

**BOROUGH OF INTERLAKEN
WORKSHOP MINUTES
DECEMBER 20, 2017
7:00 P.M. BOROUGH HALL**

The workshop meeting of the Borough of Interlaken was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Mayor Nohilly. Sunshine Statement was read by Deputy Borough Clerk Kneser. “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 bulletin board and is on file in the Borough Clerk’s office.”

Present: Mayor Nohilly, Council President White, Council members: Butler, Franks, Horowitz and Gunn

Also Present: Borough Attorney Richard Shaklee and Deputy Borough Clerk Gina Kneser

Late Arrival: Councilman Watson 7:06

Absent: None

1. **2018 GOALS** – *led by Mayor Nohilly*

Councilmembers made suggestions for Borough projects for the upcoming year.

Council reviewed the status of the previously approved street sign replacement project. The search is continuing for a local vendor who will include installation services for the project.

Mayor Nohilly and Council discussed renovations to Borough Hall with focus on the kitchen and meeting room areas to bring them up to par with the recent Borough Hall renovations.

Councilwoman Horowitz asked questions regarding curb repairs.

Council discussed the priority of road projects.

Councilman Butler and Council discussed the condition of Borough sidewalks and the enforcement of the current Sidewalk Ordinance.

Council discussed a survey and town wide project for sidewalk repair.

Borough Attorney Shaklee answered Council questions regarding liability regarding sidewalk maintenance.

Councilman Gunn stated that the Borough has done everything they can to keep taxes down, including extending the Deal Police contract which extended the term, lowered the base rate and added a 2% cap. The Municipal Court services were moved to Deal with revenues staying in the Borough. Councilman Gunn believes there will be a cross over point where normal increases to salary, insurance costs and inflation at some point in the future may warrant a merger that may be encouraged by the State.

Mayor Nohilly stated that Council has done everything to make the Borough stable. The Borough is a model for shared services where costs have been decreased and the level of service has remained the same or has been improved. It is always the responsibility of Council to explore options for cost savings. Mayor Nohilly noted that residents were not amicable to the idea of previous merger opportunities.

Council continued the discussion regarding the condition of the sidewalks within the Borough including Borough owned property.

2. **NEW BUSINESS:** No new business was discussed at this time.
3. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Mayor Nohilly opened the floor for public comment.

With no public comment, Mayor Nohilly closed the floor.

4. **ADJOURNMENT:** Council President White made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Butler and unanimously carried.

	Mayor Nohilly	Council President White	Councilman Franks	Councilman Gunn	Councilwoman Horowitz	Councilman Butler	Councilman Watson
Motion to Approve		X					
Motion to Second						X	
Approved		X	X	X	X	X	X
Opposed							
Abstain/ Recuse							
Absent/ Excused							

Gina Kneser, CMR
Deputy Clerk