

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

MINUTES

OCTOBER 19, 2021

6:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Mark Walsifer, Councilman Thomas Brennan, Councilman James McCracken, Council President Patricia Wann, Borough Attorney Patrick Varga, Business Administrator Edward Kirschenbaum and Borough Clerk April Claudio

ABSENT: Councilman Thomas Carvelli

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 2, 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

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION: None

PETITIONS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Councilman Brennan offered a motion to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2021 meeting, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan and Walsifer

ABSTAIN: McCracken

REPORTS OF COUNCIL:

Councilman McCracken: Shade Tree Commission meets this week. Looked at list of volunteers in town, roughly 75 amongst the various Boards and Commissions. They should be recognized for their dedication to serve the town. The Boards have a wide variety of Republicans, Democrats and Unaffiliated. We are always looking for good people to serve the Boards if anyone is interested.

Councilman Brennan: Harbor Commission met last week. Working on a capital improvement schedule. Environmental Commission working on treasure trail and looking into water bottle filling stations.

Councilwoman Wann: Historical Society is selling a 150th Anniversary calendar.

Mayor Walsifer: Mr. Kirschenbaum is working on repairing the buy a board signs. Commended Mr. Kirschenbaum, the Borough engineer and Jerry Dasti for recouping the grant money for the Lake Como outfall pipe project. Work on the ground water storage tank has started. Paving of 12th, 15th and 16th is starting soon. Acknowledged Cecil Lear for being inducted into the Surfing Hall of Fame in California. Acknowledged Maria Rondinaro for being honored by the Young Democrats for her work in helping people get vaccinated. Truck or Treat and Halloween parade is October 29th. Tree lighting is December 4th. Mayor's Ball is December 3rd.

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.

Mayor Walsifer offered the following resolutions for adoption:

No. 2021-215

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

- No. 2021-216 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR AND THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH FOR MODIV PROPERTY ASSESSMENT COMPUTER SERVICES**
- No. 2021-217 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO DECLARE HALLOWEEN CURFEW**
- No. 2021-218 **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AMENDING PERMIT PARKING AREA FOR THE MARINA IN THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**
- No. 2021-220 **RESOLUTION TO AUTHOORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS COLLECTED PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 39:4-50.23 AS DIRECTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES**
- No. 2021-221 **RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR ENCODER REGISTERS, COLD WATER METERS AND RADIO FREQUENCY METER INTERFACE UNITS**

Seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, McCracken and Walsifer

RESOLUTIONS:

- No. 2021-219 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE WITH “BROAD PACKAGE PRIVILEGE” FOR 1000 MAIN LIQUOR LICENSE LLC FOR PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2022**

Mayor Walsifer offered Resolution 2021-219 for adoption, which was seconded by Councilwoman Wann and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, McCracken and Walsifer
ABSTAIN: Brennan

ORDINANCES:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-32 *Second Reading & Public Hearing*
ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 20: “LICENSES-GENERAL” TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS**

Public Hearing: None

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

Councilwoman Wann offered Ordinance 2021-32 for adoption, which was seconded by Mayor Walsifer and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, McCracken and Walsifer

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-33 *First Reading & Introduction*
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VEHICLES FOR THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING \$180,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$171,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY**

Mayor Walsifer offered Ordinance 2021-33 for first reading and introduction, which was seconded by Councilman Brennan and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, McCracken and Walsifer

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-34 *First Reading & Introduction*
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VEHICLES FOR THE BOROUGH WATER-SEWER UTILITY, APPROPRIATING \$130,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$130,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF,**

AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF BELMAR, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY

Mayor Walsifer offered Ordinance 2021-33 for first reading and introduction, which was seconded by Councilman Brennan and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Wann, Brennan, McCracken and Walsifer

PUBLIC SESSION:

Anita Pecorelli, First Avenue, read the minutes from a previous meeting, asked what FSOS stands for. Mayor Walsifer stated it is the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh. She questioned why they raised money for recreation when the Borough has a budget and has increased taxes and water. Mayor Walsifer stated they raised money so recreation could upgrade equipment and programs.

Gene Creamer, 4th Avenue, questioned the outdoor dining on the sidewalk in front of Flames. He was concerned about wheelchair access. Mayor Walsifer stated he will review the permits but believed it was the ordinance that needs to be changed.

Maria Florio, 115 12th Avenue, was concerned about a beehive on a tree at the 200 block of 12th Avenue. John Maguire of DPW will look into it.

Curran Fallon, Lake Como, asked about the status of the skatepark. Mayor Walsifer explained it was shutdown by the insurance company due to safety concerns. He explained the Business Administrator has had meetings about it with various people. It is not in our budget his year to replace it. Councilman McCracken asked if the residents from other towns have contacted their own towns about opening a skatepark there or contributing to ours. Mr. Fallon felt there are a lot of individuals who would like to help out. Mayor Walsifer stated we need to look into the funding for it.

Sharon Russell Fowler, Belmar Library, announced tomorrow's Elder Care Giver series.

Councilman Brennan 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