

**A JOINT WORK SESSION AND PUBLIC MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ORADELL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE ORADELL BOROUGH HALL, 355 KINDERKAMACK ROAD, ORADELL, NEW JERSEY, ON JULY 14, 2020**

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the notice requirements have been satisfied. The Annual Notice, which details the meetings dates for the year, has been sent to The Record and Ridgewood News, placed on the Municipal Bulletin Board and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

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

Mayor Dianne Camelo Didio called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and read Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

At roll call, the following were present:

Mayor Dianne Didio

Council President Tracy Schoenberg

Councilmembers:

Roger Tashjian

Stephen Carnevale

Rob Jannicelli

Tom Kelly

Miriam Yu

Borough Administrator/Municipal Clerk Laura J. Lyons

Borough Attorney Andrew Oddo, Esq.

Borough Engineer David Atkinson

Absent: None

**PUBLIC HEARING – Open Space Grant Application – Hoffman Playground**

Borough Administrator / Clerk provided application details for the Open Space Grant. On a motion by Tracy Schoenberg, seconded by Mr. Tashjian, the Public Hearing was opened to the public.

**Public Comment**

Paul Latsounas, 50 Beverly Road inquired about asked if there were plans yet for the playground. Mrs. Lyons explained the application requires documentation but final plans are designed later in the process.

On a motion by Mrs. Schoenberg, seconded by Mr. Tashjian, Public Comment was closed.

**Work Session**

Next discussion item was a request for Temporary Signage for Lens Trend. Mrs. Lyons explained that she was hoping to have design or wording before this meeting, but have not received it as of yet. They had put out some kind of temporary signage which was cited by our building official as not compliant with our current code. The sandwich board allowance which was made for eating establishments were approved by separate Resolution. Mayor Didio

suggested allowing them to abide by the same requirements approved earlier this year for sandwich boards.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Schoenberg, Tashjian, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Kelly, Yu

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion to reconvene into Regular Public Meeting was made by Tracy Schoenberg & seconded by Roger Tashjian.

**Correspondence**

1. Thank you note from Gangemi Family

On a motion made by Mrs. Schoenberg, seconded by Mr. Carnevale and carried on voice vote, the correspondence was filed.

**Consent Agenda:**

On a motion made by Mrs. Schoenberg, seconded by Mr. Tashjian and carried on voice vote the consent agenda was amended to add resolution 20-147 & 20-148.

On a motion made by Mr. Tashjian seconded by Mrs. Schoenberg the changes to the consent agenda was approved

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Schoenberg, Tashjian, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Kelly, Yu

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**Consent Agenda:**

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| <b>Resolution 20-139</b> | Approve payment of all bills and vouchers in the amount of \$1,064,715.17   |
| <b>Resolution 20-140</b> | Approve refund for duplicate payments from Corelogic for various properties in the amount \$23,065.31.                  |
| <b>Resolution 20-141</b> | Approve refund for duplicate payment to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage for Block 1313 Lot 12 in the amount of \$5,291.31.    |
| <b>Resolution 20-142</b> | Approve submission of application for 2021 NJDOT grant for Prospect Avenue Project Phase II                             |
| <b>Resolution 20-143</b> | Approve application to Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Improvements in the amount of \$100,000.        |
| <b>Resolution 20-144</b> | Approve refund to 894 Woodland Avenue for clerical error \$131.16.  |
| <b>Resolution 20-145</b> | Approve snow plowing agreement with Bergen County for 2020-2022   |
| <b>Resolution 20-146</b> | Accept letter of resignation from Kathy Vialonga as confidential assistant to CFO/HR officer effective August 14, 2020. |

- Resolution 20-147** Approve to Un-furlough Part Time Inspector Gangemi & Senior Bus Driver Kauffman
- Resolution 20-148** Approve to convert Furlough into Termination for Petronzio, Joyce, McGuire and convert Furlough to a Layoff Crann.

**Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items**

NONE

On a motion by Mrs. Schoenberg, seconded by Mr. Tashjian, Public Comment was closed.

Steve Carnevale had questions on 20-145. Laura Lyons responded.

Tom Kelly voiced concerns with 20-143. Asked to pull this Resolution for separate discussion.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda with except of 20-143 which will be considered separately was made by Tracy Schoenberg and seconded by Roger Tashjian.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Schoenberg, Tashjian, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Kelly, Yu

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion to approve Resolution 20-143 was made by Tracy Schoenberg and seconded by Roger Tashjian.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Schoenberg, Tashjian, Carnevale, Jannicelli, Yu

Nays: Kelly

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**Committee Reports:**

**Administration, Fire & Business Development**

*Council President Tracy Schoenberg*

*Fire-* Last night the Fire Department held the first in person socially distant meeting. The Fire Department decided to cancel the 5k this year. Other fundraising events are still under review. She asked the community to continue to support the Fire Department through donations.

*Administration-* It was announced that Borough Hall is open by appointment only. The balance to keep in mind is making the safest environment possible while also ensuring borough services are delivered.

On tonight's consent agenda, we accepted the retirement of Kathy Vialonga and wish her & her husband well. She will be sorely missed.

Senior Citizens Advisory Committee- Due to Covid there is no startup date to host Senior Activities. The Senior Bus will be operational soon. The driver was just recalled from furlough. A revised policy and procedure manual needs to be put in place to deal with the changing landscape .

EDAC- Outdoor dining experience is available in the downtown. Thanks to Gina & Franco of Calabria for taking the initiative to create that area.

**DPW & Engineering and Shared Service:**

*Councilman Roger Tashjian*

The Borough Engineer gave update on the 2020 Road Program & Oradell Avenue. Also reported that the drainage work has been completed at the Playground.

Mr. Tashjian mentioned that handwashing stations have been purchased & will be placed at the various parks throughout the borough.

**Police, Emergency Management, Technology & Communication**

*Councilman Stephen Carnevale*

Police- At the last meeting the Chief stated that he is staying abreast of the everchanging requirements & mandates as it refers to COVID.

Planning - Until further notice all meetings will continue to be virtual.

**Ordinance**

*Councilman Rob Jannicelli*

Special Events – Mr. Jannicelli requested Mrs. Lyons to provide details regarding the Drive In Theatre.

Recreation- Mr. Jannicelli asked Laura Lyons questions on fencing at the playground. He also inquired to the sports league and Covid plans.

**Finance and Insurance:**

*Councilman Thomas Kelly*

Finance – He indicated that council is finalizing the capital budget for 2020.

Outreach Committee Mr. Kelly stated the committee is always looking for volunteers

**Board of Health, Library, Municipal Drug Alliance:**

*Councilwoman Miriam Yu*

Technology – The Committee is creating an inventory of all technology & accessing IT Security Training for all employees.

Library – She reported that the library is open for curbside pick up for ordered items. The patron just calls the library to request their items.

Board of Ed – The re-opening plans are still underway

**Mayor’s Report:**

The cumulative positive numbers are now being reported twice a week. Oradell keeps fluctuating.

Governor released a quarantine list of states that if you visit you are required to self -quarantine.

On July 9<sup>th</sup> Governor directed \$20 million in CARES ACT funding to support NJ food banks.

Outdoor gathering capacity was raised to 500 – Indoor to 25% of capacity – maximum of 100.

Indoor dining idea was suspended.

**Administrator/Clerk’s Report:**

*Laura Lyons*

Reminder that Borough Hall is open to public by appointment only. You will enter through the Police Dept.

**Borough Attorney’s Report:**

*Andrew Oddo*

No report

**Old Business:**

Councilman Carnevale mentioned the Memorial Field project and asked what the next steps. Laura commented that she is looking to identify any old funding that can be used to encompass the new plans. The Borough Engineer indicated he will send a design proposal so that once funds are in place then we can go out to bid.

Councilman Kelly spoke about DPAC & kids riding bikes. Mayor said the task force had discussed this and once the organized activities resume it should eliminate the problem.

**New Business:**

Councilwoman Yu commented about an idea of moving the Farmers Market to Jays Pharmacy parking lot instead of the Post Office parking lot. Councilman Kelly voiced many concerns - parking being the main issue.

Mayor Didio mentioned that someone reached out to her that someone has been parking on Caruso park. Councilman Jannicelli will reach out to Dan to put chains back up to prevent people from driving up onto the field.

Councilman Kelly commented about the Swim Club & hears positive feedback. Councilman Jannicelli said he was told that Swim Club Administration was going to cap membership at 325 family’s even though capacity is 650.

Councilwoman Schoenberg stated the Fire Department was awarded a FEMA grant for \$16,000 this is to fund purchase of PPE. This takes a tremendous burden off of the Borough.

**Public Comment:**

Paul Latsounas, 50 Beverly Road gave opinions on a few items. He asked about if the Borough will be offering the FLU vaccine for Seniors. Mrs. Lyons responded yes.

Sam Tripsas, 327 Maple Avenue confirmed that OPTV does put the call-in information on the TV screen for every meeting. Commented on the unique layout for our Farmers Market and said it's a destination. He does not support moving the location.

**NO ZOOM PUBLIC COMMENT**

Seeing no further member of the public, Councilwoman Schoenberg made a motion to close to the public, seconded by Councilman Tashjian. All in favor.

Councilwoman Schoenberg made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Tashjian.

All in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:05 pm, the public meeting adjourned.

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