

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

MINUTES

DECEMBER 15, 2020

6:00 PM

Mayor Mark Walsifer, Council President Thomas Brennan, Councilman James McCracken, Councilman Thomas Carvelli, Councilwoman Patricia Wann, Borough Attorney Jerry Dasti, Business Administrator Edward Kirschenbaum 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 September 28, 2020 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, first responders and healthcare workers

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:

Mayor Walsifer stated there is a resolution and an ordinance on the agenda to update the marina rates and regulations, which are outdated. Thursday there will be a meeting to discuss the St. Patrick's Day parade. Fees for tent permits will be waived for the outdoor dining tents.

Ms. Claudio explained the new online features for GovPilot which include dumpster/pod permits, title transfers and yearly, winter and summer rentals. Dog licensing is also now available online.

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Councilman Brennan made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2020 meeting, which was seconded by Councilman Carvelli and approved unanimously.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL:

Councilman Carvelli: No report.

Councilman McCracken: Thanked Ms. Claudio and the IT staff for automating Borough processes and making it easier for residents to apply for various items. Gave an update on the Housing Authority's activity. Still working on refining the invasive species ordinance. Wished everyone a health holiday season and new year.

Councilwoman Wann: Recreation Committee is meeting again. Looking into basketball programs for the spring and summer. Thanked everyone who worked yard this past year which was a tough one. Main Street and Ocean Avenue look beautiful this time of year. Wished everyone happy holidays.

Councilman Brennan: Environmental Resources Inventory will be presented at the second meeting in January. Santa will be delivering toys on Thursday, weather permitting. Wished everyone a happy holiday.

Mayor Walsifer: Wished everyone a safe, happy and healthy holiday season. Thanked the residents, staff, first responders and volunteers for their hard work this past year. The Library is working on getting more information out about getting library cards and promoting all the programs they have to offer.

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 Councilman Brennan and approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA - RESOLUTIONS:

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 McCracken offered the following resolutions for adoption:

No. 2020-196 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MARINA FEES AT THE BELMAR MARINA

No. 2020-215 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

No. 2020-216 RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS FOR 2021

No. 2020-217 RESOLUTION WAIVING CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES UNTIL MARCH 31, 2021

No. 2020-218 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS

No. 2020-219 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS OF APPROPRIATIONS

Seconded by Councilman Brennan and approved by the following vote:

AYES: McCracken, Wann, Carvelli, Brennan and Walsifer

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-43 *First Reading & Introduction*

ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF CHAPTER XVIII OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED "BEACH FRONT AND MARINE REGULATIONS"

Mayor Walsifer offered Ordinance 2020-43 for first reading and introduction, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: McCracken, Wann, Carvelli, Brennan and Walsifer

PUBLIC SESSION:

None

Councilman Brennan made a motion to close the public session and adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Councilman Carvelli and approved unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

April Claudio
Municipal Clerk