

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

**REGULAR MEETING  
August 1, 2022**

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, August 1, 2022 (**Via Go to Meeting and Live**) at 7:02 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Council President Davis called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

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

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on July 25, 2022 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 doors at the Municipal Complex and filed in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

Council President Davis lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Proclamation**

Proclamation was read on June 27, 2022 at Regular Council Meeting for Sudha Ragunathan

Councilman Mehta read the Proclamation for Sudha Ragunathan on August 1, 2022 at Regular Council Meeting

**Also present:** (**Via Go to Meeting and Live**) Township Attorney Ron Gordon, Director of DPW Eric Chaszar, Director of DPRCS Lou Ann Benson, CFO Cavel Gallimore, Clerk Lisa Russo and Administrative Secretary Marilu Ruiz.

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

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

Roll call:

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

## Consent Agenda

- a. 218-8.22 Authorizing the cancellation of balances and credits
- b. 219-8.22 Authorizing the Award of Contract BID22008 to Provident
- c. 220-8.22 Approving the Fiscal Year 2023 Temporary Capital Budget
- d. 221-8.22 Approving and providing notice on the Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget
- e. 222-8.22 Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse DMHAS Youth Leadership Grant
- f. 223-8.22 Authorizing the Rejection and Re-advertisement for the Receipt of Proposals for a Concession Agreement under the Department of Parks, Recreation & Community Services for Senior Transportation Services
- g. 224-8.22 Authorizing the application and acceptance of the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance Federal 2022 Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Reimbursement
- h. 225-8.22 Acknowledging the Solicitation of Formal Quotes under the Department of Public Safety for the purchase of One Drone and Software
- i. 226-8.22 Acknowledging the Solicitation of Formal Quotes under the Department of Public Safety for the purchase of One Traffic Message Board
- j. 227-8.22 Authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of North Brunswick and the North Brunswick Board of Education
- k. 228-8.22 Acknowledging the Solicitation of Formal Quotes under the Department of Public Works for the purchase of One Sewer Camera
- l. 229-8.22 Authorizing the advertisement for Receipt of Bids for Auto Body Collision Repairs
- m. 230-8.22 Authorizing Award of Contract to SHI International for GPS Tracking Software on Municipal Vehicles
- n. 231-8.22 Authorizing an Agreement with Guardian Fence Company, Inc. under the Department of Public Works to replace the fence in Community Park
- o. 232-8.22 Authorizing a Change Order No. 1 with Shore Top Construction Corp. under Contract BID22007 for the Improvements of Tennis Courts
- p. 233-8.22 Authorizing the Award of Contract BID22005 to Interstate Water Services of New Jersey DBA Central Jersey Waste and Recycling under the Department of Public Works for Refuse Collection Services
- q. 234-8.22 Authorizing the advertisement for the Receipt of Bids for the North Brunswick Community Park Trail Improvement Project
- r. 235-8.22 Supporting the application of Rooted of North Brunswick, LLC

- to the State of New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission for a Class 5 Retail Cannabis License within North Brunswick, New Jersey
- s. 236-8.22 Authorizing a Public Improvements Bond Release for E.R. Squibb & Sons, Inc.
  - t. 237-8.22 Authorizing Private Improvements Bond Reductions and Releases for Mercy Transportation
  - u. 238-8.22 Authorizing an amendment to Change Order No. 5 to the PSA with CME Associates appointed as the 2022 Township Consulting Engineers for Design through Bid Phase Services for the Nassau Street Improvement Project- Phase I
  - v. 239-8.22 Resolution of the Township of North Brunswick to make an application to the State of New Jersey, Local Finance Board and the Board of Public Utilities pursuant to N.J.S.A. 58:26-25
  - w. 240-8.22 Authorizing purchases from Vendors approved under State Contract
  - x. 241-8.22 Authorizing the purchase of goods and services from vendors approved under Cooperative Purchasing Agreements
  - y. 242-8.22 Authorizing the renewal of Liquor Licenses for 2022-2023 in the Township of North Brunswick
  - z. 243-8.22 Authorizing an amendment to the current Agreement with SID International Corp for Network Infrastructure Consulting and Support Services
  - aa. 244-8.22 Authorizing a Credit to Township customers for their Water Sewer Utility Account
  - ab. 245-8.22 Authorizing an agreement with Police Officer Seeta Jones and the Policeman's Benevolent Association of the North Brunswick Department of Public Safety
  - ac. 246-8.22 Authorizing an agreement with Standard Insurance Company
  - ad. 247-8.22 Authorizing a Change in Scope to the PSA with CME Associates appointed as the 2022 Township Consulting Engineering Firm for Professional Services associated with the Old Georges Road Water Main Rehabilitation Project
  - ae. 248-8.22 Approving transfers between Fiscal Year 2022 Appropriation Reserves
  - af. 249-8.22 Bill List
  - ag. 250-8.22 Authorizing the waiver of Municipal Fees for Municipal costs associated with the 2022 Youth Sports Festival

Council President Davis called for a motion to approve item #6a on the agenda Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes June 27, 2022 so moved by Mr. Socio second by Mr. Andrews.

**Ordinances/First Reading/Introduction:**

22-18 -An Ordinance of the Township of North Brunswick authorizing the execution of a Public-Private Agreement with Veolia Water North America Operating Services, LLC for the operation, maintenance, management and repair services for the Municipal Water System

Council President Davis called for a motion to introduce Ordinance #22-18, So moved by Mr. Socio second by Mr. Andrews second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey Following legal publication in the September 8, 2022 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, Socio and Davis

Absent: None

22-19 -An Ordinance of the Township of North Brunswick in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, to acquire by Negotiated Agreement, Real property located within the Township of North Brunswick for Open Space and other Governmental purposes

Council President Davis called for a motion to introduce Ordinance #22-19, So moved by Mr. Mehta second by Mr. Socio second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey Following legal publication in the September 8, 2022 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, Socio and Davis

Absent: None

22-20 - An Ordinance vacating a portion of Fifth Street located in the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of new Jersey and conveying such vacated lands to the adjacent Property Owners

Council President Davis called for a motion to introduce Ordinance #22-20, So moved by Mr. Andrews second by Mr. Socio second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey Following legal publication in the September 8, 2022 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, Socio and Davis

Absent: None

22-21 - An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 334 Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick to amend Traffic Controls on Hidden Lake Drive

Council President Davis called for a motion to introduce Ordinance #22-21, So moved by Mr. Socio second by Mr. Andrews second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey Following legal publication in the September 8, 2022 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, Socio and Davis  
Absent: None

22-22 - Fiscal Year 2023 Ordinance to establish a CAP BANK

Council President Davis called for a motion to introduce Ordinance #22-22, So moved by Mr. Socio second by Mr. Andrews second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey Following legal publication in the September 8, 2022 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, Socio and Davis  
Absent: None

22-23 - Bond Ordinance providing for Capital Improvements for and by the Township of North Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, appropriating the aggregate amount of \$10,000,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$9,500,000 Bonds or Notes of the Township to finance the part of the cost thereof

Council President Davis called for a motion to introduce Ordinance #22-23, So moved by Mr. Socio second by Mr. Andrews second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey Following legal publication in the September 8, 2022 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, Socio and Davis  
Absent: None

22-24 - Bond Ordinance providing for Capital Improvements for and by the Township of North Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, appropriating the aggregate amount of \$2,000,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$1,900,000 in Bonds or Notes of the Township to finance part of the cost thereof

Council President Davis called for a motion to introduce Ordinance #22-24, So moved by Mr. Socio second by Mr. Andrews second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey Following legal publication in the September 8, 2022 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, Socio and Davis  
Absent: None

Ordinances/Second Reading/Public Hearing:

22-14 -An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 334 Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick to amend Traffic Controls on 12th and 13th Streets

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

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

Roll call:

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

Council President Davis called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #22-14 So moved Mr. Socio second by Mr. Andrews that Ordinance #22-14 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the August 4, 2022 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, Socio and Davis  
Absent: None

22-15 -An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 205, "Land Use" of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick, to address the requirements of the Fair Housing Act and the Uniform Housing Affordability Controls (UHAC) in support of the Township's Affordable Housing Obligations

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

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

Roll call:

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

Council President Davis called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #22-15 So moved Mr. Socio second by Ms. Guadagnino that Ordinance #22-15 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the August 4, 2022 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, Socio and Davis  
Absent: None

22-16 -An ordinance establishing New Floodplain Management Regulations by amending and supplementing Chapter 180, Flood Hazard areas of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick

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

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

Roll call:

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

Council President Davis called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #22-16 So moved Mr. Socio second by Mr. Andrews that Ordinance #22-16 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the August 4, 2022 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, Socio and Davis  
Absent: None

22-17 -An Ordinance vacating Ninth Street located in the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey and conveying such vacated lands to the Adjacent Property Owners

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

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

Roll call:

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

Absent: None

Council President Davis called for a motion to adopt Ordinance #22-17 So moved Mr. Socio second by Ms. Guadagnino that Ordinance #22-17 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the August 4, 2022 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, Socio and Davis

Absent: None

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

Councilman Socio announced that the traffic pattern on Milltown Road Bridge has been restored. He Also, mentioned Annual National Night Out on Tuesday August 2, 2022 rain or shine at the Municipal Complex from 5-8 pm.

Councilman Metha had a great time on the senior trip to the Shrimp Box in Pt. Pleasant on July 29<sup>th</sup>. It was long overdue since, trips had been cancelled due to the pandemic.

Councilman Dr. Lopez announced that he will be stepping down from the Town Council. It has been a pleasure working with everyone.

Council President Davis opened the Public Hearing.

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

Council President Davis called for a motion to adjourn the meeting so moved by Mr. Mehta second by Ms. Guadagnino.

Adjourn 7:21 pm

Lisa Russo  
Municipal Clerk





