# **BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE**

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September 22, 2020

# The Borough Council Meeting of September 22, 2020 will be held virtually through Go To Meeting The meeting starts at 7:00PM

You can join the Meeting as follows:

You can dial in using your phone. United States: 571-317-3122 Access Code: 803-266-981

We ask that you are patient with us during this process as this is new to all of us involved. To make this new process work as efficiently as possible we have drafted a procedure to follow:

- 1. The Mayor will read a statement asking for patience with this process and telling everyone to mute his or her phone until public comment.
- 2. Members of the Council will announce who they are before they begin speaking.
- Please be respectful of this process so we can clearly identify each other and don't talk over one another as this makes it very difficult for all to hear and understand
- 4. When the meeting is opened to the public, please state your name and address for the record



# MAYOR & COUNCIL THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE, BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SEPTEMBER 22, 2020 6:00 PM – EXECUTIVE SESSION 7:00 PM – REGULAR MEETING Location: Electronically via the GOTO Meeting Conferencing Service



Actual meeting may contain discussion of items not mentioned on the agenda and alternatively any items specifically listed may be omitted.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- SUNSHINE NOTICE Municipal Clerk reads the following statement: "Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Adequate notice of 2020 Meeting Dates was published in the Courier News and Bernardsville News on December 5, 2019 and posted at the Municipal Complex and the Borough Library. Action may be taken."

#### 3. FLAG SALUTE

#### 4. ROLL CALL

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION – RESOLUTION NO. 172-20 – Authorization for Executive Session for Certain Specified Purposes – (1) N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(6) – Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair that protection, or investigations of violations or possible violations of the law (2) Contract Negotiations

#### 6. MAYOR'S UPDATE ON COVID-19

#### 7. PUBLIC COMMENTS: 5 MINUTES PER PERSON - NON-AGENDA ITEMS

It is the policy of the Borough Council that all public comments on an issue shall be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Comments may be made on any Non-Agenda subject pertaining to Borough issues. Comments pertaining to Public Hearings should be saved for that section of the agenda. No debating between residents. Comments should be addressed to Mayor and Council at the public microphone.

#### 8. OLD BUSINESS

• Ordinance Granting Renewal of Comcast Franchise Within the Borough

#### 9. NEW BUSINESS

•Borough Rebranding Initiative

#### 10. MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION/APPROVALS

#### **11. RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 173-20** – Resolution to Approve Extension of a Special Use Permit for Natirar, 2 Main Street, Peapack, NJ During COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency **RESOLUTION NO. 174-20** – Resolution Strongly Encouraging the Right of In-Person Machine Voting for the November 3, 2020 General Election



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**RESOLUTION NO. 175-20** – Approval of Bills as signed and listed on the Bill Payment List **Total Amount: \$622,003.97** 

#### **13. COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council President Corigliano & Councilman Sweeney Councilwoman Murphy & Councilman Caminiti Councilman Caminiti & Councilman Smith Councilman Smith & Councilwoman Murphy Councilman Sweeney & Councilwoman Dietrich Councilwoman Dietrich & Councilman Sweeney Mayor Skinner John Bruder, Borough Attorney Randy Bahr Mayor Skinner

Finance Sanitation & Sewer Borough Property Fire/First Aid Squad Police Roads & Transportation Zoning & Construction Legal Administrator's Report

#### 14. PUBLIC COMMENTS – 3 MINUTES PER PERSON – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

It is the policy of the Borough Council that all public comments on an issue shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person. No debating between residents. Comments should be addressed to Mayor and Council at the public microphone.

#### **15. ADJOURNMENT**

#### THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020 AT 7:00PM

## BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 172-20**

#### TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIED PURPOSES

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone that in compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b et seq., this meeting will be closed to the public to discuss the following matters:

- 1. N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(6) Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair that protection, or investigations of violations or possible violations of the law
- 2. Contract Negotiations

The matters considered in this Executive Session can be released to the public when the reasons for discussing and acting on it in closed session no longer exist.

Introduced	Seconded	Borough Council	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
		Gian-Paolo Caminiti				
		Mark Corigliano				
		Amy Dietrich				
		Jamie Murphy				
		Royal Smith				
		John Sweeney				

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE AT A MEETING OF SAID COUNCIL HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2020.

NANCY A. BRETZGER BOROUGH CLERK

#### BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 173-20**

# TITLE: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AN EXTENSION OF A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR NATIRAR, 2 MAIN STREET, PEAPACK, NJ DURING COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AND STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, an application has been filed with the Borough for use of a Tent to cover the back patio of the Mansion of Natirar, 2 Main Street, Peapack, NJ due to the restrictions of Governor Murphy's Executive Order No. 150 to allow restaurants, bars and other food or beverage establishments to provide in-person service at areas designated for food and/or beverage consumption in accordance with CDC and DOH safeguards as outside dining; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 105-20 of the Borough allows for the Zoning Officer and Officer-In-Charge to approve and issue the Special Use Permit before the Mayor and Council approval; and

WHEREAS, the Zoning Officer and Officer-In-Charge have reviewed the application, site plan and visited the site of the proposed tent and approved the application; and

**WHEREAS**, Special Use Permit No. 03-2020 had been issued by the Borough Clerk for use of the tent in the parking lot adjacent to the right side of the building from July 9, 2020 to September 30, 2020;

WHEREAS, Natirar has requested an extension to November 30, 2020 for use of the tent; and

WHEREAS, Special Use Permit No. 05-2020 has been issued by the Borough Clerk for use of the tent in the parking lot adjacent to the right side of the building from October 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of theBorough of Peapack and Gladstone, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that effective October 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020, the Special Use Permit No. 05-2020 issued to Natirar, 2 Main Street, Peapack, NJ is approved.

Introduced	Seconded	Borough Council	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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#### BOROUGH OF PEAPACK AND GLADSTONE, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 174-20**

# TITLE: RESOLUTION STRONGLY ENCOURAGING THE RIGHT OF IN-PERSON MACHINE VOTING FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will be holding a General Election on November 3, 2020; and mail-in ballots were predominantly utilized in the Primary Election in July 2020; and

WHEREAS, the practice of predominantly using mail-in ballots for all registered voters causes concerns for voter fraud, voter disenfranchisement, postal delivery delays, significant increase in election costs, and reliance on a flawed Statewide voter/DMV computer registration database; and

**WHEREAS**, requiring the use of mail in ballots resulted in significant delays in the counting of ballots and determining the outcome of the Primary Election; and

WHEREAS, well before the COVID-19 pandemic, New Jersey law permitted voting by mail for any reason, or no reason at all, allowing any voter, even remotely concerned about in-person voting the option to request a mail-in ballot thus enhancing voter choice; and

WHEREAS, numerous voters have expressed a desire to wait until Election Day to cast their ballot electronically, in-person for the candidate of their choice to fully allow them to assess the latest information available regarding candidates and Public Questions; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone is concerned that the predominant use of mail-in ballots during the 2020 Primary Election was difficult at best and represents but a small fraction of the ballots to be cast when compared to the upcoming General Election; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough Council of the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone Council feels that voter "choice" should refer to "how" to vote, not just "who" to vote for in a given election cycle.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone, County of Somerset, supports voter choice in the General Election on November 3, 2020 and in all future elections; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Borough Council of the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone, County of Somerset, urges the Secretary of State, County Boards of Election and County Clerks to utilize in-person machine voting, in conjunction with mail-in balloting, in the General Election of November 3, 2020 and in all future elections; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Clerk of the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone forward certified true copy of this resolution to the New Jersey Secretary of State; the Governor of the State of New Jersey; the President of the New Jersey State Senate; the Speaker of the General Assembly, New Jersey; the League of Municipalities; and all other Municipalities within Somerset County.

Introduced	Seconded	Borough Council	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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# BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

## **RESOLUTION NO. 175-20**

## Payment of Claims (Posted)

**WHEREAS,** The Borough Council of the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone has received bills to be paid as listed; and

**WHEREAS,** The Chief Financial Officer and the Borough Administrator have reviewed these bills and have certified that these bills represent goods and/or services received by the Borough, that these are authorized and budgeted expenditures and that sufficient funds are available to pay these bills;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone, in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey hereby:

- 1. That these bills are hereby authorized for payment; and
- 2. That checks in the proper amounts are prepared and that necessary bookkeeping entries are made; and
- **3.** That the proper Borough Officials are authorized to sign the checks.

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