BEACHWOOD BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 2, 2020 AT 7:00PM

Mayor Roma called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

The Municipal Clerk called Roll

Present: Mayor Roma, Council President Komsa Councilmembers: Persons Cairns, Feeney, LaCrosse and Zakar
Absent: Council Person Clayton

Mayor Roma asked everyone to rise for the Flag Salute

The Borough Clerk read the prayer listed below:

PRAYER
While we pray for the safe return of our serving men and women, we must remember that men and women from New Jersey, serving our country have been killed in action in Iraq and Afghanistan and around the world. Our war dead must always be remembered. Their Heroism deserves its glory, so too does the bravery of each who entered the unknown of conflict and gave their lives for our Freedom. The greatest tribute we can pay is by REMEMBERING OUR HONORED DEAD. In their memory, we call for a moment of silence, and a prayer for all our disabled veterans, those missing in action and a call for the swift return of all our serving men and women throughout the world.

Ladies and Gentlemen, pursuant to the applicable portions of the N.J. Open Public Meetings act adequate notice of this meeting has been given. The schedule for this meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Beachwood is listed in the supplemental notice of meetings, posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Municipal Complex, transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and the Municipal Website on January 9, 2020

BILL LIST:

R2020-310A
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING THE CERTIFIED BILL LIST DATED DECEMBER 1, 2020 IN THE AMOUNT OF $266,717.97

WHEREAS, The Chief Financial Officer has certified and submitted a consolidated bill list for the payment of claims; and

WHEREAS, all vouchers listed herewith have been encumbered and sufficient funds are available for payment; and

WHEREAS, the required signatures of the Department Head and/or the Finance Person, the Vendor, and the Chief Financial Officer have all be obtained on each voucher on the attached list

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of Beachwood Borough that both voucher lists submitted are hereby approved for payment in the total amount of **$266,717.97**

COUNCIL PERSON	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Cairns			**X**			
Clayton						**X**
Feeney			**X**			
Komsa		**X**	**X**			
LaCrosse	**X**		**X**			
Zakar			**X**			

PROCLAMATIONS: NONE

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Semi Finalist- 26th Annual Louis Bay 2nd Future Municipal Leaders Scholarship Participant-Elisabeth Hull

Mayor Roma read Ms. Hull's essay entry for the 26th Annual Louis Bay 2nd Future Municipal Leaders Scholarship . Mayor Roma and the Borough Council congratulated Ms. Elizabeth Hull for her semifinalist finish in the 26th Annual Louis Bay 2nd Future Municipal Leaders Scholarship. The recognition from the State League of Municipalities was presented to Ms. Hull along with the Certificate of Excellence from the Beachwood Borough Council.

2. Girl Scout Presentation- Mrs. Patricia Zakar

Mrs. Pat Zakar (Mrs. Girl Scout Lady) presented the Mayor and Borough Council of Beachwood with the Good Neighbor Award for their continued support for Girl Scouts in the community. The Mayor and Borough Council thanked Girl Scouts for the award.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Borough of Beachwood and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

On a motion by Council Person Zakar, seconded by Council President Komsa, with everyone present in favor, the consent agenda which includes Resolutions 2020-311 through 2020-317 were approved with one abstention on R2020-216 by Council Person LaCrosse.

R2020-311

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN ISSUANCE OF DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE OF REDEMPTION FOR TAX SALE CERTIFICATE 18000035.

WHEREAS, The Tax Collector of this municipality has previously issued tax sale certificate to John & Doreen Stout, for the premises commonly known and referred to as Block 4.27 Lot 5 as set out on the municipal tax map then in use which certificate bear the number 18000035.

WHEREAS, the property owner of the aforesaid tax sale certificates has requested the Tax Collector to issue duplicate Certificates of Redemption as original cancelled redemption certificate has been lost or otherwise misplaced; and,

WHEREAS, redemption on aforementioned property did indeed take place as per Borough records.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of Beachwood, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey to authorize the Tax Collector upon receipt of the payment of a fee of $50.00 per certificate to issue a duplicate certificate of redemption.

R2020-312

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE OCEAN COUNTY PROSECUTORS OFFICE FROM OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 "DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT CALLOUT PROGRAM"

WHEREAS, the Police Department is recommending the Borough Council of the Borough of Beachwood Approve the Shared services Agreement between the Borough of Beachwood and the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office for the "Drug Recognition Expert Callout Program"; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Services Agreement shall be effective from October 1,

2020 through September 30, 2021

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Beachwood, that it does hereby authorize the Shared Service Agreement between the Borough of Beachwood and the County Of Ocean for the "Drug Recognition Expert Callout Program"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute the agreements on behalf of the Borough of Beachwood

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this approval be forwarded to the following:

1. Municipal Clerk
2. John Mauder, Chief Financial Officer
3. Elizabeth Sarantinoudis, Treasurer
4. Police Chief, Glen DeMarco
5. Agent, Vehicular Homicide Unit

R2020-313

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE OCEAN COUNTY PROSECUTORS OFFICE FROM OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 "DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM "

WHEREAS, the Police Department is recommending the Borough Council of the Borough of Beachwood Approve the Shared services Agreement between the Borough of Beachwood and the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office for the "Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program"; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Services Agreement shall be effective from October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Beachwood, that it does hereby authorize the Shared Service Agreement between the Borough of Beachwood and the County Of Ocean for the "Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program"

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute the agreements on behalf of the Borough of Beachwood

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this approval be forwarded to the following:

1. Municipal Clerk
2. John Mauder, Chief Financial Officer
3. Elizabeth Sarantinoudis, Treasurer
4. Police Chief, Glen DeMarco
5. Agent, Vehicular Homicide Unit

R2020-314

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZNG APPOINTMENT OF JHONATAN BENAVENTE AS FIRE FIGHTER FOR BEACHWOOD BOROUGH VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY #1

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Roger Hull had submitted request to appoint a new Fire Fighter; and

WHEREAS, Jhonatan Benavente of 15 Brandies Road, South Toms River, NJ desires to become a Fire Fighter for the Beachwood Borough Volunteer Fire Company #1; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council wish to appoint Mr. Benavente as a Fire Fighter Member for the Beachwood Borough Volunteer Fire Company #1 ;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Beachwood, County of Ocean County, State of New Jersey that it does hereby appoint Jhonatan Benavente as a Fire Fighter for the Beachwood Borough Volunteer Fire Company #1 upon acceptance of the New Jersey State Firemen's Association and pending successful background check by the Beachwood Police Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Beachwood authorize the Municipal Clerk to sign the New Jersey State Firemen's Association Membership application on behalf of the Borough.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this approval be forwarded to the following:

1. Municipal Clerk
2. John Mauder, Chief Financial Officer
3. Elizabeth Sarantinoudis, Treasurer
4. Fire Chief Roger Hull

R2020-315

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER AND MAYO PARK RENTALS DUE TO THE STATE OF EMERGENCY ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the below Community Center and Mayo Park Rental Applicants, have chosen to cancel their events and receive a complete refund of all fees paid due to the State of Emergency issued by the Governor of New Jersey; and

Name	Date	Location	Fee	Deposit
Matthews, Heather	03/21/2021	Community Center	$400.00	$600.00

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council to approve the following cancellations of the above listed events.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this approval be forwarded to the following:

1. Municipal Clerk
2. John Mauder, Chief Financial Officer
3. Elizabeth Sarantinoudis, Treasurer

R2020-316

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED that the following minutes be hereby accepted approved and filed
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
Regular Minutes of November 19, 2020

R2020-317

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD, COUNTY OF OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE FOLLOWING REQUESTS FOR CONFERENCE – TRAINING OR SEMINARS

WHEREAS, the below listed conference, training and or seminar requests have been deemed necessary by the Mayor and Beachwood Borough Council

Date	Employee	Dept.	Location	Subject	Cost p/p	Car
01-05-20-06-24-21	Barreto, Isaiah	Fire	Ocean County Fire Academy	Fire Fighter 1 and 2	Free	yes

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above listed conference, training and or seminar requests be hereby authorized and approved

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the following:

1. John Mauder, CFO
2. Municipal Clerk
3. Treasurer
4. Fire Chief

REPORTS

Mayor Roma

Mayor Roma stated that the Beachwood Volunteer Fire Company received the Asbury Park Press Good Neighbor of the Year award. Council Person Zakar also stated that the Fire Department also received the Girl Scout Good Neighbor Award for their participant with the Girl Scouts. Mayor Roma read a thank you letter from Mr. Buckholtz, a former WWII veteran that received a proclamation on Veterans Day for his distinguished service.

Council President Komsa

Council President Komsa congratulated Ms. Elizabeth Hull on her achievement and thanked Mrs. Pat Zakar for the recognition of the Borough from the Girl Scouts organization. The annual tree lighting will be Sunday December 6.

Council Person Zakar

Council Person Zakar congratulated Ms. Elizabeth Hull on her accomplishment.

Council Person Feeney

Council Person Feeney congratulated Ms. Elizabeth Hull on her accomplishment

Council Person Cairns

Council Person Cairns congratulated Ms. Hull and thanked Mrs. Zakar for all that she does for the Community.

Council Person LaCrosse

Council Person LaCrosse also congratulated Ms. Hull and thanked Mrs. Zakar for all that she does for the Girl Scouts and the community as a whole. Council Person LaCrosse asked if the letters and certificates for the High Honor Roll recipients were ready to be signed. The Borough Clerk stated that the items where taken for printing and will be ready for pickup and signing on Tuesday of next week.

Fire Chief Rodger Hull

Chief Hull congratulated his daughter for the award she received. Chief Hull also stated that there has been an emergency services 24-hour coverage agreement with Pine Beach which will remain in effect till the end of 2020. The Chief discussed the progress on the new fire truck which should be shipped to the Borough the week before Christmas. The fundraising for the fire department has been very limited due to the COVID-19 19 pandemic. The Christmas Tree sale fundraiser will still be held. The fire department will still be doing the Candy Cane Toss

Recreation Commission Roberta Rosetta

Mr. Rosetta stated that Santa Claus will still be attending the tree lighting on Sunday and that heated tents will be set up to help with social distancing. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served. A few members from the Baptist Church will be attending the tree lighting with masks and proper social distancing to sing Christmas Carols for the event. The Mayor stated that even though the advice from the Governor is only recommendations but that proper spacing of all individual must be followed. Mr. Rosetta stated that the Paint Party and the Gingerbread House Decorating Contest.

OPEN TO PUBLIC DISCUSSION

On a motion by Council Person Feeney, seconded by Council Person Zakar, with everyone present in favor, the meeting was opened for public comment.

CLOSE TO THE PUBLIC

Hearing or seeing no one else wishing to speak the Mayor asked for a motion to close the public comment portion of the meeting.

On a motion by Council Person Feeney, seconded by Council President Komsa, with everyone present in favor, the meeting was closed to public comment.

Mayor Roma stated the professional were asked not to attending the meeting in order to practice proper social distancing and precautionary reasons.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Council Person LaCrosse, seconded by Council President Komsa, with all present in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm

On a motion by Council Person LaCrosse , seconded by Council President Komsa, with everyone present in favor, the above motion to adjourn was rescinded rescind the above motion for adjournment EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion Council Person Zakar, seconded by Council President Komsa with everyone present in favor by the Council enter ed into Executive Session.

R2020-318

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BEACHWOOD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act N.J.S.A.10:4-12 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Beachwood, County of Ocean State of New Jersey as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussions of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter

It is anticipated that the subject matter discussed may be made public in 90 days.

1. Interest on Water Bills-Litigation-Executive Order
2. Personnel Policy-Education-Administration-Personnel
3. PBA Contract Negotiations-Contract

RE-ENTER PUBLIC SESSION

On a motion by Council Person Fenney, seconded by Council Person LaCrosse, with everyone present in favor the Council closed Executive Session and re-entered Public Session

On a motion by Council Person Fenney, seconded by Council Person LaCrosse, with everyone present in favor the Borough will be removing all interest charges accrued on all residential water bill accounts dating back to the beginning of the pandemic in March

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Council Person LaCrosse, seconded by Council Person Feeney, with all present in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm

NEXT MEETING-December 16, 2020

Respectfully Submitted By:

Kathryn Hutchinson, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk – Borough of Beachwood

Ronald Roma Jr.
Mayor-Borough of Beachwood