



BOROUGH OF BERLIN

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2021 – 6:30 pm.

Mayor Rick Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. He stated that adequate notice of this meeting had been given in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice has been advertised in the Courier-Post and posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board showing the said meeting's date, place, and time.

After the salute to the Flag, the following roll call was taken:

Present: Councilmembers: Badolato, Cummings, Hohing, Miller, Simone, Pearce.

Mayor Miller arrives at 6: 30 pm.

Absent: None

Also, Present: Howard Long, Solicitor
Dwayne Harris, Clerk/Administrator
Debra DiMattia, CFO
Michaela Bosler, Deputy Clerk

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Councilman Len Badolato briefly discussed the engineering cost associated with the NJDOT Mutual Aid grant.

Councilman Badolato commented that Erin Maloney of Camp-Longacoming reached out to him about opening the camp in Summer 2021. Councilman Pearce stated that the Finance Committee had discussed reopening the camp, and they feel that it would be bet not to have it.

Councilman Badolato lead a discussion about Lisa Gregorio regarding a drainage issue she has been having at her property.

Councilman Andrew Simone reported that DPW did a great job with the storms in February. Further commented about the new mechanic working out very well, and the old mechanic has been placed on light duty.

Councilman Simone stated he would like to avoid filling the two temporary positions this budget year.

Councilman Pearce commented that many people dumping their trash at the DPW yard are not Berlin residents, and suggested a DPW remain at the yard and check IDs.

Councilwoman Patricia Cummings discussed various roads where the sewer and water mains are deteriorating due to lead issues, and possibly working with the County if they have work to do too. The Solicitor commented that he will send an e-mail to a contact at CCMUA for possible grants to apply for.

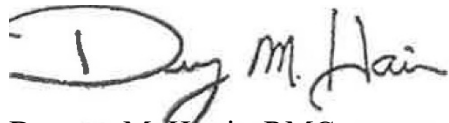
Council President Jim Pearce discussed the vacancy in the Police Department by Lt. TJ Varano resignation.

Council President Pearce and the Clerk explained process of approving a Firemen's Application and the requirement to be approved by the Governing Body, and stated the Fire Chief will be putting a list of all members to be approved at the next meeting.

Councilman Pearce stated he would like to discuss the recent legislation passed regarding the sale and cultivation of marijuana in executive session and retain the Solicitor's legal opinion of how it will affect the Berlin Borough.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM and everyone transitioned to the courtroom.

I, Dwayne M. Harris, Administrator/ Clerk of the Borough of Berlin, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, hereby certify these Minutes were approved by the Governing Body, at its Regular Meeting, held April 8, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dwayne M. Harris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "D".

Dwayne M. Harris, RMC
Administrator/Clerk