

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOROUGH OF MENDHAM
MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

January 28, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Christine Serrano-Glassner called the January 28, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council to order at 8:00 p.m. in the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, New Jersey.

INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Christine Serrano-Glassner led a moment of silence and then proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPENING STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mendham was published in the Daily Record and the Star Ledger, and was posted on the Phoenix House bulletin board in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor Christine Serrano-Glassner
Councilman Steven Andrew
Councilman John Andrews
Councilman Brennan Reilly
Councilman David Sharkey

ABSENT:

Councilman Brad Badal

Also present were:

Joyce Bushman, Borough Administrator
Fred Semrau, Esq.
Michelle Masser, RMC

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Christine Serrano-Glassner administers the Oath of Office to newly appointed Councilman James Kelly.

ROLL CALL

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Councilman James Kelly
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ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN – RESOLUTION

32-2019 Resolution of the Borough of Mendham , in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Temporary Appointment of an Acting Clerk for Certain Meetings.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Andrew

Second: Councilman Andrews

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Passed Unanimously

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Christine Serrano-Glassner administers the Oath of Office to Gary Lynch, Office of Emergency Management Coordinator, January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019.

CONSENT AGENDA

21-2019 Appointing Jeanne Pugsley as the Designated Public Agency Compliance Officer.

33-2019 A Resolution of the Borough of Mendham, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract Without Competitive Bidding to Stormwater Compliance Solutions, LLC for Professional Services to Aid in Compliance with NJDEP Stormwater Permitting Requirements.

34-2019 Resolution Recognizing Matthew Dilorio’s Appointment to the Mendham Hose Company as a Regular Member.

35-2019 Resolution of the Borough of Mendham, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Appointing a Police Physician.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sharkey

Second: Councilman Andrews

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Passed Unanimously

DISCUSSION ITEMS - None

MOTIONS

Appointments to the Board of Health

Helen Cleary, Regular Member, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/17-12/31/19

Nancy Rodrigues, Regular Member, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/2018 – 12/31/20

(Filled term of Paula D’Amato)

Penny Andrus, Regular Member, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/2017-12/31/2019

Maureen Walker, Regular Member, 3 year term 1/1/19-12/31/21

Nathalie Masse, Regular Member, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/17-12/31/19

Laura Montenegro, Alternate Member # 1, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/18-12/31/20

(Filled term of Nancy Rodrigues)

Melissa Young, Alternate Member #2, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/18-12/31/20

(Filled unexpired term of Laura Montenegro)

Appointments to the Recreation Committee

Dianne Ackerman, Regular Member, 3 year term 1/1/19-12/31/21
Kevin Lanahan, Regular Member, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/17-12/31/19
Ned Panfile, Regular Member, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/18-12/31/20
Tim McChesney, Regular Member, 3 year term 1/1/19-12/31/21
Bud Murphy, Regular Member, 3 year term 1/1/19-12/31/21
Councilman Andrew, Council Liaison, 1 year term 1/1/19-12/31/19
Vacant, Alt. Member #1, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/18-12/31/20
Vacant, Alt. Member #2, 3 year unexpired term 1/1/18-12/31/20

Appointment to the Board of Adjustment

Michael Palestina, Regular Member, 4 year term 1/1/19-12/31/22
Jennifer Cass, Regular Member, 4 year unexpired term 1/1/16-12/31/19
(Filled unexpired term of Brennan Reilly)
Bryan Dick, Regular Member, 4 year unexpired term 1/1/18-12/31/21
(Filled unexpired term of Steve Peralta)
Robert Ritger, Regular Member, 4 year unexpired term 1/1/18-12/31/21
Bryan Seavey, Regular Member, 4 year unexpired term 1/1/17-12/31/20
Richard Smith, Regular Member, 4 year term 1/1/19-12/31/22
Ed Sisson, Regular Member, 4 year unexpired term 1/1/16-12/31/19
John Egerter, Alt. Member #1, 2 year term 1/1/19-12/31/20
Ron Felber, Alt. Member #2, 2 year unexpired term 1/1/18-12/31/19
(Filled unexpired term of Dianne Ackerman)

ORDINANCES - None

RESOLUTIONS

36-2019 Resolution of the Borough of Mendham, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Appointment of Acting Deputy Clerk.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Andrew
Second: Councilman Andrews
Discussion: None
Roll Call: Passed Unanimously

37-2019 Resolution of the Borough of Mendham, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Temporary Appointment of an Acting Tax Collector and Tax Search Officer.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Reilly
Second: Councilman Andrews
Discussion: None
Roll Call: Passed Unanimously

38-2019 Resolution of the Borough of Mendham, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Appointing Carolynn Budd as Part-Time Administrative Assistant for the Department of Public Works.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Reilly
Second: Councilman Kelly
Discussion: None
Roll Call: Passed Unanimously

39-2019 Resolution of the Borough of Mendham, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Strategic Plan for Municipal Alliance Funding July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Andrews

Second: Councilman Sharkey

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Passed Unanimously

40-2019 Resolution of the Borough of Mendham, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Appointing Jeffrey Cooper as Alternate Fund Commissioner to the Morris County Joint Insurance Fund.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Andrews

Second: Councilman Sharkey

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Passed Unanimously

41-2019 A Resolution Providing for the Transfer of Appropriation Reserves.

Motion to Approve: Councilman Sharkey

Second: Councilman Andrew

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Passed Unanimously

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Administrator Bushman spoke about redevelopment. Fred Semrau, Esq. said that they will be discussing the issue further with Administration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety Committee

Councilman Andrews states that they are continuing their Critical Incident Team meetings in 2019. They recently had OEM, FIRE, PD, and EMS together to plan and discuss the Borough's response to potential emergencies. They will focus on updating OEM plans and improving communication among the OEM and Deputies and the public. In addition, they will focus on pedestrian safety. He explains that Chief Camoia has reached out to the shopping center owners and has asked them to reline the pedestrian cross walks and do signage and lighting improvements. He later gives statistics regarding 2018 EMS, Fire and Police Department activity. They are as follows for 2018: First Aid Squad responded to 489 calls for service compared to 435 in 2017, 14K volunteer hours. Fire Department had 336 calls, 91 Mutual Aid into Mendham and the Borough Police had 18,003 calls in 2018 bringing this is number is up from 17,564 calls in 2017.

Recreation Committee

Councilman Andrew notes that DPW has erected a new sign at Borough Park. They are also going to be working on a "Walk of Fame." They are looking to do something for a 10:00a.m. Memorial Day Ceremony. Council Andrews would like to do some sort of promotion.

Personnel Committee

Councilman Sharkey welcomes the new appointments. He explains that they are currently conducting interviews for Personnel, Shade Tree and Open Space.

Public Works & Utilities

Jeff Cooper, DPW Superintendent gives an update on the generator. He lets everyone know, parts have been ordered. He makes everyone aware that his mechanic will be out for three months. He then gives another update regarding a truck that had fallen into a sink hole and is now back on the road. The total cost was \$18,500.00, the deductible was \$1,250.00. He adds that an invoice was received from J.H. Reed Recycling which was \$17,200.00 and will be paid out of Shade Tree.

Councilman Reilly adds that they are looking to combine Shade Tree, Open Space and Environmental Commission. They should have it wrapped up by the next meeting.

ATTORNEY ITEMS

Fred Semrau, Esq., Borough Attorney explains that he will be meeting with the new officials. They will be having an Executive Session at the next meeting, February 13, 2019 to go over a number of items.

MAYORS ITEMS

Mayor Christine Serrano-Glassner speaks about the safety of clearing the sidewalks after the storm. She is concerned that the aging population does not have the financial means to have someone take care of the snow removal. She adds that it is very difficult to enforce the Ordinance. Councilman Sharkey and Councilman Andrews both encourage neighbors to help out. The Mayor would like to see a "community" effort. She also addresses helping Federal Employees who may go on leave again. Mayor and Council agree that they will bring it back for discussion if the need arises. The Mayor would like to nominate Dottie Fleming as Grand Marshall. Mrs. Fleming has been a member of the Garden Club for 50 years. There has not been a means to honor them in the past and would like to see a female be nominated this year. Councilman Sharkey would like to honor the "club." He would also like to have a list compiled of future possible Grand Marshalls. Councilman Andrews mentions Paul Oswald as a possible nominee. They will vote at the next meeting, February 13, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT – AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Bob Ritger, 14 Gunther Street, inquired about past Minutes and Agenda's not being posted in a timely manner by the Planning Board. He has questions about a final decision, specifically Aryan at Mendham, LLC. Mayor Christine Serrano-Glassner explains that the minutes are getting caught up. Joyce Bushman, Borough Administrator explains that minutes will be on for approval at the next meeting. Fred Semrau, Esq. adds that the application was approved by voice vote and was followed up with a Resolution.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Passed, Councilman Andrews abstained on check #6505, #5625, #5629, and #5664.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor asks for a motion to adjourn. Motion made and seconded. All in favor, none opposed, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will convene on February 13, 2019 at 8:00p.m. at the Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, New Jersey.

Respectfully Submitted:

Michelle Masser, RMC