

**BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 23, 2017**

Mayor Robert Fazen called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with a reading of the Open Public Meetings Law Statement followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and an opening prayer.

Roll Call

Mayor Robert Fazen –	present
C. Vinnie Petti	present
C. Abel Gomez	present
C. Philip Fiadino	present
C. David Rosario	present
C. President Anthony Pranzatelli	present
C. Diana Manahan	present

Also Present:

Hector Herrera-Borough Administrator
Borough Clerk – Donna Marie Godleski
Borough Attorney- Judy Verrone, Esq.
Police Chief Vito Bet

Approval of Minutes: May 9, 2017 Agenda
Executive Session May 9, 2017

Motion: Rosario Second: Gomez All in favor: Aye

Presentation of communications, petitions, etc. –None

Greetings for comment and invitation for discussion

Carol Holub- 518 East Second Street

She complained about high grass at the corner of Second and John Street. She wanted to know when the new parking lot will be completed by Meridia II at Billian Park. Mayor Fazen advised it is moving forward. Permits needed to be obtained from the NJDEP.

She said she was sorry to see that Captain Rivenbark did not receive the promotion to chief.

Roseann Short 159 Cherry

She stated the work the No. 1 Bar on Union Avenue had done to the outside looks great. She wished that other businesses would do the same.

She said she was also disappointed Captain Rivenbark did not receive the promotion. She felt he had a lot of good background and did a lot for the town.

She asked about one of the trucks that the town is having refurbished.

She asked about the fire truck that is at the Fire House on Second Street that is not being used. This was addressed to Fire Chief Lukac at the meeting.

Chief Lukac advised that the fire apparatus on this truck does get called out on fire calls. There are also volunteers at this Firehouse.

He noted that the town needs three (3) fire trucks.

C. Petti noted that our ISO ratings are great which keeps the homeowners insurance down and we have very good volunteers.

Ms. Short complained about properties that are not in good shape, especially on Vosseller Avenue.

Property Maintenance Officer Joe Costa was introduced to Ms. Short at the meeting. As he walks sections of the town every day, he will look at those properties.

Committee reports

Finance: C. David Rosario

Council reported our new financial consultant is analyzing our budget working toward our 2018 budget within next 4 5 days;

Two bond ordinances for park roads and fire truck.

Public Works, Bldgs., Grounds & Utilities-C. Diana Manahan

Council reported street sweeping; 11 sewer jobs; brush pickup.

Full detailed report posted to the website.

Public Safety (Police & Fire)- C. Vinnie Petti

Council reported the April police activity report.

He will have last year's report for the Mayor soon.

No last year's report was given. Will get it to the mayor.

Personnel, Administration & Ordinances- C. Philip Fiadino

Council reported he was scheduled to have a personnel meeting which was postponed.

He plans before the end of year to meet with representatives to better work together and see how we can move forward in bringing the town alive.

January 1st he will present a report to the Mayor.

Economic Development- C. Anthony Pranzatelli

Council reported –

The former Ooh La La property, Developer Lou Reynolds. The sub-lease agreement for parking was approved by the town. New Jersey transit approval of sub-lease is not required.

Bound Brook Hotel- spoke with redevelopment attorney and awaiting on pilot application which will be sometime in August.

Talmage Commons- May 9th an extension was approved for 90 days.

Meridia self-storage- amendments to plan adopted on May 9th-designation extended 120 days.

New Jersey Transit - received one proposal which was from Meridia. The plan and score sheets will be graded by committee members and Transit will decide to accept.

T&M working on parking lot permitting improvements at Billian Park.

Union Avenue redevelopment- draft agreements are being prepared by redevelopment attorney for next week.

Zoning, Construction & Code Enforcement- C. Abel Gomez

Council reported monthly activity report.

As of April inspected more properties in last few years.

On track to be near our goal. We recently hired another inspector for the department.

Introduction of ordinances -First Reading –

Ordinance No. 2017-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XVII, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, SUBSECTION 17-1.2, SUBSECTION REVISIONS TO THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, 2015, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK.

Motion: Rosario Movant: I move that ordinance be approved on first reading,

advertised according to law, and a public hearing be held on June 13, 2017

Second: Gomez

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Unanimous –all yes vote

C. Vinnie Petti ___ C. Abel Gomez__ C. Philip Fiadino_____

C. David Rosario ___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli___

C. Diana Manahan___

Ordinance on Final Reading and Consideration- Second Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK AMENDING THE AMENDED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR REDEVELOPMENT AREA 1 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1ET SEQ.

Summary: Recommended amendments from the Planning Board to Redevelopment Zone 1, Sub-Area 1.3 were introduced and passed at the May 9, 2017 meeting

Motion to open public comment on amendments: Gomez

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Second: Pranzatelli

Public Comment: None

Motion to close public comment: Gomez Second:
Rosario

Motion: Pranzatelli Movant: I move that ordinance as amended be
approved on second reading

Second: Gomez

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

C. Vinnie Petti _abstain ___C. Abel Gomez_Y___C. Philip Fiadino__Y__

C. David Rosario _Y__ C. Anthony Pranzatelli__Y__

C. Diana Manahan__Y__

Mayor: Ordinance will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017:12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XVII,
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, SUBSECTION 17-1.2, SUBSECTION REVISIONS TO
THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, 2015, OF THE
REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK.

Motion to open public comment: Fiadino

Second: Rosario

Public Comment: None

Motion to close public comment: Fiadino

Second: Gomez

Motion: Gomez Movant: I move that ordinance be approved on second
reading

Second: Rosario

Discussion: None

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Roll Call: - Unanimous- All yes vote

C. Vinnie Petti ___ C. Abel Gomez ___ C. Philip Fiadino ___

C. David Rosario ___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli ___

C. Diana Manahan ___

Mayor: Ordinance will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017:13

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER VII, TRAFFIC, SECTION 7-40, REGULATION FOR THE MOVEMENT AND THE PARKING OF TRAFFIC ON MUNICIPAL PARK PROPERTY, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

Motion to open public comment: Rosario

Second: Gomez

Public Comment: None

Motion to close public comment: Gomez

Second: Rosario

Motion: Fiadino Movant: I move that ordinance be approved on second reading

Second: Gomez

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Unanimous- All yes vote

C. Vinnie Petti ___ C. Abel Gomez ___ C. Philip Fiadino ___

C. David Rosario ___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli ___

C. Diana Manahan ___

Mayor: Ordinance will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017:14

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER VII, TRAFFIC, SECTION 7-17, RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

Motion to open public comment: Rosario Second: Gomez

Public Comment: Mr. Herrera Administrator advised that the Parking commission concurred with the amendment.

Motion to close public comment: Rosario Second: Gomez

Motion: Rosario Movant: I move that ordinance be approved on second reading

Second: Fiadino Discussion: None

Roll Call: Unanimous- Approved

C. Vinnie Petti ___ C. Abel Gomez ___ C. Philip Fiadino ___

C. David Rosario ___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli ___

C. Diana Manahan ___

Mayor: Ordinance will be published according to law.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017:15

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XV, HOUSING, SECTION 15-6, LICENSED REGISTERED OPERATOR FEE, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

Motion to open public comment: Rosario Second: Petti

Public Comment: Resident asked for an explanation. Mayor provided a summary.

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Motion to close public comment: Fiadino Second: Rosario

Motion: Gomez Movant: I move that ordinance be approved on second reading

Second: Fiadino Discussion: C. Fiadino advised this is a needed ordinance.

Roll Call: Unanimous approved

C. Vinnie Petti ___ C. Abel Gomez ___ C. Philip Fiadino ___

C. David Rosario ___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli _____

C. Diana Manahan _____

Mayor: Ordinance will be published according to law.

BOND ORDINANCE NO. B2017-16

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE BALL FIELD AT ROCK MACHINE PARK IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$130,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$123,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

Motion to open public comment: Gomez Second: Rosario

Public Comment: Michele DeFazio- asked if the fields were going to be used for soccer. Mr. Herrera advised that once we receive the funding this will be discussed with the Recreation Commission.

Ron Fasanello- He asked if there was a recommendation to change the name of the park.

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Mayor Fazen advised there was at the last council meeting.

Motion to close public comment: Rosario Second: Fiadino

Motion: Gomez Movant: I move that ordinance be approved on second reading

Second: Fiadino Discussion: C. Fiadino agreed about changing the name. If it is turned into a soccer field, have the kids decide on a name.

Roll Call: Unanimous approved

C. Vinnie Petti ___ C. Abel Gomez ___ C. Philip Fiadino ___

C. David Rosario ___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli _____

C. Diana Manahan _____

Mayor: Ordinance will be published according to law.

BOND ORDINANCE NO 2017-17

PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$1,562,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,158,250 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

Motion to open public comment: Rosario Second: Pranzatelli

Public Comment: Ms. Short asked what it provides for. Mayor Fazen advised improvements to Central Avenue, East Maple, VanKeuren and a Fire Truck

Motion to close public comment: Pranzatelli Second: Petti

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Motion: Rosario Movant: I move that ordinance be approved on second reading

Second: Gomez Discussion: None

Roll Call: Unanimous approved

C. Vinnie Petti ___ C. Abel Gomez___ Philip Fiadino_____

C. David Rosario ___C. Anthony Pranzatelli__ C. Diana Manahan_____

Mayor: Ordinance will be published according to law.

Resolutions for final reading and final consideration:

R2017: 92

Approve agreement with Brown & Brown Metro Inc. for professional risk management consulting services for the year 2017

Motion: Gomez Second: Fiadino All in favor: Aye

R2017:93

Authorize lien against real property located at 559 Mountain Avenue

Motion: Gomez Second: Petti All in favor: Aye

R2017:94

Authorize Chief Financial Officer to reclassify payment to Middlesex County Utility Authority

Motion: Gomez Second: Pranzatelli All in favor: Aye

R2017:95

Approve Chapter 159 Special Item of Revenue Sustainable New Jersey Small Grant Program

Motion: Gomez Second: Rosario All in favor: Aye

R2017:96

Approve summer hours beginning May 30th ending September 5th 2017

Motion: Petti Second: Rosario All in favor: Aye

R2017:97

Approve the hire of Timothy J. Stasyshyn as Police Officer for the Bound Brook Police Department

Motion: Petti Second: Rosario Discussion: C. Gomez inquired about the council interviewing police officers. Mr. Herrera stated that the council can look at this moving forward. Police Chief Bet offered that including council in the interview process is positive. All in favor: Aye

Unfinished Business- None

New Business

C. Pranzatelli addressed the Special Improvement District is asking for the same contribution from the borough to help with the flowers on Main Street. Attorney Verrone stated that a particular vendor was named and supporting documentation.

C. Pranzatelli advised he would prepare.

For Approval:

Special Event Permit Application

Bound Brook Fire Department

Event: Carnival

Location: Billian Legion Park

Date: June 27 – July 1- Rain Date-July 2

Times: June 27-June 28- 6 p.m. – 10 p.m.

 June 29-June 30- 6 p.m. – 11 p.m.

 July 1- 3 p.m.- 11 p.m.

 July 2- 3 p.m.- 9 p.m.

Motion: Fiadino Second: Petti All in favor: Aye

Bound Brook Revitalization Partnership

Event: Car Cruise Night

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Location: NJ Transit Parking Lot Main Street across from Dunkin Donuts

Date: Thursdays May 18 – September 24 2017

No Rain Date

Time: 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Motion: Gomez Second: Manahan All in favor: Aye

C. Fiadino advised there was very little publicity put out on this. Someone From the SID has to get the word out.

C. Pranzatelli advised that there will be a newsletter going out shortly that will have all the events.

Event: Hot Rods & Harleys Show

Location: Hamilton/Main Street from the rotary circle to John Street

Date: June 17, 2017

Rain Date: June 24, 2017

Time: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Motion: Petti Second: Fiadino

Discussion: C. Fiadino asked how as a town we can make this more family friendly. It was recommended to have more areas for children and family. C. Rosario noted there are rumors around. He asked if there have there been any issues at this event in past few years. Police Chief advised there were not. C. Gomez advised we do call for post mortem meetings after events to see what we did right and wrong.

C. Fiadino would like to see more Bound Brook Families attracted to these events.

All in favor: Aye Pranzatelli-Recuse

Event: Farmers Market

Location: Main Street/Hamilton Street

Date: Thursday June 29-Septemer 14 2017

No Rain Date

Time: 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Motion: Gomez Second: Rosario

Discussion: C. Fiadino asked how we are going to bring more people downtown. C. Gomez advised with the change, we will see how it works out this year.

All in favor: Aye

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Approval of Vouchers

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Motion: Gomez Second: Rosario All in favor: Aye

Open meeting to the public for comments –

Michele DeFazio-603 Church Street

She asked if the larger property maintenance report was due to the application on the website for reporting.

C. Gomez advised there has been some use.

Michele asked if there was a data base where she could look to view complaints.

Mayor Fazen advised there was no public.

Administration is able to view internally.

She asked for an explanation of Ordinance No. 2017-18 that was introduced.

C. Gomez gave a summary.

Michele asked for an explanation on the resolution placing a lien on a property.

C. Gomez gave a summary.

R2017: 99- No session

Authorize executive session

Adjournment @ 8:35 p.m.

Motion moved by C. Petti; second by C. Rosario

All in favor: Aye

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk