

**TOWN OF BRUNSWICK
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2014, 7:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL**

Board Members Present: Supervisor Herrington, Councilman Christian, Councilman Casale, Councilman Sullivan and Councilman Balistreri.

Board Members Absent: None.

Also Present: Town Attorney, Thomas Cioffi, Town Clerk, William J. Lewis and Deputy Town Clerk, Lori Nicola

Supervisor Herrington called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
All joined in with the salute to the flag.

VISITORS WHO WISH TO SPEAK:

None

BUSINESS MEETING:

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Councilman Christian made a motion to accept the Minutes of the previous meeting, seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Approved.

REPORTS:

Town Clerk: William J. Lewis

Mr. Lewis read his report for the month of November. \$5,241.00 will be remitted to the Supervisor's Office. Motion to accept the Report was made by Councilman Sullivan, seconded by Councilman Christian. Approved. A copy of the report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Highway Superintendent: Doug Eddy

Mr. Eddy read his report for the month of November. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Balistreri, seconded by Councilman Christian. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Water & Sewer Report: Bill Bradley

Mr. Bradley read his report for the month of November. Motion to accept the report was made by Supervisor Herrington, seconded by Councilman Casale. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Superintendent of Utilities & Inspection: John Kreiger

Mr. Kreiger read his report for the month of November. \$4,163.00 will be remitted to the Supervisor's Office. Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Christian, seconded by Councilman Casale. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Town Attorney: Thomas Cioffi

Mr. Cioffi gave his report for the month of November. Other than routine matters, he has been working on a personnel issue, updating the Town of Brunswick Employee Manual and continuing an investigation into a resident's grievance with the Tax Assessment Office. Motion to accept Mr. Cioffi's report was made by Supervisor Herrington, seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Approved.

Town Historian: Sharon Zankel

Mrs. Zankel was unable to attend and could not file a report.

Recycling Coordinator: Thomas Engster

Mr. Engster read his report for the month of November. Motion to accept his report was made by Councilman Balistreri, seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

Library Report: Natalie Schipano

Ms. Schipano read her report for the month of November. Motion to accept the reports was made by Councilman Casale, seconded by Councilman Balistreri. Approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 68 Resolution Appointing Member of Zoning Board of Appeals. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Supervisor Herrington and seconded by Councilman Casale, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Aye; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 69 Resolution Declaring Items to be Surplus Property. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Christian, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Aye; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 70 Resolution Acknowledging Justice Court Audit. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Christian, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 71 Resolution Determining Unsafe and Dangerous Structures to Present Imminent Threat to Public Health and Safety, Constituting a Public Emergency, and Ordering Immediate Demolition and Removal. The foregoing Resolution, offered by Councilman Christian and seconded by Councilman Sullivan, was duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Christian, voting Aye; Councilman Casale, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Councilman Balistreri, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jude White, Secretary of the Brunswick Community Library, wrote on behalf of the Library Board of Trustees, thanking the Town for its continued support which benefits the community and all library patrons.

Betty Zepf, President of the Sycaway Seniors, wrote on behalf of their members, thanking the Town Board for their generosity and for making the Brunswick Family Community Center available to them two Tuesdays per month for meetings. The Town's support also helps allow their members to enjoy four day trips per year.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

A discussion was held in order to schedule the end of year Town Board Meeting. Supervisor Herrington made a motion to hold the meeting December 30, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Approved.

WARRANTS: Warrants No. 014259 through 014355, No. 11211401 through 11211413 and No. 12051401 through 12051412 were presented. Supervisor Herrington made a motion to approve the warrants, seconded by Councilman Christian. Approved.

FURTHER COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

Mr. Richard Zack, 2 Michele Manor, spoke in opposition of newly adopted Local Law No. 1 of 2014, which prohibits parking on town roads during declared snow emergencies. He feels the law is unnecessary and ill-advised in general and personally burdensome for him and his family. He claimed that due to the configuration of his driveway it is not possible to pull into it without becoming stuck when there is 4" or more snowfall. If the timing of the storm is wrong and they haven't been plowed out, their nanny could be stuck, preventing his wife from getting to work and impacting his home business as well. He feels the law should be rescinded or at least amended in some way allowing for exceptions. Supervisor Herrington noted that this law has been long considered and cited several examples of situations that have caused problems for our road crews and posed risks to them personally, town equipment, resident's property and caused obstruction of passage for emergency vehicles.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Casale made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Christian. Approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Lewis
Town Clerk

Note: An audio compact disc of this meeting is available in the Town Clerk's Office.