

**EAST BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP  
COUNCIL AGENDA\ACTION MEETING  
September 13, 2021**

1 Jean Walling Civic Center  
East Brunswick, New Jersey 08816

7:30 P.M.

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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 Wendell, Council President Sullivan

Absent: Councilman Spadafino

Also Present: Mayor Brad Cohen, Michael Baker, Township Attorney  
Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator; Carol Bellisano, Deputy Clerk

2. Statement of Notice of Publication:

The Clerk read the following statement:

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.

3. Presentations, Proclamations and Discussions:

None

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

None

5. Public Hearing:

Council President Sullivan read the following ordinance:

- A. Ord. 21-22 Bond Ordinance 21-22 to Provide for Various Water Utility Improvements in and by the Township of East Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey Appropriating \$1,860,000 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,860,000 Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance the Cost Thereof

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 Behal seconded the motion. Council President Sullivan opened the meeting to the public for discussion.

There being no further discussion, the public portion was closed. There being no discussion from the Council, the Deputy Clerk called the roll:

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

Council President Sullivan read the following ordinance:

- B. Ord. 21-23 Amending Chapter 209, Vehicles & Traffic – Section 52, Schedule XIII: Stop Intersections 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 Behal seconded the motion. Council President Sullivan opened the meeting to the public for discussion.

There being no further discussion, the public portion was closed. There being no discussion from the Council, the Deputy Clerk called the roll:

Behal - yes, McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - absent, 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 indicated that East Brunswick Day is Oct. 3, from 12 – 4, at the Community Arts Center. He thanked Recreation and Parks, and all those that attended the 9-11 Service. He also thanked all who donated to the coat drive. He indicated that the Economic Development Agency is offering business grants to any business in town who suffered damage from the recent storms.

Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator – Joe thanked all staff who helped with the recent storms. He explained why we are rejecting the Kingswood Pump Station bids at this time, and that it will be rebid.

Michael Baker, Township Attorney – no report.

Carol Bellisano, Deputy Clerk – no report.

Councilman Wendell gave a redevelopment update on 110 Tices Lane and the Route 18 project.

7. Public Portion:

Council President Sullivan opened the meeting to the public.

Alex Spielman, 6 Douglas Road – Asked Council questions about Bonds and how it affects the taxpayers. The Administrator and Township Attorney responded.

Valerie Rabinskas, 353 Riva Ave. – Repaving caused drainage issues, and what can be done about it. The Administrator said he would look into it.

Mark Hubbert, 14 Darby Rd – Significant rainfall caused major flooding in his yard. The Administrator indicated that he will look into it.

Rachel B., 65 Victory Pl – Spoke about TNR

Mr. Bregman, 4 Troy Ct. – Stated that Bids hard to find on website.

Rose B, Diamond Ct – Talked about TNR

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 K be separated from the agenda. Council President Sullivan read the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

- A. 17160 Authorizing Slovak Heritage Festival, LLC to Hold a Slovak Heritage Festival at the Middlesex County Fairgrounds (*September 26, 2021*)
- B. 17161 Authorizing Funds to be Issued Related to Tax Title Lien Redemptions
- C. 17162 Authorizing the Tax Collector to Refund Tax/Utility Overpayments
- D. 17163 Authorizing Reduction of Performance Guarantee & Cash Escrow Dunhams Cove Application #P12-45V General Site Improvements
- E. 17164 Awarding Contract Extension to Party Perfect Rentals, LLC for Inflatable Rides – Type 4 Air Structures (*\$7,422.50*)
- F. 17165 To Go Into Closed Executive Session RE: Labor Negotiations
- G. 17166 Rejecting Bids for Kingswood Pump Station Upgrades
- H. 17167 Authorizing the Cancellation of Property Taxes for the Years 2021 & 2022 on Block 591, Lot 19 for Receiving a 100% Permanently Disabled Veteran Exemption
- I. 17168 Authorizing the Cancellation of Property Taxes for the Years 2021 & 2022 on Block 17.17, Lot 2 for Receiving a 100% Permanently Disabled Veteran Exemption
- J. 17169 Authorizing the Cancellation of Property Taxes for the Years 2021 & 2022 on Block 17.14, Lot 3 for Receiving a 100% Permanently Disabled Veteran Exemption
- L. Approval of Amended Raffle License RL2483A – New Beginnings Animal Rescue – October 24, 2021.
- M. Approval of Amended Bingo License BL2484A – New Beginnings Animal Rescue – October 24, 2021.
- N. Approval of Amended Raffle License RL2485A – New Beginnings Animal Rescue – October 24, 2021.
- O. Approval of Council Agenda Action Meeting Minutes – August 9, 2021.
- P. Approval of Council Agenda Action Meeting Minutes – August 23, 2021.
- Q. Approval of Closed Executive Session Meeting Minutes – August 23, 2021.
- R. 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 J and L to R. Councilman Behal seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Deputy Clerk called the roll:

Behal - yes, McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - absent, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the Consent Agenda Items A to J and L to R were declared adopted.

Council President Sullivan read the following resolution.

- K. 17170 Of the Township of East Brunswick Requesting that Middlesex County Limit the Tonnage on and Eliminate Tractor Trailers from Traveling on Cranbury Road

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilman Behal seconded the motion. Councilman McEvoy thanked Council for their support in passing this resolution. There being no further discussion from Council, the Deputy Clerk called the roll:

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

9. Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing Date: September 27, 2021

Council President Sullivan read the following ordinance by title only:

- A. Ord. 21-15 Of the Township of East Brunswick Adding Chapter 104, Firework Displays (Commercial), to the Ordinances of the Township of East Brunswick

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 September 27, 2021 at the Municipal Building located at 1 Jean Walling Civic Center Drive in the Township of East Brunswick. Councilman Behal seconded the motion.

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

Behal - yes, McEvoy - no, Spadafino - absent, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the ordinance was adopted on first reading.

Council President Sullivan read the following ordinance by title only:

- B. Ord. 21-24 Amending Chapter 209, Vehicles & Traffic – Section 44, Schedule V: Time Limit Parking and Section 68, Schedule XXIX: Permit Parking of the Code of the Township of East Brunswick

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 September 27, 2021 at the Municipal Building located at 1 Jean Walling Civic Center Drive in the Township of East Brunswick. Councilman Behal seconded the motion.

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

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

Council President Sullivan closed the public meeting to go into closed session at 8:16 PM.

10. Closed Session:

RE: Labor Negotiations

The meeting was reopened to the public at 8:36 PM

11. New Business:

Council President Sullivan read the following resolution.

- A. 17171 Authorizing Mayor and Clerk to Sign Contract with East Brunswick  
Policemen's Benevolent Association Local #145

Councilman Wendell 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 - yes, Spadafino - absent, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the resolution was declared adopted.

12. For Good of the Cause:

Mayor – Anyone needing assistance from the recent storms can contact: NJ.gov/IDA, or call: 1800-621-FEMA.

13. Adjournment: 8:40 P.M.

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

Behal - yes, McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - absent, Wendell - yes, Sullivan - yes and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.



SHARON SULLIVAN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

  
CAROL BELLISANO, DEPUTY CLERK