**BOROUGH OF BERLIN**

**SPECIAL EMERGENCY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2020 @ 2:00 P.M.**

**Meeting called to order by Mayor Rick Miller.**

**FLAG SALUTE was led by Mayor Rick Miller.**

**SUNSHINE NOTICE**: In accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, notice of this emergency meeting will be posted on the bulletin board designated for that purpose and notice will be transmitted to two official newspapers provided by Resolution R1-17; 2020 adopted January 3, 2020. This Emergency Special Meeting will be conducted remotely without providing a physical meeting place and by electronic means, in accordance with P.L. 2020, c. 11.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Rick Miller, Council President Jim Pearce, Council members Badolato, Hohing, Miller and Cummings were all on conference call. Councilman Simone was absent.

Also participating:

Howard C. Long, Jr., Borough Solicitor and Acting Administrator Charleen Santora.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON RESOLUTIONS R4-11; 2020 AND R4-12; 2020 AND ANY OTHER TOPIC.**

**MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC ON RESOLUTIONS.**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION R4-11, 2020**, Resolution Authorizing Holding an Emergency Special Meeting Involving Urgent and Important Matters Which Arose in an Unforeseen Manner and A Delay of the Meeting for The Purpose of Provide Adequate Notice Would Likely Result in Substantial Harm to The Public Interest.

**Motion to adopt Resolutions R4-11;2020\_was made by Badolato seconded by Cummings. All were in favor.**

**RESOLUTION R4-12, 2020,** Resolution of Borough of Berlin Extending the Grace Period for May 1st Property Tax Payments Until June 1st In Accordance with Executive Order 130.

**Motion to adopt Resolutions R4-1;2020 was made by Pearce seconded by Hohing. All were in favor.**

* **PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR**

**No one spoke**

**GOOD OF THE ORDER (NO OTHER ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)**

**Solicitor Long explained that this action taken by this borough council and the other towns that are taking the suggestion of the Governor’s Executive Order 130 gives the residents additional time to submit their 2nd quarter tax payment if they so desire. He explains that**

**Normally the first 1500 of the tax bills is calculated at 8% interest. Anything over the $1500 is calculated at 18% after the 10-day grace period. After June 1 payments will become delinquent and interested is retroactive to May 1.**

**Motion to adjourn\_\_\_\_\_\_, Sec.; \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, RCV\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Charleen Santora**

**Acting Admin.**