

**The June 21, 2021** regular session of the Borough Council of the Borough of Spring Lake Heights, Monmouth County, New Jersey was called to order by Mayor Campion at 7:00 p.m. in the Frank E. Adams Municipal Building with a moment of silence and a salute to the flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:

Councilman Leonard Capristo  
Councilman John Casagrande  
Councilman Peter Gallo  
Councilman William Graetz  
Councilwoman Sara King  
Mayor Christopher Campion

Absent:

Councilman Christopher Willms

Mayor Campion announced: Pursuant to the requirements of New Jersey's Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was included in the Annual Meeting Notice filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk; posted on the Borough website and in the Municipal Building; published as a legal notice in the Coast Star newspaper; and mailed to those requesting notice and providing payment.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Gallo, the agenda was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo, Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King

Nays: None    Abstain: None    Absent: Mr. Willms

**APPROVE MINUTES -**    June 7, 2021 Regular

On a motion by Mr. Gallo, seconded by Mr. Casagrande, the minutes for the June 7, 2021 meeting were approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo, Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King

Nays: None    Abstain: None    Absent: Mr. Willms

**PRESENTATIONS –** None

**DISCUSSION ITEMS –**

On a motion by Mr. Casagrande, seconded by Mr. Gallo, the July 6, 2021 council meeting was cancelled, approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo, Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King

Nays: None    Abstain: None    Absent: Mr. Willms

**MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS –** No reports

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Any Item)**

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mrs. King, the public comment section was opened by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo, Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King

Nays: None    Abstain: None    Absent: Mr. Willms

No comment.

On a motion by Mrs. King, seconded by Mr. Casagrande, the public comment section was closed by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo, Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King

Nays: None    Abstain: None    Absent: Mr. Willms

## **SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS - None**

### **REPORTS, NOTICES & CORRESPONDENCE**

- Spring Lake Heights Municipal Court Monthly Report – May 2021
- Borough of West Long Branch Resolution No. R2182 Opposing S-3810: Responsible Collective Negotiations Act

### **ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS - None**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA Resolutions R2021-106 to R2021-110**

*Consent Agenda items are considered routine and will be enacted with a single motion; any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of Funds; any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Consent Agenda items will be reflected in full in the minutes.*

- **R2021-106**, Approving Outdoor Music on designated dates
- **R2021-107**, Approving Outdoor Music on designated dates
- **R2021-108**, Appointing Additional Summer Recreation Program Employees
- **R2021-109**, Approving the Issuance of Alcoholic Beverage Control Social Affair Permit for What Exit F.O.O.L.S.
- **R2021-110**, Waiving of Food Handling permit Fees for Designated Business

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mrs. King, the consent agenda was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo, Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King,

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: Mr. Willms

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Mayor Campion began the discussion of the outdoor dining permit for Tap House by saying we are a residential community and as long as neighbors are kept happy, that's what matters most. We will revisit ordinance in future with respect to parking.

Mrs. King has a great deal of concern, feels outside area is too close to highway, worried for safety of young people who have had too much to drink; asked if they could use part of back parking lot for outdoor dining.

Mayor explained the 2 openings are fire exits from building, providing for exiting due to an emergency; he added that Highway 71 is a 35-mph road. If outdoor dining were in the back of building, noise would have a greater impact on neighbors; he would rather noise travel across the street to golf course.

Mr. Casagrande said there are a lot of residents who enjoy outdoor dining and believe it is consistent with surrounding municipalities, including its proximity to roadway adding safety precautions that have been put in place. He also agrees with the mayor that the outdoor area in back would cause greater sound issues to neighbors. Also pointed out that we are looking at expansion of liquor license to outside & that we all agree we need to look at outdoor dining ordinance with great consideration to our businesses but with residents in mind as well. We need to evaluate lessons learned and come up with a plan to revise ordinance as needed.

Mr. Capristo added that this is a great trial run; if it works, this might be a nice step in the correct direction; agrees front is the place to put it.

Mayor added owners are well-aware of risk if patron is over-served, would jeopardize their business.

Mr. Graetz added he agrees the front of the building is the right place, better for noise to travel toward golf course; we will address parking in future.

Mr. Gallo added parking is his concern, to be discussed in future; agrees keeping noise as far away from residents as possible is the right thing.

Mr. Capristo pointed out that ride-sharing and bike-riding affects parking availability.

Mayor asked Tap House owners if there is any use of incentives to encourage ride-sharing. They replied that guests use the ride share on their own.

- **R2021-111**, Authorizing the Place-to-Place Transfer of the Alcoholic Beverage Control License, Irish Riviera II, LLC at 810 State Highway 71

On a motion by Mr. Capristo, seconded by Mr. Casagrande, Resolution No 2021-111 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo, Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Graetz  
Nays: Mrs. King      Abstain: None      Absent: Mr. Willms

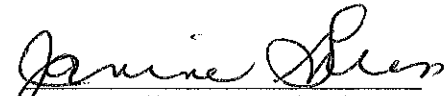
- **R2021-112**, Approving the Payment of Itemized Claims as set forth on the June 18, 2021 Bill List

On a motion by Mr. Graetz, seconded by Mr. Casagrande, Resolution No 2021-112 was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Mr. Capristo, Mr. Casagrande, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Graetz, Mrs. King  
Nays: None      Abstain: None      Absent: Mr. Willms

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Casagrande, seconded by Mrs. King, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:20p.m.

  
Janine Gillis, Borough Clerk

Approved: July 19, 2021