

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 February 7, 2023 at the Municipal Building, 1 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ 07095.

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

Greg Ficarra, Council President: Please remain standing and keep in our hearts and our minds the following people; Councilwoman, Eunice Dwumfour from Sayreville, the family of Tyre Nichols, and the former Councilman Jim Carroll, he and his wife lost their son. And certainly the folks over in Turkey and Syria dealing with the terrible tragedy there.

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 November 25, 2022. 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: Howie Bauer, Lizbeth DeJesus, Sharon McAuliffe, Debbie Meehan, Viru Patel, Brian Small, Cory Spillar, Kyle Anderson, Gregg Ficarra,

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: John E. McCormac, Mayor
John Mitch, Municipal Clerk
Vito Cimilluca, Business Administrator
Marta Darden, Director of Planning and Development
Joseph Nisky, Deputy Director of Police
George Brew, Director of Public Works
John Hagerty, Director of Communications
Casey Wagner, Deputy Business Administrator
Craig J. Coughlin, Esq.
Fred Rubenstein, Esq.

The Municipal Clerk: Can I get a motion to approve the minutes from January 24, 2023?

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

Council Meeting:

January 24, 2023

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

A. A BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS EASEMENTS AND THE RELOCATION OF FIBER OPTIC CABLES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ROUTE 9, MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$660,000 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. (2023-03)

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Beginning with the Second Reading of the Ordinances this evening, starting with Letter A which is a Bond Ordinance to acquire various easements for the relocation of fiber optic cables for the Main Street and Route 9 Project. Can I get a motion that this Ordinance be taken up on Second and Third Reading and the public hearing be opened?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: The public hearing is now open on Letter A.

John Vrtaric, Woodbridge: Inquired as to how long the Route 9 and Main Street project will take to be completed.

Council President Ficarra: To my understanding, it was our hope to have it done before the winter.

John E. McCormac, Mayor: I can say that is a hope, but I won't predict when it will be done.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: If there are no other questions, can I get a motion that the public comment portion be closed, the Ordinance be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval as required by law?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

B. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3, POLICE REGULATIONS, OF THE WOODBRIDGE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES (TOBACCO). (2023-04)

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Letter B is an Ordinance Amending Chapter 3, Police Regulations of the General Code with regards to the age of sale for tobacco. This is nothing more than a housekeeping amendment to the ordinance. It doesn't change anything other than the age so that we are in compliance with State Law. Can I get a motion that this Ordinance be taken up on Second and Third Reading and the public hearing be opened?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: The public hearing is now open on Letter B.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Hearing no comment from the public, can I get a motion that the public hearing be closed, the Ordinance be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval as required by law?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

C. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR A LONG-TERM TAX EXEMPTION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH WOODMONT METROPARK RESIDENTIAL URBAN RENEWAL LLC. (2023-05)

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Letter C is an Ordinance granting the application for a Long Term Tax Exemption with Woodmont Metropark. Can I get a motion that this Ordinance be taken up on Second and Third Reading and the public hearing be opened?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: The public hearing is now open on Letter C.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Not in favor of 30 year PILOTS, suggested that Council consider a 15 year PILOT. Questioned the purpose and justification of a 30 year PILOT and believes that it will have a very negative effect on the tax payers and school funding in the future. Agrees with the Ross Street development being pulled.

Council President Ficarra: I think it's pretty clear in the Ordinance. Right now I believe that property is generating less than \$150,000 to the tax rate. When the PILOT starts, it quickly goes up to over \$900,000. The money is coming and I don't see how it is going to have an effect on

schools. We have a proven history of working with the schools and providing services and facilities that allows them to spend their money on teaching and curriculum. We have been working with education and no one from the Board of Education has felt that they have been shorthanded in any way. To answer your question about 30 years versus 25, I simply think it's a matter of knowing what the document is over 30 years. It's not going to change, it's 30 years. For example, my 30 year mortgage, I would like to know what to expect over the life of that mortgage. They have other options in other places and when we offer these PILOTS the Administration does its due diligence we feel that there is a benefit to the Town. We're not just offering PILOTS to anyone. We are doing our background checks and we feel that this is worth it and 30 years is what we've settled on and our Administration does all the financial work, presents it to the Council and so far we've been in support of it.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Asked what year the development turns net positive.

Council President Ficarra: I have not done the math on that.

Council Vice President Anderson: One of your questions was very vague about the school funding. You lose some when the city starts to decline. Old Bridge lost it's funding because their population was declining.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Spoke about State Aid not being guaranteed and when it isn't available, the difference falls on the ratable tax payer. Referred to what is going on with Jersey City.

Council President Ficarra: Scott, you're not being timed on this as you well know. So, if Councilman Anderson is trying to speak, you'll have the floor and he will have the floor without interruptions.

Council Vice President Anderson: Out of respective time of the meeting, we don't want to spend a great deal of time on one issue here. However, when it comes to the school funding formula, it has a lot to do with how your population is growing or declining. If after time they feel that the school is being over funded, because the school population is decreasing, they do reduce your school funding as we saw in Old Bridge as I said. And my first year as County Superintendent we had to go down and unfortunately close a Blue Ribbon school, Cheesequake Elementary in a Title One section of town where there are a lot of transient apartments and people living there. Here we have a town that is growing. And for years Woodbridge was underfunded.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Argued that these things happen in cycles and believes the reality is we won't always receive funding for schools. Spoke about the Jersey City Mayor wanting to run for Governor, how things played out with the Jersey City PILOTS, their schools and how it exacerbates the effect on the ratable taxpayer. He hopes to have a conversation and look at the numbers with the Council specifically, not the Administration, to answer questions about the financials. Spoke about having the figures and believes there is no justification for 30 year PILOTS. In favor of the new buildings and restaurants and wants to see the town grow.

Council Vice President Anderson: How do the residents show Steve Fulop that they disagreed with him? They continue to vote him in every year.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: No one is running against him. Suggested that no one was paying attention to what was going on in Jersey City and no one is paying attention in Woodbridge except him and that no one understands this stuff and it is very complicated.

Council Vice President Anderson: We are paying attention to it.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Asked if anyone on the Council understands the ownership of the Woodmont entity that is building the property.

Council President Ficarra: Who has a stake in the Woodmont? What do you mean by ownership? I don't know.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Stated that Eric Witmond owns the parent company at 91% ownership the other 9% isn't disclosed. Asked if Council and or Administration held part of the 9%.

Council President Ficarra: Not that I am aware of. It sounds like a nice company to invest in though. Scott, I don't see the comparison between Woodbridge Township and Jersey City.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Stated that it is the concepts of the compounding effect economically of the PILOTS on the taxpayers. Spoke about Carteret also putting up buildings but they haven't got all of the transit options that Woodbridge has. Asked if 30 year PILOTS are being given away.

Council President Ficarra: I said in the beginning that the Administration vets the people that are coming in and making a determination that a 30 year gives us consistency and we know what we can expect over 30 years. I've given you the figures of the income competency. PILOTS stands for Payment In Lieu Of Tax. And people who are against Pilots are against it because they think it's a tax abatement. The first word in PILOT is payment and it's obvious that the property that we are talking about by the Metro Park right now brings in \$535,000 in taxes to the tax base but only \$149,000 of that stays here. The first year this PILOT goes in to effect, the Township gets \$982,000 plus and it will grow each year after that. Over the 30 years, almost \$66 million dollars is coming in to the Township.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Spoke about running a report on the financial gain aspects of the Vermella. Believes that the Council should be responsible for how the schools are funded. Has spoken to the Board of Education about this as well. Believes the developers should convince us to be here in Woodbridge.

Council President Ficarra: My belief is, and what I explained to you, is that everyone knows what to expect over 30 years. I still contend that what makes that property attractive is because of what we are offering them. The reason why I am supporting this, and certainly I support the Administration on what they do, is because I like these numbers that I read to you. Certainly they are getting a reduction in taxes but the money is staying in the Township. When it comes down to the taxpayers and what the school needs to raise their money, we all take our taxes from the same people. The people of the Town. So it behooves us if we get money from these PILOTS to

work with the Board of Ed to help them to accommodate whatever is needed. Right now I don't believe our schools are at max and there is room for growth.

Council President Anderson: Scott, I just want to point out, and as you said, this is such a great opportunity here in Woodbridge, and you are right about that. You don't see these kinds of developments in Carteret or Linden. You're seeing these kinds of developments in Woodbridge because these developers want to come here and they know they can attract the people that can pay the rent. The apartments are much nicer. Apartments scare people because in 30 years they're not always going to look the same. Everyone marvels at the Vermella and the Avenues at Green. They are all very well put together apartments, they look beautiful and when you compare them to the surrounding towns that are building, there is no comparison.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Believes that we have gained momentum and reached a point that Town can start negotiating 20 year or 15 year PILOTS. Also, apologized to the other people that want to speak.

John E. McCormac, Mayor: Basically because we are unique at what we do with the PILOT revenue, which is primarily invested in schools, and the way we do that is because the school went out for two Referenda in 2017 and in 2020. The first one was for \$57 million and the second one was for \$87 million. Additionally we provided \$14 million before that through our own Bond Ordinances. The Board finances those Referenda, the total cost of bonds, and they issue 30 year Bonds and that is the magic behind the 30 year PILOTS. Because when they go to the marketplace and they say we are presenting you with \$150 million dollars' worth of Bonds that we want to pay back over the next 30 years, the first question is, how you are going to do that?. And the answer is that we have an arrangement with the Township that will share the PILOT revenue that they are receiving over the next 30 years, so there's a direct match between revenues and expenses. And therefore, Wall Street looks at those Bonds and says that's a very good risk because they have this agreement and the PILOTS are guaranteed. You're not relying on all these other factors that could change. And some of the things that are being said are not correct because School Boards are never hurt by PILOTS in terms of what they can spend. School Aid has not gone down in my entire career in local and State Government. In over 30 years School Aid has never gone down. Lawmakers in Trenton fight over who can deliver more school aid no matter what party you're from, whatever branch of government you are in, whatever house of the legislature you are in, they can't wait to get more money to the schools. The decline that Jersey City had in State Aid, was from a program called The Adjustment Fund. That was set up after the State made a big change to the funding formulas. Jersey City was a very big loser and Woodbridge happened to be a very big winner. It had nothing to do with PILOTS. None of that had anything to do with PILOTS. We were underfunded by years, whether we had PILOTS or not, they were overfunded by years whether they had PILOTS or not. Because of their reduction in regular rate, got a lot of money from this pool that the Legislature set up and said we'll help the towns that were hurt the most and try to get them over the hump and give them some Aid and gradually phase it out. For reasons that I don't want to discuss here, but lets' say because they are political, Jersey City lost a lot of Aid through the process in Trenton known as the State Budget. That had nothing to do with PILOTS. Noting at all. So, the bottom line is PILOTS provide money outside of the revenue cap. PILOTS if you

use the money like we do, for Debt Service and Capital Outlay, provide money that can be spent outside of the appropriations cap. The School Board gets what they need from us every single year. They run their budget, they pass it at the Board, send it to the State, it gets approved and it's got what they call an amount that could be raised by taxation. They send us that bill, we send the bills out to Town, we collect money and we give it to them. The other thing is, that's not being accurately portrayed, is that a State Aid decrease automatically leads to a tax increases. That is incorrect. The formula is appropriations minus revenues equals the amount to be raised by taxation, that's the numerator. The denominator is the tax base the quotient is the tax rate. So when your revenue from State Aid goes down, you have a lot of choices. You can raise other Aid, revenues, and taxes but only to the extent of the cap or you can cut the budget. If the State cuts Aid by any kind of material amount, the burden of that is not going to be felt primarily by the tax payers. The burden of that is going to be a devastation to the school budget appropriations and a complete mess in the school system. There's not a direct relation between cuts in School Aid and property taxes. They don't match because one can get cut by more than the other can go up. The balance of the effect would be felt by the students, parents and teachers. That's why it'll never happen. It will never happen. School Aid is not going down anytime soon. It's a doomsday scenario and it's not something that we even plan on. The match is 30 year Bonds and 30 year PILOTS. That's why we are anxious to do 30 year deals because we go to Wall Street with the Board, and we do, and we make the presentations with them because we're the funding source, they look and say ok this Board of Ed has it under control. They don't rely on regular property taxes to pay these Bonds off, they rely on PILOTS which are guaranteed. You can't beat that in a Wall Street deal and that's why they sell their Bonds so cheap and that's why they have a good credit and that's why we have such a good credit. We're a double A plus. The situation was brought up of Bayonne. Bayonne is an A3. Then there is A2, A1, AA-3, and we are an AA-1. We are a step away from AAA. Don't ever compare us with towns that don't have the financial strengths that we have. Everybody's different, but these towns, not Bayonne, but Jersey City is and Abbott District. You can't find a school system that's farther apart from Woodbridge than Jersey City. I don't care what Jersey City does. I don't care what Bayonne does. None of that is relevant to Woodbridge. We do what's good for the people of Woodbridge. We do what is good for the residents and tax payers. These PILOTS are amazingly popular for us. We have \$22 million dollars of revenue in the 2023 Budget. Separate from the amount that we raise from taxation, completely separate. That's \$525 dollars per household that we don't ask them for because the people who pay the PILOTS pay it. And in three years that is going to be \$700 million dollars on \$30 million dollars worth of PILOTS. I'll take all the PILOTS we can get. That's how good they are for us. Thirty years is entirely appropriate. We have sought this project, the continuum of care project in Woodbridge for years. We loved the concept of helping aging seniors needing to live with help where they can go to a section where you're more mobile and can get out and do things. And then you have some issues health-wise and you go to a different section. And then you get older still and you are less mobile and you go to a different section and there's a memory loss component of this. This project is terrific for Woodbridge Township and terrific for our seniors. We are 100% for it, 30 years makes sense and I implore you to support the PILOT agreement as you have in the past. Thank you.

Council Vice President Anderson: Thank you Mayor that was very well put. Also, Scott one thing. Over the weekend I had my banquet for my Pop Warner program. I spoke to a lot of the parents there. When I first came on the Council in 2011, I have five children. When we would go to different high schools, we would see that they had these amazing facilities, athletic fields and lights. We had grass fields and if you played football over at Woodbridge and it rained two days before, you were ankle deep in mud. We now have three high school football fields that are turf. We have tracks that are all installed, baseball fields that are also turf, a performing arts center in Woodbridge Middle School and a greenhouse over at Colonia High School. All of these things were done through PILOTS over the last 10 years or so. Thirty years prior to that, we didn't know where the money was going to come from because then the tax burden would have been put on the residents. The things that are not in your formula is that we no longer have to pay for grass cutting or seeding.

Tom Maras, Fords: Thanked Scott for his presentation and efforts. Asked if he was correct in stating that the Township collects all of the taxes and then distributed accordingly.

Council President Ficarra: Yes.

Tom Maras, Fords: Asked how much of the PILOT money are the schools allowed to spend on education. What is the Township not allowed to pay for as far as the schools are concerned?

Council President Ficarra: I believe the PILOT money does not need to be shared with the school system technically. But if you're running good Government, a strong school system is good for the community. I am not sure of the technicality other than the Township has chosen to use the PILOT money to assist the Board with facilities, as you know, you live here and have seen all of these things, services, custodians, security, security equipment, that type of thing. Which allows the Board of Education to spend their money on curriculum based stem material and these types of things. The actual delivery of curriculum and the job of teaching.

Council Vice President Anderson: Mr. Maras it can also be used for things that can benefit the community. If there are facilities that the community has access to, the PILOTS can be spent there.

John Vrtaric, Woodbridge: Spoke about developers coming to the town anyway because of the location. Not in favor of PILOTS especially residential housing. Spoke about speaking with other Mayors in different towns and those Mayors are not in favor of PILOTS.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Are there any other comments under Letter C? Hearing no other comments, can I get a motion that the public hearing be closed, the Ordinance be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval as required by law?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

D. AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION BY PURCHASE OR

EMINENT DOMAIN OF EASEMENTS IN FURTHERANCE OF ROUTE 9 AND MAIN STREET (C.R. 514) ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. (2023-06)

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Letter D is an Ordinance of the Municipal Council of the Township of Woodbridge Authorizing the Acquisition by Purchase or Eminent Domain of Easements in Furtherance of Route 9 and Main Street. Can I get a motion that this Ordinance be taken up on Second and Third Reading and the public hearing be opened?

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: The public hearing is now open on Letter D.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Hearing no comments, can I get a motion that the public hearing be closed, the Ordinance be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval as required by law?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

E. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC”, SECTION 7-10.1 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE-TO ADD – CORREJA AVENUE. (2023-07)

F. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC”, SECTION 7-12 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE-TO ADD-MARCONI AVENUE. (2023-08)

G. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC”, SECTION 7-39 “CONTROL FOR THE MOVEMENT AND THE PARKING OF TRAFFIC ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY” OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE – TO ADD – 29/31 MARCONI AVENUE, ISELIN. (2023-09)

H. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC”, SECTION 7-38.1 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE – TO ADD – CLINTON AVENUE AND ELLIS PLACE. (2023-

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I. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC”, SECTION 7-38.5 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE – TO ADD – HARROWSGATE CONDOMINIUM. (2023-11)

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Mr. President, we are going to take Letters E, F, G, H and I as consent. These are all Chapter 7 Amendments to the General Ordinances. The first one is to having a parking prohibition for snowplowing removal purposes on Correja Avenue. The second is for a 3 hour maximum parking time limit on Marconi Avenue between Oak Tree Road and LaGuardia, the third is a parking restriction of up to four hours for the new parking lot at 29-31 Marconi Avenue Municipal Lot. The next one is handicapped parking designated on Clinton Avenue and Ellis Place. And finally the handicapped parking at Harrowsgate Condominium Complex. Can I get a motion that these Ordinances be taken up on Second and Third Reading and the public hearing be opened?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: The public hearing is now open on Letters E, F, G, H and I.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Hearing no comment from the public, can I get a motion that the public hearing be closed, the Ordinance be adopted and submitted to the Mayor for approval as required by law?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

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

J. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RECORDING OF A REVISED SUBDIVISION DEED FOR FORMER LOT 35 WITHIN BLOCK 590, SUBDIVIDING SAID LOT 35 INTO LOTS 35.01, 35.02 AND LOT 35.03, AND THE RECORDING OF A CORRECTED DEED CONVEYING LOTS 35.01 AND 35.02 WITHIN BLOCK 590 TO THE AMERICAN IRISH ASSOCIATION OF WOODBRIDGE, INC.

K. AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY ADOPTING THE “430-432 NEW BRUNSWICK AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN”,

PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 *et seq.*

L. AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH 25 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON MAIN STREET (CR 514) DURING THE TERM OF CONSTRUCTION FROM ROUTE 9 TO MARY AVENUE.

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously that these Ordinances be passed on First Reading, to be published in the Home News Tribune on Friday, February 10, 2023 with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on February 21, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

The Municipal Clerk introduced the following Resolutions as Consent.

- (1) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby consents to the Mayor's appointment of Joseph Messick to serve as a member of the Environmental Commission for a three (3) year term commencing February 7, 2023 and terminating February 6, 2026.
- (2) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby consents to the Mayor's appointment of Louis Contreras to serve as a member of the Human Rights Commission for a three (3) year term commencing February 7, 2023 and terminating February 6, 2026.
- (3) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Municipal Comptroller is issue a refund to Baycrest Woodbridge Assoc., LLC, for Tax Court Judgements.
- (4) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby waives all fees for the rental of the Township's portable stage for the North Brunswick Annual Heritage Day event scheduled for October 7, 2023.
- (5) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute and submit a Childhood Lead Poisoning Sub-Grant Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and the County of Middlesex.
- (6) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes Vito Cimilluca or the successor to the office of Business Administration to make and application in an amount of \$1,285,113.00 for the Green Acres Grant for the Woodbridge Township Dog Park Replacement with a total cost of \$1,507,120.00.

- (7) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and the Borough of Metuchen for Opioid Overdose Recovery Program Services for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.
- (8) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with Prevention Specialists Incorporated for Drug and Alcohol Testing in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.
- (9) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the BID awarded to Automated Building Controls for the purchase of a replacement pool heater for the Woodbridge Community Center on an emergency basis in an amount not to exceed \$39,048.00.
- (10) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the emergency contract awarded to P & A Construction for the repairs of an 8” sanitary sewer line and restoration of a roadway at the intersection of Mary Avenue and Main Street on an emergency basis in an amount not to exceed \$52,000.00.
- (11) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase of Laserfiche Storage Engine Software used for several departments within the Township in an amount not to exceed \$69,717.87.
- (12) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase and installation of Springwood Spray Park equipment from MRC, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$877,233.97.
- (13) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes The Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase and installation of a roof for the Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. for the purchase and installation of a roof for the Evergreen Senior Center in an amount not to exceed \$232,821.57.
- (14) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase of one (1) new Steril-Koni 18,500 lb. Mobile Column Lift in an amount not to exceed \$58,784.98.
- (15) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the repair of

the Snow Dragon used by the DPW from Trius Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$55,127.00.

- (16) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase and replacement of pump station ships ladder from Rapid Pump and Meter Services Co., in an amount not to exceed \$91,480.00.
- (17) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with T & M Associates for professional engineering services for additional design services for Café and Entryway Renovations at the Club in an amount not to exceed \$22,600.00.
- (18) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with Peak Environmental LLC for professional environmental services for Remedial Action including Abatement and Third Party Air Monitoring at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 267 E. Smith Street, Woodridge in an amount not to exceed \$22,500.00.
- (19) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the lowest possible and responsible BID awarded to G. Meyer Group, Inc. for the Henry Inman Library Interior in the amount of \$1,058,400.00.
- (20) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute any and all documents necessary for the contract awarded to Owen S. Dunigan & Co. Inc. for On-Call Plumbing Services.
- (21) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk and the Municipal Purchaser to execute any and all documents necessary for the contract awarded to Traffic Lines, Inc. for Traffic Control Striping and Pavement Markings.
- (22) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk and the Municipal Purchaser to execute any documents necessary for the Playground Installation by Whirl Construction.
- (23) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes Two Brothers Contracting, Inc., Messercola Excavating Co., Inc. and Harshi Construction to provide Demolition Services to the Township when the need arises for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024 with an optional twelve (12) month renewal.
- (24) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Township of Woodbridge to enter into agreements with certain court permitted employees of the Municipal Court to carry firearms.

- (25) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby refers the “430-432 New Brunswick Avenue Redevelopment Plan” to the Township Planning Board for its review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law.
- (26) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the amendment of Resolution #21, adopted January 24, 2023, delineating the correct amount of the purchase of annual maintenance for various software programs from Edmunds & Associates, Inc. to read \$55,399.84.
- (27) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby rescinds Resolution #32 adopted January 3, 2023.
- (28) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby rescinds Resolution #42 adopted January 3, 2023.
- (29) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves all claims and bills presented to it by the Chief Financial Officer of the Current Bill List dated February 7, 2023 and the Supplemental Bill List dated January 23, 2023 through February 3, 2023.

Councilwoman Meehan: I would just like to thank the Council for their support of Resolution #19. The money will go to help Henry Inman Library, which has been closed since Hurricane IDA. Most notably, the library will now be ADA compliant and will have flood proof doors.

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

Public Meeting:

Council President Ficarra: We are going to move to the public portion of the meeting. When approaching the microphone, please state your name and the section of the Town or State that you live in. You will have a one-time opportunity to speak, for up to a five minute period. All videotaping must be taken from the rear of the room in the designated area. There will be no shouting from your seats. Please be respectful to each other and please make sure that nothing is blocking the aisles. The bottom line is just be kind to each other.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Are there any other comments this evening?

Tom Maras, Fords: Glad to see the Boy Scouts in attendance at the meeting this evening. In favor of the apartments no longer being built on Ross Street, spoke with the Mayor and Chief of Staff, Caroline Ehrlich regarding the future development of Ross Street and looks forward to talking with and working with everyone on the Administration. Expressed his condolences to the Carroll Family for their loss.

Jose Cunha, Colonia: Spoke about flooding in his home specifically sewer water, fecal matter, and reports that he has been dealing with this for 16 years. His area of town is a flood plane and believes that he and his neighbors should be bought out of their homes.

Scott Gawrych, Woodbridge: Spoke about needing a four way light near Fulton Street, Main Street and Pearl Street.

James Debrowski, Woodbridge: Spoke about the Perth Amboy Branch NAACP, CPV and gasmiddlesex.com and Black History Month. Asked everyone to join the Rally against a third Power Plant in Keasbey, scheduled for February 21 at Woodbridge Town hall. Noted the Pan African flag raised in Woodbridge.

John Vrtaric, Woodbridge: Asked where the water comes from that creates all of the steam, concerned about what is in the water and the steam. Agrees with not building the 94 unit apartment building on Ross Street and asked if it will affect the parking garage that was going to be set up for Vito Mazza. Asked for clarification on Letter J. Also suggested that Council President and Council Vice President spend a lot of time during the meetings talking about the Woodbridge Community Center, sports and various jobs that are available within the community and feels they should focus on other business that is going on in Town and that no one wants to know about the ice skating at the Community Center.

John E. McCormac, Mayor: The Raritan River. Yes it will significantly reduce that project. It will be cut down to, I believe, 60 some odd units. There'll be a first floor of retail space and parking and then two floors of apartment above it. It was going to be five floors in total and was going to have a parking deck. The deck is out of the question now and the floors are cut down from five to three.

Greg Ficarra: It's for the Acacia Center and I believe it's the bar section that's going to be owned and operated by the Irish American Club of Woodbridge. It's almost like a condominium within that unit.

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: Are there any other comments this evening? Hearing no other comments, can I get a motion that the public comment portion be closed?

Council Vice President Anderson made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting which was seconded by Councilman Spillar and carried unanimously.

Council President Ficarra: We are going to go into our Agendas.

GREGG FICARRA, COUNCIL PRESIDENT / COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE:

1. WCC (Woodbridge Community Center).
 - (A) Senior Recreation and programming.

(B) Youth Recreation and programming.
HOLD

There are many activities going on at a reduced cost and many are free. In February there is pickleball and the free senior movie night. Women's recreation volleyball is on Monday nights. Spring kickball is available for 18 years and older and you pay by team. In the Spring, coming up is bocce ball and the Woodbridge Township Recreation baseball and the Girls softball program. Also from our Division of Aging, they have a program called Thriving Later in Life using group process to facilitate behavior change helping members apply new skills in everyday life and it's at the Hickory Center in Fords. It's every Monday in March and April and you can look on our website for more information.

2. Youth Month – April.
Senior Month – May.
HOLD
3. Mayor's Fitness / Wellness Initiatives.
HOLD
4. Fireworks.
HOLD
5. Heroes & Cool Kids / Strengthening Families.
HOLD
6. Pedestrian Safeway's / East Coast Greenway.
HOLD
7. Annual Pizza Run.
HOLD
8. Jacob's Landing.
HOLD
9. The Club at Woodbridge Upgrades.
HOLD
10. Crossroad's Race.
HOLD
11. Mental Health / Wellness.
HOLD
12. COVID-19 Efforts.
HOLD

13. Mobile Health Unit.
HOLD
14. Senior Services Directory.
HOLD

I just want to share that the League of Municipalities, which is an organization that all towns belong to, have a program called Champion of Health Awards. Our very own Ashley Ristaino, who is our Public Health Educator, received the honorable mention. Ashley is on the E-Board of the Mayor’s Wellness Campaign and the Health Task Force for Sustainable Health. She is always concerned about the quality of health and care for the most vulnerable population and has a vision and a plan for a mobile health unit. I know we are working on that. And she is also active in a lot of the mental health issues. She is a lifelong resident of Woodbridge Township and her proposal for her wedding was on Main Street two Christmas’s ago. So, she is a wonderful person that works with the Town. Congratulations to Ashley. The second thing that I want to mention, Director Deputy Director Nisky, I know there is a press conference tomorrow involving a collaboration with our Police department and other towns in Middlesex County where mental health providers are going to ride in the cars with our police officers. Can you explain that a little?

Deputy Director Nisky: Yes. The press conference is at 11 a.m. at St. Stephen’s Church in Perth Amboy. It’s to announce a program where three municipalities in Middlesex County were selected, Woodbridge, Edison and I believe Highland Park, to participate in a program where mental health professionals are going to ride with sworn officers and go on calls that involve mental health issues.

KYLE ANDERSON, COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT / COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE

Council President Ficarra: Council President Anderson.

Councilman Anderson: Thank you Council President. My Agenda is in order.

1. W.T.Y.R.C.
HOLD
2. Job Bank.
HOLD
3. Mayor’s Trophy.
HOLD
4. Woodbridge Hall of Fame.
HOLD

5. Taste of Woodbridge.
HOLD
6. Charity Raffle.
HOLD
7. Drive-In Movies.
HOLD
8. N.A.A.C.P. (*NAACP.org*)
HOLD
9. Dr. Martin Luther King Annual Program.
HOLD
10. Independent Club of Colonia.
HOLD
I want to announce that the Independent Club of Colonia will be hosting their Black History Month event on February 26th at the Acacia Center from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. there will be food service. There's plenty of room there but we're going to ask you to get there early and you'll be there to see a number of honorees including Pastor Neva Lawson from Sewaren Baptist Church, Detective Mark Zeno, Councilwoman Debbie Meehan, who happens to be the Councilwoman in the Fifth Ward which is where the Independent Club of Colonia is located. And she's been a strong supporter of the Independent Club of Colonia. I want to thank the Independent Club for that and the Human Rights Commission as I see that there are two member here tonight, Glenn Morgan and Don Green.
11. Tooling Around Program.
HOLD
12. Boy Scouts/Camping.
HOLD
13. League Consolidation.
HOLD
14. Middlesex College.
HOLD
15. Woodbridge Organization of Neighbors Advocating Change.
HOLD
16. Geo Baker Clinics.
HOLD

I actually have permission from the schools and the library to announce that the Woodbridge Township Schools will be mounting a display of student projects and art for Black History Month at the Woodbridge Main Library. They will be up all this month so please stop by the Woodbridge library to see the work of the students. You can contact the library at 732-634-4450.

Regarding mental health, I wanted to announce that my office is working with every school district in Middlesex County on Thursday in partnership with Rutgers University and we're going to offer a professional development for all of the mental health teams throughout Middlesex County. And Woodbridge will have a team there and will be training them on the multi-tiered support system that all mental health teams in the school district have. It helps the mental health teams become overwhelmed. Many are overwhelmed right now as we have a crisis on our hands in mental health. I would like to congratulate all of the districts, Middlesex County and Rutgers University for the partnership that they are doing to offer better services for our students and our faculty.

Earlier today we raised the Pan African flag for the first time in Woodbridge Township history and there is also a display out in the hallway of a lot of Black History moments in America. Please stop and have a look on your way out and learn something about Black History. Although it is a month long, I always remind everyone that it is the shortest month of the year but we celebrate Black History all year long because Black History is American History. Thank you very much for being here and that's all I have.

HOWIE BAUER, 2nd WARD COUNCILMAN:

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Councilman Bauer.

Councilman Bauer: Thank you Council President. My Agenda is in order.

1. 2nd 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. Cruise Night/Trunk or Treat
HOLD
7. Fords/Hopelawn/Keasbey Fire Companies.
HOLD
8. Fords V.F.W.
HOLD
9. Troop 53 Boy Scouts of America.
HOLD
10. Pathmark Property.
HOLD
11. Brownfields.
HOLD
12. Hickory Senior Center.
HOLD
13. Greenway Family Success Center.
HOLD
14. Highland Grove Swim Pool.
HOLD
15. Little Libraries.
HOLD
16. Human Rights Commission.
HOLD
17. Concerts.
HOLD
18. 988 LIFE LINE.
HOLD

I have one announcement for the Barron Arts Center. Woodbridge Treasures Preserving the Past at Woodbridge Public Library, our local history capturing documents pics and objects from the archives of the Woodbridge Public Library on view from March 3rd – March 24th at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Avenue in Woodbridge. For more information, call 732-634-0413. I'd like to thank the Boy Scouts for coming to the meeting tonight. This troop is actually chartered

through my fire house in Fords. Hopefully you learned something tonight. I'd like to thank the troop leaders for volunteering their time to mentor these young men. That is all I have tonight. Thank you Council President.

BRIAN SMALL, COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE:

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Councilman Small.

Councilman Small: Thank you Council President. My Agenda is in order. Thank you.

1. Woodbridge News.
HOLD
2. Woodbridge Fire Fighters Local #290.
HOLD
3. Port Reading Fire and Township First Aid Squads.
HOLD
4. Woodbridge P.B.A. / S.O.A. #38.
HOLD
5. Bicycle Lanes/ Bicycle Share/ Bicycle Paths.
HOLD
6. Electric Vehicle Car Share/ Car Charging Stations.
HOLD
7. School Projects.
HOLD
8. S.T.O.W. (Register @ 732-726-2394 for Client Transport ID#).
HOLD
9. Level Playing Field @ Cypress Recreation Center/Our House.
HOLD
10. Property Fraud (www.middlesexcounty.nj.gov search for "Property Alert" to Register).
HOLD
11. Inspections at Hotels/Motels.
HOLD

12. National Public Lands Day (9/24/22).
HOLD
13. 2-3-8 Marine Fire Rescue.
HOLD
14. Mayor Mac Café.
HOLD
15. Light Parade (11/25/23).
HOLD
16. American Irish Association of Woodbridge.
HOLD
17. Woodbridge B.P.O.E. Elks 2116.
HOLD
18. Autograph Signings
HOLD

LIZBETH DEJESUS, COUNCILWOMAN-AT-LARGE:

Council President Ficarra: Councilwoman DeJesus.

Councilwoman DeJesus: Thank you Council President. My Agenda is in order.

1. Housing Authority.
HOLD
2. Affordable Housing Corporation.
HOLD
3. Youth and Government Day.
HOLD
4. History Museum.
HOLD
5. Police Community Relations.
HOLD
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 Library of Woodbridge.
HOLD
11. Veteran’s Tax Deduction.
HOLD
12. Girls Sports.
HOLD
13. Girl Scouts/Scouts Pavilion and Camp; E. William St. Park.
HOLD
14. Youth Leadership Council.
HOLD
15. Community Backpacks.
HOLD
16. Donation of Winter Coats for School Students.
HOLD
17. Safe Place.
HOLD
18. Women’s Month
HOLD
19. Mentoring Programs.
HOLD

I want to congratulate our Police Department for being trail blazers in law enforcement and dealing with mental health. I want to congratulate Sydney de Voogd, who scored 1000 points last night in the County Tournament. Sydney is a JFK High School student. That is all that I have. Thank you.

CORY S. SPILLAR, 3rd WARD COUNCILMAN

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Councilman Spillar.

Councilman Spillar: Thank you Council President Ficarra. My Agenda is in order.

1. Avenel's Very Merry Holiday Lighting (**11/26/23**) / Port Reading Day.
HOLD
2. Avenel Arts Village/Train Station/Eric LeGrand Believe Park.
HOLD
3. Woodbridge River Watch/ Oros Nature Preserve.
HOLD
4. Port Reading Saints/ Saints Complex Improvements.
HOLD
5. Avenel Middle School Community Service Club and School Improvements.
HOLD
6. Port Reading Knights/Sycamore Senior Center/Red Oak.
HOLD
7. Route 1 Redevelopment.
 - a. Star / City Motels.
 - b. Americana / Avenel Motels.
 - c. Rt. 1 @ So. Inman Ave.
 - d. Bud's Hut.
 - e. Big Top property.
 - f. Holiday Inn Express expansion.
 - g. Pier I Imports property.HOLD
8. Avenel Fire Department/Fire Prevention Week Open House (10/14/23).
HOLD
9. Social Clubs – Avenel Knights of Columbus/Columbian Club, Avenel V.F.W.
HOLD
10. Woodbridge Developmental Center Property.
HOLD
11. Cable Commission/Renewal.
HOLD
12. School 4 & 5.

HOLD

13. Mileed Way Army Corps of Engineers Project.
HOLD
14. Maple Tree Senior Center.
HOLD

I just want to thank the Boy Scouts for coming tonight. Thank you, that is all that I have.

DEBBIE MEEHAN, 5TH WARD COUNCILWOMAN

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Councilwoman Meehan.

Councilwoman Meehan: Thank you Council President. My Agenda is in order.

1. Inman Avenue Business District Improvements.
HOLD
2. Green Houses – Colonia Middle and Colonia High Schools.
HOLD
3. Evergreen Senior and Youth Center / Senior Services.
HOLD
4. Events:
 - A. Taste of Colonia.
 - B. Have a Heart Food Drive.
 - C. Colonia Easter Bonnet Parade & Egg Hunt.
 - D. Colonia 5K/Chris Jantas Run.
 - E. Colonia Annual Wiffle Ball Tournament.
 - F. Support the Troops Rally.
 - G. Colonia Pride Day.
 - H. Colonia Clean Up.
 - I. Colonia Christmas Tree Lighting.
 - J. Cookies and Can for the Troops and Food Bank.
 - K. Toys for Tots Run.
 - L. Breast Cancer Walk.

HOLD

5. Food Pantry.

- HOLD
6. Reinhard Manor.
HOLD
 7. Colonia Fire Department/First Aid Squad.
HOLD
 8. Colonia American Legion/V.F.W./Elks.
HOLD
 9. Veteran’s Issues.
HOLD
 10. Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority.
HOLD
 11. Cpl. Kevin Reinhard Marine Corps League.
HOLD
 12. Volunteer Directory.
HOLD
 13. Domestic Violence Response Team.
HOLD
 14. AED Program.
HOLD
 15. Springwood
HOLD

We’re glad that the Boy Scouts are here and we hope you have learned something. It’s been a bit of a long meeting but I hope you take something from it. That’s all I have tonight.

VIRBHADRA N. PATEL, 4th WARD COUNCILMAN

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Councilman Patel.

Councilman Patel: Thank you Council President. My Agenda is in order.

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. 4th Ward Road Projects.
HOLD
6. Magnolia/Willow/Walnut Area Commuter Parking.
HOLD
7. Sign Ordinance.
HOLD
8. Cooper Field.
HOLD

I have one announcement. The Iselin Post Office, 240 Middlesex Essex Turnpike in Iselin has limited parking and usually many times customers have a hard time finding a parking spot. Therefore, the Township took an initiative a few months ago to find some extra parking located on the North side of the Middlesex Turnpike right after the entry and exit driveway of the post office. These parking spaces are designated by parking signs stating 30 minutes parking only.

SHARON McAULIFFE, 1st WARD COUNCILWOMAN

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Councilwoman McAuliffe.

Councilwoman McAuliffe: Thank you Council President. My Agenda is in order.

1. Events:
 - A. Relay for Life.
 - B. Fishing Derby.
 - C. Parker Press Concerts.
 - D. Woodbridge Wednesdays and Local Band Thursdays.
 - E. Saint James Street Fair.

HOLD

2. Main Street SID (Special Improvement District).
HOLD
3. Chamber of Commerce.
HOLD

Friday, February 10th the Chamber will be hosting Mayor John McCormac’s 2023 State of The Township at the Delta Hotel. If you are unable to attend, you will be able to view it on TV 35. Also, on Feb 23rd The Chamber of Commerce will host a Pampered Chef at 91 Main Street from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. It is a fundraiser and a portion of the proceeds will go to the Woodbridge Domestic Violence Group.

4. Buy Local Program.
HOLD

5. Transit Village.
HOLD

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

7. Main Street and Route 9.
HOLD

As the road work continues on Main Street and Route 9, we ask that all residents please be mindful of the traffic pattern changes and follow police direction. We are working to improve the flow of traffic and appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

8. Animal Shelter.
HOLD

9. Dog Park.
HOLD

10. Arts.
(A) Woodbridge Train Station Mural Project.
(B) Gallery on Main.
HOLD

11. PACE.
HOLD

12. Woodbridge Fire Department.
HOLD

13. Coast Guard.
HOLD

14. Sewaren Library Programs.
HOLD

There is a Valentine’s Day card exchange event now through the end of the week. On Saturday there will be story time from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. and it’s “All About The Cupcake Party”.

15. Acacia Center.
HOLD
16. RISE Program.
HOLD
17. Sewaren Marina.
HOLD
18. First Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge.
HOLD
19. Earth Day Event.
HOLD
20. Green Infrastructure
HOLD

I want to wish everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and enjoy the upcoming long Presidents Day weekend.

JOHN M. MITCH, MUNICIPAL CLERK

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Mr. Mitch.

Mr. Mitch: Thank you Mr. President. My Agenda is in order.

1. Liquor License Transfer(s) / Change of Corporate Structure Applications under review.

List below does not represent approval of application(s) being considered.

- A. Person-To-Person / Place-To-Place Transfer of Liquor License # 1225-33-052-005 from Maria De La Rosa to Angelina's Woodbridge Liquor License, LLC t/a Angelina's Kitchen, Inc., 6000 Vermella Way, Building G, Woodbridge, NJ 07095.
- B. Place-To-Place Transfer (Expansion of Premises) of Liquor License #1225-33-057-004 Sewaren Associates LLC t/a Moby Dick's 351 West Ave., Sewaren, NJ 07077.
- C. Person-to-Person Transfer of Liquor License #1225-33-44-003 Liberty Tavern of Fords, Inc. to Jolly Rogers Bar & Grill, LLC 631-633 King Georges Rd., Fords, NJ 08863.
- D. Change of Corporate Structure for MSK Holdings, LLC t/a Woodbridge Brewing Co., 33 Main St., Woodbridge, NJ 07095 (1225-33-069).
- E. Change of Corporate Structure for McLoone Holding LLC t/a Favorites at Woodbridge, 3 Lafayette Rd., Fords, NJ 08863 (1225-33-014).

2. Liquor License Incident(s) / Hearing(s).
3. Liquor License Renewals.
4. Street Closings / Special Events (Block parties, street fairs, carnivals, etc.).
5. Elections.
 - A. 2023 Primary: Election: June 6, 2023
Early Voting: June 2 – June 4
 - B. 2023 General Election: November 7, 2023
Early Voting: October 28-November 5
6. Best Practices Inventory.

MAYOR:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

Council President Ficarra: Mr. Cimilluca.

Business Administrator Cimilluca: Thank you Council President. I have a few items.

I have a 100% Disabled Veteran and a County Tax Appeal. I will have two proposals from H2M Architectures for a proposal for alterations to Mount Carmel school building. Thank you Council President.

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING:

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Director Brew.

Director Brew: Thank you Council President.

I have one item as a final change order on Contract 2020-020 for the Amboy Avenue Sanitary Sewer Extension. That is all I have tonight. Thank you.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Director Darden.

Director Darden: Nothing this evening. Thank you Council President.

POLICE:

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Deputy Director Nisky.

Deputy Director Nisky: Thank you.

I have one traffic a parking ordinance proposal and one handicapped parking space addition.
Thank you.

LEGAL:

Council President Ficarra: Thank you. Legal.

Craig Coughlin, Esq.: Nothing this evening.

HEALTH:

RECREATION:

On a motion made by Council Vice President Anderson seconded by Councilman Small and carried unanimously, Council President Ficarra adjourned the meeting at 7:31 P.M.

