



The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Peapack & Gladstone was held on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 electronically via the GoTo Meeting conferencing service and began at 7:02p.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 2022 Meeting Dates was published in the Courier News and Bernardsville News on December 9, 2021 and posted at the Municipal Complex and the Borough Library. Action may be taken."

Mayor Skinner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call indicated the following present:

Present: Mayor Skinner, Council President Corigliano, Councilman Caminiti, Councilwoman Dietrich, Councilman Lemma, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Sweeney

Absent: None

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

### PUBLIC COMMENTS - 5 MINUTES PER PERSON -AGENDA ITEMS

Guy Torsilieri-265 Main St.-Mr. Torsilieri asked for the status of the OPRA requests that he submitted. Nancy Bretzger, Borough Clerk/Administrator, responded by saying that she will have the remaining documents to him by the end of the week. Mr. Torsilieri also asked who was in charge of overseeing the Liberty Park Improvement Project and if adjustments would be made for work that is not completed per the contract. Councilman Caminiti explained that in addition to our DPW Supervisor, Carter Van Dyke is overseeing this project as well as himself and Councilman Lemma. Councilman Caminiti also explained that all invoices will be adjusted as per work completed.

Mike Koppes -25 Willow Ave. – Mr. Koppes stated that since the speeding signs have been removed from Willow Ave., the speeding has gone awry again. Councilman Caminiti stated that he will reach out to Sergeant Scanlon regarding the status of the signs when the survey was preformed, and the possibility of rerunning the signs to get another sample with the speed indicators turned off. Mr. Koppes also mentioned that he would like to see permanent signs be placed on Willow Ave., Main St. and Mosle Rd. Councilman Caminiti will also speak to Sergeant Scanlon to get the Police Department's opinion on whether or not these signs would be needed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Councilman Lemma asked for Council's consensus on paying the base Medicare Part B amounts of eligible retirees, but not the IRMA Part B Medicare penalties. Council President Corigliano concurred stating that we should pay the base amount for all retirees and this is also what our neighboring communities do. All concurred. It was decided that a letter would go out to all retirees letting them know of this change.





Councilman Lemma asked for Council's thoughts on returning to in-person Council meetings. It was decided that they would resume in-person meetings starting in March.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Council woman Murphy mentioned that she would like Department Heads of the Borough to attend Council meetings. She explained that she feels it would be helpful to both the Council and residents who may have questions which can be best answered by the Department Head. Councilwoman Dietrich stated that while it is a great idea to encourage the Department Heads to attend, she would like to keep the GoTo Meeting platform for ease of communication especially for the Department Heads that live out of town. Nancy Bretzger, Borough Clerk/Administrator, will look into the logistic

### **MINUTES**

Mayor Skinner asked if there was a motion and second to accept the Regular Meeting minutes of January 11, 2022. Council President Corigliano motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilman Lemma. Said motion was passed unanimously.

Mayor Skinner asked if there was a motion and second to accept the Special Meeting minutes of January 17, 2022. Councilman Caminiti motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion was passed unanimously.

Mayor Skinner asked if there was a motion and second to accept the Regular Meeting minutes of January 25, 2022. Councilman Caminiti motioned to accept the minutes, seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion was passed unanimously.

## **ORDINANCES**

Mayor Skinner asked for a motion and second to open the Public Hearing for **Ordinance 1107-2022** – AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING CERTAIN MONIES HELD BY THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF DUMP TRUCK WITH PLOW AND SALT SPREADER

Council President Corigliano moved to open the hearing for Public Comment for **Ordinance 1107-2022**, seconded by Councilman Caminiti. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Mayor Skinner opened it to the public for any comments. No one came forward.

Councilman Sweeney moved to close public comment for **Ordinance 1107-2022** seconded by Councilwoman Murphy. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Lemma moved to Adopt **Ordinance 1107-2022**, seconded by Councilman Lemma. Said motion was carried unanimously.





Mayor Skinner asked for a motion and second to open the Public Hearing for **Ordinance 1108-2022** – AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING CERTAIN MONIES HELD BY THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A RESCUE FIRE TRUCK FOR THE BOROUGH OF PEAPACK & GLADSTONE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Councilwoman Murphy moved to open the hearing for Public Comment for **Ordinance 1107-2022**, seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Mayor Skinner opened it to the public for any comments. No one came forward.

Council President Corigliano moved to close public comment for **Ordinance 1108-2022** seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Sweeney moved to Adopt **Ordinance 1108-2022** seconded by Councilwoman Murphy. Said motion was carried unanimously.

#### RESOLUTIONS

Consent Agenda for resolutions 41-22 and 42-22 was motioned by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Sweeney, and passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION NO. 41-22** – Resolution Authorizing Borough Police Department to Participate in Operation Safe Passage Super Bowl DWI Enforcement February 13, 2022

**RESOLUTION NO. 42-22** – Resolution Authorizing Borough Police Department to Participate in Premobilization distracted Driving Enforcement February 13-February 26, 2022

**RESOLUTION NO. 43-22** – Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Third Amendment to Developer's Agreement for Natirar Resort Development, LLC was read. Council President Corigliano explained the amendment for which this resolution is approving. Motion was made by Council President Corigliano, seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion was passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 44-22**-Resoltuion for Authorization to Rescind the Approval to Renew Liquor License for HEG Beverages, LLC for Licensing Period July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022 was read. Motion was made by Council President Corigliano, seconded by Councilman Caminiti. Said motion was passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 46-22-**Resolution to Appoint Florence Spitale as the Assistant to the Construction and DPW Departments was read. Motion was made by Councilman Caminiti, seconded by Council President Corigliano. Said motion was passed unanimously.

## **BILLS LIST**





**Resolution No. 45-22** Approval of Bills as signed and listed on the Bill Payment List in the amount of \$281,820.47 was read. Motion was made by Councilman Caminiti, seconded by Councilman Sweeney. Said motion was passed unanimously.

#### 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.

Council returned to executive session at 7:47.

Regular Council meeting reconvened at 8:20 pm.

There being no other matters to be addressed by the Governing Body at this time, a motion was made by Councilman Caminiti, seconded by Councilman Sweeney, that this meeting be adjourned at 8:21p.m. This motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Bretzger, Borough Clerk