

BOROUGH OF BARRINGTON CAUCUS AGENDA
Wednesday, August 2, 2023, 6:00pm, Council meeting room

•MEETING CALL TO ORDER/SUNSHINE NOTICE/FLAG SALUTE

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

•DISCUSSION ITEMS

Engineer

- Action items: Approve Change Order No. 1 for freight charges on playground equipment
 - Review of Engineer's report
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•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.

Administration

Public hearing on tree removal/replacement ordinance—this ordinance will be very controversial as it require a permit for removal of any tree, including on private property. This ordinance is required by NJDEP and failure to adopt could jeopardize our MS4 stormwater permit. Tim believes these ordinances will eventually be challenged and nullified but in the meantime, we need to adopt.

Resolution to allow Public Works to install playground equipment at Tot Lot—we purchased a new piece of equipment for the Tot Lot that only cost \$4300. General Recreation wants \$4500 to install but Mike said Public Works can install themselves. The JIF is recommending that we pass a resolution to accept the structure's design and installation to help preserve any design immunity. Tim is preparing the resolution.

Resolution to amend accounts payable payment policy—there have been a rash of checks being stolen that were mailed by municipalities to vendors. Thieves are targeting municipal mail and pulling out large checks, washing them and re-issuing in fictitious names. As part of cash management best practices, the JIF is recommending that municipalities change how they pay vendors so that large payments are sent via wires rather than paper checks. Denise and Megan have determined that our cutoff will be \$20,000. Any vendor payments of \$20,000 or greater will be done by ACH wires. We will be adopting a resolution to memorialize this new process.

Appointment of the Municipal Court Judge—Oaklyn solicited proposals to replace the former judge and conducted interviews. They have selected William Stopper to replace Judge McCrink. Stopper was the former public defender and is very familiar with our court operations. Oaklyn has requested resolutions of approval from each of the towns to be effective for September 1.

Council agenda review

Ordinances for public hearing and adoption:

Ord. 1174 Tree-removal-replacement ordinance

Resolutions: (*preliminary—more may be added*)

- Resolution for property maintenance liens
- Resolution to refund street opening escrow
- Resolution to accept design of playground equipment for Tot Lot
- Change Order No. 1, for playground equipment freight charges
- Resolution appointing Dan Bowman as the school resource officer
- Resolution appointing William Stopper as municipal court judge
- August bill list

Proclamation for national overdose awareness day on August 31

Finance

- Review of standard monthly reports

•COUNCIL REPORTS

•MOTION TO OPEN
2nd PUBLIC PORTION _____

MOTION TO CLOSE
PUBLIC PORTION _____

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