

LEGISLATIVE MINUTES

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

May 1, 2020

The Marlboro Township Council held its special meeting on May 1, 2020 at 10AM by remote.

Council President Mazzola opened the meeting and announced that pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this special meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Marlboro was sent to the Asbury Park Press, the Star Ledger, the News Transcript and the Board of Education on April 28, 2020, posted on the township website and Channel 77, posted on the door of the Municipal Building and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk. The purpose of the special meeting was to take action on a resolution to extend the grace period for payment of 2nd quarter property taxes to June 1, 2020. Formal action will be taken and Citizen's Voice will be limited to 15 minutes.

The Clerk called the Roll.

PRESENT: Council Vice President Cantor, Councilwoman Marder, Councilman Scalea and Council President Mazzola by conference call. Councilman Metzger was absent.

Also present were: Mayor Jonathan L. Hornik, Louis N. Rainone, Esq., Business Administrator Jonathan Capp, Chief Financial Officer Lori Russo, Municipal Clerk Alida Manco and Deputy Municipal Clerk Susan A. Branagan by conference call.

The following Res. #2020-149 (Extending Grace Period for Payment of 2nd Quarter Property Taxes to June 1, 2020) was introduced by reference, offered by Councilman Cantor, seconded by Councilwoman Marder and passed on a roll call vote of 4- 0 in favor (Absent: Metzger).

RESOLUTION #2020-149

Extend Grace Period for 2020 Second Quarter Property Taxes to June 1, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-66(a), second-quarter property taxes are due May 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, property taxpayers in the Township may be suffering from one or more financial hardships caused by or related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to a substantial loss of or drop in income and additional expenses such as those relating to necessary healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 outbreak has caused substantial disruption for many property taxpayers in the Township, making it difficult for many residents to meet the May 1, 2020 due date for timely payment of real property taxes; and

WHEREAS, under N.J.S.A. 54:4-67(a), local governments may fix the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes, assessments, or other municipal liens or charges, on or before the date when they would become delinquent, and may provide that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made within the tenth calendar day following the date upon which the same became delinquent, thereby establishing a grace period running through May 11, 2020 for second-quarter property taxes in the case of municipalities on a calendar year budget cycle; and

WHEREAS, Governor Philip D. Murphy issued Executive Order No. 130 allowing a governing body of a municipality with a calendar year budget cycle to adopt a resolution extending the grace period for the payment of second-quarter property taxes to a date no later than June 1, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Marlboro, in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey that the grace period for the payment of second-quarter property taxes is extended to June 1, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the municipal clerk shall notify the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of this resolution not later than the third business day next following the adoption of said resolution.

At 10:02AM, Councilman Scalea moved that the meeting be adjourned. This was seconded by Councilwoman Marder, and as there was no objection, the Clerk was asked to cast one ballot (Absent: Metzger).

MINUTES APPROVED: MAY 21, 2020

OFFERED BY: SCALEA AYES: 4

SECONDED BY: METZGER NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: METZGER

ALIDA MANCO,
MUNICIPAL CLERK

CAROL MAZZOLA,
COUNCIL PRESIDENT