

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

**REGULAR MEETING  
December 13, 2021**

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, December 13, 2021 **(Via Go to Meeting)** at 7:38 pm in the Board of Education Room located at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Mayor Womack called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Present: Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Mehta, Lopez, Andrews and Davis  
Absent: Mr. Socio

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.

**Also present: (Via Go to Meeting)** Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Ron Gordon Esq. Rainone, Coughlin, Minchello, Director of Parks, Recreation & Community Services Lou Ann Benson, Director of Community Development Michael Hritz, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Chief of Police Joseph Battaglia, OEM Coordinator Mark Cafferty, Eric Chaszar Director Department of Public Works, Samantha Sickles Purchasing Assistant, Municipal Clerk Lisa Russo and Clerk 2 Nellie Sowell.

Councilman Davis lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Davis speaks of the Pearl Harbor Memorial Tribute.

**Proclamation**

Councilman Mehta reads proclamation to express our sincere thanks and congratulations to these volunteers and encourage all of our residents to support this initiative every year.

*“Whereas, SewaDiwali is an initiative by the Dharmic communities of USA such as Hindu, Sikhs, Buddhist and Jain and others practicing Indic values to serve people in need through food drives and other endeavors; and (proclamation attached)*

Director Benson states Friday December 17 is the Santa Trail in Community Park starting at 5pm. This is a pre-registered event. Residents can register on the website.  
Director Benson speaks of winter registration for aquatic program.

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 6a. to 6m. on the consent agenda. Motion made by Ms. Guadagnino second by Mr. Davis.

- a. 342-12.21 Authorizing Private Improvements Bond Reductions for Releases for M&M at North Brunswick, LLC
- b. 343-12.21 Authorizing the purchase of replacement Mobile Data Terminal Units for Police Vehicles under the Department of Public Safety
- c. 344-12.21 Authorizing the adoption of the Middlesex County Multi Jurisdictional All-Hazards Mitigation Plan
- d. 345-12.21 Authorizing the advertisement for Receipt of Bids for Manhole Rehabilitation Services under the Department of Public Works Sewer Division
- e. 346-12.21 Supporting the application of Quality Roots North Brunswick, LLC to the State of New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission for a Class 5 Retail Cannabis License within North Brunswick, New Jersey
- f. 347-12.21 Authorizing a Change In Scope to the PSA with CME Associates appointed as the 2021 Township Consulting Engineer Firm to include Survey, Design, Plans, Specification, Permit Application and Bid Phase Services for the 2022 Road Improvement Program
- g. 348-12.21 Authorizing Property Maintenance and a Lien on Property
- h. 349-12.21 Authorizing a Collective Negotiated Agreement with the RWDSU Local 108 - Clerical Division, with a term commencing January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025
- i. 350-12.21 Authorizing a Credit to Township Customers for their Water Sewer Utility Account
- j. 351-12.21 Authorizing participation in the Nationwide Settlement Agreements with Johnson & Johnson, McKesson, Cardinal Health, and Amerisource bergen to resolve claims involving their roles in the Country's Opioid Crisis
- k. 352-12.21 Authorizing a Contract with Gabrielli Truck Sales for the purchase of one Front Loading Refuse Truck Chassis
- l. 353-12.21 Authorizing the Award of Contract BID21008 to MID ATLANTIC WASTE SYSTEMS for one Refuse Truck Body with attachments

Roll call:

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

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item #7a on the agenda Minutes/ Special Meeting/ November 29, 2021 so moved by Mr. Andrews second by Mr. Davis.

Roll call:

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

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item #7b on the agenda Minutes/ Regular Meeting/ December 6, 2021 so moved by Mr. Mehta second by Mr. Andrews.

Roll call:

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

### **Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO**

Mr. Mehta spoke about the Senior Center Program, they gave 68 residents their vaccination and boosters. 114 residents received holiday boxes. Councilman Mehta encourages residents to take advantage of the Senior Center Programs. Sign up for the Jungle Cruise, showing will be December 15. Councilman Mehta speaks of different programs being offered at the Senior Center everyday.

Councilman Davis states the wreath laying ceremony will take place at Elmwood Cemetery on Saturday December 18, at 12:00pm. Councilman Davis states it's a very fulfilling day.

Mayor Womack opens the Public Hearing at 7:47pm

No Public Comment

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. So moved by Mr. Davis seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Roll call:

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

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

Roll call:

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

Adjourn 7:48 pm

Lisa Russo  
Municipal Clerk

# PROCLAMATION

*By Mayor and Council – Township of North Brunswick*

**WHEREAS**, SewaDiwali is an initiative by the Dharmic communities of USA such as Hindu, Sikhs, Buddhist and Jain and others practicing Indic values to serve people in need through food drives and other endeavors; and

**WHEREAS**, “Sewa” is an act of selfless service embedded in Hindu tradition and culture. Diwali is a Hindu festival of lights that celebrates the victory of light over darkness; and

**WHEREAS**, the volunteers include hundreds of elementary, middle, and high school students along with adults and senior citizens participating in this unique initiative providing them an opportunity to give back to the less fortunate as they look forward to continuing to engage with their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021 while celebrating Diwali, the 315 Dharmic American organizations and communities collected and donated 590,000 pounds of food for 240 food pantries, soup kitchens and food banks around 200 townships in 31 states in the country; and

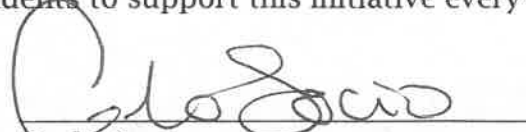
**WHEREAS**, in New Jersey, the community donated approximately 153,000 pounds of food for 38 food pantries, soup kitchens and food banks around 40 townships; and

**WHEREAS**, in North Brunswick, the community donated around 3000 pounds of food for North Brunswick Food Panty and 1300 pounds of food for North Brunswick High School.

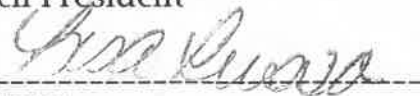
**NOW THEREFORE, WE** the Mayor and Council of the Township of North Brunswick, **Do Hereby Proclaim** and express our sincere thanks and congratulations to these volunteers and encourage all of our residents to support this initiative every year.



Francis M. Womack III  
Mayor of North Brunswick



Carlo Socio  
Council President



Lisa Russo  
Municipal Clerk

December 13, 2021



## Lisa Russo

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**End:** Mon 12/13/2021 8:00 PM  
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**Recurrence:** (none)

**Meeting Status:** Not yet responded

**Organizer:** Justine Progebin  
**Required Attendees:** Lisa Russo; Michael C. Hritz

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