

“GOD BLESS AMERICA”

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 2, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Belmar to be held on the above date at 6:00 PM at the Belmar Municipal Building, 601 Main Street.

PRESENT: Mayor Magovern, Councilman Brennan, Councilman Levis, Councilman Walsifer, Borough Attorney Greg Cannon, Esq., Business Administrator Colleen Connolly, and Borough Clerk April Claudio

ABSENT: Councilwoman Nicolay

“Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to The Coast Star, the official newspaper of the Borough of Belmar, and the Asbury Park Press on December 7, 2017 notice of this meeting was prominently posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building and filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Belmar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Our troops and their families

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:

- CDL Loan
 - o Ms. Connolly and CFO Robbin Kirk announced the Federal Government has officially stated the 4.4 million CDL loan taken after Hurricane Sandy has been forgiven. The Borough does not have to pay it back. Borough Auditor Chuck Fallon was also present and confirmed this.
- Parks Commission
 - o Council member Levis would like to do an ordinance creating a parks commission which would be an advisory commission like the Harbor Commission. He referenced Cranbury Township’s ordinance. Council member Walsifer was concerned about them dictating to DPW what work needs to be done. Mr. Cannon stated the ordinance could clearly outline their role. Some towns have a provision where the commission only meets quarterly and submits recommendations on improvements at budget time instead of daily. The Mayor and Council were okay with moving forward on this ordinance.
- Council member Walsifer stated there have been reports of issues at the gazebo at Silver Lake with people damaging the gazebo. He suggested we collect a security deposit. Ms. Connolly suggested at least charging an application fee. Mayor Magovern stated we used to charge a fee and asked why it was stopped. He would like to charge a fee and a deposit. Ms. Connolly stated we could set that up for 2019.
- Council member Walsifer asked about the storm water ordinance previously discussed. Ms. Connolly stated she has been working with DPW to address some current issues and working on preparing an ordinance to present to the Council soon.
- Council member Levis stated he would like to be involved with the hiring process for CFO because he feels it is an important position. Mr. Cannon read the borough ordinance that outlines the hiring procedure. Mayor Magovern stated he makes the final decision on who to put up for appointment and the Council will vote on it. He also stated he feels we should hire a firm to assist with the hiring process as well.

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Council member Brennan made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting, which was seconded by Council member Walsifer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Magovern, Walsifer and Brennan

ABSTAIN: Levis

REPORTS OF COUNCIL:

Council member Levis: Fall Festival is this weekend. October 10th is the senior lunch at D’Jais.

Council member Walsifer: Progress.

Council member Brennan: Attended his first Tourism Commission meeting. Fall Festival is entirely in the plaza this year and it looks like it will set up nicely. Received a complaint from an Ocean Avenue business owner

about the dunes going up too early. Would like to look at this for next year to see if there is a way to make the beach more accessible if we must prepare for an early storm. Council member Levis agreed we need to investigate whether the dunes scientifically work.

Mayor Magovern: Thanked DPW for sprucing up Silver Lake. Fuggario Park rededication is October 13th. The Shillelaghs are hosting a 5k on the same date to benefit the education fund for the children of Deidre Siecke, daughter of former employee Sharon Day. The bathrooms on the boardwalk will close October 14th. The Historical Society has a new display in the lobby about the schools.

PUBLIC SESSION: Public Session on resolutions only on the Agenda. We will continue to have a Public Session at the end of this meeting.

None

Mayor Magovern made a motion to close the public session, which was seconded by Council member Brennan and approved unanimously.

Council member Levis made a motion to pull the resolution for the railroad improvements off the consent agenda, which was seconded by Council member Brennan and approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed in the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Mayor Magovern made a motion to approve the following resolutions:

2018-135 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

PAYMENT OF BILLS: certification that the vouchers listed on the warrant register numbering 3019 thru 3098 are as follows and comply with requirements of State Law and Borough Ordinance as to content and form, that proper and sufficient appropriations exist for the payment to be made and that there is legal authority as provided in N.J.S. 40A: 5-17(a)(1) for the payment to be made.

01	General Account	\$213,373.94
11	Water/Sewer Account	\$345,231.77
21	Beach Utility Account	\$16,418.15
23	Parking Utility Fund	\$8,249.00
55	Trust Fund Account	\$8,304.85
61	Tourism Development Account	\$3,899.86
Total:		\$595,482.97

2018-136 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS

2018-137 RESOLUTION APPOINTING DEPUTY MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR

2018-138 RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 2019 VARIOUS STREETS PROJECT

2018-139 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COMMODITY RESALE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

2018-140 RESOLUTION PERMITTING SPECIAL EVENTS

Seconded by Council member Levis and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Magovern, Walsifer, Brennan and Levis

Council member Levis stated he felt the area to be done should include Railroad Avenue near Memorial Field. Ms. Connolly stated that area is covered under the CDBG grant already received. This resolution is to extend the improvements along Railroad Avenue from 10th to 13th Avenue.

Mayor Magovern made a motion to adopt, 2018-141, RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RAILROAD AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS
PHASE 1 PROJECT**, which was seconded by Council member Brennan and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Magovern, Walsifer, Brennan and Levis

ORDINANCES:

Second Reading & Public Hearing

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-14

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL
ORDINANCE CHAPTER 19: “TRAFFIC” TO DESIGNATE THE DIRECTION OF SNYDER
AVENUE UNDER SECTION 24 THEREOF**

Public Hearing: None

Mayor Magovern made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Council member Walsifer and approved unanimously.

Mayor Magovern made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-14, which was seconded by Council member Brennan and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Magovern, Walsifer, Brennan and Levis

PUBLIC SESSION:

Tom Volker, 527 8th Avenue, would like to see Taylor Pavilion’s bathroom kept open during the winter. Mayor Magovern stated we are concerned about vandalism. Mr. Volker suggested having it manned like they are in the summer. He asked if the ordinance allows for when a tree is removed to be replaced with a new tree. Mayor Magovern stated it does not but that is a good idea.

Mayor Magovern made a motion to close the public session and adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Council member Brennan and approved unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

April Claudio
Municipal Clerk