AUGUST 11, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley was held on Tuesday, August 11, 2020, at the Municipal Building, Pinewald Keswick Road, Bayville, New Jersey. Present in person were Council Members, Byrnes and Gingrich, via teleconference were Council Members Bacchione, Guadagno, Grosse and Council President Buscio. Also present Administrator Camera, CFO Ebenau, Attorney Staiger, Planner Oris and via teleconference Mayor Amato. Bob Coughlin (IT) for teleconference setup.

Township Clerk read the following Open Public Meetings Statement:

Ladies and Gentlemen, pursuant to the applicable portions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, adequate notice of this meeting has been given. The meeting is posted on the on Bulletin Board in the corridor of this building and transmitted to the newspaper and posted on the Township Website on August 7, 2020. Councilman Byrnes lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Bacchione (T), Gingrich, Byrnes, Guadagno (T muted), Grosse(T), Buscio (T)
ABSENT: None

Councilman Bacchione nominated Councilman Byrnes to run the meeting and sign the resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Gingrich.

Voice vote was taken with no NAYS recorded.

Discussion on Solar Project

Attorney Staiger advised that the requests for bids will be the best way to proceed.
Administrator Camera noted that we would be seeking qualified proposals for the solar project at the landfill site.
Attorney Staiger added that the bidder would be required to procure use of the land, erect and maintain the site.
Mayor Amato advised that he had been approached by a solar vendor and this has been in discussion for approximately 8 years. He noted that this is the start of the process as there is 30-40 acres of landfill and this project could generate funds for the township.
Councilman Byrnes suggested a Committee to review all bids.
Attorney Staiger reminded the Council that the specifications would state what was required and the contract would provide all specifics.
Planner Oris noted that within the specs we would set forth the purpose as establishing a solar field requiring detailed construction plans with price per acre along with the BPU and DEP approvals obtained by the developer.

On motion by Councilman Bacchione, seconded by Councilwoman Gingrich, approval of **Resol. #20-303-R re: AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR POTENTIAL SOLAR PROJECT AT LANDFILL SITE.**

AYE: Bacchione (T), Gingrich, Byrnes, Guadagno(T), Grosse (T), Buscio (T)
NAY: None

Councilman Byrnes announced that the Meeting is Now Open for Public Comments. There being none.

On motion by Councilwoman Gingrich, seconded by Councilman Bacchione, to close the public comments and adjourn the meeting.

A voice vote was taken with no ***NAYS*** heard.

Following are the Ordinances and Resolutions adopted by the Township Council and made a part of this meeting.

Beverly M. Carle
Township Clerk

Keith A. Buscio
Council President