

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 9, 2019 at 6:30 pm

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach was held in the Meeting Room, 701 Main Street, Bradley Beach, New Jersey on the above date.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gary Engelstad opened the meeting with a salute to the flag.

Sunshine Law

The meeting has been noticed publicly according to the Open Public Meetings Act requirement for the "Annual Notice", and posted on the official bulletin board.

ROLL CALL 6:30 pm

Present: Council: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler
Mayor Engelstad
Borough Attorney Marguerite Schaeffer
Municipal Clerk/Administrator Kelly Barrett
Chief Financial Officer, Gail Krzyzczuk
Deputy Municipal Clerk, Erica Kostyz

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Bonnell to remove the authorization supporting an increase in state funding for "Shore Protection from the consent agenda

ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION – Gerald Freda, Borough Engineer provided the following report:

- Phase I - Ocean Park Avenue Improvement Project will begin in a few weeks and will include improvements from Main Street to Hammond Avenue. The Borough has received notification that \$243,000 will be received from the Transportation Trust Fund for Phase II the project.
- Sanitary Sewer Stormwater Rehabilitation Project is anticipated to be completed by the end of May. The contractor has scheduled the paving of side streets, Evergreen and Monmouth Avenues which will be funded through a FEMA reimbursement.
- Sylvan Lake Bank Stabilization Project is close to being completed. A punch list and plantings/landscaping are being scheduled.

Mayor Engelstad directed Mr. Freda to contact the DOT regarding the issues with the handicap ramps installed on Main Street. He then directed Mr. Freda to contact the County for an update on the Lake Terrace culvert repair.

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Goldfarb to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 26, 2019

ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

APPROVED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jack Gentempo, 103 Fourth Avenue, disagreed with the borough eliminating the use of Round-Up (synthetic toxic pesticides) on borough owned land. He questioned Councilman Cotler's reporting on synthetic pesticides being cancer causing.

Councilman Cotler responded, the information provided was obtained by the Department of Health, Sloane Kettering and the University of Pennsylvania.

Dan Patel, 125 Main Street, stated that banning the sale of Kratom in Bradley Beach would adversely impact smaller businesses. He expressed concerns that his customers would go to neighboring towns to make purchases and he would lose business.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-12

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BOROUGH CODE, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CHAPTER THREE HUNDRED AND THREE, TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF KRATOM

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Goldfarb to open the public hearing for Ordinance 2019-12

ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Public Hearing: No one wished to speak

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Goldfarb to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance 2019-12

ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ADOPTED

Communications moved to the Consent Agenda

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Goldfarb to approve Raffle License 2019-2 and move the consent agenda

ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Weber to approve Raffle License 2019-3&4
 and move the consent agenda

ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Weber to approve the Consent Agenda

ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

Consent Agenda

Resolution 2019-76 BILL LIST

Resolution 2019-77 Authorized an Outdoor Café license for UVA on Main LLC., 800 Main St.

Resolution 2019-78 Authorized an Outdoor Café license for Panchos & Juanchos Antojitos,
320 A Main St.

Resolution 2019-79 authorized various Special Events

Resolution 2019-80 Authorized the ban of synthetic toxic pesticides on borough owned land,
ponds, and waterways

Resolution 2019-81 Authorized Outdoor Café license for The Elbow Room, 416 Main Street
Authorized:

Raffle License 2019-2

Friends of the Library, 511 Fourth Avenue (On-Prem) 50/50, 9/10/19 at
7:00pm

Raffle License 2019-3 & 4

New Jersey Tears, Fifth and Ocean Avenue Gazebo, (On-Prem 50/50 &
Merchandise), 5/9/19 at 9:30-1:30 pm

APPROVED

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Weber provided the following:

- A letter prepared for borough residents regarding the Municipal Budget
- Community Development quarterly activity report

- The Planning Board is drafting by-laws
- The Environmental Commission prepared an educational brochure on trash/recycling rules which will be mailed to each property in town
- Recreation Department summer camp registration is now available. The interior of the Rec center is being painted
- “Porchfest” event, on May 18th is a collaboration of the PTO & Rec Department
- Fire Department Fish Fry held on April 12th and the Easter Egg Hunt held on April 13th

Councilman Bonnell provided the following:

- Handed out a Municipal Tax Increase Chart that he had prepared which included figures from current and past tax bills, budget and audits.
- Expressed concerns regarding the amount of surplus utilized in last year’s budget not being replenished, the significant increase in the sewer budget and the amount of salaried employees in the sewer budget
- Quality of Life Meeting scheduled on April 16th
- Beach Sweep on April 13th
- Osprey sighting at Sylvan Lake and suggested building a nesting pole and covering the cost with private donations

Councilman Cotler stated that Sylvan Lake is not a viable lake for wildlife. He asked everyone to support the volunteers and attend the Fire Department’s Fish Fry. He asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Ronnie Long, a longtime resident of the borough.

Mayor Engelstad announced the retirement of Lt. Ed Scott and thanked him for his years of service. He reminded everyone of the BBES’s “Night at the Museum” on April 11th

Councilman Goldfarb commented that he has known Lt. Scott for years and he is a good man and will be missed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Psiuk, 110 Fifth Avenue, stated that the library will be holding a European style Easter egg coloring class on April 11th. He commented that the new bocce courts look great and thanked DPW and Ms. Barrett for their hard work.

Paul Neshamkin, 411 ½ LaReine Avenue, stated that the Bradley Beach Historical Society website has been upgraded and you may visit the site at www.bbhistory.org. The local historical societies will be holding a “Shore History” event on April 27th at the Taylor Pavilion in Belmar.

Ann Polito, 512 Bradley Blvd, stated the Sylvan Lake clean- up is scheduled for April 25th and the commission is looking for volunteers to assist. A fund raiser to support Sylvan Lake is being held on May 2nd by providing pizza delivery service from Vic’s Restaurant.

Kathy Martin, 410 Bradley Blvd., stated that Sylvan Lake is in poor condition and not viable for wildlife. She requested the DPW conduct a clean-up around the lake.

Al Gubitosi, 615 Fourth Avenue, expressed numerous concerns regarding the budget.

Thomas Coan, 612 Third Avenue, thanked the Mayor and Council for passing an ordinance prohibiting the sale of Kratom. He expressed concerns regarding the sewer budget and the borough failing to adopt an ordinance prohibiting marijuana dispensaries.

Ms. Krzyzczuk clarified that one employee's salary is being paid out of the sewer budget and the remaining employees were a percentage of their salaries.

Julie Nutaitis, 605 Newark Avenue, requested a clean-up around the properties by the railroad tracks and the DPW greenhouse.

Henry Machos, 209 Third Avenue, had questions regarding the condition of the valve on Sylvan Lake and the survey results.

Mayor Engelstad announced that a special meeting will be held on April 17th to present the survey results.

Eileen Shissas, 112 Fourth Avenue, requested an update on a possible rental of the borough owned food truck.

Ms. Barrett responded that no information was available as this time.

Paula Gentempo commented that the bocce courts look good.

Engelstad/Bonnell moved to adjourn

ADJOURN 7:45 PM

KELLY BARRETT RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

