

**BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN  
WORKSHOP MINUTES  
JANUARY 21, 2015  
7:00 P.M. AT BOROUGH HALL**

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

Present: Mayor Nohilly, Council President White, Council members: Franks, Gunn, Handerhan, Horowitz, Miller

Also Present: Borough Attorney Richard Shaklee, Borough Administrator/Clerk Lori Reibrich, Zoning Official Sal Massaro

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**1. PARKING OF CERTAIN TRUCKS, VEHICLES AND TRAILERS**

Councilman Franks presented proposed changes to an ordinance regarding trucks, vehicles and trailers to Council for consideration. Councilman Franks' goal is to give the Zoning Officer tools to deal with issues regarding trailers in the Borough and also shorten the amount of time the homeowner has to correct the problem.

Borough Attorney Shaklee and Councilman Franks discussed compliance deadlines and fine allowances.

Zoning Official Massaro stated that the current ordinance states that commercial vehicles cannot be parked in the front yard setback. Zoning Official Massaro stated that as long as the vehicle is behind the front yard setback, it is compliant. If the Council wants something else, the ordinance must reflect that and then it can be enforced.

Council discussed the ordinance changes and the infrequency of this type of offense.

Councilman Miller stated that an ordinance change is not needed to remedy a temporary situation.

Council President White feels the proposed changes are too restrictive.

**2. LOCH ARBOUR**

Mayor Nohilly prefaced the discussion regarding Loch Arbour by stating that the only issue being considered at this time is whether the Borough should go ahead and approve to have an independent study done by the Borough of Interlaken to study liabilities. Mayor Nohilly stated that he thinks the Borough should move forward with a Request For Proposals but does not feel that Loch Arbour should pay part of the cost. It should be Interlaken's study.

Councilman Franks stated that the ability to pay Interlaken \$500,000 over the next 10 years is based on the creation of special taxing district. That use of a special tax district is not legal right now. Councilman Franks feels the Borough should wait until that use of a special taxing district becomes law and then submit it to the Borough Attorney to see if it will work. Councilman Franks also stated that it will not be known until after the merger, if Ocean Township will come after the Borough for the \$2.2 million lost education fees.

Council President White stated that the resolution is for the Borough Administrator to put out a Request For Proposal (RFP) to send to vendors to give the Borough an understanding about the costs of the study. Council President White feels that after conversations with Council, residents, CFO Gallagher and Borough Attorney Shaklee, Council has a responsibility to the residents to investigate the merger. Council President White stated that there is no money being expended to receive the RFP. The Borough Attorney has brought points to address and the CFO has stated the worst case scenario. Council President White feels the Council is at the point where they have to go ahead.

Councilman Gunn, Councilwoman Horowitz and Mayor Nohilly had a discussion about identifying the scope of the RFP.

Councilman Handerhan stated the vote is not saying whether Council is for or against the merger, but rather to find a firm that could do the work for a study.

**3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public discussion.

Mr. Robert Napoli, 515 Windermere Avenue, stated that Council was incorrectly using the word illegal when describing the special taxing district.

Mayor Nohilly stated that the use of the word illegal is being used in comparing the proposed use of the special taxing district to what it is today.

Mr. Napoli questioned the Mayors feelings that the loyalties of the feasibility study are given to whoever foots the bill for the study.

Mayor Nohilly stated that it is not a matter of loyalties. The entity contracting for the study determines what the focus of the study should be. Council should decide what is covered in the proposal. Interlaken is taking on the risk. The reward is much greater for Loch Arbour. Council wants to be sure the Borough is protected from any liabilities.

Mr. Napoli asked that the study be objective and transparent.

Mayor Nohilly agreed.

Mr. Napoli stated that he is proud of Council that they dug deeper regarding the trailer ordinance changes. It was not about eighteen wheelers. It was not about huge commercial buses. It was about American and community spirit. Mr. Napoli stated that residents should be allowed to have recreational vehicles. Proposed changes would prevent him from driving his half ton pick-up truck with commercial plates to his own home that he pays taxes on. Mr. Napoli appreciates that Council did the right thing.

With no further public comment, Mayor Nohilly closed the floor.

**4. NEW BUSINESS – No new business.**

**5. ADJOURNMENT – With no further discussion, Council President White made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Miller and unanimously carried.**

	Mayor Nohilly	Council President White	Councilman Miller	Councilman Handerhan	Councilman Franks	Councilman Gunn	Councilwoman Horowitz
Motion to Approve		X					
Motion to Second			X				
Approved		X	X	X	X	X	X
Opposed							
Abstain/ Recuse							
Absent/ Excused							

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 Lori Reibrich  
 Borough Administrator/Municipal Clerk  
 Date Approved:\_\_\_\_\_