

**Workshop Meeting
Borough of Eatontown Governing Body
Wednesday, May 22, 2024**

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 7:01pm, 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 David Gindi, Meir Araman, Carl Lawson, Candance Faust
ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Bayer, Interim Administrator Lucia, Deputy Borough Clerk Muscillo
LATE ARRIVAL: Councilmember Danielle M. Jones
The Flag Salute was led by Mayor Talerico

The proclamations were taken out of order.

3. PROCLAMATION - MEMORIAL DAY 2024

Mayor Talerico provided an overview of the proclamation.

2. PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

Mayor Talerico read the proclamation into the record.

4. TRAILER, BOAT, AND RV PARKING (C/GINDI)

Councilmember Gindi spoke about the inconvenience of having to park trailers, boats, and RVs in the backyard as per the existing ordinance. Councilmember Gindi mentioned he spoke with the Zoning Officer for her feedback and gathered a clearer understanding of the reasoning behind parking in the backyard. Councilmember Gindi mentioned some properties are smaller than other properties, and the ordinance needs to mention Eatontown as a whole. Councilmember Gindi then asked Councilmember Faust about a Zoning Board application in the past related to a variance for parking an RV in the side yard. Councilmember Faust responded. Mayor Talerico mentioned the reasonings of having to park in the backyard. Councilmember Araman explained his belief that if a resident wants to park in the side yard, they should have to obtain a variance with the Zoning Board case by case. Councilmember Gindi responded. Mayor Talerico mentioned some side yards are so small while others are big enough to park a trailer, boat, or RV. Councilmember Araman responded that the Zoning Board is the best solution. Councilmember Gindi asked if there has ever been an ordinance written specific to lot size. Attorney Bayer and Mayor Talerico responded. Councilmember Araman asked if there needs to be a hard surface to park on the side yard. Mayor Talerico responded. Council President East mentioned the existing ordinance has been reviewed a few times over the last few years.

Councilmember Jones arrived at the meeting at 7:23pm.

Mayor Talerico opened the meeting to the public.

Mike Bausenwein, 4 Judy Road, explained he bought his RV in 2005 and by 2006, his neighbor filed some complaints even though they were abiding by the existing ordinance. Mr. Bausenwein explained the neighbor tried to change the ordinance where you could not park an RV in town at all. Further explained was in the meetings, several of the council members mentioned the Borough should look at amending the ordinance for parking in the side yard. Mr. Bausenwein then mentioned in 2016 they bought a new RV that was heavier and has gotten stuck in the backyard before. Mr. Bausenwein then mentioned he did roll the dice and start parking in the side yard, which they eventually were caught doing. Mr. Bausenwein explained he didn't have the money to go to the Zoning Board for a variance. Mayor Talerico responded.

Mayor Talerico closed the meeting to the public.

5. CLOSED SESSION

A. Resolution 110-2024

1. Affordable Housing - Litigation

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

Attorney Bayer read the resolution into the record.

RESOLUTION 110-2024

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) Affordable Housing - Litigation

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 Wednesday, May 22, 2024.

Mayor Talerico asked Attorney Bayer if the council can present a proclamation to the First Aid Squad prior to entering Closed Session. Attorney Bayer responded yes.

Mayor Talerico and Councilmember East presented the EMS Week proclamation to the First Aid Squad. Councilmember Gindi thanked the new recruits for joining.

Motion to enter into closed session by C/Gindi; seconded C/East

Voice Vote: AYE - C/East, C/Jones, C/Gindi, C/Araman, C/Lawson, C/Faust

Council entered Closed Session at 7:33pm

Council returned from Closed Session at 7:59pm

6. ADJOURNMENT – 8:00pm

Motion to adjourn by C/East; seconded by C/Araman

Voice Vote: AYE - C/East, C/Jones, C/Gindi, C/Araman, C/Lawson, C/Faust



By: Kathleen Muscillo, Deputy 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 06/05/2024