

**BOROUGH OF MENDHAM
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JANUARY 18, 2023 7:00PM
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Serrano Glassner called the January 18, 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.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Serrano Glassner welcomed the Bischoff Family of 87 Hampshire Drive, the winners of the Holiday Decorating Contest.

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 Andrew
Council Member John Andrews
Council Member Brad Badal
Council Member James Kelly – Absent
Council Member Brennan Reilly
Council Member Neil Sullivan

Also present were:

Fred Semrau, Esq., Borough Attorney
Carolynn Budd, Borough Clerk

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023

(Nomination and Election to be made by Council motion)

Mayor Serrano Glassner asked Council for a Council President nomination. Council President Steve Andrew made a motion to nominate Council Member Brennan Reilly, followed by a second from Council Member Badal. A vote was taken.

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes: January 6, 2023, Reorganization Meeting

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mayor and Council discussed suggestions on how to address sidewalk repair and maintenance.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Appointments to Environmental, Open Space & Shade Tree Committee (ECOSST) (Mayoral Appointments)

Name	Position	Term Expires
Matthew Bruin	Shade Tree	12/31/2025

Mayor Serrano Glassner appointed Mr. Matthew Bruin a Member of ECOSST, position as Shade Tree Member.

RESOLUTIONS

#036-2023 RESOLUTION REQUESTING PERMISSION FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A DEDICATED TRUST BY RIDER ACCOUNT FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT DONATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:5-29

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

#037-2023 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A \$5,000 DONATION FROM THE CEDAR STREET CHARITABLE FOUNDATION TO THE BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

#038-2023 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF A TAX LIEN FOR 2021 DELINQUENT SEWER CHARGES FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 22 W. MAIN STREET, BLOCK 1903, LOT 7

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

#039-2023 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF AN APPLICATION FEE FOR BLOCK 1501, LOT 34, 14 HILLTOP ROAD, SERVICE PROFESSIONALS INC.

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

#040-2023 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PLACE-TO-PLACE TRANSFER – EXPANSION OF PREMISES AND CHANGE OF CORPORATE STRUCTURE FOR LIQUOR LICENSE #1418-44-002-004, JIYA & KIRTAN, LLC, VILLAGE WINE & LIQUORS

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

#041-2023 RESOLUTION AMENDING FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH BLUE DIAMOND DISPOSAL, INC. FOR CURBSIDE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECYCLABLE MATERIAL AND BULK WASTE (TYPE 13) TO AUTHORIZE \$5.00/TON TIPPING FEE INCREASE AS REQUIRED BY LAW

Motion to Approve: Council Member Andrew
Second: Council President Reilly
Ayes: Andrews, Sullivan
Recuse: Badal

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety [Standing Committee of the Council]

Council Member Sullivan reported that the Public Safety Committee met and the Police Department truck will be delivered in February.

Recreation and Parks [Standing Committee of the Council]

Council President Reilly reported the Recreation Committee met and discussed Mansions in May as well as the possible expansion of the Baseball Fields at Borough Park.

Personnel [Standing Committee of the Council]

Council Member Andrews reported that Mr. Rob Rosendale will be moving from the part-time to full-time Construction Official on February 7, 2023.

Joint Lane Use Board [Standing Committee of the Council]

Council Member Andrew reported in 2023 JLUB approved with conditions 10 applications, 1 was withdrawn, 7 new applications pending into 2023, 12 C Variance were approved, 2 D Variances were approved, and 12 Use Occupancy Changes were approved.

Public Works and Utilities [Standing Committee of the Council]

Council Member Badal reported that DPW has been working on the driveway at the Mendham Methodist Church property. The Water Reclamation slip lining project is complete, currently working through the punch list. Overall gallons per day is down significantly.

ATTORNEY'S ITEMS

Mr. Fred Semrua, Esq. reported litigation against the Borough for a slip and fall has been dismissed. Mr. Semrau also provided an update on Daniel's Law.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Joyce Bushman reported the Borough is in the process of working on a renewal for the Animal Control Contract. A grant will be submitted for additional exterior work at the Phoenix House. Pet License renewals are coming in and can now be done on-line. Webpages for Rental Registration, OPRA, OPMA, Sewer, Tax Collector and more have been updated.

MAYOR'S ITEMS

Mayor Serrano Glassner advised Mr. Frank Lupo has assisted with returning Mendham Borough's presence when searching on-line.

PUBLIC COMMENT – AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mayor Serrano Glassner opened public comment.

Ms. Carol Bischoff of 87 Hampshire Drive commented on her concerns about the lights at the entrance to the King's Shopping Plaza.

Mr. Frank Lupo of 17 Dean Road commented on his concerns of deforestation on the property between Mendham Area Senior Housing (MASH) and Dean Road.

Ms. Martha Beck of 16 Coventry Road comments on her concerns about potential traffic issues once the new Dunkin Donuts on E. Main Street opens. Ms. Beck also comments on her concerns about sidewalks throughout the Borough.

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

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carolynn Budd

Carolynn Budd, RMC, CMR
Borough Clerk
Borough of Mendham