

BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS  
WORK SESSION MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
MONDAY, May 22, 2023  
MAYOR THOMAS A. BARBERA PRESIDING

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE** was led by Mayor Barbera

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW**—Mayor Barbera stated adequate notice of this meeting was given by emailing the Retrospect and the Courier-Post on January 10, 2023 and posting on Borough Website and bulletin board.

**ROLL CALL** recorded as present: DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino and Redstreake; absent: Cruz and DelPidio

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Regular Meeting of May 8, 2023 - The motion to approve by Councilmember Redstreake, was seconded by Councilmember DiMarco, with DiGregorio, DiMarco and Redstreake in favor, none opposed and Riondino abstaining.

**RESOLUTIONS**

- **#053-2023 - FOR RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE**

**WHEREAS, SFV, LLC** of 26 Stone Road, is the holder of a Plenary Retail Consumption License in the Borough of Laurel Springs; and

**WHEREAS**, the said applicant has paid the \$200.00 fee filing application with the State of New Jersey, and \$2,500.00 fee to the Borough of Laurel Springs; and

**WHEREAS**, said applicant has complied with the health, public safety, and taxation regulations and applicable local ordinances;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs, that Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0420-33-002-003 is granted to SFV, LLC for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

- The motion to adopt by Councilmember Redstreake was seconded by Councilmember DiGregorio with DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino and Redstreake in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

- **#054-2023 - FOR RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE**

**WHEREAS, PMK Beverage Inc.** of 211 White Horse Pike, is the holder is the holder of a Plenary Retail Consumption License in the Borough of Laurel Springs; and

**WHEREAS**, the said applicant has paid the \$200.00 fee filing application with the State of New Jersey, and \$2,500.00 fee to the Borough of Laurel Springs; and

**WHEREAS**, said applicant has complied with the health, public safety, and taxation regulations and applicable local ordinances;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs, that Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0420-44-003-014 is granted to PMK Beverage Inc. for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

- The motion to adopt by Councilmember Redstreake was seconded by Councilmember Riondino with DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino and Redstreake in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

- Resolved to pay \$234,220.02 from Current Fund and \$22,511.46 from the Trust/Capital Accounts. The motion by Councilmember Redstreake, was seconded by Councilmember DiMarco with DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino and Redstreake in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

**ADOPTION OF THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,941,000.00**

- **#055-2023 - TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S. 40A:4-8, as amended by L.2015, c. 95, § 14, 2015, provides that the budget may be read by title only at the time of the public hearing if a resolution is passed by not less than a majority of the full

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governing body, providing that at least one week prior to the date of hearing, a complete copy of the budget has been made available for public inspection, and has been made available to each person upon request; and

**WHEREAS**, these two conditions have been met;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the budget shall be read by title only.

- The motion by Councilmember Redstreak, was seconded by Councilmember DiMarco with DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino and Redstreak in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
- **PUBLIC HEARING** - Mayor Barbera opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments, and hearing none closed the meeting to the public.
- The motion to adopt by Redstreak was seconded by DiMarco, with DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino and Redstreak in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

**MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/CORRESPONDENCE**

- FDS Reminder - Any individual named on the local government entity's roster and listed as ACTIVE who has not filed the Financial Disclosure Statement will be determined to be in violation of the filing requirement contained in the Local Government Ethics Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6. The Board intends to issue Notices of Violation at its meeting on June 14, 2023. A violation of the Local Government Ethics Law carries with it a fine in an amount between \$100 and \$500 – Mayor Barbera mentioned that no member of Council had not filed, so this information was mute for this Board.
- Memorial Trees – Councilmember Redstreak announced that a group of residents have come together to donate some memorial trees at Crystal Springs. He discussed some dead and dying trees that were scheduled for replacement. They are looking at Weeping Cherry and Dogwood trees. Plaques have been ordered for the memorial portion of the activity. There was a general discussion of dogwood trees.
- Online copyright and gender issues – Borough Administrator Cheeseman discussed, with regard to website and social media use, the Borough has had a fee levied for the use of photos that belong to the Associated Press and has been cautioned by the Joint Insurance fund to be certain that all posts are gender neutral as they are being tested and fined by NJDCR. The Borough website was reviewed and only one form was found to request gender, which has been changed, and in the future potential document uploads. There was also conversation regarding workers compensation, court cases and ADA compliance.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - none**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Monday, May 29th – Memorial Day Ceremony @10 am - @War Memorial
- Monday, May 29th – Borough Offices are closed in observance of Memorial Day
- Tuesday, June 6th – Primary Election @6 am – 8 pm @Recreation Center
- Wednesday, June 7th - Recreation Commission @7pm @Rec Center
- Thursday, June 8th - Family Game Night @6pm @Rec Center
- Monday, June 12th - Regular Council Meeting @ 7pm @Rec Center
- There is No Work Session Meeting in June, July, August or October

ADJOURNMENT–Upon the motion of Councilmember Redstreak the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m. with all in favor and none opposed.

Respectfully submitted.

Dawn T. Amadio, RMC, Municipal Clerk