

**CITY OF BEVERLY  
BURLINGTON COUNTY  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**COMMON COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
JUNE 22, 2021 – 5:00PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Beverly, County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey was held on the aforementioned date with the following in attendance: Mayor Randy H. Miller, Council President Robert H. Bancroft, Councilman Robert E. Lowden, Jr., Councilman Mark Schwedes, City Administrator/Public Safety Director Richard Wolbert, and Municipal Clerk Caitlin Midgette. Councilwoman Bernadine Williams, Councilman Riccardo Dale, and City Solicitor Thomas J. Coleman were absent from tonight's meeting.

Council President Bancroft called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

The following opening statement was read by City Clerk Midgette:

*“The Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met. Notice of this meeting, Resolution 2021-1, was posted on the Official Bulletin Board in City Hall, published in The Burlington County Times on January 8, 2021, transmitted to the Camden Courier Post, filed with the Municipal Clerk, and was mailed to all persons requesting and paying for same. Notice that this meeting will be held in-person at 5:00PM was posted on the Official Bulletin Board in City Hall, published in The Burlington County Times on May 30, 2021, transmitted to the Camden Courier Post, and was sent to all persons requesting same.”*

The above was followed by the Flag Salute and Roll Call.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

There being no comments, a motion was offered by Councilman Schwedes and seconded by Councilman Lowden to close preliminary public comment on agenda items only. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- June 8, 2021

A motion was offered by Councilman Lowden and seconded by Councilman Schwedes to approve the above listed set of minutes. Motion carried on a Roll Call Vote, as follows:

Aye: Lowden, Bancroft

Nay:

Abstain: Schwedes

Absent: Dale, Williams

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was presented at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

*American Rescue Plan Funds:* City Administrator Wolbert stated that it is anticipated that the City will receive approximately \$500,000 in funds, but the City is limited on how it can spend said funds. Mr. Wolbert suggested that the Council consider HVAC upgrades at the EMS building, and mapping of the stormwater and sewer systems.

## **BILL LIST**

- Bill List for June 22, 2021

A motion was offered by Councilman Schwedes and seconded by Councilman Lowden to approve the bill list. Motion carried on a Roll Call Vote, as follows:

Aye: Lowden, Schwedes, Bancroft

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent: Dale, Williams

## **RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution 2021-61: Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Beverly Authorizing Renewal of a Plenary Retail Consumption License with Broad C Liquor License to Tulsi Beverly, Inc. D/B/A “F&M Liquors” for the 2021-2022 Licensing Year**

A motion was offered by Councilman Lowden and seconded by Councilman Schwedes to adopt Resolution 2021-61. Motion carried on a Roll Call Vote, as follows:

Aye: Lowden, Schwedes, Bancroft

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent: Dale, Williams

**Resolution 2021-62: Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Beverly Authorizing Discharge of Mortgage on Property Known as Block 736, Lot 11, FKA Block 36, Lot 11, A/K/A 516 Manor Road**

A motion was offered by Councilman Schwedes and seconded by Councilman Lowden to adopt Resolution 2021-62. Motion carried on a Roll Call Vote, as follows:

Aye: Lowden, Schwedes, Bancroft

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent: Dale, Williams

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence was presented.

**MAYOR/COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS**

Councilman Schwedes provided Council with an update on the Farmer’s Market, and noted that the Beverly Free Library will be looking to replace its sign. Additionally, Mr. Schwedes stated that the condition of Parker Street needs to be addressed.

City Administrator Wolbert updated Council on the following matters: the City Engineer is preparing to submit for next year’s NJDOT grant funds for additional improvements on Laurel Street; the bed of the old DPW truck needs to be replaced; and certain properties that the City foreclosed on need to have their deeds consolidated.

The Municipal Court Report for May 2021 was reviewed without comment.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There being no comments, a motion was offered by Councilman Schwedes and seconded by Councilman Lowden to close public comment. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was offered by Councilman Lowden and seconded by Councilman Schwedes to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:29PM.

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**Caitlin Midgette, RMC/CMR**  
**Municipal Clerk**

Approved: July 13, 2021