

“GOD BLESS AMERICA”

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 31, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Belmar to be held on the above date at **10:00 am** at the Belmar Municipal Building, 601 Main Street.

PRESENT: Mayor Magovern, Councilman Brennan, Councilman McCracken, Councilwoman Nicolay, Councilman Walsifer, Borough Attorney Greg Cannon, Esq., and Borough Clerk April Claudio

“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 and Terri Pierce

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:

- Mayor Magovern announced that Police Chief Drew Huisman has been Acting Business Administrator since Colleen Connolly’s resignation.
- Frank Kelly spoke regarding the JIF renewal. Informed the Mayor and Council it is time to renew with them. They will be working to get us in the best JIF for the best price. There will be a savings in 2019 while coverage will stay the same. They explained the positives of being a member of a JIF. Mayor Walsifer asked why we are not part of the Monmouth County JIF. Mr. Kelly stated we have had some good experiences with the Central Jersey JIF. Both are part of the MEL System anyways and you can compete against each other. They discussed the safety meetings and the training and controls in place to ensure the safety of Borough employees. Mike Campbell, DPW Director, stated they handle the Borough’s JIF and have recommended we go into the Monmouth County JIF because the Central Jersey JIF doesn’t have small beach communities like us. They always must drive to Woodbridge for the meetings and the issues discussed are not relevant to that of a small community. Council member Nicolay asked if there are any negatives to changing. The filings with the JIF are done every three years, the deadline to switch may have passed. Could probably have the employees participate in the Monmouth County safety meetings as an alternative. Mr. Kelly stated the savings the Borough would get are contingent on signing a three-year renewal. He would not know if those savings would be the same for Monmouth County. They will investigate it.

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Council member Nicolay made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2018 meeting, which was seconded by Council member Brennan and approved unanimously.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL:

Councilman McCracken: Terri Pierce passed away this week. She was very dedicated to Belmar. Keep her and her family in your prayers.

Councilman Walsifer: Wished everyone a happy new year.

Councilman Brennan: Dune growing project along the boardwalk had another installation near 4th and 5th Avenue beach. The dune grass was purchased through the grant for the Lake Como project, but residents didn’t want it planted near the lake. Eventually will plant regular grass and walkways there. For now, the dune grass will be used elsewhere as we find places to put it. Thanked DPW for doing a great job with the plantings. Will investigate grant funding to do more plantings. Thanked Councilwoman Nicolay and Mayor Magovern for all their years of service, particularly after Hurricane Sandy.

Councilwoman Nicolay: Thanked DPW, police, Mayor Doherty, Claire Deicke, Janis-Keown-Blackburn, Mayor Magovern and Councilman Brennan for all their work and assistance during her time on the Council. Some highlights from her time on the Council: hurricane sandy recovery, boardwalk reconstruction, Taylor Pavilion reconstruction, summer camp, new playgrounds, Lake Como pipe, youth club, community center, no more brown water in areas of town. Will always be proud to be a part of a great team.

Mayor Magovern: Thanked Police Department for a great job and a safe year for the residents. Thanked DPW for doing such a great job. Also thanked the Fire Department for their work. Hopes the Fire Department budget

will be increased in 2019, they need new equipment and repairs to the firehouses. Thanked the First Aid for all their work and efforts.

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 Councilwoman Nicolay 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 offered the following resolutions for adoption:

**2018-170
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

PAYMENT OF BILLS: certification that the vouchers listed on the warrant register numbering 3499 thru 3635 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	\$1,081,075.45
05	General Capital Account	\$34,265.00
11	Water/Sewer Account	\$86,465.62
21	Beach Utility Account	\$15,335.97
23	Parking Utility Account	\$550.00
41	Dog License Account	\$1,464.00
55	Trust Fund Account	\$13,256.26
61	Tourism Development Account	\$280.51
Total:		\$1,232,692.81

**2018-171
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR**

**2018-172
RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR MID-GRADE ULTRA LOW NO LEAD GASOLINE AND ULTRA LOW SULFUR PREMIUM DIESEL**

**2018-173
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS**

**2018-174
RESOLUTION MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE BELMAR HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**2018-175
RESOLUTION SETTING 2019 MEETING DATES**

**2018-176
RESOLUTION APPROVING MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTEER HOOK & LADDER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**2018-177
RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS**

**2018-178
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2018**

**2018-179
RESOLUTION PERMITTING SPECIAL EVENTS**

2018-180
RESOLUTION FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE CENTRAL JERSEY JOINT INSURANCE FUND

2018-181
RESOLUTION CERTIFYING TO THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL HAVE REVIEWED, AS A MINIMUM, THE SECTION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT ENTITLED: COMMENTS-RECOMMENDATIONS

Seconded by Councilman Walsifer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: McCracken, Walsifer, Nicolay, Brennan and Magovern

ORDINANCES: None

PUBLIC SESSION:
None

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Respectively submitted,

April Claudio
Municipal Clerk