BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN WORKSHOP MINUTES JUNE 17, 2020 7:00 P.M. BOROUGH HALL

The workshop meeting of the Borough of Interlaken was called to order at

The regular meeting of the Borough of Interlaken was called to order 7 p.m., by Mayor Nohilly followed by a salute the flag. The Sunshine Statement was read by Borough Clerk/Administrator Lori Reibrich. "THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT HAVE BEEN SATISFIED BY FORWARDING NOTICE TO THE ASBURY PARK PRESS AND THE COASTER OF A MEETING DATE CHANGE THAT WOULD BE HELD ON APRIL 23, 2020 AT 7 PM VIA ZOOM CONFERENCE UNDER THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER 107. A COPY OF THE NOTICE IS POSTED ON THE OFFICIAL BOROUGH WEBSITE WITH FULL DIRECTIONS ON HOW THE PUBLIC CAN ATTEND AND MAKE COMMENT AT THE MEETING. ALSO, A COPY WAS PLACED ON THE DOOR AT BOROUGH HALL AND IS ON FILE IN THE BOROUGH CLERK'S OFFICE."

Note the meeting was held with all Council members attending in person in the meeting room and public attending remotely due to the COVID-19 Pandemic restrictions.

Present: Mayor Nohilly, Council members: Butler, Watson, Maloney, Fama and Delia

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

Absent: Councilwoman Horowitz

1. <u>OPEN SPACE GRANT</u>- Discussion regarding improvements to Borough owned properties and consideration of applying for Monmouth County Open Space Grant; Peter Avakian, Borough Engineer, in attendance.

The Mayor and Council discussed improvements to the park and the survey results that were received back from the residents. Mayor Nohilly stated the seven items that received 50% or more and proposed the Council think about these as proposed options. He asked to go around the table to have each member vote on if they would like to include the item or not.

There was a brief discussion regarding the costs of these items and that Borough Engineer, Peter Avakian, would move forward with proposed costs once the Council determined what items have a majority support. The items receiving more than 50% are: perimeter path for walking/jogging, Tot Lot with stroller path, open air shade pavilion, fitness stations, rose garden with benches, marking out pickleball lines on existing tennis courts and multipurpose bocce/cornhole court.

Councilman Fama discussed the comments received from the residents and how it gives a strong view that a lot of residents are not interested in improving the park and they stated their thoughts and feelings regarding this and it should be taken seriously. There was a discussion between Councilman Fama and Councilman Watson regarding the weight that should be placed on some comments. Councilman Fama feeling that the Council put an emphasis on the comments and Councilman Watson expressing that some negative comments should not stop the upgrades.

The Council discussed the upkeep of the some of the items should they be placed in the park. Is the maintenance worth the inclusion of some proposed items such as the rose garden or fitness stations.

The Council discussed adding benches to the park.

Borough Administrator Reibrich discussed the Open Space Grant, the timelines for submission and changes to the application due to Covid-19.

Borough Engineer Avakian discussed some components of the grant and how when the Borough accepts the grant money the park areas need to remain open space in perpetuity.

The Governing Body discussed adding stone slabs to the allow access to certain sections of the Bridlemere Avenue portions of Deal Lake. Also discussed was the Windermere Avenue Lakefront

"Cove" area. The Council discussed possible inclusion of storage racks for canoes and kayaks. There were some differing opinions on the placement of benches and picnic tables in the area.

The Council moved forward with requesting price quotes from the Borough Engineer regarding some of the proposed items on the list.

Council discussed revising the ordinance to allow dogs in the park on a 6-foot leash. This item does not need to be decided within this project, but it was a good way to get the opinions of the residents regarding the current ordinance. The results from the survey were almost 50/50. Governing Body members discussed how they did or do not feel it warranted a change. The Council decided to discuss this further in the future.

2. **NEW BUSINESS** – None

3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Michael Mulhaul commented on the access to the lake and if the Borough property was identified as well as homeowners with riparian rights. Borough Engineer Avakian said that maps will be considered during the process when decisions of locations will be made.

4. **ADJOURNMENT:** With no further comments from the Governing Body, Councilman Fama made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council President Butler and unanimously carried.

	Mayor Nohilly	Council President Butler	Councilwoman Horowitz	Councilman Watson	Councilwoman Maloney	Councilman Fama	Councilman Delia
Motion to Approve						Х	
Motion to Second		Х					
Approved		Х		Х	X	Х	Х
Opposed							
Abstain/ Recuse							
Absent/ Excused			Х				

Lori Reibrich, RMC	
Borough Administrator/Clerk	