# BOROUGH OF MENDHAM MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

# February 22, 2021 MINUTES

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Christine Serrano Glassner called the February 22, 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 841 3578 7813.

#### **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:

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

#### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEM(S)**

1. Approval of Minutes: February 10, 2021 Regular Meeting and Closed Session Meeting

2. Banner Display Request: Mendham Borough and Mendham Business Association

National Small Business Week, May 3-10, 2021

There was no Council discussion.

Motion to Approve: Council President Andrews Second: Council Member Kelly

Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

# **ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION**

None.

#### **ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION**

**#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

Purpose: The NJDEP adopted new stormwater management rules on March 2, 2020. These new rules require municipalities to adopt new stormwater management ordinances by March 2, 2021 that follow the state mandates. Municipal ordinances must be reviewed and approved by a county review agency.

Mayor Serrano Glassner announced that a legal notice was published indicating that Ordinance #01-2021 was introduced and passed on first reading at the January 25, 2021 meeting and further indicated that the second reading and public hearing would be held on February 10, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. for consideration of final adoption. At the February 10, 2021 meeting, the public hearing and consideration for adoption was tabled to February 22, 2021 to allow review and comment by the Joint Land Use Board.

Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the public and posted in accordance with the law.

Mayor Serrano Glassner opened the public hearing and invited any interested person the opportunity to be heard on this Ordinance.

Seeing and hearing no one wishing to be heard, Mayor Serrano Glassner closed the public hearing and asked the Council for a motion.

There was no Council discussion.

Motion to Approve: Council President Andrews Second: Council Member Kelly

Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

Ordinance #01-2021 was adopted.

# #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

Purpose: This ordinance consolidates requirements for areas with Mendham Borough in which only resident vehicles or authorized visitor vehicles displaying a valid permit parking decal may stand or be parked during the hours indicated for each parking lot, as well as parking along Orchard Street. The ordinance also sets forth the application process for the issuance of resident and visitor parking decals and establishes violations and penalties for non-compliance.

Mayor Serrano Glassner reported that this Ordinance would need to be tabled so that additional research may be completed and incorporated in the Ordinance.

#### Motion to Table:

Council President Andrews made a motion to table the public hearing/adoption of the Ordinance to the March 10, 2021 Council meeting.

Second: Council Member Kelly

Ayes: Andrew, Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

The public hearing and consideration of the adoption of Ordinance #02-2021 was tabled to the March 10, 2021 Council meeting.

# **RESOLUTIONS**

None.

### **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

A copy of the Administrator's Report dated February 22, 2021 was distributed to the Governing Body. There was no Council discussion.

#### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# Finance [Standing Committee of the Council]

Council President Badal reported that the Finance Committee would be meeting to finalize the 2021 budget.

#### **Board of Health**

Council President Andrews had nothing new to report.

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

Council Member Andrew reported that 12 Florie Farm Road and 21 N. Linden Lane won the Valentine Door Decorating Contest and further reported that the Recreation Committee is now sponsoring a St. Patrick's Day Door Decorating Contest and encouraged residents to participate.

Council Member Andrew thanked Colleen O'Mahoney, student representative on the Recreation Committee, and the Mendham high school students, who organized making and distributing valentine cards to Holly Manor Nursing Home. The valentine cards were well received by the residents.

Lastly, Council Member Andrew reported that job applications are being accepted for Day Camp counselors through February 28<sup>th</sup> and that registration for the Day Camp Camper program begins April 1<sup>st</sup>.

# **Board of Education**

Council Member Andrew had nothing new to report.

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

Council President Andrews had nothing new to report.

#### **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 DPW crews have been kept busy with the recent snowstorms, as well as maintenance of the trucks and equipment.

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

Council Member Reilly reported that a training session for Land Use Board members has been planned for the March 16, 2021 Joint Land Use Board meeting.

#### **ATTORNEY'S ITEMS**

Mr. Semrau had nothing new to report.

#### **MAYOR'S ITEMS**

Mayor Serrano Glassner reported that she and Chester Borough Mayor Janet Hoven have been working with the Governor's office regarding COVID-19 vaccine scheduling and registration for residents.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT – AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

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

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

#### **APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

Bills List dated February 22, 2021.

The Bills List dated February 22, 2021 had been posted on the website for full disclosure to the public.

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

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

# #047-2021 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.

Matters to be discussed: 1. Personnel Matter: Police Recruitment and Hiring

2. Acquisition of Open Space Property

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

Motion to Approve: Council President Andrews Second: Council Member Kelly

Ayes: Andrews, Badal, Kelly, Martin, Reilly

The Mayor and Council convened into Executive Session at 8:18 p.m.

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The Mayor and Council reconvened into public session at 9:45 p.m. only for purpose of adjourning the public meeting.

# <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted:

/ Robin R. Kline /

Robin R. Kline, MAS, RMC, CMR Municipal Clerk BOROUGH OF MENDHAM