinance—currently, our ordinance does not establish a limit on the number of cannabis facilities we will allow to be in town. Our zoning restrictions are such that it would be difficult for there to be more than two but not impossible. We are frequently being asked if we have a limit on the number of facilities we will permit. Do we want to amend the ordinance to include a limit? After discussion, it was determined that we will amend the ordinance to cap it at two facilities. Councilman Ludwig disagreed—he does not think we should limit it until we actually have facilities operating.

Resolution for a LEAP grant with the boroughs of Haddonfield and Haddon Heights for a study regarding emergency services. Haddonfield is the lead agency and is applying for a grant from DCA to have a feasibility study done regarding emergency services. Our fire department has authorized participation in this study as there is no cost to the town. We need to approve a resolution authorizing participation in this grant application. Resolution will be on the agenda.

Approval of payments to VALIC for the LOSAP program—the fire department calculated the LOSAP points and posted the report for the required 30 days so the contributions to the LOSAP plan will be made in March. Resolution will be on the agenda.

Resolution allowing consumption of alcohol for Little League fundraiser—Little League is having a fundraiser at the Shreve Avenue complex on May 14. This will be a beef and beer type of fundraiser, so we need to approve a resolution allowing a one-day exception to the prohibition of alcohol at recreation facilities. Resolution will be on the council agenda.

Council Agenda Review:

Ordinances for public hearing and adoption:

- Ord. 1149, Amending the traffic ordinance to add a stop sign at Moore and Albertson and add Richards Avenue to the snow emergency routes
- Ord. 1150, Adding Certain Sections to Chapter 128, Zoning, in the Borough Code (CBR overlay)
- Ord. 1151, Amending Chapter 101, Sewers, in the Borough Code
- Ord. 1152, Amending Chapter 95, Property Maintenance in the Borough Code

Resolutions:

Authorizing ERI to perform consolidation of redevelopment plans
Resolution authorizing participation in LEAP grant application
Resolution authorizing payments to VALIC for the LOSAP program
Cancelling penalties accrued on 1201 Clements Bridge Road
Authorizing execution of a release agreement with Kevin Hibbitt
Renewal of the Shared Service Agreement with Tavistock for office support
Resolution allowing alcohol at Shreve Ave Little League complex for May 14 fundraiser
Authorizing submission of a Camden County Open Space grant
March bill list

Proclamation for Irish American Heritage Month

Proclamation for Barbara Chew

Regarding ordinance 1149, Councilman Drumm asked if we can have DPW paint a stop bar in the street when the stop sign gets installed.

CFO's REPORT—Denise Moules was not present

Clerk Shannon reported that Denise provided her monthly report for your review.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Cerrito—May 4 stores will be prohibiting plastic bags and you will need to buy reusable bags. We are working on putting together a Green Team committee. We will be scheduling the town-wide clean-up for Earth Day.

Councilman Robenolt—the fire company went to Baton Rouge last week to inspect the new truck. It will probably be delivered this weekend. I will let you know for sure once we hear. We are looking to donate the old truck to one of the departments down South that lost equipment in the floods.

Councilman Hanson—next month we are doing Student Government Day on Friday, April 8. Will start at 9am at Woodland and will run all day here. I will send out more information.

Councilman Beach—Public Works truck that collects veggie waste fell apart and cannot be re-welded. We will need to get another truck—we have it in the capital program already. We are trying to get a used truck. Clerk Shannon added that we will add a resolution authorizing advertisement for bids. Regarding the seniors, we are going to advertise for a new bus driver.

Mayor Harris—I appointed two people to the Planning Board—Zach Ferguson and Larry Liss. I will not be here next Tuesday so Councilman Beach will handle the meeting. We will be recognizing Terri Chew and Barbara Chew. Terri opened a business here in Barrington and asked if we could honor her mother who grew up here.

On a motion by Councilman Hanson, second by Councilman Ludwig, the second public portion was opened. Seeing no public comment, on a motion by Councilman Beach, second by Councilman Cerrito, the public portion was closed.

Seeing no further business to be discussed, on a motion by Councilman Cerrito, second by Councilman Ludwig, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm with all in favor.

Approved: *Terry Shannon*
Terry Shannon, Clerk/RMC