



**BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA, 2022
APRIL 12, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law in that the requirements of the law have been met with the posting of the meeting notice on the Municipal Bulletin Board, filed with the Borough Clerk and forwarded to The Courier News and The Star Ledger.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING PRAYER

ROLL CALL

- Mayor Robert Fazen
- Council President Jake Hardin
- C. Richard Jannuzzi
- C. Abel Gomez
- C. Vinnie Petti
- C. Anthony Pranzatelli
- C. Dominic Longo

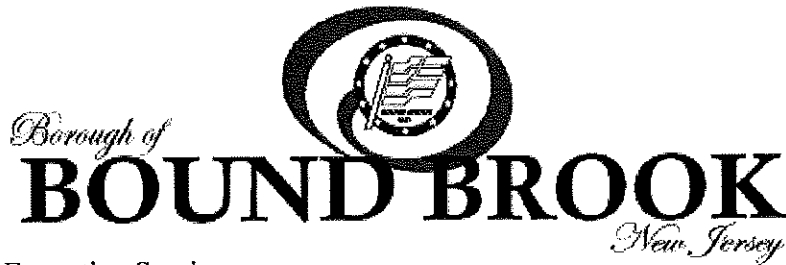
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 22, 2022 Regular Meeting

Motion: Second:

Roll Call:

- C. Jake Hardin ___ C. Richard Jannuzzi ___ C. Abel Gomez ___
- C. Vinnie Petti ___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli ___ C. Dominic Longo ___



March 22, 2022 Executive Session

Motion: Second:

Roll Call:

C. Jake Hardin___ C. Richard Jannuzzi___ C. Abel Gomez___

C. Vinnie Petti___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli___ C. Dominic Longo___

ADVERTISED HEARING OR SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Oath of Office- Officer Denis Sabal

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, ETC.

Arbor Day Proclamation

GREETINGS FOR COMMENTS AND INVITATIONS FOR DISCUSSION

OPENING OF BIDS

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

Ordinance 2022-08 An Ordinance Granting Consent and Permission to New Jersey American Water, Inc. to Furnish Wastewater Conveyance Services in the Borough of Bound Brook, New Jersey

ORDINANCE ON FINAL READING AND CONSIDERATION- SECOND READING

Ordinance 2022-07 Bond Ordinance Providing for Various Capital Improvements in and by the Borough of Bound Brook, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, Appropriating \$2,333,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,216,350 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof

Motion to open public comment: Second:

Public Comment:

Motion to close public comment: Second:

Motion: Movant: I move the ordinance be passed on second reading and advertised according to law.

Second:

Discussion:



Roll Call:

C. Jake Hardin____ C. Richard Jannuzzi____ C. Abel Gomez____
C. Vinnie Petti____ C. Anthony Pranzatelli____ C. Dominic Longo____

INTRODUCTION/DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTIONS

The resolutions listed below were submitted to the Governing Body for review and will be adopted by one motion.

If separate discussion is desired, the resolution may be removed by council action.

Motion: Second: Discussion:

Roll Call:

C. Jake Hardin____ C. Richard Jannuzzi____ C. Abel Gomez____
C. Vinnie Petti____ C. Anthony Pranzatelli____ C. Dominic Longo____

- 2022-079 Resolution Authorizing a Change Order No. 2 to the 2021 Professional Services Contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP for Municipal and Labor Attorney Services

- 2022-080 Resolution Requesting Approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to Establish a Dedicated Trust by Rider for UCC Code Penalty Monies Collected by the Building Department

- 2022-081 Resolution Approving a License Agreement with Meridia 1 Urban Renewal, Bound Brook, LLC K/N/A Meridia Bound Brook 1 Urban Renewal, LLC and Meridia 300 Urban Renewal, Bound Brook, LLC K/N/A Meridia Bound Brook 300, Urban Renewal, LLC for the NJ Transit Parking Lot Located in the Downtown Redevelopment Area

- 2022-082 Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1- Reivax Construction for 2020 Road Program in the Amount of \$11,662.59

- 2022-083 Resolution Authorizing an Increase to the Bid Threshold for the Qualified Purchasing Agent Pursuant N.J.S.A 40:11-3

- 2022-084 Resolution Accepting the Resignation of Officer Keith Kilgore

- 2022-085 Resolution Accepting the Resignation of Officer Monica Jimenez



UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

2022-086 Resolution Approving Vouchers in the Amount of \$ 3,171,582.14

Motion: Second:

Roll Call:

C. Jake Hardin___ C. Richard Jannuzzi___ C. Abel Gomez___
C. Vinnie Petti___ C. Anthony Pranzatelli___ C. Dominic Longo___

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENT

AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Second: All in favor:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bound Brook, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, held via Go To Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on March 22, 2022.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Robert P. Fazen with a reading of the Open Public Meetings Law Statement following by the Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer given by Council President Jake Hardin.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following were recorded present:

Mayor Robert Fazen
Councilman President Jake Hardin
Councilman Richard Jannuzzi
Councilman Abel Gomez
Councilman Vinnie Petti
Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli
Councilman Dominic Longo

Also in attendance:

Borough Administrator, Hector Herrera
Borough Clerk/ Assistant Administrator, Jasmine D. Mathis
Borough Attorney, Ryan Scerbo, Esq.

AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE SESSION

2022-068 Resolution Authorizing Executive Session- Selection of a New Chief of Police of the Bound Brook Police Department

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Vinnie Petti, the Mayor and Council went into executive session.

RESOLUTIONS

2022-069 Resolution Appointing Richard Colombaroni as the New Chief of Police of the Bound Brook Police Department

Upon a motion by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, seconded by Councilman Abel Gomez, Resolution 2022-069 was approved upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Abel Gomez, Anthony Pranzatelli
Nay: Richard Jannuzzi
Abstain: Vinnie Petti
Recused: Dominic Longo

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, the minutes of March 8, 2022 were approved upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Petti, Anthony Pranzatelli, Dominic Longo
 Nay: None
 Abstain: Richard Jannuzzi

ADVERTISED HEARING OR SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Mayor Fazen stated there is a new strain of covid-19 and masks are voluntary within State and County buildings.

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, ETC.

There were no communications or petitions presented.

GREETINGS FOR COMMENTS AND INVITATIONS FOR DISCUSSION

Linda Brnicevic, 20 Talmage, commented on the Chief of Police promotion process.

OPENING OF BIDS

There no bids submitted.

ENGINEER'S REPORT- DALE LEUBNER, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Leubner, Superintendent of Public Works provided an update on the landfill closure at Bilian Legion Park

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair of Finance, Councilman Dominic Longo, stated the 2022 Municipal Budget is on the agenda for introduction with a 0.845 tax rate and the 2022 sewer bills are being prepared. Councilman Longo announced the Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Codrington Park on April 10, 2022 and the opening day for baseball is April 23, 2022.

Chair of Pubic Works, Buildings and Grounds, Councilman Vinnie Petti reviewed the totals for garbage collection and metal pick up. Total man hours were given for sewer back-ups, pothole repairs and tree trimming.

Chair of Public Safety (Police & Fire), Councilman Abel Gomez, stated a New Chief of Police was selected and sergeant promotions are forthcoming. Air packs for the Fire Department have been ordered. The Board of Education's budget was presented with a 22 percent increase from the State.

Chair of Personnel, Administration and Ordinances, Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, commented on the hire of a new Chief of Police and reviewed the selection process and the committee members. Councilman Pranzatelli stated the Police Department has advertised for the hire of new patrol officers. Councilman Pranzatelli advised no there isn't a report for the Arts Council because a meeting wasn't held.

Chair of Economic Development, Councilman Jake Hardin, stated the Mohring Development received their TCO, the Revo and Vibe will continue through the summer, the Hamilton Street Development has asbestos removal for the existing property.

Chair of Zoning, Construction & Code Enforcement, Councilman Richard Jannuzzi, reviewed February's revenue and further advised three major development projects will begin this year. Councilman Jannuzzi provided the total number of permits and notice of violations issued from the department.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

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Upon a motion by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, seconded by Councilman Jake Hardin, Ordinance 2022-07 was approved on first reading upon a roll call vote. The public hearing was scheduled on April 12, 2022.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Richard Jannuzzi, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Petti

Anthony Pranzatelli,

Nay: None

Recused: Dominic Longo

ORDINANCE ON FINAL READING AND CONSIDERATION- SECOND READING

Ordinance 2022-01 An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Bound Brook, in the County of Somerset, Chapter XXI- Land Use, to Regulate the Location of Certain Cannabis Establishments within Certain Zoning Districts within the Municipality

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, comments were opened to the public for Ordinance 2022-01. There were no comments from the public. Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, comments were closed to the public. Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Jake Hardin Ordinance 2022-01 was approved upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Abel Gomez, Anthony Pranzatelli, Dominic Longo

Nay: Richard Jannuzzi, Vinnie Petti

Absent: None

Ordinance 2022-05 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank for Calendar Year 2022

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, comments were opened to the public. There were no comments from the public. Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, comments were closed to the public. Upon a motion by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, seconded by Councilman Abel Gomez, Ordinance 2022-05 was approved on second reading upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Richard Jannuzzi, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Petti, Anthony Pranzatelli, Dominic Longo

Nay: None

Absent: None

Ordinance 2022-06 An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 7, Section 37, Loading Zones in the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Bound Brook to Create an Additional Loading Zone on Hamilton Street

Upon a motion by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, seconded by Councilman Jake Hardin, comments were opened to the public. Linda Brnicevic, 20 Talmage Avenue, asked where the loading zone is located. She was advised the location is on the western side of Hamilton Street. Upon a motion by Councilman Jake Hardin, seconded by Dominic Longo, comments were closed to the public. Upon a motion by Councilman Jake Hardin, seconded by Councilman Dominic Longo, Ordinance 2022-06 was approved on second reading upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Vinnie Petti, Anthony Pranzatelli, Dominic Longo

Nay: Richard Jannuzzi

Abstain: Abel Gomez

Absent: None

INTRODUCTION/DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTIONS

2022-070 Resolution Introducing the 2022 Municipal Budget

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Dominic Longo, Resolution 2022-070 was approved on first reading upon a roll call vote.

Adopted Minutes March 22, 2022

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Richard Jannuzzi, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Petti, Anthony Pranzatelli, Dominic Longo

Nay: None

Absent: None

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, Resolutions 2022-071 through 2022-072, 2022-074 through 2022-075, and 2022-077 were unanimously approved upon a roll call vote. A separate vote was held for Resolutions 2022-073 and 2022-076.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Richard Jannuzzi, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Petti, Anthony Pranzatelli, Dominic Longo

Nay: None

Absent: None

2022-071 Resolution of the Governing Body Authorizing and Approving the Execution of the New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act Grant Agreement

2022-072 Resolution Appointing Erik Mickelson as Fire Marshal for the 2022 Calendar Year

2022-073 Resolution Accepting Funds for the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety 2021 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program and Authorizing Participation in the Grant Program

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, Resolution 2022-073 was approved upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Richard Jannuzzi, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Petti, Anthony Pranzatelli

Nay: None

Recused: Dominic Longo

2022-074 Resolution Memorializing Confirmation of Acceptance of Jose Nieves's New Jersey State Firemen's Association Application for Membership to the Bound Brook Fire Department

2022-075 Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bound Brook Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Affordable Housing Administrative Services

2022-076 Resolution Authorizing the Hire of Denis Sabal as a Patrol Officer for the Bound Brook Police Department

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli, Resolution 2022-076 was approved upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Richard Jannuzzi, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Petti,
Anthony Pranzatelli

Nay: None

Recused: Dominic Longo

2022-077 Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of Capital Bond Ordinances in the Amount of \$625,568.48

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Hector Herrera, Borough Administrator, announced the Battle of Bound Brook and Battle of Brews Walking Tour on April 9, 2022.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

2022-078 Resolution Approving Vouchers in the Amount of \$7,092,182.49

Upon a motion by Councilman Abel Gomez, seconded by Councilman Dominic Longo, Resolution 2022-078 was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Roll Call: Aye: Jake Hardin, Richard Jannuzzi, Abel Gomez, Vinnie Petti, Anthony Pranzatelli, Dominic Longo

Nay: None

Absent: None

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Jasmine D. Mathis
Borough Clerk