

**BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD  
MAYOR & COUNCIL COMBINED MEETING  
8:00 P.M.  
AUGUST 20, 2019**

1. Meeting called to order at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

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

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. In case of an emergency, exits are to the rear and your left. Please turn off all cell phones.

3. Roll Call:

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Councilman Lodato		
Councilman Deauna		
Councilman Amatorio		
Council Pres. Kornbluth		
Councilman Rivera		
Councilman Marte		
Mayor Schmelz		

4. Salute to the Flag was led by \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Agenda Changes – additions or revisions

6. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_, **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_, to approve minutes of the July 16, 2019 Combined Public Meeting, July 16, 2019 Closed Session Meeting (not to be released) and August 6, 2019 Special Closed Session (not to be released). All present voting in favor \_\_\_\_\_.

7. Presentations

A. Proclamation – Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2019 Statewide Crackdown (*Captain Rabboh*)

B. Police Department Presentation (*Mayor & Council Consensus*)

1. Oath of Office to Police Captain Mustafa Rabboh

- ❖ Biography of Captain Mustafa Rabboh read by Councilman Rivera
- ❖ **Resolution 19-215**/To Appoint Mustafa Rabboh to the Rank of Police Chief in the Bergenfield Police Department.

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**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

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C. Fire Department Presentations (*Borough Administrator*)

1. Oath of Office to Bryan Batista

❖ **Resolution 19-216**/To Hire Bryan Batista to the Rank of Firefighter in the Bergenfield Fire Department.

**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

2. Oath of Office to Nicholas J. Kovacs

❖ **Resolution 19-217**/To Hire Nicholas J. Kovacs to the Rank of Firefighter in the Bergenfield Fire Department.

**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

D. **19-218**/To Hire Part-Time Temporary Laborer – Derek Weigl (*Borough Administrator*)

**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

**19-219**/To Appoint to Provisional Keyboard Clerk 3 – Dixie Rainey (*Borough Administrator*)

**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

E. Board & Committee Appointments (*Mayor & Council*)

Mayor appoints the following to serve on the Library Board of Trustee for the following term:

Crystal Choonoo                      5-year term, term exp. 12/31/21

Mayor appoints the following to serve on the Veterans Advisory Committee for the following term:

Mike Mattesich                      1-year term, term exp. 12/31/19

F. Commuter Parking (*Mayor Schmelz*)

8. Capital Improvements/Borough Engineer

9. Verbal Communications I

Mayor Schmelz 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 Schmelz closes Verbal Communications I.

10. Correspondence

- A. Li-Basilan/Resident                      **RE:** Block Party Request/Porter Avenue from View Street to Orchard Street/August 31, 2019 or September 1, 2019/8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- B. Manlapaz/Resident                      **RE:** Request to Reserve Memorial Park Pavilion for Church Mass and Picnic/September 8, 2019/8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- C. Gallione/Bergenfield Bocce League                      **RE:** Request to Reserve Bocce Courts for Carlo Cecchino Bocce Tournament/October 13, 2019/7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- D. Assemblyman Tully's Office                      **RE:** Request to hold Mobile Office Hours in Borough Hall on September 17, 2019
- E. Fire & Safety Services                      **RE:** Request to Utilize the Fire Department Enforcer 107ft Rear Mounted Ladder Apparatus at the New Jersey State Fireman's Convention

F. Koperweis/Bergenfield SID

**RE:** Request to close Washington Avenue between West Clinton Avenue and Main Street for Halloween event/October 31, 2019/3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

G. Pardo/Resident

**RE:** Request to Reserve Memorial Park Pavilion for Baby Shower/September 7, 2019/ 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

H. DiLello/Bergenfield Jr. Football

**RE:** Request for Coin Toss/Intersections of New Bridge Rd, Washington Avenue, Clinton Avenue, Main Street, and Church Street/ September 15, 2019, September 29, 2019, and October 13, 2019/9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

I. Rainey/Clean Communities

**RE:** Request to Hold Community Litter Cleanup Event/Vivven Field/Twin Boro Lane/October 6, 2019/2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**MOTION OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_, **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_, to approve Correspondence Item A through I. All present voting in favor \_\_\_\_\_.

11. Ordinances

A. Adoption of Ordinances

The following ordinance published herewith was first read by title only on June 18, 2019 and posted on the bulletin board of the municipal center.

**ORDINANCE 19-2552 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 186 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD, ENTITLED “LAND DEVELOPMENT”**

Public Comments on Ordinance 19-2552.

**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

The following ordinance published herewith was first read by title only on July 16, 2019 and posted on the bulletin board of the municipal center.

**ORDINANCE 19-2553 – AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE” OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD**

Public Comments on Ordinance 19-2553.

**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

B. Introduction of Ordinances

Motion that the following ordinance be introduced and passed on first reading and setting Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard as the date and time and the Executive Council Chambers of the Bergenfield Borough Hall as the place for a hearing on said ordinance.

**ORDINANCE 19-2555 – AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR OUTDOOR SEATING**

**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

12. OFFICIAL BUSINESS TO BE ACTED UPON:  
A. CONSENT AGENDA

**CONSENT RESOLUTION 19-220.** 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. **19-221**/Pay Bills
- b. **19-222**/To Certify 2018 Audit (*Borough Clerk*)
- c. **19-223**/To Approve Correction Action Plan for Calendar Year 2018 Audit (*CFO*)
- d. **19-224**/To Authorize Refund of Redemption Monies to Outside Lien Holder for TTL #17-00001 (*Tax Collector*)
- e. **19-225**/To Authorize Rejection of Bids for Complete Custodial Services (*Borough Administrator*)
- f. **19-226**/To Approve Contract – Complete Custodial Services – FDG (*Borough Administrator*)
- g. **19-227**/To Approve Contract – 2019 Record Retention Services and Scanning – Foveonics Document Solutions (*Borough Administrator*)
- h. **19-228**/To Approve Bergen County Trust Fund Project Contract – 2018 Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) for Memorial Park Project entitled Memorial Field Backstops and Fencing – County of Bergen (*Borough Administrator*)

- i. **19-229**/To Approve Proposal – 2019 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program – North Prospect Avenue – Remington & Vernick Engineers (*Borough Administrator*)
- j. **19-230**/To Approve Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License for 2018-2019 License Term – The Rodriguez JMKA LLC (*Borough Clerk*)
- k. **19-231**/To Approve Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License for 2019-2020 License Term – The Rodriguez JMKA LLC (*Borough Clerk*)
- l. **19-232**/To Approve Proposal – Paving of West Clinton Avenue – Tilcon New York
- m. **19-233**/To Authorize Capital Purchase - One (1) 2019 Police Interceptor SUV through the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System – Beyer Ford (*Borough Administrator*)
- n. **19-234**/To Approve Tax Refund – 136 N. Washington Avenue (*Tax Collector*)
- o. **19-235**/To Approve Tax Refund – 311 S. Washington Avenue (*Tax Collector*)
- p. **19-236**/To Authorize Advertising for Bids – Memorial Field Fencing (*Borough Administrator*)

**OFFERED** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **SECOND** by Council \_\_\_\_\_

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

13. Unfinished Business

- A. R.L. Dehn & Sons Fire Protection Inc. and Mayor Nelson Antonio Nunez Request from Samana, Dominican Republic for 1988 Hahn Pumper Fire Truck Donation (*Borough Administrator*)
- B. Bergenfield Special Improvement District (*Borough Administrator*)

14. New Business

- A. Request to Plant Tree at Cooper’s Pond (*Borough Administrator*)

15. Administrator’s Report

16. Mayor & Council Reports

17. Committee/Department Reports

**MOTION** offered by Council President Kornbluth that the Committee/Department Reports be spread upon the minutes in full and filed. **SECOND** by \_\_\_\_\_. All in favor\_\_\_\_\_.

18. Verbal Communications II

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

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

19. Council Comments

20. Closed Session

RESOLUTION **19-237**/Authorizing the Governing Body to Enter into Closed Executive Session to discuss:

A. Personnel

1. Police Department Personnel (*Borough Administrator*)

B. Attorney-Client Privilege

1. Cell Tower Update (*Borough Administrator*)

21. Return To Open Session

**Motion Offered** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ **Second** by Council \_\_\_\_\_ All In favor \_\_\_\_\_.

22. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Mayor and Council a **MOTION** offered by \_\_\_\_\_, **SECOND** by \_\_\_\_\_, to adjourn the meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m. All in favor \_\_\_\_\_.