

**Borough of Allendale  
Mayor and Council  
Closed Executive Session Minutes  
December 3, 2020**

**Time: 8:54p.m.**

PRESENT: Mayor Ari Bernstein (in person)

Council members: Liz Homan (via teleconference)  
Edward O'Connell (via teleconference)  
Matthew O'Toole (via teleconference)  
Steve Sasso (via teleconference)  
Jim Strauch (via teleconference)  
Amy Wilczynski (via teleconference)

Borough Attorney: Ray Wiss, Esq.  
Acting Clerk: Michelle Ryan  
Administrative Officer: Ron Kistner

On a motion from Councilman Sasso, seconded by Councilman Strauch, and all present voting in favor, the meeting was adjourned to the Closed Executive Session via Resolution 20-265.

BE IT RESOLVED in compliance with NJSA 10:4-12, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale are going into Closed Executive Session to discuss the following matters:

RESOLUTION **20-265**/Authorizing the Governing Body to Enter into Closed Executive Session to discuss:

- A. Attorney-Client Privilege
  - 1. Updates on Contract Negotiations with PBA Local No. 217 CBA
  - 2. Potential Litigation
- B. Prospective Personnel in the Police Department

Minutes will be taken of the meeting and released to the public at the time that the matter is resolved.

A. Attorney-Client Privilege

1. Updates on Contract Negotiations with PBA Local No. 217 CBA

Councilman O'Connell advised that there have been three negotiation meetings with the PBA to date. They are represented by Richard Locke, Esq. The terms for a new contract that the PBA had presented were discussed as well as the Borough's terms.

2. Potential Litigation

This agenda item was regarding the cancellation of property taxes under the State of New Jersey's Disabled Veteran's Tax Deduction program for Vincent Brennan, III at 272 East Allendale. After discussion, it was determined that in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Ron Kistner should reach out to Mr. and Mrs. Brennan on behalf of the Borough in an attempt to receive additional proofs of residency on April 1, 2020.

B. Prospective Personnel in the Police Department

Councilman O'Connell advised of the hiring process for a new police officer that the Public Safety Committee took. Nicole DiPasquale was determined to be the best candidate for the Borough at this time. A hiring resolution will be placed on the December 17, 2020 agenda and she will be invited to be sworn in at that time. Her date of hire will be effective as of January 5, 2021 and she will attend the upcoming Bergen County Police Academy training.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, on a motion by Councilman Strauch, second by Councilman Sasso, and unanimously carried, this Closed Executive Session meeting was adjourned at 9:51pm and returned to the Regular Session.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Ryan  
Acting Municipal Clerk