# BOROUGH OF MENDHAM MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 25, 2023 7:00PM MINUTES

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Serrano Glassner called the September 25, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, New Jersey.

#### **FLAG SALUTE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

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

## **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 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.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The following officials were present:

Mayor Serrano Glassner Council President Brennan Reilly Council Member Marilyn Althoff Council Member Steve Andrew Council Member John Andrews Council Member James Kelly Council Member Neil Sullivan

## Also present were:

Fred Semrau, Esq., Borough Attorney Joyce Bushman, Borough Administrator Carolynn Budd, Borough Clerk

# **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**1.** Approval of Minutes: September 13, 2023, Regular Meeting

2. Raffle License Application: Growing Hearts of Africa Foundation

Casino Night Roxiticus Golf Club October 5, 2023 6:30pm - 10:30pm

3. Road Closure Applications: Hoffman Road

Saturday, October 7, 2023

4:00pm - 10:00pm

Rain Date Sunday, October 8, 2023

Harvest Hustle Various Roads

Saturday, October 14, 2023

9:00am - 11:00am

Franklin Road

Sunday, October 29, 2023

4:00pm - 5:30pm

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

Recusals: Althoff

#### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

Mayor Serrano Glassner asked Council to have a discussion regarding the 2024 Labor Day Parade Grand Marshal. Mayor Serrano Glassner suggested Father Mike Drury, Council Member Andrews recommended David Murphy. After discussion Council asked for time to review and bring forward additional recommendations. Plan to have the Grand Marshal discussion during the next Council Meeting.

#### RESOLUTIONS

#131-2023 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR RESERVATION OF ALLOCATED

SEWAGE CAPACITY OF JOE MISKO REGARDING THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 29 HILLTOP

**RD, BLOCK 1901, LOT 4** 

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

Ayes: Andrews, Kelly, Sullivan

#132-2023 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING AND APPOINTMENT OF DEREK SIMMONS AS

LABORER/DRIVER/OPERATOR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS EFFECTIVE

**OCTOBER 10, 2023** 

Motion to Approve: Council Member Andrews
Second: Council Member Andrew
Ayes: Althoff, Kelly, Reilly, Sullivan

Mayor Serrano Glassner asked Council to review a Resolution regarding the Police Departments 2022 F150 that was presented to them just prior to the start of the meeting. Council agreed to review. Mayor

Serrano Glassner asked Council for comments, questions, etc. Mayor, Council and Police Chief John Camoia discussed the proposed Resolution. After discussing Mayor Serrano Glassner asked Council how they wanted to proceed. Council agreed they needed more information before making a decision.

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

Council Member Sullivan had nothing to report.

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

Council President Reilly had nothing to report.

## Finance [Standing Committee of the Council]

Council Member Kelly had nothing to report.

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

Council Member Andrews had nothing to report.

## Joint Lane Use Board [Standing Committee of the Council]

Council Member Andrew reported the Library is doing some upgrades to their building that required JLUB approval.

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

Council Member Althoff reported DPW is preparing for Mendham Fest.

## **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Joyce Bushman reported Ms. Carolynn Budd submitted her resignation. Thank you to Carolynn for her service.

Council Member Andrew asked Ms. Joyce Bushman for an update and more details on 16 Prospect Street. Ms. Joyce Bushman and Mr. Fred Semrau, Esq. provided an update.

## **ATTORNEY'S ITEMS**

Mr. Fred Semrau, Esq. reported his office has been working with administration to complete Best Practices.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Serrano Glassner reported she met with Mr. Chris Colabella of the Smiles Organization to discuss group homes and affordable housing.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT – AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Mayor Serrano Glassner opened public comment.

Mr. Frank Lupo of 17 Dean Road spoke regarding outdoor lighting, height of the cell phone tower behind the King's Plaza and V-Fee's D-3 Variance.

Seeing and hearing no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Serrano Glassner closed public comment.

## **APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

Motion to Approve: Council President Reilly
Second: Council Member Andrew
Ayes: Althoff, Kelly, Sullivan

Recuse: Andrews from any First Aid related payments

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Serrano Glassner asked Council to enter Executive Session. Matters to be discussed were Personnel and Attorney Client Privilege. At the conclusion of Executive Session the Council Meeting would be adjourned, no further business would be conducted. Mayor and Council entered Executive Session at 7:48pm.

Motion to Open: Council President Reilly Second: Council Member Andrew

Ayes: Althoff, Andrews, Kelly, Sullivan

#133-2023 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b

Motion to Adjourn: Council Member Kelly Second: Council President Reilly

Ayes: Althoff, Andrew, Andrews, Sullivan

Mayor and Council exited Executive Session at 7:57pm.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Motion to Adjourn: Council Member Andrew Second: Council President Reilly

Ayes: Althoff, Andrews, Kelly, Sullivan

Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carolynn Budd
Carolynn Budd, RMC, CMR
Borough Clerk
Borough of Mendham

Adopted: 10/11/2023