

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AGENDA**

AUGUST 6, 2019

6:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Mark Walsifer, Council President Thomas Brennan, Councilman Thomas Carvelli, Councilwoman Patricia Wann, Borough Attorneys Jerry Dasti, Acting Business Administrator Edward Kirschenbaum and Borough Clerk April Claudio

ABSENT: Councilman McCracken

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 19, 2018 and 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 and Dirk Reitsma

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:

Mayor Walsifer stated we had put the ordinance for the parking meter fees on the last meeting but after further review most of the money would still go to the beach utility and not the parking fund. Plus, if we adopted it tonight and waited the 20 days for it to go into effect then there would only be 8 days left of the new fee. We are going to table the ordinance and revisit it at a later date to get it ready for next summer.

Mayor Walsifer explained Resolution 2019-166. A lot of developers have contacted us about development projects. We want everything to be above board so we will seek proposals and review them all at a public meeting. If they are bad, we won't do anything. If they are good, we will look into them further. Councilman Brennan would like to make sure the public has input. Councilwoman Wann added that the proposals are not binding, we just want to see what is out there.

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Councilwoman Wann made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2019 meeting, which was seconded by Councilman Brennan and approved unanimously.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL:

Councilman Carvelli: BBP welcomed new business the Steak Stand. Has started a video restaurant tour with Media Director John Sabia. Two weeks ago, he and Councilman McCracken spent four hours with DPW touring buildings and learning their operations. Police Explorer Program is going to start up again soon.

Councilwoman Wann: Thanked DPW for responding to issues she hears about so quickly. Thanked Code Enforcement for addressing a safety issue on Route 35. Has seen a lot of people fishing at Silver Lake. Mike Campbell, DPW Director, stated the lake was restocked with fish after Hurricane Sandy. The State will come down in September to see if can replenish again. Councilwoman Wann asked why the street sweepers don't go out after 7 am when the cars have moved. Mr. Campbell stated they start working at 3 am to do the Plaza, Main Street, and Marina during the summer when the town is very busy. Community Policing program is running really well.

Councilman Brennan: The Shark River Cleanup Coalition is having a cleanup on August 17th. Appreciates all the kind words given to his wife who broke her arm hiking on vacation.

Mayor Walsifer: Weekends have been great. Weather has been good. All of the employees have been really stepping up. August 30th the Post Office will be dedicated to Doctor Walter Macfee by Congressman Chris Smith. Tourism Commission is looking into a food truck festival in October instead of the Fall Festival.

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

Councilman Brennan made a motion to close the public session, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

Councilman Brennan recused himself. Mayor Walsifer offered the following resolution for adoption:

No. 2019-158 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE WITH “BROAD PACKAGE PRIVILEGE” FOR DCJ BELMAR, INC. FOR PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2020 TO BE HELD IN POCKET (INACTIVE)

Seconded by Councilman Carvelli and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Walsifer, Carvelli, and Wann

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 Walsifer made a motion to remove Resolution 2019-166 from the consent agenda, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved unanimously.

Councilman Brennan offered the following resolutions for adoption:

No. 2019-159 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

No. 2019-160 RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS FOR 2019

No. 2019-161 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS

No. 2019-162 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING FOR SEALED BIDS FOR RECYCLING SERVICES

No. 2019-163 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A GRANT APPLICATION WITH NJ DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

No. 2019-164 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK SMSA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS

Seconded by Mayor Walsifer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, Walsifer and Carvelli

Mayor Walsifer offered the following resolution for adoption:

No. 2019-166 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEEKING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE BELMAR MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND PARKING LOT

Seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, Walsifer and Carvelli

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-25

Second Reading & Public Hearing

ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING NEW CHAPTER XLIII, ESTABLISHING A DEVELOPMENT FEE ORDINANCE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PURPOSES

Public Hearing: Gene Creamer, 4th Avenue, requested the word “may” be changed to “shall”. Mayor Walsifer stated the change was made. Mr. Creamer recommended reviewing the percentages in the ordinance. Mr. Dasti stated he spoke to DCA and explained how the percentages in the ordinance work, 3% per unit.

Councilman Brennan made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Mayor Walsifer and

approved unanimously.

Mayor Walsifer made a motion to adopt ordinance 2019-25, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, Walsifer and Carvelli

ORDINANCE 2019-27

Second Reading & Public Hearing

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL, BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CREATING NEW SECTION, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COLLECTION AND DISPOSITION IN CHAPTER XXIII IN THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES

Public: None

Mayor Walsifer made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilman Brennan and approved unanimously.

Councilman Carvelli made a motion to adopt ordinance 2019-27, which was seconded by Mayor Walsifer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, Walsifer and Carvelli

ORDINANCE 2019-28

Second Reading & Public Hearing

ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XXVI OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, ADDING SECTION 26-12

Public: None

Mayor Walsifer made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved unanimously.

Councilman Brennan made a motion to adopt ordinance 2019-28, which was seconded by Mayor Walsifer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, Walsifer and Carvelli

ORDINANCE 2019-29

Second Reading & Public Hearing

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 31 OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO THE SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Public: None

Councilwoman Wann made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilman Brennan and approved unanimously.

Mayor Walsifer made a motion to adopt ordinance 2019-29, which was seconded by Councilman Carvelli and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, Walsifer and Carvelli

ORDINANCE 2019-30 (TABLED)

Second Reading & Public Hearing

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XIX, TRAFFIC, SECTION 19-40.1 PARKING METER ZONES AND REGULATIONS, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY

Mayor Walsifer made a motion to table ordinance 2019-30, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved unanimously.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Sandy Caputo, Surf Avenue, spoke about people playing ball on the beach again. She did see a lifeguard get off the stand and speak to someone but doesn't understand why they can't just blow their whistle. Mayor Walsifer stated the ordinance needs to be changed. Will discuss it with the Chief and Head Lifeguard in the off season.

Mark Pheiffer, 319 5th Avenue, this past weekend the lifeguards at 5th Avenue did really great managing the rip tide. Asked if we will revisit charging for parking in the marina. Mayor Walsifer stated we will be looking into that. Also, will be looking into changing the meter kiosks. Mr. Pheiffer also stated we need to look at the signage for no tents on the beach. Spring Lake has a sign we need. Mr. Kirschenbaum stated we did change the ordinance this year. Andrew Huisman, Chief of Police, stated the new ordinance was narrowed down and hasn't see many complaints.

Tom Volker, 527 8th Avenue, thanked the Mayor and Council for what they have been trying to do to keep the taxes low. Questioned why his tax bill did not say "Advice Only" like it did in the past. Ms. Claudio explained there was a computer glitch with the software company and if his taxes are paid by his mortgage company then it will continue to be done that way. Mr. Volker asked about the program to help seniors by having them check in with the police. Suggested that info be passed around.

Jim Bean, 16th Avenue, stated the seniors are asking if their petition is going to be considered. Chief Huisman stated letters have gone to the State requesting additional meetings to discuss options. Mr. Bean asked if speedbumps are a viable option. Chief Huisman stated the State will not allow them. Mr. Bean asked about where a parking garage would go. Mayor Walsifer stated it would be at the current Borough lot and everything will be done above board and open to the public.

Maria Rodinaro, Pinetree, asked if the credit card machines are working. Mayor Walsifer stated they aren't working, it's been a problem the whole summer. The bandwidth isn't enough with the large amount of people. Working with Verizon to address it. Ms. Rodinaro stated there have been three mass shootings in the country since the last meeting. Thinks it's important that the Mayor and Council make it known that we don't support hate. It's good that the Police Department has a presence.

Councilwoman Wann made a motion to close the public session, which was seconded by Mayor Walsifer and approved unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

Councilman Brennan offered the following resolution for adoption:

No. 2019-165 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved unanimously.

After the closed session, no further action was taken.

Councilwoman Wann made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Councilman Carvelli and approved unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

April Claudio
Municipal Clerk