

**Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Woodbridge, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey held on May 7, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ 07095.**

Members of the Council and all those present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council President Spillar: Please remain standing for a moment of silence for all our military personnel serving overseas.

Notice Requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law have been satisfied concerning this meeting. The Home News Tribune and The Star Ledger published the Annual Notice Schedule on December 21, 2018. A copy of the Schedule was posted on the Municipal bulletin board. It should be so noted in the minutes of this meeting.

The Municipal Clerk took the Municipal Council attendance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kyle Anderson, Gregg Ficarra, Nancy Drumm, Brian Small, Virbhadra N. Patel, Howie Bauer, Lizbeth DeJesus, Cory Spillar

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Debbie Meehan

**ALSO PRESENT:** John E. McCormac, Mayor  
John M. Mitch, Municipal Clerk  
John Bennett, Business Administrator  
Marta Darden, Director of Planning and Development  
Robert Hubner, Director of Police  
George Brew, Public Works Supervisor  
Dennis Green, Health Director  
Michael Gelin, Municipal Engineer  
Vito Cimilluca, Recreation Director  
Casey Wagner, Assistant to the Business Administrator  
Craig J. Coughlin, Esq., Municipal Counsel (Arrived 7:15 P.M.)  
Fred Rubenstein, Esq.

Council Vice President DeJesus moved the adoption of the following minutes seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

Council Meeting:

April 16, 2019

Council President Spillar asked if there were any comments from the Council.

**The Municipal Clerk read the following Ordinances by title on Second Reading as Consent stating that copies of these Ordinances were posted on the bulletin board:**

- A. A BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$6,125,000.00 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS. (19-57)**
  
- B. A BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE SEWER UTILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,045,000.00 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS. (19-58)**

Council Vice President DeJesus made a motion that these Ordinances be taken up on Second and Third Readings and for the public hearing to be opened which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

Council President Spillar moved the public hearing to be held on these Ordinances and carried unanimously.

Tom Maras, Fords: Going back to Ordinance A and Ordinance B the total on that is \$8,170,000.00. What's the duration on those bonds, is it ten years?

Senator John Bennett: I don't know the blended number. Some are for longer periods of time then they take or do the blend so I have to look and see what the blended number is. Some are five, some are ten, some are forty and then they blend it all together and come up with a number.

Council President Spillar: Mr. Maras its ten years and forty years.

Tom Maras: So if broken down you'd have to submit an OPRA request to get the right amount?

Senator John Bennett: No it's right in the Ordinance.

Tom Maras: Yes but we don't get the full picture we only get the little summary. That's why I'm asking a lot of questions sometimes. If I had your documents it would probably be a lot easier. I can always submit an OPRA request to get the breakdown. But going back to Ordinance B I see that that's also talking about sanitary sewer improvements. Specifically what areas of the town would that cover?

Mayor John E. McCormac: That's all over town.

Tom Maras: Is there any particular area in town in greater need than other areas and if so which ones are you going to address?

Mayor John E. McCormac: There are but it's the \$1.5 million and it's all over the town. It's a whole lot of little projects. There is no specific area that's obvious over others.

Tom Maras: I'm sorry you said \$1.5 million? The Ordinance says \$2,045,000.00. \$1.5 million is the improvements?

Mayor John E. McCormac: Right and \$455,000.00 and \$90,000.00, a total of \$2.45 million.

Tom Maras: Okay, thank you.

Council President Spillar: Thank you.

John Vrtaric, Woodbridge: On Ordinance A when was the last time we did such a thing as communication signal improvements? I remember just recently we had a big expense to approve the communication.

Mayor John E. McCormac: We've been a little aggressive lately on traffic lights. We did the Lake and Lancaster light; it's not done yet but we approved it. We have the Inman Avenue and Delaware light and now we have the Port Reading Avenue and Old Road light. We fixed up the Avenel Street and Rahway Avenue light and there are a couple of other smaller improvements we've made. We've been fairly aggressive lately on fixing our lights.

John Vrtaric: So the light at the General Dynamic Transit Village area?

John E. McCormac: I think the developer paid for that light.

John Vrtaric: On Ordinance B where you said the majority of the stuff is going to be improved where the development area is going to be?

John E. McCormac: We just answered that question it's all over the town. There is no specific area where it is more prevalent than the others.

John Vrtaric: I'm sure all the buildings you do are all over the town but again some we were just talking about Main Street. Can we talk about the other places like Rahway Avenue by the prison there? Most of the work is going to be done over there, right?

John E. McCormac: These are projects that are done all over Woodbridge Township. Every year we do several million dollars' worth of sewer improvements just like we do several million dollars' worth of road improvements.

John Vrtaric: Mayor you didn't answer my question. Most of the work is going to be done where you're going to do improvements such as....

John E. McCormac: There is no connection between the projects and this work. This is every day work that we do to maintain our sewer symptoms.

John Vrtaric: Okay, thank you.

Council Vice President DeJesus moved the public hearing closed and these Ordinances be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval, which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

- C. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-38.2, HANDICAPPED PARKING – TO DELETE VARIOUS ON-STREET PARKING LOCATIONS DESIGNATED AS HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES IN FRONT OF PRIVATE RESIDENCES OCCUPIED BY HANDICAPPED PERSONS. (19-59)**
- D. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-14A, PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS – TO ADD COLONIA BOULEVARD EAST, 375 FEET EASTBOUND FROM THE CORNER OF DOGWOOD LAND AND EXTENDING TO A POINT 380 FEET WESTBOUND FROM THE CORNER OF SANDELWOOD LANE. (19-60)**
- E. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-38.1 HANDICAPPED PARKING – TO ADD VARIOUS DESIGNATED HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES FOR USE BY PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN ISSUED SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS OR PLATES OR PLACARDS BY THE MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION. (19-61)**
- F. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-38.5 HANDICAPPED PARKING – TO ADD TULIP DRIVE ONE (1) SPACE AND WALTER DRIVE ONE (1) SPACE. (19-62)**

Council Vice President DeJesus made a motion that these Ordinances be taken up on Second and Third Readings and for the public hearing to be opened which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

Council President Spillar moved the public hearing to be held on these Ordinances and carried unanimously.

Council Vice President DeJesus moved the public hearing closed and these Ordinances be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval, which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

- G. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION 10-10.11 RESTRICTION ON NUMBER OF TAXICABS AND LIMOUSINE LICENSES. (19-63)**

Council Vice President DeJesus made a motion that this Ordinance be taken up on Second and Third Readings and for the public hearing to be opened which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

Council President Spillar moved the public hearing to be held on this Ordinance and carried unanimously.

Tom Maras, Fords: Just on Ordinance G, the amending, I understand you're saying it's for housekeeping but what are the restrictions on a number of taxicab and limousine licenses?

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: So the number 31 has been consistent for years; that's not changing. What did change was there are exceptions over the past number of I'm going to probably say twenty years where certain companies come in with model plans where they've added ten or twenty to their fleet. D&G has surrendered their licenses to us so we just removed their reference so they are no longer considered an exception.

Tom Maras: So does this have any effect or can it have any effect on UBER?

John Mitch: No sir.

Tom Maras: Thank you.

John Mitch: You're welcome.

Council Vice President DeJesus moved the public hearing closed and this Ordinance be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval, which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

#### **H. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION 18.5 ENTITLED "DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF OWNERS OF VACANT STRUCTURE". (19-64)**

Council Vice President DeJesus made a motion that this Ordinance be taken up on Second and Third Readings and for the public hearing to be opened which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

Council President Spillar moved the public hearing to be held on this Ordinance and carried unanimously.

John Vrtaric, Woodbridge: Just to be clear we do see quite a few residential homes being kind of neglected. Again and of course some businesses have been neglected and closed up business. What do you expect to do with it?

Council President Spillar: This puts requirements on the property owner on the size of the wood that is being used for the coverings.

John Vrtaric: But I mean for example if they are looking for permits to tear it down or something like that it'll give them time to take care of it?

Council President Spillar: This has nothing to do with permits. It's just the ordinance on hand which is

the vacant properties. We are discussing the ordinance of the duties and responsibilities of owners of vacant structures. Specifically it puts all requirements on the size of the wood and such that goes on to board up and secure the buildings.

John Vrtaric: Well don't you think they would have this responsibility because of the insurance company?

Council President Spillar: It's their responsibility because they are the owner.

John Vrtaric: I know but again you see some buildings that have been neglected for years and many they're waiting to develop it. Like for example, you got a lot of buildings on Main Street out of business already.

Council President Spillar: That has nothing to do with this ordinance on hand. The ordinance on hand that we are discussing that I just answered you. The vacant piece of property the property owner has requirements of what to use to make it as fire safe as possible. That is the intent of the ordinance.

John Vrtaric: So they would have to prove to you that they are insured; that they got what you call....

Council President Spillar: Correct. A construction official has to go out and do an inspection.

John Vrtaric: Thank you.

Council President Spillar: Thank you.

Council Vice President DeJesus moved the public hearing closed and this Ordinance be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval, which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

**I. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR A LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH R&O WOODBRIDGE LAND URBAN RENEWAL, LLC. (19-65)**

Council Vice President DeJesus made a motion that this Ordinance be taken up on Second and Third Readings and for the public hearing to be opened which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

Council President Spillar moved the public hearing to be held on this Ordinance and carried unanimously.

Andrew Nagy, Fords: My family moved to Woodbridge Township in 1939. I built my home at the Howell Avenue area in 1963 so I'm a long time resident of Woodbridge Township. I grew up during the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War and when the soldiers came back they wanted homes and I saw the township being developed thoroughly over all the different nine sections of Woodbridge Township by mostly single family homes. It brought to the township an aura of homeownership, pride in homeownership, being involved in the township, having their children attend the schools, being proud of the positions they had within the township and I see that changing somewhat over time. I saw recently about the development to take place on Main Street and this long term tax exemption that was coming into place and I'm thoroughly opposed to this particular kind of development. I was here a number of months ago and I

saw and I mentioned to this Council that there were close to three thousand units being built in the last number....

Council President Spillar: Mr. Nagy I don't mean to interrupt you but we are talking about Ordinance I and Ordinance I only at that location.

Andrew Nagy: I know you are and this is an approval of a long term tax exemption and I'm opposed to that and I am telling you why I'm opposed to it. I don't want this tax exemption to be given to this developer and hopefully it will keep him from developing that piece of property. Please do not interrupt me.

Council President Spillar: Please stay on the Ordinance at hand.

Andrew Nagy: Do you want me to continue?

Council President Spillar: I just advised you.

Andrew Nagy: Thank you. This development is within a half a mile of my home and I am a regular traveler of Main Street and Main Street is becoming very crowded and this development will generate an additional three hundred and seventy-six times two of seven hundred and fifty cars at this particular development. Can you imagine the traffic that is going to be taking place on Main Street?

Council President Spillar: Well I might be able to answer that. Mayor would you like to....

Mayor John E. McCormac: Well yes. First of all we recognize the issues with the Main Street traffic. That light up there is probably one of the biggest bottlenecks in the township. It is critical. That is part of this development. The developer has agreed to donate whatever land is necessary on his property which he is under contract with which has to donate to us and to the county and to the state whatever entity it has to be to move the ramp from that hairpin turn off 9 South straight into the bowling alley, that traffic light. That light will move up right were the bowers are outside of Wells Fargo and the ramp will then be a more gradual ramp coming off Route 9 South up to that light. So the developer is giving up a very sizable piece of property to make that happen.

Andrew Nagy: Thank you Mr. Mayor. I saw that plan in the engineer's office and I am appreciative of that however....

Mayor John E. McCormac: Let me finish. So when Hess came to us that they wanted to sell the property they were just like in Avenel, General Dynamics, there were four choices. You can build an office building but nobody is building an office building these days there's just not the demand for it nor is there financing available for it and that would produce far more traffic than residential. It could have been a warehouse but it really isn't appropriate for warehouses if there are not any warehouses around it and we certainly do not want trucks up and down Main Street. We went through great lengths to ban trucks on Main Street and Green Street a while ago to help alleviate the very traffic problems that you are referring to. It could have been retail but there really isn't that much demand either for retail with Woodbridge Center right next door and with the Wegman's strip mall right next door so the last alternative was housing that's going to be very high end luxury apartment housing. I want to make sure that when you say abatement people think that because the law is called a long term tax abatement law no one is getting their taxes abated. This property will start by paying a million dollars in taxes and will grow every year over thirty years to be somewhere between forty or fifty million dollars a year that we

will get in property taxes from this site. It's a very, very sizable project. So when all that was put together and we looked at all the options the best option we thought would be residential development with some retail development hopefully high end restaurants.

Andrew Nagy: I understand that. However my position would be that individual residential homes would come to eighty units on quarter acre pieces in that particular area. That's only half of the entire parcel that's available there and that in turn generates an equal amount of tax from individual...

Mayor John E. McCormac: No it would not; not even close.

Andrew Nagy: I'm sure....

Mayor John E. McCormac: You're not sure it is; not even close.

Andrew Nagy: Never the less that would be where I would like to see the development go.

Mayor John E. McCormac: I understand but no one is building single family home projects like that anywhere these days. No one is financing them, no one is building them and no one is buying them.

Andrew Nagy: That's because people are building these large residential units in the sense that they are obtaining tremendous amount of return on their investments and if they were individual homes you would get just as much in the real estate package that you would get in other housing.

Mayor John E. McCormac: No you would not.

Andrew Nagy: I thank you for listening to my position. I'm totally opposed to the long term tax investment. Thank you for the time.

Council President Spillar: Thank you sir.

Tom Maras, Fords: I'm just following up on what Mr. Nagy said. I think there are a couple of things that are really interesting about this project. Based on the information I got from an OPRA request, forgive me I just got into it today, the project has a total value as of 11/26/18 of \$93,483,492.00. It's going to have three hundred and seventy-six residential units. In that mix three hundred and twenty will be fair market value. The remaining fifty-six will be affordable housing to meet COAH requirements and that will be broken down into very low income, low income and moderately low income; it's interesting. Also I heard the mayor say something about the tax revenue that he was mentioning, \$30 million?

Mayor John E. McCormac: Somewhere between \$40 million and \$50 million over thirty years.

Tom Maras: Oh over thirty years. Because they're going to be paying on the PILOT, according to this document, \$888,140.00 in taxes on the project that is going to run them about \$1 million profit net per year. Not bad, and that's after they pay the taxes. So I can see where Mr. Nagy is coming from when he talks about what homeowners are paying and would be paying to the township through that. But let's talk about the other side of this. Nobody is going to get away with saying this is commuters. These are going to be family units going in there, high end low end whatever they may be. That is certainly going to impact our school system; our sewer system and our traffic and when we talk about traffic and you're saying there is no need for commercial buildings. I noticed the old New Jersey Turnpike is absolutely

full, that lot, when you go by there the first thing in the day. I'm glad to see that it is, nobody wants to see any property sitting around, but that's a tremendous problem the amount of parking; parking and traffic right there. Now you add in the ONYX building which is now the New Jersey Turnpike Headquarters they do a tremendous amount of parking there. I did not hear you mention in your talking about the new traffic light or anything coming off of Route 9 North. How are you going to handle that? You're not going to have an overpass to bring it in so they're going to be coming down Main Street and that's already a bottleneck and frankly a real road hazard trying to get out of there if you're coming off Main Street trying to get on Route 9 North.

Mayor John E. McCormac: Improvements to Route 9 North and Main Street will be done as part of the project.

Tom Maras: I'm not finished. I'm asking also have there been traffic studies by our safety studies and sewer studies on any of this and then environmental impact studies and if so when were they done and are they available?

Mayor John E. McCormac: You can OPRA everything through the Planning Board of any study that was done as part of the application and part of the approval process. I don't know specifically what was done or when but you are real good guy to OPRA. You cost us a hundred thousand dollars a year in OPRA between the time we spend on your wild goose chases so just keep it up.

Tom Maras: Yes, thank you for your political satire. Anybody doing this kind of a project, \$96 million who claims to be the head of this township, should in all fairness be well aware of there is an impact environmental, traffic, safety and sewer. This is going on the taxpayer's backs not your buddies.

John Vrtaric, Woodbridge: Why are we giving tax exemptions to this developer?

Mayor John E. McCormac: We are not giving a tax exemption. They are still going to pay between \$40 million and \$50 million over a thirty year period. They're getting a tax discount, only a discount, as reflected in their contribution of a very significant piece of land that we need to improve the intersection of one of the worst traffic spots in town.

John Vrtaric: You created....

Council President Spillar: Mr. Vrtaric.

John Vrtaric: Yes.

Council President Spillar: If you ask the mayor a question and you interrupt the mayor I'm going to have you sit down. Now you have a question regarding this ordinance?

John Vrtaric: This won't be the first time. Again it says long term tax exemption, why?

Mayor John E. McCormac: That is the name of the law, it is not an exemption. As I said now for the third time, they are getting a tax discount because we have to reflect the fact that they are donating a very, very valuable piece of land to us that we would otherwise have had to pay for and the taxpayers would have had to pay for it, we're getting it for free, and therefore recognizing that and the fact that we are giving them a bit of a tax break.

John Vrtaric: It's not one block of numbers it's quite a few different lots and numbers, different properties involved right? Is any of the property under the Brownfields or anything like that?

Mayor John E. McCormac: It's not expected that there are significant environmental impacts on that property. Other spots on Hess there are; it is not expected that there is much there but all those studies have been done and they are available.

John Vrtaric: But again, still, will we give to any other residential developments a tax exemption because believe me most important people of this town are resident over the houses.

Mayor John E. McCormac: Oh you think residents with houses are more important than residents with apartments? Is that what you are saying?

John Vrtaric: No.

Mayor John E. McCormac: You just said that; you did just say that.

John Vrtaric: It didn't come clear. I said the most important residents of this town are people like Mr. Nagy over here who have been here fifty or sixty years.

Mayor John E. McCormac: And they are more important than people who have just moved here?

John Vrtaric: No, no.

Mayor John E. McCormac: Well that's what you're saying.

John Vrtaric: I'm saying that they come and go, right?

Mayor John E. McCormac: Everybody is the same whether they live in a house or an apartment or whether they moved in sixty years ago or six days ago.

John Vrtaric: Sorry mayor you're too close to the microphone; you're talking too loud we cannot understand you. Again we never needed it before, other towns don't do it. We always give the tax breaks to the people that are manufacturing and things like that that build apartments but never to the other residential people. Apartments again bring more people; more people and more problems. Now you said something about ninety families to Mr. Nagy before and you said three hundred and eighty-some units are going to go into that thing and bring more revenue. Now what do you think will bring more tax burdens on the schools ninety families or three hundred and eighty families?

Mayor John E. McCormac: There will be more of a burden on the schools if there are students from that development. But despite what you heard it does have a lot of aspects of a transit village. It is not the kind of development that it's near much of anything except the self-contained housing complex in the middle of nothing around it that has houses so it's very likely that the majority of those people will be commuters that will take advantage of either the Metro Park train station or more likely the Woodbridge Train Station which is less than a mile away straight down Main Street. And as you saw with the Avenel Development the first two hundred and seventy units of apartments produced twenty kids. That's about one and a half per grade so if you strap like that over the five hundred units maybe there will be forty kids; maybe there will be three per grade. That's hardly a burden on the town's school system. And you know what, if kids come in, we'll embrace them and we will educate them.

John Vrtaric: Another thing, what's the rush to put all those things; just put apartments, apartments, apartments? Because what's going to happen in the future when there is no more land to build on. What are you going to do then? You won't be here I know like myself.

Mayor John E. McCormac: I probably will be.

John Vrtaric: Well I don't think so.

Mayor John E. McCormac: Yeah I do.

John Vrtaric: Well I don't know. Ten or forty years I know we won't be here to pay for it, thank you mayor.

Andrew Nagy, Fords: The mayor asked if I was more important...

Mayor John E. McCormac: I didn't say you Mr. Nagy.

Andrew Nagy: Then the person who just moved into the township and I just want to say that I have a lifetime invested in Woodbridge Township. I served for fourteen years on the Zoning Board. That service was voluntary. There is no numeration for serving on the Zoning Board and we served a lot of time so am I more important, no, but I think I'm entitled to some consideration, thank you.

Council Vice President DeJesus moved the public hearing closed and this Ordinance be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval, which was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

**The Municipal Clerk called for a First Reading of the following Ordinances as Consent:**

- J. AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE "5 PADDOCK STREET REDEVELOPMENT PLAN" PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40a: 12-A-1 ET SEQ.**
- K. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER XXI, HOTELS AND ROOMING HOUSES OF THE WOODBRIDGE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES.**
- L. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VII, TRAFFIC OF THE WOODBRIDGE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES.**

Council Vice President DeJesus made a motion, seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously that these Ordinances be passed on First Reading to be published in The Home News Tribune on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

**The Municipal Clerk introduced the following Resolutions as Consent:**

- (1) BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute an agreement with P & A Construction for the 2019 Road Resurfacing Project in the amount of \$7,692,439.98

- (2) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute an agreement with Graphic Image for Recycling Calendar in the amount of \$474.75 per 1000 and Woodbridge News in the amount of \$364.00 per 1000.
- (3) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute an agreement with DL Printing for miscellaneous printing – Woodbridge Township.
- (4) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute an agreement with Pepsi for beverages throughout Woodbridge Township.
- (5) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute an agreement with American Wear Inc. for Mop rental for Woodbridge Schools.
- (6) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute an agreement with Napa Auto Parts of Colonia for Auto Parts.
- (7) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute an agreement with Tekcon for the Hickory Senior Center Renovation Addition in the amount of \$1,379,000.00.
- (8) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves and grants a waiver of all fees for the rental of the Township’s portable stage for North Brunswick’s Cops & Rodders event.
- (9) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue refund checks for Overpaid Taxes.
- (10) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue refund checks for Overpaid Sewer User Fees.
- (11) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue refund checks for Parking Permit Fees.
- (12) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Municipal Comptroller to issue a refund from the Developer’s Review Fund Account to Nishmayin Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$1,907.08.
- (13) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby grants a waiver of the street opening moratorium on Grant Street, Sewaren section of the Township to Middlesex Water Company so they can install a new service line and meter pit for the home at 10 Grant Street and expands the required maintenance period to include the remainder of the moratorium plus an additional one-year thereby ensuring that the Township’s recently paved streets remain in good condition.
- (14) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby grants a waiver of the street opening

moratorium on Jordan Road, Colonia section of the Township, to Middlesex Water Company so they can install a new service line and meter pit for the home at 576 Inman Avenue and expands the required maintenance period to include the remainder of the moratorium plus an additional one-year thereby ensuring that the Township's recently paved streets remain in good condition.

- (15) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby refers the 5 Paddock Street Redevelopment Plan to the Township Planning Board for its review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law.
- (16) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Planning Board of the Township to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine if certain real property in the Hopelawn section of Woodbridge Township is an Area In Need of Redevelopment.
- (17) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to submit an electronic grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Homestead Avenue Improvement (Milling & Resurfacing) Project.
- (18) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute any and all documents necessary for the purchase of interior and exterior lights for Town Hall in an amount not to exceed \$151,633.25.
- (19) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Township of Woodbridge to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with Keystone Purchasing Network "Lead Agency" for the provision and performance of goods and services.
- (20) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection.
- (21) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with Tooling Around the Township, Inc. a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation.
- (22) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and the County of Middlesex for installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Inman Avenue and Delaware Avenue.
- (23) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and the Township of East Brunswick for Animal Control Services for the period May 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021.
- (24) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and the Borough of Milltown for Animal Control Services for the period February 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

- (25) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and the Borough of Roselle Park for Animal Control Services for the period May 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
- (26) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and the City of South Amboy for Animal Control Services for the period May 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
- (27) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute an agreement with N.J. General Contractor, LLC for home improvement repairs at the home located on Block 780, Lot 1.02 in the Township of Woodbridge in an amount not to exceed \$28,600.00.
- (28) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with Peak Environment LLC for professional environmental services for Abatement Support Services for 11 Corrielle Street, Fords in an amount not to exceed \$5,300.00.
- (29) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a proposal for professional services with Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey for Woodbridge Township Green Infrastructure Demonstration Projects in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.
- (30) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes execution modification on the contract with T & M Associates for professional engineering services for The Club at Woodbridge increasing the contract amount of \$325,350.00 by \$34,500.00 to a total of \$359,850.00.
- (31) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the execution of Change Order #1 on the contract with Tomar Construction Services, Inc. for Contract #1230, Woodbridge Avenue Pumping Station, Grit Chamber Rehabilitation Project, increasing the final contract amount of \$7,346,600.00 by \$1,064,857.50 to a total of \$8,411,457.50.
- (32) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the execution of Change Order on the contract with Fai-Gon Electrical Inc. for Contract #2017-028, Modification to Traffic Signals at Rahway Avenue/Avenel Street/Green Street/Elizabeth Avenue/Green Street/Worth Street increasing the final contract amount of \$705,600.50 by \$56,982.55 to a total of \$762,583.05.
- (33) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the insertion of a Special Item of Revenue into the SFY 2019 Budget for the Township of Woodbridge – 2019 History Grant - \$4,500.00.
- (34) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the insertion of a Special Item of Revenue into the SFY 2019 Budget for the Township of Woodbridge – NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant - \$382,369.00.

- (35) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the insertion of a Special Item of Revenue into the SFY 2019 Budget for the Township of Woodbridge – Safety Incentive Award - \$12,500.00.
- (36) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the insertion of a Special Item of Revenue into the SFY 2019 Budget for the Township of Woodbridge – UDRIVE. UTEXT. UPAY – Distracted Driving Grant - \$5,500.00.
- (37) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves the Person-to-Person Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1225-33-040-01 to: (Pocket License) Bertucci’s Restaurants, LLC.
- (38) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves the Corporate Structure Change of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1225-33-017-005 to Vetland Beverage Management, LLC t/a Colonia Country Club, 300 Colonia Boulevard, Colonia, New Jersey 07067.
- (39) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the State Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Appropriation Transfers.
- (40) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves all claims and bills presented to it by the Municipal Comptroller of the Current Bill List dated May 7, 2019, the Supplemental Bill List dated April 12, 2019 through May 3, 2019 and the Addendum to the May 7, 2019 Bill List.

Council Vice President DeJesus moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolutions. The motion was seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC MEETING:**

Council President Spillar: We will now move to the public portion of the meeting. Please approach the microphone if you would like and state the area of the township which you live in and there is a five minute time limit.

Susan Fox from Colonia expressed her appreciation on having a house in Colonia evacuated that was being used for prostitution. Next Susan expressed her appreciation for the flashing light that was installed on New Dover Road. Lastly Susan spoke about the new Avenel Performing Arts Center and how she has already been to the center many times and how it was a wonderful experience and is a great venue and is hopeful for its success.

Tish Coughlin from Fords spoke about attending a performance at the new Avenel Performing Arts Center and also going to the new Curtains restaurant. Lastly Tish expressed her appreciation and commended the mayor, Caroline Ehrlich and everyone that worked on that project.

A woman from Ward 4 District 4 thanked the township for putting up the police signage that displays the miles per hour that people are doing on Wright Street and Coakley Street.

A man from Iselin expressed his gratitude for having the requests of the residents of the Iselin section of

the township for the repairs of potholes on the corner of Coakley Street and Auth Avenue being addressed right away.

Tom Maras from Fords congratulated Councilwoman Meehan and some of the other Council members for the fundraising that have been done to help families in the township. Next Mr. Maras stated that he was glad that the appropriate devices were being put in on New Dover Road to reduce the speeding in that area. Mr. Maras next commented on still waiting for the information on Stern Towers and how long it was going to be tied up in the Middlesex courts. Then Mr. Maras spoke about the publicity the township was getting in regards to children illegally being in our school district. Mr. Maras further spoke about the newspaper misquoting the cost per student being \$1,300.00 and wanted to clarify if that was correct and if not what was the cost per student. Councilman Small replied that it indeed was a misquote and it was about \$12,000.00 per student. Mr. Maras then questioned if the number the newspaper was talking about was just Woodbridge High School or if it was system wide. Councilman Small replied that it was system wide. Next Mr. Maras commented that the township's tax collector had two full time jobs one with the township and one with Edison Township and how he has seen this individual many times in the midday at the gym well over an hour working out and questioned if they were allowed to do that. Mayor McCormac replied that the tax collector does not have two full time jobs and that he was employed full time in our township and part-time by Edison Township. Mayor McCormac further replied that he was employed part-time by Edison Township because he has the license that no one in Edison has at this time but some residents of Edison are studying for the license at which time Edison Township would no longer need him. Lastly Mr. Maras spoke about this individual being paid \$160,000.00 for working in Edison Township per Edison Township's records.

Ed McSherry from Woodbridge stated that he was a team captain for Tooling Around the Township and thanked the mayor and Casey Wagner for all the hard work they did with Tooling Around the Township and how it was a great program for the residents. Mayor McCormac replied that Mr. McSherry was more than a team captain and that all year he goes out and does work around the township.

John Vrtaric from Woodbridge questioned how many homeless children there were in Woodbridge Township in the township's school district. Councilman Small replied that he did not have the number on that and suggested Mr. Vrtaric go to a Board of Education meeting and ask that question. Lastly Mr. Vrtaric questioned why the Woodbridge Township school buses go to Perth Amboy and Edison and pick up the children that come to the Woodbridge schools. Council President Spillar suggested that Mr. Vrtaric go to a School Board meeting. Councilman Small replied that that was a School Board question. Mayor McCormac further replied that the township has an interlocal agreement with the schools and some of the things that the township does is school security, assist their staff and provide ex-police officers who help with the investigation of people using our schools who don't live in town.

Ed McMullen from Menlo Park Terrace thanked the mayor and Council on the PILOT agreement for refurbishing the ladder truck for Fire District #9.

Council President Spillar: Before I move into the agenda portion of the meeting Mr. Mayor I would like to ask for a report on some of the activities that are going on in the township this summer.

Mayor John E. McCormac: Yes, thanks. Mostly the Council talks about what is coming up. We've had three weeks since the last Council meeting. We do like to focus on the Council and all the things that they do and it has been a very, very busy few weeks. We had the Senior Police Academy in the office in Town Hall last week. Councilman Small is very active with that group. Nancy Drumm was at several events that I was also at. The Picasso Art Auction was terrific. At the Arts Crawl we had artists from all

over town at five different locations, the WAG on Main Street, the Avenel Arts Center, the library, Barron Arts Center and Town Hall, five different places over five different nights. Some of the people had art in three or four of the five. It was a tremendous event and just this past weekend POAC had their Walk for Autism Services. It was a huge turnout even though it was raining. Instead of marching around the school they marched within the school up and down the halls and as you know POAC is the group that trained Office Manzini and he was the one who responded to the missing teddy bear and they played that up very much from the weekend. Everybody was so happy to see Khari there and the family there. Councilwoman DeJesus has been just as busy. We had Bring a Child to Work Day two weeks ago. This past week and I didn't attend it but I heard the Library Book Sale was a tremendous effort and the Historical Association which she reports on had a very successful dinner two weeks ago at Colonia Country Club. Councilwoman Meehan is not here but she had a great Easter Bonnet parade over at Colonia Middle School and of course she is involved in the Domestic Violence Response Team which had a very good breakfast over at St. Andrew's in Avenel at 9:00 A.M. mass. Councilman Anderson is going to speak on Tooling Around but that's his baby and we had twenty-seven stops that day. It's always an amazing day going house to house to see all the people that get the help and to give us a chance as a mayor and Council and administration to thank all the different volunteers that were out working. Casey Wagner over here took it up a couple of years ago and has just done a fantastic job running that with Megan Kushpa from our office and they do a great job. Councilman Ficarra of course was at Big Wheel's Day one of the coolest events in the year. It's when all the kids come out the Wednesday of the week they are off of school for spring break and we had the opening of the JFK Physical Therapy office at The Club of Woodbridge. As we said from the very beginning we did not want to get involved in the therapy aspect of that operation. We thought it was a little bit too involved and a little bit too risky so we farmed it out and JFK Physical Therapy is the ones that provide that for us. And of course Cory Spillar was at Avenel Middle School last week partly because he is the Councilman from Avenel but also partly because his daughter is an amazing volunteer in the Community Service Club and her and Mr. Mitch's daughter and a couple of other of the 8<sup>th</sup> graders' who are leaving the school shortly presented about nine thousand dollars' worth of donations to a whole bunch of different organizations including the March of Dimes which is something that impacted one of the teachers and of course little Ryan Terebetsky got a great contribution for all he is going through and will continue to go through. So the Council once again is very, very active with events in town and it is important that we report and thank you for everything that you do.

Council President Spillar: Thank you Mayor and I appreciate the feedback. It is always nice to hear positive stories. I'm sure I can speak on behalf of the rest of my Council mates. We can't do any of this without the mayor, administration and directors with all the support that you give us so thank you.

**CORY SPILLAR/ 3<sup>RD</sup> WARD COUNCILMAN/PRESIDENT:**

1. Avenel's Very Merry Holiday Lighting/Port Reading Day  
HOLD
2. Avenel Arts Village/Train Station/Eric LeGrand Believe Park  
HOLD

Council President Spillar: Attention dance schools, your dance students can come see Review Mirror Dancing Through The 80's at the Avenel Performing Arts Center for free. Shows are May 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 P.M., May 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M. and May 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 P.M. Again that is free for all students at the dance schools with discounted tickets for the parents.

3. Woodbridge River Watch/ Oros Nature Preserve  
HOLD
4. Port Reading Saints/ Saints Complex Improvements  
HOLD

Council President Spillar: It's time for our annual carnival. Please come out to Saints Field at 100 Saints Boulevard on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday and Thursday are from 6:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M., Friday 6:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. and Saturday 4:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. They always have a really good turnout and good time. Bracelet nights will be the 8<sup>th</sup> and the 10<sup>th</sup>. For information you can go to [eboard@goldensaints.org](mailto:eboard@goldensaints.org).

5. Avenel Middle School Community Service Club and School Improvements  
HOLD

Council President Spillar: Just to expand on what the mayor had said I serve as an advisor on the Avenel Middle School Community Service Club and they are really something. At their Spring Day a bunch of middle schoolers, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, over the course of the year raised \$8,413.00 for the March of Dimes, a \$100.00 donation to Erik LeGrand for his organization, the township's DVR Team got a \$250.00 donation as well as the Animal Shelter for supplies and the Children's Hospital received toys and craft kits for the sick children so it truly is an honor to be part of it and as it gets closer through the summer and school starts I'll put out how a few people or yourselves of children that go to Avenel Middle School how you can join the Community Service Club.

6. Port Reading Knights/Senior Center  
HOLD
7. Cypress Recreation Center/Facility  
HOLD
8. Route 1 Redevelopment
  - (A) Star/City Motels
  - (B) Americana/Avenel Motels
  - (C) Quick Chek
  - (D) Bud's Hut
  - (E) Big Top property
  - (F) Holiday Inn Express expansion
  - (G) Pier I Imports propertyHOLD
9. Avenel Fire Department  
HOLD

Council President Spillar: The Avenel Fire Company is having a Community Charity Fund Beef Steak Dinner and Tricky Tray. Portions of the money will be benefitting Ryan Terebetsky who is a local Avenel boy who is battling leukemia. That is Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. at the Avenel Firehouse. There are not many tickets left so I know we don't air until Friday but a lot of people watch the Council meeting. I think it's pretty much up by tomorrow afternoon in case they see it so you can call Andy at 732-236-3817.

10. Shuttles – Warehouses/Train Station  
HOLD
11. Woodbridge Developmental Center property  
HOLD
12. The Greens at Avenel – Rahway Avenue  
HOLD
13. Cable Commission/Renewal  
HOLD
14. School 4 & 5  
HOLD
15. Concerts  
HOLD

Council President Spillar: It's that time again; the 2019 Mayor's Summer Concert Series is out. It has a lot of good events. We have Monday Night Oldies, Tribute Band Tuesday, Woodbridge Wednesday – Music on Main, Local Band Thursday and Country Sunday so you can go to our township website at [www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us](http://www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us) for all the great acts that we have.

I'd just like to say Happy Mother's Day to all our moms out there. Have a great day because you desire it.

**LIZBETH DEJESUS, COUNCILWOMAN AT LARGE/VICE PRESIDENT:**

1. Housing Authority  
HOLD
2. Affordable Housing Corporation  
HOLD
3. Youth and Government Day (5/21/19)  
HOLD

Council Vice President DeJesus: Youth and Government Day is May 21<sup>st</sup> this year and that's a great program where all of our juniors and seniors from our three high schools or our kids that live in Woodbridge that go to parochial schools get recommended by their history teachers where they spend a day here in Town Hall. They do a mock Council meeting and they learn how local government works. Again if you have a junior or a senior talk to them about the program. We do it every year so it's a great program.

4. History Museum  
HOLD
5. Police Community Relations

HOLD

Council Vice President DeJesus: The local policing will be at our local high schools for their biweekly Police Interaction Classes at the middle school and elementary schools for their mentoring programs. They will also be attending an event at Middlesex County College for a Middle School Career Fair for Woodbridge Township middle school children and the second week of their senior police academy will begin. The week of May 13<sup>th</sup> they will be attending several events at different schools for Police Week and they will also be placing Blue Line Flags on the graves of our deceased brothers for Police Week. Then they will have the third week for Senior Police Academy and they are no longer accepting applications for the Junior Police Academy for the first week. There are only a couple of spots left for the second week so if you have a child that is interested in learning how our police department works have them join the Junior Police Academy.

6. Youth Employment/Job Fair  
HOLD
7. Township Parks and Playgrounds  
HOLD
8. Hispanic Heritage Month  
HOLD
9. Barron Arts Center  
HOLD
10. Free Public Libraries of Woodbridge  
HOLD

Council Vice President DeJesus: On Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. in the Main Library Meeting Room there will be a Will, Estate Planning and Probate Seminar presented by Attorney Kenneth Brickerman, on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. there will be a Medicare Workshop presented by Senior Advisors and on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. there will be Weight Loss Strategies presented by Motivate One Fitness.

11. Greenway Family Success Center  
HOLD
12. Veteran's Tax Deduction  
HOLD
13. Green Infrastructure  
HOLD
14. Girls' Sports  
HOLD
15. Girl Scouts/Scouts Pavilion and Camp  
HOLD

16. Township's 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (1669-2019)  
HOLD

**DEBBIE MEEHAN, 5<sup>TH</sup> WARD COUNCILWOMAN (ABSENT):**

1. Inman Avenue Business District Improvements  
HOLD
2. CBC – Colonia Business Community  
HOLD
3. Green Houses – Colonia Middle and Colonia High Schools  
HOLD
4. Evergreen Senior/Youth Center  
HOLD
5. Events: Taste of Colonia  
Have a Heart Food Drive  
Colonia Easter Bonnet Parade & Egg Hunt  
Colonia 5K/Chris Jantas Run  
Colonia Annual Wiffle Ball Tournament  
Support the Troops Rally  
Colonia Pride Day Parade  
Colonia Clean Up  
Colonia Christmas Tree Lighting  
Cookies and Can for the Troops and Food Bank  
Toys for Tots Run  
Breast Cancer Walk  
HOLD
6. Food Pantry  
HOLD
7. Reinhard Manor  
HOLD
8. Colonia Fire Department/First Aid Squad  
HOLD
9. Colonia American Legion/V.F.W./Elks  
HOLD
10. Veteran's Issues  
HOLD
11. Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority  
HOLD

12. Cpl. Kevin Reinhard Marine Corps League  
HOLD
13. Municipal Alliance + Addiction Task Force  
HOLD
14. Volunteer Directory  
HOLD
15. Domestic Violence Response Team  
HOLD
16. AED Program  
HOLD
17. Engineering Exploring Project  
HOLD
18. Lake & Lancaster/Inman & Delaware Traffic Signals  
HOLD

**NANCY DRUMM, 1<sup>ST</sup> WARD COUNCILWOMAN:**

1. (A.B.C.) Anything But Cars  
HOLD
2. Events: Relay for Life  
Fishing Derby  
Parker Press Concerts  
Woodbridge Wednesdays and Local Band Thursdays  
St. James Street Fair  
  
HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's community wide effort to fight to find a cure for cancer and this year Woodbridge is celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> Relay for Life. They were the first ones to begin this type of community wide organization to fight to find a cure for cancer. If you would like to join and participate it's on June 8<sup>th</sup> at Woodbridge High School. The opening ceremonies will begin at 1:00 P.M. and it goes all through probably until about 10:00 or 11:00 P.M. If you would like to join you can visit their website at [www.relay07095.org](http://www.relay07095.org). If there are any questions you can call Amy, she runs our Woodbridge Relay, and her number is 732-887-5640.

3. (DMA) Downtown Merchant Association  
HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: The Downtown Merchant Association asked me to announce Shop, Dine and Get Beautiful on Main Street at the many great local businesses. Their 2019 Car Cruises are scheduled for the Third Wednesday of each month throughout the summer.

4. Main Street SID (Special Improvement District)

HOLD

5. Chamber of Commerce  
HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: The Chamber of Commerce has three upcoming events this month. May 16<sup>th</sup> the Women’s Leadership Committee is presenting Lydia Sarfati. She is the Founder and CEO of Repechage. She will speak on how to maintain a work/life balance and how to care for your skin to be beautiful at any age. May 18<sup>th</sup> is the annual Woodbridge Downtown Street Fair. You can visit [streetfairs.org](http://streetfairs.org) if you are interested in becoming a vendor. May 20<sup>th</sup> there will be a networking event at Seasons 52.

6. Buy Local Program  
HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: I would encourage everyone to get the free Buy Local App. It’s very easy. You just go to your App Store, search for Woodbridge Now and you’re get a directory listing of all of the local businesses in Woodbridge Township, events, Facebook posts, videos and much more.

7. Transit Village  
HOLD

8. Blue Acres/F.E.M.A.  
HOLD

9. Main Street and Route 9  
HOLD

10. Youth Leadership Council  
HOLD

11. Animal Shelter  
HOLD

12. Dog Park  
HOLD

13. Arts  
(A) Woodbridge Train Station Mural Project  
(B) Woodbridge Artisan Guild  
HOLD

14. PACE  
HOLD

15. Sustainable Jersey Solar Challenge  
HOLD

16. Woodbridge Elks Lodge 2116

HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: The Woodbridge Elks just celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and with much support from the Elks members who volunteer their time and talents for the good of our community I wanted to publicly congratulate them on this milestone. They will also be starting up Motorcycle Bike Nights and they start on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> and will run all through the summer on the third Wednesday of each month.

I want to wish everyone a Happy Mother's Day. Hope everyone has a great day.

17. Woodbridge Fire Department

HOLD

18. Coast Guard

HOLD

19. Sewaren Library Programs

HOLD

**KYLE ANDERSON, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE:**

1. W.T.Y.R.C.

HOLD

Councilman Anderson: I would like to congratulate the JFK Girls Softball Team for becoming division champs. I was over at their Senior Day today and they were in a 1-1 tie with Bayonne but they had a fantastic season at 17-1. Let's hope that they can continue that through the counties and the states.

2. Job Bank

HOLD

3. Real Estate Database

HOLD

4. Mayor's Trophy

HOLD

5. Woodbridge Hall of Fame

HOLD

6. Taste of Woodbridge

HOLD

7. Charity Raffle

HOLD

8. Drive-In Movies

HOLD

9. N.A.A.C.P.  
HOLD
10. Dr. Martin Luther King Annual Program  
HOLD
11. Independent Club of Colonia  
HOLD
12. Tooling Around Program  
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: The mayor mentioned and it was mentioned about our esteem volunteer Mr. Eddie McSherry and all of the volunteers for the 2019 Tooling Around the Town. On Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> hundreds of volunteers came together once again to selflessly donate their time, skills and hardworking efforts for the Tooling Around the Township Program. Through their labors we were able to perform the necessary work to repair and clean up more than twenty homes of senior, disabled and low income residents throughout Woodbridge Township. Mayor McCormac and the rest of the Council would like to once again thank all of our volunteers, businesses and restaurants who participated in the program. Without their hard work, dedication and donations the programs would not be nearly as successful as it has become. For any residents who submitted an application in 2019 and unfortunately did not submit it in enough time to be selected for this year's program your application will be filed again for next year at which point you will be contacted to begin the selection process. If you never submitted an application and would like to be considered for the 2020 Program, please submit your application no later than December 31, 2019. I was sorry that I missed this event. It is something that I am very proud of that we do in the township. I was on a trip in China as many of you know but I was so happy to hear that the work was completed, that the weather held out and that the residents receiving the work were very happy. Mr. McSherry being here he is a very humble man and you know it's residents like this that really make this town as beautiful as it is and I personally thank you.

Lastly I just want to make a comment about what it is like being a public employee. I really feel bad for one of my colleagues, a person that works and puts a lot of time and effort into this township. He has a certification that allows him to use his talents in another municipality because there are shortages of people with his skillset and with his certifications so he is able to do this job. He is not doing this in two full time capacity jobs as it was said and I do feel for him and the fact that to me it's just kind of creepy that a man is going to follow him around for his entire lunch or for his day off. You know we are public employees but when in our personal time we have to deal with people photographing us or following us around to see how long we spend our time working out I really feel for that individual that is just trying to live his life and take care of his family. I'm not going to mention his name but it's just sad that a public employee has to deal with that kind of behavior from somebody who is just really spending their time worried about how they work out, how they bench pressed.

13. Boy Scouts/Camping  
HOLD
14. League Consolidation  
HOLD

**GREGG FICARRA, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE:**

Councilman Ficarra: I too wanted to make a comment. I was hoping that the people who said this before...my parents moved to Colonia in 1960 I was five years old so I have a great appreciation for people that have been around a long time. But I am in favor of what we do in our town and actually I have been on the Council for twelve years and I couldn't be prouder of the things that happen for not only the families in town but our senior citizens, our veterans, folks with disabilities and there is a great effort to bring affordable housing to Woodbridge so I am greatly appreciative of that and I had to be contrary to Mr. Nagy but that is my feelings and I wish he was here so that I could say that.

1. Woodbridge Community Center
    - (A) Senior Recreation and Programming
    - (B) Youth Recreation and Programming
- HOLD

Councilman Ficarra: As usual there are a number of things going on the Woodbridge Community Center. May 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. in our roller arena is the Super Heroes Breakfast which is a real great thing for families with young people. Tickets are sold in advance. It's a little bit more expensive the day of the event. Our Mini Golf and Batting Cages behind the Community Center, which a lot of people don't know about, is a nice way to spend the afternoon especially on a Saturday or a weekend with family and friends. So that is all open now and it's a great place to spend some time. Highland Grove Camp and Woodbridge Community Center Summer Camps and the Highland Grove Pool and Spray Park are all accepting memberships now. You can stop by any of those locations. The Highland Grove Pre-School for 2019 has limited spots so if you have a little preschooler that's a place to go. Looking ahead across the street at our Club at Woodbridge they also have a preschool and their Open House is on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. And if you are looking to see some of the activities going on June 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. in the Community Center Parking Lot is kind of a summer opening of activities that are going on even in our recreation facilities. The Zumba Fitness, the Les Miles Combat and Les Miles Body Pump, all of the contemporary fitness activities like that are going on.

2. Youth Month – April  
HOLD
3. Senior Citizen Month – May  
HOLD

Councilman Ficarra: May is Senior Month so you can go to our township website and see all of those activities for our seniors. There are a lot of good things going on.

Just a personal note, I know the Avenel Arts has come up. I had the opportunity to go there this weekend and see FACES, the Acapella group, is incredible. If you have not been to Avenel Arts please go there. You're going to be quite surprised. It is a classy place and well run.

Happy Mother's Day to all the moms.

4. Mentoring Program  
HOLD
5. Mayor's Fitness/Wellness Initiative

HOLD

6. Fireworks (2019)  
HOLD
7. Heroes & Cool Kids/Strengthening Families  
HOLD
8. Pedestrian Safeway's/East Coast Greenway  
HOLD
9. Annual Pizza Run (2019)  
HOLD
10. Jacob's Landing  
HOLD
11. The Club at Woodbridge Upgrades  
HOLD

**BRIAN SMALL, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE:**

1. Woodbridge News  
HOLD
2. Mayor's Advisory Council on Education (Mac-E)  
HOLD

Councilman Small: This month several businesses will be going to our middle schools and high schools for Business Discovery Day. We have Bayshore Recycling going to Colonia Middle School, Almasi Company going to Woodbridge High School, Galkin Orthodontics going to Iselin Middle School, Woodbridge Vet Group going to Colonia High School, Starbucks going to Fords Middle School, JAG-ONE Physical Therapy going to Iselin Middle School, Robert Wood Johnson Rahway going to JF High School, Northfield Bank going to Woodbridge Middle School, Avenel Perform Arts Center going to Avenel Middle School, Middlesex Water Company going to Colonia High School, CPV going to Woodbridge High School, Colonia Corner going to Colonia Middle School, Lightbridge Academy going to Woodbridge High School and CQuest going to Woodbridge Middle School. I just want to thank all these companies for taking the time and effort to visit our schools and teach our kids about what they do every day.

3. Prologis Wetlands  
HOLD
4. First Aid Squads  
HOLD
5. Website E-Government  
HOLD

6. Bicycle Lanes/ Bicycle Share/ Bicycle Paths  
HOLD
7. Electric Vehicle Car Share/ Car Charging Stations  
HOLD
8. School Projects  
HOLD
9. Senior Transportation (Register @ 732-726-2394 for Client Transport ID#)  
HOLD
10. Level Playing Field @ Cypress Recreation Center/Our House  
HOLD
11. Port Reading Fire Department  
HOLD
12. Property Fraud ([www.middlesexcounty.nj.gov](http://www.middlesexcounty.nj.gov) search for “Property Alert” to Register)  
HOLD
13. Inspections at Hotels/Motels  
HOLD
14. National Public Lands Day  
HOLD
15. Garbage Can Cleaning  
HOLD

Councilman Small: Several months ago the town purchased two garbage trucks that will clean our garbage cans so they went into a trial period this month starting May 1<sup>st</sup>. They’ve been going from town to town just experimenting how many garbage cans it can clean in a day and it’s looking like right now we’re averaging about a hundred and fifty per truck and there are two trucks so once routes are in place they’ll be put on our website, Channel 35 and you can visit the app at MyWaste App and stay tuned for that.

One announcement, on June 8<sup>th</sup> Port Reading First Aid Squad Fire Company and Career Fire Division will be hosting Rally for Ryan. It’s at School #9 in Port Reading from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. It’s an afternoon of family fun, bounce houses, petting zoo, fire safety trailer, kids games, Dunk a Fireman, member Dunk a Police Officer, high striker, food, drink, popcorn, DJ, tricky tray, local professional team memorabilia and gift certificates. All proceeds will go to Ryan Terebetsky who is fighting leukemia and we are well aware of.

Happy Mother’s Day to all the moms out there.

**VIRBHADRA N. PATEL, 4<sup>TH</sup> WARD COUNCILMAN:**

Councilman Patel: My agenda is in order but I have a couple of announcements. Three weeks ago there

was a fire at the retail store located at the corner of Green Street and Worth Street in Iselin and I would like to thank the officers from our township the fire department and especially the park and police from Iselin and Menlo Park Terrace. I was there myself when the fire broke out and I can attest how quickly the fire officials came out and how promptly they put out the fire so once again I thank them all for their dedicated service.

Also there is an organization called Indian Committee of North America. It's organizing the Gandhiji's 150th Birth Celebration at the Raritan Expo Center. It's going to be a three day event on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. This event will have live entertainment, screenings of movies on Gandhi's, free medical camps and the entry is free with free entry passes so you may call 732-407-5103 or you can go online at [www.gandhijisociety.org](http://www.gandhijisociety.org) to obtain the free entry passes.

Also I would like to thank the mayor, administration and especially the recreation department's director Mr. Cimilluca and all of the staff members of the township for working really hard in organizing the Sesquicentennial of our township which is the 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Woodbridge Township and the grand celebration will take place on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 from 10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. in Merrill Park. Just for your information we are the oldest original township chartered in New Jersey in 1669. We are really happy that this celebration is taking place in Merrill Park and all the residents can have easy access to the events. We will have a baseball game, concert bands, famous Iselin flair, fun activities and food.

I'd like to thank also some of the residents that came out and spoke up tonight and I would like to wish all the mothers Happy Mother's Day.

1. American Legion (T. Nulty Post)  
HOLD
2. Oak Tree Road Special Improvement District (SID)  
HOLD
3. JFK High School Field And Building Improvements  
HOLD
4. Sucker's Brook Bank Stabilization  
HOLD
5. 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Road Projects  
HOLD
6. Magnolia/Willow/Walnut Area Commuter Parking  
HOLD
7. Sign Ordinance  
HOLD
8. Cooper Field  
HOLD

**HOWIE BAUER, 2<sup>ND</sup> WARD COUNCILMAN:**

1. Second Ward Road Projects  
HOLD
2. County Greenway  
HOLD
3. Downtown Parking on New Brunswick Avenue  
HOLD
4. Woodbridge Waterfront Park/Keasbey  
HOLD
5. Hometown Hero Banners  
HOLD
6. Fords Business Community
  - A. Annual Christmas Tree Lighting
  - B. Summer Jigsaw Street FairHOLD

Councilman Bauer: The Fords Business Community's first Cruise Night for 2019 will be Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Siperstein's Paint at 372 New Brunswick Avenue, Fords from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. featuring DJ Richie Flash & Crew; all are welcome.

7. Fords/Hopelawn/Keasbey Fire Companies  
HOLD
8. Fords V.F.W.  
HOLD
9. Troop 53 Boy Scouts of America  
HOLD

Councilman Bauer: Troop 53 Cub Scouts annual Mother's Day Flower Sale will be on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the QuickChek in Fords from 5:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. and May 12<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at Our Lady of Peace Church where there will be a serving of annual flowers.

I'd just like to wish everyone a Happy Mother's Day.

10. Pathmark Property  
HOLD
11. Brownfields  
HOLD

**JOHN M. MITCH, MUNICIPAL CLERK:**

1. Liquor License Transfer(s)/Change of Corporate Structure:

- A. Person-To-Person Transfer of Liquor License #1225-33-040-011 from Bertucci's Restaurant Corp. to Bertucci's Restaurants, LLC (Pocket License).
- B. Person-To-Person Transfer of Liquor License #1225-33-028-005 from GC Friday's NJ-PA, LLC to TGI Friday's Inc., t/a TGI Friday's, 401 Gill Lane, Iselin, NJ 08830.
- C. Change of Corporate Structure for BL Restaurant Operations, LLC t/a Bar Louie, 675 U.S. Hwy. 1 South, Iselin, New Jersey 08830.
- D. Change of Corporate Structure for Vetland Beverage Management, LLC t/a Colonia Country Club, 300 Colonia Boulevard, Colonia, New Jersey 07067.
- E. Change of Corporate Structure for Red Chutney, LLC t/a Talli Bar & Grill, 1538 Oak Tree Road, Iselin, New Jersey 08830.

Mr. Mitch: Items 1A and 1D, I will be noting as we took action on those this evening. We'll continue to work with the police and the ABC on Items 1B, 1C and 1D.

2. Liquor License Incident(s)/Hearing(s).

Mr. Mitch: Item 2, you received communication from my office advising you of a hearing. In fact I believe it was in your package yesterday with a copy of the charges that were served on a licensee so please take note of that in your calendars.

3. Liquor License Renewals.

- A. 2019 Annual Retail Licensee Meeting date: (May 15, 2019).

Mr. Mitch: Item 3A, we are starting to renew liquor licenses likely as early as our next meeting. As soon as I start getting tax clearance in and at the Annual Retail Licensee Meeting I will be meeting with the police department and eighty plus of our licensees next Wednesday.

4. Street Closings/Special Events (Block parties, street fairs, carnivals etc.).

5. Elections.

- A. 2019 Primary Election – June 4, 2019.
- B. 2019 General Election – November 5, 2019.

6. Best Practices.

7. Census 2020.

Mr. Mitch: Item 7, just one comment on the Census 2020 it's going to be approaching quickly and our Engineering Department continues to work with the Census Bureau on some data and I'm sure we'll be coming out with some PR items in the future.

**MAYOR:**

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:**

Senator Bennett: Thank you Mr. President. We have the renewal of some agreements with the Board of Education and some Shared Services with them that will be on for the next meeting also. Also we have the contracts for some additional work at the library with the air conditioning and heating systems, the additional contract for Environmental Engineering Services for Hickory Senior Center, the awarding of some bids that have already have been bid and they came back in and we will be putting them in front of you for the next meeting and a resolution that will approve the specific State Contract vendors that we are using. The rest of it is housekeeping in nature. There will be two Chapter 159s, money that are coming in and going out. There will be a Change Order that will be proposed for the WCC exterior moisture protection. There will be an agreement for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks on the next agenda as well as the block wall inspection to be done for the Hickory Senior Center and the awarding of another contract. I'd also like to take note that this is the last meeting for Casey Wagner as a single man and I am sure that you join with me to wish him best wishes as he begins a new chapter as a married man.

Council President Spillar: Congratulations Casey.

**POLICE:**

Director of Police Hubner: Thank you Council President. I have a number of traffic ordinances to include parking restrictions, the addition of some handicapped spots, deletion of some handicapped parking spaces that are no longer in use and the ordinance to support our Fire Prevention Program.

**HEALTH:**

Director Green: I don't have anything tonight thank you Council President.

**RECREATION:**

Director Cimilluca: Nothing this evening thank you Council President.

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:**

Director Darden: Thank you Council President. Just our annual Action Plan Resolution; it's that time again.

**PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING:**

Supervisor Brew: Thank you Council President I have nothing tonight.

**LEGAL:**

Mr. Coughlin: Nothing this evening Council President.

On a motion made by Council Vice President DeJesus, seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously, Council President Spillar adjourned the meeting at 8:07 P.M.

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Cory S. Spillar  
Council President

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John M. Mitch, RMC, CMC, CMR  
Municipal Clerk