

**EAST BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP
COUNCIL AGENDA\ACTION MEETING
May 10, 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; Carol Bellisano, Deputy Clerk

2. Statement of Notice of Publication:

The Deputy 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:

A. Proclamation: EBHS Girls Volleyball Team

Councilman Spadafino read the Proclamation. Coach Portera and players said a few words and thanked everyone for their support.

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

None

5. Public Hearing:

Council President Sullivan open the following to the public for comment. There being no discussion from the public, this portion was closed.

A. Budget Hearing – Introduced Budget -

Council President Sullivan read the following ordinance:

- B. 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 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 Deputy 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 there will be a J&J vaccination clinic at the Community Arts Center on Wednesday, 5/12/21. Also said a few words about the PPE donation to India. He thanked Councilman Behal and John Kosik, OEM for all their efforts.

Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator – Thanked all who helped to organize the vaccination clinic.

Councilman Behal – Thanked the Mayor and all who made the PPE donation possible.

Councilman Spadafino – There are still openings for the Recreation Dept. golf outing.

Council President Sullivan – Talked about the Lost Souls Inauguration May 23 2021 at the Community Arts Center.

Councilman Wendell – Congratulations to Mike Hughes on the birth of his son.

Michael Baker, Township Attorney – no report.

Carol Bellisano, Deputy Clerk – no report.

7. Public Portion:

Council President Sullivan opened the meeting to the public.

Jessica Calabretta – 57 Taylor Ave – not in favor of changing parking rules on Taylor Avenue.

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. Councilman McEvoy asked that Item H be separated from the agenda. Council President Sullivan read the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

- A. 17083 An Agreement with National Auto Fleet Group for a Ford F-550 Truck Purchased Through Sourcewell (*National Auto Fleet Group - \$79,801.18*)
- B. 17084 Authorizing Professional Services Contract to CME Associates in the Amount of \$52,861 for Engineering Design for the Tices Lane Booster Pump Station Electrical Upgrades
- C. 17085 Of Support from Local Governing Body Authorizing the \$50,000.00 Middlesex County's Special Recycling Enhancement Grant Application for Foam Recycling Machines at DPW/Recycling
- D. 17086 Approving Person-to-Person Transfer PURPLE GARDEN TS CORP to East Brunswick GRP. Inc. (*Sunny Palace, 1069 Route 18 South*)
- E. 17087 Authorizing St. Mary & St. Stephen Coptic Orthodox Church to Hold a Carnival (*June 19 & 20, 2021*)
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
- F. 17088 Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund Tax/Utility Overpayments
- G. 17089 Authorizing the Appointment of Special Police Officers
- I. 17091 Authorizing Mayor and Clerk to Enter into Agreement with New Jersey Department of Community Affairs and East Brunswick Township to Provide a Local Recreation Improvement Grant Fiscal Year 2021 to Update the Sadowski Park Playground Equipment
- J. 17092 Authorizing 2021 to 2026 Shared Services Agreement Between the Township of East Brunswick and the East Brunswick Board of Education
- K. Approval of Raffle License RA2499 – East Brunswick Jewish Center – June 13, 2021.
- L. Approval of Council Agenda\Action Meeting Minutes - April 26, 2021.

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- M. Approval of Special Council Agenda\Action Meeting Minutes – May 4, 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 A to G and I to N, Councilman Behal seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Deputy Clerk called the roll:

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

Council President Sullivan read the following resolution.

- H. 17090 Awarding Contract to Starfire Corporation for Fireworks Display – July 4th Celebration

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. Councilman McEvoy voiced concerns. The Administrator and Director of Recreation explained how it will be handled. There being no further discussion from Council, the Deputy 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 24, 2021

- A. Ord. 21-12 Amending Chapter 192, Design Guidelines and Standards, Article IV, Design and Performance Standards Applicable to all Development of the Township of East Brunswick, County of Middlesex

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 24, 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 explained the Ordinance. There being no further discussion from Council, the Deputy 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. 17093 2021 Budget Amendment (*Majority of the Full Membership – 4 Votes*)

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Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. The Administrator and CFO explained. There being no further discussion from Council, the Deputy Clerk called the roll:

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

- B. 17094 Authorizing the Township of East Brunswick to Donate Surplus Personal Protective Equipment to the New Jersey State American Association of Physicians of Indian origin.

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

None

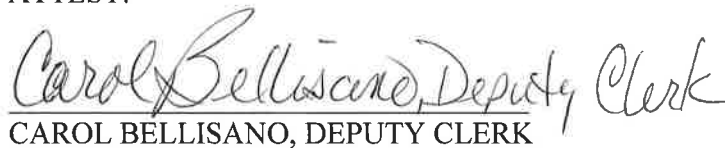
12. Adjournment: 8:05 P.M.

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

Behal - yes, McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 P.M.


SHARON SULLIVAN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


CAROL BELLISANO, DEPUTY CLERK