NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP | MINUTES....

WORKSHOP MEETING May 13, 2024

A workshop meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, May 13, 2024 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.

Mayor Womack called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

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

Absent: Ms. Hutchinson and Mr. Mehta

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on May 7, 2024 to the following:

a) The Home News Tribune b) Star Ledger

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: Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Township Attorney Ronald Gordon, Director of Department of Public Works Steve Bloyed, Chief Financial Officer Cavel Gallimore, Director of Department of Parks and Recreation Lou Ann Benson, Director of Community Development Michael Hritz, Police Chief Joseph Battaglia, Municipal Clerk Lisa Russo and Clerk 3 Nellie Sowell.

Mayor Womack asked Ms. Gallimore to present her items for consideration for the May 20, 2024 Council Meeting.

Ms. Gallimore explains her 2 items...

- 1. Bill List
- 2. Item of Revenue in Budget (Chapter 159): National Opioid Settlement Grant \$73,992.82

Mayor Womack asked Ms. Benson to present her items for consideration for the May 20, 2024 Council Meeting.

Ms. Benson explains her 3 items...

- 1. North Brunswick Municipal Alliance Presentation of Leadership/Mentorship Conference Banners
- 2. Memorial Day Ceremony 11:00 AM Veteran's Park Rain or Shine/ Lunch Following at noon Under Pavilion. Please Invite a Veteran to Attend.
- 3. Mayor Womack's Township Wellness Awards

Mayor Womack asked Mr. Gordon to present the item Mr. Battaglia has for consideration for the May 20, 2024 Council Meeting.

Mr. Gordon explains the 1 item...

1. Authorizing the Sale of Abandoned Vehicles

Mayor Womack asked Mr. Hritz to present his items for consideration for the May 20, 2024 Council Meeting.

Mr. Hritz explains his 3 items...

- 1. Authorizing the Youth Sports Festival to Conduct Fireworks Displays
- 2. Resolution of Concurrence by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick for The NJ State Department of Transportation in Support of the Route 27 Mid-Block Crosswalk, Central Region Pedestrian Improvements
- 3. Authorizing Public Improvements Bond Reductions and Releases for Public Services Electric And Gas Company

Mayor Womack presents his item for consideration for the May 20, 2024 Council Meeting...

 An Ordinance Amending the Code of the Township of North Brunswick to Create a New Chapter 73 Entitled "Redevelopment Agency" Establishing the North Brunswick Redevelopment Agency Councilman Socio and Councilman Andrews inquires regarding this item. Mayor Womack and Township Attorney Gordon respond.

Chief Battaglia arrives at 7:07pm

Council President Hutchinson arrives at 7:08pm

Mayor Womack asked Ms. Progebin to present her items for consideration for the May 20, 2024 Council Meeting.

Ms. Progebin explains her 7 items...

1. Authorizing an Amendment to the PSA with CME Associates for Site Work for Public Works Fueling Station Upgrade Project – presented by Director Bloyed

Councilman Andrews and Councilman Socio inquire regarding this item. Business Administrator Progebin responds.

2. Authorizing the Award of Contract with LBJ Interior Solutions for Municipal Complex – flooring Installation.

Councilwoman Guadagnino inquires about this item. Discussion continues between Councilwoman Guadagnino, Councilman Andrews, Council President Hutchinson, Mayor Womack and Business Administrator Progebin.

3. Authorizing a Contract amendment with Brockwell for Municipal Complex – Phase I – Interior Restoration

Councilwoman Guadagnino inquiries about this item. Discussion continues between Councilwoman Guadagnino, Councilman Andrews, Council President Hutchinson, Mayor Womack, Business Administrator Progebin and Chief Battaglia.

Item will be pulled off tonight's consent agenda.

- 4. Resolution Sell Back Agreement with Sgt. Robert Powell
- 5. Authorizing a Health Services Contract for 2024 and 2025
- 6. Authorizing A Contract for Procurement Software
- 7. BID Fire Alarm

Councilman Socio leaves at 8:01pm

Mayor Womack announces Special Resident Meeting tomorrow night. Mayor Womack asks if resolution 150-5.24 can be put on tomorrow nights meeting. Township Attorney Gordon responds.

Mayor Womack asked Ms. Russo to present her items for consideration for the May 20, 2024 Council Meeting.

Ms. Russo explains her 7 items...

- 1. NJ State Fireman's Association Application/ Joshua M. Alencar/ Fire Co. #3
- 2. Approval of Minutes/ Workshop Special Meeting/ 04.29,24
- 3. Approval of Minutes/Regular Meeting/ 05.06.24
- 4. Raffle Application/ RA2409/ The Garden Club of New Jersey/ Basket Raffle/ June 18, 2024/ Rutgers Gardens
- 5. Raffle Application/ RA2403/ North Brunswick Baseball Association/ Carnival Games/ June 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30/ DeVry Property
- 6. Ordinance #24-05 Second Reading and Public Hearing An Ordinance Authorizing the Conveyance of Any Outstanding Interest in Property to Correct a Subdivision of the Property by a Quit Claim Deed Known As Block 143, Lot 189, Now Part of Lot 189.01 on the Official Tax Map of the Township of North Brunswick, County of Middlesex
- 7. Ordinance #24-06 Second Reading and Public Hearing An Ordinance of the Township of North Brunswick Amending Chapter 147 "Construction Code: Uniform "And Creating A New Chapter 148, "Home Sales Certificates"

Mayor Womack opens the Public Hearing

Tony Nastus (North Brunswick Township Resident) speaks about a couple properties in North Brunswick Township. Mr. Nastus states he will receive his status update regarding previous issues he has voiced in the past. Mayor Womack responds.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved by Councilman Andrews second by Council President Hutchinson.

Roll call:

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

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Mehta

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve *item a. and b.* on the consent agenda. Motion made by Councilman Andrews seconded by Council President Hutchinson.

Roll call:

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

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Mehta

Consent Agenda

a. 148-5.24 Bill List

b. 149-5.24 Authorizing the Award of Contract with LBJ Interior Solutions for Municipal Complex – flooring installation

c. 150-5.24 ***PULLED*** Authorizing a Contract amendment with Brockwell For Municipal Complex – Phase I – Interior restoration

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn the meeting so moved by Councilwoman Guadagnino second by Council President Hutchinson.

Roll call:

Yays:

Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Andrews, Davis, Socio and Ms. Hutchinson

Nays:

None

Abstain: Absent:

None Mr. Mehta

Adjourn 8:15 pm

Lisa Russo

Municipal Clerk