

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**SEPTEMBER 17, 2019**

**6:00 PM**

Mayor Mark Walsifer, Councilman James McCracken, Councilman Thomas Carvelli, Councilwoman Patricia Wann, Borough Attorneys Jerry Dasti, Business Administrator Edward Kirschenbaum and Borough Clerk April Claudio

Absent: Council President Thomas Brennan

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 Alfie Wenzel

**WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:**

Mayor Walsifer stated we received two letters from the State of NJ. The first letter states our trip to Washington D.C. was unsuccessful and they will not be paying us the \$600,000 from the grant for the Lake Como project. Will be working with Mr. Dasti on some other options to recoup that money. The second letter states that FEMA over paid us \$1,700,000.00 and they want their money back.

Mayor Walsifer explained the two bond ordinances. The one ordinance is to cover the \$600,000 and other fees that may occur during the closeout of the Lake Como project. It also includes \$1 million to put money back into the beach utility per D.C.A.

Mr. Kirschenbaum stated the Borough will be receiving \$92,000 for a Maclearie Park grant that the Borough was in jeopardy of losing because nobody from the Borough responded to the County's numerous requests. Also working on a National Boating Infrastructure grant from 2015 that the Borough was in jeopardy of losing.

**PETITIONS:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Councilwoman Wann made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2019 meeting, which was seconded by Mayor Walsifer and approved unanimously.

**REPORTS OF COUNCIL:**

Councilman Carvelli: Harbor Commission met. Slip occupancy is just over 60% which is better than years past. Also discussed whether or not fuel prices are competitive and the 2020 boat show. The ADA Committee meets this Thursday. The San Gennaro festival this past weekend was great. The police explorers meeting is this Saturday. Autism Beach Bash had great weather for their event. The County painted all the crosswalks on Main Street from 8<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Avenues. The State will paint crosswalks on Main Street between 7<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenues as well, also will be installing countdown timers.

Councilman McCracken: It's a shame the Veterans Day beach bash was cancelled and hopes it will be offered again. The San Gennaro festival was organized in house without the use of a marketing firm. Several business owners stated they benefited greatly from the festival. The Belmar Housing Authority had a 9/11 remembrance ceremony. Thanked them for hosting the event. Also visited the Jersey Shore Running Club event on 9/11. There is caution tape at the 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue playground because there was a ladder with rust that needed to be fixed. Mr. Campbell inspected all the playground equipment and got the manufacturer to replace rusty parts free of charge.

Councilwoman Wann: Thanked Mr. Campbell and Chief Huisman for a safe and efficiently run San Gennaro festival. Community Policing is having a wrap up meeting soon.

Mayor Walsifer: San Gennaro festival went very smooth. DOT met with State and Police Chief today regarding the 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue crossing. Chief Huisman stated they had a very good meeting with DOT and NJ Transit. It was suggested the crosswalk will be moved a short distance to the east and have a signal crosswalk with lights. Also looking at the intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Will have a straight and left-hand turn signal and countdown timer. They will review our suggestions and get back to us.

**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

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

Councilman Carvelli offered the following resolutions for adoption:

**No. 2019-175 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**No. 2019-176 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS**

**No. 2019-177 RESOLUTION APPROVING A STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SPECIFICALLY FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS**

**NO. 2019-178 RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE 2018 ANNUAL AUDIT**

**No. 2019-179 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR MARINA FUEL**

**No. 2019-180 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR ENCODER REGISTERS, COLD WATER METERS AND RADIO FREQUENCY METER INTERFACE UNITS**

**No. 2019-181 RESOLUTION PERMITTING SPECIAL EVENTS**

Seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Walsifer, McCracken and Carvelli

**ORDINANCES:**

*Second Reading & Public Hearing*

**ORDINANCE 2019-31**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XXVI, HOUSING/PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE AND CHAPTER XL, DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR PERTAINING TO VARIOUS FIRE PREVENTION CODES**

Public hearing: Joan Corallo, A Street, asked about the removal of the fire escapes. Mr. Kirschenbaum stated we were advised this is in violation of State codes.

Councilwoman Wann 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 2019-31, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Walsifer, McCracken and Carvelli

Mayor Walsifer offered the following three ordinances for first reading and introduction, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Walsifer, McCracken and Carvelli

*First Reading & Introduction*

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-32**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, AMENDING IN ITS ENTIRETY BOND ORDINANCE NUMBERED 2015-24 OF THE BOROUGH FINALLY ADOPTED JULY 7, 2015, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE OF THE AUTHORIZATION AND ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES THEREFOR AND TO MAKE CORRESPONDING AMENDMENTS**

**RELATED THERETO**

*First Reading & Introduction*

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-33**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO RAILROAD AVENUE AND OTHER RELATED EXPENSES FOR THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR AND APPROPRIATING \$220,000 THEREFOR (INCLUDING A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$158,889), AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$220,000 IN GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR TO FINANCE THE SAME.**

*First Reading & Introduction*

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-34**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XIX, TRAFFIC, SECTION 19-16 PARKING OF CERTAIN TRUCKS, VEHICLES AND TRAILERS PROHIBITED OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY**

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

Kyle Rizzitello, 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, her husband thanks all for attending his Quilt of Valor award. There are shrubs at 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Route 71 that have been trimmed but need to be trimmed more. Would like a letter to go out somehow about removing vehicles from the street during a snow storm because someone people don't have email or the reverse 9-1-1 service.

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

Respectively submitted,

April Claudio  
Municipal Clerk