

NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP
MINUTES....

REGULAR MEETING
November 21, 2011

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Complex located at 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Council President Socio called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Present: Ms. Narra, Ms. Nicola, Messrs. Davis and Corbin
Absent: Mr. Andrews and Mayor Womack

Also present: Business Administrator, Robert Lombard, Township Attorney, Ronald Gordon, Esq., Chief Financial Officer, Kala Sriranganathan, Assistant Business Administrator, Justine Progebin, Director of Parks, Recreation & Community Services, Lou Ann Benson, Director of Community Development, Michael Hritz, Director of Public Works, Glenn Sandor, Director of Public Safety, Ken McCormick, Municipal Clerk, Lisa Russo and Deputy Clerk, Milvi Weiner.

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on January 5, 2011 to the following:

a) The Home News & Tribune b) Star Ledger c) North Brunswick Sentinel

Notice receipts are on file in the Township Clerk's office. Also, notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and filed in the Clerk's office on January 5, 2011.

Mr. Hritz led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Municipal Clerk, Lisa Russo administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Sean Gaither.

Maria Reynolds, on behalf of Prudential Fox Roach Realtors on Finnegan Lane, presented a check for \$604,000 to the North Brunswick Food Bank. The realtors, for the past fifteen years, have been involved with the community. Agents and staff have put a certain amount of money from their commission checks into a "kitty".

Council President Socio reminded residents that it is the time of the year when the food bank is in dire need of donations.

Council President asked council members if any items are to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Motion made by Ms. Nicola to approve items "7a - 7k" on the agenda, second by Mr. Corbin.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Narra, Ms. Nicola, Messrs. Davis and Corbin
Nays: none
Absent: Mr. Andrews

Consent Agenda:

- a. Authorizing the redemption of various third party liens _____ 297-11.11
- b. Determining the form and other details of not exceeding \$23,000,000 General Obligation Water/Wastewater System Refunding Bonds, Series 2011 of the Township of North Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, and providing for the sale and delivery of such bonds _____ 298-11.11
- c. Item of revenue in budget (Chapter 159)
 - i. U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance 2011 Bullet Proof Vest Partnership – Reimbursement _____ 299-11.11
 - ii. NJ DOT Highway Safety Fund, Safe Corridors State Allocation - \$81,901.59 _____ 300-11.11
- d. Authorizing reimbursement for a sewer lateral repair at 2501 Linder Avenue _____ 301-11.11
- e. Resolution of concurrence by the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick for the N.J. State Department of Transportation in support of a No Passing Zone on Route 27 _____ 302-11.11
- f. Authorizing the sale of abandoned vehicles _____ 303-11.11
- g. Authorizing the approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Fiscal Year 2011 Highway Traffic Safety Fund Grant Program (Safe Corridors) _____ 304-11.11
- h. Authorizing an amendment to agreement with Ronald H. Gordon, Esq. of the firm DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP _____ 305-11.11
- i. Authorizing the advertisement for Receipt of Bids under the Department of Public Safety for Radio System & Vehicle Electronics Maintenance _____ 306-11.11
- j. Payment of bills _____ 307-11.11
- k. Authorizing the Award of Contract to Chas. S. Winner Inc. for the purchase of one (1) Public Safety Vehicle _____ 308-11.11

Council President Socio called for a motion to approve item # 8 on the Agenda. Approval of minutes: Regular Council Meeting / November 7, 2011. So moved by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. Nicola.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Messrs. Davis and Corbin
Nays: none
Absent: Mr. Andrews**

Ordinances / First Reading / Introduction:

#11-21 – An Ordinance of the Township of North Brunswick amending and fixing the salary and wages for various officials and employees of the Township of North Brunswick and providing for the manner of payment thereof

Mr. Lombard explained that this ordinance would provide a slight adjustment to the maximum salaries permitted to a number of titles and new titles created by consolidation by the Civil Service Commission. It is more of replacing titles instead of creating new titles.

Council President Socio called for a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 11-21. So moved by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. Nicola, second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on December 5, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey following legal publication in the November 25, 2011 issue of the Home News and Tribune as according to law. This Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex and copies are available upon request.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Narra, Ms. Nicola, Messrs. Davis and Corbin
Nays: none
Absent: Mr. Andrews**

Ordinances / Second Reading / Public Hearing:

#11-20 - Refunding Bond Ordinance for the refunding of the Middlesex County Improvement Authority's outstanding Township of North Brunswick Lease Revenue Bonds (Water/Wastewater System Project) Series 2002A dated September 15, 2002, appropriating not to exceed \$23,000,000 therefore and authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$23,000,000 Refunding Bonds of the Township for financing the cost thereof

Mr. Lombard explained that the purpose of the refunding is to reduce the annual debt service expenses of the Township and save \$200,000.00 a year for the next ten years.

Council President Socio opened the Public Hearing. No comments from the public.

Motion made by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Corbin that the public hearing be closed.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Narra, Ms. Nicola, Messrs. Davis and Corbin
Nays: none
Absent: Mr. Andrews**

Council President Socio called for a motion to adopt Ordinance # 11-20. So moved by Ms. Nicola, second by Mr. Davis. Ordinance No. 11-20 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the November 25, 2011 issue of the Home News and Tribune.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Narra, Ms. Nicola, Messrs. Davis and Corbin
Nays: none
Absent: Mr. Andrews**

Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO:

Mr. Davis - thanked residents on the behalf of the Mayor, Councilman Corbin and himself for being voted back into office. They are looking out for everyone, no matter what political affiliation someone is.

Ms. Nicola - Municipal Alliance will be hosting the first time event - girls and mentor program - high schools girls working with girls from Linwood Middle School. Freeholders provided funding for this program. She thanked the Department of Public Works and the Department of Parks & Recreation for their work during the Halloween storm. Ms. Nicola wished all residents and staff a "Happy Thanksgiving".

Mr. Socio - wished everyone a "Happy Thanksgiving" on behalf of the Mayor and Council.

**Council President Socio opened the Public Hearing at 7:12 pm.
No comments from the public.**

Council President Socio called for a motion to close the Public Hearing. So moved by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. Nicola.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Narra, Ms. Nicola, Messrs. Davis and Corbin
Nays: none
Absent: Mr. Andrews**

Council President Socio called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. So moved by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Corbin.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Narra, Ms. Nicola, Messrs. Davis and Corbin
Nays: none
Absent: Mr. Andrews**

Adjourn – 7:12 p.m.

**Municipal Clerk
Lisa Russo**

Adjourn – 8:27 p.m.

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