**BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN**

**MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2023**

**7:30 P.M. AT BOROUGH HALL**

The regular meeting of the Borough of Interlaken was called to order 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Nohilly. The Sunshine Statement was read by Mayor Nohilly. It was followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence. “The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied by forwarding annual notice to the coaster and Asbury Park Press. A copy of the annual notice was posted on the Borough bulletin board and is in file in the Borough Clerk’s office.”

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

Also Present: Borough Administrator/Clerk Reibrich, Drew Stauffer Esq for Borough Attorney Richard Shaklee, Esq

Absent: Councilman Delia

1. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – **FOR AGENDA SPECIFIC ITEMS ONLY – EXCLUSIVE OF ORDINANCES**

Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment. He noted that no public was present and closed the floor.

1. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: OCTOBER 18, 2023, WORKSHOP & REGULAR**

Councilman DeSarno made a motion to adopt, seconded by Councilman Franks and unanimously carried.

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

1. **ORDINANCE 2023-6: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XVI (16) TO ADD SEWERS 16-7 “PRIVATELY-OWNED SALT STORAGE” TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS OF STORAGE OF SALT AND DE-ICING MATERIALS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-6**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XVI TO ADD SEWERS 16-7 “PRIVATELY-OWNED SALT STORAGE” TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS REGARDING STORAGE OF SALT AND DE-ICING MATERIALS**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Interlaken, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION ONE**. Chapter 16 “Sewers,” is amended and supplemented to add Section 16-7 as follows:

**16-7 PRIVATELY-OWNED SALT STORAGE**

16-7.1 ***Purpose***

The purpose of this ordinance is to prevent stored salt and other solid de‑icing materials from being exposed to stormwater.

This ordinance establishes requirements for the storage of salt and other solid de-icing materials on properties not owned or operated by the municipality (privately-owned), including residences, in Interlaken Borough to protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

16-7.2 ***Definitions***

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely discretionary.

A. “De-Icing Materials” means any granular or solid material such as melting salt or any other granular solid that assists in the melting of snow.

B. “Impervious Surface” means a surface that has been covered with a layer of material so that it is highly resistant to infiltration by water.

C. “Storm Drain Inlet” means the point of entry into the storm sewer system.

D. “Permanent Structure” means a permanent building or permanent structure that is anchored to a permanent foundation with an impermeable floor, and that is completely roofed and walled (new structures require a door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall).

A fabric frame structure is a permanent structure if it meets the following specifications:

1. Concrete blocks, jersey barriers or other similar material shall be placed around the interior of the structure to protect the side walls during loading and unloading of de-icing materials;

2. The design shall prevent stormwater run-on and run through, and the fabric cannot leak;

3. The structure shall be erected on an impermeable slab;

4. The structure cannot be open sided; and

5. The structure shall have a roll up door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall.

E. “Person” means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.

F. “Resident” means a person who resides on a residential property where de-icing material is stored.

16-7.3 ***De-Icing Material Storage Requirements***

A. Temporary outdoor storage of de-icing materials in accordance with the requirements below is allowed between October 15th and April 15th:

1. Loose materials shall be placed on a flat, impervious surface in a manner that prevents stormwater run-through;

2. Loose materials shall be placed at least 50 feet from surface water bodies, storm drain inlets, ditches and/or other stormwater conveyance channels;

3. Loose materials shall be maintained in a cone-shaped storage pile. If loading or unloading activities alter the cone-shape during daily activities, tracked materials shall be swept back into the storage pile, and the storage pile shall be reshaped into a cone after use;

4. Loose materials shall be covered as follows:

a. The cover shall be waterproof, impermeable, and flexible;

b. The cover shall extend to the base of the pile(s);

c. The cover shall be free from holes or tears;

d. The cover shall be secured and weighed down around the perimeter to prevent removal by wind; and

e. Weight shall be placed on the cover(s) in such a way that minimizes the potential of exposure as materials shift and runoff flows down to the base of the pile.

(1) Sandbags lashed together with rope or cable and placed uniformly over the flexible cover, or poly-cord nets provide a suitable method. Items that can potentially hold water (e.g., old tires) shall not be used;

5. Containers must be sealed when not in use; and

6. The site shall be free of all de-icing materials between April 16th and October 14th.

B. De-icing materials should be stored in a permanent structure if a suitable storage structure is available. For storage of loose de-icing materials in a permanent structure, such storage may be permanent, and thus not restricted to October 15 - April 15.

C. All such temporary and/or permanent structures must also comply with all other local ordinances, including building and zoning regulations.

D. The property owner, or owner of the de-icing materials if different, shall designate a person(s) responsible for operations at the site where these materials are stored outdoors, and who shall document that weekly inspections are conducted to ensure that the conditions of this ordinance are met. Inspection records shall be kept on site and made available to the municipality upon request.

1. Residents who operate businesses from their homes that utilize de-icing materials are required to perform weekly inspections.

16-7.4 ***Exemptions***

Residents may store de-icing materials outside in a solid-walled, closed container that prevents precipitation from entering and exiting the container, and which prevents the de-icing materials from leaking or spilling out. Under these circumstances, weekly inspections are not necessary, but repair or replacement of damaged or inadequate containers shall occur within 2 weeks.

If containerized (in bags or buckets) de-icing materials are stored within a permanent structure, they are not subject to the storage and inspection requirements in Section III above. Piles of de-icing materials are not exempt, even if stored in a permanent structure.

This ordinance does not apply to facilities where the stormwater discharges from de-icing material storage activities are regulated under another NJPDES permit.

16-7.5 ***Enforcement***

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department and/or Code Enforcement Official and/or other Municipal Officials during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

16-7.6 ***Violations and Penalties***

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall have 72 hours to complete corrective action. Repeat violations and/or failure to complete corrective action shall be subject to the general penalty provisions contained in Chapter 1, Section 1-5.

**SECTION TWO**. All other sections and subsections of the Borough Code will remain unaltered.

**SECTION THREE**. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other portion of this Ordinance be adjudged by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance.

**SECTION FOUR**. All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby replaced to the extent of such inconsistencies.

**SECTION FIVE**. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication according to law.

Motion to Open the public hearing was made by Councilman Desarno, seconded by Councilman Franks and unanimously carried.

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

With no comments from the public, Councilman Blasucci made a Motion to Close the public hearing, seconded by Councilman Franks and unanimously carried.

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| **Motion to Approve** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **x** |
| **Motion to Second** |  |  |  |  | **x** |  |  |
| **Approved** |  | **x** | **x** |  | **x** | **x** | **x** |
| **Opposed** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Abstain/ Recuse** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Absent/ Excused** |  |  |  | **x** |  |  |  |

With no comments, Councilman DeSarno made a motion to adopt, seconded by Councilman Franks and unanimously carried via roll call vote.

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|  | **Mayor Nohilly** | **Council President**  **Butler** | **Councilwoman Horowitz** | **Councilman**  **Delia** | **Councilman**  **Franks** | **Councilman**  **DeSarno** | **Councilman**  **Blasucci** |
| **Motion to Approve** |  |  |  |  |  | **x** |  |
| **Motion to Second** |  |  |  |  | **x** |  |  |
| **Approved** |  | **x** | **x** |  | **x** | **x** | **x** |
| **Opposed** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **Absent/ Excused** |  |  |  | **x** |  |  |  |

1. **ORDINANCE 2023-7: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XVI (16) TO ADD SEWERS 16-8 “PRIVATE STORM DRAIN INLET RETROFITTING” TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS REGARDING RETROFITTING EXISTING STORM DRAIN INLETS WITHICH IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH REPAVING, REPAIRING, RECONSTRUCTION OR RESURFACING**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-7**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER XVI TO ADD SEWERS 16-8 “PRIVATE STORM DRAIN INLET RETROFITTING” TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS REGARDING RETROFITTING EXISTING STORM DRAIN INLETS WHICH ARE IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH REPAVING, REPAIRING, RECONSTRUCTION OR RESURFACING**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Interlaken, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION ONE**. Chapter 16 “Sewers,” is amended and supplemented to add Section 16-8 as follows:

**16-8. Private Storm Drain Inlet Retrofitting Ordinance**

16-8.1 ***Purpose***

An ordinance requiring the retrofitting of existing storm drain inlets which are in direct contact with repaving, repairing, reconstruction, or resurfacing or alterations of facilities on private property, to prevent the discharge of solids and floatables (such as plastic bottles, cans, food wrappers and other litter) to the municipal separate storm sewer system(s) operated by the Borough of Interlaken so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

16-8.2 ***Definitions***:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

a. Municipal separate storm sewer system (“MS4”) – a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains) that is owned or operated by the Borough of Interlaken or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater. MS4s do not include combined sewer systems, which are sewer systems that are designed to carry sanitary sewage at all times and to collect and transport stormwater from streets and other sources.

b. Person – any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.

c. Storm drain inlet – an opening in a storm drain used to collect stormwater runoff and includes, but is not limited to, a grate inlet, curb-opening inlet, slotted inlet, and combination inlet.

d. Waters of the State – means the ocean and its estuaries, all springs, streams and bodies of surface or ground water, whether natural or artificial, within the boundaries of the State of New Jersey or subject to its jurisdiction.

16-8.3 ***Prohibited Conduct***:

No person in control of private property (except a residential lot with one single family house) shall authorize the repaving, repairing (excluding the repair of individual potholes), resurfacing (including top coating or chip sealing with asphalt emulsion or a thin base of hot bitumen), reconstructing or altering any surface that is in direct contact with an existing storm drain inlet on that property unless the storm drain inlet either:

a. Already meets the design standard below to control passage of solid and floatable materials; or

b. Is retrofitted or replaced to meet the standard in 16-8.4 below prior to the completion of the project.

16-8.4 ***Design Standard***:

Storm drain inlets identified in 16-8.3 above shall comply with the following standard to control passage of solid and floatable materials through storm drain inlets. For purposes of this paragraph, “solid and floatable materials” means sediment, debris, trash, and other floating, suspended, or settleable solids. For exemptions to this standard see 16-8.4c below.

a. Design engineers shall use either of the following grates whenever they use a grate in pavement or another ground surface to collect stormwater from that surface into a storm drain or surface water body under that grate:

1) The New Jersey Department of Transportation (“NJDOT”) bicycle safe grate, which is described in Chapter 2.4 of the NJDOT Bicycle Compatible Roadways and Bikeways Planning and Design Guidelines (April 1996); or

2) A different grate, if each individual clear space in that grate has an area of no more than seven (7.0) square inches, or is no greater than 0.5 inches across the smallest dimension.

Examples of grates subject to this standard include grates in grate inlets, the grate portion (non-curb-opening portion) of combination inlets, grates on storm sewer manholes, ditch grates, trench grates, and grates of spacer bars in slotted drains. Examples of ground surfaces include surfaces of roads (including bridges), driveways, parking areas, bikeways, plazas, sidewalks, lawns, fields, open channels, and stormwater basin floors.

b. Whenever design engineers use a curb-opening inlet, the clear space in that curb opening (or each individual clear space, if the curb opening has two or more clear spaces) shall have an area of no more than seven (7.0) square inches, or be no greater than two (2.0) inches across the smallest dimension.

c. This standard does not apply:

1) Where the municipal engineer agrees that this standard would cause inadequate hydraulic performance that could not practicably be overcome by using additional or larger storm drain inlets that meet these standards;

2) Where flows are conveyed through any device (e.g., end of pipe netting facility, manufactured treatment device, or a catch basin hood) that is designed, at a minimum, to prevent delivery of all solid and floatable materials that could not pass through one of the following:

i. A rectangular space four and five-eighths inches long and one and one-half inches wide (this option does not apply for outfall netting facilities); or

ii. A bar screen having a bar spacing of 0.5 inches.

d. Where flows are conveyed through a trash rack that has parallel bars with one-inch (1”) spacing between the bars; or

e. Where the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection determines, pursuant to the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:4-7.2(c), that action to meet this standard is an undertaking that constitutes an encroachment or will damage or destroy the New Jersey Register listed historic property.

16-8.5 ***Enforcement***:

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department and/or Code Enforcement official.

16-8.6 ***Violations and Penalties***:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not to exceed $1,250.00 for each storm drain inlet that is not retrofitted to meet the design standard.

**SECTION TWO**. All other sections and subsections of the Borough Code will remain unaltered.

**SECTION THREE**. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other portion of this Ordinance be adjudged by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance.

**SECTION FOUR**. All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby replaced to the extent of such inconsistencies.

**SECTION FIVE**. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication according to law.

Motion to Open the public hearing was made by Councilwoman Horowitz, seconded by Councilman DeSarno and unanimously carried.

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|  | **Mayor Nohilly** | **Council President**  **Butler** | **Councilwoman Horowitz** | **Councilman**  **Delia** | **Councilman**  **Franks** | **Councilman**  **DeSarno** | **Councilman**  **Blasucci** |
| **Motion to Approve** |  |  | **x** |  |  |  |  |
| **Motion to Second** |  |  |  |  | **x** |  |  |
| **Approved** |  | **x** | **x** |  | **x** | **x** | **x** |
| **Opposed** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Abstain/ Recuse** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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With no comments from the public, Councilman DeSarno made a Motion to Close the public hearing, seconded by Councilwoman Horowitz and unanimously carried.

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|  | **Mayor Nohilly** | **Council President**  **Butler** | **Councilwoman Horowitz** | **Councilman**  **Delia** | **Councilman**  **Franks** | **Councilman**  **DeSarno** | **Councilman**  **Blasucci** |
| **Motion to Approve** |  |  |  |  |  | **x** |  |
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With no further comments, Councilman DeSarno made a motion to adopt, seconded by Councilman Franks and unanimously carried via roll call vote.

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| **Motion to Approve** |  |  |  |  |  | **x** |  |
| **Motion to Second** |  |  |  |  | **x** |  |  |
| **Approved** |  | **x** | **x** |  | **x** | **x** | **x** |
| **Opposed** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Abstain/ Recuse** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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1. **RESOLUTION 2023-93: AUTHORIZING FINAL CHANGE ORDER #5 AND FINAL PAYMENT CERTIFICATE #6 FOR BRIDLEMERE AVENUE PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL CHANGE ORDER #5 AND FINAL PAYMENT CERTIFICATE #6 FOR BRIDLEMERE PARK IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough previously entered into a contract with Thor Construction Group, LLC for the project entitled “Bridlemere Park Improvements”; and

**WHEREAS,** final payment certificate No. 6 has been submitted by Thor Construction Group, LLC to Borough Engineer, Avakian, Inc for payment of **$**11,217.20; and

**WHEREAS**, Thor Construction Group LLC submitted Change Order No. 5 which increases the overall contract by $1,050.00; and

**WHEREAS,** the following changes have been submitted and approved by Borough Engineer, Leon S. Avakian, Inc.:

Original Contract Amount: $324,250.00

Previously Adjusted Contract Amount: $326,310.00

Amount of Supplemental Agreement: $ 1,050.00

Total Adjusted Contract Amount Due: $327,360.00

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Borough Council that Final Change Order No. 5 and Payment Certificate No. 6 is hereby authorized; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Administrator/Clerk is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents for Final Change Order and Supplemental Agreement No. 5 and Final Payment Certificate No. 6.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Peter Avakian, Borough Engineer
2. Thor Construction Group, LLC
3. Lori Reibrich, Borough Administrator
4. Joseph Zanga, Chief Financial Officer

With no comments, Councilman Blasucci made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Horowitz and unanimously carried.

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

1. **RESOLUTION 2023-94: BILL LIST**

**BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN**

**BILL LIST REPORT FOR**

**BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVAL**

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| **DATE SPAN** | **TOTAL** |
| 10/31/23-11/13/23 | $96,212.22 |

**RESOLUTION 2023-94**

**Whereas,** law requires listing of all bills approved for payment; and

**Whereas,** certification of available funds from the Chief Municipal Finance Officer has been made; and

**Whereas,** the total bill list for the regular meeting dated November 15, 2023 is in the amount of Ninety-Six Thousand, Two Hundred Twelve Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents; and

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** by the Borough Council, of the Borough of Interlaken, that the CFO is hereby authorized to pay said bill list.

Councilwoman Horowitz made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Franks and unanimously carried.

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

1. **REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

Administration/Finance – Borough Administrator Reibrich reminded the Council that a Special Meeting will be needed to approve the pricing for the MonCIA Pooled Loan Program. The current timeline provided by the program administrator stated that the pricing should be received on December 5, 2023. The Council would need to approve the pricing via resolution within 48 hours. The Council decided that a quick special meeting would be held on December 6th at 7 pm if the pricing is received under the current timelines provided by the program administrator.

Public Safety – Mayor Nohilly discussed the issue with moving the current speed sign. The other Borough locations are heavily wooded and the solar capabilities of the speed sign will definitely be impacted by the trees.

Streets & Roads – Councilman Franks reported that an older handicap ramp came unglued and asked BA Reibrich to have DPW take a look at it.

Shade Tree Commission – No Report

Planning Board – No Report

Board of Education – No Report

Borough Administrator – No Report

1. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment.

Gary Layton, 606 Bendermere Avenue, thanked the Mayor and Council for their volunteerism and spoke of the wonderful job that everyone does for the town. He congratulated Mayor Nohilly, Councilman Franks and Councilwoman Horowitz for their re-election to the Governing Body.

Mr. Layton spoke about the Veterans Day Ceremony that was on November 11, 2023. He stated that it is so special that the Borough hosts the event as many towns have stopped after Covid. He said that he was moved by Mayor Nohilly’s and Joe Kenny’s speeches.

The Mayor and Council thanked Mr. Layton for his kind words.

With no further comments, Mayor Nohilly closed the floor.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

Before adjournment, Mayor Nohilly congratulated Councilwoman Horowitz and Councilman Franks on their re-election.

With no further comments Councilman Franks made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman DeSarno and unanimously carried.

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

Lori Reibrich, RMC/CMR