

# ***Borough of Brielle***

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MINUTES MARCH 27th, 2017 WORK SESSION START: 7:30 PM

PRESENT: MAYOR NICOL, COUNCILMEN GARRUZZO, GIANFORTE, GORHAM, NOLAN, SHAAK & VISCEGLIA, ATTORNEY MONTENEGRO & ADMINISTRATOR NOLAN.

ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Nicol announced that any member of the public wishing to audio or video record a Council Meeting must give notice to the Borough Clerk prior to the meeting being recorded.

Mayor Nicol convened the work session in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and recognized the Administrator, who advised that he had no report.

Mayor Nicol then read the following Proclamation (insert).

Whereas, distracted driving is a serious, life-threatening practice that is preventable; and  
Whereas, distracted driving can result in injuries and deaths to all road users (motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists); and  
Whereas, distracted driving occurs when drivers divert their attention away from the task of driving to focus on another activity instead; and  
Whereas, in 2014 alone distracted driving-related crashes resulted in 3,179 deaths and 431,000 injuries on our nation's roads; and  
Whereas, in New Jersey distracted driving was listed as a contributing circumstance in more than 800,000 crashes between 2010-2014; and  
Whereas, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide Distracted Driving 2017 Crackdown from April 1 - 21, 2017 in an effort to raise awareness and decrease driver distraction through a combination of enforcement and education; and  
Whereas, the national slogan for the campaign is UDrive. UText. UPay; and  
Whereas, a reduction in distracted driving in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;  
Now Therefore Be Proclaimed, that the Borough of Brielle declares its support for the Distracted Driving 2017 Crackdown both locally and nationally from April 1 - 21, 2017 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.

There being no questions from Council or from the public, there was no further discussion and the work session was adjourned at 7:32 pm on a motion by Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Gianforte.

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MINUTES MARCH 27th, 2017 START: 7:33 P.M.

PRESENT: MAYOR NICOL, COUNCILMEN GARRUZZO, GIANFORTE, GORHAM, NOLAN, SHAAK & VISCEGLIA, ATTORNEY MONTENEGRO & ADMINISTRATOR NOLAN.

ABSENT: NONE

Following a moment of silent prayer, a salute to the flag and a roll call, the Minutes of the March 13th regular meetings were approved on a motion by Councilman Gianforte seconded by Councilman Nolan; all aye; no nays. Passed.

Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Nolan, introduced Resolution 17-30 for Passage of the Consent

Agenda.

Resolution:

A. (see insertion)

Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all aye, No nays. Passed

Councilman Visceglia seconded by Councilman Shaak introduced Resolution 17-32 for Payment of Bills. Be It Resolved, that the following bills be paid, and that the Mayor or President of Council be authorized to draw orders on the Chief Finance Officer for payment of the bills of March 27th, 2017, as reviewed by the Finance Committee and as listed on the Resolution and the Computer Bill List amended thereto. Vote: Council members Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Shaak & Visceglia: all aye. No nays. Passed

Mayor Nicol then announced that the time had arrived for the introduction and passage on first reading of "Calendar Year 2017-AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK".

The hearing was opened on a motion by Councilman Gianforte, seconded by Councilman Nolan.

The Administrator explained that, although the ordinance permitted the Borough to go to a 3.5% cap.

The hearing was closed on a motion by Councilman Nolan, seconded by Councilman Gianforte.

Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Nolan, introduced Resolution 17-33 for passage and adoption on final reading. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia: all aye. Passed.

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Councilman Garruzzo, seconded by Councilman Nolan, introduced resolution 17-34 authorize publication of passage and adoption of the foregoing ordinance in the Coast Star according to law. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all aye. Passed.

Mayor Nicol then announced that the time had arrived for a hearing and further consideration of "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER FOUR OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BRIELLE ENTITLED "GENERAL LICENSING".

The hearing was opened on motion by Councilman Gianforte, seconded by Councilman Shaak.

The Administrator advised that the ordinance regulated door-to-door real estate solicitations.

The hearing was closed on a motion by Councilman Gianforte, seconded by Councilman Nolan.

Councilman Garruzzo, seconded by Councilman Nolan introduced resolution 17-35 for passage and adoption on final reading of the foregoing Ordinance. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all aye. No nays. Passed.

Councilman Gorham, seconded by Councilman Nolan, introduced resolution 17-36 to authorize publication of passage and adoption in the Coast Star according to law. Vote: Councilmen Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all aye. No nays. Passed.

Mayor Nicol then announced that the time had arrived for the introduction and passage on first reading of "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, APPROPRIATING \$400,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$380,000.00 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF BRIELLE, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY".

Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Nolan, introduced resolution 17-37 passage on first reading of the foregoing ordinance. Vote: Councilman Garruzzo, Gianforte, Gorham, Nolan, Shaak & Visceglia; all aye.

Councilman Garruzzo seconded by Councilman Nolan, introduced Resolution 17-38 to authorize publication of the foregoing ordinance in the Coast Star for a hearing to be held at 7:30pm on April 10th, 2017 at Borough Hall.

Mayor Nicol then called for Committee Reports and recognized Councilman Gianforte who advised that his

committee was reviewing the proposed amendments to the Protection of Natural Resources ordinance and he had forwarded copies to the Shade Tree & Environmental Commissions, for their review and comment.

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Councilman Nolan advised the public that the Library would be conducting a seminar on Social Security on April 4th. The Trustees were also planning to provide a dedicated "Teen Area" within the building. A full schedule of programs could be found on the website.

Councilman Nolan also advised the public that the Batting Cages were had been refurbished and were ready for use. New materials should minimize the adverse impact from Lacrosse balls hitting the fencing.

Councilman Garruzzo had no report.

Councilman Shaak advised the public that leaf collection would resume on April 1st and brush would not be collected for six weeks.

Councilmen Gorham & Visceglia having no reports the meeting was open to the public.

Janet Hendricks, Leslie Avenue, voiced a concern over trucks and construction vehicles parking on Longstreet Avenue and hindering traffic. She asked how a fire truck or EMS vehicle could navigate the street.

Councilman Garruzzo replied that he would have the Traffic Safety Officer investigate

The meeting was then adjourned at 7:42 pm on a motion by Councilman Shaak seconded by Councilman Gianforte.

Approved: March 27th, 2017

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Thomas F. Nolan  
Municipal Clerk

Resolution No.:17-30-A  
Date: March 27th, 2017

CANCELING TAXES AND AUTHORIZING A REFUND PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.54:4-3.32

WHEREAS, the following Homeowner filed an appeal to receive the Totally Disabled Veterans Property Tax Exemption, and was successful

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32 the Borough Council has the authority to cancel charges for the Totally Disabled Veterans Tax Exemption for 2017 taxes, when a N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 Certification of Assessment Credit for Exemption has been granted, and

WHEREAS, in this case the Tax Collector deems that Thomas Turner should receive a refund on taxes paid for

the year 2017  
2017 1st 114 taxes and Homestead rebate  
B1 7.01 L 2  
514 Lenni Lenape Trail.  
Brielle, NJ 08730  
Total Refund 82,383.76

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey; do hereby authorize a Veteran's property tax exemption discharge of debt for the property taxes and refund be issued to Thomas Turner for a total of \$2,383.76 as referenced.

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true copy of a resolution passed by the Brielle Mayor & Council, at a meeting held on March 27th, 2017.

Witness my hand and seal of the Borough of Brielle this 28th day of March 2017.

Thomas Nolan  
Municipal Clerk