

**AGENDA
BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 17, 2023
8:00 P.M.**

1. Meeting called to order at _____ p.m.

2. **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT – Mayor Amatorio**

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the notice requirements have been satisfied. Meeting dates for the year are confirmed at the Annual Meeting. The Annual Notice is sent to the Record, Star Ledger, Twin Boro News, and Cablevision, placed on two Municipal Bulletin Boards and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk. Notice of this meeting was sent to the Record, Star Ledger, Twin Boro News, and Cablevision, placed on two Municipal Bulletin Boards and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

3. Roll Call:

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Councilman Lodato		
Councilman Deauna		
Councilman Marte		
Councilwoman Kornbluth		
Councilman Rivera		
Council President Pascual		
Mayor Amatorio		

4. Salute to the Flag

5. Agenda Changes – additions or revisions

6. Approval of Minutes

MOTION OFFERED by Council _____, **SECOND** by Council _____, to approve the minutes of the 2023 Reorganization meeting. All present voting in favor _____.

7. Verbal Communications I

Mayor Amatorio opens the meeting and invites the public for comments on agenda items only and asks if anyone present wishes to be heard. Please be advised there will be a limit of five (5) minutes per speaker.

There being no one else who wishes to be heard, Mayor Amatorio closes Verbal Communications I.

8. Presentations

9. Correspondence

a.) Eaches/Bergenfield Garden Club

RE: Request to Reserve Coopers Pond for Meetings and Events in Calendar Year 2023

b.) Slossar/Bergenfield Elks Lodge
#1477

RE: Request to Reserve Conlon Hall to Celebrate its 100th Anniversary/Saturday, November 18, 2023

MOTION OFFERED by Council _____, **SECOND** by Council _____, to accept Correspondence Items A and B. All present voting in favor _____.

10. Ordinances

11. Consent Agenda

CONSENT RESOLUTION 23-026. All matters listed below are considered by the Governing Body to be routine in nature. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by the Governing Body, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

- a. **23-027**/To Approve Bill List
- b. **23-028**/To Approve Raffle Application – RA 1387 (*Borough Clerk*)
- c. **23-029**/To Approve Agreement – Borough Attorney – John L. Schettino, Esq. (*Borough Administrator*)
- d. **23-030**/To Approve Agreement – Borough Engineer – Remington & Vernick Engineers (*Borough Administrator*)
- e. **23-031**/To Approve Agreement – Special Projects Engineer – T&M Associates (*Borough Administrator*)
- f. **23-032**/To Approve Agreement – Bond Counsel – Rogut McCarthy LLC (*Borough Administrator*)
- g. **23-033**/To Approve Agreement – Labor Counsel – John L. Shahdanian II Esq., Trenk Isable Siddiqi & Shahdanian P.C. (*Borough Administrator*)
- h. **23-034**/To Approve Agreement – Tax Appeal Counsel – Boggia, Boggia, Betesh & Voytus, LLC (*Borough Administrator*)
- i. **23-035**/To Approve Agreement – Borough Auditor – Paul J. Lerch, CPA, RMA, PSA, - Lerch, Vinci & Bliss LLP (*Borough Administrator*)
- j. **23-036**/To Approve Agreement – Risk Manager - GJEM: Otterstedt Insurance Agency (*Borough Administrator*)
- k. **23-037**/To Approve Agreement – Grant Consultant – Millennium Strategies (*Borough Administrator*)
- l. **23-038**/To Approve Agreement – Borough Appraiser - Associated Appraisal Group (*Borough Administrator*)
- m. **23-039**/To Approve Agreement – Borough Prosecutor – Marc A. Calello, Esq. (*Borough Administrator*)
- n. **23-040**/To Approve Agreement – Alternate Prosecutor – Linda H. Schwager (*Borough Administrator*)
- o. **23-041**/To Approve Agreement – Public Defender – Robert C. Metzdorf, Esq. (*Borough Administrator*)
- p. **23-042**/To Approve Agreement – Alternate Public Defender – Steven Sciancalepore, Esq. (*Borough Administrator*)
- q. **23-043**/To Authorize Bid – 2023 Sidewalk Improvement Project (*Borough Administrator*)
- r. **23-044**/To Approve Retirement – John Brown (*Borough Administrator*)

MOTION OFFERED by Council _____ **SECOND** by Council _____

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
MARTE					
KORNBLUTH					

RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

B. Resolutions

23-045/To Promote to Keyboard Clerk II – Claudia Ramirez (*Borough Administrator*)

MOTION OFFERED by Council _____ **SECOND** by Council _____

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
MARTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

23-046/To Approve Agreement – Bergenfield Police Department Civilian Employees Association (*Borough Administrator*)

MOTION OFFERED by Council _____ **SECOND** by Council _____

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					
DEAUNA					
MARTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

12. Unfinished Business

13. New Business

14. Committee/Department Reports

MOTION offered by Council President Pascual that the Committee/Department Reports be spread upon the minutes in full and filed. **SECOND** by _____. All in favor_____.

15. Verbal Communications II

Mayor Amatorio opens the meeting to Verbal Communications II and invites the public to comment on any subject matter, limited to five (5) minutes per speaker.

There being no one else who wishes to be heard, Mayor Amatorio closes Verbal Communications II.

16. Council Comments

17. Closed Session

RESOLUTION **23-047**/Authorizing the Governing Body to Enter into Closed Executive Session to discuss:

A. Attorney-Client Privilege

1. Police Department Personnel Matters (*Borough Administrator*)
2. Fire Department Personnel Matters (*Borough Administrator*)

Motion Offered by Council_____ **Second** by Council_____ All in favor_____.

18. Return to Open Session

Motion Offered by Council_____ **Second** by Council_____ All in favor_____.

19. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Mayor and Council, on a **MOTION** offered by _____, **SECOND** by _____, the meeting is adjourned at _____ p.m. All in favor_____.

THIS AGENDA IS ADVERTISED TO THE EXTENT KNOWN AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.