

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING      BARNEGAT LIGHT      JANUARY 14, 2015**

**THE CAUCUS MEETING** of the Mayor and Council was called to order by Mayor Larson at 4:30pm at the Borough Hall, on East 7th Street. He stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act by posting a copy of the notice of this meeting on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall on January 5, 2015 and by mailing a copy of the notice to the Beach Haven Times and Asbury Park Press, newspapers designated by Mayor and Council on January 5, 2015, to receive such notice, and by filing a copy of the notice with the Borough Clerk on January 5, 2015.

**ROLL CALL: SPARK, WELLINGTON, MIKULETZKY, REYNOLDS, WARR SHARPLESS WAS ABSENT. ALSO PRESENT: MAYOR LARSON, KATHY GUERRERA, DEPUTY CLERK, AND PAULA BASTIAN, ASSISTANT TREASURER**

Mayor Larson asked if anyone had anything for caucus. He said Ernie Panacek was here on behalf of the Barnegat Light Tourism Coalition. He said his son-in-law sent a letter and they are trying to get money together to wrap a bus. They are trying to get the Borough to donate \$5,000 to same. They would like to know what to do. It is good for business. Mayor did not think it is going to be a big beach badge issue. The businesses sure do put up a lot of money in taxation and they pay for their own garbage pickup. Would \$5000 help them out a little bit? Mayor said he wanted to talk about this know so we are not talking about it for a whole 2 hours when we have our budget meeting. Frank said do we want to do it or not. Ernie said he did not have a deadline for the wrap requirement - maybe March 1. Dottie asked if we have any feel as to how our budget is going like keeping under the 2%. Ed said he did not think Kat had any more information than she had last time. George said he spoke with her Monday and she had no further info at this time. She will be here later this evening for the regular meeting. Ed Wellington said the Coalition has raised he thinks \$9000 from the local businesses. It is \$14,000 to wrap the bus. Ernie said the theme of the bus is to promote the area of Barnegat Light. All its features, all its advantages. He said they will list all the sponsors in a small section of the wrap. It will probably be on the back door. Dottie asked again if they had collected all they were going to collect. He said they know the town has supported the \$10,000 for the bus on line. Mike asked what future fees for the wrap would be. Ernie said he hopes to think it would be a lesser fee. Dottie said from the letter it is \$12,000 for the second year. Mayor asked if every business in town said yes or no. Ernie said they have many businesses that have to get signed on to the Barnegat Light Coalition yet. Frank asked if they have other businesses coming on. Barnegat Light Day is July 13<sup>th</sup>. Between now and then they hope to get even more businesses involved. It is an ongoing process. We are a new group - like a year old or so. Mayor said the Blessing of the Fleet is August 9<sup>th</sup>. Last year the long liners missed it do to the hurricane. Mayor said we may not be able to do it. Ernie said they would take whatever they can get. The \$10,000 was a good thing. People really like that. The advertising part is something we have to talk about. George said we have to look at the budget. George said we are in the middle of putting our budget together. When we get it together we have to start working backwards a little bit. Chopping and eliminating. Until we reach that point we can't promise a thing. Mike said we can't make a blanket promise right now. He asked if there was anything else. Discussion of the Riparian Grant/Loveladies could be open or closed session according to Terry F. Brady, Esq. Mayor asked Ed to bring us up to speed on what he knows. Frank Little has provided us with a tax map and Gail found the deed that deeded said grant o Barnegat Light. The bottom line is the deed gives the location of where this riparian grant is and a small piece of the grant I actually in LBT. We are talking about the Barnegat Light side of Holly Avenue between Bayview Avenue and the Bay. There are 4 houses on Holly on the north side that's bulk headed. We are talking about waters or land just directly north of that. The deed comes from a family that owned same in 1976. It was deeded to us in trust so that it remains natural forever. The conditions of the deed say no pilings, no docks, nothing be put on that water. He said if we were to do something with it the grant would go back to the grantors or their heirs. Ed of story said George Warr. As a matter of interest he did some research on the grantors (Fessman)

they are both deceased. There are at least 7 heirs in the Manahawkin area. Ed said it seems to him that we just shouldn't do it. We are opening up a can of worms. Dottie said she got feedback from some people who weren't sure they liked the idea of just giving this away. Mike said we weren't giving it away. Mayor said we should wash our hands of this. Terry said this is truly an issue that is left in the wisdom of the council members. However he said he hasn't seen the deed and he doesn't know if there has been another deed. He has a copy of the deed to Fessman and it doesn't say anything like that. Mike thought they could build their docks staying within the limits of the Township. Mayor asked Terry to send a letter to Shackleton. A 5 minute recess was taken.

**THE MEETING** of the Mayor and Council was called to order by Mayor Larson, at 5:00pm at the Borough Hall, on East 7th Street. He stated that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act by transmitting notice of same to the Beach Haven Times and the Atlantic City Press on January 5, 2015 and by posting a copy of the notice of this meeting on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall on January 5, 2015 Said news papers were designated by Mayor and Council on January 5, 2015, to receive such notice, and by filing a copy of the notice with the Borough Clerk on January 5, 2015.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL: SPARK, WELLINGTON, MIKULETZKY, REYNOLDS, WARR**  
**ALSO PRESENT: MAYOR LARSON, TERRY F. BRADY, KATHY GUERRERO,**  
**KAT FLANAGAN, CFO AND PAULA BASTAIN, ASST TREASURER**  
**SCOTT SHARPLESS WAS ABSENT.**

**THE MAYOR** asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2014 regular meeting. On a motion by Wellington, seconded by Reynolds the minutes were approved.

**MOTION: WELLINGTON**

**SECOND: REYNOLDS**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, MIKULETZKY, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, WARR**  
**NAYS: NONE ABSTAIN: NONE ABSENT: SHARPLESS**

**THE MAYOR** asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2014 Special Meeting. On a motion by Mikuletzky, seconded by Wellington the minutes were approved.

**MOTION: MIKULETZKY**

**SECOND: WELLINGTON**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY**  
**NAYS: NONE ABSENT: SHARPLESS ABSTAIN: WARR**

**THE MAYOR** asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2015 Organization Meeting. On a motion by Wellington, seconded by Spark the minutes were approved.

**MOTION: WELLINGTON**

**SECOND: SPARK**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY**  
**NAYS: NONE ABSTAIN: WARR ABSENT: SHARPLESS**

It was discovered at this point in the meeting Mr. Warr had not been sworn in. Mayor said let's do the committee reports while we are waiting for Kathy Guerrero to go to Gail's office and find an oath. Mayor Larson said lets go on to committee reports while she looks.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** On a motion by Reynolds, seconded by Spark and carried by all the report was approved.

**MOTION: REYNOLDS**

**SECOND: SPARK**

**AYES: SPARK, MIKULETZKY, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, WARR**  
**NAYS: NONE ABSENT: SHARPLESS ABSTAIN: NONE**

**BUILDING AND ZONING REPORT:**

**The Mayor** asked for a motion to approve the reports. Wellington so moved, seconded by Reynolds.

**MOTION: WELLINGTON**

**SECOND: REYNOLDS**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, MIKULETZKY, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, WARR**

**NAYS: NONE ABSENT: SHARPLESS ABSTAIN: NONE**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**WATER/SEWER: Michael Spark** said he just wants to make the water/sewer report a part of the minutes for the month and he asked Mr. Sulecki if he could attribute the 10% decrease in the water usage from this year to last year. Any idea? Ed said all our meters were recalibrated. We saved, Township saved! Last time we went bills out we included a pamphlet on how to save water. Mike said it is like a whole summer month worth of water.

**PUBLIC SAFETY: Frank Mikuletzky** asked to make the Court Report a part of the minutes. We did get over \$1000 this month. Quite a bit of activity with the court. He got an end of year report from the police department. There were 3,277 documented Barnegat Light calls in 2014. 1612 property checks of that total amount. 77 beach patrol. Police escort 177. DUI arrest 3. 27 Fire calls, 101 First Aide Calls to name a few. 49 local ordinance violations. Car accidents 10. Alarms 76. Traffic stops 532. Warrant arrest 10. That is synopsis. People should register for Nexel on the police web site. There is a drop off box for Rx medicines at the police station. No questions asked.

**DOCKS AND HARBORS: Ed Wellington** said we still have about 8 slips available for rent. A bit more than this time last year. People are a little bit slower signing up. Kathy Guererro explained how she calls people regarding the slips. We put it up on the web site, the sign board, the post office.

**BEACHES AND PARKS: Dottie Reynolds** said we have our final numbers for 2014. Almost 232 thousand dollars worth of badges. This was almost 30 thousand over our anticipated. However it was less than 2013. Which was less than 2012. Our sales are going down but really not enough to affect the budget. The YMCA requested beach badges for the 2 times they come to Barnegat Light in the summer. and we will give them to them.

**PUBLIC WORKS: Scott Sharpless** was absent. Mike said to enter the Public Works report as part of the minutes.

**FINANCE: George Warr** said we sent a lot of money paying bills this month. The County taxes 1,035,000 and the regional school tax 195,000 and local school tax 111,000.00 Out of 1 million 5, \$245,000 for Barnegat Light expenses.

After the Committee reports Mr. Warr was sworn in by Terry Brady.

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:**

On a motion by Reynolds, seconded by Spark and carried by all the public session was opened. Ernie said as a follow up to the letter on the Barnegat Light Tourism Coalition we are requesting for the advertising wrap on the bus they are requesting \$5000 to help support the wrapping of the bus to promote the advertising in Barnegat Light. To have people visit us. It needs to be discussed in your budget meeting. They will get as many members as they can to attend the budget meeting to discuss it further at that point. Kat said as long as it can fit in the budget and council agrees. We are not able to make a donation to your organization. You can send us an invoice. You need supporting documentation including the original. Mike asked if Ernie could word it not to exceed \$5,000 in case you raise more. Kat said we would pay the Township. Vince Roth asked what is going to be on the wrap. Advertisements for the businesses. Ernie said the general theme of the wrap is to promote Barnegat Light. The Lighthouse, the beaches, history in general. The back of the bus will list the sponsors. It is not individual ads. It is a 2 year commitment. Mayor said we are looking to help out the merchants. Dick Feehan said he made a suggestion last time that we be looking to the county for help. It is the responsibility of the Township. Not us was noted by Mike Spark. There

being no further comment, on a motion by Warr, seconded by Wellington and carried by all the public session was closed.

**ORDINANCES :**

**SECOND READING :**

**ORDINANCE 2014-008**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 76-14 OF THE BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED "FEE SCHEDULE," FOR PLUMBING, FIRE & ELECTRICAL SUBCODE FEES.**

**The Deputy Clerk** read the above by title and number and the Mayor announced it is time to consider same for passage on second reading according to law. Reynolds moved to open public hearing, seconded by Wellington and carried by all. Being no comments Warr moved to close, seconded by Reynolds and carried by all. Mikuletzky moved to adopt, seconded by Reynolds.

**MOTION: MIKULETZKY**

**SECOND: REYNOLDS**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY, WARR**

**NAYS: NONE ABSENT: SHARPLESS ABSTAIN: NONE**

**ORDINANCE 2014-009**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO MANDATE DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES BY THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT**

**The Deputy Clerk** read the above by title and number and the Mayor announced it is time to consider same for passage on second reading according to law. Reynolds moved to open public hearing, seconded by Wellington and carried by all. Being no comments Spark moved to close, seconded by Reynolds and carried by all. Warr moved to adopt, seconded by Mikuletzky.

**MOTION: WARR**

**SECOND: MIKULETZKY**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY, WARR**

**NAYS: NONE ABSENT: SHARPLESS ABSTAIN: NONE**

**FIRST READING :**

**ORDINANCE 2015-001**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH 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)**

**The Deputy Clerk** read the above by title and number and the Mayor asked for a motion to introduce on first reading and publish according to law. Warr so moved, seconded by Wellington.

**MOTION: WARR**

**SECOND: WELLINGTON**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY, WARR**

**MOTION: WARR**

**SECOND: WELLINGTON**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY, WARR**

**NAYS: NONE ABSENT: SHARPLESS ABSTAIN: NONE**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**RESOLUTION 15-039**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT,  
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,  
AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS  
ACCORDING TO 40A:4-58**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Barnegat Light in the County of Ocean and State of New Jersey finds it necessary to transfer money from certain 2014 budget appropriations to carry on and pay its obligations and that such transfers are permitted by law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

**CURRENT FUND:**

**FROM:**

Planning Board                              OE    4-01-21-180-200                \$    100.00

**TO:**

Zoning Board                                OE    4-01-21-185-200                \$    100.00

**FROM:**

Garbage & Trash Removal              OE    4-01-26-305-200                \$ 4,500.00

**TO:**

Electricity                                    OE    4-01-31-430-241                \$ 3,500.00

Natural Gas                                    OE    4-01-31-446-253                \$ 1,000.00

**DATED: JANUARY 14, 2015**

**MOTION: WARR**

**SECOND: REYNOLDS**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY, WARR**

**NAYS: NONE**

**ABSTAIN: NONE**

**ABSENT: SHARPLESS**

**RESOLUTION 15-040**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT,  
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,  
PROVIDING FOR A TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR  
THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT**

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides for the making of temporary appropriations for the period January 5, 2015 to the adoption of the 2015 Budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body desires to provide for the orderly method of paying claims during the period prior to the adoption of the 2015 Budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the following appropriations

which do not exceed twenty-six and twenty-five hundredths percent (26.25%) of the 2014 appropriations exclusive of Debt Service, Capital Improvement Fund and Public Assistance, are hereby adopted as the 2015 Temporary Budget.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the following appropriations for interest and debt redemption charges are hereby adopted as the 2015 Temporary Debt Service Budget.

<b><u>CURRENT FUND:</u></b>	<b><u>Salaries &amp; Wages</u></b>	<b><u>Other Expenses</u></b>
<b><u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</u></b>		
Mayor & Council	\$4,150.00	\$315.00
Municipal Clerk	\$14,450.00	\$2,600.00
Advertising		\$400.00
Financial Administration	\$10,500.00	\$900.00
Audit Services		\$5,000.00
Tax Collection	\$9,700.00	\$945.00
Tax Assessor	\$3,875.00	\$2,175.00
Legal Services		\$4,425.00
Engineering Services and Costs		\$3,500.00
Contribution to Chamber of Commerce		\$25.00
Admin	\$9,200.00	\$675.00
<b><u>Land Use Administration:</u></b>		
Planning Board	\$800.00	\$800.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$3,000.00	\$650.00
<b><u>Insurance:</u></b>		
Liability Insurance		\$9,000.00
Workers Compensation		\$11,500.00
Employee Group Insurance		\$36,000.00
<b><u>Public Safety Functions:</u></b>		
Emergency Management Services	\$800.00	\$750.00
Aid to Volunteer Fire Company		\$10,000.00
Aid to Volunteer Ambulance Company		\$5,000.00
Fire		\$100.00
Municipal Court	\$3,500.00	\$1,000.00
Public Defender		\$300.00
Municipal Prosecutor		\$1,500.00
<b><u>Public Works Functions:</u></b>		
Streets and Roads	\$25,000.00	\$3,500.00
Garbage and Trash Removal		\$48,500.00
Sanitary Landfill Fees		\$22,000.00
Recycling	\$1,000.00	\$250.00
Public Buildings and Grounds	\$9,100.00	\$8,300.00
<b><u>Health and Human Services:</u></b>		
Board of Health		\$650.00
Animal Control		\$2,000.00
Aid to Health Care Facility		\$250.00
Mental Health Program		\$25.00
<b><u>Park and Recreation Functions:</u></b>		
Contribution to Senior Citizen Center		\$400.00
Parks and Playgrounds	\$7,875.00	\$900.00
Lifeguards	\$5,000.00	\$9,000.00

Beachfront Maintenance	\$20,000.00	\$6,000.00
Public Docks	\$1,000.00	\$2,500.00
Celebration of Public Events		\$2,500.00

**Uniform Construction Code:**

Construction Code Official	\$3,500.00	\$1,600.00
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**Utility Expenses:**

Electricity		\$11,000.00
Street Lighting		\$6,500.00
Telephone		\$2,625.00
Natural Gas		\$2,500.00
Gasoline		\$3,000.00

**Statutory Expenditures:**

Contribution to Social Security		\$13,650.00
Contribution to PERS		\$29,447.50
Unemployment Insurance		\$5,000.00
Defined Contribution Retirement Program		\$150.00

**Shared Service Agreements:**

Construction Code Services-Other Expenses		\$7,000.00
Police-Other Expenses		\$149,000.00
Board of Health-Other Expenses		\$10,000.00

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Fire Company		\$6,200.00
Ambulance Company		\$2,000.00

Totals	\$132,450.00	\$454,007.50
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Current Fund Operating Appropriations Grand Total		<u>\$586,457.50</u>
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**DEDICATED WATER & SEWER UTILITY**

**Salaries & Wages**

**Other Expenses**

<b><u>Operating:</u></b>	\$102,715.00	\$172,410.00
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**Statutory Expenditures:**

Contribution to Social Security		\$9,000.00
Contribution to PERS		\$29,447.50
Unemployment Insurance		\$600.00

<b>Totals</b>	<u>\$102,715.00</u>	<u>\$211,457.50</u>
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Water/Sewer Operating Appropriations Grand Total		<u>\$314,172.50</u>
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DATED: JANUARY 14, 2015

MOTION: WELLINGTON

SECOND: REYNOLDS

VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY, WARR

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SHARPLESS

ABSTAIN: NONE

**RESOLUTION 15-041**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT,  
COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,  
AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL BILLS  
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,587,126.41**

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 \$1,587,126.41 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.

**DATED: JANUARY 14, 2015**

**MOTION: WARR**

**SECOND: WELLINGTON**

**VOTE: AYES: SPARK, WELLINGTON, REYNOLDS, MIKULETZKY, WARR**

**NAYS: NONE**

**ABSENT: SHARPLESS**

**ABSTAIN: NONE**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Mayor said we talked about the YMCA coming in July and the Shuttle. George Warr said he would like to have a budget workshop on February 11 prior to the council meeting. It will be at 3:00pm. Terry thanked the Borough Council members for is appointment for this year. He spoke of his first meeting in Barnegat Light in 1984 and the council members were not as congenial as you are now. Mike Spark said they were cranky people.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL, ON A MOTION BY MR. WARR THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.**

**APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_**

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**GAIL J. WETMORE  
MUNICIPAL CLERK**