

BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON CAUCUS AGENDA
Tuesday, May 3, 2022, 6:00pm, Borough Hall Meeting Room

●MEETING CALL TO ORDER/SUNSHINE NOTICE/FLAG SALUTE

●ROLL CALL: Beach _____ Cerrito _____ Drumm _____
Hanson _____ Ludwig _____ Robenolt _____

◆MOTION TO OPEN
1st PUBLIC PORTION _____

MOTION TO CLOSE
PUBLIC PORTION _____

Public--state name and address for the record. Public comment is limited to five minutes per person.

●DISCUSSION ITEMS

Engineer:

- ◆Action items: Award or reject bids for Reconstruction of Austin Avenue; Discuss plans for DOT Municipal Aid application
 - ◆Review of Engineer's Report
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Administration:

◆Amnesty period for pet licensing—we want to do an amnesty period for pet licensing for a three-four week period where we would waive the late fees as long as people come in for their licenses. We plan to send letters to all pet owners who have not renewed. To date, we have only issued 221 dog licenses. I spoke with the ACO and there is a formula for determining the number of dogs in our town and that number is 1547. That means that 1300 people have not licensed their dogs. 221 licenses generates \$2642 in revenue. The cost for the ACO is \$6000 and the cost for the animal shelter is \$7800. That is a total of \$13,800 in costs vs \$2642 in revenue. The numbers speak for themselves. We will also let people know we are conducting a door-to-door animal census this summer and if they don't come in during the amnesty period, then they will have to pay the late charge or risk getting a summons.

◆Financial Disclosure filing—there are still several of you who need to do this filing and also several members of the Planning Board. I will work with Suzanne on getting the board members done but those of you who have not filed, need to. The state is going to issue fines this year—no move Covid amnesty.

◆JIF EPL training for elected officials—so far, I believe four of you have completed this training. Please be sure to complete in the next two weeks. They have given us a two-week extension.

◆ABC liquor license renewals—we remain the lowest around for liquor license fees. Magnolia is at \$2000, Oaklyn is \$2000, Runnemede is \$2500, Somerdale is \$2148 and Stratford is \$2500. I only looked at towns that are similar to us in size. We are \$1505 for a consumption license (bar) and \$1228 for a distribution license (liquor store). We have not increased those fees since 2016. We are permitted to increase by 20% per annum to a maximum of \$2500. Recommendation is that we go to \$1800 for consumption and \$1470 for distribution. Will need to be done by ordinance.

♦Cyber security training—just a reminder that you need to complete the Cyber Security training. There are nine ten-minute modules for a total of 90 minutes but you can do a little at a time. This training is mandatory and must be completed by July 1.

♦Tree program—was a huge success. We have 28 people who signed-up to get a tree. The hope is that we can get all of them a tree. Mike Ciocco and I are visiting the sites this week to determine if the park strip or front yard are better options and then Mike will schedule the mark-outs. We are working with two nurseries as to species availability and hope to be able to give the homeowner options. Also, one of the Green Team members is checking with the Rutgers Master Gardener program to see if they can provide any of the trees. All of the trees will be planted this month.

Council Agenda Review:

●Ordinances for public hearing and adoption:

- Ord. 1155 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits & Establish a CAP Bank
- Ord. 1156 2022 Salary Ordinance for Non-union Employees and Officials

Ordinances for introduction on first reading:

●Resolutions:

Award or reject bids received for Austin Avenue project
Waiving late fees for pet licenses during amnesty period
Authorizing the 2022 Budget to be read by title at public hearing
Change Order for firehouse roof project
May bill list

●Public hearing on 2022 Municipal Budget

Resolution to adopt the budget
Resolution for Chapter 159's for 1st Colonial grant and JIF safety incentive award

Finance: Change order for CCIA firehouse roof project—increase of \$2,059.20 for asbestos inspection; Chapter 159's for grant from 1st Colonial for fireworks show (\$2500) and for JIF safety incentive award (\$1500). Also public hearing and adoption of the budget.

●COUNCIL REPORTS

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2nd PUBLIC PORTION _____

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●MOTION TO ADJOURN: _____ **All in favor:** _____ **Time:** _____