

**REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
**January 12, 2022**

**THE CAUCUS MEETING** of the Mayor and Council was called to order by Council President Spark at 4:30pm at the at the Barnegat Light Borough Hall, 10 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Barnegat Light, NJ. He stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board in Borough Hall and was advertised in the Asbury Park Press on January 13, 2021.

**ROLL CALL:** Spark, Wellington, absent Alloway, Reynolds, via phone, Foley, via phone and Mikuletzky

**Also present:** Terry Brady, Sponge Washburn, John Schuzle and Brenda Kuhn

**Discussion:** Councilman Spark asked for a moment of silence for former Councilmen, Fred Gibbs and Jimmy Stavish. He said that during the regular meeting, we would be taking comments for the Community Development Block Grant at first hearing. He explained what the grant money could be used for. He and the council discussed the request from Jo Stott for an area for a veteran memorial at the park. He said that there would be a vote on a request for free Zumba Classes for 2022. Councilwoman Foley Said thank you to DPW for plowing the snow.

Council President Spark asked for a motion to close the Caucus. On a motion by Foley, seconded by Alloway and carried by all the Caucus Meeting was closed.

**THE MEETING** of the Mayor and Council was called to order by Council President Spark at 5:00pm at Borough Hall, 10 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Barnegat Light, NJ. He stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board in Borough Hall and was advertised in the Asbury Park Press on January 13, 2021.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**The Municipal Clerk** stated that the meeting was being recorded and that a written copy would be available in the Clerk's office.

**ROLL CALL:** Spark, Wellington, absent Alloway, Reynolds, via phone, Foley, via phone and Mikuletzky

**Also present:** Terry Brady, Sponge Washburn, John Schuzle and Brenda Kuhn

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Council President Spark asked for a motion to approve the minutes of December 8, 2021 regular meeting.

Larson	Moved	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Spark			X			
Wellington						X
Alloway	X		X			
Reynolds			X			
Foley			X			
Mikuletzky		X	X			

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Mayor Larson asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report.

Larson	Moved	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Spark			X			
Wellington						X
Alloway			X			
Reynolds			X			
Foley		X	X			
Mikuletzky	X		X			

**BUILDING AND ZONING REPORT:** Mayor Larson asked for a motion to approve the Building and Zoning Report.

Larson	Moved	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Spark			X			
Wellington						X
Alloway			X			
Reynolds		X	X			
Foley	X		X			
Mikuletzky			X			

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**WATER/SEWER:** Councilwoman Foley reported as follows:

1. 1 service repair
2. 3 shut offs due to frozen/broken pipes
3. 1 hydrant needs repair-waiting for warmer weather
4. Water Allocation Report submitted/expecting approval (10-year review)
5. 3 meters left to install
6. Mayor & Council awarding \$1000 stipend to all employees for the work done on the meter project-Resolution being presented to approve.
7. Rates are being worked on; preliminary numbers have been established

**BEACHES AND PARKS: Councilwoman Reynolds** reported as follows:

1. Beach badge sales for 2021 were just under \$264,000
2. Holiday Badges are still available
3. Beaches are in the usual shape for this time of the year
4. Dog Park revenue was \$10,120 up \$4000 from last year
5. Dog license and Paw Pass renewals are due by January 31, 2022

**DOCKS AND HARBORS: Councilman Alloway** reported that all the boat slips were rented.

**PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Mikuletzky** reported as follows:

1. He wanted to make the court report a part of the meeting minutes.
2. The court took in \$4,099 and he gave a breakdown of the type of fine (criminal, traffic, fish & game)
3. The traffic light is on now down in Ship Bottom

**PUBLIC WORKS: Councilman Wellington** was absent and Councilman Mikuletzky reported on his behalf as follows:

1. Snow removal
2. Christmas decorations are down
3. Continued work on EOC building and Museum
4. Cut back and graded trails to beach

**FINANCE: Councilman Spark** reported as follows:

1. All bills were reviewed and approve by the Finance Committee
2. Long Beach Township was paid \$169,900 for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Police Services
3. 2021 taxes collected were \$9,232,631.77

**CDBG: 1<sup>st</sup> public hearing**

Councilman Spark said that he mentioned the Community Development Block Grant during the caucus meeting and asked for a motion to open to the public.

Motion: Alloway Second: Reynolds All in favor X

Councilman Spark asked if anyone in the public had any ideas. Connie Higgins, 10 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, asked if it could be used for speakers at the pavilion and she was told that it could not. Councilwoman Reynolds suggested Mobi Mats. Councilwoman Foley & Councilman Alloway were in favor. Tim Brindley, 1404 Bayview Avenue, said that anything that makes it easier to get to the beach is a good idea. Councilman Mikuletzky asked about a building to store the beach wheels by the 21<sup>st</sup> Street well. He added that there was plenty of property there. Councilman Spark asked if there were any other ideas and there were none. He asked for a motion to close the CDBG public hearing.

Motion: Reynolds Second: Foley All in favor X

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION: Mayor Larson** asked for a motion to open the open public session.

Motion: Mikuletzky Second: Alloway All in favor X

Tim Brindley, 1404 Bayview Avenue, said that it was a great idea to put something in the park for all the armed services. He also mentioned that there was no flagpole. He said he loves the park because it is open space and he added that in a hundred years, Mayor Larson would be known for the park because he pushed for it. He said now its almost paid for! Nancy Manookian, 14 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street, mentioned Fred Gibbs passing and Councilman Spark told her that there was a moment of silence during the caucus meeting.

**CLOSE PUBLIC SESSION: Councilman Spark** asked for a motion to close the open public session.

Motion: Alloway Second: Foley All in favor X

**RESOLUTIONS:**

The clerk said that the resolution would be done by consent agenda. She read each resolution by title and then recorded the votes as follows:

Larson	Moved	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Spark			X			
Wellington						X
Alloway		X	X			
Reynolds			X			
Foley			X			
Mikuletzky	X		X			

**RESOLUTION 2022-044**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF A TAX OVERPAYMENT**

WHEREAS, Block 30.01 Lot 1, 1501 Bayview Avenue, was sold in November of 2021; and  
WHEREAS, the previous owner prepaid 2022 taxes in the amount of \$8,869.14; and  
WHEREAS, there was no adjustment at the property settlement; and  
WHEREAS, the previous owner has requested, in writing, a refund; and  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Barnegat Light Tax Collector be authorized to reverse the payment in the amount of \$8,869.14.

2. That the Barnegat Light CFO is authorized to refund the payment.
3. That the check shall be made payable to: John H. Reilly Jr. Trust
4. That the check shall be mailed to: Stephen J. Labroli, Esq  
United Refrigeration, Inc.  
11404 Roosevelt Boulevard  
Philadelphia, PA 19154

**RESOLUTION 2022-045**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8A, et seq., authorizes the Borough of Barnegat Light to enter into a contract for the provision of certain government services with another municipality; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:8A-4 requires a contract to be authorized by resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light to authorize the execution of a contract with the Township of Stafford for the provision of animal control services. The terms of the agreement will be for a period of five (5) years, commencing January 1, 2022 and terminating of December 31, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, that the agreement for Animal Control Services shall be executed by the Mayor and Borough Clerk in accordance with the provisions of law

**RESOLUTION 2022-046**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, EMPLOYING A PART TIME CONSTRUCTION CODE CONTROL CLERK IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a part time Construction Code Control Clerk in the Building Department; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2021-11 allows for the hiring of Construction Code Control Clerk; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Barnegat Light as follows:

1. That this resolution is retroactive to January 1, 2022.
2. That John Schulze is employed, with title and compensation as listed below:  
Construction Code Control Clerk      John Schulze      \$17.50 hr

**RESOLUTION 2022-047**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF A STIPEND TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Barnegat Light has been undergoing a new meter project throughout the Borough; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the additional work involved with such a project, the Borough wishes to provide certain employees with a one-time stipend for performance of the additional duties; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, that the following list of employees shall receive a \$1,000.00 stipend.

Stuart McGowan	Albert Morison	Christopher Foster
Nicolas Stevens	Andrew Clark	Hunter Riddell
Brenda L. Kuhn	Kathleen Flanagan	Kathy Guerrero
Michele Inman	Cecile U. Hodgson	Jeffrey Washburn

**RESOLUTION 2022-048**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, INCREASING SALARY OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEE-DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, Stuart McGowan is employed as the Superintendent of DPW and Water/Sewer; and

WHEREAS, Stuart McGowan has been pursuing the course of education to obtain certification as a Certified Public Works Manager; and

WHEREAS, Stuart McGowan has completed all required courses and sat for the State exam in October; and

WHEREAS, Stuart McGowan has obtained certification as a Certified Public Works Manager; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light to increase his salary by \$10,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Barnegat Light as follows:

1. That Stuart McGowan's salary will be increase by \$10,000.00
2. That certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and to the Municipal Clerk to place in Stuart McGowan's personnel file.

**RESOLUTION 2022-049**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$440,939.48

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the Borough of Barnegat Light has examined the vouchers presented for payment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the approved vouchers amounting to \$440,939.48 be authorized to be paid upon verification of the Treasurer that there is sufficient money in the appropriated accounts, subject to adequate signatures and funding.

**ORDINANCES:**

**First Reading:**

Ordinance 2022-01 was read by title and the Clerk recorded the votes.

**ORDINANCE 2022-01**

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGHS OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

Larson	Moved	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Spark			X			
Wellington						X
Alloway		X	X			
Reynolds	X		X			
Foley			X			
Mikuletzky			X			

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Judie Putt requested to do free Zumba classes at the pavilion on Wednesdays, April 27-October 26<sup>th</sup>

Motion: Foley Second: Mikuletzky All in Favor X

Jo Stott requesting veteran area at the park.

Will be discussed further.

Terry Brady, Borough Attorney, thanked all of the councilmembers for his reappointment. He said it is not something that is assumed of taken for granted. He said is something that he hoped to be earned each year and he greatly appreciates the confidence and support over the years. He went on to say that December 17, 2021 was the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of being sworn in as an attorney. Being in Barnegat Light truly has been a joy of his time practicing law.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

Mayor Larson asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Alloway Second: Spark All in Favor X

**APPROVED:**

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KIRK O. LARSON, MAYOR

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BRENDA L. KUHN, MUNICIPAL CLERK