

**EAST BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL AGENDA\ACTION MEETING
March 22, 2021**

1 Jean Walling Civic Center
East Brunswick, New Jersey 08816

7:30 P.M.

**All agendas\attachments are available on the Website: www.EastBrunswick.org at section Government.*

1. Council President Sullivan called the meeting to order. After a Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence, the Clerk called the roll:

Present: Councilman Behal, Councilman McEvoy, Councilman Spadafino
Councilman Wendell, Council President Sullivan

Also Present: Mayor Brad Cohen, Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator;
Nennette Perry, Township Clerk and Rajvir Goomer Esq.

2. Statement of Notice of Publication:

The Clerk read the following statement:

At a previous Council meeting, the meeting was disrupted by several callers zoom bombing and shouting out racial and religious slurs in an effort to disrupt the meeting.

Be advised that any future attempts to disrupt an East Brunswick Council meeting will be considered harassment and your IP address or Phone number will be turned over to the East Brunswick Police Department and you will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by specifying time, date, location and to the extent known, the agenda by posting a copy on the Bulletin Board located in the main lobby of the East Brunswick Municipal Building, providing a copy to the Home News Tribune and Sentinel newspapers, posting a copy on the Township's website and by a filing a copy in the office of the Township Clerk which will be entered in the minutes.

The Township is using the telephone meeting format in an effort to mitigate the chance of exposure to COVID-19, as a part of the Township's ongoing effort to slow the rate of transmission and avoid overwhelming our treatment centers. The Dial in Information and Final Agenda have been posted on the Township website and are posted on EBTv for members of the public.

In order to make sure a clear record of the meeting can be made and that all parties are heard in an organized fashion, all members of the public will be muted during the meeting. If a member of the public wishes to speak during any public comment portion, please press *9 (star nine) in order to raise your hand to speak. We will unmute members of the public individually if they have their hand raised. When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a notification that you have been unmuted. It is at that time that you should begin to ask any questions you may have. You will have three minutes to speak, at the conclusion of which you will be muted again, and the council or administration will respond as necessary. Should you have any further comments or questions, the Township Council is always available by email and phone, and you can always call the Mayor's office during normal operating hours. Each member of the public shall only have one opportunity to speak during each public portion. As the technology does not allow us to know if there are multiple callers on an individual line, we ask that if you wish to speak, that you dial in on a separate line so that we can recognize you as a separate individual.

Thank you in advance for your patience as we as we implement this new technology to continue to move the Township forward during this Health Emergency.

3. Presentations, Proclamations and Discussions:

None

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4. Agenda Session: (Discussion Only – No Vote)

None

5. Public Hearing:

None

6. Reports of Mayor, Administrator, Director of Law, Clerk, Council Committee/Board, Ad Hoc Committees Reports, Request Communication:

Mayor Cohen – The Department on Aging is compiling a list of seniors who are having a hard time obtaining an appointment for the COVID shot. He also reminded residents to be careful while driving on township roads.

Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator – Thanked the Mayor for working to get the seniors their shots.

Rajvir Goomer, Esq. – no report.

Nennette Perry, Township Clerk – no report.

Councilman Wendell gave a Redevelopment update. He indicated the Route 18 Financial Agreement will be presented to Council in the next few weeks.

7. Public Portion:

Council President Sullivan opened the meeting to the public.

There being no discussion, the public portion was closed.

8. Consent Agenda: (Resolutions)

Council President Sullivan asked if anyone wished to have any items separated from the Consent Agenda. Councilman McEvoy asked that Item E be separated from the agenda. Council President Sullivan read the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

- A. 17050 Approving 2021 Fee Schedule for the Department of Parks, Recreation & Community Services
- B. 17051 Awarding Contract for Opening, Winterizing & Servicing of Crystal Springs Family Waterpark
- C. 17052 Authorizing a Change Order Number One from \$2,023,059.88 to \$2,253,395.85 2021 Pavement Management Program Contract #2021-01 (*Victory Place*)
- D. 17053 Awarding Contract to Northeastern Interior Services LLC for Renovations to the Restrooms at the Daisy Recreation Center (\$86,848.50)
- F. Approval of Council Agenda\Action Meeting Minutes – March 8, 2021.
- G. Approval of Bill List (approval of bills owed by Township to various individuals, companies and accounts).

Resolution Re: Approval of Bill List

WHEREAS, the Township Council for the Township of East Brunswick has approved Ordinance 74-1-BB amending the municipal ordinances accordingly requiring the Township Council's approval before any disbursements are made. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council for the Township of East Brunswick that the following bills have been duly audited and found correct by the Director of Finance and she is ordered to pay the amounts as hereinafter stated.

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the Consent Agenda Items A to D, F and G. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

Behal - yes, McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the Consent Agenda Items A to D, F and G were declared adopted.

Council President Sullivan read the following resolution.

- E. 17054 Authorizing an Agreement between CME Associates and the Township of East Brunswick for Storm Sewer Design of Proposed Ice Hockey Venue at 110 Tices Lane (\$26,448)

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilman Behal seconded the motion.

Councilman McEvoy indicated he was not in favor until he sees costs of ice hockey venue.

Councilman Wendell indicated this was a negotiated issue with the developer.

Mayor Cohen indicated it was negotiated with 110 Tices Lane developer. They are giving back to the Township. The purpose is to go to DEP to get an extension on LOI for the 8 acres.

There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

Behal - yes, McEvoy - no, Spadafino - yes, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the resolution was declared adopted.

9. Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing Date: April 12, 2021

Council President Sullivan read the following ordinance by title only:

- A. Ord. 21-09 Amend and Supplement the Revised General Ordinances of East Brunswick Township, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, Replacing Chapter 192, Design Guidelines & Standards, Section 53, Storm Drainage Facilities of the Revised General Ordinances of East Brunswick Township

Councilman Wendell moved that the ordinance be adopted on first reading, that it be published according to law and a public hearing on the ordinance be held on April 12, 2021 at the Municipal Building located at 1 Jean Walling Civic Center Drive in the Township of East Brunswick. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. The Administrator indicated that the State has changed regulations and the Township needs to conform. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

Behal - yes, McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the ordinance was adopted on first reading.

10. New Business:

Council President Sullivan read the following resolution.

- A. 17055 Requesting Approval for Authorizing an Emergency Temporary Appropriation in Accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 (*Requires 2/3 Full Membership Vote*)

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. The Administrator indicated we need to pass because we have not introduced the budget. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

Behal - yes, McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the resolution was declared adopted.

11. For Good of the Cause:

Councilman McEvoy – asked questions regarding municipal regulations on Marijuana; during spring cleanup will leaf bags be picked up; when are residents able to opt-out of the renewable energy program.

Council President Sullivan – Recreation is sponsoring a May Golf Outing. Check their website for information.

12. Adjournment: 8:00 P.M.

Councilman Wendell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll:

Behal - yes, McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.


SHARON SULLIVAN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


NENNETTE PERRY, MUNICIPAL CLERK