

BOROUGH OF BERNARDSVILLE
Mayor & Borough Council Meeting Minutes
April 21, 2020

Mayor Canose called this meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. Present were Council Members John Donahue, Jeff Hammond, Jena McCredie, Chad McQueen, Thomas O’Dea, Jr., and Christine Zamarra. Also present were John Pidgeon, Borough Attorney, Ralph A. Maresca, Jr., Administrator/CMFO, and Anthony Suriano, Borough Clerk.

STATEMENT OF PRESIDING OFFICER

Notice of this meeting was provided to the Bernardsville News, Courier News and the Star Ledger, filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board on April 18, 2020.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RESOLUTIONS

#20-128 ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF INTEREST FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

Present for discussion on this resolution was Leslie Roberson, Tax Collector/Treasurer/Assistant Finance Officer. Discussion took place about the financial risks of lowering the interest rate on second quarter delinquent taxes by adopting this resolution. Following discussion, council decided not to move forward with this resolution at this time and to revisit this topic for third quarter 2020 taxes. No motion to adopt was made.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Boxcar Request for Drive Thru Grocery Program at the Train Station Parking Lot

A request from Boxcar to set up a drive thru grocery program was discussed. The conditions were discussed and set forth as follows: Location changed from Train Station Parking Lot to Polo Grounds Pool Parking Lot; Hold Harmless Agreement; Certificate of Insurance naming the borough as additional insured; Cap the number of boxes at 100; Boxcar is on a week to week basis and the program can end in 7 to 10 days if directed to; End date of May 11th and council can revisit at that time; Boxcar handles the traffic patterns (cones, barricades, etc.). Ms. Zamarra moved approval for Boxcar to operate the drive thru grocery program as listed above. Mr. Hammond seconded and the motion was approved with six yes votes.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.
