

BOROUGH OF BERNARDSVILLE
Mayor & Borough Council Meeting Agenda
July 20, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Mary Jane Canose
Council Member John Donahue
Council Member Jeffrey Hammond
Council Member Jena McCredie
Council Member Chad McQueen
Council Member Thomas O’Dea
Council Member Christine Zamarra

2. **STATEMENT OF PRESIDING OFFICER**

Notice of this meeting was provided to the Bernardsville News, Courier News and the Star Ledger, filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board on June 29, 2020 and revised and filed on July 16, 2020.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **RESOLUTIONS**

#20-192 AMENDING SHARED MUNICIPAL COURT AGREEMENT

I move that Resolution #20-192 be adopted
Second:
Roll call vote:

5. **ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

- 5A. Borough Policies
(1) Travel Advisory and Post-Travel Quarantine Policy
(2) Supplement to Infection Control Policy for Non-Contractual Employees

6. **PRESENTATIONS**

- 6A. Vision Planning Session with Alan Zalkind and Dr. Angela McGuire

7. **OPEN SESSION**

At this point in the meeting, the Mayor & Council welcome comments from any member of the public. To help facilitate an orderly meeting and to permit the opportunity for anyone who wishes to be heard, speakers shall limit their comments to 3 minutes. If reading from a prepared statement, please provide a copy and email a copy to the Clerk's Office after making your comments so it may be properly reflected in the minutes.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

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**BOROUGH OF BERNARDSVILLE
RESOLUTION #20-192**

AMENDING SHARED MUNICIPAL COURT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Township of Bedminster (“Bedminster”), the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone (“Peapack-Gladstone”), the Borough of Bernardsville (“Bernardsville”) and the Township of Bernards (“Bernards”) have reviewed their needs, resources and personnel and have found that they can assist each other at considerable savings to the tax payers of each municipality by establishing and operating a shared municipal court; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq., any municipality of the State of New Jersey may contract with any other municipality for the shared provision within their several jurisdictions of any service that any party to the agreement is empowered to provide within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1(c), two or more municipalities, by resolution, may agree jointly to provide for courtrooms, chambers, equipment, supplies and employees for their municipal courts and agree to appoint judges and administrators without establishing a joint municipal court; and

WHEREAS, in a Shared Municipal Court, each Court retains its own identity; and

WHEREAS, the Shared Municipal Court shall be operated as four separate courts, pursuant to which Bedminster is the host municipality and provides the services described in this Agreement to Peapack and Gladstone, Bernardsville and Bernards; and

WHEREAS, the Shared Services Agreement, in the form attached hereto and made a part hereof, was negotiated and agreed to by Bedminster, Peapack-Gladstone, Bernardsville and Bernards which establishes a shared municipal court and provides for the sharing of court facilities and court staff including the municipal judge, court administrators, other court employees, prosecutors, public defenders and security personnel; and

WHEREAS, Bedminster, Peapack-Gladstone, Bernardsville and Bernards have negotiated this final version of the Shared Services Agreement, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Shared Services Agreement has been reviewed by the Municipal Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Bernardsville finds it to be in the best interest of the Borough and its residents to enter into this Shared Services Agreement with Bedminster, Peapack-Gladstone, and Bernards for the establishment and operation of a shared municipal court.

COMMENCING ON OR ABOUT AUGUST 1, 2020, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Bernardsville, in the County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. There shall be established a shared municipal court servicing the Township of Bedminster, Borough of Peapack and Gladstone, Borough of Bernardsville and Township of Bernards subject to compliance with the terms and conditions of the approval of Honorable Thomas Miller, A.J.S.C.
2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Peapack and Gladstone, the Township of Bedminster and the Township of Bernards, which Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions for the operation of the shared municipal court, including the sharing of court facilities and court staff including the municipal judge, court administrators, other court employees, prosecutors, public defenders and security personnel.
3. The Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney and other appropriate Township officials are further authorized to take any and all action required to comply with this Agreement.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption, and the adoption of the appropriate mechanism approving the Shared Services Agreement adopted by the Borough.

I, Anthony Suriano, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Bernardsville, hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a duly convened meeting held on July 20, 2020.
