



BOROUGH OF OAKLYN
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Time: August 31, 2020 06:30 PM Eastern Time
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CAUCUS MEETING AGENDA
August 31, 2020

- 1- Call To Order
- 2- Flag Salute
- 3- Announcement
- 4- Engineers Report
- 5- ITEMS TO VOTE ON
- 6- TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR COUNCIL MEETING
 - a. Ordinance- #08-20-Amending Chapter 125, Zoning-Second Reading
 - b. Ordinance #09-20-2020 Salary Ordinance
 - c. Resolution-Change Order #3-Sewer Project
 - d. Resolution-Cancel Property Taxes
 - e. Resolution-Liquor License Renewal-VFW
 - f. Resolution-Liquor License Renewal-RMac's
 - g. Resolution-Shared Service Agreement-Mantua Fire District
 - h. Resolution-Appointment of Fire Department Members
 - i. Resolution-2019 Audit
 - j. Resolution-2019 Corrective Action Plan
 - k. Resolution-Zoning Application-118 White Horse Pike
 - l. Resolution-Zoning Application-110 White Horse Pike
 - m. Resolution-Extension of Premises Permit
 - n. Resolution-Property Maintenance Liens
 - o. Resolution-Payment of Bills
- 7- DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - a. Proposal-1210 White Horse Pike
 - b. Green Team Pollinator Garden Proposal
 - c. Community Forestry Strategic Advisory Team
 - d. Library Reopening
- 8- DEPARTMENT REPORTS
- 9- OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- 10- CLOSED SESSION
- 11- ADJOURNMENT

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The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Brandley.
The flag salute was led by Mayor Brandley.
Mayor Brandley announced that the meeting was in compliance with the Sunshine Law.
Council Persons present: Walters, Angelucci, MacGregor, Cairns, Valianti and Lehman.

Council went over the Engineer's report with Borough Engineer Anthony LaRosa.

Council went over the tentative agenda for the Council Meeting.

Discussion Items:

Proposal-1210 White Horse Pike- David Capozzi was appointed special council and should be getting the agreement to Mr. Aron soon.

Green Team Pollinator Garden Proposal-Councilman Lehman presented the Oaklyn Green Team's for a pollinator garden at the intersection of Reading and Manheim Aves. Mayor and Council agreed that the Green Team should move forward with the garden.

Community Forestry Strategic Advisory Team-Councilman Angelucci presented the Community Forestry Strategic Advisory Team's report and answered questions from Mayor and Council.

Library Reopening-Mayor and Council discussed possible reopening of the library. After a brief discussion it was decided to keep the library closed for the time being.

Council gave brief Departments updates.

Motion to open the meeting to the public by Councilwoman MacGregor, seconded by Council President Cairns. All in favor- motion carried.

Dana Presto-Collingswood, NJ-Read a statement regarding the sign hanging on the front Lakeview Custom Coach's building that reads, "All Lives Matter".

Kamilah Clarke-210 E Haddon Ave.-Asked what is the timeline moving forward with the removal of the sign. Mayor Brandley explained that summons were issued to the business owner and now is in the municipal court. The "timeline" is unknown at this time. Ms. Clarke also noted that when she moved to Oaklyn in 2016 the sign was on the building but was later taken down. The message the sign is sending is wrong.

Tim Stokes-Camden, NJ-Asked Mayor Brandley how he felt about the sign, Borough Solicitor Tim Higgins explained that this was a governmental meeting and that it would be inappropriate for the Mayor to give his personal opinion.

Allison-Washington Twp., NJ-Asked what the next step would be in the process. It was again explained that summons were issued and is now in the municipal court.

Diana Gonzalez-Stratford, NJ-Supports the "Black Lives Matter" movement and thinks that it is a disgrace to drive thru town and see the sign.

Kevin Mercer 124 E. Bettleground Ave.-Explained that a Borough tree had fallen on his property and was wondering when the rest of the tree would be taken down. Superintendent Rick Hawco said that it should be down shortly. He also asked about the minutes on the website being updated. Borough Clerk Bonnie Taft explained that they should be updated shortly but they also can be request by just calling the Borough Hall. Lastly, he asked if there was any

update on the Oaklyn Swim Club. Councilwoman MacGregor said that the Borough did look into Green Acres grants but now, due to the pandemic, most grant money has been put on hold.

Thomas Hubert-Pine Hill, NJ-Wanted to voice his concern about the sign at Lakeview Custom Coach. He explained that after one of the protests he believes that he was followed home by someone. Does not feel that it is safe. He thanked the Mayor and Council members for listening to their concerns.

Emily Crowley-Pitman, NJ-Explained that she has been a part of the protest the last couple of weeks and last week someone got very aggressive. Thank you to the Police Officers that did step in. Also thank you to the Mayor and Councilmembers for listening.

Josh Cate-Collingswood, NJ-Lives across the street, in Collingswood, from Lakeview Custom Coach and looks out his window to see the sign every day. He thinks the sign is very offensive.

Brittney Smith-Haddon Twp., NJ-Has started running since the pandemic and runs by the sign each day and thinks that it is horrible that it is on the business.

Robert Dunlap-Westampton, NJ-Asked Mayor Brandley for his opinion on the sign. Mayor Brandley said that he was in no way in support of racism.

Being there was no further discussion, motion to close the meeting to the public by Councilman Lehman, seconded by Councilman Angelucci. All in favor; motion carried.

Councilman Lehman made a motion to go into closed session for a personnel matter, seconded by Councilman Angelucci. All in favor-motion carried.

Council briefly discussed a personnel matter.

Councilman Angelucci made a motion to come out of closed session, seconded by Council President Cairns. All in favor-motion carried.

Being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned by motion of Councilman Lehman, seconded by Councilman Angelucci. All in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bonnie Taft', written in a cursive style.

Bonnie Taft, R.M.C