

**NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP |
MINUTES....**

**REGULAR MEETING
May 4, 2020**

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, May 4, 2020 (**Via Go To Meeting**) at 7:03 p.m. in the Municipal Complex located at 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Mayor Womack called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Davis and Socio

Nays: None

Absent: Messrs. Lopez and Andrews

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on January 2, 2020 to the following:

- a) The Home News Tribune b) Star Ledger c) North Brunswick Sentinel

Notice receipts are on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office. Also, notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and filed in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

Also present (via Go To Meeting): Business Administrator Kathryn Monzo, Township Attorney Ron Gordon, Esq., Township Attorney assistant Carole Berlen, Assistant Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Director of Parks, Recreation & Community Services Lou Ann Benson, Director of Community Development Michael Hritz, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Director Department Of Public Works Eric Chaszar, Municipal Clerk Lisa Russo and Clerk 1 Nellie Sowell.

Ms. Russo led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Womack announces this will be last meeting for Business Administrator Kathryn Monzo. Friday May 8, 2020 will be her last day at North Brunswick Township. Mayor Womack thanks Ms. Monzo for everything and wishes her luck in her next endeavors. Ms. Monzo gives thanks to all.

Mayor Womack asked council members if any items are to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve **items 4a – 4h** on the consent agenda. Motion made by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Socio.

Consent Agenda

- a. 137-5.20 Resolution authorizing Budget Transfers
- b. 138-5.20 Resolution of concurrence by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick for the N.J. State Department of Transportation designating Bus Stops and establishing parking regulations on Route 26 - Livingston Avenue
- c. 139-5.20 Authorizing execution of an agreement between the Township of North Brunswick, the Township of South Brunswick, and the County of Middlesex to set forth the terms and conditions between the parties for the installation of a Traffic Control Signal at the intersection of Finnegan's Lane and Kory Drive /Tulip Drive to Route 27 North Brunswick, New Jersey

- d. 140-5.20 Resolution to appoint Justine Progebin, Interim Business Administrator to act as Appointing Authority and Liaison for Civil Service for the Township of North Brunswick
- e. 141-5.20 Resolution to appoint Justine Progebin, Interim Business Administrator to serve as Fund Commissioner for the Garden State Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
- f. 142-5.20 Authorizing a Change In Scope to the PSA with T&M Associates appointed as the 2020 Water/Wastewater Consultant to include additional services related to replacement of the Water Treatment Plant Meters as part of the Water Meter Replacement Project
- g. 143-5.20 Authorizing the grace period to be extended for the 2020 Fourth Quarter Property Taxes to June 1, 2020 and rescinding Resolution 133-4.20 previously adopted on April 20, 2020
- h. 144-5.20 Bill List

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Davis and Socio
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Messrs. Lopez and Andrews

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item #5a* on the agenda **Minutes/Special Council Meeting/March 30, 2020** so moved by Mr. Davis and second by Ms. Guadagnino

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Davis and Socio
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Messrs Lopez and Andrews

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item #5b* on the agenda **Minutes/Regular Council Meeting/April 20, 2020** so moved by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Socio

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Davis and Socio
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Messrs Lopez and Andrews

Council President Andrews and Councilman Lopez join “Go To Meeting”

Ordinances / Second Reading / Public Hearing:

#20-12- Second Reading and Public Hearing – An Ordinance amending Chapter 356 of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick entitled Wreckers Section 356-21 Rates for Towing and Storage Services

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing. No comments from the public.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Mr. Socio second by Mr. Davis.

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Lopez, Davis, Socio and Andrews

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt **Ordinance # 20-12** so moved by Ms. Guadagnino, second by Ms. Cortez.

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Lopez, Davis, Socio and Andrews

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Ordinance # 20-12 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the May 7, 2020 issue of the Home News and Tribune according to the law. This ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex and copies are available upon request.

#20-13 – Second Reading and Public Hearing – An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 334 Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick authorizing the Police to enforce Title 39 of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Code in Renaissance Forest Park, Renaissance Greens, Renaissance Glen, Renaissance Manor, Renaissance Maebrook and Renaissance Terrace.

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing. No comments from the public.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Mr. Davis second by Ms. Guadagnino

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Lopez, Davis, Socio and Andrews

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt **Ordinance # 20-13** so moved by Mr. Andrews, second by Mr. Socio

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms. Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino Messrs Lopez, Davis, Socio and Andrews

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Ordinance # 20-13 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the May 7, 2020 issue of the Home News and Tribune according to the law. This ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex and copies are available upon request.

Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

Councilman Socio announces 5K. For registration or any question you can contact Parks and Recreation Department or you can register on Township Website.

Councilman Davis asks residents to register for Census. Mr. Davis states how very important it is to complete. It will be better for all. It only takes a few minutes to complete.

Council President Andrews speaks regarding Census as well. States we need to do better. The Census supports a lot of different things. If theregistrtation was not received by mail, residents can go to the website to enroll.

Councilwoman Guadagnino states North Brunswick Township is at 60%, South Brunswick is at 70%, East Brunswick is at 71% and Monroe Township is at 73%. The state is at 58% but we are below our surrounding neighbors. All residents need to complete.

Director Hritz states Wednesday his department is picking up from County and they will be going door to door to residence and multifamily homes to spread the word about the Census.

Mayor Womack opens Public Hearing at 7:16pm

Ron Rivers (preferred not to give address) wanted to follow up on clean energy project that was presented at Monday April 27, 2020 workshop meeting. He asked when it will be scheduled on an agenda meeting? Mayor Womack and Council President Andrews respond.

Araceli Gonzalez 4501 North Oaks Blvd – Agreed on what Mr. Rivers said and asked to keep the clean energy project in mind.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close the Public Hearing, so moved by Mr. Davis second by Mr. Andrews.

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Lopez, Davis, Socio and Andrews

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn meeting, so moved by Mr. Socio, second by Ms. Guadagnino

Roll call:

Present(via telephonically) Ms.Cortez and Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs Lopez, Davis, Socio and Andrews

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Adjourn 7:20 pm

Lisa Russo
Municipal Clerk