

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

**REGULAR MEETING
April 3, 2023**

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, April 3, 2023 (**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. **GoToMeeting #: (224) 501-3412,,611036093# or <https://meet.goto.com/611036093>**

Mayor Womack called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Present: Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio, Meta and Mayor Womack
Absent: Ms. Hutchinson

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on March 28, 2023 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.

Also present: (Via Go to Meeting and Live) Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Township Attorney Ron Gordon, Sapna Shah Esq., Director of Department of Parks and Recreation Lou Ann Benson, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Acting Director of Department of Public Works Steve Bloyed, Chief Joe Battaglia, Director Community Development Michael Hritz, Confidential Secretary Janice Larkin, OEM Coordinator Mark Cafferty, Democratic Chairman Richard Zangara, Planner Tom Vigna, and Clerk 3 Nellie Sowell.

Councilman President Davis lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance

Councilwoman Hutchinson arrives at 7:08pm

Proclamation

Mayor Womack and Councilman Andrews presents proclamation to Daniel Distefano. Mayor Womack reads proclamation...

Whereas, the Township of North Brunswick recognizes Daniel Distefano for the tremendous contributions he has made to the community of North Brunswick; and Whereas, Danny was born in 1948 in Metuchen, NJ. Dan lived in Florida and Virginia before returning to NJ when he moved to North Brunswick and stayed for over forty-three years and proudly raised his family.... (proclamation attached)

Councilman Andrews speaks to all Dan has contributed to the Township over the years and what a great person he has. The Township is very appreciative for everything he has done.

Mr. Distefano gives much thanks and appreciation to all! He is very thankful for everyone and everything.

Mayor Womack said the meeting would break for a few minutes at 7:15pm.

Mayor Womack starts meeting again from break at 7:29pm.

Councilman Davis thanks Director Benson for a wonderful job and the street naming and refreshments in honor of Dan Distefano.

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

Councilman Socio asked for consent agenda items *5c.*, *5f.*, and *5i.* to be pulled from consent agenda for further clarification.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *items 5a. & 5b., 5d. & 5e., 5g. & 5h., 5j. through 5r.* on the consent agenda. Motion made by Councilman Socio seconded by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Consent Agenda

- a. 109-4.23 Authorizing the application and acceptance of a Grant from the State of New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety – “2023 Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Grant”
- b. 110-4.23 Authorizing the application and acceptance of a Federal Grant from the State Of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Highway Traffic Safety - “HTS Mobilization 2023 Distracted Statewide Driving Crackdown”
- c. 111-4.23 Pulled for further clarification
- d. 112-4.23 Authorizing a Professional Service Agreement with CTL to provide a Building Envelope Moisture Intrusion Investigation of the Municipal Complex
- e. 113-4.23 Confirming a Contract with Millennium Communication Group, Inc. for Evaluation and Testing of Network Equipment located within the Municipal Complex
- f. 114-4.23 Pulled for further clarification
- g. 115-4.23 Authorizing a Change In Scope to the PSA with CME Associates appointed as The 2023 Township Consulting Engineering Firm to perform an Evaluation of The Stormwater System in the vicinity of the Municipal Complex along Hermann Road
- h. 116-4.23 Authorizing a Change in Scope to the 2023 PSA with T&M Associates for Mechanical Engineering Services associated with HVAC Modifications related To Improvements to the Municipal Complex
- i. 117-4.23 Pulled for further clarification
- j. 118-4.23 Authorizing the advertisement for Receipt of Proposals for Water Leak Detection and Monitoring Services
- k. 119-4.23 Approving applicants for Taxi Owner’s License
- l. 120-4.23 Item of revenue in budget (Chapter 159): Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Grant - \$16,305.00
- m. 121-4.23 Item of revenue in budget (Chapter 159): 2023 Distracted Driving Crackdown

- n. 122-4.23 U Drive U Text U Pay - \$12,250.00
Granting an Amusement License to Leiserv, LLC (doing business as Bowlero North Brunswick) to operate at the premises located at 1 Carolier Lane, North Brunswick
- o. 123-4.23 Ratifying a Memorandum of Agreement with Policemen’s Benevolent Association Extending Contract by One Year
- p. 124-4.23 Ratifying a Memorandum of Agreement with the Superior Officers Association (SOA) Local 160 Extending the Contract by One Year
- q. 125-4.23 Ratifying a Memorandum of Agreement with Collective Bargaining Unit RWDSU Local 108 – Clerical Division amending the Telecommunicator Salary Guide
- r. 126-4.23 Bill List

Councilman Socio asked for clarification regarding *Consent Agenda Item 5c.* resolution 111-4.23. Business Administrator Justine Progebin explains resolution.
 Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item 5c. on the consent agenda. Resolution 111-4.23 “Authorizing a Contract with The Gillespie Group for the supply and installation of Flooring Material at the Municipal Complex”*
 Motion made by Councilman Socio, seconded by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
 Nays: None
 Abstain: None
 Absent: None

Councilman Socio asked for clarification regarding *Consent Agenda Item 5f.* resolution 114-4.23. Business Administrator Justine Progebin explains resolution.
 Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item 5f. on the consent agenda. Resolution 114-4.23 “Authorizing an amendment to the Agreement with BDO, USA, LLP to provide Claims Administration Services for Municipal Claims related to Hurricane Ida as an E.U.S.”*
 Motion made by Councilman Socio, seconded by Council President Mehta.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
 Nays: None
 Abstain: None
 Absent: None

Councilman Socio asked for clarification regarding *Consent Agenda Item 5i.* resolution 117-4.23. Business Administrator Justine Progebin explains resolution.
 Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item 5i. on the consent agenda. Resolution 117-4.23 “Authorizing a Change in Scope to the 2023 PSA with T&M Associates for Mechanical Engineering Services associated with HVAC Modifications related to FEMA Resiliency Improvements to the Municipal Complex”*
 Motion made by Councilman Socio, seconded by Councilwoman Guadagnino.

Roll call:

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Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Business Administrator Justine Progebin gives a summary of what the Emergency Item is for. Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *Emergency Item Resolution 127-4.23 "A Resolution of The Township of North Brunswick Confirming an Emergency Contract With Hannas Mechanical Contractors INC. For Services Associated With Temporary Climate Control At The Municipal Complex"* Motion made by Councilman Socio seconded by Councilman Andrews.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item 6a* on the agenda Minutes/ Special Meeting/ March 13, 2023 so moved by Councilman Socio second by Councilman Andrews

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item 6b* on the agenda Minutes/ Regular Council Meeting/ March 20, 2023 so moved by Councilman Socio second by Councilwoman Guadagnino

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Ordinances/First Reading/Introduction

#23-07 – Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 109 (Amusement Devices) of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick to authorize the licensure of recognized Amusement Parks, and to designate the premise located at 1 Carolier Lane, North Brunswick, New Jersey (commonly known as Bowlero North Brunswick) as a recognized Amusement Park

Mayor Womack makes mention Ms. Wolfe, Bowlero attorney and Michael Britt from Bowlero were present, via GoToMeeting, for council meeting. Township Attorney Ron Gordon explains the license and what the renewal process would be.

Mayor Womack asked for a motion to introduce ***Ordinance #23-07***. Motion made by Councilman Andrews, second by Councilwoman Hutchinson. Second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on April 17, 2023 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 April 7, 2023 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:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

#23-08 – An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 334-3.3 Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick

Mayor Womack asked for a motion to introduce ***Ordinance #23-08***. Motion made by Councilman Davis, second by Councilman Andrews. Second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on April 17, 2023 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 April 7, 2023 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:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

#23-09 – An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 205, “Land Use” Article IV General Regulations, of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick

Mayor Womack asked for a motion to introduce ***Ordinance #23-09***. Motion made by Councilman Socio, second by Councilwoman Hutchinson. Second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on April 17, 2023 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 April 7, 2023 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:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson & Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta

Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

Councilman Socio announces sad news of passing of Monroe Township Councilwoman Betty Schneider. She was on the Board of Education for North Brunswick Township and was a tremendous asset to North Brunswick Township and Monroe Township residents.

Director Benson reported that breakfast with the Easter Bunny was great.

Mayor Womack opens the Public Hearing

Tony Nastus (North Brunswick resident) Delivers a sealed letter from his neighbor to give to Mayor and Council. (letter attached) Mr. Nastus also inquires about some of his previous concerns regarding issues he feels are throughout the Township. Mayor Womack, Director Hritz and Township Attorney Gordon answer concerns. Mr. Nastus states concern he has over "Buy Junk Car" signs. Concern answered by Mayor Womack and Township Attorney Gordon.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino second by Councilwoman Hutchinson.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson and Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn the meeting so moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino second by Councilman Socio.

Roll call:

Yays: Ms. Hutchinson and Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Mehta
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Adjourn 8:02pm

Lisa Russo
Municipal Clerk

Nellie Sowell

Subject: Council Meeting
Location: Linwood School / Online

Start: Mon 4/3/2023 7:00 PM
End: Mon 4/3/2023 10:00 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Justine Progebin

Required Attendees: Lisa Russo; Craig Yetsko; Mac Womack; Governing Body; Directors and Deputies; Samantha Gresh; Nellie Sowell; Marilu Ruiz

Council Meeting

Apr 3, 2023, 7:00PM

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://meet.goto.com/611036093>

You can also dial in using your phone.

Access Code: 611-036-093

United States: [+1 \(224\) 501-3412](tel:+12245013412)

PROCLAMATION

By Mayor and Council - Township of North Brunswick

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick recognizes Daniel Distefano for the tremendous contributions he has made to the community of North Brunswick; and

WHEREAS, Danny was born in 1948 in Metuchen, NJ. Dan lived in Florida and Virginia before returning to NJ when he moved to North Brunswick and stayed for over forty-three years and proudly raised his family; and

WHEREAS, in 1967, shortly after high school Danny was drafted into the United States Army and he was deployed to the Vietnam War in April of 1968. On November 5, 1973 Dan completed his military service and received an honorable discharge; and

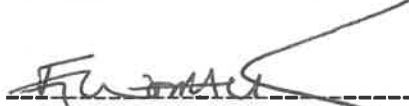
WHEREAS, after his service to his country, Danny worked in the "family business" as a barber by day and put himself through real estate school at night. In 1975 Danny purchased his first investment property. Through the years Danny and his partners built, managed and maintained 17 shopping centers; and


WHEREAS, the Distefano family values of hard work and community service are things that have always been a priority for Danny. For over 40 years Danny has been and continues to be an active member of the Adams Athletic Club. Danny served on the North Brunswick Planning Board for more than 26 years, 19 of which he was the Board Chairman, and also volunteered on the North Brunswick September 11th Committee for over 21 years; and


WHEREAS, Danny and his wife Karen enjoy traveling and spending time with their grandchildren. Dan has three children, Kelly, Robbie, Brent and a son-in-law, Lance and Danny has been blessed with five grandchildren whom he whole-heartedly adores: Kyleigh, Ryan, Chase, Shannon and Addy; and

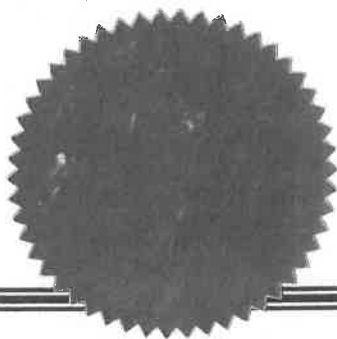
WHEREAS, we here in North Brunswick consider ourselves lucky to have Danny Distefano as a friend and neighbor. Danny has great love for his family, his country and is of the belief that community service is of the utmost importance.

NOW THEREFORE, WE the Mayor and Council of the Township of North Brunswick, **Do Hereby Proclaim**, the respect and admiration of the community of North Brunswick to Daniel Distefano. We thank him and wish him many years of good health and happiness.


Francis M. Womack III,
Mayor


Raj Mehta,
Council President


Lisa Russo,
Municipal Clerk
April 3, 2023



4/3/23- given by Tony NASTUS
from his "neighbor."

Property Issues

North Brunswick Senior Center on
Linwood and Glenwood.

3 Sidewalk pieces are raised up

About ½, may need to remove nearby
tree. Also on Linwood Place a part of an
old metal sign post is sticking up from
the

Ground about a foot.

609 Hollywood avenue, 2 garage doors
need painting.

49 Clearmont Avenue, garage
siding/gutter need repair.

39 Clearmont avenue, 2 garage doors
Need painting.