

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

**REGULAR MEETING
September 19, 2022**

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, September 19, 2022 **(Via Go to Meeting and Live)** at 7:03 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Mayor Womack called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

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

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on December 30, 2021 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.

Aubrey Foundation – Purple for Pappas 5K – October 16, 2022 Announcement/Invite

Emily Angeles spoke on behalf of the Aubrey Foundation and invited Mayor, Council and all Residents to attend this year's event on October 16, 2022. For more information visit theaubreyfoundation.org

Presentation “North Brunswick Youth Sports Festival”

Rodney Reinson presented the Township with donations for Fire Co, 1, 2 and 3, Domestic Violence, Parks & Recreation and to the Township of North Brunswick.

Also present: (Via Go to Meeting and Live) Township Attorney Ron Gordon, Business Administrator Justin Progebin, OEM Coordinator Mark Cafferty, Director of DPW Eric Chaszar, Director of DPRCS Lou Ann Benson, Director of Community Development Michael Hritz, Clerk Lisa Russo and Administrative Secretary Marilu Ruiz.

Mayor Womack thanked David Brockman and Rich Zangara for the local Boy Scouts 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 5a to 5l on the consent agenda. Motion made by Council President Davis to approve items 5a to 5l on the agenda, second Mr. Andrews.

Roll call:

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

Consent Agenda

- a. NJ State Firemen's Association Application/ James B. Greene/
Co.#3
- b. 281-9.22 Item of revenue in budget (Chapter 159): Governor's Council on
Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA) DMHAS Youth
Leadership Grant - \$5,000.00
- c. 282-9.22 Authorizing the cancellation of taxes for a 100% disabled
veteran
- d. 283-9.22 Authorizing the Person to Person Transfer of Liquor License No.
1215-33-011-006
- e. 284-9.22 Authorizing the application and acceptance of the State of New
Jersey, Division of Criminal Justice 2022 State Body Armor
Replacement Funds
- f. 285-9.22 Authorizing a Contract with Safeware, Inc. under the Department of
Public Safety for the purchase of one Drone and Software
- g. 286-9.22 Authorizing an amendment to Contract BID20010 with On-Site
Landscape Management for Landscape Maintenance Services
under the Department of Public Works
- h. 287-9.22 Authorizing the re-advertisement for the Receipt of bids under the
Department of Public Works for Snow Removal Services
- i. 288-9.22 Authorizing the Award of Contract for North Brunswick
Community Park Trail Improvements Project
- j. 289-9.22 Opposing the proposed increase to the State Health Benefits Program
- k. 290-9.22 Bill List
- l. 291-9.22 Authorizing an amendment to Resolution 250-8.22 for the
Reimbursement of costs associated with the 2022 Youth Sports
Festival

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 6a on the agenda Approval of Special Council Meeting Minutes August 29, 2022 so moved by Mr. Andrews second by Council President Davis.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item 6b on the agenda Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes September 6, 2022 so moved by Mr. Mehta second by Council President Davis.

Ordinances/First Reading/Introduction

#22-25 - 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 Commerce Center

Mayor Womack called for a motion to introduce Ordinance **#22-25**, So moved by Council President Davis second by Mr. Andrews second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on October 11, 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 October 13, 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. Hutchinson, Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Mehta, Andrews, and Davis
Absent: Socio

Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

Council President Davis announced that Saturday September 17th was Military Appreciation Day!

Councilman Mehta the seniors had a Bocce Ball game with the Police Dept. and thanked everyone for participating.

Director of Recreations Lou Ann Benson, just a reminder that the 40th Annual Heritage Day will be on Saturday, October 1 from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Community Park. There will be fireworks after the evening band performance. Rain date is Sunday, October 2nd.

Mayor Womack opened the Public Hearing.

Resident Sioban Gibbons spoke on opposing resolution for the gas power plant in Woodbridge.

Mayor Womack explained that the Township is waiting for the Environmental Commission Report.

Resident Anthony “Tony” Nastus wanted to know the status of certain properties which he had discussed with the Mayor in a meeting a few weeks ago. Mr. Nastus provided addresses that he would like addressed 678 Hermann Road, 5 Edgewood Place, 420 Georges Road, Thalia Street, Riverton and Remsen, Newton Street and Ridgewood. Mayor Womack told Mr. Nastus that he has already had answers on these properties. Mr. Hritz told Mr. Nastus that the Township is working on it and that his department is aware of the issues. Mr. Nastus also, asked about school buses being parked at certain homes, Mr. Nastus was told that the ordinance states that 1 bus can be parked in the driveway at a residence. Mr. Nastus wanted to know about OPRA request’s and how they are answered the Mayor and Township Attorney Ron Gordon explained that OPRA request must be specific and they are for documents. Mr. Nastus wanted to know about site Triangles and who he should contact he was told to contact the Police

Department Public Safety. Mr. Nastus requested to know the square footage of Hookah lounge Mr. Hritz will provide him with the information.

Charlie Kratavil stated that he was here to support Ms. Gibbons on opposing the gas plant.

Mr. Andrews asked what the alternatives where? And the purpose for the gas plants. The Advocacy needs to be the Solar & Wind now. This is a nationwide thing.

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

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

Adjourn 8:02 pm

Lisa Russo
Municipal Clerk