

A JOINT PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL WAS HELD, ON NOVEMBER 22, 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.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call issued. All members were present except Mayor Didio, Councilman Jannicelli and Councilwoman Yu

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES: Councilwoman Schoenberg presented certificates to:

- 1) RDSA Teams Earthquakes, Dash and Timber – Fall Championships
- 2) 10U Oradell Fall Baseball – Suburban League Championship

WORK SESSION DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- 1) Kurt Fried – EDAC Survey- Mr. Fried presented the findings of the recent online survey concerning downtown Oradell. Mrs. Lyons stated she will have the survey posted on the website.
- 2) 2023 Meeting Dates- Mrs. Lyons presented meeting dates for 2023. After discussion dates were agreed and a resolution will be approved on the consent agenda.

Councilman Tashjian mentioned that he had a conversation with Stephen Depken regarding streamlining the process of applying for indoor seating for restaurants. Councilman Carnevale feels that it should be brought up to the Planning Board and if there is any details or questions, he will let Councilman know. Borough Attorney mentioned that we would have to amend the Ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTIONS:

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| Resolution 22-221 | Approve payment of all bills & vouchers in the amount of \$4,839,761.93 |
| Resolution 22-222 | Approve annual budget transfers in the amount of \$186,132.06 |
| Resolution 22-223 | Approve payout of bank time for Chief Wicker to Deferred Comp plan in the amount not to exceed \$10,513.00 |
| Resolution 22-224 | Annual LOSAP increase for Fire Department |
| Resolution 22-225 | Award Option year 1 to Westphal Waste Services in the amount not to exceed \$493,000 |
| Resolution 22-226 | Approve Richard Ryen as Regular Member of the Fire Department effective December 12, 2022 |
| Resolution 22-227 | Approve Craig Harris as regular member of the Fire Department |
| Resolution 22-228 | Approve tax overpayment to Corelogic Real Estate for various Block and Lots in the amount of \$6,417.18 |
| Resolution 22-229 | Approve tax overpayment to Block 601 Lot 48.03 in the amount of \$9,469.49 |
| Resolution 22-230 | Approve meeting dates |

Resolution 22-231 Annual adoption of municipal tort claim form as approved by
Bergen JIF

On a motion made by Councilman Tashjian, seconded by Councilman Carnevale and carried on voice vote the consent agenda as amended was approved.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Tashjian, Carnevale, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Jannicelli, Yu

Abstain: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration

Council President Tracy Schoenberg

Councilwoman Schoenberg provided an update on the Administrative code and the search for the Borough Administrator's position. She thanked Kurt and the members of EDAC for working on the survey. She announced upcoming events for the Seniors and an update on the Oradell for All committee. She stated the Fire Department responded to 22 calls in October.

DPW

Councilman Roger Tashjian

No report from the Borough Engineer.

Councilman Tashjian reported the new sign for Hague Park has been ordered. There are four trucks on order for the DPW. He congratulated Ed Koestner for his upcoming retirement after 37 years with the Borough. Last day for leaf pick up is December 12th.

Public Safety & Emergency Management

Councilman Stephen Carnevale

Councilman Carnevale reported on Police Department activity. The PSC met on November 9th and the Chief provided updates on various items. The Planning Board did not meet due to lack of applications filed. The Historical Committee met and continued their discussions on ways to provide information and resources to residents who are interested in learning more about the borough's history.

Ordinance, Recreation and Special Events

Councilman Robert Jannicelli

In the Councilman's absence, there was no report submitted.

Council President reminded the public of the Annual Tree Lighting will be on December 4 and the Menorah Lighting will be December 20 both here at Borough Hall.

Adoption: Ordinance 22-11

AN ORDINANCE REJECTING THE DEDICATION OF FEY PLACE

Councilman Carnevale moved that Ordinance 22-11 be passed on final reading and published in the Monday, November 28th edition of the Bergen Record, seconded by Councilman Kern.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Tashjian, Carnevale, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Jannicelli, Yu

Abstain: None

Introduction:**Ordinance 22-12****AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 85, SECTION 2
ENTITLED “CERTIFICATION OF CONTINUED OCCUPANCY –
CERTIFICATE REQUIRED”**

Councilman Carnevale moved that Ordinance 22-12 be passed on first reading and published in the Monday, November 28th edition of the Bergen Record, seconded by Councilman Kern.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Schoenberg, Tashjian, Carnevale, Kern

Nays: None

Absent: Jannicelli, Yu

Abstain: None

Finance

Councilwoman Miriam Yu

Councilwoman Yu provided an update on Finance Department issues. Topics included tax collection rate and the tax sale. She stated that the feedback from the library concerning the Fall into the Arts event was positive and the Board of Education acknowledged retirements.

Technology and Communication

Councilman Jonathan Kern

Mr. Kern reported the IT Committee did not meet this month but plans to meet the first week of December.

He stated the Zoning board met. Applications were 66 Kinderkamack Road and announced there will be a couple resignations from the board at the end of the year. He stated the gas station mural project has been completed. The committee invites the Mayor & Council to look before it goes up.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Didio asked Mrs. Lyons for an update on the increase to the State Health benefit plan. Mrs. Lyons stated she will follow up with the CFO.

Borough Administrator’s Report

Mrs. Lyons announced there are still spots open for the Blood Donation scheduled at the Senior Center on November 30th. A reminder that December’s meeting is a joint meeting on December 13.

Borough Attorney Report

Mr. Oddo stated no formal report but will be sending out a confidential update this week.

Old Business:

Council President reported regarding the resolution that Councilman kern had suggested regarding vehicle subscriptions. She said that the bill has moved through committee and is going to a vote shortly.

Councilman Carnevale mentioned that the PBA is once again hosting their 34th annual PBA toy drive.

New Business:

Council President also added the PBA will be hosting their first ever golf outing on April 24, 2023, and that on December 3, the OFD is hosting their Poker Night.

Public Comment:

Paul Latsounas ,50 Beverly Rd. provided comments regarding the recent zoning board meeting. He also inquired about the kitchen at the Senior Center.

Sam Tripsas ,327 Maple Avenue –commented that the murals are complete. Mr. Tripsas also asked about the sign at Hague Park. Councilman Tashjian responded that they are replacing the sign because it is rotted.

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

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:55 pm, the public meeting adjourned.

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