

BI-MONTHLY MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN, CAMDEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AT BERLIN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL HALL JULY 5, 2021 AT 5:30 P.M.

(Meeting was held by telephone due to Coronavirus)

Mayor Magazzu opened the meeting and stated that pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law, notice of this meeting was advertised in the Courier Post, Record Breeze and posted on the bulletin board.

All in attendance joined in the Salute to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Present- Mayor Magazzu, Council President Morris, Councilwoman Bodanza,

Also Present- Solicitor, Stuart Platt, CFO, Alex Davidson, Chief of Police Wayne Bonfiglio.

Absent- Councilman Epifanio, Councilman Reid, Township Engineer / Public Works Director, Chuck Riebel, Property Maintenance / Animal Control, Josh Shellenberger.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

No reports were given.

RESOLUTION 2021-118 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE STATE FUNDING FOR BERLIN TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE GRANT PROGRAM “SFY21 BODY WORN CAMERA GRANT” ADMINISTERED BY THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

WHEREAS, the Township of Berlin Police department has been awarded funding for the SFY21 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program administered by the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin hereby approves the acceptance and certification of the SFY21 Body Worn Camera Grant below:

State Grant Program:	SFY Body-Worn Camera Grant Program
Recipient of Grant:	Berlin Township Police Department
Award Number	21-BWC-032
Award Period	January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2025

State Amount Awarded **\$44,836.00**
Local Match **\$13,897.00**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the certification of acceptance agreement and any other documents on behalf of the Township of Berlin: and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the signature constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the agreement for the Body Worn Camera Grant and the purpose of the grant as describe in the application.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-118. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021-119 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF SOMERDALE FOR THE PROVISION OF a QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin that an Interlocal Service Agreement with the Borough of Somerdale is hereby authorized for the provision of a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Governing Body of the Township of Berlin, County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the agreement for shared services by and between the Township of Berlin and the Borough of Somerdale for Qualified Purchasing Agent contingent upon review from the Township Solicitor.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-119. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021-120 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A DISCHARGE OF LIEN AS A RESULT OF PAYMENT SATISFIED OR MUNICIPAL LIEN TRANSFER ON REAL PROPERTY FOR NECESSARY MAINTENANCE WORK PERFORMED.

To the Mayor and Council to the Township of Berlin:

WHEREAS, the property owner or responsible party failed to take appropriate action as required in the Violation Notices; the Code Enforcement Officer placed a work order

with outside vendors on the properties and provided an invoice as certification of all costs associated with the work performed pursuant to Chapter 280-6 and pursuant to Chapter 280-7 the monies expended to pay outside vendors to perform the services at these properties have been charged against the property; and pursuant to Chapter 280-8 forthwith became a lien on such lands and was filed with the Tax Office; said lien to be discharged by the Tax Collector upon payment.

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has confirmed receipt of payment or transfer to an open municipal tax sale lien for the liens against the following properties representing maintenance work performed; the maintenance liens against the following properties have been discharged, as follows:

Special Charge #:	Property:	AMOUNT	DATE PAID
PM20-004	308 Grove Ave (903-6)	\$ 70.00	5/20/21
PM20-010	308 Grove Ave (903-6)	\$ 65.00	5/20/21
PM20-011	308 Grove Ave (903-6)	\$ 75.00	5/20/21
PM20-017	308 Grove Ave (903-6)	\$ 60.00	5/20/21
PM20-002	326 Cleveland Ave (801-6)	\$ 495.00	6/3/21

Special Charge #:	Property:	AMOUNT	DATE TRANSFERRED TO MUNICIPAL LIEN
PM20-001	205 Haddon Ave (523-9)	\$ 487.50	5/13/21

Submitted for **July 5, 2021 Meeting** **Dana O'Hara, CTC - Tax Collector**

By resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, for the reasons set forth hereinabove, it hereby approves and authorizes said liens against said properties pursuant to Chapter 280-7 of the Code of the Township of Berlin hereby discharged.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-120. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021-121 CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 3 AND FINAL FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO CLARENCE AVENUE-VETERANS AVENUE THROUGH THE N.J. D.O.T. FY 2018 MUNICIPAL AID FUNDING.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to make changes in the scope of the work to be done in the improvements to Clarence Avenue in the Township of Berlin, Camden County, New Jersey, through the N.J.D.O.T. FY 2018 Municipal Aid Funding; and

WHEREAS, the Change reflects an adjustment in the original contract amount for the deletion of the full amounts for fuel and asphalt price adjustments items and the traffic control truck with the crash cushion as one wasn't used. This change order corrects the unit price used for 6 L.F. of item No.6, 8"x9"x18" curb in change order number 2 as an erroneous unit price of \$55.00 was used instead of the unit price bid of \$45.00, for a decrease amount of \$8,110.00. (see attached)

WHEREAS, Change Order Number 3 was developed for the adjustment in the contract amount of \$226,665.63 to 218,555.63 for a decrease of \$8,110.00

Original Contract Amount	\$215,843.63	
Change Order # 1	+1,555.00	Resolution 2020-158
Change Order # 2	+9,267.00	Resolution 2020-177
Change Order #3 Final	-8,110.00	Resolution 2021-121
Contract Amount	\$218,555.63	

WHEREAS, said Change Order Number 3 shall be charged to G-02-40-775-0995 Grant Fund and C-04-19-860-190104 Capital Fund as certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Berlin Mayor and Council that Gambale Concrete, LLC of Clementon New Jersey Change Order Number 3 is hereby authorized and approved for the change in the Contract amount from \$226,665.63 to \$218,555.63 for a decrease in the amount of \$8,110.00.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-121. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021- 122 RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PAYMENT # 3 FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO CLARENCE AVENUE-VETERANS AVENUE THROUGH THE N.J. D.O.T. FY 2018 MUNICIPAL AID FUNDING.

WHEREAS the Township Engineer has stated that the Improvements to Clarence Avenue-Veterans Avenue through the N.J.D.O.T. FY 2018 have been satisfactorily been completed; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer hereby certifies Final Payment #3 in the amount of \$5,607.15 shall be charged to G-02-40-775-0995 Grant Fund and \$8,555.63 shall be charged to C-04-19-860-190104 Capital Fund; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Berlin Mayor and Council that final payment #3 is hereby authorized and approved in the amount of \$14,162.78 contingent upon the approval of payment by the N.J.D.O.T.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-122. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021-123 PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR JULY.

WHEREAS, the Code of the Township of Berlin, Chapter 7-1 et seq., provides for the payment of claims after certification by the Treasurer and consideration by Mayor and Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, that the following claims detailed below and attached are hereby approved and the bills to be paid.

CONFIRMING:

TO	ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Flex Claims Week of 06/18-06/24/2021	T-18-56-850-030208	\$99.00
Flex Claims Week of 06/25-07/01/2021	T-18-56-850-030208	\$32.01
Payroll, Current Fund	7/2/2021	\$123,532.41
Payroll, Sewer Operating Fund	7/2/2021	\$7,438.44
Payroll, Open Space	7/2/2021	\$4,520.28
Payroll, Animal Control	7/2/2021	\$285.56
		\$135,907.70

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-123. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021-124 RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO THE N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159 P.L. 1948) CLEAN COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Finance may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any County or Municipality when such item shall have been made available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the Township has received a Clean Communities 2021 Grant from the NJ Department of Environmental Protection for \$13,331.97;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$13,331.97 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Operation "Excluded From CAP"	
Clean Communities 2021 Grant	\$13,331.97

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-124. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021-125 RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO THE N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159 P.L. 1948) RECYCLING TONNAGE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Finance may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any County or Municipality when such item shall have been made available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the Township has received a Recycling Tonnage 2018 Grant from the NJ Department of Environmental Protection for \$10,733.77;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$10,733.77 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Operation "Excluded From CAP"	
Recycling Tonnage 2018 Grant	\$10,733.77

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-125. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021-126 RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO THE N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159 P.L. 1948) BODY WORN CAMERA

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Finance may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any County or Municipality when such item shall have been made available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the Township has received a Body-Worn Camera 2021 Grant from the NJ Department of Law and Public Safety for \$44,836.00;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$44,836.00 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Operation "Excluded From CAP"	
Body-Worn Camera 2021 Grant	\$44,836.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-126. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 2021-127 RESOLUTION APPOINTING MICHAEL LANDOLT PATROLMAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, a recommendation has been made to the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Berlin to appoint Michael Landolt as Patrolman in the Township Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Township Council have reviewed the recommendation and found same to be acceptable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Berlin that it hereby authorizes and approves the appointment of Michael Landolt Patrolman in the Township Police Department effective July 5, 2021.

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to adopt resolution 2021-127. Resolution adopted by call of the roll, three members present voting in the affirmative.

Approval of June 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Councilwoman Bodanza second by Council President Morris to approve the Meeting Minutes for June 21, 2021. Motion carried by voice vote, three members present voting in the affirmative.

All Other Business

Nothing new to report

Public Portion

Motion by Council President Morris, second by Councilwoman Bodanza to open the meeting to the public. Motion carried by voice vote, all present voting in favor. Mayor Magazzu opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments.

Resident Carolyn Picciotti asked who decides if they are having a fourth of July Parade.

Mayor Magazzu responded that the Inter-Community Celebration Association (ICCA) decides on the decision whether to have it or not. Mayor Magazzu responded that this takes months planning to put this event together along with donations from businesses and residents with the uncertain of covid the committee decided to hold off this year and made next year 75th a Bid Event.

Motion by Council President Morris, second by Councilwoman Bodanza to close the meeting to the public. Motion carried by voice vote, all present voting in favor. Mayor Magazzu closed the meeting to the public for questions or comments.

Adjourn

Motion by Council President Morris, second by Councilwoman Bodanza to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 pm. Motion carried by voice vote, all members voting in the affirmative. Meeting adjourned 5:45 pm

**Catherine Underwood
Berlin Township RMC**

