

STRATFORD BOROUGH SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017  
7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Borough Clerk Ben Angeli called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Keenan led the Pledge of Allegiance and followed the pledge with a prayer.

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT

Mr. Angeli stated that notice of this meeting has been provided to the Courier Post and Central Record along with being posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board stating time and place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR JOSH KEENAN  
PATRICK GREEN, COUNCILMAN  
DAVID GRAY, COUNCILMAN  
FRANK HARTMAN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
JOHN DUDLEY, COUNCILMAN  
LINDA HALL, COUNCILWOMAN  
TINA LOMANNO, COUNCILWOMAN  
STUART PLATT, SOLICITOR  
JIM MALEY, REDEVELOPMENT SOLICITOR  
BEN ANGELI, ACTING CLERK

PUBLIC  
PORTION:

Councilman Hartman made a motion to go to public portion on agenda items only.  
Councilman Green seconded the motion with all ayes on the vote.

Councilman Gray made a motion to close the public portion on the agenda items only.  
Councilwoman Lomanno seconded the motion with all ayes on the vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

GOOD AND  
WELFARE:

Councilman Dudley made a motion to go to good and welfare. Second: Councilman Gray seconded the motion with all ayes on the vote.

John Gentles of Union Avenue spoke about Memorial Day, the Vietnam Memorial and the clock. Mentioned Ms. Berdine wanted to raise money to put another plaque on the clock. The Clerk asked Mr. Gentless if he owed money to someone for the clock. He said no. Mayor Keenan asked him if he did the fundraising then he should refund the money. Mr. Gentless replied, thank you for that and asked about gas line easements on Atlantic Ave.. He asked about the sign on Kirkwood Avenue that he thinks is gone. The Mayor said we would look into the sign.

Councilman Dudley made a motion to close good and welfare portion of the meeting.  
Councilman Green seconded the motion with all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Res.2017:95 Resolution 2017:95 – Executive Session

The topics of discussion are related to Attorney/Client Privilege to discuss status related to the Redevelopment of Bradlees/Juster site. These items are for #7 of the Executive Session Resolution for matters relating to litigation, negotiations, and the Attorney-Client Privilege. The approximate time of this session should be 60 minutes. Action may be taken after the session.

Councilman Dudley made a motion to accept the resolution and go into Executive Session Councilwoman Lomanno seconded the motion with all ayes on the vote.

Entertain Motion to exit Executive Session

Councilman Dudley made a motion to exit executive session. Councilman Green seconded the motion with all ayes on the vote.

After executive session, Council took questions from the public.

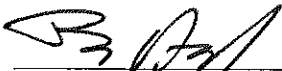
John Gentless of Union Avenue asked about Bradlees site including a closing date, some state property and if residential was a part of the plan. He also asked if they asked for an abatement and if it was long term.

Mr. Maley, Redevelopment solicitor, replied that there was no residential at this time and that they had requested a long term abatement.

Borough Solicitor, Stuart Platt, said things are being reviewed and nothing has been decided. Council would act in the best interests of the people and their children.

ADJOURN:

Councilman Hartman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Gray seconded the motion with all ayes on the vote.



Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk