MINUTES: April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 START: 6:05 P.M.

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

## ABSENT: COUNCILMEN GARRUZZO & VISCEGLIA

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 March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Gorham, all ayes, no nays.

Councilman Gorham seconded by Councilman Shaak, introduced Resolution 22-39 for passage of the Consent Agenda.

## Resolution:

- A. To approve a Special Event Permit for an outdoor book signing at the Brielle Library on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022.
- B. (see insertion).
- C. To appoint Amber Fernicola, 9 Black Pine Lane, to the Brielle Planning Board with an effective date May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.
- D. (see insertion)

Vote: Council Members Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan & Shaak; all ayes. No nays. Passed.

Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Gorham introduced Resolution 22-40 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 April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, as reviewed by the Finance Committee and as listed on the Resolution and the Computer Bill List amended thereto. Vote: Council Members Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan & Shaak; all ayes. Passed.

Mayor Nicol then announced that the time had arrived for hearing and further consideration of "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER FIFTEEN OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BRIELLE AS TO THE AMOUNTS ESTABLISHED FOR CONNECTION FEES (SEWER) AND TAPPING FEES (WATER)."

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

The Administrator explained that the Borough provides the piping and supervision whenever a tap is made to connect a new structure or to increase the pipe size of an existing tap. We were recently made aware of a dramatic increase in the cost to the Borough for providing these taps and the ordinance adjusts the current fee schedule and provides for an increase by resolution rather than by ordinance. The process is streamlined, and we will now review the fee schedule on an annual basis.

There being no comment from the public or members of council, the hearing was closed on a motion by Councilman Gorham, seconded by Councilman Nolan.

Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Gorham introduced Resolution 22-41 for passage on introduction and first reading of the foregoing ordinance. Vote: Councilman Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan & Shaak; all ayes. No nays. Passed.

Councilman Nolan seconded by Councilman Shaak introduced Resolution 20-42 to authorize publication in the Coast Star for a hearing to be by virtual means on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 6: 00pm. Vote: Councilman Gianforte, Gorhan, Nolan & Shaak; all ayes, No nays. Passed.

Mayor Nicol then announced that the time had arrived for the introduction and passage on first reading of "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND THE ACQUISITION OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, \$989,250.00 APPROPRIATING THEREFORE AND **AUTHORIZING** ISSUANCE OF \$608,000.00 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED INM AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF BRIELLE, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY".

Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Nolan introduced Resolution 22-43 for passage on introduction and first reading of the foregoing ordinance. Vote: Councilman Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan & Shaak; all ayes. No nays. Passed.

Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Gianforte introduced Resolution 22-44 to authorize publication in the Coast Star for a hearing to be held by virtual means on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 6:000pm, in accordance with Local Bond Law. Vote: Councilman Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan & Shaak; all ayes, no nays. Passed.

The Mayor called for committee reports and recognized Councilman Gianforte who had no report, but he praised Saturday's Easter Egg Hunt and he offered praise and thanks all those who made the event possible.

Councilman Nolan echoed Councilman Gianforte's praise and noted that it was Recreation's fastest event. What it took an hour to lay out, was gone in ten minutes once

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the children were given the green light. Councilman Nolan also advised that the annual snowman building contest had ended and the winners would soon be announced. Councilman Nolan also noted that 36 Bocce teams would soon take the courts and the Annual North vs. South competition was set for June 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Library had completed their search for a new director and Councilman Nolan announced that Ms. Mary Beth Elly would be the new Library Director. As always, a full description of Library Programs such as Tech with Teens, the Cook Book Club and Paint & Sip were available on the Library's website.

Councilman Shaak and Councilman Gorham having no reports, the meeting was opened to the public.

The Administrator having already noted that no public comments on the agenda items had been received either by mail or e-mail.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14pm on a motion by Councilman Shaak, seconded by Councilman Garruzzo.

Approved: April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Carol Baran Municipal Clerk

Resolution No.: 22-39-B Date: April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

WHEREAS, there are old escrow accounts where the work/inspections are done and a refund can be issued:

Block 66.02, Lot 11, 704 Howell Drive Brian & Karin Finnegan \$ 2,971.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the amount listed above be refunded and a check drawn, as shown above, to close out these accounts.

Moved By: Councilman Gorham Seconded By: Councilman Shaak

Vote: Councilmen Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan and Shaak: All Ayes. No Nays.

Abstained: None

Absent: Councilmen Garruzzo and Visceglia

## **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Brielle Mayor & Council held on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Witness my hand and seal of the Borough of Brielle this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

Carol Baran Municipal Clerk

Resolution No.: 22-39-D Date: April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Whereas, a need has arisen to increase the hourly rate charged for outside overtime to address the following Special Conditions:

Nighttime Road/Utility Work (8:00 pm to 6:00am) including emergencies. Federally Observed Holidays Weekends (8:00pm Friday to 6:00am Monday) and,

Whereas, the new rate to be billed for Special Conditions shall be \$125.00 per hour, with \$15.00 being due the municipality and \$110.00 due to the officer, and

Whereas, the new rate shall be billed in blocks of four hours up to 8 hours. Example: If the officer works three hours, the officer will be compensated for four hours and if an officer works six hours, he shall be paid for eight hours. Work in excess of 8 hours shall be billed for each additional hour, and

Whereas, the new rate shall only apply to the Special Conditions and the regular rate of \$100,00 per hour shall remain in effect for any other outside employment of police officers, and

Whereas, this action requires authorization by the Governing Body.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that a new rate of \$125.00per hour be in effect for all outside police employment that falls within the category of Special Condition as itemized above.

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