



BOROUGH OF BERLIN
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
59 SOUTH WHITE HORSE PIKE
BERLIN, NJ 08009

COUNCIL MEETING WORKSHOP MINUTES

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024 – 6:30 PM

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. He stated that adequate notice of this meeting had been given in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice has been advertised in the Courier-Post and The Philadelphia Inquirer and posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board showing the said meeting's date, place, and time.

Present: Councilmembers Badolato, Hohing, Miller, Mascarenhas, Wilkinson and Mayor Miller

Absent: Councilwoman Cummings

Also Present: Howard Long, Solicitor
Anne Marie Miller, Administrator
Rachel von der Tann, Municipal Clerk

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Mayor Miller opens the workshop with discussion on Airbnb's in Berlin Borough. The Mayor states he has had some complaints about airbnb's in town, specifically one location in Lake Worth.

It's come to his attention, some others that aren't being as disruptive in the town. his initial reaction based on the information he got was he would like to pass an outright ban on them. He doesn't know if council wants to consider maybe enforcing them as rental units and having some control over it or what Council's pleasure was. They would have to apply for a rental license and be subject to all the rental, inspections, that other rental units would have right now.

Council discusses the pro and cons of having airbnb's in the Borough of Berlin and decide to introduce an ordinance banning airbnb's in the Borough of Berlin.

Council President Miller gives an update on Owens Corning. Council President Miller will be scheduling a Zoom meeting, and he would like whoever can be part of that to attend. He suggests having it advertised so there can be a quorum, The woman he spoke to, Kelly, will be talking with the real estate person as well he suggests we should look further into it. He apologizes for letting it go the past couple of months He wants to continue conversations with her to see what we can do with that property or what they can suggest.

Administrator Anne Marie Miller suggests changing the Borough's hours from 8:30am to 4:30pm to 7:30am to 4:00pm.

Council is in agreement. The new hours will become effective April 1, 2024.

MOTION TO CLOSE WORKSHOP

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Mascarenhas

Seconded: Councilman Badolato AIF: All Opposed: None

Submitted by:
Rachel von der Tann
Municipal Clerk