

MARCH 2, 2021

PAULSBORO. N.J.

6:00 P.M.

REGULAR TELECONFERENCE MEETING

Council Chamber:

Council President Giovannitti presided at the Regular Teleconference Meeting of Council held on the above date, place and by going to Zoom at <https://zoom.us>, enter Meeting ID: 860 3874 0610 and the passcode: 751776 to enter the meeting or at the following link:

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Due to the public health emergency caused by the Coronavirus (COVID-19), and the subsequent issuance of the Governor's Executive Order 107, the Borough of Paulsboro, effective April 7, 2020 and until further notice, will conduct all future meetings remotely and by electronic means without providing a physical meeting place. The Borough Hall will not be open to the public for this meeting. The electronic public meeting is being held in lieu of an in-person public meeting due to the state of emergency arising from the

current situation involving the COVID-19 virus and to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the public.

Council President Giovannitti called the Regular Teleconference Meeting to order.

Council President Giovannitti read the opening statement regarding the Open Public Meetings Act. Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.A.C. 5:39-1.1-1.7 and P.L. 2020, C. 34, adequate notice of this Regular Teleconference Meeting, as required by said Act, has been provided by contacting each Council Member, posting the scheduled meeting on the Municipal Bulletin Board and doors, and on the Borough's website, emailed and faxed to the South Jersey Times and the Courier Post and filed with the Borough Clerk on January 5, 2021.

Members present were: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Absent: Mayor Stevenson (issues with Zoom) and Councilman Kidd.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Teleconference Regular Meeting – February 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Teleconference Special Meeting – February 17, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

Summary of reports and copies of minutes of meetings.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to receive, file and approve the above minutes and reports. All were in favor of the motion.

COMMUNICATION – CORRESPONDENCE:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee: Councilman Giampola, Chairman:

Councilman Giampola stated the Finance Committee is making progress on the Budget.

Public Works Committee: Councilman Haynes, Chairman:

Councilman Haynes discussed the railroad crossing project and the Billingsport Water Main Project. The project is working on 5th street and is progressing.

Councilman Haynes reported the Trash and Recycling Guide will be upgraded and adjustments made. The Committee had a meeting with the owner of the Company and he hoped everything has been straightened out.

Construction and Licensing Committee: Council President Giovannitti, Chairman:

Council President Giovannitti stated they are reviewing the Ordinances to be updated.

Public Property Committee: Councilman Holloway, II, Chairman:

Councilman Holloway stated there will be a meeting regarding the current Municipal Building and he asked everyone to reach out to Administrator Jacobucci regarding the Community Gardens project.

Public Safety Committee: Councilman DiTonno, Chairman:

Councilman DiTonno asked everyone who sees any problem to report it.

Council President Giovannitti stated any issues can also be reported on the Borough's website.

ORDINANCES ON INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING:

O. #03.21: CALENDAR YEAR 2020: ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14). Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt O. #03.21 on introduction and first reading and schedule the second reading and public hearing on April 6, 2021. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

RESOLUTIONS/TRANSFERS – BILLS:

R. #65.21: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS OUT OF THE 2020 TEMPORARY BUDGET.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to pay all bills properly signed and adopt R. #65.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. **Motion carried.**

RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT AGENDA:

R. #66.21: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAXES PAID BY MORTGAGE COMPANY, BE REFUNDED TO THE HOMEOWNER. (This Resolution authorizes a refund of 3rd quarter taxes in the amount of \$1,187.48 to the homeowner due to exemption.)

R. #67.21: RESOLUTION ENTERING INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER AND THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO TO PROVIDE FAMILY MOVIE ENTERTAINMENT. (This Resolution authorizes a shared service for the rental of the feature movie for the Borough to host a family-oriented movie night on Friday, August 20, 2021 with a rain date of Saturday, August 27, 2021 at Fort Billings Park through the County of Gloucester.)

R. #68.21: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR STATE FY 2020 LIBRARY AID. (This Resolution is the application for State Library Aid for the Gill Memorial Library for 2020.)

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt R. #66.21, R. #67.21 and R. #68.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Raffles/Permits/Firemen's Association Membership Applications:

Received Application to amend the Raffle License #RA-672 from PTA Guardian Angels School on January 27, 2021 which was cancelled due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and rescheduled to April 19, 2021. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to receive, file the application and approve the amendment. All were in favor of the motion.

Received Raffle Application for Carmel S. Morina Lodge #2580 for an Off Premise Merchandise Raffle on five (5) various dates. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to receive, file the application and approve the raffle license. All were in favor except Councilmen Giampola and DiTonno abstained.

RESOLUTIONS NOT ON CONSENT:

R. #69.21 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT TO GOLD MEDAL ENVIRONMENTAL FOR THE COLLECTION OF TRASH AND RECYCLABLES IN THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO FOR A ONE YEAR (APRIL 1, 2021 THROUGH MARCH 31,

2022). (This Resolution provides for the first one-year extension to the contract with Gold Metal Environmental for the solid waste and recyclable materials collection until March 31, 2022.) Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt R. #69.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:

O. #01.21: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 61, “SEWERS” AND CHAPTER 78, “WATER” OF THE BOROUGH CODE REGARDING WATER AND SEWER RATES. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to open the floor to the public in regards to this Ordinance. All were in favor of the motion.

There wasn't any public participation.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to close the floor to the public and adopt O. #01.21 on second and final reading. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

O. #02.21: ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE TO REVISE CHAPTER 68 GOVERNING “STORMWATER CONTROL”. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to open the floor to the public in regards to this Ordinance. All were in favor of the motion.

There wasn't any public participation.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to close the floor to the public and adopt O. #02.21 on second and final reading. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Administrator's Report:

Administrator Jacobucci stated she will need Council to adopt two (2) Resolutions for Bond Counsel to apply to the New Jersey Local Finance Board and authorize the issuance of \$3,000,000 in Bonds for the Thomson Avenue Project.

R. #73.21: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY LOCAL FINANCE BOARD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:2-26.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt R. #73.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #74.21: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF UP TO \$3,000,000 OF BONDS OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO CONSISTING OF THE BOROUGH'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2021B; THE BOROUGH'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2021C; THE BOROUGH'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2021D AND THE BOROUGH'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2021E; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE LOAN AGREEMENTS TO BE EXECUTED BY THE BOROUGH AND EACH OF THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN ESCROW AGREEMENT, ALL PURSUANT TO THE 2021 NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK FINANCING PROGRAM; AND DETERMINING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt R. #73.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Administrator Jacobucci discussed the contract proposals from Triad Associates and Sickels & Associates to prepare and submit the grant applications to USEDA and USDA-RD Water and Waste Disposal Grant/Loan Program for the Paulsboro Water Treatment Plant Expansion Project. She recommended Council to adopt the Resolution but before it proceeds, a meeting will be scheduled with the Public Works Committee to discuss the funding for this project and a not to exceed amount. The meeting will be held with Triad, Sickels & Associates and the Committee. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to accept Administrator Jacobucci's recommendation. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #70.21: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPROVING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS FOR USEDA AND USDA WATER AND WASTE GRANT FUNDING IMPLEMENTATION FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLAN EXPANSION PROJECT. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt R. #70.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Engineer's Report:

Borough Engineer Biermann discussed the proposal for Professional Services for the NJDOT Local Freight Impact Fund Program, North Delaware Street, Clonmell Road. This project is a shared project with Greenwich Township. The total cost of the project is \$1,000,000 of which Paulsboro's cost is \$667,000 and Greenwich's cost is \$367,000. The out-of-pocket share is \$190,000 for Paulsboro and \$104,000 is Greenwich's.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to table this matter until there is funding for this project and a meeting is held with the Engineer, Greenwich Township (to make sure they have the funding for this project) and the Public Works Committee. All were in favor of the motion to table this matter.

Councilman Giampola questioned if the Borough could request a six (6) month extension on this project.

Borough Engineer Biermann stated he is not sure NJDOT will extend this project and he is inclined to say they will not. The Borough will have to design the project, put bids out, receive bids and award the bid by the 1st meeting in July.

Letter from Erik K. Biermann, Sickels & Associates, regarding Maintenance Bond Release for the Rebid of the 2017 Roadway Improvement Program to Ricky Slade Construction, Inc. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to receive and file the letter. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #71.21: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE MAINTENANCE BOND PROVIDED BY RICKY SLADE CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE REBID OF THE 2017 ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROPROGRAM IN THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt R. #71.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Letter from Stephen Cosaboon, Sickels & Associates, regarding release of the Subdivision Bond for the safety & stabilization guarantee posted by Sunoco Partners Marketing & Terminals, L.P. for PBF Logistics Terminal – 13481 Ferry Road – Block 50 Lot 11. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to receive and file the letter. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #72.21: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE SUBDIVISION/SAFETY & STABILIZATION BOND PROVIDED BY SUNOCO PARTNERS MARKETING & TERMINALS, L.P. ON BEHALF OF PBF LOGISTICS PRODUCTS TERMINALS, LLC. FOR 13481 FERRY ROAD, BLOCK 50 LOT 11 IN THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to adopt R. #71.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Police Chief's Report:

Chief Kille requested to hire an Officer and recommended the appointment of Ryan Sheehan effective March 15, 2021.

R. #75.21: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO TO EMPLOY RYAN SHEEHAN AS A PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt R. #75.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Chief Kille stated there will be two (2) Officers that will be attending the Police Academy full time and they started yesterday.

Councilman Holloway asked if anyone could apply to the Academy or is there a process.

Chief Kille stated the precedent has been to hire already trained officers but the answer is yes and this will be going out in the summer.

Councilman Holloway also questioned if some sort of seminar or forum could be held to inform of the process to become a Police Officer.

Chief Kille stated it wasn't a bad idea. He will contact Councilman DiTonno to hold something. His door is always open and he is here Monday through Friday and he is also available by phone. He will talk more regarding Councilman Holloway's suggestion.

Memo from Chief Gary Kille regarding resignation of SLEO I Zamira Worlds.

Memo from Chief Gary Kille regarding Retirement of Sergeant Christopher Gilcrest.

Memo from Chief Gary Kille regarding resignation of Ptl. Paul Nguyen.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to receive and file the memos. All were in favor of the motion.

Councilman Giampola wished Sgt. Gilcrest well and asked Council to present something to Sgt. Gilcrest for his 25 years of service.

Council President Giovannitti also requested something for Officer Minniti (who retired) for his service as well.

Council President Giovannitti recognized the Public Works Department for their great job plowing the streets and they are doing the best they can.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to open the floor to the public at 6:43 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

Council President Giovannitti opened the floor to the public and asked anyone speaking to give their name, address and reminded everyone there was a five (5) minute time limit.

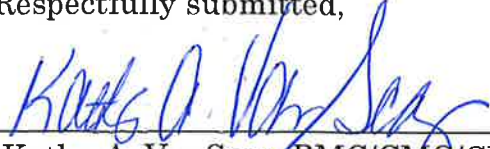
There wasn't any public participation.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to close the floor to the public at 6:44 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

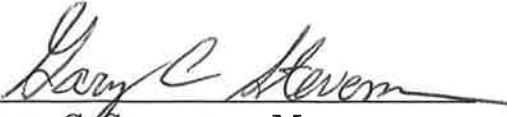
Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

This is a summary of the Teleconference Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Paulsboro held on March 2, 2021 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy A. VanScoy, RMC/CMC/CMR
Borough Clerk



Gary C. Stevenson, Mayor

