

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, December 6, 2021 (**Via Go to Meeting and Live**) at 7:05 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Council President Socio called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Present: Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Mehta, Lopez, Andrews, Davis and Socio
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on December 30, 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.

Councilman Davis lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present: (Via Go to Meeting and Live) Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Attorney Sapana Shah, Director of DPW Eric Chaszar, Director of Community Development Michael Hritz, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Clerk Lisa Russo and Administrative Secretary Marilu Ruiz.

Council President Socio thanked the Board of Education for letting the Township hold their meetings at Linwood School. He also, apologized to Emily Angeles from the Purple for Pappas Foundation for not being able to have their presentation due to audio problems.

Council President Socio asked council members if any items are to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Council President Socio called for a motion to approve items 5a to 5s on the consent agenda. Motion made by Mr. Davis to approve items 5a to 5s on the agenda, second Ms. Guadagnino.

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Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Consent Agenda

- a. 325-12.21 Authorizing acceptance of a Grant from Middlesex County regarding its Drug Recognition Expert Program
- b. 326-12.21 Authorizing the acceptance of a Federal Grant from the State of New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety
- c. 327-12.21 Item of revenue in budget (Chapter 159): Safe and Secure Communities Program - \$8,100.00
- d. 328-12.21 Item of revenue in budget (Chapter 159): 2021-2022 Middlesex County DRE Program - \$15,000
- e. 329-12.21 Item of revenue in budget (Chapter 159): 2021 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End Holiday Crackdown - \$7,500
- f. 330-12.21 Authorizing the application of the 2022 Municipal Recycling Enhancement Grant from Middlesex County
- g. 331-12.21 Confirming an emergency and authorizing the repair of a Jet Vac Truck under the Department of Public Works
- h. 332-12.21 Authorizing a Change in Scope to the PSA with USA Architects, Planners and Interior Designers, LTD. to provide Architectural Services associated with the review of the exterior of the Municipal Complex
- i. 333-12.21 Authorizing an amendment to the 2021 Agreement with Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst & Doukas, LLP to provide Environmental Legal Services
- j. 334-12.21 Authorizing an amendment to the 2021 Agreement with Decotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP to serve as Municipal Labor Counsel
- k. 335-12.21 Authorizing the advertisement for Receipt of Bids under the Department of Information Technology for Network Infrastructure Consulting and Data Support Services
- l. 336-12.21 Amending Contract BID16004 with IT Network Solutions for Network Infrastructure Consulting and Support Services
- m. 337-12.21 Authorizing execution of Memorandum of Agreement No. 2 between the Township of North Brunswick and American Water for the 2002-2022 Water Services Management and Maintenance Agreement for the Township Water Treatment and Distribution System
- n. 338-12.21 Amending Contract BID19004 with inline Services, Inc. for the purchase and installation of Water Meters Project
- o. 339-12.21 Authorizing the waiver of Municipal Fees for Municipal costs associated with the 2021 Youth Sports Festival
- p. 340-12.21 Supporting the application of Good Growth NB, LLC to the Cannabis Regulatory Commission for a Class 1 Cultivator License and a Class 2 Manufacturer License within North Brunswick, NJ
- q. 341-12.21 BillList

Council President Socio called for a motion to approve item #6a on the agenda Approval of Special Council Meeting Minutes November 8, 2021 so moved by Mr. Davis second by Mr. Andrews.

Council President Socio called for a motion to approve item #6b on the agenda Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes November 15, 2021 so moved by Mr. Andrews second by Mr. Davis.

Ordinances/Second Reading/Public Hearing:

#21-24 -An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 334 Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick to amend Commercial Vehicle Parking Regulations

Council President Socio opened the Public Hearing. No comments from the public.

Council President Socio called for a motion to close Public Hearing so moved by Mr. Davis second by Mr. Andrews.

Council President Socio called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #21-24 So moved Mr. Andrews second by Mr. Davis that Ordinance #21-24 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the December 9, 2021 issue of the Home News Tribune according to the Law. This ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey and copies are available upon request.

Roll call:

Present: Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Mehta, Lopez, Andrews, Davis and Socio
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

#21-25 -An Ordinance of the Township of North Brunswick in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, to sell, by negotiated Agreement properties on Adams Lane known as, portions of Block 143 Lots 434 435, 436, Block 144 Lot 1, 22, 23, Block 145 Lots 1, 18, 19, on the Official Tax Map of the Township of North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey, to the State of New Jersey, in support of the NJ Department Transportation Project known as Adams Lane (CR608) Bridge over Amtrak

Council President Socio asked Dir. Michael Hritz about the project start date Mr. Hritz said it should start late April. Council President Socio asked that we get information out of road closure as soon as possible. Council President also, asked about the Milltown Road Project Mr. Hritz replied that it should be done by August.

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Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

#21-26 -An Ordinance of the Township of North Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex New Jersey, to acquire, by negotiated Agreement, Real Property known and designated as Tax Block 224.02, Lot 25.01 on the Official Tax Map of the Township of North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey located on Old Georges Road for Governmental purposes

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Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

Councilman Mehta – Announced the Vaccination drive on Dec. 8th from 4-8pm (must pre-register) North Brunswick Township Middle School District is providing a venue for the Walmart Pharmacy to vaccinate our staff, students and families on Dec. 8th from 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM at North Brunswick Township Middle School.

VACCINE AND BOOSTERS CLINIC Dec. 9th 12:30 - 3:30 pm Pfizer, Moderna and J & J for ages 5 years old and up. Free snacks, community resources and walk-ins are welcome! Register: <https://bit.ly.nbvaccines> North Brunswick Senior Center 15 Linwood Place.

Councilman Davis – Announced that December 7th will be the 80th Anniversary of Pearl Harbor and there will be a 3pm memorial at the monument on Georges Road. He asked that residents lower their flags that day.

Council President Socio, thanked the Dept. of Public Works, Police Dept. and Dept. of Parks and Recreation for all their work for the tree lighting ceremony. It was a great event. Kuddos to Lou Ann, Eric and Joe Battaglia.

The Annual Deck the House Contest! Send a picture of the holiday house to events@northbrunswicknj.gov. (Free to Enter)

Don't forget to include the address of the decorated house

On the night of judging, lights must be on from 5pm-8:30 pm

Judging by the Holly Jolly Crew will take place on Monday, December 20th.

The Santa Trail is on Friday, December 17th at Community Park. Meet Santa, Mrs. Claus and other Holiday friends as you walk down the path and collect goodies from some of our hometown heroes. \$5 per Child. (register early)

Ice Skating hours of operation Saturdays starting December 11th 2pm-8pm and Thursdays starting December 16th 5pm-8pm \$1 skating and \$3 skate rentals. (please bring exact change)

Winter Aquatics program is up and running (Please call (732) 247-0922, ext. 475 for any questions or further information on program scheduling.

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Council President Socio called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved Mr. Davis second by Ms. Guadagnino.

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

Adjourn 7:21 pm

Lisa Russo
Municipal Clerk