

BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN
WORKSHOP MINUTES
APRIL 3, 2013
7:30 P.M. AT BOROUGH HALL

The meeting of the Borough of Interlaken was called to order at 7:03 p.m., by Mayor Nohilly. It was followed by a salute to the flag and a moment of silence. 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 Miller, Council members Folta, Morley, Napoli, White

Also Present: Borough Administrator Reibrich, Borough Attorney Richard Shaklee, Esq., CFO
Stephen Gallagher

1. **2013 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:** Council began discussion regarding the 2013 Budget. Council President Miller asked about the increase in the budget for brush. Borough Administrator Reibrich explained that the increase was due to expenses stemming from debris removal due to Sandy that was billed in 2013. CFO Gallagher discussed that the tennis courts maintenance fees were listed as Other Expenses under Parks and Recreation in response to Council President Miller's questions regarding the same. CFO Gallagher explained billing how it affects the budget. Councilman Napoli questioned the total budget in relation to the revaluation. Council discussed that the budget decreased. Councilman Napoli had questions regarding Emergency Appropriations. CFO Gallagher explained that the Emergency Appropriations were done due to expenses for the revaluation, the front end loader and the debris removal from Sandy that had to be paid immediately. CFO Gallagher explained the process of special appropriations and how it affects the budget. The lack of a budget surplus was discussed briefly by Council. Mayor Nohilly addressed questions by Councilman Napoli regarding the 2009 Budget and disbandment of the Police Department. Council had a brief discussion about the Capital plan and also discussed miscellaneous road repairs. The Council discussed proposed purchase of computers and projector.
2. **PROPOSED FELLED TREE ORDINANCE:** Borough Attorney Shaklee reported that he researched the ordinance presented at the last workshop meeting and found that the subject of felled trees is not addressed in the International Property Maintenance Code set forth by the Borough. Council President Miller stated that there are trees on property owned by the Borough that are in the lake that need to be addressed. Mayor Nohilly questioned the possibility of legal ramifications. Borough Attorney Shaklee stated that the Borough not removing the trees in the lake on Borough property could contribute to a challenge, if the Borough requires residents to remove trees in the lake on their properties. Mayor Nohilly stated that the Shade Tree Commission has jurisdiction in this area. He requested that the Shade Tree Commission has jurisdiction in this area. He requested that the Shade Tree be contacted to do their due diligence regarding the issue and provide the Borough with a program to address the trees. Councilman White questioned if there was an ordinance addressing diseased or damaged trees requiring homeowner to remove such trees. Mayor Nohilly stated that in the past, the Borough would have the Shade Tree Commission notify a homeowner of a hazardous tree on their property. Council President Miller asked if the Zoning Officer had authority to require homeowner to rectify tree hazard. Borough Attorney Shaklee stated that the Property Maintenance Ordinance does not specify trees, only grass. Borough Attorney Shaklee stated that the ordinance he has in hand could be amended to address tree hazards.
3. **NEW BUSINESS:** Donald Nissam, Deal Lake Representative, 210 Winderemere Avenue, stated that FEMA has determined that much of the debris in the lake is caused by Sandy and would be addressing the tree issue, soil issues and sand removal from the lake as a whole, rather than tasking each municipality with the responsibility. FEMA has decided to dredge the lake. Actual removal was scheduled for March.

4. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment. With no comments made, he closed the floor.
5. **ADJOURNMENT:** With no further comments, Councilman Folta made a motion to adjourn at 7:51 p.m., seconded by Council President Miller and unanimously carried.

Record of Vote	Mayor Nohilly	Council President Miller	Councilman Parry	Councilman White	Councilman Morley	Councilman Napoli	Councilman Folta
Motion to Approve							X
Motion to Second		X					
Approved		X		X	X	X	X
Opposed							
Abstain/Recuse							
Absent/Excused			X				

Lori Reibrich
 Borough Administrator/Clerk
 Date Approved: _____