

BOROUGH OF BERNARDSVILLE
Mayor & Borough Council Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2020

Mayor Canose called this meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. remotely 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 June 29, 2020 and revised and filed on July 16, 2020.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RESOLUTIONS

#20-192 AMENDING SHARED MUNICIPAL COURT AGREEMENT

Mr. O’Dea suggested monitoring the caseloads as it relates to backlog and cost. Mr. O’Dea moved to adopt Resolution #20-192. Ms. Zamarra seconded and the motion was approved by the following roll call vote. Mr. Donahue, Mr. Hammond, Ms. McCredie, Mr. McQueen, Mr. O’Dea, and Ms. Zamarra voted yes.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Council discussed borough policies concerning a Travel Advisory and Post-Travel Quarantine Policy and a supplement to the Infection Control Policy. A resolution was considered adopting these policies. Council agreed to amend paragraph four to add the phrase “including but not limited to”. Ms. McCredie moved **Resolution #20-193, REGARDING THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY 14-DAY QUARANTINE TRAVEL ADVISORY AND CDC GUIDANCE ON INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL**, as amended. Mr. McQueen seconded and the motion was approved by the following roll call vote. Mr. Donahue, Mr. Hammond, Ms. McCredie, Mr. McQueen, Mr. O’Dea, and Ms. Zamarra voted yes.

Mayor Canose said the application for closing Route 202 from Claremont Road to Mount Airy Road was rejected by NJDOT. It was decided to apply to NJDOT for use of the parking space areas on Route 202 for outdoor dining from Claremont Road to Mount Airy Road and if approved by NJDOT, Mayor Canose will ask the restaurants in that area if they are willing to use that space for outdoor dining.

PRESENTATIONS

Vision Planning, present for this topic were Dr. Angela McGuire and Alan Zalkind who were the facilitators at the last vision planning session on March 2nd. Mr. Zalkind said the three themes that came out of the first session were Economic Development (including downtown development); Increased Park/Recreation Opportunities; and Efficiency (establishment of an efficient working environment where decisions made are within the context of council priorities). Council will list short and long term priorities for each of these three themes and then submit them to various borough boards/commissions/committees to see how they can help work to achieve those priorities.

OPEN SESSION

Mayor Canose opened the meeting to the public. Hearing no comments, Mayor Canose closed the open session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.
