

**EAST BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP  
COUNCIL AGENDA\ACTION MEETING  
June 22, 2020**

1 Jean Walling Civic Center  
East Brunswick, New Jersey 08816

7:30 P.M.

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*\*All agendas\attachments are available on the Website: [www.EastBrunswick.org](http://www.EastBrunswick.org) at section Government.*

1. Nennette Perry, Township Clerk called the meeting to order and called the roll:

Present: Councilman McEvoy, Councilman Spadafino  
Councilwoman Sullivan, Councilman Wendell, Council President Stanley

Also Present: Mayor Brad Cohen, Michael Baker, Township Attorney  
Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator; Nennette Perry, Township Clerk,  
Carol Bellisano, Deputy Clerk

2. Statement of Notice of Publication:

The Clerk read the following statement:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by specifying time, date, location and to the extent known, the agenda by posting a copy on the Bulletin Board located in the main lobby of the East Brunswick Municipal Building, providing a copy to the Home News Tribune and Sentinel newspapers, posting a copy on the Township's website and by a filing a copy in the office of the Township Clerk which will be entered in the minutes.

The Township is using the telephone meeting format in an effort to mitigate the chance of exposure to COVID-19, as a part of the Township's ongoing effort to slow the rate of transmission and avoid overwhelming our treatment centers. The Dial In Information and Final Agenda have been posted on the Township website and are posted on EBTv for members of the public.

In order to make sure a clear record of the meeting can be made and that all parties are heard in an organized fashion, all members of the public will be muted during the meeting. If a member of the public wishes to speak during any public comment portion, please press \*9 (star nine) in order to raise your hand to speak. We will unmute members of the public individually if they have their hand raised. When it is your turn to speak, you will hear a notification that you have been unmuted. It is at that time that you should begin to ask any questions you may have. You will have three minutes to speak, at the conclusion of which you will be muted again, and the council or administration will respond as necessary. Should you have any further comments or questions, the Township Council is always available by email and phone, and you can always call the Mayor's office during normal operating hours. Each member of the public shall only have one opportunity to speak during each public portion. As the technology does not allow us to know if there are multiple callers on an individual line, we ask that if you wish to speak, that you dial in on a separate line so that we can recognize you as a separate individual.

Thank you in advance for your patience as we as we implement this new technology to continue to move the Township forward during this Health Emergency.

3. Presentations, Proclamations and Discussions:

None

4. Agenda Session: (Discussion Only – No Vote)

A. Initiation Petition – Michael Baker

Mr. Baker, Township Attorney explained the petition process and the program requested by the petitioners.

5. Public Hearing:

The Township Clerk read the following:

- A. Ord. 20-15 To Amend and Supplement the Revised General Ordinances of East Brunswick Township, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 209, Vehicles and Traffic, Article III, Truck Exclusions, Section 18 Trucks Registered Four (4) Tons Gross Weight or Over, of the Revised General Ordinances of East Brunswick Township

Councilman Wendell moved that the ordinance be adopted on second and final reading, that it be submitted to the Mayor for his approval and thereafter published according to law. Council President Stanley seconded the motion. The Township Clerk opened the meeting to the public for discussion. There being no discussion, the public portion was closed. There being no discussion from the Council, the Clerk called the roll:

McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Sullivan - yes, Wendell - yes, Stanley - yes, and the ordinance was adopted on second reading.

6. Reports of Mayor, Administrator, Director of Law, Clerk, Council Committee/Board, Ad Hoc Committees Reports, Request Communication:

Mayor Cohen provided a COVID 19 update. Protest was peaceful. He also indicated Crystal Springs was doing a soft opening on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Joseph Criscuolo, Administrator – no report.

Michael Baker, Township Attorney – Hidden Oaks – the Appellate Division denied the stay order.

Nennette Perry, Township Clerk – Election update.

Councilman Spadafino – attended RPAB video meeting and the pool will officially open on July 10<sup>th</sup> allowing 225 visitors at \$15.00 per person working up to a maximum of 400. Recreation will be holding a Drive In Movie. The dogpark, tennis, pickle ball etc. will be opening.

7. Public Portion:

The Township Clerk opened the meeting to the public.

Charlie Kratovil – Food and Water Watch – explaining the petition that was presented to the township.

Rev Karen Johnston – Unitarian Society – in favor of petition for energy aggregation.

Kathy Scarborough – 59 Tall Oaks Drive – in favor of petition for energy aggregation. Would like air quality improved.

Kathy Miller, 24 Diamond Court – not in favor of AirBnB on the block. Not safe for the neighbors.

Mike Baker – addressed the Diamond Court issue.

Paul and Laura Roth – 25 Diamond Court – impacted by the AirBnB and not happy about the circumstances.

P Chandrasekar - 37 Buffalo Run – supports the aggregation issue.

Dorothy Ji – 203 Wyckoff Way West – supports the renewal energy aggregation.

Brian Kulas, 130 Longfield Court –support renewal energy aggregation.

Judith Kochis, 17 Diamond Court – not in favor of Air BnB in the neighborhood. Not healthy for the kids going to the school.

Eric Brozek, 28 Diamond Court – not in favor of Air BnB in the neighborhood. Detrimental to the neighborhood. Not being used as a single family residence.

Mike Baker answered the gentleman's before questions.

Council President Stanley thanked those who came out for the petition and those that spoke regarding the AirBnB issues.

There being no further discussion, the public portion was closed.

8. Consent Agenda: (Resolutions)

The Township Clerk asked if anyone wished to have any items separated from the Consent Agenda. The Township Clerk read the items on the Consent Agenda.

A. 16846 Honoring Donna Owens

**RESOLUTION HONORING  
DONNA OWENS**

**WHEREAS, Donna Owens** began her 27 year career with the Township of East Brunswick on November 2, 1992 as an Administrative Finance Clerk; and

**WHEREAS, Donna Owens** was promoted to Revenue Coordinator in the Division of Revenue, Department of Finance; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council, Township of East Brunswick, County of Middlesex, on behalf of a grateful community, do hereby thank **Donna Owens** for her dedication and service to the Township of East Brunswick and its residents and extend to her our best wishes for a long and healthy retirement.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township Clerk is hereby directed to include this resolution and spread its contents upon the minutes of the Township of East Brunswick Council meeting for the purposes of posterity on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2020 so that the public service of **Donna Owens** may be forever recorded in the history of the Township of East Brunswick.

- B. 16847 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Sign a Grant Agreement Between the Township of East Brunswick and the State of New Jersey by and for the Department of Environmental Protection Grant Identifier: AQ20-150
- C. 16848 Authorizing Contract In Accordance with Public Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40a:11-12 through Cooperative Purchasing of the Division Of Purchase and Property In The State Of New Jersey For Seven Fully Equipped Police Vehicles In The Amount Of \$431,000.00
- D. Approval of Council Agenda\Action Meeting Minutes – June 8, 2020
- E. Approval of Bill List (approval of bills owed by Township to various individuals, companies and accounts).

Resolution Re: Approval of Bill List

WHEREAS, the Township Council for the Township of East Brunswick has approved Ordinance 74-1-BB amending the municipal ordinances accordingly requiring the Township Council's approval before any disbursements are made. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council for the Township of East Brunswick that the following bills have been duly audited and found correct by the Director of Finance and she is ordered to pay the amounts as hereinafter stated.

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the Consent Agenda. Councilwoman Sullivan seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Sullivan - yes, Wendell - yes, Stanley - yes and the Consent Agenda was declared adopted.

9. Ordinance Requiring a Public Hearing Date: July 13, 2020

The Township Clerk read the following ordinance by title only. The Township Attorney gave a background to the ordinance.

- A. Ord. 20-16 To Amend and Supplement the East Brunswick Municipal Court Local Offense List and the Revised General Ordinances of East Brunswick Township, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 83, Dogs and Cats, Chapter 135, Licenses, Chapter 147, Noise, Chapter 158, Parks and Public Lands, Chapter 165, Public Property, Trespassing, Chapter 166, Property Maintenance Code and Chapter 189, Streets and Sidewalks, of the Revised General Ordinances of East Brunswick Township

Councilman Spadafino moved that the ordinance be adopted on first reading, that it be published according to law and a public hearing on the ordinance be held on July 13, 2020 at the Municipal Building located at 1 Jean Walling Civic Center Drive in the Township of East Brunswick. Council President Stanley seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Sullivan - yes, Wendell - yes, Stanley - yes and the ordinance was adopted on first reading.

10. New Business:

Angel Albanese, Chief Finance Officer explained the purpose of the next three resolutions. The Township Clerk read the following resolution.

- A. 16849 Providing for the Combination of Certain Issues of General Improvement Bonds, Series 2020, of the Township of East Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey into a Single Issue of Bonds Aggregating \$40,568,000 in Principal Amount

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilwoman Sullivan seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

McEvoy - no, Spadafino - yes, Sullivan - yes, Wendell - yes, Stanley - yes and the resolution was declared adopted.

The Township Clerk read the following:

- B. 16850 Providing for the Combination of Certain Issues of Water Utility Bonds, Series 2020, of the Township of East Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, into a Single Issue of Bonds Aggregating \$3,984,000 in Principal Amount

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

McEvoy - no, Spadafino - yes, Sullivan - yes, Wendell - yes, Stanley - yes and the resolution was declared adopted.

The Township Clerk read the following:

- C. 16851 Determining the Form and Other Details of \$44,552,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020, Consisting of \$40,568,000 General Improvement Bonds and \$3,984,000 Water Utility Bonds, of the Township of East Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, and Providing for Their Sale

Councilman Wendell moved the adoption of the resolution. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. There being no further discussion from Council, the Clerk called the roll:

McEvoy - no, Spadafino - yes, Sullivan - yes, Wendell - yes, Stanley - yes and the resolution was declared adopted.

11. For Good of the Cause:

Councilwoman Sullivan asked about the use of fireworks in the town and if they were legal. She was told anything that goes bang or makes noise is not legal. Sparklers are legal.

12. Adjournment: 8:40 P.M.

Councilman Wendell moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Spadafino seconded the motion. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll:

McEvoy - yes, Spadafino - yes, Sullivan - yes, Wendell - yes, Stanley - yes and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

  
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STERLEY STANLEY, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

  
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NENNETTE PERRY, MUNICIPAL CLERK