

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 19, 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 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, Debbie Meehan, Virbhadra N. Patel, Howie Bauer, Lizbeth DeJesus, Cory Spillar

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: John Mitch, Municipal Clerk
John Bennett, Business Administrator
Marta Darden, Director of Planning and Development
Robert Hubner, Director of Police
Dennis Henry, Public Works Director
Dennis Green, Health Director
Michael Gelin, Municipal Engineer
Vito Cimilluca, Recreation Director
John Hagerty, Communications Director
Fred Rubenstein, Esq.

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

Council Meeting:

February 5, 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 ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR REDEVELOPMENT PURPOSES IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,000,000.00 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. (19-18)**

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: Can you give a little bit of explanation on what bond, that bond ordinance you're speaking of in Ordinance A for two million dollars? Which properties are we buying and why?

Council President Spillar: This is a property located on Rahway Avenue. It's been in ongoing negotiations with Conrail so basically it's a land swap which turns into a piece of property Conrail has on Rahway Avenue. There's a piece of property that we have over in the Port Reading section near Bowtie Pool so what that's going to do is we're going to be able to have that property to Conrail and move the switching portion of Conrail trains behind the residents on Rosewood Lane further away from there.

Tom Maras: Alright, we're also paying two million dollars so it's not just an outright swap. Two million is to enhance the deal; that's the extra?

Council President Spillar: I'm sorry that's the purchase of the property on Rahway Avenue.

Tom Maras: Because that is the Conrail property isn't it?

Council President Spillar: Correct.

Tom Maras: And we're going to utilize it what to buy it?

Council President Spillar: Nothing is planned at this point.

Tom Maras: Can it be developed at some future point?

Council President Spillar: Senator.

Senator Bennett: It used to be the right of way for where the rail line was. It's all part of this with the utility swap. The utilities over on the Bowtie property are going to have to be relocated. The purchase price that we pay for the relocation of that will in fact be reduced from this amount which is up to two million and it's a long term negotiation that's been taking place. This is the first step of a series of agreements with Conrail in order to put together so that we will be able to develop the Bowtie property and the Cypress piece. The utilities have to be removed in order to put the rail line into the yard over there so that the trains will be able to make a curve and go into the yards. This is just one piece of it; it's the first piece.

Tom Maras: And then the property that we're swapping now we're not currently using it for anything and what will Conrail use it for if anything after the swap?

Senator Bennett: Right now it's the part where the old pool used to be and that's been abandoned and now that's where the line is going to have to go through. And then the utilities will be changed and then they'll get a piece of our land and then we'll get a credit for the cost of the utilities.

Tom Maras: Thank you very much for the explanation.

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.

B. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THAT TITLE AND POSSESSION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY BE ACQUIRED BY PURCHASE OR CONDEMNATION – BLOCK 867, LOT 4, AVENEL, NEW JERSEY. (19-19)

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.

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.

C. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THAT WOODBRIDGE TOWNSHIP ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH AVENEL AND COLONIA FIRST AID SQUAD, INC. (19-20)

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: With the property the Avenel/Colonia First Aid Squad currently owns you're going to lease a portion of that property it's my understanding for parking?

Council President Spillar: That's correct.

Tom Maras: Okay what will that parking be used for?

Council President Spillar: We're talking about the area behind the parking lot, behind the building, the grass area and that area closer will be paved parking for transit.

Tom Maras: For transit?

Council President Spillar: Train commuters, yes.

Tom Maras: Train commuters, okay. Because I thought we just spent a lot of money repaving the Knights of Columbus parking lot over in Avenel so that they can use that for shuttle back and forth because this augmenting that and what's the latest study to show how many cars are currently using the Knights of Columbus?

Council President Spillar: We did pave that. After three months we suspended it because the ridership wasn't there.

Tom Maras: And how much did we spend to pave that lot and now we suspended it?

Council President Spillar: That I don't recall off the top of my head but we're focusing on Ordinance C which is the First Aid Squad.

Tom Maras: Well they are tied together. In regard to that I know that the squad is in financial trouble. In fact I believe that we discussed at the last meeting that the fire commissioners in Avenel have made provisions, let's say, to purchase the property over there. How will that affect the lease agreement if in fact you do purchase it and are you going to purchase all of that first aid squad and if so again how does that affect this lease agreement?

Council President Spillar: This lease agreement is only for parking and the other property. It has nothing to do with the building.

Tom Maras: Alright, but if you buy it...

Council President Spillar: We're not buying it, we're leasing it. We're leasing the parking lot.

Tom Maras: But if the fire department buys it does that not change the complexion of this agreement?

Council President Spillar: Right now the First Aid Squad owns the building. We're going into a lease agreement with the first aid squad.

Tom Maras: I'm just trying to get at what's going to happen to it because if you guys do come in and buy it, and we want to see the squad stay there I mean there's no doubt that I am for keeping that squad and certainly want to see it stay there, I'm just trying to get a clarification of how that's all going to work.

Council President Spillar: When you say we buy it you meant the township? There are no intentions whatsoever of that.

Tom Maras: No I'm sorry we the taxpayers, ultimately it's the taxpayer's money that is buying it. But it would be through the fire commissioners or Avenel Fire Department. If they in turn buy it are they buying lock, stock and barrel? In other words the building and the property and then you have a lease agreement which you then would have to cut I guess with the township, is that not correct?

Council President Spillar: Right now the lease agreement would be with the First Aid Squad.

Tom Maras: Right but again subsequently if they have to sell it which is my understanding that they are going to sell it to the fire department that's all of the property, the building, then you then become the land owner and the township would have to have a new agreement with you for leasing that property. My concern is if you are going to put parking in there how does that maybe obstruct the First Aid Squad? I mean that takes up a lot of people coming and going, ongoing traffic, which could hinder an emergency movement of equipment over there.

Council President Spillar: Maybe I don't understand the question. Are you talking about...you said something about the First Aid Squad building...

Tom Maras: Correct.

Council President Spillar: And you said something about....

Tom Maras: If you're going to put parking in there for people it's going to take up a lot of spots, that's the idea of having it there. Does that impede the First Aid Squad's ability to move their equipment in an emergency?

Councilman Small: Mr. President.

Council President Spillar: Yes Mr. Small.

Councilman Small: Isn't the parking lot we're speaking about totally disconnected from the existing squad parking lot?

Council President Spillar: Correct.

Tom Maras: Well that's what I'm asking.

Council President Spillar: Yes, it's an area behind the existing paving that's unimproved right now and we've discussed it with the squad and they have ample parking for what their operation now.

Tom Maras: Thank you for the clarification.

John Vrtaric, Woodbridge: Isn't it going to kind of enhance the value of the property if you...of course how much rent are you going to pay for it by any chance do you know?

Senator Bennett: The Township will be paving the property and then there is going to be a machine for commuters to pay and they'll be some sort of allocation between the monies that come in from the rentals of those spaces for commuter parking. That's what the lease agreement is; that's what is in the lease agreement.

John Vrtaric: Now why would they let you do something like that if they're not going to make money? They don't need a parking lot so why would they let you use it?

Senator Bennett: Right now that property is just a grass lot.

John Vrtaric: I understand.

Senator Bennett: And now it's going to have an income stream because it's going to have commuters, people parking on it at three dollars a day.

John Vrtaric: I know.

Senator Bennett: Okay so then that will provide an income stream for whoever the lease is with.

John Vrtaric: But you just said you're just going to pave it and then whatever improvements but there won't be additional income through the First Aid or Fire Department.

Senator Bennett: Right now there is no income for that property coming in.

John Vrtaric: I know.

Senator Bennett: Now the income will be the commuter parking lot that will have three dollars per day per car. That will be split between the township and whoever is the landlord. In this case right now it will be the First Aid.

John Vrtaric: But you have no idea how many parking spots and how much income it would be.

Senator Bennett: There are approximately sixteen parking spots.

John Vrtaric: And how much will it cost to improve the property?

Senator Bennett: We do that in-house.

John Vrtaric: I know but still we have to pay the workers.

Senator Bennett: I don't know maybe Dennis Henry knows. I don't know how much...the labor is ours.

John Vrtaric: Yeah but still you have to pay the labor they don't do it for any money. You still got to pay them in payroll.

Senator Bennett: They work for us already. They'll be an engineering study as to the cost of the

asphalt. I don't know how much that will be.

John Vrtaric: 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

- D. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VII, TRAFFIC, OF THE WOODBRIDGE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES – 7-18A TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ON QUASI-PUBLIC PROPERTY. (19-21)**
- E. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC” SECTION 7-38.2 – TO DELETE DESIGNATED HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES IN FRONT OF VARIOUS PRIVATE RESIDENCES. (19-22)**
- F. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC” SECTION 7-38.1 – TO ADD HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN ISSUED SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS OR PLATES OR PLACARDS BY THE MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION. (19-23)**
- G. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC” SECTION 7-38.5 – TO ADD HANDICAPPED PARKING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY – THE CROSSINGS AT ONE, TULIP DRIVE. (19-24)**
- H. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC” SECTION 7-11 – STOPPING OR STANDING PROHIBITED DURING CERTAIN HOURS ON CERTAIN STREETS TO ADD – GREEN STREET, MAIN STREET, NORTH/SOUTH SIDES, ALL TIMES, MONDAY – FRIDAY. (19-25)**

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: On Ordinance H, the parking prohibitions on Green Street, can you elaborate a little more about that? It says North and South sides. Green Street is rather long. Which area are we specifically talking about? From what point to what point and what will the prohibitions be?

John Mitch, Municipal Clerk: It is specifically with regards to where the train trestle is outside on Main Street and Green Street.

Tom Maras: And those hours are going to be limited or will there also be permit parking there or residents?

John Mitch: No permit parking, it's going to be prohibited.

Tom Maras: And from what hours to what hours, sir?

John Mitch: Monday through Friday during the day.

Tom Maras: Okay.

John Mitch: All times.

Tom Maras: What 8:00 in the morning; 7:00 in the morning?

Director of Police Hubner: I think its 24/7 isn't it?

John Mitch: I believe so. It says all times so it's all day Monday through Friday.

Tom Maras: Thank you.

Marge Gatyas, Woodbridge: I want to thank Nancy who just answered the question kind of like what Tom just asked a minute ago. I just wanted to make sure that it was just under the trestle there. It wasn't any other areas of Green Street or Main Street, correct?

Council President Spillar: Correct.

Marge Gatyas: Just that area. Perfect; 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.

- I. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 ENTITLED "GENERAL LICENSING" SECTION 4-7 LICENSING OF WRECKERS. (19-26)**
- J. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11 ENTITLED "ANIMAL CONTROL" SECTION 11-9 "ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM" – FEES TO SHELTER ANIMALS. (19-27)**
- K. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 17 ENTITLED "BUILDING AND HOUSING" SECTION 17-1.2 FEES FOR CONSTRUCTION PERMITS. (19-28)**
- L. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 25 ENTITLED "STREETS AND SIDEWALKS" SECTION 25-2.2 FEES DUE PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF PERMITS. (19-29)**
- M. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 35 ENTITLED "HEALTH REGULATIONS" SECTION 35-16.5 SERVICE FEES. (19-30)**
- N. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 27 ENTITLED "SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT" SECTION 27-2 "SOLID WASTE COLLECTIONS" FEES FOR SPECIAL PICK-UPS. (19-31)**

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.

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

- O. A BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPROVEMENT OF “THE CLUB AT WOODBRIDGE” FOR USE AS A MUNICIPAL RECREATION FACILITY AND THE UNDERTAKING OF IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS OTHER RECREATION FACILITIES IN, BY AND FOR THE RECREATION UTILITY OF THE TOWNSHIP, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,800,000.00 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, 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.**

- P. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THAT TITLE AND POSSESSION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY BE ACQUIRED BY DONATION – BLOCK 563.16, LOT 145.**

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, February 22nd, 2019 with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, March 5th, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

The Municipal Clerk introduced the following Resolutions as Consent:

- (1) BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves Land Surveyors to provide services to the Township of Woodbridge.

- (2) BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute an agreement with JC Contracting, Inc. for Traffic Signal installation at Lake Avenue and Lancaster Road and Traffic Signal modification at Avenel Street and West Park Avenue in the amount of \$462,864.35.

- (3) 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 2018 Township Wide Drainage Improvements in the amount of \$156,867.10.

- (4) BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Purchasing Agent to negotiate a contract for Idle Reduction Technology.

- (5) BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the renewal of Plenary

Retail Consumption License No. 1225-33-066-008, Food for Thought Restaurant Group, LLC for the term of one (1) year from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 (as per Special Ruling N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 issued on February 1, 2019).

- (6) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1225-33-066-008, Food for Thought Restaurant Group, LLC for the term of one (1) year from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 (as per Special Ruling N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 issued on February 1, 2019).
- (7) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1225-33-052-005, De La Rosa Maria, t/a The Little Spain, for the term of one (1) year from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 (as per Special Ruling N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 issued on February 1, 2019).
- (8) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the request of the Port Reading School #9 PTO to host a (Color Fun Run) on May 30, 2019 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., rain date: June 2, 2019, from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.
- (9) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the request of the Woodbridge Downtown Merchants Association to host the “Woodbridge Downtown Cruise” on Main Street on June 19, July 17 and August 21, 2019 with the rain dates of June 26, July 24 and August 28, 2019.
- (10) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue refund checks for Overpaid Taxes.
- (11) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Municipal Officer to issue a refund from the Other Trust to Joann Esposito for a refund of Rental Registration Fee in the amount of \$50.00.
- (12) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Municipal Clerk to release the Developer’s Surety Bond in the amount of \$21,760.08 from Bond No. 41152 to Butter Construction.
- (13) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Municipal Clerk to release the Developer’s Surety Bond in the amount of \$15,948.00 from Bond No. 41153 to Butter Construction.
- (14) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Municipal Clerk to release the Performance Bond in the amount of \$17,541.60 from Bond No. 42414 to Butter Construction.
- (15) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue a check to the Girl Scouts of Woodbridge Troop #80228, from donations received from various persons and organizations from the 2018 Tour de Woodbridge Bike Tour, in the amount of \$1,500.00.
- (16) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes waiving all fees for the rental of the Township’s portable stage for the School #27 Comedy Show at the Colonia Fire House

scheduled for February 15, 2019.

- (17) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes waiving all building permit fees, municipal escrows and utility connection fees for Phase III of the Jacob’s Landing Project as per agreement with NJHMFA.
- (18) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to endorse the submission of a Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Application to the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy and designates Audrey Rozger, Recycling Coordinator.
- (19) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby directs the Township Business Administrator with the assistance of the Chief Financial Officer and Township’s Attorney to negotiate and enter into an Agreement with EP&G Strategy Company for the purchase of discounted electricity with Contract Terms not exceeding Statutory Term Limits.
- (20) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Perth Amboy for Solid Waste Collection Services.
- (21) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with the VNA Health Group for WTC services for the community for the period January, 2019 through December 31, 2019.
- (22) **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 T & M Associates for professional engineering services for the Woodbridge Community Center Emergency Generators Assistance in an amount not to exceed \$10,350.87.
- (23) **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 T & M Associates for professional engineering services for the 585 Main Street Structural Roof Analysis in an amount not to exceed \$6,900.00.
- (24) **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 T & M Associates for professional engineering services for the 585 Main Street Ice Rink Feasible Study in an amount not to exceed \$42,360.00.
- (25) **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 The Vaughn Collaborative for professional engineering services for the 585 Main Street Ice Rink Feasible Study in an amount not to exceed \$25,670.00.
- (26) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a Conservation Management Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and the County of Middlesex for Block 60, Lot 101.02 (the “Perservation Area”).
- (27) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes execution of Final Change Order on the contract with T. Fiotakis Construction, LLC for the Pumpkin Patch Pedestrian

Bridge decreasing the final contract amount of \$97,400.00 by \$400.00 to a total of \$97,000.00.

- (28) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with AECOM for professional architectural services for preparation of a physical condition survey of the Board of Education Offices Building in an amount not to exceed \$8,500.00.
- (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 19, 2019 and the Supplemental Bill List dated February 1, 2019 through February 15, 2019.

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'll 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.

Diane Kriewinkel from Woodbridge questioned Director of Police Hubner if an incident or an event that happened on Wednesday, February 13th that occurred around 9:00 P.M. in the parking lot on North James Street in Woodbridge was called in as a 911 or just a general dispatch. Director of Police Hubner replied that he did not know. Diane next explained that she observed three vehicles and approximately fifteen people speaking loudly and after about five minutes more than half of the vehicles entered two of the vehicles and drove off. Diane further explained that a few minutes later approximately eight police cars came rapidly into the street to approach the four remaining people in the lot with the one car. Diane then explained that at approximately 10:00 P.M. these loud voices again and the four people were still there. Diane next questioned if there was a loitering ordinance in place in Woodbridge Township and Council President Spillar replied there was not. Then Diane questioned if we had a noise ordinance in place in Woodbridge Township and Council President Spillar replied that we had a residential noise ordinance and commercial noise ordinance. Lastly Diane spoke about the lights in that parking lot being angled into the resident's windows and not lighting the parking lot. Council President Spillar replied that if Diane would email him he will have someone go out and look at the situation.

Tom Maras from Fords spoke about it costing \$80,000.00 to pave the 1.5 acres at 10 Green Street. Next Mr. Maras commented that the Stern Tower's issue is still up with the courts and will like to get back to then when he can. Then Mr. Maras spoke about the Arts Village and questioned if it was just poor planning or deception on the part of the administration with regards to the parking there. Lastly Mr. Maras spoke about years ago he was told that Richard Lorentzen, an employee for Woodbridge Township, held a full time position here and a full time position as Supervisor of Sewers for Edison Township and questioned how much more of that is going on in this township.

John Vrtaric from Woodbridge questioned if 127 Avenel Street was the same property that a couple of weeks ago the township tried to bond it for \$220,000.00 and Council President Spillar replied that it was not. Mr. Vrtaric then spoke about the Ralph Mocci property that the township wanted to put parking spaces there and questioned who would park there. Council President Spillar replied that it would be public property. Council President Spillar further replied that 127 Avenel Street was parking for the staff and administration for the Avenel Performing Arts Center. Next Mr. Vrtaric spoke about the rain

tax that the Senate was wanting and Council President Spillar replied that that has no concern with the township as of right now. Then Mr. Vrtaric commented that when the township builds buildings they do not put ample parking spaces on them. Lastly Mr. Vrtaric questioned if the Town Hall building was paid off since it was built and Senator Bennett replied that he did not know and would get the answer for the next meeting. Senator Bennett very replied that less is owed on the township's long term bonds now than there was ten years.

CORY SPILLAR/ 3RD 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
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

Council President Spillar: The Avenel Middle School Community Service Club is in the process of a clothing drive. To date they have collected over fifty large bags of clothes. They will give the bags to the Lupus Foundation on March 22nd. That's just another great example of the leadership and the dedication of the club which is comprised of the middle schoolers. If you are interested in donating clothes to the Community Service Club you can either reach out to me via email or call or you can contact the school director at 732-596-4210 and ask for the Community Service Club.

6. Port Reading Knights/Senior Center
HOLD
7. Cypress Recreation Center/Facility
HOLD

Council President Spillar: Mayor Mac's Café will be opening soon. The café which is located in the Cypress Recreation Center will be open for breakfast and lunch and will be open also during the wrestling and cheer events at night. The café will feature kids from the RISE Program and they will be trained how to work enabling the kids with special needs the ability to work so that's awesome.

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 property
HOLD

9. Avenel Fire Department
HOLD
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

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
4. History Museum
HOLD
5. Police Community Relations
HOLD

Council Vice President DeJesus: Our Police Community officers will be in our high schools for their biweekly police interaction classes in the next two weeks. They will also be at one of the middle school for their biweekly At Risk Youth Mentoring program and as well as meeting with a group of girls at one of the elementary schools and middle schools for a mentoring group. They will also be at various elementary schools reading for Dr. Seuss's birthday.

And don't forget the 2019 Senior Police Academy applications are available now. You can find them online or go to any of the senior buildings. The academy will take place on Wednesdays this year and it

will be starting in May.

6. Youth Employment/Job Fair
HOLD
7. Township Parks and Playgrounds
HOLD
8. Hispanic Heritage Month
HOLD
9. Barron Arts Center
HOLD

Council Vice President DeJesus: The Barron Arts Center will be presenting A Constitutional Debate Thomas Jefferson vs. Alexander Hamilton on March 6th, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. at Woodbridge Middle School. No reservation is required. On March 15th, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. at the Barron Arts Center they will have a concert, Spook Handy & the Seed Planters. You do need a reservation for this so please call 732-634-0413.

10. Free Public Libraries of Woodbridge
HOLD
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 350th Anniversary (1669-2019)
HOLD

DEBBIE MEEHAN, 5TH WARD COUNCILWOMAN:

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

Councilwoman Meehan: We are in full swing with the Have a Heart Food Drive and just about closing it up. In the past week we have gone out on our Have a Heart Food Drive tour to all the schools. A lot of the schools really came up and donated a lot of food this. There was a challenge for the township or businesses to either give two hundred and fourteen lbs. of food or \$214.00 and Woodbridge Township really stepped up so far and we still have another week to go. We rose over \$31,000.00 and eighteen thousand lbs. of food. So it matters even if you are just giving a couple cans. It really does help people that are in need right here in our township for our neighbors that you might not even think are hungry. It just was a great thing to see all the children give all their food especially little kindergarteners that knew they were really doing something good. So thank you to everybody that donated to that.

Our 12th Annual Chili Fest will be March 3rd at JJ Bittings on Main Street from 12 Noon to 2:00 P.M. Admission is \$10.00 and we are looking for chili chefs or if anybody likes to cook chili. Please contact Eileen at the Recreation Department at 732-596-4047. All the money we raise that day will go to a young girl from Avenel.

6. Food Pantry
HOLD
7. Reinhard Manor
HOLD
8. Colonia Fire Department/First Aid Squad
HOLD

Councilwoman Meehan: I would just like to congratulate Ray Hughes and Ed Sheehan for being re-elected as fire commissioners.

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

NANCY DRUMM, 1ST 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 a signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. It's staffed and coordinated by volunteers and thousands of communities and twenty-seven countries. Volunteers give of their time and effort because they believe it's time to take action against cancer. Woodbridge is celebrating their 25th Anniversary of Relay for Life Committee here in Woodbridge. They're having a kickoff on March 11th at 5:30 P.M. hosted by Bahama Breeze which is located in the Woodbridge Center Mall parking lot. You can sign up because the Relay for Life event is going to be on June 8th at Woodbridge High School. Please come out and support the Woodbridge community that is trying very hard to fight for a cure for cancer. If you have any questions you can reach out to me and I can help you with that.

There is also a Relay for Life Elks annual Breakfast Fundraiser which is on April 7th. If you want to buy tickets in advance please let me know.

3. (DMA) Downtown Merchant Association
HOLD
4. Main Street SID (Special Improvement District)
HOLD
5. Chamber of Commerce
HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: The Chamber of Commerce has a Nonprofit Summit planned for March 27th. This summit will feature an esteemed panel of professionals with Keynote speaker Sally Glick who is a strategist for Sobel & Co. Our panelists include Brett Harris from the Wilentz Law Firm, Joann Di Napoli a Grant Writer from Hackensack Meridian Health, Vincent Pungello a CPA, Michael Giacobello from Investors Bank and our very own Monica Eppinger from the Woodbridge Township Library. They will all be providing resources to all of our attendees that work in the nonprofit field. You can contact the Chamber for additional details or visit the Woodbridge Chamber website.

6. Buy Local Program
HOLD
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
17. Woodbridge Fire Department
HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: I just want to congratulate Todd Howell and Robert Minkler, Sr. on their recent Fire Commissioner Re-election victory with the Woodbridge Fire Department.

18. Coast Guard
HOLD
19. Sewaren Library Programs
HOLD

KYLE ANDERSON, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE:

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

Councilman Anderson: The W.T.Y.R.C. will be holding the Best Practices meeting on Tuesday, Marc 26th here in Council Chambers at 7:00 P.M. and that will be for all the league officials, presidents and league directors and will cover many areas such as handling your books, running your league and bylaws. There will be professionals on hand from the Clerk's Office who will also have some CPAs and attorneys here and we'll also have some members of the Brain Injury Alliance here. It's a very important meeting for all league officials. Please come down for that meeting.

I also would like to announce that Woodbridge Little League and Colonia Little Fellows are presently conducting their registrations so if you have a young boy or girl looking to play softball or baseball please have them see both of the websites which can be found on our Township Recreation site.

2. Job Bank
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: As far as jobs go it's a great time to live in Woodbridge especially if you are looking for work. Avenel Performing Arts is hiring full time and part time positions for Front House Managers, Servers, Food Runners, Bussers, Bartenders, Bar Backs, anything that you would see in the kitchen. They also have positions of Hosts and Hostesses. So go to jobs@avenelarts.com. I also mentioned at the last meeting the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey is now listed on our site. It's a great school and now they have a Post-21 Program so when the young people graduate out of their program they now have for parents of special needs kids they don't have anything for them once they reach the age of 21. There is a program now and they are looking for a Program Executive Director. You can email nromano@escnj.k12.nj.us. There are other positions as well on the website for the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey. ISS Technical Sales Engineer position is available. Please email mari@issivs.com. FedEx is hiring. Trinity Episcopal Church is looking for a part-time bookkeeper and office administrator. Chick-fil-A and A.J.D. Construction is hiring specifically for a Woodbridge project so please check out the website for all of the jobs that I just mentioned and there are many others including BASF.

3. Real Estate Database
HOLD
4. Mayor's Trophy
HOLD
5. Woodbridge Hall of Fame
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: Congratulations to the Colonia High School basketball team. Councilwoman Meehan's son and Mr. Mitch's son are members of the basketball team that has advanced to the semi-finals and they will be facing off against New Brunswick High School on Thursday and if they advance they will be playing on Friday so come out and support them.

I would also like to congratulate Councilman Small and his daughter who is the coach of the Woodbridge High School Boy's bowling who won their sectional championship. We always have a great bowling program both boys and girls here in Woodbridge Township.

6. Taste of Woodbridge
HOLD
7. Charity Raffle
HOLD
8. Drive-In Movies
HOLD
9. N.A.A.C.P.
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: The N.A.A.C.P. has a new president and they operate out of 1 Olive Street in Perth Amboy at the Recreation Center. They meet on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 P.M. They represent Perth Amboy, South Amboy, Carteret, Sayreville and Woodbridge. They are going to be having Meet and Greets all through all of those towns so hang tight for those dates that they are going to be coming to Woodbridge.

10. Dr. Martin Luther King Annual Program
HOLD
11. Independent Club of Colonia
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: The Independent Club of Colonia will be having their Black History Month event this Sunday, February 24th from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Evergreen Center. It's a free event. Come on out. There is a lot of great food, great music, great spoken word and great history going on.

12. Tooling Around Program
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: This year we will be holding Tooling Around the Township on April 27th, 2019. It's a program that organizes teams of local community volunteers to make repairs to the homes of senior citizens, disabled and low income residents unable to do so themselves or residents presently facing financial hardship. So if you know someone that is in need of repair or if you are looking to volunteer please call 732-602-6015. There's additional information at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us or email tooling@twp.woodbridge.nj.us.

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

GREGG FICARRA, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE:

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

Councilman Ficarra: The Highland Grove and Woodbridge Community Center summer camp registrations started today. There are brochures at our Community Center to pick and those spots fill up quickly likewise the Highland Grove pre-school which is an excellent program for next year 2019/2020. That's for 3 and 4 year olds. You can visit the Highland Grove pre-school this Thursday to register.

In the Community Center this month if you bring a friend to the Community Center to register you'll get a thirty minute free personal training so it's a nice opportunity. If anything that I said that you might have missed about our Community Center can be found on their website njwcc.com.

Just a little advanced notice of a very enjoyable activity that promotes healthy eating and healthy nutrition on Friday, April 12th there will be a challenge between Mayor McCormac and some of our local high school students to develop a healthy smoothie just to promote healthy diets. That will be a fun event. More information to follow.

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

Councilman Small: My agenda is in order but I have two announcements. Sunday, March 10th at 1:30 P.M. will be the annual American Irish parade. I would encourage the public to come out. It's a great day for everybody not only the Irish.

Congratulations to the elected Fire Commissioners in Port Reading. First of all our first elected female Fire Commissioner, Joann Molnar, and also Steven Weber in the second seat so congratulations to them.

1. Woodbridge News
HOLD
2. Mayor's Advisory Council on Education (Mac-E)
HOLD
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 search for “Property Alert” to Register)
HOLD
13. Inspections at Hotels/Motels
HOLD
14. National Public Lands Day
HOLD

VIRBHADRA N. PATEL, 4TH WARD COUNCILMAN:

Councilman Patel: My agenda is in order but I have one announcement. This Sunday, February 24th we are going to have a Breakfast and Brunch with the Mayor, all the Council members and fire officials and that’s going to be at Iselin Fire Company No. 1 which is located at 1222 Green Street, Iselin. The hours are between 10:15 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. Also the same day we will have Breakfast and Brunch with the Mayor, Council members and fire department officials at Iselin Chemical Hook and Ladder Company which is located at 20 Auth Avenue, Iselin and that’s going to be between the hours of 11:30 A.M. and 12:30 P.M.

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

HOWIE BAUER, 2ND WARD COUNCILMAN:

Councilman Bauer: My agenda is in order but I have two announcements. Fords/Clara Barton Baseball League is holding their Spring 2019 baseball registration either online or multiple in-person registrations throughout February and March. Check the website for those dates.

Also Fords Second Ward will be holding their Meet the Mayor on Sunday, March 3rd from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. for a brunch.

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
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

JOHN M. MITCH, MUNICIPAL CLERK:

Mr. Mitch: Mr. President the only Item is I'll be adding on a Liquor License Transfer to the owners of TB Enterprise. That's all I have.

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).
2. Liquor License Incident(s)/Hearing(s).
3. Liquor License Renewals.
 - A. 2019 Annual Retail Licensee Meeting date: (May 15, 2019).
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.

MAYOR:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

Senator Bennett: Mr. President we will have a resolution on to accept an Emergency Management Systems Grant. They'll be two resolutions that will be on for the next meeting for Guide Rails and also Parking Lot Improvements at the Woodbridge Pump Station. There's also a Proposal for a Physical Condition Survey. Finally there is an item on to approve a license for the Coast Guard Tower to be located next to the Coast Guard Auxiliary Building. That's it for me.

POLICE:

Director of Police Hubner: Thank you Council President, I have a proposal to change a number of reserved handicapped parking spaces, the general handicapped spaces, and we will be moving a number of handicapped parking spaces that are no longer in use and we're adding one handicapped space in Fords.

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, we will have for you the renewal of the Shared Services Agreement with Edison for Elevator Services.

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING:

Director Henry: Thank you Council President, I have one item which is a release of a maintenance bond with 100 Woodbridge Center Drive.

LEGAL:

Mr. Rubenstein: Nothing this evening thank you 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 7:50 P.M.

Cory S. Spillar
Council President

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