

**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 June 1, 2021 at 6:00 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 Small: Please rise for our Flag Salute and a moment of silence for our men and women serving in our military, and our victims lost to COVID-19.

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 18, 2020. 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, Virbhadra N. Patel, Kyle Anderson, Howie Bauer, Brian Small.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Nancy Drumm, Debbie Meehan, Lizbeth DeJesus

**ALSO PRESENT:** John Mitch, Municipal Clerk  
Vito Cimilluca, Business Administrator  
Marta Lefsky-Darden, Director of Planning and Development  
Robert Hubner, Director of Police  
John Hagerty, Communications Director  
James P. Nolan, Esq.  
Craig J. Coughlin, Esq.

The Municipal Clerk: Can I get a motion to approve the minutes from May 18, 2021?

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

Council Meeting:

May 18, 2021

**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 AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THAT TITLE AND POSSESSION OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY BE ACQUIRED BY DONATION (FRIENDS OF GREENABLE WOODBRIDGE; BICYCLES, LOCKS, RACKS AND SAFETY LIGHT KITS.)**

Council Vice President Bauer 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 Ficarra and carried unanimously.

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

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

**B. ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR A LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTION AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH R&O WOODBRIDGE URBAN RENEWAL II, LLC (BLOCK: 196.01, LOT: 10.01).**

Council Vice President Bauer made a motion that this Ordinance be continued to June 22, 2021 which was seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously.

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

**C. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER XI, ANIMAL CONTROL, OF THE WOODBRIDGE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES.**

**D. AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES AND THE CONSUMPTION OF CANNABIS WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE.**

Council Vice President Bauer made a motion, seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously that these Ordinances be passed on First Reading, to be published in the Home

News Tribune on Friday, June 4, 2021 with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on June 22, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

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

- (1) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby consents to the Mayor's Appointment of Samantha Perez to serve as a member of the Human Rights Commission Fulfilling an unexpired three (3) year term commencing June 1, 2021 and terminating June 30, 2023.
- (2) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves a temporary road closure for the Woodbridge Fire Department's Annual Fire Prevention Open House- October 6, 2021 beginning at 5:00pm and ending at 8:00pm.
- (3) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves at temporary road closure for the Avenel Fire Department's Annual Fire Prevention Open House- October 9, 2021, beginning at 9:30am and ending at 1:00pm.
- (4) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves a temporary road closure for Avenel's Very Merry Holiday Tree Lighting- November 28, 2021 beginning at 4:00pm and ending at 6:00pm, causing for the streets to be closed previously to that time and reopened after the Holiday Tree Lighting.
- (5) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue refunds from Developer's Review Fund Account.
- (6) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes that all fees for the rental of the Township's portable stage for Edison Township's Peace Rally Unity Event scheduled for May 23, 2021 are hereby waived.
- (7) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of transportation for the BUCKNELL AVE. Roadway and Sewer Improvement Project.
- (8) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the execution by the Mayor or his designee and the submission of the aforementioned New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act Grant, in the amount of \$2,471,424.
- (9) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Woodbridge hereby consents to the amendment of the Lower Raritan/Middlesex County Water Quality Management (WQM) Plan for the SEI Cutters Dock Urban Renewal LLC; SEI Pennval II Urban Renewal LLC Proposed Warehouse Redevelopment for the purpose of its incorporation into the applicable WQM plan(s).

- (10) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes that The Region VIII Education Service Center has identified a stated need for participation in The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) whereby Jerry Volpe, Q.P.A. is authorized and directed to sign and deliver any and all necessary documents herewith for and on behalf of above named entity requesting membership in TIPS.
- (11) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Woodbridge hereby authorizes the assignment and assumption of financial agreement from WIP Hopelawn Urban Renewal, LLC to EWA Woodbridge 85 Owner Urban Renewal, LLC.
- (12) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase of one (1) new 2022 Ford F600 Truck for the Division of Wastewater from A & K Equipment Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$61,087.00.
- (13) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and approves the Mayor to enter into a Contract with Fleetwood Finance Leasing LLC for the acquisition of computers for police cars.
- (14) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute an Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and County of Middlesex for the modification of the traffic control signal at the Intersection of Rahway Avenue and Port Reading Avenue in the form substantially similar to that on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.
- (15) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves the renewal of the Shared Services Agreement with the Woodbridge Township Board of Education for the shared use of cable television facilities as set forth above for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
- (16) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Township of Woodbridge to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with Woodbridge Township Board of Education for implementation of a shared resources program (“TECH 2000” and Beyond) with each of the public schools located in Woodbridge Township School District for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 and the total cost for said services shall not exceed \$186,580.00
- (17) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the lease agreement with Woodbridge Township Board of Education for the use of four classrooms at the Evergreen Center for a period of one (1) year commencing July 1, 2021 and terminating June 30, 2022.
- (18) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with Peak Environmental

LLC, for professional environmental services for the Project in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.00.

- (19) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with CME Associates, for professional engineering services for the Digital Tax Map Maintenance/MOD-IV Review, GIS Support and Mapping Assistance in an amount not to exceed \$70,632.00.
- (20) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with Najarian Associates, for professional engineering services for Construction Administration/Inspection Services for the Woodbridge Township Firearms Training Facility Renovation and Repair Project in an amount not to exceed \$129,000.00.
- (21) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with The Vaughn Collaborative, for professional architectural services for 86 Green Street, Phase III Design in an amount not to exceed \$89,850.00.
- (22) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with USA Architects, for professional architectural services for Acacia Youth Center Exterior Stair and Chair Lift in the amount not to exceed \$11,250.00.
- (23) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Opioid Overdose Recovery Program Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the Borough of Carteret.
- (24) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Opioid Overdose Recovery Program Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the Borough of Sayreville.
- (25) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Opioid Overdose Recovery Program Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the City of New Brunswick.
- (26) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Opioid

Overdose Recovery Program Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the City of Perth Amboy.

- (27) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Opioid Overdose Recovery Program Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the City of South Amboy.
- (28) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Opioid Overdose Recovery Program Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the County of Middlesex Operation Helping Hand.
- (29) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Opioid Overdose Recovery Program Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the Township of Edison.
- (30) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute a Shared Services Agreement for Opioid Overdose Recovery Program Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the Township of Old Bridge.
- (31) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the execution of Final Change Order on the contract with Lima Charlie Construction for Sanitary Sewer Improvements, East Park Avenue, Elmwood Avenue, Pershing Avenue, Rahway Avenue, Valley Road and Stephen Avenue decreasing the contract amount of \$995,995.00 by \$11,747.08 to a total of \$984,247.92.
- (32) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the lease/state contract purchase of new computers for police cars from MRA, in the amount of \$67,796.74 annually for five years.
- (33) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby grants permission to Michael Harris to temporarily close 78 Timberlane Drive, Colonia on July 18, 2021 from 11:00am to 4:00pm for a block party.
- (34) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to make a transfer of \$23,615.00 of the State Fiscal Year 2021 budget appropriations.

- (35) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves, effective July 1, 2021, the extension of Plenary Retail Consumption License #1225-33-022-008 to the Executor of the Estate of Anthony Curatolo (Frank Curatolo Industries).
- (36) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby rescinds Resolution No.12, adopted on May 18, 2021 authorizing the renewal of Consumption Liquor License #1225-33-066-009 (Badwals Enterprises II LLC).
- (37) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves the renewal of Club Licenses for the 2021-2022 license term.
- (38) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves the renewal of Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses for the 2021-2022 license term.
- (39) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves the renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses for the 2021-2022 license term.
- (40) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves all claims and bills presented to it by the Chief Financial Officer on the Current Bill List dated June 1, 2021, and the Supplemental Bill List dated May 14, 2021 through May 28, 2021.

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

Councilman Spillar abstained from Resolution #37 on the Columbian Club of Avenel and the Avenel VFW.

Councilman Spillar: Mr. Mitch just two quick comments; I ask my fellow council mates their support and consideration on Resolution #3, that's for the Avenel Fire Prevention Annual Open House and Resolution #4 for Avenel's Very Merry Holiday lighting in conjunction with the Avenel Community Day Committee. Thank you.

Mr. Mitch: Thank you. Mr. President.

**Public Meeting:**

Council President Small: Thank you. At this time we'll go to the public session of the meeting, you have a five minute, one time limit. Period.

Ken Gardner, Woodbridge: Attended the Memorial Day services at the Coast Guard Auxiliary down at the Waterfront and the Woodbridge American Legion and VFW, complimented on the

nice services. Stated if people mark their calendars now to come out and support our veterans on November 11th at 11:00am at the Post. Complimented the men and woman do a great job. Stated 60% of our property taxes go towards the Board of Education, said “God Bless the Board of Education members who volunteer their time, not an easy job”. Read a letter he wrote back on February 11, 2011 addressed to Governor Christie; references critical time for Woodbridge School District (43 million dollars underfunded). “Dear Governor, as you know from our past discussions and those I’ve had with several of your senior staff, the Woodbridge School is at a critical crossroads if the Supreme Court is forcing the implementation of the new formula that should include Woodbridge.” As many of you know in years past the Abbott districts got the majority of the money, the rich districts were able to pay themselves and towns like Woodbridge got caught in the middle with low aid and not the ability to pay. Back to the letter: “I realize that every child across New Jersey deserves a quality education however with limited tax dollars Woodbridge should be a priority. Our schools have not failed, yet a cut in aid will be devastating to our students in the future of our township. The resulting increase in class size and elimination of programs has a terrible potential to set us back. Please think seriously about our demographics. One quarter of Woodbridge Township School District’s students are economically disadvantaged. A large aid cut will result in these students not getting the attention they need that will create an unbearable strain on the rest of our district. I fear the outcome of that situation. It has been brought to my attention that our district currently spends 9% below the state aid adequacy as defined in the most recent state formula. Districts with considerably fewer economically disadvantaged students receive much more per pupil state aid. I again ask that you please take a look at the funding of the Woodbridge Township School District properly. Please see that we are 43 million dollars short of the state’s funding formula using 2010 numbers. I have seen great things that can happen in our district. Our teachers and administrators will not let you down. Proper funding will make Woodbridge a model for the rest of the state to follow. Outside of jobs this is the number one state issue facing Woodbridge School District. At every opportunity I will ask for your support”. The letter was copied to the Governor’s then Chief of Staff Rich Bagger, his Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy Wayne Halzenbag, and the Bergen County Assignment Judge Peter Doyle. Emailed copies to the Mayor, Senator Vitale, Senator Wisniewski, at the time Assemblyman Coughlin, Superintendent Crowe and the Board Secretary Dennis DeMarino. Thanked Assemblyman Coughlin for being one of the sponsors of the new funding formula in recent years, stated back in 2016, 2017 we were getting 23.9 million dollars in state aid and in the coming year we’re going to get 63 million dollars in state aid. Stated Assemblyman Coughlin did a great job and this helps our district. Stated people ask him what he’ll do if he’s elected into office and said this is something he looked at back in 2011, nagged politicians on behalf of the taxpayers of Woodbridge.

Council President Small: Responded thank you.

Paul Lund, Hopelawn: Stated that he’s running for office even though he’s so frustrated with politics and politicians because he has a friend named John who asked him to run and second because “even though we’re accustomed to getting one out of every three votes no matter how hard we work it or not, we want to send a message that not everyone necessarily agrees with everything that’s being done in our town”. He asked the Council if anyone knew the number of registered voters there are in Woodbridge Township. Council President Small responded saying 62,000. He replied saying he saw the number was 60,700. He then stated “the last time Mayor



McCormac got his fifth term it was with 10,544 votes to the 3,000 some odd votes that Sue Boros got, that means about 46,000 people stood home and I can't account for why they don't get active". He stated that the best he could do is send a message that if they had 3,800 votes swing once for someone from a different party, from a different perspective, then there might be true diversity on the Council. He stated he doesn't count diversity by how many colors or by how many genders, he counts diversity by diversity of thinking. He also stated that not everyone has to agree all the time, but it seems that this council has agreed an awful lot with Mayor John McCormac. Spoke about how he's taking a stand that there are alternatives, he's going to enjoy the process, keep his respectfulness of everyone present, but will speak his mind directly and without feeling a sense of having to attack or a sense that council are here to attack him. Spoke about how as a Christian he is called to pray for those who are in authority over him so that it may go well in his city. He's also taking a stand on praying for leadership, among them the Council, Mayor McCormac, that he have wisdom, mindfulness for what might be collateral damage in his vision of a transit village. Stated that there are a lot of speeders running through Hopelawn. Wanted it on record if the police can set up more speed traps, particularly around Lee Avenue.

Mary Nassar, Port Reading: Stated Monday (May 31, 2021) marked one year since Woodbridge's first Black Lives Matter protest. Stated "a lot of you would know that because you were there. Where are you now? You have not shown up to any other protests we have had, you have not done any of the things we have asked you to do, you have not even met with us, you have not listened to us. Why not?" Responded to Council President Small asking for a clear reason why they couldn't meet through Zoom, stated they have immunocompromised people in their group that cannot meet in person due to COVID. Asked where does the Council stand on the issue of Palestine and if Woodbridge would be making an official statement in regards to it.

Council President Small: Replied "Miss Nassar you are incorrect in regards with trying to meet because there was a group led by Daniel and I had communications with him on several occasions and we just couldn't get together because they wanted a zoom meeting and we said we wanted to meet in person. I told Daniel when his group is back let me know and we'd be more than happy to sit down and talk". Responded: "we weren't meeting on Zoom period". Stated that they are not getting involved in Palestine and Israel.

Councilman Anderson: Told Council President Small that he wanted to respond, said that he has shown up to other protests, he's stood in protest by himself before and there were no other members of other parts of the Township there with him. Spoke about how he's communicated actively with the members of the WYLE group and he continues to do that. Stated that he's only responding because when you cast the entire group there are some of us that are communicating with you and will continue to do so.

John Vtaric, Woodbridge: Spoke that he has attended and listened to them for years and how less and less people come to the council meetings and less and less department heads are here; there's no Mayor, no Director of the Police Department. Council President Small responded stating that the Director of Police is here. Mr. Vtaric then spoke about a lot of big decisions being made and the people voting on it aren't attending those meetings. Asked how many meetings can a councilperson not attend, stated he thinks the rest of the department heads and council people

should be here. Said: “Overbuilding is not the answer to growing, growing means more people which doesn’t mean its plus. It costs you more money to do it then you’re taking in. you’re making money but costs us more to do it”. Spoke about the Woodbridge residents “finally waking up” with the construction being built in Woodbridge Proper and residents are now concerned with what the traffic will look like when construction is done. Spoke about not being able to control who is coming into the town, following other towns with building apartment buildings is not the answer, it’s negative for the township.

Daniel Jimenez, Avenel: Stated that he was there to propose a question to the Council because he believes that the people who serve the Township can only be trusted by those people if the people can count on them to speak on injustices and human rights violations no matter where they may be. Asked: “Will you acknowledge the Palestinian Genocide that is being carried out by the state of Israel? Will you disavow and condemn the violation of human rights that is being carried out by one of the biggest allies the United States has? What is your opinion regarding the eviction, murder, and ethnic cleansing of the Palestinian people? Do you condemn Zionism, the belief that you can be entitled to land and kick those who have lived in it for generations out?” Stated that saying nothing already tells us everything we need to know.

Charles Kratovil, New Brunswick: Central Organizer for Food & Water Watch brought a fact sheet he wanted to share with the Council. Stated he wanted to follow up on his remarks on the last couple meetings to get some more answers. References Councilman Bauer’s Agenda, Woodbridge Waterfront Park, asked which elements of it are under construction. Said he was told “the primary features are already constructed”. Asked for clarification on what parts of the Waterfront Park have actually been constructed. Replied to Business Administrator Mr. Cimilluca clarifying he’s talking about the Keasbey Waterfront Park that has been advertised for many years. Replied to Director of Planning and Development Marta Lefsky-Darden stating he did reach out and got an answer “the primary features of the park have been constructed already” asked what the primary features of the park are. Stated that you can go out to Riverside Drive and see that the Power Plant got built, the Waterfront Park didn’t get built. Mentioned a plan for a Green Tech Park in Woodbridge, was told “other uses are being explored” asked what other uses and if there are plans for warehouses on Penn Valle Road. Continued speaking and asked the nature of the agreement of the developer paying for the air rights of Parker Press Park. Asked which records should he ask for when doing an OPRA request.

Business Administrator Mr. Cimilluca: Asked which partial land Mr. Kratovil was referring to, Sewaren or Keasbey. Explained that we’re not building anything so whatever the developers stated they’re building or in place, asked Director of Planning and Development Marta Lefsky-Darden if she knew.

Director of Planning and Development Marta Lefsky-Darden: Stated this topic has come up at several of the past meetings, and believed instruction was provided to Mr. Kratovil at the redevelopment agency meeting. Recommended he get in touch with them in regards to the questions he has. Replied to his follow up question encouraging him to go back to whoever told him that answer and ask that person his questions regarding this topic. Replied to his last question “in order to answer that question appropriately you’re going to have to do an OPRA request

Director of Communications John Hagerty: Stated that the Green Incubator concept was proposed in 2007, they worked very hard trying to make that concept work but it didn't work so they reverted the property back into a redevelopment area and are now looking for appropriate usage at that site. Stated that it's common when certain projects are proposed they don't come to fruition.

James P. Nolan, Esq: Suggested Mr. Kratovil ask for any agreements between the Township and the developer.

Meshal Bannerman, Avenel: Asked in the past year what policies, initiatives, or programs has Woodbridge implemented to make vulnerable residents safer. Stated: "I'm struggling to recall any, because there are none". Stated that in the past five months we learned of two separate incidents that the police have violated the rights of black men, referencing the Nijeer Parks story which made National News. Said: "Are we not embarrassed as a town that we confuse two separate black men, use unethical interrogation tactics and violate the Civil Rights of someone. Are we not embarrassed that a black man in a separate incident can't even go into Quick Chek without being confused for someone else and was violently beaten by officers." Asked if this is who are as a town, committing Civil Rights violations, acts of racism, brutally beat other humans and then hide behind "we have no comment". Stated there needs to be more initiative from both the Mayor and the Council. Said that he thinks one of the biggest problems we have in this town comes with decision-making and that we don't actually make decisions planning empirical evidence behind or any anecdotal evidence behind it. Said he looked it up and there isn't much data available on police encounters, traffic stops, the calls they respond to or the racial discrepancies readily accessible for people in the public to analyze and interpret. Stated that we should be proactive and increase transparency as much as possible in releasing data information from the past decade in order to make decisions that will improve public safety.

Council President Small: Asked Director of Police Hubner if he wanted to comment on some of the training the Police Department's going through since last year.

Director of Police Hubner: Stated: "Taking effect January 1<sup>st</sup> of next year all officers in the state of New Jersey have to be trained, we've gone through mandatory mental health training, we've developed long-term relationships with Raritan Bay and Rutgers Mental Health to deal with mental health crisis. Our officers are going through crisis intervention courses; there's a whole host of different mandatory training that every officer in the state of New Jersey will have to go through."

Business Administrator Mr. Cimilluca: Stated: "we also partnered with Scomas which is a special case management out of New Brunswick that handles incidents with subacute incidents with mental health which has greatly helped our police department and follow up with those people and get them help that they need."

Councilman Anderson: "Director Hubnar, Woodbridge PBA or Woodbridge Police Department has now taken initiative with body cams, could you speak to that please?" Continued saying he's reached out to the police department, he's gone to Human Rights meetings. Said the police department did make themselves available and he's trying to continue that conversation.

Mentioned Metuchen's Mayor Jonathan Bush had one of the Baptist Churches Reverend Keith Owens conducted an oversight of the Metuchen Police Department. Said that would be something worth exploring in Woodbridge where the community can have a company to partner with to conduct their own oversight. Mentioned that the Mayor and the Council invested in the report from Genova Burns. Said himself and his fellow Councilmembers are going to try to make sure that we stay on track with the community and talking with the community. Stated that the main thing is having dialogue with members of the community along with the Police Department. Said "Racism finds a home when there is no diversity". Mentioned New York State Police recently reported that they have 4,700 police men and women but only 4%, and their police officers reported they did feel there was racism in their police department. Said it goes across all police departments, we have to make an effort to diversify.

Director of Police Hubner: "Yes, we've already hired someone who's already going to run the program for us. We haven't ordered the equipment yet, we're in the process of that. We've gone through different demonstrations from different companies, we've selected a company and we are in process of ordering so there'll be a little bit of backlog because all police departments of state are going to be required to have them."

Victoria Bertsch, Colonia: Asked Director of Police Hubner the percentage of police officers who already went through the shortened Crisis Prevention Training (CIT). Continued asking what steps are being taken to make sure that all of the officers will eventually receive the days long training.

Director of Police Hubner: Stated he was unsure with the amount that have gone through it, but they continue to send officers and several have been through it. Said it is always our goal to have 100%, hopes it becomes realistic. Mentioned there is mandatory mental health training that every officer has to go through. Stated that every time the CIT course is available they try to get officers into the program, mentioned it is classroom training and he believes it happens twice a year.

Rashida, Woodbridge: Spoke about how she was happy to hear the Woodbridge Police Department is going through the CIT training, mentioned she went through the CIT training herself and is aware there is issues in regards to scheduling and trying to train throughout the County. Thought it was an amazing training with the social workers and mentions the focus is mainly on trying to figure out how to manage individuals who are in a psychiatric crisis. Mentioned the issue is with sustainability after the course is over and the application on what they've learned.

Director of Police Hubner: Spoke about how unfortunately they deal with mental health issues several times a day, so unfortunately they keep in practice.

Councilman Anderson: Thanked Rashida for her comments, mentioned that nothing gave him more experience than living next door to Eleanor, who had Alzheimer's and dealt with her daily not being recognized by her. Mentioned that the officers getting field training more than anything gives them this experience.

Councilman Ficarra: Spoke about how he sat in on a Webinar with Mrs. Osborne from the Human Rights Commission, Don Greene from the Walnack Group, and Prosecutor Jaconi. Mentioned the training was going to be a three day training at Rutgers University. Very intense and related to the regulations that were going to be implemented starting January 1, 2022 and that it would be a turnkey situation that the police departments would have representatives at Rutgers and they would come back and turnkey the information to the people in the department.

Mr. Mitch: Asked for a motion to close the public portion of this meeting.

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

**BRIAN SMALL, COUNCIL PRESIDENT / COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE**

1. Woodbridge News.  
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2. Mayor's Advisory Council on Education (Mac-E).  
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3. Port Reading Fire and Township First Aid Squads.  
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4. Website E-Government.  
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5. Bicycle Lanes/ Bicycle Share/ Bicycle Paths.  
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Council President Small: #5 on my agenda Bike lanes/Bike Share/Bike Paths. Department of Public Works right now is in the process of putting in three bike paths: one at Captain Carlson Park in Sewaren, one in Tansmit Park in Woodbridge, and one at the Greenway in Ford's. What this is going to be able to do there'll be bikes located at these locations, you can download an app and with a credit card you could go rent the bike and you can take that bike around town and when you're done you could just dock it at one of the three stations. I've seen this, I know Metuchen had it I don't know if they still do. I've seen it out in South Bend Indiana, it's a great program. Pretty excited we're going to have this in place probably by the end of the month. Again it's going to be three stations to begin with and download the app, go get a bike, tool around town and then just bring the bike back and you're all good.

6. Electric Vehicle Car Share/ Car Charging Stations.  
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7. School Projects.  
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8. S.T.O.W. (Register @ 732-726-2394 for Client Transport ID#).  
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9. Level Playing Field @ Cypress Recreation Center/Our House.  
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10. Property Fraud ([www.middlesexcounty.nj.gov](http://www.middlesexcounty.nj.gov) search for “Property Alert” to Register).  
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11. Inspections at Hotels/Motels.  
HOLD
12. National Public Lands Day.  
HOLD
13. Marine Eight.  
HOLD
14. Mayor Mac Café.  
HOLD
15. Jazz Festival.  
HOLD
16. Concerts.  
HOLD

Council President Small: #16 is our summer concerts start June 21<sup>st</sup> that’s Oldies Monday, Tribute Tuesday starts June 22<sup>nd</sup>, Woodbridge Wednesday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, Local Band Thursday June 24<sup>th</sup>. And Country Sunday’s June 27<sup>th</sup>. All locations are at Woodbridge High School it’s a great time. Sunday’s are 7:00pm start, all other concerts Monday-Thursday are a 7:30pm start. There’s always a 50/50 at these concerts to benefit many of our local organizations from town.

17. Light Parade.  
HOLD
18. Human Rights Commission  
HOLD
19. American Irish Association of Woodbridge.  
HOLD

Council President Small: A couple of announcements. On Friday June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm out here in the parking lot out front will be a Pride Month flag raising for anybody that would like to attend. On June 12<sup>th</sup> there’s Food Truck & Music Bash at Woodbridge Center 11am start. I want to thank the Parks Department for getting out there and hanging up all the hometown hero banners,

it was a lot of work but well deserved and well-earned for the families that had a banner raised for their loved ones. Special thanks to all our VFWs, American Legions, Firehouses, Coast Guard Auxiliaries that held Memorial Day services on Monday. They're all very special and I appreciate all the hard work that goes in by all these groups. God Bless all our First Responders, essential workers and God Bless America. Council Vice President Bauer.

**HOWIE BAUER, COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT / 2<sup>nd</sup> WARD COUNCILMAN**

Council Vice President Bauer: Thank you Council President. My agenda is in order.

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 Treat  
HOLD
  
7. Fords/Hopelawn/Keasbey Fire Companies.  
HOLD
  
8. Fords V.F.W.  
HOLD
  
9. Troop 53 Boy Scouts of America.  
HOLD
  
10. Pathmark Property.  
HOLD
  
11. Brownfields.  
HOLD

12. Hickory Senior Center.  
HOLD
13. Greenway Family Success Center.  
HOLD

Council Vice President Bauer: I have one reminder announcement. Fords Business Community's first cruise night for 2021 will be this Monday June 7<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm-8:00pm located at 372 New Brunswick Avenue, Fords which is a Siperstein's Paint, bring the whole family out. Performances by the European school dance, DJ Richie in the house, food trucks, 50/50's and more. Looks like it's going to be good weather Monday so come out and support the Fords business community in Fords. That's all I have tonight thank you Council President.

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilman Spillar.

**LIZBETH DEJESUS, COUNCILWOMAN-AT-LARGE (ABSENT)**

1. Housing Authority.  
HOLD
2. Affordable Housing Corporation.  
HOLD
3. Youth and Government Day.  
HOLD
4. History Museum.  
HOLD
5. Police Community Relations.  
HOLD
6. Youth Employment/Job Fair.  
HOLD
7. Township Parks and Playgrounds.  
HOLD
8. Hispanic Heritage Month.  
HOLD
9. Barron Arts Center.  
HOLD
10. Free Public Library of Woodbridge.  
HOLD



11. Veteran's Tax Deduction.  
HOLD
12. Green Infrastructure.  
HOLD
13. Girl Sports.  
HOLD
14. Girl Scouts/Scouts Pavilion and Camp.  
HOLD
15. Census 2020.  
HOLD
16. Youth Leadership Council.  
HOLD

**CORY S. SPILLAR, 3<sup>rd</sup> WARD COUNCILMAN**

1. Avenel's Very Merry Holiday Lighting (**11/28/21**) / Port Reading Day (TBD).  
HOLD
2. Avenel Arts Village/Train Station/Eric LeGrand Believe Park.  
HOLD

Councilman Spillar: Thank you Council President Small. Item #2 LeGrand Park. Now that the weather is finally nice I want to remind the residents of the adult outdoor exercise equipment that's located in LeGrand Park. Not only do we have the equipment there, we also have it at Pelzman Park and Cypress Park in Port Reading. All three feature state-of-the-art cardio and strength equipment, all three parks are also equipped with walking and jogging tracks so hopefully a resident can take advantage of that.

3. Woodbridge River Watch/ Oros Nature Preserve.  
HOLD

Councilman Spillar: Item #3 Oros Park this Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup> there will be a bird watch held at Oros Park at 8:00am, no registration is needed just walk up and take a tour and see the many species of birds that Oros Park home.

4. Port Reading Saints/ Saints Complex Improvements.  
HOLD
5. Avenel Middle School Community Service Club and School Improvements.  
HOLD

6. Port Reading Knights/Sycamore Senior Center/Red Oak.  
HOLD

7. Route 1 Redevelopment.
  - a. Star / City Motels.
  - b. Americana / Avenel Motels.
  - c. Rt. 1 @ So. Inman Ave.
  - d. Bud's Hut.
  - e. Big Top property.
  - f. Holiday Inn Express expansion.
  - g. Pier I Imports property.

HOLD

8. Avenel Fire Department.  
HOLD

9. Social Clubs Avenel Knights of Columbus/Columbian Club, Avenel V.F.W.  
HOLD

Councilman Spillar: Item #9 – I want to thank all the residents and the Avenel Fire Department who attended memorial services at the Avenel VFW yesterday as well as all our VFWs and emergency services and all held memorial services. It's important we never forget the ultimate sacrifices these men and women made in order for us to have the freedoms that we do. That's all for my agenda this evening Council President. Thank you to all our emergency responders, fire, EMS, Woodbridge Police Department, CERT, all our public works employees. God Bless America. Thank you Council President Small.

10. Woodbridge Developmental Center property.  
HOLD

11. Cable Commission/Renewal.  
HOLD

12. School 4 & 5.  
HOLD

13. Mileed Way Army Corps of Engineers project.  
HOLD

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilman Anderson.

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

1. Inman Avenue Business District Improvements.

HOLD

2. Green Houses – Colonia Middle and Colonia High Schools.

HOLD

3. Evergreen Senior/Youth Center / Senior Services.

HOLD

4. 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.  
Colonia Clean Up.  
Colonia Christmas Tree Lighting.  
Cookies and Can for the Troops and Food Bank.  
Toys for Tots Run.  
Breast Cancer Walk.

HOLD

5. Food Pantry.

HOLD

6. Reinhard Manor.

HOLD

7. Colonia Fire Department/First Aid Squad.

HOLD

8. Colonia American Legion/V.F.W./Elks.

HOLD

9. Veteran's Issues.

HOLD

10. Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority.

HOLD

11. Cpl. Kevin Reinhard Marine Corps League.

HOLD

12. Municipal Alliance + Addiction Task Force.

HOLD

13. Volunteer Directory.  
HOLD
14. Domestic Violence Response Team.  
HOLD
15. AED Program.  
HOLD

**NANCY J. DRUMM, 1<sup>st</sup> WARD COUNCILWOMAN (ABSENT)**

1. Events: Relay for Life.  
Fishing Derby.  
Parker Press Concerts.  
Woodbridge Wednesdays and Local Band Thursdays.  
Saint James Street Fair.  
HOLD
2. (DMA) Downtown Merchants Association.  
HOLD
3. Main Street SID (Special Improvement District).  
HOLD
4. Chamber of Commerce.  
HOLD
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
15. Coast Guard.  
HOLD
16. Sewaren Library Programs.  
HOLD
17. Acacia Center.  
HOLD
18. RISE Program  
HOLD
19. Sewaren Marina  
HOLD

**KYLE ANDERSON, COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE**

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

6. Charity Raffle.  
HOLD
7. Drive-In Movies.  
HOLD
8. N.A.A.C.P. (*NAACP.org*)  
HOLD
9. Dr. Martin Luther King Annual Program.  
HOLD
10. Independent Club of Colonia.  
HOLD
11. Tooling Around Program.  
HOLD
12. Boy Scouts/Camping.  
HOLD
13. League Consolidation.  
HOLD
14. Middlesex College.  
HOLD
15. Woodbridge Organization of Neighbors Advocating Change.  
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: Thank you Council President. For the Hall of Fame I do want to acknowledge the passing of Dr. Vincent Capraro Hall of Fame member, founding member in 1988 served as President from 1997-2000. He was also a former head coach of Edison High school and former Superintendent for Edison. The Juneteenth event that I announced at the last meeting. I've been posting on social media and encouraging others to post it. The location has changed. It is no longer going to be at the Woodbridge Community Center, it is going to be in the concert area behind Woodbridge High School from 12:00pm- 4:00pm. There will be no other event that day that will be the only one. There will be close to 20 vendors, performances by local artists, Colonia High School Dancers. There will be a local dance school, poetry, DJ Flash will be there. This is going to be at 25 Samuel Lupo Place, again behind the high school. There's some questions regarding Juneteenth. This is the first year New Jersey has acknowledged it now, it's been signed into law as a State Holiday. Although it falls on a Saturday this year, we'll be able to acknowledge it once it falls on Monday through Friday as an acknowledged holiday. It has Texas roots, but it should be recognized as a National Holiday. Again, this was June 19, 1865 two and a half years after the emancipation proclamation had been signed when many of the confederate states were not observing the freedom of black slaves. When Union General

Gordon Granger rode into Galveston Texas and informed them that they were free. It should be nationally recognized and I'm glad Governor Murphy along with our Speaker of the Assembly brought that into law here as a state recognized holiday. I hope that everyone will come out. I will be sending invitations out to all of our elected officials to ask them to come out and celebrate. It is a celebration, it is not a protest. There's some notion out there that this is some type of protest. This is a celebration just like we do the Indian Day parade, just like we do the Christmas Day parade, just like we do the St. Patrick's Day parade. It is a celebration. Please understand this is no protest, there was some notion and it came back to me that there was some type of protest, this has nothing to do with a protest. That said, I do want to acknowledge that today in Tulsa Oklahoma President Biden is the first President in 100 years to visit the site of the Tulsa Race Massacre which occurred over 18 hours from May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup> in 1921, so 100 years from today. This was an attack on what was known as Black Wall Street. There was a section of Tulsa Texas Greenwood section. Tulsa was a town a lot like Woodbridge; 100,000 residents, 10% were African American as in Woodbridge we're 10% Black here in Woodbridge. So 10,000 residents lived in the Greenwood section. A skirmish happened, well not a skirmish, this was a mistaken or a wrongfully accused young man who was accused of sexually assaulting an elevator operator. He was a young African-American, they were going to lynch him. The Black Wall Street was noted by the New York Times as one of the most prominent areas of Black economic thriving in that area. What happened was a young man was in there on an elevator apparently stepped on a woman's foot, she screamed, they arrested him. The next day he was released but there was a newspaper article that went out that he had sexually assaulted the woman. Over 300 African-Americans were killed and put into a mass grave over a period of 18 hours. This was not acknowledged for some 80 years. Today there's 2 residents, one is 107 years old and her brother is 106 years old- they were children when this happened. Blacks were being slaughtered and basically they stole their land and used it as an excuse to take their land. Today President Biden is there, he's the first President that visited that site. Schools were not taught about it, the country didn't know about it. It was on the history channel last night I watched it all last night long and it's still on the history channel so I encourage you to watch it. This is a dark part of our history but the first part of history and to have healing is acknowledgement so by President Biden going there today it's a public acknowledgement of what transpired down there. The Mayor of Tulsa, they began investigating this a few years ago, they began digging and finding the bodies, finding that there was a mass grave. Because this was supposedly a myth, the publicity of it had been suppressed and it's not the case. All you have to do is look up the information, I'm not going to read all of the information here. This is a historic day, its 100 years today that this happened and President Biden is in Tulsa Oklahoma for that. When we look at the economic gap between Whites and Blacks the economic wealth gap is 177,000 to 17,000. The one thing I'm bringing it up is because when we drive around town and we see bumper stickers that say "Never Forget 911", this is something that we have to understand. Don't forget these types of things, tell these stories. It's a part of our history but this is how we can come together, we have to come together through acknowledgement. When we talk about a holiday like Juneteenth it's not just for Blacks this is for everyone in our community to come and celebrate. To come and acknowledge that we had a very dark history but we're willing to move forward. That's all I have thank you.

Council President Small: Thank you Councilman Anderson and congratulations on your inductee into the Pop Warner Hall of Fame, well deserved. Councilman Ficarra.

**GREGG FICARRA, COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE**

Councilman Ficarra: Thank you Council President I just want to start out off my agenda. There's been a lot of discussion about some of the projects going on in town, in particular the apartment complex. I'd like to talk about 4 of them; the Hess property on upper Main Street which used to be a solar panel farm, the property over where Riffy's used to be across the street from Walgreens, the strip mall across the street that you can see out this window, and the Stern Towers which were actually tax free because they were federal buildings. Those 4 properties before the projects began generated about \$500,000 a year in tax revenue that came back to the town. Once the projects are completed they will generate \$3,000,000 a year. Now I recognize that money is not everything but you need to consider when we have discussions with community members outside of this room tax rates are always a big question so smart growth is the issue. The Downtown projects alone excluding the Hess funded the new Ross Street School and the almost newly renovated Woodbridge Middle School. Because of these projects in this area, Ward 1 which is referred to as Woodbridge, property values have gone up considerably. You have a situation where you have property values going up and the town is gaining tax revenue. I just wanted to put that explanation in there because there's a lot of misrepresentation like we're not taxing people or we're giving stuff away.

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

Councilman Ficarra: Moving over to Recreation over at the Woodbridge Community Center. We have summer camps- 3 opportunities; we have the Woodbridge Community Center, we have the Club at Woodbridge, and we have Merrill Park. D'Aisha is the person to speak to on that 732-596-4180 and as you can imagine those spots go by quickly. The Pavilion on the top of the hill behind the community center is available for all types of special events, I've mentioned that, I was there last night it's a lovely place. The Skyline mini golf is open and the batting cages; the spring hours are 3:30pm-10:00pm on Fridays, 12:00pm-10:00pm on Saturdays, and Sunday 12:00pm-9:00pm. It's just a wonderful place to go and recreate so if you have an opportunity please stop by.

2. Youth Month – April.  
Senior Month – May.  
HOLD
3. Mentoring Programs.  
HOLD
4. Mayor's Fitness / Wellness Initiatives.  
HOLD



5. Fireworks.  
HOLD

Councilman Ficarra: I'm very excited to announce that on July 2<sup>nd</sup> at Alvin P. Williams Park we will be reinstating our fireworks, they are definitely coming out. The park will open at 4:00pm it will be closed during the day. It will open at 4:00pm again this is on July 2<sup>nd</sup> where the rain date of July 5<sup>th</sup>. The musical guest is a group called The Nerds they're very popular they play a wide range of music; they will perform from 7:30pm till about 9:15pm and we anticipate the fireworks will start at dark which is about 9:20pm. That's all I have Council President thank you.

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilman Patel.

6. Heroes & Cool Kids / Strengthening Families.  
HOLD
7. Pedestrian Safeway's / East Coast Greenway.  
HOLD
8. Annual Pizza Run.  
HOLD
9. Jacob's Landing.  
HOLD
10. The Club at Woodbridge upgrades.  
HOLD
11. Crossroad's Race.  
HOLD
12. Mental Health / Wellness.  
HOLD
13. COVID-19 efforts.  
HOLD

Councilman Ficarra: Our COVID vaccines continue to move along. Almost 9,000 vaccines combination of first and second dose. The clinics continue to go on even though we've had 52 of them so far there's still more room to go. Effective June 4<sup>th</sup> indoor gathering and capacity limits will lifted, dance floor restrictions will go away and workplace rules will be lifted. At this point I think if you are not vaccinated it's because you're choosing not to. There's so many opportunities to get out there and get vaccinated so that's on us.

**(VIRU) VIRBHADRA N. PATEL, 4<sup>th</sup> WARD COUNCILMAN**

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

Council President Small: Thank you. Mr. Mitch.

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

**JOHN M. MITCH, MUNICIPAL CLERK**

Mr. Mitch: Thank you Mr. President. My agenda is basically in order just a couple highlights.

1. Liquor License Transfer(s) / Change of Corporate Structure:
  - A. Person-To-Person / Place-To-Place Transfer of Liquor License # 1225-33-002-010 from HOP Woodbridge LLC t/a Houlihan's to DARYL, LLC for 55 Brook St., Woodbridge, NJ 07095.
1. Liquor License Incident(s) / Hearing(s).
3. Liquor License Renewals.
  - A. 2021 Annual Retail Licensee Meeting.
4. Street Closings / Special Events (Block parties, street fairs, carnivals, etc.).

5. Elections.

- A. 2021 Primary Election: June 8, 2021
- B. 2021 General Election: November 2, 2021

Mr. Mitch: Next week is the primary election on Tuesday. For the viewing audience and people in the audience today a reminder polls are open 6:00am-8:00pm. If you have a mail-in ballot that was received at your home please return that through the United States Post Office or drop in the drop-box of Town Hall, at the library before 8:00pm next Tuesday evening. For the most part voters are pre-COVID, you're going back to your voting locations prior to COVID and the consolidation due to last year's pandemic. If you have any questions call my office or the county board of elections we'll direct you accordingly. That's all I have thanks. Executive Session immediately following the Administrations agenda.

Councilman Anderson: Council President can I just make one acknowledgement, one of our pitchers from Kennedy High School was going into the State playoffs today with 199 strikeouts, Olivia Sims, she got her 200<sup>th</sup> strikeout on the first batter and they won their first round of the state playoffs. I just want to congratulate Olivia and also congratulate JFK softball team.

Council President Small: Great, thank you.

Councilman Spillar: Council President. Councilman Anderson I believe she also was Homecoming Queen correct? Congratulations.

Councilman Anderson: Yes she was. Yeah she's got the trifecta going on if she gets one more thing.

Council President Small: Business Administrator Cimilluca.

**MAYOR:**

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:**

Business Administrator Cimilluca: Thank you Council President under Administration and Finance: I have a Tax and Sewer Overpayment. I have a grant application for the Sewaren Dog Park. I have a Proposal for design for the ADA lift and staircase for Acacia Youth Center from USA architects.

Council President Small: Thank you. Director Hubner.

**POLICE:**

Director of Police Hubner: A quick comment I think it was Mr. Lund asked about speeding and loud vehicles. Just so you know over the last four weekends Friday and Saturday nights we've had details out targeting speeders and loud mufflers and we've issued 1,132 summonses just for

that. So we are addressing that. Over the last 4 weekends, Friday and Saturday nights. All I have this evening Council President is a traffic ordinance from New Brunswick Avenue thank you.

Council President Small: Just this weekend Director? 1,100? Very good. Thank you.

**HEALTH:**

**RECREATION:**

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:**

Council President Small: Thank you. Miss Darden do you have anything?

Director of Planning and Development Marta Lefsky-Darden: Not this evening thank you.

**PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING:**

Business Administrator Cimilluca: Thank you Council I'm going to take Mr. Brew if you don't mind. Under Public Works and Engineering I have a final change order for the 2020 Sanitary Sewer Root Control. I have a release for a surety bond for the Highway One Avenel. I have a release for a sidewalk permit for 62 Preston Road in Colonia. I have a release for a sidewalk permit for 242 Main Street Woodbridge. I have a purchase for a 219 Raevo 5 series street sweeper. I have an add on for TNM associates up Smith's Creek proposal. Thank you Council President.

**LEGAL:**

James P. Nolan, Esq.: Nothing this evening Council President.

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

- (41) **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 fifteen (15) minutes to discuss Union Contracts.

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

Councilman Bauer made a motion to go into Executive Session which was seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously at 7:05 P.M.

Councilman Bauer made a motion to exit the Executive Session which was seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously at 7:11 P.M.

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

- (42) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute Memoranda of Agreement between the Township of Woodbridge and Local 469 Custodians for the period 7/1/20 through 6/30/22, Township of Woodbridge and Local 469 Supervising Custodians for the period 7/1/20 through 6/30/22, and the Township of Woodbridge and Local 3044-1 AFSCME Dispatchers for the period 7/1/20 through 6/30/23, in the forms substantially similar to those on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

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

On a motion made by Councilman Bauer seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously, Council President Small adjourned the meeting at 7:14 P.M.

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Brian Small,  
Council President

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