

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**August 28, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach was held in the Meeting Room, 701 Main Street, and 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 Greg Pasquale  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator Kelly Barrett  
Chief Financial Officer Gail Krzyzyczuk  
Deputy Municipal Clerk Erica Kostyz

### **WORKSHOP DISCUSSION: Parking on Newark Avenue**

Mayor Engelstad began the workshop discussion: the governing body received a recommendation from the parking committee to paint 3' yellow striping adjacent to driveways to assist residents getting in and out of their driveways. This recommendation would benefit the residents with driveways, however it would reduce the number of available parking spaces. He stated that a notice would be sent to all residents on Newark Avenue advising them of the proposal and wished to hear the resident's position on this proposal. The discussion will continue at a future meeting.

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Bonnell approve the Regular Meeting Minutes  
Of August 14, 2018

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

### **MINUTES APPROVED**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

William Psiuk, 110 Fifth Avenue, stated that he did not agree with the borough allowing tents on the beach as requested in the Special Events Application. The borough has an ordinance prohibiting tents on the beach and if permission is granted it will set a bad precedent.

Councilman Weber requested additional information on all future special events applications prior to the meeting.

A number of residents commented that they were opposed to the governing body approving the Special Events Application requesting an "Employee Appreciation Day" from Pretium Packaging Company.

Mayor Engelstad poled the governing body “Would anyone like to make a motion to approve the Special Events application”? No response. Mayor Engelstad tabled the Special Events (“Employee Appreciation Day”) request.

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Cotler to approve the Consent Agenda  
ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Resolution 2018-121 Tax Title Lien Redemption  
Resolution 2018-122 Authorizing a tax/sewer payment refund to 315 Fourth Avenue (Blk 63 Lot 3) in the amount of \$5,483.57  
Resolution 2018-123 Authorizing a tax payment refund at 102 Fifth Avenue, (Blk 51 Lot4) in the amount of \$4,756.99  
Resolution 2018-124 BILL LIST  
Resolution 2018-125 Authorizing a Shared Service agreement with the County of Monmouth for Commodities effective October 1, 2018 through December 17, 2023  
Resolution 2018-126 Authorizing a Shared Service agreement with the County of Monmouth for Municipal Assistance effective October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2028  
Resolution 2018-127 Authorizing use of the inter-local agreement with the County of Monmouth for milling/paving of Brinley Avenue at a fee not to exceed \$13,494.14

**ADOPTED**

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS**

Councilman Weber stated that there are two vacancies on the School Board and disclosed that his wife has applied to be a member. He continued, on the Environmental front the Governor vetoed the bill regarding a fee on plastic bags and is hopeful a new bill will be presented banning plastic bags altogether similar to what the borough had just passed.

Councilman Goldfarb reported that the BBPD had apprehended a vehicle that was being sought by several other municipalities for various offenses. He thanked Kelly Barrett for the work done at Riley Park. He commented on the success of the 5K run organized by Todd Migdon.

Councilman Cotler arrived 6:45 pm

Councilman Bonnell stated that he had met with Biagio Cofone, DPW Superintendent regarding the tree wells on Main Street. He continued, as per ordinance the tree wells on Main Street are the responsibility of the property owner. The borough has not been enforcing the ordinance and he proposed the borough develop a program for the DPW to maintain the tree wells and impose a fee to the property owner. A meeting was held recently regarding the street sweeper and it was decided that the borough would roll out the street sweeper schedule next spring. He expressed concerns regarding the Governor’s proposal for a portion of your property tax payments being a donated to charitable organization in town as this will cause a shortfall in the municipal budget. He referenced the resolution recently passed by the borough supporting the Governor’s tax legislation proposal and requested additional research prior to any future resolution in support of legislation.

Councilman Bonnell stated he had a conversation with the County Engineer last year regarding parking on Memorial Drive and he proposed reducing it down to one lane in each direction. This would allow for up to 150 parking spaces on the outer lanes from Bradley Beach to the bridge. The parking spaces will be helpful to downtown Bradley Beach. He commented that the Quality of Life Committee has been productive.

Councilman Cotler commented on the great job at Riley Park and gave credit to Kelly Barrett, Borough Engineer and the entire borough staff for their hard work. He stated that he was in agreement with limiting property taxes and being more fiscally responsible. The municipal tax has not been increased in three years and this forces the school board and county to follow the borough's lead. The proposal for a property tax reduction is an opportunity for politician to become more fiscally responsible. He encouraged everyone to support the Fire Department and First Aid Squad as they are a great group of volunteers and they save the tax payers money.

Mayor Engelstad stated he appreciated the Governor's efforts regarding tax relief however, at the end of the day the IRS has final say and it is not going anywhere. He thanked the entire beach staff for a great job over the summer. He mentioned that it appears there will be a shortfall in anticipated beach revenue however, it should balance itself off with less expenditures. He commented that the 5K Run was a great success and was pleased that the Governor and his wife participated in the event.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

William Psiuk, 100 Fifth Avenue, thanked the Borough staff for putting the Riley Park dedication together, many people attended and enjoyed the event. This type of event at the park will help the businesses on Main Street.

Richard Despina, 600 Third Avenue, expressed concerns regarding striping on Newark Avenue as residents throughout the town may request similar striping on their street. He requested a response when emails are sent to the governing body and staff. He contacted a friend regarding inaccurate weather forecasting and is awaiting a response. He commented, the Riley Park re-opening was great.

Julie Nutaitis, 605 Newark Avenue, commented that the ladies cleaning the Third Avenue bathrooms at the beachfront had done a great job.

Jim Burns, 401 Fifth Avenue, stated that he attended a presentation in Asbury Park along with Councilman Weber and Bradley Beach was awarded "Champions of Ocean" He mentioned, grants for drainage are available and the deadline is August 31<sup>st</sup>. He offered to volunteer his time to assess the BBES building as he is a retired Director of New Jersey Facilities. He questioned the status of a Police Officer in the school. He commented that the Administration had done a great job on Riley Park and Kelly Barret has come a long way in year. The "National Night Out" police event at the beach was a success.

Councilman Weber responded, the school board has yet to make a decision regarding a police officer in the school.

Engelstad/Bonnell moved to adjourn  
ADJOURN 7:15 pm