WORKSHOP MINUTES JANAUARY 18, 2023 7:00 P.M. AT BOROUGH HALL

The workshop meeting of the Borough of Interlaken was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Mayor Nohilly. Sunshine Statement was read by Clerk/Administrator, Lori Reibrich. "The notice of the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act has been satisfied by forwarding notice to the Coaster and Asbury Park Press. A copy of the notice is posted on the Borough bulletin board and is on file in the Borough Clerk's office."

Present: Mayor Nohilly, Council President Butler, Councilmembers Horowitz, Franks, Delia,

Blasucci

Absent: Councilman DeSarno

Also Present: Municipal Clerk/Administrator Lori Reibrich, Borough Attorney Richard Shaklee,

Borough Engineer Peter Avakian

1. JCP&L PROJECT

Borough Engineer Peter Avakian advised the Council of the power revitalization project that JCP&L has been completing state, county and municipal wide. While the project is before the Planning Board regarding specific needs for variances, Borough Engineer Avakian wanted the Council to have the opportunity to hear about the project details especially because a guide rail was going to be placed on the Borough right of way.

Borough Engineer Avakian described the size, location and requirements regarding the installation of a new 70 foot, steel telephone pole and DOT requirements for a guide rail. Engineer Avakian described the granted JCP&L easements by two homeowners that are impacted by the installation of the pole and guide rail. The Borough has interest in having proper sidewalk being able to be installed between the pole and the guide rail.

Engineer Avakian described the DOT requirements for guide/guard rails when referencing this project on the municipal easement. JCP&L Attorney, John Beyel Esq, discussed the engineering requirement for the guide rail that was submitted by JCP&L.

JCP&L Attorney Beyel described the revitalization and resiliency project that is being completed throughout the State. He explained the steel pole installation in Interlaken as the main transmission substation, the guide rail requirements, the easement acceptance by homeowners as well as the need for the specific location due to the wiring needing to be straight runs for the best service.

Mayor Nohilly questioned the easements being accepted by the homeowners and if they knew of the extent of the project. Borough Engineer Avakian and JCP&L Attorney Beyel explained that the easements were granted and recorded in Monmouth County. JCP&L Beyel stated he also met with the one homeowner again and got an additional signature of approval and the second homeowner is in receipt of the documents and did not care to meet. The Council agreed that due diligence to notify the homeowners were completed.

A brief discussion was had regarding the possible installation of a sidewalk at the location of where the pole is being installed. Mayor Nohilly stated that it is imperative that a sidewalk be installed for

pedestrians who would now have to walk on the other side of a guide rail and it would be especially hazardous.

Councilman Franks questions if there is adequate room for a guide rail, sidewalk and pole. Borough Engineer Avakian stated that he reviewed the engineering plans from JCP&L and there is enough room under the current plan.

Councilwoman Horowitz questioned when the installation will take place. JCP&L Attorney Beyel stated that depending on the approvals at the upcoming Planning Board meeting, the pole should be installed and be up and running by the end of May.

With no further discussion, Mayor and Council thanked everyone for the presentation regarding this project.

- 2. **NEW BUSINESS:** No new business at this time.
- 3. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment. With no comments made, Mayor Nohilly closed the floor.
- 4. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Councilman Franks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council President Butler and unanimously carried.

	Mayor Nohilly	Council President Butler	Councilwoman Horowitz	Councilman Delia	Councilman Franks	Councilman DeSarno	Councilman Blasucci
Motion to Approve					х		
Motion to Second		х					
Approved		х	x	Х	x		Х
Opposed							
Abstain/							
Recuse							
Absent/ Excused					-	х	

Lori Reibrich, RMC Borough Administrator/Clerk