

**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 April 21, 2020 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 DeJesus: Please remain standing for a moment of silence to not only remember our troops serving our Country overseas and for all those lost to Covid-19 and their families.

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 20, 2019. 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:** Cory Spillar, Gregg Ficarra, Debbie Meehan, Nancy Drumm, Virbhadra N. Patel, Kyle Anderson – (arrived via conference call at 7:06 P.M.), Howie Bauer, Brian Small – (left call at 7:20 P.M.), Lizbeth DeJesus  
(All members participated electronically except Lizbeth DeJesus due to the coronavirus pandemic)

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** John E. McCormac, Mayor  
John Mitch, Municipal Clerk  
Vito Cimilluca, Business Administrator  
John Hagerty, Communications Director  
Casey Wagner, Deputy Business Administrator  
Brian Bontempo, Esq.

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

Council Meeting:

April 21, 2020

**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. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-38.5 – HANDICAPPED PARKING TO ADD CHURCH STREET SOUTH. (20-24)**
  
- B. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7-38.5 – HANDICAPPED PARKING TO ADD WALTER DRIVE, THREE (3) SPACES. (20-25)**

Council Vice President Small 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 Bauer and carried unanimously.

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

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

- C. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18, ENTITLED “PROPERTY MAINTENANCE”, SECTION 18.1.5 ENTITLED “DRAINAGE-ROOF LEADERS/SUMP PUMP” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE. (20-26)**

Council Vice President Small 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 Bauer and carried unanimously.

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

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

- D. A BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PARKING LOT THEREFEON IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$425,000.00 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.**

Council Vice President Small 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 Bauer and carried unanimously.

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

Council Vice President Small moved the public hearing closed and this Ordinance be carried to the May 5, 2020 meeting at 7:00 P.M. for Final Action, which was seconded by Councilman Bauer and carried unanimously.

**E. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION BY PURCHASE OR EMINENT DOMAIN OF REAL PROPERTY DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 554, LOT 7 ALSO KNOWN AS 79 GROVE AVENUE IN THE WOODBRIDGE PROPER SECTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE. (20-27)**

Council Vice President Small 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 Bauer and carried unanimously.

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

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

**F. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNSHIP TO A CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY OWNER (BEHIND 42 SHERRY STREET). (20-28)**

Council Vice President Small 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 Bauer and carried unanimously.

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

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

**G. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION”, SECTION 2.3 “MEETINGS OF COUNCIL”. (20-29)**

Council Vice President Small 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 Bauer and carried unanimously.

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

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

**H. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR A LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH WOODBRIDGE 10 MAIN URBAN RENEWAL, LLC. (20-30)**

Council Vice President Small 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 Bauer and carried unanimously.

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

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

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

**I. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED “TRAFFIC”, SECTION 7-35 “BUS STOPS” OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE.**

**J. AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY ADOPTING THE “DOWNTOWN AREA 3 DEVELOPMENT PLAN,” PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 *et seq.***

**K. 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 PORT RARITAN ECO-COMPLEX URBAN RENEWAL, LLC.**

**L. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT TO STORM SEWER LINE EASEMENT AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT, PROPERTY LOCATED AT 112 NEW BRUNSWICK AVENUE, WOODBRIDGE.**

Council Vice President Small made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bauer and carried unanimously that these Ordinances be passed on First Reading to be published in The Home News Tribune on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

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

- (1) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue a refund check for Overpaid Taxes.
- (2) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue refund checks for Parking Permits.
- (3) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue refund checks for Parking Permits.
- (4) **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 Health Center Boiler Replacement in an amount not to exceed \$55,800.00.
- (5) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Director of Public Works and I.S. Director to purchase equipment and materials from various vendors at various times throughout the year for Public Works and Administrations Departments - for state contract purchases for FY2020 & FY2021 on an as needed basis for Public Works and Administration Division.
- (6) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute any documents that may be necessary for the purpose of making a contract with Rivalry Sports Apparel for Hockey/Staff Uniforms.
- (7) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute any documents that may be necessary for the purpose of making a contract with Whirl Construction for Install and Fence Equipment.
- (8) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk and Municipal Purchaser to execute any documents that may be necessary for the purpose of making a contract with Continental Hardware for Lumber.
- (9) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby supports the Middlesex County Hazard Mitigation Plan; Appendix 24: Township of Woodbridge Annual progress Repot & update to Goals and Targets.
- (10) **PULLED.**
- (11) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with Environmental Connection Inc. for Environmental Assessment Services for 79 Grove Avenue, Woodbridge in an amount not to exceed \$19,340.00.
- (12) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with Remington & Vernick Engineers for professional engineering services for NJDEP Stream Cleaning Project – South Branch Rahway River in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

- (13) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and approves the Person-to-Person Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1225-33-066-008, Badwal’s Enterprises II, LLC (pocket license).
- (14) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Council to add a bus stop location along Randolph Avenue and Green Street.
- (15) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes a contract with P & A Construction, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00, for the emergency sanitary sewer repairs at the intersection of Woodbridge Avenue and Austin Avenue in the Sewaren section of the Township on an emergency basis.
- (16) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby awards Resolution #7 for a bid for Parking Lot improvements – E. Williams Street, adopted April 7, 2020 be amended in the Certification of Funds to add “Account#C-04-000-2001-0005-8000 (\$47,831.96).
- (17) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes execution of Change Order #1 on the contract with Peak Environmental LLC, increasing the original price of \$2,850.00 by \$1,134.17 for a total adjusted price of \$3,984.17.
- (18) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with Triad Associates for professional planning services regarding technical assistance required for the Township’s Fiscal Year 2020 – 21 Consolidated Plan program and the Five (5) year Consolidated Plan. Community Block Grant a total of \$46,000.00.
- (19) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute a contract with MZ Contractors, 13 Bahama Avenue, Toms River, NJ 08753 for home improvement repairs at the home located on Block 15.01, Lot 18 in the Township of Woodbridge, in an amount not to exceed \$23,600.00.
- (20) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute an agreement with Deluxe Windows2, Inc., 450 Union Hill Road, Morganville, NJ 07751 for home improvement repairs at the home located on Block 301, Lot 705 in the Township of Woodbridge, in an amount not to exceed \$20,263.00.
- (21) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Downtown Woodbridge, Area 3 Redevelopment Plan to the Township Planning Board for its review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law.
- (22) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with Environmental Connection Inc. for Environmental Asbestos Material Inspection Services for The Club at Woodbridge in an amount not to exceed \$1,085.00.
- (23) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute an agreement with Environmental Connection Inc. for Environmental Asbestos Consulting Services for The Club at Woodbridge in an amount not to exceed

\$3,310.00.

- (24) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk for professional engineering services for Limited Site Assessment at 8 Port Reading Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$4,900.00.
- (25) **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 April 21, 2020 and the Supplemental Bill List dated April 3, 2020 through April 17, 2020 Bill List.

Council Vice President Small moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolutions. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bauer and carried unanimously except for a comment from Councilwoman Meehan on Resolution #25.

Councilwoman Meehan: I would like to abstain on #25.

Council President Dejesus: We will now move to the public portion of the meeting.

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

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

**LIZBETH DEJESUS, COUNCILWOMAN AT LARGE (PRESIDENT):**

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

Council President DeJesus: The Woodbridge Public Library is celebrating National Library Week. You can celebrate by signing up or renewing your library card on line at [www.woodbridgelibrary.org](http://www.woodbridgelibrary.org). All the Librarians are available Monday through Friday from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. by chat service at the Ask Your Librarian email. Following the Library this week for a special social media post on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

11. Veteran's Tax Deduction  
HOLD
12. Green Infrastructure  
HOLD
13. Girls' Sports  
HOLD
14. Girl Scouts/Scouts Pavilion and Camp (9/18/20 – 9/20/20)  
HOLD
15. Summer Fest 2020 (6/6/20)  
HOLD
16. Census 2020  
HOLD

Council President DeJesus: To those families and friends who lost a loved one whether related or not related to Covid -19 during these past months we offer our sincere condolences and continue to have you in our thoughts and prayers. I again want to thank the Mayor for the daily Covid-19 updates. I want to thank the Administration and all of our Departments for making sure our day-to-day Township functions continue to run during this difficult time. Please continue to keep in your prayers and thoughts our First Responders, Police Officers, Fire Fighters, Healthcare workers, EMS and First Aid Squads. We truly appreciate their dedication, may God watch over them. Please continue to support our local businesses, they need us more than ever. These local businesses have been there supporting so many of our local causes, whether it is sponsorships for our child's sports organizations or for charity. Now is the perfect time to support them and show them we appreciate them. Another group that I feel needs our support and prayers are our High School Seniors and their families. As a mother of a High School Senior I know the anxiety and the stress that many parents are going through during this time, but we must keep in mind that their well-being and safety is what's most important. Please know that they are all in our thoughts. Woodbridge is a resilient town and together we will get through this difficult time and I do believe we will come out stronger in our resolve and united as a Township. Please continue to practice social distancing, wear your mask and God Bless.

**BRIAN SMALL, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE (VICE-PRESIDENT):**

Council Vice President Small: I just want to echo some of Council President DeJesus’s comments regarding our Mayor and Administration for the great job they are doing. Again, it’s never enough for our Police Officers, Fire Fighters, EMS in town to just say thank you, we appreciate everything you do for us. I want to touch on some of the unsung heroes, they are heroes in my book, that is the people who are going to work every day – in Shop Rite, pumping gas, the restaurants that are cooking and serving us, you don’t have to wear a badge to be a hero. Anyone that is going to work today is a hero – and I appreciate everything that they all do for the public. Thank you to all the Fire Districts that participated with the Easter Bunny. I had the opportunity to participate with Port Reading, where I am a member, and the smile on the children’s faces and the thanks from the parents were absolutely incredible. So, to the Fire District and the Easter Bunny – thank you, we appreciate everything you did. To my daughter Brielle, whose Birthday is today, I just want to give her a shout out – Happy Birthday Brielle I love you. God Bless America.

1. Woodbridge News  
HOLD
2. Mayor’s Advisory Council on Education (Mac-E)  
HOLD
3. Port Reading Fire and Township First Aid Squads  
HOLD
4. Website E-Government  
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](http://www.middlesexcounty.nj.gov) search for “Property Alert” to Register)  
HOLD
11. Inspections at Hotels/Motels  
HOLD
12. National Public Lands Day (9/26/20)  
HOLD

13. Marine Eight  
HOLD
14. Mayor Mac Café  
HOLD
15. Jazz Festival (9/12/20)  
HOLD
16. Concerts  
HOLD
17. Light Parade  
HOLD

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

Councilman Spillar: Over the last few weeks I have been asked a lot about our sanitation and recycling schedules, special pick up and drop off information for our Township Convenience Center in Keasbey, as well as other matters such as when some things get picked up or dropped off during a holiday week, especially items such as bagged leaves, etc. during this pandemic. All of those answers can be found in your Township Calendar as well as an App called Recycle Coach. I really like the App it is good for Androids and Apple users. You can either go to your App store on your phone and following the instructions or you can read about it on our Township Website. It is very user friendly, simply download the App, go through the prompts, enter your address, it will save and will give you all the important sanitation and recycle information for your zone. If you want to know when bagged grass clippings go out all you have to do is look for the icon calendar that symbolizes grass clippings and you are all set. Again, it's Recycle Coach and it is free.

Just to reiterate what the rest of my fellow Council members have said, please continue to pray for all our residents that may have fallen ill or passed away. Continue to pray for our Police, Fire, EMS and all our First Responders, as well as our residents who have to continue to go to work as essential employees. We cannot thank all of our Township Employees enough for all their hard work they have been doing during these times. We had a bad storm last Monday and there was the Tree Crew cutting a tree off South Hill and North Washington, the Health Department, it just goes on and on and I just want to acknowledge them again. Be safe, be smart.

1. Avenel's Very Merry Holiday Lighting/Port Reading Day (10/10/20)  
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) Quick Chek
  - (D) Bud's Hut
  - (E) Big Top property
  - (F) Holiday Inn Express expansion
  - (G) Pier I Imports propertyHOLD
8. Avenel Fire Department  
HOLD
9. Shuttles – Warehouses/Train Station  
HOLD
10. Woodbridge Developmental Center property  
HOLD
11. The Greens at Avenel – Rahway Avenue  
HOLD
12. Cable Commission/Renewal  
HOLD
13. School 4 & 5  
HOLD

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

1. Inman Avenue Business 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 Whiffle Ball Tournament  
Support the Troops Rally  
Colonia Pride Day Parade  
Colonia Clean Up  
Colonia Christmas Tree Lighting  
Cookies and Can for the Troops and Food Bank  
Toys for Tots Run  
Breast Cancer Walk

HOLD

6. Food Pantry  
HOLD

Councilwoman Meehan: Many residents have been asking how they can help the community – if you can and if you have a little extra money and you can buy a couple of cans of food please drop them off at the Food Pantry. The need is great now due to so many people being out of work and needing to feed their families. If you would like to give monetary donations you can make a check out to We Feed and you can mail it to the Woodbridge Township Health Center, 2 Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, NJ 07095. I want to give a shout out to the Colonia Elite Eleven, which they are being called right now, they are made up of 11 High School Juniors who started a fundraiser last week called Colonia Cares. It is a way for the community to help the community. They will be selling t-shirts and front lawn signs supporting our healthcare workers and supporting our community itself. The signs say Colonia Cares Thank You Front Line Heroes and the shirts say Colonia Cares and on the back it says Family. All proceeds from these sales will be used to purchase gift cards from local restaurants that are struggling here in our Township and then those gift cards in turn will be donated to local Colonia families or Woodbridge Township families and also that money will be used to donate to the food banks. The group so far has sold over 500 shirts and have raised over \$5,000.00. If you are interested in buying the shirts or the signs you can go to their Facebook Page – Colonia Cares or you can go to etsy.com. A thank you to these wonderful students during these hard times who are really doing something positive to help other people. There are so many people in this community that are stepping up and helping.

7. Reinhard Manor  
HOLD
8. Colonia Fire Department/First Aid Squad  
HOLD
9. Colonia American Legion/V.F.W./Elks  
HOLD
10. Veteran's Issues  
HOLD
11. Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority  
HOLD

12. Cpl. Kevin Reinhard Marine Corps League  
HOLD
13. Municipal Alliance + Addiction Task Force  
HOLD
14. Volunteer Directory  
HOLD
15. Domestic Violence Response Team  
HOLD
16. AED Program  
HOLD
17. Engineering Exploring Project  
HOLD

Councilwoman Meehan: As my other council mates said, thank you to everybody that has stepped up – our Administrators, all our essential Township Workers for the great job they are doing. And of course our front line workers. Keep supporting our restaurants and businesses. Stay safe and continue taking care of each other.

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

1. Events: Relay for Life  
Fishing Derby (10/3/20)  
Parker Press Concerts  
Woodbridge Wednesdays and Local Band Thursdays  
St. James Street Fair  
  
HOLD
2. (DMA) Downtown Merchant Association  
HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: As my Council Mates have mentioned there are many businesses throughout our huge Woodbridge Township that are open during this pandemic. It is really important right now to come out and support them, patronize them so that they can stay open and they can sustain their business so they can could come back after this crisis is over.

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

Councilwoman Drumm: The Chamber of Commerce continues to work remotely. You can call the main number at 732-636-4040 and email [karen@woodbridgechamber.com](mailto:karen@woodbridgechamber.com) or myself

[nancy@woodbrdigechamber.com](mailto:nancy@woodbrdigechamber.com). All calls and emails will be answered right away. Our businesses, to stay afloat during this pandemic, will need cash loans and financial protection. There are several programs that we've rolled out and more will be coming because of the severe need for them. The business can retrieve financial relief, loan and grant information through accessing several websites. These websites include NJ Business and Industry Association at [njbia.org](http://njbia.org); NJ Economic Development Association at [njeda.com](http://njeda.com); NJ Chamber of Commerce at [njchamber.com](http://njchamber.com) and of course you can always call our Woodbridge Chamber of Commerce with any questions and we will help you navigate through some of the complicated programs that are out there.

5. Buy Local Program  
HOLD
6. Transit Village  
HOLD
7. Blue Acres/F.E.M.A.  
HOLD
8. Main Street and Route 9  
HOLD
9. Animal Shelter  
HOLD
10. Dog Park  
HOLD
11. Arts  
(A) Woodbridge Train Station Mural Project  
(B) Woodbridge Artisan Guild  
HOLD
12. PACE  
HOLD
13. Woodbridge Elks Lodge 2116  
HOLD
14. Woodbridge Fire Department  
HOLD

Councilwoman Drumm: The Woodbridge Fire Department really stepped up with regard to the Easter Bunny. They were out there a long time and there were so many smiling faces. I actually turned into a twelve year old child every time I heard the siren, it was so exciting. Thank you very much for all of their efforts. I am honored to be a part of a community that truly cares for one another. I have been getting so many calls from people who are wanting to help and donate to the food banks and to our EMS so thank you for everything that our Mayor and Administration, Council mates, all of the Township Staff, Emergency Workers and Houses of Worship. Like Councilman Small said you don't have to wear a badge to be a hero, we all know what you are doing and we all appreciate it. My continued prayers for

those we've lost and those affected by the Coronavirus and all their respective families, co-workers and friends.

15. Coast Guard  
HOLD
16. Sewaren Library Programs  
HOLD
17. Acacia Center  
HOLD

**KYLE ANDERSON, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE:**

Councilman Anderson: I apologize for my earlier interruption, there is a section of my house that does not have a good signal so when I called in I had a little bit of trouble.

1. W.T.Y.R.C.  
HOLD
2. Job Bank  
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: There are many people that are out of work right now in all kinds of industries. I am going to encourage them to look at the Township website for the Employment Opportunity Center, but also, as Governor Murphy pointed out, they can go to [jobs.covid19.nj.gov](http://jobs.covid19.nj.gov) there are 8,000 jobs listed and so now is the time that you can get yourself re-employed or get something temporary until your job opens back up.

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.  
HOLD
9. Dr. Martin Luther King Annual Program  
HOLD

10. Independent Club of Colonia  
HOLD
11. Tooling Around Program  
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: By now if you are an applicant you should have received a letter from Mr. Wagner informing all of the applicants of the next step. It does not mean that your home has been selected but just means that right now we've suspended the inspections of the home until a future date. You will be contacted when that date is for the inspection of homes.

12. Boy Scouts/Camping (**Camporee 9/18/20 – 9/20/20**)  
HOLD
13. League Consolidation  
HOLD
14. Middlesex County College  
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: I do have some sad news to report, the 2000 inductee Darren Simon who is a graduate of JFK High School, he was a mid-sprinter and he had a remarkable high school career, but Darren also went on to star at University of Rhode Island and after his career he became a wonderful writer and he was a Journalist. I knew him when he was a young boy growing up in Iselin but he was about eight (8) or nine (9) years younger than me, I knew his family, but I got a chance to talk to him at his inductee ceremony and at that time he was a Journalist with CNN. Darren had developed an expertise in reporting on trauma during a wide ranging career that recently brought him to the Washington Post where he covered district politics in government. Darren was 43 years old and I just want to extend my condolences on behalf of the Council to his family he will be greatly missed.

I want to echo the sentiments of the rest of the Council and I also want to commend the Council on the social media, I see the Council has really done a great job of not only keeping everyone in Woodbridge Township informed, but doing their best to really keep a smile on the faces of the community during this tough time. Some of the young people in town have decided to decorate their driveways with their chalk and I want to encourage the young people to continue to do that.

Of course, our Public Works, Mayor, Administration and Police Department, please keep them in your thoughts and prayers and remember to maintain your social distancing. Wear your mask, especially when you are out in public it is now mandatory.

**GREGG FICARRA, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE:**

Councilman Ficarra: I would like to thank everyone who goes to work every day and does their job and tries to keep our life as normal as possible during these times.

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

HOLD

2. Youth Month – April  
HOLD
3. Senior Citizen Month – May  
HOLD
4. Mentoring Program  
HOLD
5. Mayor’s Fitness/Wellness Initiative  
HOLD

Councilman Ficarra: I would like to remind everybody that while we know that we need to keep the practice of social distancing there is always the opportunity to exercise. A reminder that exercise is essential to support a healthy immune system and that is important right now. It obviously helps to prevent weight gain, boost your mood and most importantly stay healthy, stay out of the hospital and ER. If you have an opportunity to be outside for a walk or run while keeping your social distance don’t forget that a little sun light gives you Vitamin D which also boosts your immune system and mood. Finally, don’t forget the importance of strength training, especially for people like myself who are 65 and older, just getting up and out of the chair sometimes is a challenge but that is a lack of strength. One thing that God has given us is always the ability to maintain our strength. We may lose a little bit of our quickness but we can always, as long as we are alive and breathing, develop some strength. There are a lot of great videos, even on our TV35, keep that in mind. It is wonderful to see and hear from people that are taking advantage of these times of having to stay close to home to actually develop a little bit of a healthier lifestyle that they maybe could not have done before. Let’s keep those good stories coming up and hopefully we will hear from you. God Bless everyone.

6. Fireworks (**July 2, 2020 – Rain Date: July 3, 2020**)  
HOLD
7. Heroes & Cool Kids/Strengthening Families  
HOLD
8. Pedestrian Safeway’s/East Coast Greenway  
HOLD
9. Annual Pizza Run (**7/8/20**)  
HOLD
10. Jacob’s Landing  
HOLD
11. The Club at Woodbridge Upgrades  
HOLD
12. Crossroad’s Race (**9/6/20**)  
HOLD

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

Councilman Patel: I would like to start with thanking our Mayor and the Administration. They have been doing an extraordinary great job with updating the town every day. Actually my friends and family members usually every day wait for the call from the town so thank you Mayor. Also I would like to extend prayers to the Woodbridge Township residents who have lost their lives. I would also like to thank those people who are serving on the front line and risking their lives during this pandemic. Also, I would like to pay a tribute and offer a prayer to Chief Sullivan. He actually retired about four or five years ago from District 9 and he passed away about five days ago; his funeral services were held yesterday so I would like to pray for him and thank his family members as well. I also would like to thank Prashat Desai and also one of the resident of our Township, Sandeep Tanwar. They both came out with some gloves and masks and they donated them to our Township. Also the owner of Subzi-Mandi and Patel Cash and Carry. They actually prepared about 75 big bags of groceries and they delivered them to the Cooper Towers to all of the residents, I would also like to thank them.

I would like to remind everyone to stay home, stay safe and stay blessed.

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

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

Councilman Bauer: Again, I echo all the sentiments that my fellow Council mates already stated. Thanks to our Mayor, Administration and special thanks to all our essential public and private sector employees. Remember your social distancing, stay safe and God Bless America.

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. Cruise Night
  - B. Trunk or TreatHOLD
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

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

1. Liquor License Transfer(s)/Change of Corporate Structure:
  - A. Change of Corporate Structure for Red Chutney, LLC t/a Talli Bar & Grill, 1538 Oak Tree Road, Iselin, New Jersey 08830.
  - B. Person-to-Person Transfer of Liquor License #1225-33-021-007 from Kona Macadamia, Inc., Debtor in Possession to TOG Kona Macadamia, LLC, t/a

Kona Grill, 511 U.S. Highway 1, Iselin, New Jersey 08830.

- C. Person-to-Person Transfer of Liquor License #1225-36-106-008 from Pyramid Woodbridge Management, LLC to Highgate Hotels LP, t/a Delta Woodbridge, 515 Rt. 1 South, Iselin, New Jersey 08830.

Mr. Mitch: Item 1A, 1B and 1C, I noted one of the items we transferred this evening, a liquor license.

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

- A. Hearing: June 9, 2020 (Badwal's Enterprises, LLC t/a Downtown Liquors)

Mr. Mitch: Item 2, please mark your calendars, I scheduled June 9<sup>th</sup> for a disciplinary hearing against the licensee. However, beforehand we will try to negotiate a settlement with the Prosecutor, Mr. Scherb from the Police Department and myself.

3. Liquor License Renewals.

- A. 2020 Annual Retail Licensee Meeting (**cancelled for 2020**).

Mr. Mitch: Item 3, the Annual Liquor License Training we are cancelling for this year due to the pandemic, not being able to put 90 people in this room meets a challenge, and so we are going to bypass that this year.

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

5. Elections.

- A. 2020 Primary Election – July 7, 2020 (6 A.M. – 8 P.M.).

- B. 2020 General Election – November 3, 2020 (6 A.M. – 8 P.M.).

Mr. Mitch: Item 5A and 5B I did mention at the last meeting that the Primary Election was moved from June to July 7<sup>th</sup>. But, still no confirmation yet from the State on whether it will be an in-person election or whether it will be a vote by mail so more details to follow on that.

6. Best Practices.

7. Census 2020.

- 5/7/20 – 8/14/20 A reminder letter and paper questionnaire will be sent if you haven't responded yet.
- 5/1/20 – Census counts people experiencing homelessness outdoors.

Mr. Mitch: Item 7, I had sent you something a little earlier if you noticed that the Census released something today in Spanish and I am hoping you can share that through your social media outlet. They have also extended the dates of the Census count so you will take note to that as well.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor John E. McCormac: I want to echo all the thoughts by the Council about the Fireman from our different Fire Districts – Easter weekend was an amazing effort by them to bring the Easter Bunny all over town. There were 70 year olds acting like they were 7 and there were 80 year olds acting like they were 8. We got bombarded with emails, pictures and thanks. So I want to thank all the people that helped organize that. Like Santa Claus, it is difficult to get the Easter Bunny for that kind of time but I think it shows how much he loves Woodbridge Township that he spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday down here on all the different fire trucks. I attend, by phone, a meeting of Mayors every week in the County. Mr. Cimilluca attends a meeting of Administrators every week in the County and I am also on a call with the Governor's Office and several Counties and I can't tell you when I listen to everyone talking about the problems they are having in their town and when it comes to my turn and I just talk about the Easter Bunny and talk about fun things, nobody else has a Health Director like Dennis Green, nobody else has a Nationally Accredited Police Department, nobody else has Public Works Crews that, as someone said in the Council remarks, hasn't missed a beat. The First Aid Squads, the Fire Departments and all the volunteers that we have, it is just amazing, we are incredibly blessed to have a cadre of people in Woodbridge Township that we have and I can't tell you how proud I am to be the leader of this Town as the Mayor it is just so rewarding seeing us in action and then when you hear other Mayors and you hear other Administrators talk about the things they have to do and the things they have to worry about because they don't have the caliber of talent that we have here in Woodbridge. I just can't tell you how happy I am and how pleased I am with the efforts of our employees and our volunteers. I put a call out for Meals On Wheels and thirty (30) people answered in the first hour, I put a call out to We Feed Woodbridge for donations and we have thousands of dollars in checks in 48 hours. It is just amazing what the people in Woodbridge do and how they have reacted to this crisis and helped each other. I just want to say thank you to everybody in Town. Different times in our addresses we thank different groups but it is a wonderful group of people we have here. I want to thank the Council for all your leadership. You share all our posts, you encourage people to get involved, and you help us out with getting the word out of what we need. It is just a great team environment in Woodbridge Township and I want to thank everybody involved.

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:**

Business Administrator Cimilluca: I just want to echo the Mayor's comments and I just want to say that the employees of Woodbridge Township from the top to the bottom actually make a difficult job very easy because of the dedication and the support that they offer, so I want to say thank you to them. I have a parking permit refund, I have a tax appeal refund, a change order for Peak Environmental, I have a bid for a Sanitary Sewer Improvement, and I have a bid for a roof covering replacement at The Club. I also have an adjustment on the tax deadline.

**POLICE:**

**HEALTH:**

**RECREATION:**

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:**

**PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING:**

Business Administrator Cimilluca: I have a Resolution authorizing Execution of a Final Change Order

from Contract #2019-009 and a Resolution authorizing a Final Change Order for Contract #2018-025 and 2021 NJDOT Municipal Aid Funding Application.

**LEGAL:**

Mr. Bontempo: Nothing this evening.

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

- (26) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Resolution to conduct an Executive Session. Whereas Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from certain circumstances in a meeting and Whereas the public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist and Therefore be it resolved by the Municipal Council of the Township of Woodbridge that the public portion of this meeting is hereby recessed for approximately ten (10) minutes to discuss a Personnel Matters.

Councilman Spillar moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bauer and carried unanimously.

Councilman Spillar made a motion to go into Executive Session which was seconded by Councilman Bauer and carried unanimously at 7:36 P.M.

Councilman Spillar made a motion to exit the Executive Session which was seconded by Councilman Bauer and carried unanimously at 7:38 P.M.

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

- (27) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves the Separation Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and Beth Schreier.

Councilman Spillar moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolution. The motions was seconded by Councilman Bauer and carried unanimously.

On a motion made by Councilman Spillar, seconded by Councilman Bauer and varied unanimously, Council President DeJesus adjourned the meeting at 7:40 P.M.

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Lizbeth DeJesus,  
Council President

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