

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 DelPidio and Redstreake; absent: Cruz.

**PRESENTATION – 915 Stone Road – B41-L15 – Redeveloper Designation**

Michael Aimino the legal representative and his client the property owner met with the Borough regarding the Redevelopment process. Unfortunately, his client was unable to attend due to the Yom Kippur holiday and was not present. He offered an overview of 915 Stones Road, which is Block 41, Lot 15. His client has owned the property for a while. It is a former dentist's office. It is all small rooms on the first floor and a large single family apartment dwelling on the second floor. The owner has been unable to find commercial clients to fit into the first floor in the small rooms, therefore, they are hoping to redevelop the property into three age-restricted, over-55 apartments through the redevelopment process. There was discussion of this use, potential profit and three units toward the COAH obligation. There was discussion of having to be named a Redeveloper by Borough Council. There was discussion of distribution of a site plan, consistent reviews of the outside where not a lot of work would be needed, as it meets the zoning code for parking. His client runs a company through property rentals and also a construction company. Property Management is already onsite for the project. Mr. Aimino discussed interior drawings, saying they would be distributing interior drawings, saying the property is well set up for construction of apartments. There was discussion of the redevelopment process.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Regular Meeting of September 11, 2023 - The motion to approve by Councilmember Redstreake, was seconded by Councilmember DiMarco, with DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino, DelPidio and Redstreake in favor, none opposed.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**#075-2023 - FOR RENEWAL OF MERCANTILE LICENSE**

**WHEREAS**, Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs have passed an ordinance establishing Chapter 169 of the code of the Borough of Laurel Springs, known as "Mercantile License"; and

**WHEREAS**, a license is required to operate or conduct any business establishment in the Borough of Laurel Springs; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs that the proper investigation has been made and the following applicants have complied with the general laws and statutes of the state and the ordinance of the Borough of Laurel Springs.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that approval has been granted by Mayor and Council for renewals of "MERCANTILE LICENSE" for:

- Cleaning MDs-811 W Atlantic Ave
- J & R Rebuilders- 330 Washington Ave
- The motion to adopt by Councilmember Redstreake was seconded by Councilmember DiMarco with DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino, DelPidio and Redstreake in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
- Resolved to pay \$78,556.75 from Current Fund and \$34,688.46 from the Trust/Capital Accounts. The motion by Councilmember Redstreake, was seconded by Councilmember DiGregorio with DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino, DelPidio and Redstreake in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

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**MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/CORRESPONDENCE**

- From Voorhees Township regarding Construction Shared Service – There was discussion that the Borough is currently making other arrangements which will be available next month. They are working that out.
- Appointment of Police Contract Negotiations Committee – Mayor Barbera appointed Council President Redstreak, Councilmember Riondino and Borough Administrator Cheeseman to sit on this committee.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**Meg Simon** – Makers Workshop discussing the Market Night on October 11<sup>th</sup> and the expected crowd being at least double from last time. There was discussion of getting a portable toilet and the road closure on Tomlinson Avenue and police presence.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> - Recreation Commission @7pm @Rec Center
- Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> Townwide Yard Sale and Clean Communities Weekend
- Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup> – Borough Hall is closed in observance of Columbus Day
- Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> – Camden County History Night @7 – 8:15 pm @Farmhouse
- Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> – Laurel Springs Market Night @5:30–7:30 pm Downtown
- Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> – Council President Redstreak added a tree dedication for Dr. Rev. David Meldrum tonight at 6:30 pm @Crystal Springs.
- Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> - Regular Council Meeting @ 7pm @Rec Center
- There is no Work Session Meeting in October

**ADJOURNMENT**–Upon the motion of Councilmember Redstreak the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m. with all in favor and none opposed.

Respectfully submitted.

Dawn T. Amadio, RMC, Municipal Clerk