

## **BOROUGH OF BERLIN**

## WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, JULY 8, 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.

Present: Councilmembers Hohing, Miller, Simone, and Mayor Miller; Pearce arrived at 6:32 PM Absent: Councilmembers Badolato and Cummings

Also, Present: Howard Long, Solicitor Debra DiMattia, CFO Michaela Bosler, Deputy Clerk

## **COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

Councilman Andrew Simone reported that he has items for discussion in executive session relating to personnel and discussed the status of the NJDOT project.

Mayor Miller reported that children have been breaking into the community center to play basketball, and discussed opening up the community center for 2 hours a week for free play (limited to Berlin residents only). The Solicitor commented that signs should be posted that states unvaccinated individuals must wear masks, and to notify the insurance carrier that they will be opening up the community center.

Council President Pearce reported that the Fire Department notified the Emergency Services committee about meeting to pick out a new fire truck. He further reported that they will let the Police Chief's association pick out their new sergeant and lieutenant.

Councilman Jake Miller had nothing to report.

Councilman Keith Hohing reported that the new phone system has been installed. He further reported that the website has been updated to include do not knock registration.

Solicitor Howard Long reported that Ordinance 2021:10 should be removed from the agenda for council consideration at this time due to some concerns that were brought to his attention by the Fire Marshall.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

• RES. 2021:097 EXECUTIVE SESSION Item: General personnel matters

Simone motioned to approve Resolution 2021:097. Hohing seconded the motion with all members present voting in favor in a Voice Vote

Simone motioned to close the meeting to the public at 6:47 PM. Hohing seconded the motion with all members present voting in favor in a Voice Vote.

Pearce motioned to open the meeting to the public at 6:55 PM. Hohing seconded the motion with all members present voting in favor in a Voice Vote.

No action was taken in executive session. All members that were present before the executive session were present upon return to open session.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM and everyone transitioned to the courtroom.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Michaela Bosler, RMC Deputy Munic pal Clerk