

**AGENDA
BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD
MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 16, 2024
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 was sent to the Record, Star Ledger, Twin Boro News, and Cablevision, placed on a Municipal Bulletin Board and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk. In case of an emergency, exits are in the back and to your right. Please turn off all cell phones.

3. Roll Call:

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Councilman Lodato		
Councilman Deauna		
Councilman Almonte		
Councilwoman Kornbluth		
Council President Rivera		
Councilman 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 minutes of the March 19, 2024 Regular Public Meeting, March 19, 2024 Closed Session Meeting (not to be released), April 2, 2024 Work Session Meeting, and April 2, 2024 Closed Session Meeting (not to be released). 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

A. Presentation of Awards (*Mayor Amatorio*)

9. Correspondence

- a.) Nunez/Shade Tree Committee
- b.) Rivera/Resident
- c.) Shaw/Washington School Parents Association

RE: Request to Reserve Cooper’s Pond for Arbor Day Celebration /Friday, April 26, 2024/10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
RE: Request to Reserve Memorial Park Pavilion for Baby Shower/Sunday, April 28, 2024/12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
RE: Request to Reserve Hickory Field for 5th Grade Picnic/Monday, June 10, 2024/8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Rain Date: 6/11/24)

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

10. Ordinances
 A. Adoption of Ordinances

The following ordinances published herewith were first read by title only on April 2, 2024 and posted on the bulletin board of the municipal center.

ORDINANCE 24-2621- AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE SALARY RANGES OF EMPLOYEES NOT SUBJECTED TO UNIONIZED CONTRACTUAL UNITS OF THE BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD

ORDINANCE 24-2622 – AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Public Comments on Ordinances 24-2621 and 24-2622.

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

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

B. Introduction of Ordinances

Motion that the following ordinance be introduced and passed on first reading and setting May 7, 2024 at 8:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard as the date and time and the Council Chambers of the Bergenfield Borough Hall as the place for a hearing on said ordinance.

ORDINANCE 24-2623 – BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE MAJOR REPAIR OF A PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLE, AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH

OF BERGENFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,200,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT OR FULLY FUND APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

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

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

11. Consent Agenda

CONSENT RESOLUTION 24-136. 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. **24-137**/To Approve Bill List
- b. **24-138**/To Honor 2024 Arbor Day – April 26, 2024 (*Shade Tree Committee*)
- c. **24-139**/To Certify Compliance with the EEOC Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and sign the Group Affidavit (*Borough Clerk*)
- d. **24-140**/To Approve Raffle Application – RA 1419 (*Borough Clerk*)
- e. **24-141**/To Approve Temporary Capital Budget (*Borough Administrator*)
- f. **24-142**/To Authorize Tax Refund – 311 S. Prospect Avenue (*Tax Collector*)
- g. **24-143**/To Authorize Veterans Tax Exemption – 101 Merritt Avenue (*Tax Collector*)
- h. **24-144**/To Approve the Purchase of Public Litter Receptacles for the Department of Public Works (*Deputy CFO*)
- i. **24-145**/To Approve Proposal – 2024 Road Program – Remington & Vernick Engineers (*Borough Administrator*)
- j. **24-146**/To Approve Solid Waste Shared Service Agreement – Solid Waste Cooperative Marketing Program – Bergen County Utilities Authority “BCUA” (*Borough Administrator*)
- k. **24-147**/To Authorize Bid – 2024 Speed Hump Project (*Deputy CFO*)
- l. **24-148**/To Approve Temporary Emergency Appropriation (*CFO*)
- m. **24-149**/To Approve Proposal – Master Plan Reexamination Report (*Borough Administrator*)

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

Roll Call	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
LODATO					

DEAUNA					
ALMONTE					
KORNBLUTH					
RIVERA					
PASCUAL					
AMATORIO (tie)					

B. Resolutions

24-150/To Promote to Full-Time Laborer – Robert Jurgensen (*Borough Administrator*)

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

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

12. Unfinished Business

13. New Business

- A. Cooper’s Pond Renovation and Pond Dredging (*Mayor Amatorio*)
- B. Phase II of Vivyen Field (*Mayor Amatorio*)
- C. Park and Recreation Updates (*Mayor Amatorio*)

14. Committee/Department Reports

MOTION offered by Council President Rivera 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

18. 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.***