

**EAST BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL AGENDA\ACTION MEETING
April 26, 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, Michael Baker, Township Attorney
Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator; Nennette Perry, Township Clerk

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 implement this new technology to continue to move the Township forward during this Health Emergency.

3. Presentations, Proclamations and Discussions:

- A. Proclamation: National Youth Week May 1 – 7, 2021

Councilman Wendell read the proclamation.

- B. Presentation: Redevelopment – Michael Hughes, Executive Director and
Art Linfante, Financial Advisor

Michael Hughes, Executive Director thanked the Council for their support and outlined the benefits of the Route 18 agreement.

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

None

5. Public Hearing:

Council President Sullivan opened the following to the public for comment. Mr. Baker explained that this is mandated for issuing a new hotel/motel license. This license is for a new hotel at 6 Tower Center Boulevard and will be managed by the Surati Management Group LLC. He also answered questions from Council.

- A. Public Hearing – Hotel/Motel Liquor License

There being no discussion from the public, this portion was closed.

Council President Sullivan read the following ordinance:

- B. Ord. 21-10 Amending Chapter 209, Vehicles & Traffic – Sections 40, Schedule I: No Parking and Section 43, Schedule IV: No Stopping or Standing of the Code of the Township of East Brunswick

Councilman Wendell moved that the ordinance be adopted on second and final reading, that it be submitted to the Mayor for his approval and thereafter published according to law. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. Council President Sullivan opened the meeting to the public for discussion. There being no discussion, the public portion was closed. There being no discussion from the Council, the Clerk called the roll:

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

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

Mayor Cohen gave a COVID update and indicated about 65% of the Township has received their shots. Also, the Beautification Committee is doing clean up about the town.

Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator – Indicated vaccinations are available for those that want.

Michael Baker, Township Attorney – no report.

Nennette Perry, Township Clerk – no report.

7. Public Portion:

Council President Sullivan opened the meeting to the public.

There being no further 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. Council President Sullivan asked that Item A be separated from the agenda. Council President Sullivan read the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

- B. 17072 Of the Township of East Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Notice of Creation and Intention to Issue a New Plenary Retail Consumption License for a Hotel/Motel in Accordance with N.J.S.A. 33:1-1 et seq and Authorizing the Publication of a Notice of the Proposed Issuance
- C. 17073 Of the Township of East Brunswick, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, Awarding a New Plenary Retail Consumption License for a Hotel/Motel in Accordance with N.J.S.A. 33:1-1 et seq to Surati Management Group L.L.C. (*6 Tower Center Boulevard*)
- D. 17074 Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with the County of Middlesex to Participate in the County's Litter Pick Up Reimbursement Program
- E. 17075 Authorizing Contract in Accordance with Public Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 Through Cooperative Purchasing of the Division of Purchase and Property in the State of New Jersey for One Paint Striping Machine in the Amount of \$26,500 (*Garden State Highway Products Inc.*)
- F. 17076 Authorizing Change Order Number Two from \$457,415.04 to \$466,190.49 for Resolution #16886 Roof and HVAC Unit Replacement at East Brunswick Senior Center Contract #2020-04 (*VMG Group*)
- G. 17077 Authorizing Application for a SFY21 Body-Worn Camera Grant from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General
- H. 17078 Authorizing Awarding Contract Extension to DOT Designing for Recreation Apparel for 2021
- I. 17079 Authorizing a Three Year Extension of Software Maintenance for the Cartegraph System as Permitting Under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(dd)
- J. 17080 Authorizing Contract in Accordance with Public Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a through Cooperative Purchasing of the Division of Purchase and Property in the State of New Jersey for Hewlett Packard Computer Equipment from SHI in the Amount of \$66,882.00
- K. 17081 Awarding a National Cooperative Contract SHI International Corp in the Amount of \$76,460.78
- L. Approval of Raffle License RA2498- PTA Memorial School – June 10, 2021.
- M. Approval of Council Agenda/Action Meeting Minutes – April 12, 2021.

N. 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 B to N. 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 B to N were declared adopted.

Council President Sullivan read the following resolution in the record.

A. 17071 Honoring Robert Banacki

**RESOLUTION HONORING
ROBERT BANACKI**

WHEREAS, **Robert Banacki** began his 41 year career with the Township of East Brunswick on December 3, 1979 as a Meter Reader in the Department of Revenue; and

WHEREAS, **Robert Banacki** also worked as a Park Ranger for the Parks Department and was then promoted to Computer Operator/Programmer and final Computer Programmer/Telecom Specialist in the Department of Information Technology; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council, Township of East Brunswick, County of Middlesex, on behalf of a grateful community, do hereby thank **Robert Banacki** for his dedication and service to the Township of East Brunswick and its residents and extend to him our best wishes for a long and healthy retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby directed to include this resolution and spread its contents upon the minutes of the Township of East Brunswick Council meeting for the purposes of posterity on the 26th day of April, 2021 so that the public service of **Robert Banacki** may be forever recorded in the history of the Township of East Brunswick.

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. 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 resolution was declared adopted.

9. Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing Date: May 10, 2021

Council President Sullivan read the following ordinance by title only:

A. Ord. 21-11 Of the Township of East Brunswick, County of Middlesex, New Jersey Authorizing a Financial Agreement for Property Identified on the Municipal Tax Map of the Township of East Brunswick as (i) Block 6.02, Lots 6.20, 6.21, 6.22, 11.02, 12.01, and 13.01; Block 6.01, Lots 15.02, 16.02, 16.03 and 16.04; Block 26.01 Lots 8 and

9.02 (Also Known as Redevelopment Area 2A), and (ii) Block 26.01 Lots 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, and 12 (Also Known as Redevelopment Area 3A) Pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq

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 May 10, 2021 at the Municipal Building located at 1 Jean Walling Civic Center Drive in the Township of East Brunswick. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. Councilman McEvoy thanked everyone for their hard work on this ordinance. 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. 17082 Authorizing Starfire Corporation to Hold a Fireworks Display for a Private Event at the Middlesex County Fairgrounds (*May 28, June 6 and June 12, 2021*)

Councilman Spadafino moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilman Behal seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

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

11. For Good of the Cause:

Councilman McEvoy spoke about regulating marijuana as other communities in New Jersey have done.

12. Adjournment: 8:21 P.M.

Councilman Wendell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Behal 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 8:21 P.M.


SHARON SULLIVAN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


DENNETTE PERRY, MUNICIPAL CLERK

