

**BOROUGH OF FOLSOM
EMERGENCY TELECONFERENCE COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
April 22, 2020**

**MEETING WAS CONDUCTED VIA TELECONFERENCE DUE TO COVID-19
RESTRICTIONS**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:00PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY Mayor Greg Schenker

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-9, A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2020 AT 6:30PM. THIS MEETING WILL BE LIVE STREAMED.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE: THE NEED FOR THIS MEETING COULD NOT HAVE BEEN REASONABLE FORESEEN AT A TIME WHEN ADEQUATE NOTICE COULD HAVE BEEN PROVIDED, OR SUCH NEED COULD HAVE BEEN FORESEEN. IN ORDER THAT THE SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NOTICE OF THIS MEETING IS BEING FURNISHED TO THE HAMMONTON GAZETTE AND THE ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, POSTED ON THE FRONT DOOR OF FOLSOM BOROUGH HALL LOCATED AT 1700 12TH ST. FOLSOM, NJ 08037 AND THE BOROUGH WEBSITE. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE: PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-9b(1), THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM MAY NOT HEAR, DELIBERATE ON, OR DECIDE ANY MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA.

TELECONFERENCE ROLL CALL: Councilpersons: Conway, Jantz, Porretta, Arena, Hoffman and Blazer

Also present teleconference: Attorney John Carr

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC: Donna Sutts (15 E. Park Avenue) asked Solicitor John Carr if Resolution #2020-54 pertained to private residents that accept family members.

RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-54
BOROUGH OF FOLSOM**

**RESOLUTION PROHIBITING ALL HOTELS, MOTELS, GUEST HOUSES AND ONLINE
MARKETPLACES FROM OFFERING OF CERTAIN LODGING**

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, through Executive Order No. 103, the facts and circumstances of which are adopted by reference herein, the Governor of the State of New Jersey declared both a Public Health Emergency and a State of Emergency throughout the State due to the public hazard posed by the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, to further protect the health, safety and welfare of New Jersey residents by reducing the rate of community spread of COVID-19, the Governor issued twenty-four (24) Executive Orders (and as amended), the facts and circumstances of which are also adopted by reference herein, establishing enhanced social mitigation strategies for combating COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, Executive Order 108 (2020) recognized that certain Municipalities have legitimate concerns about an influx of visitors which may cause public health concerns as the State imposes social distancing measures aimed to avoid unnecessary increases in density of individuals and afforded Municipalities the discretion to impose additional restrictions in response to COVID-19 on online marketplaces for arranging or offering lodging; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with Administrative Order No. 2020-8, which amended Paragraph 3 of Executive Order No. 108 (2020), and authorized Municipalities to impose additional restrictions in response to COVID-19 on the ability of hotels, motels, guest houses or private residences, or parts thereof, to accept new transient guests or seasonal tenants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to the aforementioned authority, the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, acting by virtue of authority vested in it by the Statutes of the State of New Jersey, acting in conformance with the aforementioned authority and on recommendation by the Emergency Management Coordinator of the Borough of Folsom does hereby direct:

1. Effective immediately, any online marketplace shall be prohibited from offering or arranging lodging in the Borough of Folsom, subject to those exceptions set forth in Administrative Order No. 2020-8.

2. Effective immediately, hotels, motels, guest houses or private residences, or parts thereof, are prohibited from accepting new transient guests in the Borough of Folsom, subject to the exceptions set forth in Administrative Order No. 2020-8.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Directive shall remain in effect until revoked or modified either by the Borough of Folsom or by the Governor of the State of New Jersey rescinding Executive Order 108 and related Executive Orders issued in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic declared emergency.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-54 was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Arena

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

Mayor Schenker reminded the public that all other monthly reports are on file in the minute book and to please visit the Borough website with updated information along with the Folsom Borough Facebook Page.

The next regular meeting of Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 starting with the workshop meeting at 6:00 pm and continuing immediately thereafter with the regular meeting at Borough Hall, 1700 12th Street, Folsom, NJ.

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 7:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto
Municipal Clerk

