

**Workshop Meeting
Borough of Eatontown Governing Body
Wednesday, July 12, 2023**

This meeting has been advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act: A notice of the meeting has been published in the Asbury Park Press, Star Ledger and the Link News, posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of Borough Hall, and posted to the Borough website. Public Comment is welcome at any time.

Mayor Talerico opened the Workshop at 7:02pm, noting the Borough's compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Anthony Talerico, Jr., Council President Virginia M. East,
Councilmembers Danielle M. Jones, David Gindi, Meir Araman
ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Levy, Interim Administrator Lucia, Borough Clerk Martin
LATE ARRIVAL: Councilmember Mark Regan, Jr.
The Flag Salute was led by Mayor Talerico

Mayor Talerico asked the Council and Public to remain standing for a moment of silence for Councilmember Lucas.

2. ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND HELMET REQUIREMENTS (C/GINDI)

Councilmember Gindi spoke about the major influx in two-wheel electrical vehicles in the Borough. Councilmember Gindi asked if the Borough has a helmet law for electric vehicles under four wheels. Chief Lucia responded. Councilmember Gindi shared his witnessing of two kids racing on battery operated bikes where one hit a curb and flipped over. Councilmember Gindi asked the Council to pass an ordinance mandating helmet wearing for any electrical vehicle that is an open vessel. Mayor Talerico asked Councilmember Gindi about a one-wheel vehicle, and if he is proposing those as well. Councilmember Gindi explained he is proposing anything motorized where your body is openly exposed regardless of age. Mayor Talerico asked the council if anyone would like to support this. Councilmember Araman showed his support. Mayor Talerico asked Chief Lucia how the Borough would enforce the ordinance to minors. Chief Lucia responded.

3. TREE CLEARING ORDINANCE (C/ARAMAN)

Councilmember Araman spoke about developers clearing trees, then not going forward with completing the development. Councilmember Araman asked the Council if they can propose something to the Planning Board to have the project go through completely before the developers are allowed to clear the trees. Mayor Talerico responded. Mayor Talerico asked the Council if anyone objects having the Shade Tree Commission and the Environmental Commission working together to come up with wording and presenting to the Attorney. No objections from Council.

Mayor Talerico opened the meeting to the public on workshop items only.

No comments were made by the public.

Councilmember Regan spoke on the loss of the late Councilmember Everett Lucas.

Mayor Talerico closed the meeting to the public.

4. CLOSED SESSION

A. Resolution 140-2023

- 1) Personnel - Committee Appointments
- 2) Contract Negotiations - PBA and Staff Officers
- 3) Litigation - Fresh Dispensary v. Borough of Eatontown

Mayor Talerico noted the Council would not act on the items in workshop.

Attorney Levy read the resolution into the record.

RESOLUTION 140-2023

AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EATONTOWN

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., a municipality may exclude the public from a meeting of the Municipal Council where the Council intends to discuss certain matters for which privacy is needed in order to protect the public interest or certain enumerated private interests; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Eatontown to discuss in session not open to the public certain matters that are required by law to be confidential, more specifically: 1) Personnel - Committee Appointments, 2) Contract Negotiations – PBA and Staff Officers, 3) Litigation - Fresh Dispensary v. Borough of Eatontown
WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the minutes from the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Eatontown do hereby authorize the above referenced executive session to be held closed to the public, on July 12, 2023.

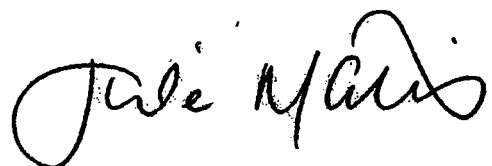
Motion to enter into closed session by C/Gindi; seconded C/East
Voice Vote: AYE - C/East, C/Regan, C/Jones, C/Gindi, C/Araman

Council entered Closed Session at 7:17pm
Council returned from Closed Session at 7:53pm

Motion to enter into open session by C/East; seconded C/Gindi
Voice Vote: AYE - C/East, C/Regan, C/Jones, C/Gindi, C/Araman

5. ADJOURNMENT – 7:53pm

Motion to adjourn by C/East; seconded by C/Gindi
Voice Vote: AYE - C/East, C/Regan, C/Jones, C/Gindi, C/Araman



By: Julie Martin, RMC, Borough Clerk

Exhibits are on file in the Borough Clerk's Office, according to the NJ State Records Retention Schedule established by NJSA 47:3-15 *et seq* and approved by the State Records Committee. Audio is available on the Borough website.

Approval 07/26/2023