



**MAYOR & COUNCIL
THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 27, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone was held on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 electronically via the GOTO Meeting Conferencing Service and began at 6:01p.m.

Mayor Skinner called the meeting to order. Borough Clerk Nancy A. Bretzger read the Sunshine Notice "Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Adequate notice of 2021 Meeting Dates was published in the Courier News and Bernardsville News on December 3, 2020, and posted at the Municipal Complex and the Borough Library. Action may be taken."

Mayor Skinner led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for Rene LaPointe and Ken Tiger.

Roll Call indicated the following present: Mayor Skinner, Councilman Caminiti, Council President Corigliano, Councilwoman Dietrich, Councilman Lemma, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Sweeney

Absent: (none)

Also present were: Randy Bahr, Interim Administrator, Mr. John Bruder, Esq., Borough Attorney and Nancy A. Bretzger, Borough Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 87-21 – Authorization for Executive Session for Certain Specified Purposes – (1) Contract Negotiations (a) Police CBA (b) Park House Lease (c) Donation of Property (2) Potential Litigation was read. Motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Lemma. Said motion was carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S UPDATE ON COVID-19

Mayor Skinner stated that there are currently (9) positive cases of Covid in town. The Governor of New Jersey recently extended the State of Emergency for another 30 days, but is lightening up on restrictions for both indoor and outdoor events. Vaccines continue to be administered.

PROCLAMATIONS

● Declaring April 11 – April 17, 2021 "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week" – Mayor Skinner explained the Proclamation and stated that it will be given to the 911 dispatchers at the county which we use as our dispatching center.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – 5 MINUTES PER PERSON – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Skinner asked if any member of the Public wishes to speak about non-agenda items. No one came forward.

OLD BUSINESS



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Mayor Skinner mentioned that some residents have been complaining again about the train horns. He sent an email to New Jersey Transit and is waiting for a response. A camera is to be set up for a 24-hour period so we can have audio and video documentation of the issue.

Councilman Caminiti mentioned that Resolution 53a-21 has expired. The resolution states that the ECUs are to be temporarily stored for up to 45 days, at the DPW yard until it is decided if they are going to be kept or given back to the Federal Government. As of now, they are still parked at the DPW yard. Mayor Skinner suggested that the Borough Mechanic check them out so we have a better idea of what repairs may be needed. Council President Corigliano suggested putting it on for discussion at the next meeting after the Council has a chance to review the finalized report from the five-ton working group.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilwoman Dietrich announced that the Historic Commission is hosting a ceremony to dedicate the Lime Kiln on May 11th at 3:00 pm. The Mayor and Council are all invited as well as the public, and any RSVPs should be given to her. She also mentioned that the Lime Kiln is looking great with the recent improvements and thanked the DPW and everyone involved for their help.

MISCELLANEOUS DISSSION/APPROVALS

No Miscellaneous Discussion/Approvals

MINUTES

Mayor Skinner asked for a motion and second to accept the Special Budget Meeting minutes of March 31, 2021. Council President Corigliano motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilman Caminiti. Said motion was passed unanimously.

Mayor Skinner asked for a motion and second to accept the Special Budget Meeting minutes of April 12, 2021. Councilman Sweeney motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilman Caminiti. Said motion was passed unanimously.

Mayor Skinner asked for a motion and second to accept the Regular Meeting minutes of April 13, 2021. Councilman Caminiti motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilwoman Dietrich. Said motion was passed unanimously.

ORDINANCES

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE 1099-2021 – Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14) Councilwoman Dietrich moved to introduce the Ordinance at first reading, seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 88-21 Resolution for the 2021 Budget Introduction was read. Motioned by Council President Corigliano, seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion was passed unanimously.



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Resolution No. 89-21—Resolution Setting Forth Summer Hours for Borough Employees for 2021 was read. Motioned by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Dietrich. Councilman Lemma asked for clarification in the summer schedule hours. It was explained the Borough Hall would be open to the public Monday through Thursday from 8am-4:00pm, and Fridays 8am-12:00pm. The employees will work from 7:45am-4:00pm with a half hour for lunch Monday-Thursday and 8am-12:00pm on Fridays. Said motion was passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 90-21—Appointing Professional Service Consultant for the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone for Library Grant Application Assistance was read. Motioned by Councilman Lemma, seconded by Councilwoman Dietrich. Said motion was passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 91-21 – Resolution Authorizing the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone to Enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the Hunterdon Educational Services Commission was read. Motioned by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion was passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 92-21 – Resolution to Renew the Agreement with Statewide Insurance Fund for a Three (3) Year Term was read. Motioned by Councilman Sweeney, seconded by Councilman Caminiti. Resolution was TABLED with a motion by Council President Corigliano, seconded by Councilman Caminiti. Said motion was passed unanimously.

Councilman Lemma left the meeting at 7:31pm.

Resolution No. 93-21 – Resolution for Temporary Emergency Appropriations for Operating Purposes was read. Motioned by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Council President Corigliano. Said motion was passed with Councilman Lemma absent.

Resolution No. 94-21 – Resolution for Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Fiscal Grant 2021-2022 was read. Motioned by Councilman Caminiti, seconded by Council President Corigliano. Said motion was passed with Councilman Lemma absent.

BILLS LIST

Resolution No. 95-21 Approval of Bills as signed and listed on the Bill Payment List in the amount of \$180,535.60 was read. Motion to approve payment was made by Councilman Sweeney, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy. Said motion was passed with Councilman Lemma absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – 3 MINUTES PER PERSON – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Mayor Skinner asked if any member of the Public wishes to speak about agenda items. No one came forward.

Councilman Lemma returned to the meeting at 7:36pm.



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Mayor Skinner announced that Council will go back into Executive Session. Motioned by Councilwoman Dietrich, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy. Said motion passed unanimously.

Council Adjourned to Executive Session at 7:37pm.

Council returned to Public Session at 8:08pm.

Resolution No. 96-21 – Resolution Authorizing the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone Police Department to Submit an Application to the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General SFY21 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program was read. Motioned by Councilman Sweeney, seconded by Councilman Lemma. Said motion was passed unanimously.

There being no other matters to be addressed by the Governing Body at this time, a motion was made by Councilman Caminiti, seconded by Councilwoman Dietrich that this meeting be adjourned at 8:10 p.m. This motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Bretzger, Borough Clerk