

**BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN
WORKSHOP MINUTES
MAY 18, 2016
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 Borough Clerk/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 the 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 and Council members: Franks, Handerhan, Horowitz and Butler.

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

Absent: Councilman Gunn

1. CAPITAL PROJECTS RECAP- Council discussed projects to be included in the Capital Improvement Budget.

Council agreed that paving Staffa Street would keep the Borough on the five year plan to complete paving all Interlaken roadways.

Council discussed the purchase of solar panel radar speed signs. The cost, effectiveness and resident concerns of placement were discussed.

Councilman Franks does not feel the signs are needed and would not be very effective. Councilman Franks spoke to County officials, the NJ State Police and an engineer who stated that frequent travelers on the road with signs become desensitized to their presence and the signs become less effective the longer they are in place. Councilman Franks referenced the survey performed and presented by the Deal Police Department that the Borough does not have a problem with speeding. The evidence does not support the expenditure.

Council had a brief discussion regarding the detours through the Borough caused by the construction/repairs of the local bridges. Council agreed that circumstances may change, once the bridge projects are complete.

Council President White reminded Council that there have been many resident complaints regarding speeding within the Borough. The proposed sign purchase would provide a deterrent. Neighboring municipalities use the same equipment. Council President White stated that the proposal was to have four small units placed within the Borough. They would not be an eyesore. Two of the units would be movable to aid in effectiveness. Council President White reminded Council that there have been two meetings where these radar units have been discussed and the money has been budgeted for them.

Councilman Handerhan stated that there may be resident concerns about placing the units in front of their houses.

Council had a brief discussion about purchasing the portable units and the affect the construction on the bridges have on the current traffic patterns. Council would like to wait to see the results of the traffic after the bridges are complete. The purchase of the radar units may be purchased, at a later time.

Council discussed the current status of street sign maintenance in the Borough.

Borough Clerk/Administrator Reibrich stated that there is new legislation dictating requirements regarding street signs.

Council discussed maintenance and repair of street signs currently in place.

Council discussed replacing some of the street lighting in the Borough.

Councilman Butler led the discussion regarding the replacement of street lights.

Borough Clerk/Administrator Reibrich stated that JCP&L does not offer LED options for replacement. JCP&L will not maintain lights purchased from another source. Maintenance and replacement would have to be done by Borough employees including light bulb replacement.

Councilman Butler stated that JCP&L has been overbilling the Borough for the quantity of lights in the Borough for some time. The count being billed is 40% higher than the actual light count. The Borough has been billed for 139 fixtures when there is actually a total of 97. There are 40 free standing fixtures. Councilman Butler stated that, of the 97 lights, 12 have mercury vapor bulbs and they will be replaced. If the pole is being replaced, the bulb will be switched at the time of replacement. Councilman Butler stated the cost to replace each free standing colonial type fixture with an acorn style free standing fixture is \$3,000 each.

Councilman Butler stated that the total cost to replace all standing poles will be \$130,000. \$50,000 has been budgeted for this year. The balance of the cost could be budgeted next year. Councilman Butler is also expecting some type of reimbursement from JCP&L for the overbilling, which could also supplement the project costs.

Council discussed material costs, cost for installation and the difference in cost between metal and fiberglass fixtures.

Council determined the project would begin by replacing the 13 freestanding light poles on Grassmere Avenue with acorn style fixtures.

2. PRELIMINARY PICNIC DISCUSSION – Council discussed last year's picnic attendance, costs and expenditures.

Borough Clerk/Administrator Reibrich stated that the Monmouth County Joint Insurance Fund will no longer insure the use of inflatable bouncy houses, so we cannot have one at the picnic this year.

Council had a brief discussion regarding replacements for the inflatable and alternate children's activities.

Council had a brief discussion about expanding the amount of food and beverages needed.

Council had a discussion about funding for picnics after this year, including future plans for the 5K race and picnic sponsorships.

3. NEW BUSINESS – No new business.

4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment.

With no public present, Mayor Nohilly closed the floor.

5. ADJOURNMENT- With no Council comments, Councilman Butler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council President White and unanimously carried.

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

Borough Administrator/Clerk