

A JOINT PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL WAS HELD, ON AUGUST 16, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER- OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT – ROLL CALL

Council President Schoenberg called to order and the Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act was read.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call issued. Mayor Didio attended via zoom, Councilman Tashjian was absent. All other members were present.

PROCLAMATION:

Council President read the proclamation issued for National Farmers Market Week August 7-13, 2022. She also asked for a moment of silence in memory of Borough resident and longtime Environmental Committee member Larry Bogart.

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Council President Schoenberg reported a resolution was prepared to re-instate the Full-time position of the Borough Administrator position. Councilwoman Yu asked if the committee had met since the last meeting to discuss and finalize details. Council President indicated they had communicated through emails. Councilman Kern asked what was the next step? Council President responded that the next steps if there are no further questions or comments then the resolution would be added by title and read during the consent agenda. , Councilman Carnevale asked if that Resolution has been shared in draft format as he did not have a copy. Council President Schoenberg stated that the Borough Attorney prepared the draft and she will read in full prior to voting. Council President Schoenberg stated that once the resolution is approved then the Council would discuss the hiring of an executive search firm at the September work session.. There were no further questions, Council President read the resolution verbally in full. Councilman Jannicelli made a motion to add resolution 22-183 to the consent agenda.

Councilman Carnevale second the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Tashjian

Abstain: None

The Borough Administrator reported the Fire Department had requested the use of Memorial Field after the 5k in October to host festivities to celebrate the 125th anniversary. Council was supporting of the request. She also reported a parishioner of St. Joseph's church requested Schirra Park for the National Rosary rally on October 15th.

PUBLIC COMMENT (GUIDELINES)

No public comment in person or via ZOOM.

On a motion made by Councilman Jannicelli, seconded by Councilman Carnevale and carried on voice vote, the public comment was closed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

On a motion made by Councilman Jannicelli, seconded by Councilman Carnevale and carried on voice vote the correspondence was filed.

1. Oradell Police Dept. July monthly report
2. Letter to Mayor Didio from Makayla Lacey re: field upgrades-
Councilman Jannicelli provided a response regarding the field upgrades.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: : June 28, 2022

On a motion made by Councilman Carnevale, seconded by Councilwoman Yu and carried on voice vote the minutes of the Regular Public meeting of June 28th, 2022 were approved.

CONSENT AGENDA:

On a motion made by Councilwoman Schoenberg, seconded by Councilman Carnevale resolution 22-183 was pulled from the agenda to vote separately.

There was a brief discussion about the increase to the State Health Benefits Program as well as the parking agreement with Bergen Catholic.

On a motion made by Councilman Jannicelli, seconded by Councilwoman Yu and carried on voice vote the Consent Agenda was approved.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 22-174	Approve payment of all bills & vouchers in the amount of \$8,457,901.99
Resolution 22-175	Approve 2021 annual audit comments and recommendations
Resolution 22-176	Oppose SHBP increase
Resolution 22-177	Approve Parking Agreement with Bergen Catholic
Resolution 22-178	Approve the release of \$49,454.00 project bonds for 660 Kinderkamack Road
Resolution 22-179	Approve 2022 Salaries for non-union employees
Resolution 22-180	Approve step increase for Jessica Flanagan from Step 4 to Step 10 on UPSEU salary guide
Resolution 22-181	Award year one option for vegetative waste to Environmental Renewal
Resolution 22-182	Approve payment as EUS vendor to Elizabeth Steward for Tree Inventory Grant completion in the amount not to exceed \$20,668.50
Resolution 22-183	Approval to advertise for a Full Time Borough Administrator

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Tashjian

Abstain: None

Motion to approve Resolution 22-183 made by Councilman Jannicelli, seconded by Councilman Carnevale.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Tashjian

Abstain: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration, Fire & Business Development

Council President Tracy Schoenberg

Council President Schoenberg stated the EDAC committee had not met this month but will reconvene in September. She stated the Admin Committee work was approved this evening.

She stated there was a well-attended senior event held earlier today. She stated the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee will be meeting again in September.

She provided a summary of Fire Department activity. This included annual numbers of call volume with notable responses. Tower 21 responded to mutual aid in Emerson regarding a roof HVAC issue. Tower 21 also responded to mutual aid in River Edge for a high carbon monoxide reading in a garden apartment complex. The Department continued their training with rapid intervention team training at their monthly drill. This is designed to provide rescue to fire crews who encounter an emergency while operating inside of a structure.

DPW & Engineering and Shared Service:

Councilman Roger Tashjian

Councilman Tashjian was absent tonight, but the Borough Engineer reported an update of projects. The Borough Engineer also provided an update to the monument project.

Police, Emergency Management:

Councilman Stephen Carnevale

Councilman Carnevale stated the next meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be meeting this Thursday. He stated Chief Wicker is reminding everyone to lock their vehicles and to not leave key fobs in their cars.

No report for OEM, Planning Board and Historic Committee.

Ordinance:

Councilman Rob Jannicelli

ADOPTION 22-6

**BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$2,770,000
AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
\$2,325,500.00 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE
BOROUGH, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR**

**PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN
BY THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL, IN THE
COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY.**

Statement: Annual bond ordinance that funds capital projects within the Borough

Councilman Jannicelli moved Ordinance 22-6, be passed on final reading, and published in the Bergen Record on Monday, August 22, 2022, seconded by Councilman Carnevale.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Tashjian

Abstain: None

ADOPTION 22-7

**AN ORDINANCE TO FIX COMPENSATION OF
CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF
ORADELL, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW
JERSEY**

Statement: Ordinance that establishes salary ranges for non-union employees.

Councilman Jannicelli moved Ordinance 22-7, be passed on final reading, and published in the Bergen Record on Monday, August 22, 2022, seconded by Councilman Carnevale.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Tashjian

Abstain: None

INTRODUCTION 22-8

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 270 OF
THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL
ENTITLED "TREES"**

Statement: Edits provide clarification to various sections such as approval requirements for Developers

Councilman Jannicelli moved Ordinance 22-8, be passed on first reading, and published in the Bergen Record on Monday, August 22, 2022, seconded by Councilman Carnevale.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Tashjian

Abstain: None

INTRODUCTION 22-9

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 80 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL TITLED “OUTDOOR CAFES”

Statement: Ordinance incorporates the changes made to the temporary resolution during the pandemic into the established ordinance to streamline the process and promote local business.

Councilman Jannicelli moved Ordinance 22-9, be passed on first reading, and published in the Bergen Record on Monday, August 22, 2022, seconded by Councilman Carnevale.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Tashjian

Abstain: None

INTRODUCTION 22-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 254-7 (b) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL REGARDING LIMOUSINE LICENSE DURATION

Statement: This revision changes the license period to January 1 to December 31 of each year.

Councilman Jannicelli moved Ordinance 22-10, be passed on first reading, and published in the Bergen Record on Monday, August 22, 2022, seconded by Councilman Carnevale.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Tashjian

Abstain: None

He reported that there will be a Rutgers Safety class on August 29th for new coaches. Councilman Jannicelli will be meeting with Roger as mentioned earlier to talk about some of the DPW maintenance projects for some of the fields.

He reported there will be another meeting of the Special Events committee tomorrow. The committee has been working very diligently and hard to line up different vendors, food trucks and activities.

No report from New Milford Ambulance Corp

Finance and Insurance:

Councilwoman Miriam Yu

Councilwoman Yu reported the tax collection rate is at 97.49% which is average for this time of year.

She provided an update on Library activities. An Open House was held last month and one of

the visitors had suggested a Dungeons & Dragons program for adults. If there's enough interest they could start up as soon as next month in the evenings. The program will be sponsored and has already been approved by the Friends of the Library.

She provided a recap of the Board of Education. This year the theme for the school year will be focused on kindness and wonder.

Technology and Communication:

Councilman Jonathan Kern

An IT meeting was held on July 25. Topics included multi factor authentication implementation for the borough increased password protection and an inventory list of hardware/software.

No report or meeting for OPTV and Board of Health.

Zoning Board of Adjustment held a meeting on the 15th for 66 Kinderkamack Road

Councilman Kern provided upcoming dates of events concerning the Environmental Committee

Mayor's Report

Mayor Didio reported on cyber security, upcoming grant cycles concerning flooding and Mayors Night. She recommended the Ordinance committee re-examine the rooming house ordinance.

Administrator/Clerk's Report:

The Borough Administrator provided the dates for the September meeting schedule. She also indicated she will circulate the memo concerning issuance of 2023 RFQ/RFP for selection.

Mayor Didio reminded everyone about added a reminder that we will be having our annual 9-11 remembrance ceremony at the Fire House on Sept 11.

Borough Attorney's Report:

No report

Old Business:

Council President Schoenberg stated that she has been working on a building and grounds report of all Borough owned property. She is hopeful of completing and distributing for the September work session for review and discussion.

New Business:

Councilman Carnevale inquired as to the timeframe for starting projects funded in the capital budget. The Borough Administrator explained the process for availability of funds.

Council President Schoenberg is running the Flags for Heroes fundraiser and the information is on the website. She thanked everyone for their assistance with the Kickball program run through Oradell For All. There may be expanded sessions in the Spring.

Public Comment:

Paul Latsounas- 50 Beverly Rd asked for closed session topics. Borough Attorney responded contract negotiations with the Swim Club renewal and Bergen Catholic parking agreement.

Sam Tripsas 327 Maple Ave stated that OPTV will be airing Board of Health meetings starting Sept 12 and all subsequent meetings. He thanked the local Boy Scout who took it upon himself to clean up the flowerpots that were vandalized.

No ZOOM Public Comment

On a motion made by Councilman Jannicelli, seconded by Councilman Carnevale and carried on voice vote the public comment was closed.

On a motion made by Councilman Jannicelli, seconded by Councilman Carnevale and carried on voice vote the meeting was adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:47pm, the public meeting adjourned.

Laura J. Lyons, CPM, RMC, RPPO
Borough Administrator/Municipal Clerk