WORKSHOP MINUTES
MARCH 18, 2026
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. The Sunshine Statement was read by Municipal Clerk, Lori Farruggia. "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 Website under "Public Notices", posted on the Borough bulletin board and is on file in the Borough Clerk's office."

Present: Mayor Nohilly, Councilmembers Franks, DeSarno, Blasucci, Griffin

Also Present: Borough Administrator/Clerk Lori Farruggia and Borough Attorney Richard Shaklee, Esq.

Absent: Council President Butler

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1. **ORDINANCE DRAFT DISCUSSION:** ***continued review of the amendment language for hot tub inclusion in the swimming pool ordinance***

   Borough Attorney Shaklee recapped the discussion from the previous meetings.

   This final draft contains all the items that were important to the Governing Body:

   - Clearly defining above ground swimming pools and hot tub
   - Incorporating the permitted locations of hot tubs in the rear yard only on an existing raised porch or patio, as along all other ordinance conditions are met, including 10-foot separation from any structure or property line.
   - Square footage associated with hot tubs- which is defined as 100 square feet as measured along the surface of the water.
   - Providing even more clarity on the proposed grade language regarding the raising of unaltered ground elevation for swimming pools

With no further discussion, Municipal Clerk Farruggia will place the introduction of this ordinance on the next meeting agenda.

2. **NOISE ORDINANCE:** ***discussion regarding language, fines and enforcement of the noise ordinance***

   Councilman Blasucci led a discussion regarding the fines and enforcement of the noise ordinance. BA Farruggia included surrounding towns noise ordinances as a reference in the meeting packet. These ordinances showed that some towns are stricter with higher fines being levied for noise or continued noise.

   The Governing Body discussed possible changes to the noise ordinance such as adding higher fines to the actual noise ordinance rather than the minimum and maximum general noise ordinance.

   A brief discussion as had regarding the way that Belmar turned around their noise and party atmosphere with an animal house ordinance. While it may not be a comparable situation to Interlaken,

a portion of Belmar's ordinance requires property owners who have recurring noise violations to post a $5,000 escrow bond.

A brief discussion was had regarding Police enforcement, issuance of warnings and the amount of summons that may be issued before stopping late night noise.

The Council felt that further discussion on this topic is warranted. BA Farruggia said that she would have a spreadsheet prepared that included the current penalties, noise prohibitions and enforcement language from surrounding towns. The Governing Body requested that the towns include, Deal, Loch Arbour, Allenhurst, Sea Girt and a small blurb defining Belmar's ordinance including the escrow language they have included.

3. **NEW BUSINESS:** No new business was discussed at this time.

4. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment. Noting that no members of the public were present, Mayor Nohilly closed the floor.

5. **ADJOURNMENT:** With no further discussion, Councilman DeSarno made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Franks and unanimously carried.

Record of Vote	Mayor Nohilly	Council President Butler	Councilman Franks	Councilman DeSarno	Councilman Blasucci	Councilman Griffin	Vacancy
Motion to Approve				X			
Motion to Second			X				
Approved			X	X	X	X	
Opposed							
Not Voting/Recuse							
Absent/Excused		X					

Lori Farruggia, RMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk/Administrator