WORKSHOP MINUTES
MAY 20, 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 Deputy Clerk Gina Kneser and Borough Attorney Richard Shaklee, Esq.

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

   The Governing Body reviewed the drafted changes to the noise ordinance prepared by Board Attorney Shaklee.

   Board Attorney Shaklee detailed the drafted amendments, noting that the one-day increment serves as a standard, measurable provision for violations. In response to Councilman Blasucci's inquiry, it was clarified that if police respond to six separate offenses during a single event on the same day, each instance may be recorded as a distinct offense.

   The Council discussed the role of police discretion at length.

   Councilman Franks requested the removal of officer discretion regarding summonses,

   Councilman Blasucci noted that the current draft limits this authority.

   Mayor Nohilly clarified that while the ordinance defines the process, police discretion will not be eliminated.

   Councilman DeSarno added that the ordinance establishes the framework for the complaint process, which is initiated upon a report.

   Mayor Nohilly stated that the ordinance aligns with the Deal ordinance to ensure continuity between the two boroughs.

   Mayor Nohilly discussed with Councilman Griffin that violations are determined by the number of police responses to a residence rather than the volume of calls received.

   Councilman Blasucci expressed concern that the proposed fines may be insufficient. Councilman Blasucci suggested investigating whether the borough could withhold seasonal Certificates of Occupancy for summer rentals with excessive summonses, citing similar policies in Asbury Park.

   Mayor Nohilly and Councilman DeSarno proposed to proceed with the current draft and revisit fine amounts if they do not prove to be an effective deterrent.

Board Attorney Shaklee and the Council had a brief discussion regarding noise ordinance enforcement in shore towns with high volumes of summer rentals.

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

3. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment.

   Gary Layton, 606 Bendermere Avenue, asked questions regarding the noise ordinance and the use of outdoor speakers. Mr. Layton has new neighbors and notes that when using outdoor speakers, the noise should be kept within one's own yard. It is a fine line for this type of noise becoming annoying. Mr. Layton is hoping for the best.

   Mayor Nohilly advised Mr. Layton that the noise ordinance prohibits noise of this type from 8pm to 8am Monday through Saturday and all day on Sunday. If the ordinance is violated call the police.

4. **ADJOURNMENT:** With no further discussion, Councilman DeSarno made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Griffin 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					

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Gina Kneser, CTC, CMR, TACO
Deputy Municipal Clerk