

“GOD BLESS AMERICA”

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 16, 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, Councilwoman Nicolay, Councilman Walsifer, Borough Attorney Greg Cannon, Esq., and Business Administrator Colleen Connolly

ABSENT: 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

RESOLUTIONS:

Mayor Magovern offered for adoption **2018-142, RESOLUTION APPOINTING KEVIN T. MARRON AS PATROLMAN OF THE BELMAR POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL**, seconded by Council member Brennan and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Magovern, Walsifer, Nicolay, and Brennan

Mayor Magovern administered the Oath of Office.

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:

- Council member Nicolay read the proclamation for Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Better Angels Group gave a PowerPoint presentation on their recommendations for improvements to the Borough’s website.
 - o Council member Levis thanked them for their presentation and that he agreed with their recommendations.
 - o Council member Walsifer felt we should hire someone to straighten it all out rather than doing it in house. He said that much more needed to be online and bills should be emailed instead of on paper.
 - o Council member Brennan has had the same concerns about the website for years. There should be one person responsible for updating it on a regular basis.
 - o Council member Nicolay felt we must consider costs. Felt we will still need to mail bills to seniors. Agrees online payments should be an option.
 - o Mayor Magovern stated we will be taking taxes and water/sewer payments online for 2019. Stated April does a great job with all her many job duties but need to find someone to assist with the website.
- Mayor Magovern announced the 10th Avenue roundabouts will be coming out.
- Mayor Magovern stated the 16th Avenue stop signs must come out due to directive from the County on Monmouth. Ms. Connolly and the Police Chief will keep working over the off season to see if there is a way to have them reinstalled in 2019.

PETITIONS: none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Council member Nicolay made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2018 meeting, which was seconded by Council member Levis and approved unanimously.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL:

Council member Levis: Basketball registration is now online. Asked for some tweaks to the parks commission ordinance. Require it to be Belmar residents only and have 5 members instead of 7.

Council member Walsifer: Suggested Parks Commission provided recommendations to the Business Administrator who can then create a multiple year capital plan. Harbor Commission has a big waiting list for kayaks and jet ski slips, discussed 2019 rates, WIFI, expanding the parking area.

Council member Brennan: Received a wonderful letter from Grace Ozmond who wants to help plant milkweed for the butterfly garden. He wished all the candidates luck as this is the last meeting before the election and congratulated them on running a positive campaign.

Council member Nicolay: Thanked Merry Brennan and Janet Grosshandler for all their work on the butterfly garden. Arts Council will be holding a holiday market. Recreation is holding open gym in the afternoons for children. Halloween Parade is October 28th. Kite Festival was great but sadly the winds were low. She encouraged everyone to shop local.

Mayor Magovern: Congratulated Mary Brabazon for a successful fall festival. FSOS 5k for the Sieck family this weekend was also successful. Pot holes should be called in to DPW. Ferruggiaro Park rededication was a great success. Thanks to DPW and the Police Department for their help. Exit 98 has left Belmar after 25 years.

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

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:

2018-143
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

PAYMENT OF BILLS: certification that the vouchers listed on the warrant register numbering 3099 thru 3163 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	\$1,302,038.51
03	Grant Account	\$179.00
11	Water/Sewer Account	\$41,207.04
21	Beach Utility Account	\$10,845.82
31	Public Assist 1 Account	\$200.00
41	Dog License Account	\$1,464.00
55	Trust Fund Account	\$3,755.25
61	Tourism Development Account	\$2,105.09
Total:		\$1,361,794.71

2018-144
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR AND THE MONMOUTH COUNTY SCAT PROJECT FOR 2019

2018-145
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO DECLARE HALLOWEEN CURFEW

2018-146
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS

2018-147
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING BEACH STORAGE LOCKER FEES FOR THE 2019 SEASON IN THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

2018-148
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF UNCLAIMED CHECKS IN THE BELMAR MUNICIPAL COURT TO THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR

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

AYES: Magovern, Brennan, Nicolay, Levis and Walsifer

ORDINANCES:

First Reading & Introduction:

ORDINANCE 2018-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 15: "PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES" TO ESTABLISH A PARKS COMMISSION

Mayor Magovern offered Ordinance 2018-15 for first reading and introduction, which was seconded by Council member Levis and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Magovern, Brennan, Nicolay, Levis and Walsifer

First Reading & Introduction:

ORDINANCE 2018-16

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XXIX WATER-SEWER UTILITY DEPARTMENT CONNECTION TO PUBLIC SEWERAGE SYSTEM OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH NEW JERSEY

Mayor Magovern offered Ordinance 2018-16 for first reading and introduction, which was seconded by Council member Walsifer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Magovern, Brennan, Nicolay, Levis and Walsifer

PUBLIC SESSION:

Vicky Renner, 11th Avenue, stated the parks commission should include beautification. We should have a tourism tax on rentals to pay for it. Felt we are losing a revenue opportunity by not building a flagpole at the 10th Avenue Pavilion for the cell towers. Instead they all go on top the Mayfair Hotel. Bayhead has antennas on their water tower. Felt the spring town wide yard sale should be in May because people can't park when it's in June. Would like to see the DPW section of the website updated regarding curb painting, brush pickup and street sweeping. Would like the circles on 10th Avenue saved. Community policing needs to be better. She would like to be on the parks commission.

John Hutchinson, 519 6th Avenue, recalls antenna applications before the Zoning Board, federal laws have changed and there is very little the town can do to prevent many of these applications. Carriers have looked at putting on our water tower and said it doesn't work.

Joel Scardeli, 1910 Snyder Avenue, doesn't like Snyder Avenue going North. He never saw the petition for it and would not have signed it. Would like to see the petition and was told it is a public record. Wants another street going north instead. Council member Levis stated this didn't happen capriciously, that much discussion and input went into the decision. Council member Walsifer stated the police will monitor it closely.

George Voloshin, 1918 Snyder Avenue, stated that Snyder should not go north, there are young kids on Snyder Avenue. He also didn't see the petition. There was no communication on this.

Tom Volker, 527 8th Avenue, complimented the Better Angel Group for being bi partisan.

George Komitas, 111 3rd Avenue, loves Belmar, Ferruggiaro Park rededication was great. Glad to see Democrats and Republicans working together.

Angela Pheiffer, 5th Avenue, suggested designating each parking spot with brackets instead of just at the corners, she wondered if this would yield more spots available for parking.

Maria Rontonda, 1246 Pinetree Way, 16th Avenue traffic is very fast would like to see flashing 25 mph speed radars along 16th Avenue. Capt. Cox said the police department would step up some enforcement on 16th Avenue.

Ms. Renner asked about parking on D Street on the east side. Asked how much it costs every time there is an ordinance change. Mr. Cannon stated his attorney fees are set in his contract and it is not per ordinance.

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

Council member Magovern made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Council member Nicolay and approved unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

Colleen Connolly
Business Administrator