

The Borough of Mendham

Meeting of the Mayor and Council SEPTMEBER 23, 2024 7:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Serrano Glassner called the September 23, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, New Jersey.

2. FLAG SALUTE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

3. OPENING 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 Bowers Building, 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.

4. ROLL CALL

The following officials were present:
Mayor Christine Serrano Glassner
Council President James Kelly
Council Member Marilyn Althoff
Council Member Steve Andrew
Council Member Matthew Bruin
Council Member Will Russo
Council Member Neil Sullivan

Also present were:

Ed Pasternak, Esq., Dorsey & Semrau, LLC Lauren McBride, Acting Borough Clerk

5. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Minutes: a. September 11, 2024

Motion to Approve: Council Member Althoff
Second: Council Member Russo

Ayes: Kelly, Althoff, Andrew, Bruin, Russo, Sullivan

Nays: None Abstain: None

6. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION AND PUBLIC HEARING

#15-2024 ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MENDHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 215, ZONING, OF THE BOROUGH CODE TO CLARIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR SOLAR PANELS TO CONFORM WITH THE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE

Public Hearing: Mayor Serrano Glassner opened the public hearing and stated any interested person will be given an opportunity to be heard on this Ordinance. You must clearly state their name and address for the record. THE SPEAKER DOES NOT NEED TO PROVIDE THEIR ADDRESS IF THEY HAVE BEEN VERIFIED BY THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION PRIVACY AS A COVERED PERSON IN THE BOROUGH UNDER DANIEL'S LAW.

Bob Ritger, 14 Gunther St stated the new code gives the Fire Department a much smaller space for roof access. He asked if the Fire Department was aware of this.

Motion to Approve: Council Member Althoff Second: Council Member Kelly

Ayes: Kelly, Althoff, Andrew, Bruin, Russo, Sullivan

Nays: None Abstain: None

7. RESOLUTIONS

#139-2024 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 AND AN AMENDATORY CONTRACT FOR THE PHOENIX HOUSE STRUCTURAL UPGRADES AND INTERIOR RESTORATION PROJECT

Motion to Approve: Council Member Althoff Second: Council Member Russo

Ayes: Kelly, Althoff, Andrew, Bruin, Russo, Sullivan

Nays: None Abstain: None

#140-2024 RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY EXTENDING AN INTERNET TECHNOLOGY SERVICES CONTRACT WITH PEGGNET COMPUTERS THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2024

Motion to Approve: Council Member Althoff
Second: Council Member Sullivan

Ayes: Kelly, Althoff, Andrew, Bruin, Russo, Sullivan

Nays: None Abstain: None

8. COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works and Utilities – Chair Steve Andrew

The chair reported:

DPW- Installed motion activated solar lights near the high school.

WRF- Contractor called for a water main break.

There was no interruption in service.

Land Use - Chair Neil Sullivan

JLUB: The chair reported; There will be a Special Meeting at the Grace Lutheran Church tomorrow at 7:00 pm.

Personnel/Volunteer Projects Liaison - Chair Will Russo

Nothing to report.

Finance - Chair Jim Kelly

Nothing to report.

Recreation and Parks/School Boards Liaison – Matthew Bruin

The chair reported: The Recreation Committee did not meet last week. Mendham Fest is scheduled for October 5th from 12-5 pm.

Public Safety/Board of Health Liaison - Chair Marilyn Althoff

The chair reported: The Orchard Street Pedestrian signs have been brought up to code by Morris County. There have been speeding complaints on Pleasant Valley.

9. MAYOR'S ITEMS

Mayor Serrano Glassner asked Council for a new idea to celebrate Arbor Day, instead of handing out seedlings.

10. BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT

Borough attorney Fred Semrau commended Ms. Kay and Mr. Maurer on their impressive presentations.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mayor Serrano Glassner opened the public session.

No one from the public wished to speak.

12. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Bills List Dated September 20, 2024

Motion to Approve: Council Member Althoff Second: Council Member Russo

Ayes: Kelly, Althoff, Andrew, Bruin, Russo, Sullivan

Nays: None Abstain: None

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Serrano Glassner stated council will be going into executive session and there will be no action taken.

#141-2024 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TP THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Motion to Approve: Council Member Althoff Second: Council Member Russo

Ayes: Kelly, Althoff, Andrew, Bruin, Russo, Sullivan

Nays: None Abstain: None

14. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Having no further business to conduct, Mayor Serrano Glassner asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: Council Member Kelly

Second: Council Member Althoff

Ayes: Kelly, Althoff, Andrew, Bruin, Russo, Sullivan

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Lauren McBride Acting Borough Clerk The Borough of Mendham