

Borough of Garwood
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
APRIL 9, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM

Moment of Silence

Salute to the Flag

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Union County Hawk advertised on March 21, 2024. Notification was sent to the Star Ledger, and is posted on the Municipal website, the Municipal public bulletin board, and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk informing the public of the time and place according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Blumenstock	P		
Councilwoman Boto	P	Councilwoman Nolde	P
Councilman Foley	P	Councilwoman Salmon	P
Councilman Lazarow	P	Council President Kearney	P

Also Present:

John Arthur, Borough Administrator

Sandy Bruns, CFO

Warren Korecky, Auditor

Cathy Cameron, Borough Clerk

FINANCE COMMITTEE PRESENTS THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:

A PowerPoint presentation on the 2024 budget was provided by the Finance Committee. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Blumenstock provided clarification regarding DPW staffing.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Is there anyone in the audience who wishes to address the Mayor and Council please step to the microphone, and state your full name and address. Please limit your comments to five minutes.

Jennyfer Guerrero, 409 Myrle Ave. commented on DPW and Recreation.

Jill Pall, 54 Third Avenue, commented on the Garwood First Aid Squad.

Lou Turco, 98 Third Ave. commented on public safety.

Frank Kelly, 306 Willow Ave. commented on public safety and requested clarification on the budget.

Kim Ficara, 300 Cedar Street, requested clarification on the budget.

Cheryl Kelly, 500 Beech Street, commented on recreation and requested clarification regarding recreation and workers compensation concerns.

Bruce Paterson, 325 Willow Ave. commented on the budget.

John Bartolick, 231 Hemlock Ave. commented on the budget, Master Plan and requested clarification on sewer fees.

Michele Capobianco commented on the budget and requested clarification regarding sewer maintenance and RVSA charges.

Stephanie Willix, 320 Third Ave., commented on the budget and DPW.

A motion was made by Councilman Lazarow, second by Councilman Kearney, to close public comment. All in favor.

Mrs. Bruns and Mr. Korecky provided budget clarification.

Mayor Blumenstock provided clarification regarding recreation and workers compensation concerns.

Mayor Blumenstock provided clarification regarding the Master Plan.

Councilman Foley and Mrs. Bruns provided clarification regarding sewer fees and revenue.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on **THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2024** at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

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A motion was made by Councilwoman Boto, second by Councilwoman Salmon, to adjourn. Time: 9:44 PM