

MINUTES November 22nd, 2021

START: 6:00 PM

PRESENT: MAYOR NICOL, COUNCILMEN GARRUZZO, GIANFORTE, GORHAM, NOLAN, SHAAK & VISCEGLIA, ATTORNEY MONTENEGRO & ADMINISTRATOR NOLAN.

ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Nicol announced that this meeting was being held virtually in compliance with Executive Order No. 103 and was being recorded.

There being no need for a work session, Mayor Nicol then read the compliance statement and the Regular Council Meeting was opened, after a pledge of allegiance to our flag. Mayor Nicol asked for a roll call.

Mayor Nicol then asked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the November 8th, 2021, Regular Meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Gianforte seconded by Councilman Nolan, all ayes, no nays. Passed. (Note: Councilmen Shaak abstained)

Councilman Gianforte seconded by Councilman Visceglia introduced Resolution 21-121 for Passage of the Consent Agenda.

Resolution:

A. See insertion

Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia: all ayes. No nays. Passed.

Councilman Visceglia seconded by Councilman Gorham introduced Resolution 21-122 for Payment of Bills. Be It Resolved that the following bills be paid, and that the Mayor or President of Council be authorized to draw orders on the Chief Finance Officer for payment of the bills of November 22nd, 2021, as reviewed by the Finance Committee and as listed on the Resolution and the Computer Bill List amended thereto. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all ayes. No Nays. Passed.

Mayor Nicol then announced that the time had arrived for a hearing and further consideration of "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER TWENTY-ONE OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BRIELLE ENTITLED "ZONING".

The hearing was opened on a motion by Councilman Visceglia, seconded by Councilman Shaak.

The Administrator explained that the ordinance would regulate the placement of recreational vehicles on residential property.

The hearing was closed on a motion by Councilman Gianforte seconded by Councilman Visceglia.

Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Gorham introduced resolution 21-123 for passage on final reading of the foregoing ordinance. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all ayes. No nays. Passed.

Councilman Gianforte seconded by Councilman Gorham, introduced Resolution 21-124 to authorize publication of passage and adoption in the Coast Star according to law. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all ayes. No nays. Passed.

The Mayor then announced that the time had arrived for a hearing and further consideration of “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 1098 “AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES & COMPENSATIONS OF THE VARIOUS OFFICERS & EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF BRIELLE”.

The hearing was opened on a motion by Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Gianforte.

The Administrator explained that the ordinance establish salary ranges for municipal employees. The bulk of the salaries having been established by current labor contracts. The remaining employees would fall within the posted ranges and final salary determinations will appear in the Salary Resolution slated for adoption on December 13th.

The hearing was closed on a motion by Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Visceglia.

Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Visceglia introduced resolution 21-125 for passage on final reading. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all aye. Passed.

Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Nolan, introduced Resolution 21-126 to authorize publication of passage and adoption in the Coast Star according to law. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all ayes. No nays. Passed.

The Mayor then announced that the time had arrived for the a hearing and further consideration of “BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR EMBANKMENT STABILIZATION AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, APPROPRIATING \$200,000 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$190,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF BRIELLE, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, N.J.”

The hearing was opened on a motion by Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Nolan.

The Administrator explained that the ordinance would fund a portion of the emergency work performed at the terminus of Forrest Road.

The hearing was adjourned on a motion by Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Gianforte.

Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Nolan introduced Resolution 21-127 for passage on introduction and first reading. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all ayes. No nays. Passed.

Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Gorham, introduced Resolution 21-128 to authorize publication of passage and adoption in the Coast Star in compliance with Local Bond Law. Vote: Councilman Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all ayes. No nays. Passed.

The Mayor then called for committee reports and recognized Councilman Gianforte, who had no report.

Councilman Nolan advised that the Recreation Commission had authorized a salary of \$6,000 for the position of Recreation Director. The discussion would be finalized at their next meeting. Councilman Nolan who reminder the public that the annual Christmas Tree Lighting was scheduled for December 5th. @ 6:00pm. The annual Holiday Decorating contest was now underway and Bidding Basketball sign-ups were taking place on-line. Turning to the Library he advised that the food for fines program would continue through November 30th. Science adventures would take place at 3:30pm on November 23.

Councilman Garruzzo informed the public of an incident at 715 Union Lane on November 19th. Shaquil A. McKinley had broken a window in one of the mobile park units and then barricaded himself in his trailer. The Brielle Police called in the Monmouth County Emergency Response Team along with their Rapid Deployment Force.

Nearby homes were evacuated, and residents taken to emergency shelters. Highway 71 southbound was closed between Higgins Avenue and Union Lane and after six hours of lengthy negotiations the matter was resolved, and Mr. McKinley was taken into custody and transported to a local medical facility for treatment and evaluation.

The Brielle Police thanked all local and county emergency EMS, Fire, and Police personnel for their assistance

No other member of council having no reports, Mayor Nicol wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving on behalf of the Mayor & Council. The meeting was open to the public.

Virginia Lofton, 407 South Street was recognized and voiced a concern over the way the ordinances appear on the agenda. She wanted to know how she could access the text of the ordinances and why they were not printed in full on the agenda.

The Administrator explained that they were published in compliance with state statute in the local newspaper, posted on the web site and posted in the Borough Hall.

Attorney Montenegro reiterated that this was done in compliance with statute and in response to Ms. Lofton's inquiry as to why a summary of the ordinance could not appear on the agenda, Councilman Gianforte offered that it was inadvisable as a summary might be deemed to be misleading, depending on how it was worded; he noted that the best way to understand an ordinance was to read the text as published.

There being no further comment the public portion was adjourned on a motion by Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Visceglia.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16pm on a motion by Councilman Gianforte seconded by Councilman Gorham.

Approved: December 13th, 2021

Carol Baran
Municipal Clerk

Resolution No.: 21-121-A
Date: November 22nd, 2021

REDEMPTION OF TAX LIEN

WHEREAS, there exists a Tax Tile Lien on property/s located at:

BL 107.05 LOT 1 also known as 1101 Shore Drive, Brielle, NJ

WHEREAS, this lien/s has been redeemed by the responsible parties on November 2nd, 2021

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a check/s be drawn made payable to US BANK CUST ACTLIEN HOLDING, lien holders/ recorded on Tax Sale Certificates.

Moved By: Councilman Gianforte Seconded By: Councilman Visceglia

Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak and Visceglia: All Aye. No Nays.

Absent: None Abstained: None

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Brielle Mayor & Council, at a meeting held on November 22nd, 2021.

Witness my hand and seal of the Borough of Brielle this 23rd day of November 2021.

Carol Baran
Municipal Clerk