

MINUTES
May 23, 2017

The Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst was held on the above date with Mayor McLaughlin presiding and Commissioner Bolan answering the roll call. Commissioner McLoughlin joined the meeting during the Public Hearing. Also in attendance was the Acting Borough Clerk/Administrator and Borough Attorney.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. with a salute to the flag.

Mayor McLaughlin announced that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 had been satisfied by delivering the required notice to the Coaster, posting the notice on the board in Borough Hall and filing a copy of said notice with the Acting Borough Clerk.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

ORDINANCES FIRST READING

ORDINANCE #2017-11 - First Reading

Offered By: Mayor McLaughlin Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

ORDINANCE 2017-11
AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE PARKING
ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF ALLENHURST

VOTE: Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION #2017-133
A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AND APPROVE MINUTES

Offered By: Comm. Bolan **Seconded By:** Mayor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED, That the minutes of the regular meeting held May 9, 2017, be ratified and approved.

VOTE: Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #2017-134
A RESOLUTION TO DISPENSE WITH READING OF MINUTES

Offered By: Comm. Bolan Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Clerk dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting held May 9, 2017.

VOTE: Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #2017-135
A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM PURCHASES

Offered By: Comm. Bolan Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

WHEREAS, Purchases were made for amounts over \$1,000.00 and it is the policy of the Borough that the Board of Commissioners approve or confirm said purchases; and;

WHEREAS, Funds for these purposes are provided for in various accounts within the current budget, and the CFO has so certified; and,

Ever Dixie First Aid Supplies for ABC	\$1,817.52
Home Depot – ABC purchases	\$1,703.66
Monmouth Building Center – Paint for ABC	\$3,056.62
Summit Supplies Corporation – Trash Cans for ABC	\$1,709.00

RESOLUTION #2017 – 136
A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ABC REFUNDS

Offered By: Comm. Bolan Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

Joyce Sharkey – Member ID #325 - \$330.00 overpayment of fees
Nancy Minchello – Member ID #199 - \$230.00 overpayment of fees

RESOLUTION #2017-137
A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LOSAP PARTICIPANTS

Offered By: Comm. Bolan Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

David Belhassen	Susan Borden
Kyle Ebbets	Daniel Gulick
Patrick Harvey	Patrick A. Harvey II
Richard Heitmueller	Jason Henry
Frank Manfredi	William Reng Steven Resnick
Steven Resnick	Robert W. Todd
Robert T. Todd	James Vaccaro
Rutledge Varley	

RESOLUTION #2017-138
A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE OPERATION “THANK YOU”

Offered By: Comm. Bolan Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

WHEREAS, since September 11, 2001, and increasingly since the commencement of combat operations in Afghanistan and Iraq, the men and women of the New Jersey National Guard have been called up to active duty status in increasing numbers, and their support and service have been and will continue to be essential to the overall success of military efforts both home and abroad; and,

WHEREAS, the ongoing hostilities in Afghanistan and Iraq, and the call to active service of thousands of New Jersey's National Guard Reservists, have added untold additional stress and sacrifice to the lives of thousands of families of our active duty military, and for whom in peacetime day-to-day life was already stressful and challenging enough; and

WHEREAS, many families have lost loved ones in the military actions underway in Afghanistan and Iraq, and more than a hundred thousand other American families live each day

in constant trepidation that the next knock on the door might make their own worst fears come true; and,

WHEREAS, It is important that the enormity of the day-to-day sacrifices and heroism of our troops and their families not be lost or forgotten amidst the din of a presidential campaign and the media's unwavering focus on the sensational; and,

WHEREAS, the residents of the Borough of Allenhurst want our troops and their families to know that they are in our hearts and on our minds, that we support them and are extremely grateful for the sacrifices they are making each and every day; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners, on behalf of the families of Allenhurst, wish to honor and recognize our active military personnel and their families by establishing a special program for the summer of 2017;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst, that in honor and recognition of our active military personnel and their families, and to demonstrate the gratitude of the residents of the Borough of Allenhurst for the daily sacrifices they are making, the Mayor and Commissioners hereby announce the commencement of OPERATION: THANK YOU; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that free beach admission be provided during the 2017 summer season to each member of the active military and their dependents upon the presentation of a valid military identification card at any beach entrance; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Allenhurst's business community be invited and encouraged to participate in Operation: Thank You by providing discounts to our active military and their dependents, and by otherwise recognizing their sacrifices and service and joining the residents of Allenhurst in welcoming them to our community; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect throughout the 2017 beach season.

VOTE: Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #2017-139

A RESOLUTION TO HIRE SEASONAL EMPLOYEES

Offered By: Comm. Bolan

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following be hired for the 2017 summer season:

Seasonal DPW

John Selden

\$12.00 per hour

Michael Gatta

\$12.00 per hour

VOTE: Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #2017-140

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BILLS & PAYROLL (05/15/2017- 05/31/17)

Offered By: Comm. Bolan

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED, That bills and payrolls totaling \$205,822.61 be approved for payment; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That May 31, 2017 consolidated bill list be attached hereto and made a part thereof.

VOTE: Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #2017-141

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Offered By: Comm. Bolan

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

WHEREAS, State law permits the exclusion of public in certain circumstances; and,

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst finds that such circumstances currently exist; and,

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners will make public, minutes of the closed session when confidentiality no longer exists;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners that they are hereby authorized to enter into closed session to discuss legal/contractual matters which are exempt from the public meeting under the Sunshine Law.

VOTE: Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

ITEMS TO DISCUSS

The June 13th meeting will be held at the firehouse with a special proclamation for Chief Richter who is retiring on June 30th.

The ribbon cutting ceremony for the New Allen Avenue Beach Entrance will be on Friday, May 26th at 5:00pm.

Cabana member Jane Hughes requested Lauren Hughes, who is her daughter and a member of the beach club for at least 5 years, become co-principal. Commissioners approved.

Mr. O'Rourke from the school board gave a brief presentation. The Board of Education of the Borough of Allenhurst filed a petition with the Commissioner of Education of the State of NJ requesting that the Commissioner permit the severance of the sending-receiving relationship between the Allenhurst Board and the Board of Education of the City of Asbury Park and approve sending-receiving relationships with the Boards of Education of the Borough of West Long Branch and Shore Regional High School District. There was no opposition from the Asbury Park Board, the West Long Branch Board or the Shore Regional Board. The Bureau of Controversies and Disputes instructed the four boards of education to make formal announcements. The public has 20 days from the date of the announcement to submit comments to the Commissioner of Education of NJ. The announcement is on file with the Acting Borough Clerk.

Mayor McLaughlin asked how long it will take the Commissioner of Education of NJ to make the decision. Mr. O'Rourke said it can take up to a year but doesn't see any problems with getting approval. Commissioner Bolan asked how this will affect the students that go to Red Bank regional school. Mr. O'Rourke said they will probably let anyone finish out their school year but it has not been decided yet. Mayor McLaughlin asked if there was a formula for the cost per pupil. Mr. O'Rourke responded that it is a flat rate at approximately \$12,000 which is less expensive than both RBR and Asbury Park. The Acting Borough Administrator asked how many children are in Allenhurst that attend school. Mr. O'Rourke said approximately 30-35 and they attend all different types of schools-vocational, Catholic, Deal and RBR.

Beach Club member Sarina Franco requested that her niece and nephew who used to rent in Allenhurst and were members of the club be able to join the beach club even though they no rented here. She stated they will be living with her this summer while their house in West Allenhurst is being renovated. Her request had previously been denied. Commissioner Bolan stated that the Borough has rules that in order to be able to join as a renter they must have a lease and there could be no lease if they were just staying with Mrs. Franco. Mayor McLaughlin stated that the Borough has had problems in the past and they are trying to limit membership as the Beach Club is getting too crowded. Commissioner McLoughlin added that the rules of family members joining are limited to rules of succession—mother, father, daughter, son and grandchildren. Mayor McLaughlin stated that if they gave an exception and allowed Mrs. Franco's nephew to join it could open up a can of worms and they would have to let others join as well and that they have already have denied similar requests. Commissioner McLoughlin stated they are welcome to use guest passes.

Mayor McLaughlin stated that he received an email from a resident asking if speed bumps could be placed on the new Railroad Plaza parking lot. The Acting Borough Clerk will speak to the Captain about it.

The Acting Borough Clerk gave a brief discussion of Beach Club and town projects. Ms. Campagna also discussed the NJ Transit parking signs and whether or not they could be taken down. The Borough had just paved Railroad Plaza as part of an open space grant and had asked NJ Transit to split the cost of paving since mostly NJ transit commuters park in the lot. NJ

Transit had informed the Borough that they only own from the tracks to the curb and therefore would not split the costs. NJ Transit continues to keep their signs that state “Parking for NJ Transit Commuters only.” The Borough Attorney stated that the Borough can take them down.

PUBLIC HEARING

Tim Moriarty questioned whether the correct beach club booklet was on the beach club website as the dates appeared incorrect. Mayor McLaughlin stated that the website is not fully maintained until the beach club opens. He also stated that the correct booklet was emailed out. Next year the Borough is looking into combining the beach club and town website so everything will be up to date.

There being no further comments, public hearing was closed.

There being no further business or comments, Commissioner McLoughlin moved, seconded by Comm. Bolan that the meeting move to executive session at 8:30 PM. Motion carried.

After reconvening, Commissioner McLoughlin moved, seconded by Comm. Bolan that the meeting be adjourned at 11:30 PM. Motion carried.

Donna M. Campagna
Acting Borough Clerk/Administrator