

**BOROUGH OF MENDHAM  
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**January 25, 2021  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Christine Serrano Glassner called the January 25, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council to order at 8:00 p.m. in the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, New Jersey and remotely by Zoom webinar, Meeting ID 822 8293 1396.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Serrano Glassner led a moment of silence and proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MAYOR'S OPENING STATEMENT**

Mayor Serrano Glassner read the following statement:

Notice of this meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mendham was published in the Daily Record and Star Ledger, posted in the Phoenix House, and was filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Official action will be taken at this meeting.

During a declared state of emergency when meetings of the Mayor and Council are held remotely, written comments to be read during the public hearings or public comment period listed on the agenda may be submitted in writing to our Borough Clerk electronically by email, or by letter, no later than 4:00PM on the date of the meeting. Only one public comment, whether oral or written, from each person at each public comment period will, as with all public comments, be heard or read. The reading of the written comments will, as with all public comments, be limited to four minutes and the reading will end after four minutes.

**ROLL CALL**

The following officials were present:

Mayor Christine Serrano Glassner  
Council Member Steven Andrew  
Council President John Andrews  
Council Member Brad Badal  
Council Member James Kelly  
Council Member Mary Sue Martin [via Zoom conferencing]  
Council Member Brennan Reilly [via Zoom conferencing]

Also present were:

Susan Sharpe, Esq., Borough Attorney [via Zoom conferencing]  
Joyce Bushman, Borough Administrator  
Robin R. Kline, Borough Clerk

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEM(S)**

- 1. Approval of Minutes:** January 7, 2021 Reorganization Meeting  
January 13, 2021 Regular Meeting and Closed Session Meeting

There was no Council discussion.

Motion to Approve: Council Member Reilly  
Second: Council Member Kelly  
Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

Council Member Reilly recused himself on the approval of the January 7, 2021 Reorganization Meeting minutes.

**ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION**

**#01-2021 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MENDHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ADOPTING AN NJDEP MODEL ORDINANCE FOR STORMWATER CONTROL**

Public Hearing scheduled for February 10, 2021.

There was no Council discussion.

Motion to Approve: Council Member Reilly  
Second: Council Member Kelly  
Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

**#02-2021 ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MENDHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING ARTICLE XVII, RESIDENT PERMIT PARKING, OF THE BOROUGH CODE TO CONSOLIDATE RESIDENT PARKING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

Public Hearing scheduled for February 10, 2021.

There was no Council discussion.

Motion to Approve: Council Member Reilly  
Second: Council Member Kelly  
Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

**ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION**

None.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**#039-2021 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF RYAN J. EUVINO AS A PROBATIONARY MEMBER OF THE MENDHAM BOROUGH FIRE DEPARTMENT**

There was no Council discussion.

Motion to Approve: Council Member Reilly  
Second: Council Member Kelly  
Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

**#040-2021 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A TEMPORARY PART-TIME TECHNICAL ASSISTANT FOR THE CONTRUCTION OFFICIAL**

There was no Council discussion.

Motion to Approve: Council Member Reilly  
Second: Council Member Kelly  
Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

**#041-2021 RESOLUTION ENDORSING AND ADOPTING A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE POLICY AND ACTION PLAN**

There was no Council discussion.

Motion to Approve: Council Member Reilly  
Second: Council Member Kelly  
Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

A copy of the Administrator's Report dated January 25, 2021 was distributed to the Governing Body in advance of the meeting. Effective February 1<sup>st</sup> curbside recycling will take place every Thursday and bulk waste will take place every Monday. Signage has been installed at the DPW yard altering residents that recycling materials will no longer be accepted at the public works location. The temporary traffic light at Route 24 and Ironia Road will begin operating next week in anticipation of the Mountainside bridge construction.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance [Standing Committee of the Council]**

Council President Badal reported that Finance Committee will be meeting on January 26<sup>th</sup> and had nothing new to report.

**Board of Health**

Council Member Andrew had nothing new to report.

**Recreation and Parks [Standing Committee of the Council]**

Council Member Andrew reported that the Recreation Committee will be sponsoring a Valentine Door Decorating Contest and further reported that the Day Camp program is now accepting camp counselor job applications.

**Board of Education**

Council Member Andrew had nothing new to report.

**Public Safety [Standing Committee of the Council]**

**Police Department**

Council President Andrews reported that the Mendham Borough Police Department made four arrests associated with car thefts that occurred from November 2020 to early January 2021 and further reported that the Morris County Prosecutor's office issued a press release last week on this. He thanked Chief Camoia, Detective Gobbi, and the MBPD for their efforts.

Council President Andrews further reported that Officer Nolan Ryan has given his resignation notice and will be taking a job with another police department. Chief Camoia is now interviewing candidates for the vacancy. He also reported that 14,401 police service calls were made in 2020 (compared with 17,697 service calls in 2019) and lastly reported that the police department's messaging board was moved to Farmhouse Lane and West Main Street to warn motorists of the activation of the temporary traffic light the county installex at Ironia Road and West Main Street for the Mountainside bridge repair project.

**First Aid and Fire Department**

Council President Andrews reported that the First Aid Squad purchased two new stair chairs and anticipates the arrival of a new ambulance in early February. He also reported that sixteen squad members received their initial COVID-19 inoculations on January 2<sup>nd</sup>; the second inoculation is scheduled for the coming weekend. Lastly, Council President Andrews reported that 347 first aid service calls were made in 2020 (compared with 447 service calls in 2019), and a total of 224 fire calls were made in 2020, with 3,512 volunteer firefighter hours logged in.

**Personnel [Standing Committee of the Council]**

Council Member Martin had nothing new to report.

**Public Works and Utilities [Standing Committee of the Council]**

Council Member Kelly reported that the new curbside recycling program will take place every Thursday and that signage has been installed at the DPW yard altering residents that recycling materials will no longer be accepted at the public works location.

**Land Use [Standing Committee of the Council] and ECOSST Committee**

Council Member Reilly reported that the Morris County Agriculture Development Board permanently preserved the Rowe Farm. The ECOSST Committee will be installing a bronze historic marker. He also reported that the Joint Land Use Board granted the applicant for Dunkin Donuts an extension for preliminary and final site plan approval.

**ATTORNEY’S ITEMS**

Ms. Sharpe advised that an ordinance for Prospect Street is being finalized and would be ready for introduction at the February 10<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

**MAYOR’S ITEMS**

Mayor Serrano Glassner had nothing new to report.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Mayor Christine Serrano Glassner opened the public comment portion of the meeting.

Frank Lupo, 17 Dean Road, inquired about the Dean Road Improvement Project and reminded administration that Dean Road should not have a center yellow line once the road is repaved.

Seeing and hearing no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Serrano-Glassner closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

Bills List dated January 25, 2021.

The Council did not act on the approval of vouchers. Resolution #034-2021, passed by the Council at the January 7, 2021 Reorganization, authorizes the Borough Administrator to disburse and/or authorize payment, subject to the availability of funds, for reoccurring necessary expenses during the Public Health Emergency.

The Bills List dated January 25, 2021 has been posted on the website for full disclosure to the public.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**#042-2021 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A CLOSED SESSION NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b**

The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mendham adjourned into closed session to discuss the following subject matter without the presence of the public in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act exemptions, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b.

Matter discussed: Proposed Sidewalk Snow Ordinance [Attorney-Client Privilege]

Following the closed session, no other matters were to be discussed or acted upon in public session.

Motion to Approve: Council Member Reilly  
Second: Council Member Kelly  
Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

The Mayor and Council convened into Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.

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The Mayor and Council reconvened into public session at 9:22 p.m. only for purpose of adjourning the public meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having no further business to conduct, Mayor Serrano Glassner asked for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Andrews made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Kelly. Upon a voice vote, the motion was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Mendham Borough Mayor and Council is scheduled for February 10, 2021 at 8:00 PM, the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham and virtually by Zoom webinar.

Respectfully Submitted:

*Robin R. Kline*

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Municipal Clerk  
BOROUGH OF MENDHAM