

The minutes of the regular Public Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook held on March 12, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building, 93 Market Street, Saddle Brook, NJ.

Council President Mazzer called the meeting to order.

Township Clerk called the roll:

Councilman Cimiluca - present
Councilman Camilleri – present
Councilwoman D’Arminio - present
Councilman Accomando – absent until 7:26 PM
Council President Mazzer – present

Mayor White – present
Mr. Suarez, Twp. Attorney – present
Mr. Lemanowicz – Twp. Engineer - present

Council President Mazzer asked everyone to please rise for the salute to the flag.

Council President Mazzer announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been sent to all Council members by police messenger on March 6, 2015 and to all legal newspapers in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

The Township Clerk announced that the public is hereby advised that any statements made during the meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook may not be privileged or protected and that persons or entities who take issue with such comments or are offended by same, may, and have in the past, sought legal redress through the courts.

Any member of the public who addresses the Council speaks for themselves and not for the Council.

Council President Mazzer turned the floor over to Mayor White for presentations.

Mayor White said this evening they would be recognizing five very special women from the community for National Women’s History Month. He explained the history of Women’s History Month and said Saddle Brook has celebrated this since the early 1980s.

He acknowledged Ms. Deborah Gross-Quatrone in the category of Government Leadership and briefly discussed her accomplishments culminating in her appointment as Superior Court Judge.

He also acknowledged Ms. Diane Bonner in the category of Community Service for her work with Saddle Brook Recreation Basketball and Softball and scheduling of all events at Veterans’ Field.

Next Mayor White invited Ms. Nancy Gara to the podium to receive the award for Outstanding Citizenship as a founding member of St. Philip the Apostle Church and member of the Senior Advisory Board as well as driving seniors to appointments and events. He said she looks and acts like she’s 29, but it’s actually the reverse.

He then read a proclamation acknowledging Ms. Gara’s life and accomplishments.

Ms. Gara spoke briefly and said she has lived in Saddle Brook for 67 years and expressed her pride in the community. She said she was awed and bewildered and humbled by the honor.

Mayor White then acknowledged Ms. Cathy Ioele who began her educational career at Long Memorial School and worked in the school district for over 40 years. He said she was always very supportive, caring and compassionate to the children. He discussed Ms. Ioele’s accomplishments and read a proclamation honoring her in the category of Educational Excellence.

Ms. Ioele accepted the proclamation and discussed her love of working in the Saddle Brook School system. She thanked her co-workers and Mr. Lo Dico for making her work life easier. She expressed her love for Saddle Brook and her pride in the community.

Mayor White next acknowledged Ms. Preeti Sherawat, owner of the Saddle Brook and Elmwood Park 7-11s. He discussed her achievements and her contributions to various Saddle Brook organizations and read a proclamation honoring her for Business Leadership.

Ms. Sherawat spoke briefly about her love for Saddle Brook and thanked everyone.

Mayor White next introduced Ms. Rose Tabito, newly appointed prosecutor in the Saddle Brook Municipal Court. He listed Ms. Tabito's awards and accomplishments. Ms. Tabito thanked everyone and said she intended to do a great job for Saddle Brook.

Mayor White then introduced Ms. Gloria Oh, newly appointed public defender for the Saddle Brook Municipal Court. He listed her accomplishments, and Ms. Oh thanked everyone and spoke about coming to work in Saddle Brook.

Council President Mazzer congratulated all of the honorees and read a brief statement about the life of Angelina Cimiluca, Councilman Cimiluca's mother, who recently passed away. Council President Mazzer extended her sympathy to Councilman Cimiluca and his family.

Council President Mazzer then congratulated the Saddle Brook Spirit Leaders who won their national championship in Hershey, Pennsylvania over the weekend and added that the seniors were crowned as grand champs.

Mayor White asked for a short recess, and Council President Mazzer agreed.

On returning from recess Council President Mazzer asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Camilleri

Councilman Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Camilleri – yes

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Council President Mazzer - yes

Mr. Ken Sullivan of 620 North Midland Avenue read a letter from himself to the Councilmembers:

At the December 4th Township Council Meeting, resolution #12 authorization to waive ordinance regulating the start time of construction at the self service facility to be built at 635 North Midland Avenue, resolution [CR# 1214-258] waived the starting time in the second paragraph and added Saturday construction. I would appreciate a Council review of Saddle Brook's noise ordinance #133-7 Construction and Demolition, which prohibits construction on weekends and holidays. The self-storage facility is built in a residential area. It was passed by the Zoning Board in 2014. Many variances were passed by the Saddle Brook Zoning Board in order that this building be constructed in a residential area. In closing, I hope you vote no for the Saturday construction not only because I live across the street from this but because, as stated in Chapter 133 of the noise ordinance, which I guess you guys have a copy, that the Saddle Brook law should be followed.

Mr. Sullivan thanked the Council for their time.

Council President Mazzer thanked Mr. Sullivan and noted they had received his letter. She said the attorney is looking into it and they would have an answer back to him soon.

Mr. Larry Ratajczak of 92 Claremont Avenue said on Tuesday Mr. Costa, the previous engineer, was in attendance. Mr. Ratajczak said he did not believe Mr. Costa should have been carried over. His time was to December 31st and he was carried over on a project. He said: Not only did he present the plans that night or whatever drawings you had for people to look at, he expected you to absorb all of that information, make the all the decisions and everything. He's really not doing a good job, and his heart is really not in it because he's no longer our Township Engineer.

Mr. Ratajczak said he hoped he hadn't heard correctly that [Mr. Costa] had architectural fees for \$37,000 for the refreshment stand and the bathrooms. He asked if he had heard that number correctly, and Council President Mazzer said yes.

Mr. Ratajczak said: Thirty-seven thousand? What are we doing, another \$400,000 salt shed? This guy comes in here, look at his bill for the month. Sixty-six thousand dollars for the month. What did he do, the whole town? Last month was \$47,000. That's \$110,000 in two months.

Mr. Ratajczak said he didn't see any progress on anything that we're really knocking 'em dead with and finishing. Fifth Street has been ripped up for five years, Market Street is a disaster. He added: Like I said, from the Saddle Brook Diner to Elmwood Park is a one-lane road, and all you see is tail lights or brake lights, and everybody is backed up. Like I said, I'm not an engineer. I don't know, but I'm sure other things could have been done with that wasted space in the middle, but like I said, I don't know whose idea that was or how he presented it to you, but we didn't solve any problems on Market Street. It's probably worse now. It takes you longer to get to Elmwood Park now than it did prior to the traffic light. When do we say enough is enough?

Mr. Ratajczak continued: On the Zoning Board, I haven't seen him yet. I haven't seen him. If he doesn't show up, is he supposed to send a replacement or have somebody cover for him? He should have someone cover, right? If his heart's not here – I mean, he called me on two separate occasions to ask why I beat him up at the podium. This is why. Show up. I mean, you're making that money. Are you embarrassed to come here and say what you're doing? Look at the things he does with the fields. He presents you plans that night. How can you people look at the plans, read the plans and make decisions? Then he says, okay, it's going to be \$37,000 in architectural fees. Like I said, we're trying to keep costs down. I always thought the cinder block, decorative block, would be cheaper than putting tiles. I mean, did you give him a blank check book? We still don't know what this project is costing us. We have no idea. And we're going. We keep letting him talk us into... Here's what you have to understand, the more money he spends, the more money he makes. Okay? Like I told you, on the salt shed. The salt shed is \$400,000. He's going to get 10%, \$40,000 commission. We can build one for \$40. What would his commission be? Four thousand. That's why we're presented, and if we would have taken it, we would have taken it. We would have went for \$400,000. It don't matter. There's projects, like I said, that field was bolted ahead. The pump station wasn't looked at. The DPW wasn't looked at. Mr. Cimiluca makes the comment, you can't run the town like your house, but if your roof was leaking – like I said, that roof has been leaking for two years now. It doesn't take that long. I don't care how many times you want to send it out to bid. It doesn't take that long. You do the projects that you want to do, okay? And you know that was the previous administration that jammed that thing down. Same thing with Caldwell Avenue. Special meetings after special meetings, all the residents showed up. There was about a hundred people there. One person was in favor of that Caldwell Avenue project. Nobody listened to what was being said by the people. You just don't listen to what has to be done there. Like I said, it was her project, her people, and the Republicans had the majority. They jammed us. They jammed us with it.

Mr. Ratajczak discussed the TV: Lenny put a presentation on or came up to the podium on Tuesday. Like I said, he did it. He did it as a volunteer, and he did a great job, but it's like having an old car in the garage. You keep your car in the garage for twenty years, now you want to take it out. Can you use it? It's outdated.

It's antiquated. That's what our equipment is. Our equipment was in cold storage for twenty years. Now to go out and buy all new equipment, it's a big number, it's a big number. Like I said, I happen to agree with this here of using an outside company, and like I said, he made a remark, the company is from Paterson. Does it matter where they're from as long as they do the job? Lenny was a volunteer from Fair Lawn. Did we ever question his residency? Did we ever question where he came from? We just accepted him. He came in, he did his job, did a good job and that was it. It didn't matter to us where he was from, and it shouldn't matter where this new company is from. If they're from Mars, it doesn't matter. If they do the job, they do the job. Like I said, we're just crying over spilt milk. And we should move on and go into this thing and go into it full-fledged. Like I said, we'll never know if we don't try. We're blowing money all over the place. We might as well spend some good money here. Put it on, and let people see what's going on in this town because without this TV station, nobody knows what goes on in town.

Mr. Ratajczak said: As far as the health benefits are concerned, at the previous meetings Mr. Cimiluca mentioned at least three [times] that the White Collar contract which they outline their benefits by or whatever so called, the word consecutive was removed and twenty-five years was substituted. I'm going to ask Mr. Suarez for an opinion. You can't have it both ways. If you don't make it with the consecutive years, you don't have twenty-five years. If you have twenty-five years and they're not consecutive – well. So you can't have it both ways. And we seem to be tailoring our issues here to take care of certain people, and it is what it is. Like I said, he asked us for four or five years on the benefits, no ordinance, no nothing. Now all of a sudden everybody is educated on the ordinance, that it said consecutive, the word consecutive was there. Where was that ordinance when we were asking for it? Nobody knew. It seems to me in 2011 Mr. Cimiluca tailored everything to protect himself or his benefits and left out Mr. Camilleri who was a newcomer coming in, and he can no longer get benefits or he's not entitled to them as a new Council person coming on, but Mr. Cimiluca was allowed to keep his. Like I said, I remind you, the three other candidates that ran are no longer with us because they lied to us about taking their benefits and not taking their benefits and they took them. This is the same thing. You're tailor-making something to fit your needs. Believe me, if the benefits were gone, I don't believe you would be here. Like I said, you only make it by four votes this time anyway.

Mr. Ratajczak asked Mr. Suarez through the chair if he had any opinion on that consecutive and twenty-five years yet. Mr. Suarez said: Right now that issue is being still researched. There has been, since the last meeting, documentation that has been provided to me, and I still need to review some more information, however, with certain respects, I would need to discuss some of these issues in the closed session before discussing that in the open session just because there's a number of issues that arise out of this question involving personnel, HIPAA regulations, because you have health issues that are now being addressed here and potential litigation and labor issues involving the contract which is being looked at, ordinances. The Clerk and I are going to have to get together and go over some other information that I don't have at this point. It's very complex in terms of trying to narrow things down because of some of the language and some of the issues that are now arising.

Mr. Ratajczak said: As far as labor, they are not Township employees that we're talking about. Mr. Suarez responded that elected officials are not employees, they're officials, right? But if we're looking at the labor contract, the White Collar contract, the implications could reverberate with regard to employees. That's why, like I said, there's –

Mr. Ratajczak interrupted that the White Collar union is not going to come to their defense and pick up their legal fees or stuff like that because they're not part of that union. I'm just asking. They are not part of the White Collar union, are they? Mr. Suarez said no, they are not part of the White Collar union.

Mr. Ratajczak said there was also an issue brought up about Mr. Cimiluca and Mr. Costa, their relationship. He said: Mr. Cimiluca, should he have recused himself on any of the issues when there was business being voted on and stuff like that

because he did have a business relationship with Mr. Costa? What is your opinion on that?

Through the chair, Mr. Suarez responded: Two things. I don't know all the specifics. I have not spoken with Mr. Cimiluca about what his past relationship, present, future, but I can tell you that with regard to the law as articulated through the Local Finance Board, which dispels conflicts, the law is basically that recusal is necessary when there is a conflict, which would be when there is a financial interest, a pecuniary interest, or some sort of a personal interest. So the best practice, under circumstances where there is a conflict under those three circumstances, is to recuse yourself.

Mr. Ratajczak said: Like I said, shouldn't he have told us about that or told the attorney that he did have a relationship with him? Mr. Suarez said: He and I have never spoken about that. Mr. Ratajczak said: I'm not saying you, previously, previously. Mr. Suarez said: The previous attorney. And Mr. Ratajczak said: Right, because that's when it was done. It wasn't done... Mr. Costa is not sitting here now.

Mr. Suarez said: My opinion is, as a member of the governing body, if you believe that there is one of those categories - pecuniary, personal or financial interest - that you have with regard to a specific application or a vendor, professional, etc, the best practice would be to – the Township Attorney in the Township of Saddle Brook is the ethics advisor with regard to those issues, to discuss that with the Township Attorney and then follow the advice that the Township Attorney provides to you. And in fact, there is a case involving the former Mayor of Hackensack, Jack Zisa, where in order to be protected in a situation like that, you want to get that opinion prior to voting on anything, and you want to get it in writing. There is a specific case on point in that it involved the former mayor where he cast a vote involving a piece of property that effected his personal interest, and afterwards the attorney actually said 'I gave him the advice that he could vote under those circumstances,' and the Local Finance Board said that wasn't sufficient. It has to not only be the advice of the attorney, it has to be in writing prior to actually voting on that specific issue.

Mr. Ratajczak said: So really, any project or anything that Mr. Costa gains financially, Mr. Cimiluca should not have voted on because it's benefitting Mr. Costa financially not Mr. Cimiluca, Mr. Costa is. Mr. Suarez said: I don't know what the circumstances are. If he wants to tell me, I never spoke to Mr. Cimiluca about this.

Councilman Cimiluca said: I don't know where this is coming from in terms of ---. Mr. Ratajczak interrupted and said through the chair: I believe this is my time right now. Councilman Cimiluca said: You have unlimited time. You wanted unlimited time. Mr. Ratajczak said: I'm not talking to you, Andrew. I'm talking to Mr. Suarez. I have the floor! Grow up, Andrew. Don't sit up there and cry.

Councilman Cimiluca said: You're a jackass. You really are a jackass. Mr. Ratajczak said: Okay, Andrew whatever you say.

Councilman Camilleri said that's not called for. Mr. Ratajczak agreed it is not called for and added: Control yourself, Andrew.

Council President Mazzer admonished Mr. Ratajczak. Mr. Ratajczak said: Please don't interrupt me or when he does, hit the hammer. I'm right now directing my questions to Mr. Suarez.

Mr. Suarez said: I'm sorry, the last question was, should the Council person or should Mr. Costa – are you saying the Council person should recuse themselves? Mr. Ratajczak said, I know Mr. Costa is not voting. I know the Council is voting. Mr. Costa is sitting there trying to get as much work as he can and probably as much money as he can from us. As you can see in his bills, he's doing a good job, I mean on the money, not working.

Mr. Suarez said: If you have a situation where, and this is again, I don't know all the specifics with Mr. Cimiluca and Mr. Costa, I don't know when or if or how the

representation started or ended, but disclosure is always the best policy where you would disclose something, where though that person is a client of mine or not a client of mine or was a client, that's a good policy to follow. Or under circumstances because he's an attorney, and I know also as an attorney, sometimes you have an attorney-client privilege where just recusal is okay by saying 'I'm recusing myself', and you don't have to go into the fact that that's a client of mine, you can just recuse yourself and abstain. Actually it's not even an abstention, it's just a recusal on the issues involving a client say, for other issues you can disclose it, but if it's an attorney-client as an attorney, that's something that maybe the client doesn't want revealed, you would just recuse yourself and not say why you are recusing yourself. You just say 'I have a conflict and I'm recusing myself.'

Mr. Ratajczak said: But it should be on all issues. It should cover everything, right? You just don't recuse yourself today and then tomorrow you come in and they're going to vote on repaving Mayhill and who is going to be the engineer and stuff like that. You should recuse yourself from anything where he is going to get financial gain from the town. Any time he's billing out the town, he shouldn't vote on anything.

Mr. Suarez said: If you are recusing yourself on an issue, you're recused on that throughout unless and until that point where there is no more conflict. Then you don't have to be recused anymore.

Mr. Ratajczak said: You did say, as an attorney, you should know that. Mr. Suarez said: I'm saying, as an attorney, not as a Councilperson, there is like certain prohibitions and certain rights that a client would have that the client for example has the right that if they don't want you to announce that you have some sort of relationship, attorney-client because there is litigation or something along those lines out there, and if the attorney is the Council person respecting that, that's really paramount, the attorney-client privilege. Then you would just basically recuse and not say 'That's my client, I have litigation actively.'

Mr. Ratajczak said the other thing he would like to ask the council is to really seriously consider not using Mr. Costa to finish this project. He said: I don't think we're getting anything for our dollar. This gentleman here will be here with us for the next four years. Just from the way he handed the paperwork out that night and the \$37,000 bill for architectural fees, you should know where he's coming from. That field is in your hands. We can't do anything about it. You people are going to be the ones to finish it. Like I said, believe me, he's not giving you – you can see when a person is working for you and when they're not working for you, and I don't believe Mr. Costa is working, and I don't believe that he wants the job as the Zoning Board attorney because he hasn't showed up and he hasn't sent a replacement or anything like that, and Ms. Mazzer, can you please look into that and find out what the rules are of that, if he doesn't show up? Is he supposed to show up? I know the attorney shows up, and if he doesn't, they send a sub. The engineer who previously served on the board, if he didn't show up, they sent a replacement. The planner was the only one that we said if we need you we'll let you know.

Councilman Camilleri addressed Mr. Ratajczak and said: I would like the opportunity to comment on Veterans' and try to answer one of your concerns. Bob Costa was there from the start of it, and he's just staying there to finish the project. We didn't shift gears and want to start over again, and as far as open check book he definitely doesn't have an open check book there. We are collectively, I'm not speaking for myself, but for all the Mayor and the Council, we are watching our dollars, and what's being done there.

Mr. Ratajczak asked: Do you have any idea of what he's proposing, what it's going to cost us for the bathrooms? Councilman Camilleri said no. That's out there, Larry, because we have to get the drawings. Mr. Ratajczak asked: What is he waiting for? What is he waiting for? Draw you a set of plans or sit down with him and say this is going to cost \$500,000? No Costa, we only afford three. Let's cut it back. He's putting tiles on the wall and doing everything when we're scraping. We're worried about if we can afford toilets. Yes or no?

Councilman Camilleri said: Once we get numbers that come in, we can knock stuff down. Mr. Ratajczak said: I know Mr. Cimiluca is pushing for spring sports. That's why they started in December. I think we're the only one in New Jersey that started a project like that in December, and we've gotten a lot of work in in the last six weeks.

Councilman Camilleri said for the spring sports, what was presented to us – Mr. Ratajczak interrupted that he didn't think the spring sports would be around. Councilman Camilleri said they think that mid-April the turf should go down on the field. The field, hopefully was going to be usable in mid-April. Mr. Ratajczak said: I'll tell you what, mid-April? I'll come back May 1st, and we'll see.

Mr. Len Azzarone of 34th Street in Fair Lawn identified himself as a 30-year police veteran of the Saddle Brook police department and a creator of Saddle Brook community television. He said: I didn't plan to come up here tonight. I planned to just observe, but I have to make a comment because it's a perfect example when they don't know what they're talking about is what Mr. Ratajczak just said. I only volunteered for one year, and that was for Lou D'Arminio when he was mayor. I started the television station when I was a Saddle Brook police officer and paid as a police officer, not as a TV guy. I never said anything at the caucus meeting against the gentlemen that are taping tonight. As a matter of fact, as the Mayor pointed out for anybody who is here to see by using his finger, I had said they did actually a very good job, but they should not edit the Council meeting. The video was fantastic; the video was great. That wasn't my complaint; it never was my complaint. The Council has gotten two e-mails from me. You know where I'm coming from, and I'm not going to go through it all over again. I'm talking about volunteerism, and there should be residents that are taping this and not just a paid company if possible with volunteers. I only suggested again that it's something you consider for the future and you try to make it so that the residents can do their own video and operate their own station, so we don't have to pay a vendor to do it. I agree with the Mayor 100%, that he wanted to get things on TV ASAP, and that's what he's done and he's done a good job. That wasn't my complaint; it never was. I guess Larry might have been listening – he didn't hear anything I said, so I wanted to make sure that was corrected.

Hearing no one else, Council President Mazzer asked for a motion to close the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilman Camilleri

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilman Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Camilleri – yes

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Council President Mazzer - yes

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Cimiluca referenced Mr. Sullivan's letter to the Council members. He said: In regard to that I think the ordinance that he had provided to us was just the noise ordinance, and it's my understanding that that noise ordinance may have indicated no Saturday construction. I have to say, I don't know if there's any contractor in this town that hasn't worked on a Saturday. I believe there is another ordinance that talks about the times of construction that is not in the noise ordinance. They may be inconsistent, and it's great that it was pointed out because if there is an inconsistency – we fixed that with the snow because there was an inconsistency. When we found that out, we fixed it. And we can fix this, but I do believe that there is an ordinance on the books that talks about the times of construction, and I do believe it allows Saturday construction. What we did is we just amended the Saturday construction to give them an extra hour to do this, this way they can get done faster, and it will be an overall less of an impact on the residents in that area. I asked Pete to look into that and also Mr. Suarez. In regard to that self-storage facility in that area, that I think everyone would consider it from Quik-Chek to Rosol Lane which may be a quarter mile that is all industrial or commercial. For some reason, at some point, next to Quick Chek that area was

rezoned as two-family residential. I guess for certain reasons, maybe there was a reason behind that. I'm not sure. I wasn't involved at that point, but it was rezoned from commercial or industrial to two-family houses and I have to assume that there was some kind of {inaudible} that it would be a bunch of two-family houses that were built there. That's not taking place, so my suggestion is, just like I suggested four years ago, is that we zone it correctly and we take the appropriate steps now that we know it is not going to be used as two-family houses. I think we should rezone it, make it consistent because we have Quick-Chek on the left, we have Enterprise Corrugated, we have all these industrial places, just like on Market Street. You may not remember but I brought that up years ago because Market Street is commercial on the south side, the side with the VFW. That is commercial all the way until you get to the building next to the VFW, then it becomes residential, and it's residential at that office building, the VFW, the diner and On-the-Spot, which is just ridiculous. Why would that be residential? It's never going to be residential. So I proposed, and it was passed by the Council. Now everything on that side of the block is commercial or business. I'm going to ask that we look into doing that, this way everything is consistent. It just seems silly that there is a two-family section there, and what that also does is that every time someone wants to do anything on that property they have to go before the boards and get all kinds of use variances, which is very difficult, and they shouldn't have to. They should just have to go for site approval.

Councilman Cimiluca said there was talk about Market Street being a mess. That's a county project. Really the County took the lead on that. We were involved mostly because we got those traffic lights in conjunction with the County, so for most of it that's all done by the County engineer. Some people think it's better. One of the reasons they have all those ins and outs is to quell traffic because otherwise it would be a four-lane speedway. That was a concern for people, and that's why that was done. Because they didn't want it to be a four-lane superhighway so you can get from Lodi to Elmwood Park really, really quick, and we did have one person, at least one person, die. That's one of the reasons that we put the lights up, to try and quell traffic because you don't want people – people are crossing the street, and you don't need to go 40 miles an hour.

Councilman Cimiluca said just to correct something about the benefits, it wasn't an ordinance with the benefits, it's the white collar contract that talks about the consecutive. Twenty was taken out, twenty-five was put in, consecutive was put in and taken out, but that's in the contract. That's not an ordinance.

Councilman Cimiluca said: In terms of recusal, I've been here for six years. I think Costa started just two years after I was elected, so four years ago. That's when I met him, actually, and I said at that time I wouldn't vote on any of his bills, and I haven't voted on any of his bills because I have done legal work for him. I have done collection work for him, meaning if someone hasn't paid him, and he wants to do something about it, I have filed lawsuits on his behalf, and I've actually been very successful in that regard. I don't feel that I can't talk about any project that he's ever been involved in. I don't feel that as a Councilman I don't think I should be shut out from that because what he's doing is something which we all wanted it done. It's a five-vote council, and usually some of the projects are brought up by the mayor. So I'm just one vote, and that vote generally is to see if a project is done. I don't believe that – if you go way out on limb, you can say well, he's benefitting from that project, but I don't vote to pay his bills. He doesn't get paid unless the Council says he gets paid, and I have never voted to pay his bills. To say that there was no disclosure, that was said I don't know how many times, twenty, thirty times. In the beginning, I said why I was abstaining on all those votes and then after a while it was just an abstention, or I said abstention for the reasons that were put forth on the record. So it's no secret. It was never a secret to Mr. Chewcaskie. Mr. Rodriguez brought it up at the last meeting, and I said if there is a legal opinion and I can sit down with Mr. Suarez, I do collection work for him and I file lawsuits, and I have recently actually today filed two. I hadn't filed one in three years. What I did was a set it aside, and other people were doing his work. He's not in, he asked me to do it, I did it. We all have to make a living, and that's what I've done. Certainly after Mr. Rodriguez had said that, I'm not the one who's going to give the opinion, and I will abide by whatever the town attorney's opinion is with regards to that. If the opinion is any project that Costa is involved in – whenever

they talk about repaving of a road I have to walk out of the Council meeting, then I'll do that. I'll go with your decision, Anthony.

Councilman Cimiluca said he appreciated Council President Mazzer acknowledging his mother, and he thanked Mayor White and Chief Kugler and Sheriff Saudino and Chief Menda and Brian Monahue of the East Rutherford police force and Lt. Di Rienzo of the Bergen County Police force and Chief Quatrone of the Lodi Police force. He said they worked it out so it was a nice procession, and I appreciate all of that. To everybody who has given their condolences I really appreciate that.

Councilman Cimiluca said he was not in on Tuesday but he commented on the abandoned property ordinance. He said he would direct this to the town attorney: I don't see that there is an enforcement clause in there, so it says what they've got to do and how much they've got to pay, but I don't see anything that says what if they don't do it. I think we may have to look at that to maybe shore that up. Maybe you can give your opinion as to whether we need that in there.

Councilman Cimiluca said: In the nepotism ordinance I think it gives the definition of relative, and the definition of relative only applies to Council members. I don't think that's really consistent with the rest of the ordinance. Later on in that same ordinance it talks about family members, but it doesn't give a definition of family members, so if there is going to be a definition of family – there's going to be a reference to family members, I think we've got to also define that. Again, the definition of relative seems like it only applies to the Council.

Councilman Cimiluca congratulated the spirit leaders and Janine Costanzo, who's youngest child is graduating, so she will no longer be involved in that. He said she's done a great job and he knew how time consuming and difficult it was to deal with a lot of different people from different areas.

Councilman Cimiluca said: Tonight we may be voting on the table of organization, and I just want to say I believe I'm going to vote in favor of it, but I just wanted to let you know that I'm not in favor, there's some talk that it's going to go from 34 to 32 total members of the police force. That was not my intention. It's not in the ordinance as it's written here, but for some reason it's out there that it's going to be 32. I will not vote for that. I don't think there's any reason to change it from 34 to 32. He referenced the chart provided by the Chief that showed four lieutenants and said that's the reason the TO is being changed for four lieutenants. There's four squads, and each squad should have a lieutenant in a perfect world. I would vote for this under the express condition that the fourth lieutenant will in fact be a squad leader and will not be doing anything else but being a squad leader, and if it happens that the fourth lieutenant is taken out of being in that position, I think that's a disservice. That's not what I expect and I don't know about the rest of the Council but we were advised that 12-hour shifts require four lieutenants and I think that lieutenant has to oversee the squad, and if he doesn't there's a problem.

Councilman Camilleri acknowledged women in history month and congratulated Deborah Gross-Quatrone, Diane Bonner, Nancy Gara, Kathy loele and Preeti Sherawat. He said they were wonderful people and loved hearing all the things they do. He then congratulated the spirit cheerleader and said it seems like year after year they acknowledge amazing things so it must be a very good program.

Councilman Camilleri said: Veterans' Field is in our lap and I just want you to be rest assured it isn't an open checkbook. We are trying to watch everything that goes on over there, and what we have to do now is do the best for Saddle Brook. I know I'm for that. I don't want to speak for everyone else in the Council, but I think collectively we are all pushing in that direction. He concluded by wishing everyone a safe and Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Councilwoman D'Arminio said she wanted to address Mr. Ratajczak as far as Mr. Costa. We do know your dislike of him, however we felt it was in the best interest of the project to keep him. That being said, there weren't plans thrown at us on Tuesday night and we agreed on them. We have been working on the plans for several weeks. We are all very serious and taking it very seriously. We haven't

decided on putting porcelain on the outside. We're still talking about things. He is in the process of getting the drawings done so he can go to bid. I would just like to tell you that we really are working diligently to move this project along.

Councilwoman D'Arminio said: As far as the ordinance for the lieutenant, I'd like to say that I am in support of the police department. I am in support of making promotions. That being said, I will be not voting for this ordinance tonight because once this promotion is made, we will have 14 supervisors for 14 patrolmen. Councilwoman D'Arminio said the mayor said a couple of weeks ago in the paper he thought we were top heavy. I think that this makes us more top heavy. I believe that we should fill the TO first, put more patrolmen on and then go forward. So therefore my vote will be no.

Councilwoman D'Arminio also congratulated all of the honorees.

Councilman Accomando congratulated all the honorees and the Spirit Leaders. He said he thought they were the hardest working group in this town as far as team sports goes.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor White said the Mayor's Youth Group works very closely with elected officials and other community leaders on various community projects and events. He said he had a meeting with the group on Saturday, February 28th which went very well and they laid the foundation for a very productive year. He said in attendance were projects and activities committee liaison Councilwoman Karen D'Arminio, committee chairman PJ Punzo, Mayor's liaison to the Youth Group Regina Barrale and Senior Youth Group Advisor Thomas van Winkle.

Mayor White added: We are re-establishing and trying to improve our community projects and activities for our community. We feel it's very important this administration. Councilwoman D'Arminio has been appointed as the Council Liaison to the Projects and Activities Committee. She has extensive experience managing and organizing Township events, and she has been volunteering her services since 1996 first as a member of the committee and then as chairwoman from 2000 to 2010. She supervised all events in town, and our goal is to make these events spectacular and memorable once again for our residents, especially our children to enjoy and appreciate.

Mayor White said regarding the FEMA meeting, the Township received a letter last month from the Bergen County Executive James Tedesco III regarding new flood hazard area maps which FEMA had released over the last year. A copy of the letter is on the Township Website and on Facebook. Mayor White said he attended the seminar on February 10th along with the Township Emergency Management coordinator and Chief of Police Robert Kugler. Some Saddle Brook property owners were in attendance and were able to check whether their properties were included in the new flood hazard area. They also had an opportunity to speak with FEMA representatives who were available to answer questions.

Mayor White said on Monday, February 23rd he attended the Open Space Grant meeting with Mr. Lo Dico. They submitted their grant application proposal. The Open Space Trust Fund is a dedicated program supporting open space acquisition. We submitted our application proposal under the county program requesting funding under the flood plain protection program to match the grant that the township has already received from the New Jersey DEP/Blue Acres. After Hurricane Irene we received that, and it's going to be used to buy out property owners who have been affected most by repeated flooding. We should find out shortly if we will be awarded a County grant.

Mayor White said on Wednesday, March 4th he attended the Community Development Grant meeting along with Councilwoman D'Arminio and community liaison Lou Verile. The Block Grant funds are provided by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Township submitted two applications, one proposing storm drain repair and maintenance programs and the other in getting

the reimbursement of the salary and wages for our senior citizen center clerk position. We presented our proposal to the Central Region Community Development representatives last night and have another meeting to attend to discuss the allocation of the grant monies.

With regard to the flood committee task force Mayor White said: As you all very well know, as a community we must be more proactive in addressing our flooding problem which has had a tremendous impact on the Township and continues to affect many of our residents. It should be, in my opinion, one of our highest priorities. We must utilize a task force approach by working together with other municipalities to develop and share different ideas and strategies. This would allow for a coordinated regionalized effort to address flooding issues caused by our shared waterways. We must also continue to make necessary adjustments to infrastructure, which we have been doing such as repairing drainage Township advisory board of residents and officials to meet on a quarterly basis to discuss flooding and to work together to address these issues. I will also be asking one interested council person to be the liaison the County Flood Management Coordinator.

Mayor White said he was very happy to say that SBC-TV is up and running for our residents. We're hoping to keep the station operational and make improvements. Along with tonight's request for new equipment, we are hoping to encourage more community involvement and increase the amount and type of content. He said: I would like to offer the school district the opportunity to air their meetings as well as events such as school plays and sporting events. We would also like to get the recreation programs involved and tape and broadcast some of their games as well. I assure you, it is our goal, me and the Township Council, to make Saddle Brook Community Television the best that it can be for our community. I don't profess to have all the answers, but I feel if we work together and rebuild the station incrementally in a responsible, efficient manner we will be successful.

Mayor White apologized to Mr. Azzarone. He said: I do not recall putting my finger up, but it certainly was not my intention to intimidate you in any way. I apologize for that. This was the direction we decided, myself and the Council. I know you are not happy with the decision. It's your opinion that we're wrong, and that's your prerogative to complain about it. I believe we're doing the right thing for the community, and in essence I think we both want the same thing which is really to improve Saddle Brook Community Television. We just differ on how to get there.

Mayor White then congratulated the Saddle Brook Spirit Leaders.

Mayor White said: Regarding the 32 and 34, it wasn't my intention to push that. I didn't push it. I could have asked the Council to really seriously consider it. I didn't think it was something the Council wanted to do even though I am somewhat in favor of that. I'm looking to be more efficient. If you hear things out there, please ask me because it was not my intention to go from 34 to 32. As you said during the last meeting, if we don't get the 34, we don't get the 34. It's my prerogative to hire 34 or 32, whatever I feel is appropriate along with the Chief of Police, but we are not changing the ordinance. As far as being top heavy, and Mr. Cimiluca, your belief that we should have a fourth lieutenant as part of the patrol, I'm in agreement with you there. I think we should have. If we're going to promote four, I believe it should be because of this 12-hour shift, and I had asked the chief that same question. What are we going to do if say for example this 12-hour shift initiative which is a temporary thing at this point, what if for some reason we don't want to do it? We're entering into a memorandum of agreement, and if for any reason the town does not feel that the 12-hour shift isn't a good thing or the PBA feels it's not something they want to continue, we will stop or we'll go back to the 8-hour shifts that we currently work. I feel that as far as being too top heavy, in this case, as you said that lieutenant would be in the patrol division, would be part of the operations. It's not where that lieutenant would be put in a command level position, would be taken off of patrol and would be working a regular 8 to 4, Monday through Friday shift. When that happens, that person essentially is taken out of the operations and they're not available to rotate around the clock like all the other officers do. So the lieutenant in our police department, even though it was a ranking position, is still part of the rank and file. It's not a command level administrative position. In the

interest of fairness, Mr. Ratajczak, we did get those plans e-mailed to us a couple of days before, so we did have an opportunity to see the plans, but your point is well taken.

Council President Mazzer congratulated the chief on his newly appointed position for LEAD. It is Law Enforcement Against Drugs. We commend you and we wish you lots of good luck. I understand it's taking the place of the DARE program. It's a worthwhile program, and we're very proud to have you there.

ORDINANCES

1. ORDINANCE #1588-15 – FINAL READING “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 154-21, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, ENTITLED CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS”

The Council President announced that a motion is in order that the Township Clerk proceed to give same ordinance a second reading.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

The Township Clerk then reads the Ordinance by title on second reading:

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 154-21, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, ENTITLED CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS”

The Council President announced that the motion was in order and that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be opened.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

Hearing no one, the Council President announced that the motion was in order and that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be closed.

Motion: Councilman Camilleri

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

Council President Mazzer commended Councilman Cimiluca for bringing this up. She said it was another level of safety, and she applauded him.

CR# 315-56

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 154-21, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, ENTITLED CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS”**

does now pass on second and final reading and that the Township Clerk be directed to advertise said ordinance or Title thereof, in the press, together with a notice of the date of passage of said ordinance according to law.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Cimiluca

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

2. ORDINANCE #1589-15 – FINAL READING

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 33, ARTICLE 1 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK”

The Council President announced that a motion is in order that the Township Clerk proceed to give same ordinance a second reading.

Motion: Councilman Camilleri

Second: Councilman Accomando

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio – no
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

The Township Clerk then reads the Ordinance by title on second reading:

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 33, ARTICLE 1 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK”

The Council President announced that the motion was in order and that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be opened.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilman Camilleri

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

Hearing no one, the Council President announced that the motion was in order and that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be closed.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilman Accomando

ROLL CALL:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

CR# 315-57

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled: **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 33, ARTICLE 1 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK”** does now pass on second and final reading and that the Township Clerk be directed to advertise said ordinance or Title thereof, in the press, together with a notice of the date of passage of said ordinance according to law.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca Second: Councilman Camilleri

ROLL CALL:

Before voting Councilman Cimiluca said it was with the understanding that as he discussed before about the usage of the additional lieutenant and also with the understanding and it’s in the budget, that we will be hiring at least two more officers.

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio – no
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**3. ORDINANCE #1590-15 – FIRST READING
 ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 51 ENTITLED “ABANDONED
 PROPERTY” OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
 SADDLE BROOK**

The Council President announced that the next order of business is the introduction of **ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 51 ENTITLED “ABANDONED PROPERTY” OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK**

The Council President directed the Township Clerk to read the resolution regarding passage and adoption on first reading.

Mr. Suarez said: If you go into Section 51-15, it talks about the public officer’s responsibilities, powers and it cross-references N.J.S.A. 55:19-20 et al. I will give this to you if you want after the meeting.

Councilman Cimiluca asked if that was the penalty provision, and Mr. Suarez said yes. He said what it allows is the authority, and if you want to specifically identify other penalties you can, but it gives certain powers to the authority who is identified in here as your construction official, the administrator, to sue, to be sued. If you want to specify specifics other than that, I can do that. You can amend it before the next meeting, it’s not a problem.

Councilman Cimiluca said it would be a minor amendment, so we wouldn’t need to republish. We can talk about it after.

Council President Mazzer said for the public’s knowledge because this ordinance would not be open for the public, this is an ordinance that we are having first reading on. It’s for abandoned property in town, so someone will at least be responsible for the maintenance and the upkeep of it, not just walk away from it.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

CR# 315-58

ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 51 ENTITLED “ABANDONED PROPERTY” OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK

by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that heretofore passed on first reading, be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 2nd day of April, 2015 at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached at the Municipal Building, 93 Market Street and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of a time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Camilleri

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

4. ORDINANCE #1591-15 – FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 154 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE"; TO REQUIRE CLEARING OF SNOW AROUND HYDRANTS

The Council President announced that the next order of business is the introduction of **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 154 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE"; TO REQUIRE CLEARING OF SNOW AROUND HYDRANTS**

Council President Mazzer said we are taking into consideration that we may have to make provisions for the elderly and disabled who have fire hydrants in front of their house or in their vicinity. For the most part we need those hydrants to be visual to everyone. Minutes can save lives.

The Council President directed the Township Clerk to read the resolution regarding passage and adoption on first reading.

Motion: Councilman Camilleri

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

CR# 315-59

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 154 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE"; TO REQUIRE CLEARING OF SNOW AROUND HYDRANTS

by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that heretofore passed on first reading, be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on

the 2nd day of April, 2015 at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached at the Municipal Building, 93 Market Street and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of a time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Before voting, Councilman Cimiluca thanked Councilman Camilleri for introducing this. He said he saw it in the paper, and he totally agreed with it.

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered routine and non-controversial by the Township Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member(s) so requests it, in which case the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. The one motion signifies adoption of all resolutions, receive and file letters, correspondence, reports and approval of applications and minutes.

Mr. Lo Dico noted that Resolution #10 [CR# 315-69] was not part of the consent agenda.

Councilman Cimiluca asked if the nepotism ordinance had been tabled, and Mr. Lo Dico said it was not on the agenda for tonight.

Mr. Suarez advised that Resolution #17 [CR# 315-76] be removed from the consent agenda and that Councilman Cimiluca recuse himself based on what he had stated before. Councilman Cimiluca agreed pending Mr. Suarez's full legal opinion.

Councilman Cimiluca also requested resolutions # 1 [CR# 315-60], #2 [CR# 315-61] and #3 [CR# 315-62] be removed from the consent agenda and #19 [CR# 315-78] as well as Application #3 [The Golden Pub/Public Place].

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer – yes

* MINUTES

1. January 21, 2015 – Special Public Meeting
2. February 5, 2015 – Regular Public Meeting

* RESOLUTIONS

Councilman Cimiluca explained he would be abstaining because he has represented Neha & Anish, Inc. in a matter or two in the past. He said: In talking to the principle of Neha & Anish indicated that the corporation went bankrupt years ago, and I'm just confused as to how they are getting a liquor license.

Mr. Lo Dico explained it's still in their name, they have filed the renewals. The state just cleared the renewals for Council action. That's why it's three years' worth.

Councilman Cimiluca said he did speak to him and said this was on the agenda, and he said that corporation hasn't been around for three years. He went bankrupt, then he started another company and that went out of business and now he has another company.

Mr. Lo Dico said the license is being sold at auction by the New Jersey Division of Taxation, so we have to renew it in order to...

Councilman Cimiluca said okay, so it's renewed in their name however, it's not a company. He said he would abstain.

RESOLUTION #1 [CR# 315-60] IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-60

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the following license be renewed for the year 2012/2013, subject to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and that the NJ ABC be so notified.

LIMITED RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE

<u>STATE LICENSE NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
0257-43-002-007	Neha & Anish, Inc. T/A Hometown Market 485 Fair Lawn Parkway	\$60.00

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – abstain
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer – yes

RESOLUTION #2 [CR# 315-61] IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-61

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the following license be renewed for the year 2013/2014, subject to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and that the NJ ABC be so notified.

LIMITED RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE

<u>STATE LICENSE NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
0257-43-002-007	Neha & Anish, Inc. T/A Hometown Market 485 Fair Lawn Parkway	\$60.00

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

- Councilman Cimiluca – abstain
- Councilman Camilleri – yes
- Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
- Councilman Accomando – yes
- Council President Mazzer – yes

RESOLUTION #3 [CR# 315-62] IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-62

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the following license be renewed for the year 2014/2015, subject to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and that the NJ ABC be so notified.

LIMITED RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE

<u>STATE LICENSE NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
0257-43-002-007	Neha & Anish, Inc. T/A Hometown Market 485 Fair Lawn Parkway	\$60.00

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

- Councilman Cimiluca – abstain
- Councilman Camilleri – yes
- Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
- Councilman Accomando – yes
- Council President Mazzer – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

**Shared Services Agreement for Child Health Care
Between Wallington and Saddle Brook**

CR# 315-63

WHEREAS, there has been proposed a Shared Service Agreement between the Township of Saddle Brook and the Wallington Board of Health to provide a monthly Child Health Conference; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook is desirous to enter into a contract via the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act (N.J.S.A.: 40A:65-et.seq.) with the Wallington Board of Health for the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the contract is \$2,000.00 and the Financial Officer has determined sufficient funds are available in the General Account as is evidenced by Treasurer's Certification attached hereto and made a part thereof; and

WHEREAS, the contract documents to be executed by the Township of Saddle Brook and the Wallington Board of Health for the purposes hereinabove described and annexed hereto and is made a part of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk of the Township of Saddle Brook are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with the Wallington Board of Health.
2. Said agreement has been reviewed by the Borough Attorney and Board of Health and said officials approve of same as to form and substance.
3. All Ordinances and/or Resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent with this Resolution shall be and the same are hereby repealed.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately in accordance with appropriate law.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-64

WHEREAS, a utility payment on a lien already cancelled, on a parcel of property referred to as 54 William Street, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663, also known as Block 615, Lot 13, has been paid by the homeowner; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council hereby authorize the Treasurer to issue a warrant in the amount of \$212.89 to the lienholder:

MTAG as Custodian for Alterna Funding, P.O. Box 54817, New Orleans, LA 70154

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-65

WHEREAS, a utility payment on a lien already cancelled, on a parcel of property referred to as 510 Sylvan Street, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663, also known as Block 707, Lot 13 01, has been paid by the homeowner; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council hereby authorize the Treasurer to issue a warrant in the amount of \$125.63 to the lienholder:

MTAG as Custodian for Alterna Funding, P.O. Box 54817, New Orleans, LA 70154

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-66

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby agrees to enter into an agreement with the Bergen County Utilities Authority for the Authority to file the tonnage grant application on behalf of the

Township of Saddle Brook at no cost to the Township and authorizes the Mayor to sign said grant agreement.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

- Councilman Cimiluca – yes
- Councilman Camilleri – yes
- Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
- Councilman Accomando – yes
- Council President Mazzer – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-67

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the following requisition(s) submitted to the Township Council for purchases over \$2,500.00 be approved providing funds are available:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
POLICE	CODY COMPUTER SYSTEMS	MAINT. AGREEMENT IN HOUSE	\$5,072.75
POLICE	CODY COMPUTER SYSTEMS	MAINT. AGREEMENT SUPPORT	\$4,727.70
DPW	QUALITY AUTO	ENGINE FOR TRUCK	\$7,880.00
SBC-TV	G&G TECHNOLOGIES	LEIGHTRONICS NEXUS EVENT CALENDAR	\$11,055.00
SBC-TV	GLOBAL PROTECH	2 DELL COMPUTERS	\$1,980.00
SBC-TV	GLOBAL PROTECH	INSTALL. TRAIN & MAINT AGREE. THRU 12/31/15	\$2,975.00

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

- Councilman Cimiluca – yes
- Councilman Camilleri – yes
- Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
- Councilman Accomando – yes
- Council President Mazzer – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-68

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE PROPER WARRANTS BE DRAWN AND THAT THE ATTACHED BILLS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE BILLS NOT APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL, BE PAID TOTALING **\$4,041,178.29** PROVIDING FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND ALL BILLS SUBMITTED COMPLY WITH N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 ET. SEQ AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE STATUTES.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer – yes

RESOLUTION #10, [CR# 315-69] IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-69

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY THAT THE PROPER WARRANTS BE DRAWN AND THAT THE ATTACHED BILLS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE BILLS NOT APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE COUNCIL, BE PAID PROVIDING FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND ALL BILLS SUBMITTED COMPLY WITH N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 ET. SEQ AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE STATUTES.

P.O.#	VENDOR	AMOUNT
76758, 76863, 76864, 76865 76866, 76867, 76868, 76869 76870, 76871, 76872, 76875 76876, 76877	COSTA ENGINEERING	\$66,084.50

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Camilleri

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - abstain
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-70

WHEREAS, a Tax Court Judgment on a parcel of property referred to as 480 Market Street, also known as Block 707, Lot 08, assessed in the name of 480 Market Street, LLC; and

WHEREAS, a refund for the year 2012 in the amount of \$2,466.87, to be refunded to 480 Market Street, LLC, c/o John R. Lloyd, Esq., Nowell Amoroso Klein Bierman, P.A., 155 Polifly Road, Hackensack, NJ 07601

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attorney for property owner be reimbursed the amount of **\$2,466.87**.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-71

WHEREAS, a Tax Court Judgment on a parcel of property referred to as 480 Market Street, also known as Block 707, Lot 08, assessed in the name of 480 Market Street, LLC; and

WHEREAS, a refund for the year 2013 in the amount of \$2,973.59 to be refunded to 480 Market Street, LLC, c/o John R. Lloyd, Esq., Nowell Amoroso Klein Bierman, P.A., 155 Polifly Road, Hackensack, NJ 07601

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attorney for property owner be reimbursed the amount of **\$2,973.59**.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-72

WHEREAS, First Jersey Title Services, Inc. paid taxes on the fourth installment 2014 in error on Block 1513, Lot 30, also known as 29 Graham Terrace; and

WHEREAS, Corelogic has paid taxes on the fourth quarter; and

WHEREAS, First Jersey Title Services, Inc. is entitled to the refund,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue a warrant in the amount of the Tax overpayment to:

Block	Lot	Name & Address	Year	Refund
1513	30	First Jersey Title Service, Inc. 25-00 Broadway PO Box 2525 Fair Lawn, NJ 07410	2014	\$1,416.00

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-73

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook is in need of a Chamber of Commerce to assist and promote business in the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Hackensack Regional Chamber of Commerce provides an organization that is ready to assist the businesses in the Township of Saddle Brook;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

The Mayor and Council of the Township of Saddle Brook hereby endorse the Hackensack Regional Chamber of Commerce and encourage the local businesses to join the said Chamber.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-74

WHEREAS, a matter has transpired wherein 12 Williams Street has been seized by the Federal Government, and

WHEREAS, there is a tax lien on said property by Ace Holdings; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government wishes for the said property to be cleared of the tax lien so that the said property can be sold to a private individual, and

WHEREAS, the said lien needs to be calculated in accordance with the Federal Court order, and

WHEREAS, the lien should be calculated up to the date of entry of the order, specifically September 4, 2012, and that after said date the calculation would only include interest thereon; and

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes must be reimbursed to Ace Holdings and should

be calculated up to the date of entry of the September 4, 2012 order of the court;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook hereby authorizes the tax department to calculate said tax lien number and provide the same to the Township Attorney so that the lien figure can be forwarded to the Department of Treasury and any other interested party in said transaction;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the tax collector be and hereby is permitted to calculate the amount of reimbursement of taxes to the lienholder, Ace Holdings, and to refund same to the said company, which would be that amount paid in taxes subsequent to the September 4, 2012 order of the court.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION CANCELLING UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF CY2014 BUDGET
APPROPRIATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-60**

CR# 315-75

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A: 4-60 provides for the governing body to cancel unexpended budget appropriations prior to the end of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has identified appropriations in the 2014 budget that it intends to cancel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen, that the following unexpended balances of 2014 budget appropriations be cancelled to Fund Balances as of December 31, 2014:

Operations – Within “CAPS”	
Worker Compensation Insurance	\$125,000.00
Employee Group Insurance	\$100,000.00
Police – Salaries & Wages	\$ 75,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to record the effects of this resolution in the financial accounts of the Township.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

RESOLUTION #17 [CR# 315-76] IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-76

WHEREAS, Costa Engineering submitted a proposal dated March 4, 2015 for professional engineering/architectural/electrical, mechanical, plumbing & fire protection services for the proposed food concession/restroom facility – Veterans’ Field,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that Costa Engineering is hereby authorized to prepare specifications, bid documents and construction administration and inspections for the food concession/restroom facility at Veterans’ Field at a cost not to exceed \$85,000.00.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Camilleri

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - abstain
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-77

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook is desirous of using a Community Development Grant for ADA improvements for various schools in the Township; and

WHEREAS, Community Development has given approval to the plans and specifications for work at each site,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for the receipt and opening of bids for the ADA Improvement Project.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

RESOLUTION #19 [CR# 315-78] IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-78

WHEREAS, Enlocasa Video, Garden Street, Lodi, NJ has submitted a proposal for videotaping Township Council meetings and special events as well as maintaining bulletin boards and broadcasting both on the cable access channels; and

WHEREAS, the proposal is for \$1,666.00 per month and \$100 per hour for each special event,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign said contract with Enlocasa Video and said contract will expire on December 31, 2015.

Motion: Councilman Camilleri

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilman Cimiluca explained that he asked for this resolution to be pulled and it's nothing against these gentlemen. He said: From what I have seen on TV, they are doing a great job. It's more of a ceremonial no vote. Mr. Halko got beat up here for years because he has stated that he took his stipend of \$4500 or \$4700 because he had to do all the work to run the TV station, and by my calculations it's about \$20,000 just to tape the council meetings and then everything beyond that is \$100 an hour, and there's some special events that would be \$300 for each special event. I think it was a disservice to him for years to come down on him for doing that and again, no reflection on these gentlemen. I'm hoping, as Mr. Azzarone has said in the past, that we can get some volunteers. We had volunteers in the past and for the life of me I don't know, in this age, where everyone is posting You Tube videos and want to be Internet sensations, I don't know how there are not kids in the school system that want to get involved in doing this and learn how to film and edit and do all that kind of stuff. Again, nothing against these gentlemen but I would vote no.

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - no
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 315-79

WHEREAS, New Jersey women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our State in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

WHEREAS, New Jersey women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the State by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey women have played a unique role throughout the history of the State by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the State; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our State; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of woman in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history; and

WHEREAS, since the founding of the Township in 1716, women in the Township of Saddle Brook have made countless contributions and each year are recognized by the Township of Saddle Brook for the specific contributions made by each honoree,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, State of New Jersey, that March 2015 is designated as “Women’s History Month – Weaving the Stories of Women’s Lives.”

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D’Arminio - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

*** CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Michael DeFrancisci Re: Municipal Rebate Incentive Program

To: Mayor White Date: February 11, 2015

In May 2003, the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission (PVSC) established its Municipal Rebate Incentive Program. This program is a cooperative effort between PVSC and your Construction Code Enforcement Office to identify projects that are subject to a Connection Fee under the PVSC Rules and Regulations. Since its inception, this program has helped PVSC control the costs associated with running PVSC’s facility.

During the past calendar year, PVSC has collected \$21,519.29 in Connection Fees from projects referred to PVSC’s Connection Office by Saddle Brook. As a direct result of your cooperation and support of our program we are pleased to provide Saddle Brook with a check in the amount of \$3,227.90. This amount represents a rebate of up to 15% of the Connection Fees collected in your community, with a maximum rebate of no more than \$5,000 per project.

Since the municipalities have invested funds to construct and maintain the PVSC treatment works, it is essential that projects seeking connection into PVSC’s service area contribute their proportionate share. With your continued cooperation and diligence, this program will continue to benefit both PVSC and the municipalities. PVSC appreciates the efforts of you and your staff, and looks forward to another successful year in administering this program with your assistance. If you have any questions regarding this rebate or our program, you may contact Andrew Caltagirone, Assistant Director, Inspection and Compliance Bureau at (973) 817-5710.

**2. Hon. Deborah M. Gross- Re: Resignation Letter
Quatrone, JMC**

To: Mayor and Council

Date: February 6, 2015

It is with sincere regret that I tenure my resignation as Municipal Court Judge of Saddle Brook effective immediately, yet with pride that I announce my appointment as Judge of the Superior Court of the State of New Jersey.

The Township should be proud of the Court's performance over the past two years. When my tenure began in January, 2013 the court was under scrutiny due to an excessive backlog of cases. By June 2013 70% of that backlog was reduced and today, our court receives praise and respect in the County for its professionalism and its continued commitment to excellence. The staff, which has reduced in manpower and is most ably led by Court Administrator, Christine Oravetz, in conjunction with our Prosecutor and Public Defender have worked tirelessly and diligently to accomplish these goals and I commend them.

I hope that the Court's success and progress continues in this positive direction under strong and capable leadership.

It has been my pleasure to serve my hometown of Saddle Brook in this, and so many other capacities through the years. Regardless of where I am sitting as a Judge, my heart will remain connected to Saddle Brook.

**3. Chief Robert Kugler,
SBPD**

**Re: Police Department Table of
Organization; Amendment of
Police Staffing Ordinance –
Additional Lieutenant Position,
Implementation of 12-Hour Patrol
Shift Initiative**

To: Mayor, Council, Township Clerk

Date: January 20, 2015

I am respectfully submitting the following recommendations to the police department table of organization and police staffing ordinance (SB Township Code, Chapter 33-1(A)) which, specifically, increases the number of Police Lieutenant positions from 3 to 4. The additional Lieutenant position is recommended and needed for the implementation of the 12-hour patrol shift initiative for 2015. As you should be aware, the police department is seeking modification of the current 8-hour shift work schedule for members of the uniformed patrol division to a 12-hour shift schedule. The 12-hour shift initiative creates 4 squads, each having one (1) Lieutenant serving as commander of the squad, one (1) Sergeant as road supervisor and four (4) patrol officers. As our current schedule has only 3 squads, the increase of an additional squad will require a 4th Lieutenant position. As such, an amendment to local ordinance (Chapter 33-1(A)) is necessary to authorize four (4) Lieutenant positions (see attached draft amendment).

Should there be any questions or if you would like to discuss the matter in further detail, please let me know at any time.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration in this regard.

**4. Robert Costa, Costa
Engineering**

**Re: Payment #1
John Garcia Construction Co.
2014 DPW Storm Water Project**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk

Date: January 26, 2015

Enclosed herewith please find the Purchase Requisition, Engineer's Certificate and Invoice we are submitting for John Garcia Construction Co. in the amount of **\$138,964.00** for the 2014 DPW Storm Water Project.

Should you require additional information or have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact our office at (201) 487-0015.

5. Robert Costa, Costa Engineering **Re: Payment # 2
The Landtek Group, Inc.
Veterans Field Improvements –
Field Turf and Drainage**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk **Date: February 17, 2015**

Enclosed herewith please find the Engineer's Certificate and Invoice we are submitting for The Landtek Group, Inc. in the amount of **\$134,802.92** for the Veterans Field Improvements – Field Turf & Drainage Project.

Should you require additional information or have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact our office at (201) 487-0015.

6. Det./Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD **Re: Livery License Application
Modern Limousine Service**

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: February 12, 2015**

RE: Modern Limousine Service **Onur Iskin**
250 Pehle Avenue **14 65th Street Apt. 4**
Saddle Brook, NJ 07663 **West New York 07093**

PM 1:50
TOWNSHIP CLERK

The above business filed a Livery Service application and all required documents were submitted. In accordance with Township Ordinance #189, the Detective Bureau conducted an investigation of the above business and individual who filed the livery application.

The above individual has a valid New Jersey Driver's License and the one vehicle submitted on the application is registered through February 2016 and is legally insured. The business also meets all insurance thresholds as required in the ordinance.

Based upon the above information I recommend the application be approved at this time.

7. Det. Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD **Re: Livery Application
Zenon Limousine**

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: December 18, 2014**

**Blue-Jay Catering
Arthur Premseelaar
40-06 Paterson Street, Fairlawn New Jersey 07410**

In accordance with Township Ordinance # 530 the Detective Bureau was assigned to conduct an investigation of the above referenced business and individual who filed an application for a mobile food vendor license for operation at Paradigm Packaging, 141 North Fifth Street, Saddle Brook NJ.

All required documents were submitted with this application. The application meets all standards for the police department as established by the ordinance. The owner of the company holds a valid NJ. Driver's License, and the one vehicle submitted with the application has a valid registration through April 2015.

I therefore recommend that this application be approved at this time.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

10. Det. Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD **Re: Livery Application
King Limousine**

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: December 18, 2014**

**King Limousine
Maria Reyes
599 Maple Ave.
Saddle Brook, New Jersey 07663**

In accordance with Township Ordinance # 189 the Detective Bureau was assigned to conduct an investigation of the above referenced business and individual who filed an application to operate a livery service. The livery service operates out of 599 Maple Avenue, Saddle Brook. The investigation did not reveal any incidents that would warrant the application to be denied.

All required documents were submitted with this application. The driver holds a valid driver's license and the one vehicle submitted with the application is legally registered and insured. The company also meets all insurance thresholds as established by the ordinance.

I therefore find no reason why this application should not be approved.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

11. Det. Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD **Re: Livery Application
Ground Jet Executive
Transportation**

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: December 18, 2014**

Park Avenue Limousine Service
Suat Un
127 Herman Street
Hackensack NJ 07601

AM 10:10
TOWNSHIP CLERK

In accordance with Township Ordinance # 189 the Detective Bureau was assigned to conduct an initial investigation of the above referenced business and individual who filed an application to operate a livery service. The livery service will operate out of Park 80 West Plaza 2.

All required documents were submitted with the application. The driver along with his two employees all hold valid driver's licenses. The six vehicles submitted with the application are properly registered and insured. The company also meets all insurance thresholds as established by the ordinance.

I therefore find no reason why this application should not be approved.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

14. **Det. Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD** **Re: Livery Application**
Quezada Transportation, LLC

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: January 15, 2015**

Quezada Transportation LLC
Odalys Collado
1107 27th Street
North Bergen NJ 07047

10:10
TOWNSHIP CLERK

In accordance with Township Ordinance # 189 the Detective Bureau was assigned to conduct an investigation of the above referenced business and individual who filed a livery application. The application is for two vehicle's. The livery service will operate out of Park 80 West Plaza 2. Both vehicle's are insured and will be registered within 48 hours of approval of this application. The applicant holds a valid N.J. driver's license.

The company also meets all insurance thresholds as established by the ordinance. The investigation did not reveal any incidents that would warrant the application to be denied.

I therefore find no reason why this application should not be approved.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

15. **Det. Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD** **Re: Livery Application**
Leisured Limo, Inc.

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: February 3, 2015**

**RE: Leisured Limo Inc
250 Pehle Avenue
Saddle Brook, NJ 07663**

**Mohamed Elkhawaga
1444 Paterson Plank Road Floor 1
Secaucus NJ 07094**

108 10
SHIP-CLERK

The above business filed a Livery Service application and all required documents were submitted. In accordance with Township Ordinance #189, the Detective Bureau conducted an investigation of the above business and individual who filed the livery application.

The above individual has a valid New Jersey Driver's License and the two vehicle's submitted on the application are legally registered and insured. The business also meets all insurance thresholds as required in the ordinance.

Based upon the above information I recommend the application be approved at this time.

16. Det. Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD **Re: Mobile Food Vendor Application
Rick's Cookies Catering**

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: February 6, 2015**

**Rick's Cookies Catering
Richard Dammers
131 Dale Road Ringwood NJ 07456**

AM 108 10
SHIP-CLERK

In accordance with Township Ordinance # 530 the Detective Bureau was assigned to conduct an investigation of the above referenced business and individual who filed an application for a mobile food vendor license for operation at the following locations: Bungalow 5 95 Mayhill Street and Chemaïd 100 Mayhill Street.

All required documents were submitted with this application. The application meets all standards for the police department as established by the ordinance. The owner of the company holds a valid NJ. Driver's License, and the one vehicle submitted with the application has a valid registration through August 2015.

I therefore recommend that this application be approved at this time.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

17. Det. Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD **Re: Physical Culture Studio/ Massage
Therapist License Application
Evergreen Health and Body**

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: February 23, 2015**

Evergreen Health and Body
340A Market St.
Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

Owner: Daehwan Ji
1227 Anderson Avenue
Fort Lee, NJ 07024

In accordance with Township Ordinance #125 the Detective Bureau was assigned to conduct an investigation of the above referenced business and individual who filed an application for a corporate massage therapist/physical therapist licensing to conduct business at 370A Market Street Saddle Brook NJ.

The application has been completed correctly. A background check was conducted of the applicant and no disqualifying events were found.

I therefore find no reason why this application should not be approved.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

**18. Det. Sgt. Thomas
Johnson, SBPD**

**Re: One Day Business License
Application**

Auction Liquidation Services

**To: Chief Robert Kugler,
SBPD**

Date: February 23, 2015

Auction Liquidation Services
Steven Moranti
1 Industrial Way Best Boulevard A
Eatontown NJ 07724

In accordance with Township Ordinance #125 the Detective Bureau was assigned to conduct an investigation of the above referenced business and individual who filed an application for a one day business license. The applicant will be holding a one day live auction at 178 Midland Avenue for the auctioning of landscaping equipment for Zodiac Brothers Landscaping. A background investigation was conducted on the individual and the company. The investigation did not reveal anything would disqualify [sic] the individual or the company.

I therefore find no reason why this application should not be approved.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

**19. Anthony Suarez,
Township Attorney**

**Re: North Fifth Street Water Main
Project**

To: S. Dan Zeppenfeld, P.E.

Date: February 23, 2015

S. Dan Zeppenfeld, P.E., P.P. Dan.zeppenfeld@dep.state.nj.us
Mail Code: 401-03D
Division of Water Quality
Municipal Finance and Construction Element
Construction Management Section
401 East State Street, 3rd Floor – West Wing
PO Box 420
Trenton NJ 08625-0420

Re: North Fifth Street Water Main Project, Saddle Brook Township

Dear Mr. Zeppenfeld:

Please be advised that the undersigned attorneys represent the interests of the Township of Saddle Brook with regard to the above matter. Please know that the bid was awarded to John Garcia the second to lowest bidder, and not to Reivax, which was the low bidder, however, was disqualified due to the fact that there was no licensed plumber indicated as part of the bid response package. The said defect was fatal to the bid so the Township awarded the bid to the next qualified lowest responsible bidder.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this correspondence, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your courtesy and consideration in this regard.

20. Anthony Suarez, Township Attorney **Re: Municipal Court Appointments**

To: Mayor White **Date: February 26, 2015**

Please allow this correspondence to serve as notice that as Township Attorney, I am making the following appointments in accordance with law:

- a. Prosecutor, Township of Saddle Brook Municipal Court, Rose Tubito, Esq.
- b. Public Defender, Township of Saddle Brook Municipal Court, Gloria Oh, Esq.

Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to this correspondence, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your courtesy and consideration in this regard.

21. Det. Sgt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD **Re: Vivint Solar Peddling and Soliciting Permit**

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: March 10, 2015**

Cade Thueson
204 Crown Point Road, Parsippany, NJ 07054

The above individual filed an application for a Peddler and Soliciting Permit in accordance with Township Ordinance 149. The company involved is Vivint Solar. Vivint Solar will be doing door to door solicitations in reference to solar energy panel construction.

The Detective bureau conducted a background check on the individual and the company. No criminal history was found for the applicant.

A check of the company with the Better Business Bureau did not reveal any complaints on file.

An in-house records check was conducted of the company and the individual with no records being located.

Based upon the above information I recommend the application be approved at this time. Please advise me should the application be approved and I will have the appropriate identification cards be made and issued to the applicant.

*** RAFFLES/APPLICATIONS**

Raffles

1. RA# 1216 – American Legion Post, Pull-Tab
2. RA# 1217 - St. Philip the Apostle Holy Name Society – Calendar Raffle

Public Place

The application for The Golden Pub is not part of the consent agenda:

3. The Golden Pub – 335 Market Street – RENEWAL

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Camilleri

Councilman Cimiluca explained he would abstain as he had represented the principle in this corporation in the past.

Councilman Cimiluca – abstain
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

4. Focaccia Pizza & Grill – 550 North Midland Avenue – RENEWAL
5. Mr. Bruno's Pizzeria – 472 Market Street – RENEWAL
6. Midland Bagels & Grill – 160 N. Midland Avenue – RENEWAL
7. Moe's Southwest Grill – 165 Route 46 West – NEW
8. Que Pasta – 326 Market Street - RENEWAL

Used Cars

9. Don's Amoco Service – 126 Route 46 – RENEWAL

Gas Station

10. A&R Walmach, Inc / Keely's – 390 Floral Lane – RENEWAL

Auto Repair

11. Roger Le Page Auto Service – 341 Tenth Street – RENEWAL
12. Don's Auto Service – 126 Route 46 – RENEWAL

Vending Machine

13. Belco Sales Co. - @ Chem-Aid/Mayhill – RENEWAL

Livery

14. Zenon Limousine – 140 Mayhill St. Apt. 112 – RENEWAL
15. King Limousine – 599 Maple Avenue – RENEWAL
16. Ground Jet Executive Transportation – 472 Market Street – RENEWAL
17. Park Avenue Limousine Service – 250 Pehle – RENEWAL
18. Quezada Transportation, LLC – 250 Pehle – RENEWAL
19. Leisured Limo, Inc. – 250 Pehle – RENEWAL
20. Modern Limousine Service – 250 Pehle - NEW

Mobile Food Vendor

21. J. Bernini Catering - @ 45 Mayhill - RENEWAL
22. Rick's Cookies Catering – @ Chem Aid and Bungalow 5, Mayhill – RENEWAL

Ice Cream Vendor

23. The Ice Cream Truck, LLC – 190 Bennington Court, Clifton – RENEWAL

One Day Business

24. Auction Liquidation Services @ Zodiac Brothers 178 Midland Avenue – March 14, 2015

Massage/Physical Culture Studio

25. Evergreen Health and Body – 370 A Market Street – Corporate - NEW

*** REPORTS**

1. Municipal Court Monthly Report – January 2015
2. Sanitarian Monthly Report – January 2015
3. Fire Prevention Monthly Report – January 2015
4. License Water Operator Monthly Report – January 2015
5. Hotel Room Occupancy Tax Report – February 2015
6. Engineer's Monthly Report – February 2015
7. Senior Citizen Center Monthly Report – February 2015

Council President Mazzer asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public on agenda items only. She commented that she would not tolerate any name calling or badgering, and she would shut the meeting in a heartbeat.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilman Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Camilleri – yes

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer - yes

Chief Robert Kugler thanked the Council for passing the ordinance tonight. He said it's was a very important ordinance for the police department. It dates back six years we wanted this. This addition took six years. So we've been kicking the can down the road for a long time. It's the best practices today, and it's the best conditions. Conditions maybe weren't good some years back. There was distrust and undermining and a lot of things that we now forget moving forward. All things are good right now; everything is positive. This move will be positive. It will put more police officers on the street. It will increase morale in the police department. We will have more officers working allowing others to take off. For years, for years we had a lot of people take off, when they take vacation we're down to a skeleton crew. This shift, this 12-hour initiative is going to increase the manpower and put more police officers on the road, not sitting in headquarters with the chief or doing things that are not safe for the community. I want to thank you for that. It's a trial period. The Mayor and now the police department will get together and draw up an MOU for us to agree to. It will be a one-year trial period. If it doesn't work, we tweak it. If we don't want it, we abandon it. Thank you very much for allowing us the opportunity to do it. I can tell you, it's going to be a great thing for the police department and more importantly for the benefit of the community.

Chief Kugler said he wanted to comment on the LEAD program because he felt there was a lot of confusion in law enforcement and a lot of confusion among the general public. He explained the LEAD program is basically the new DARE program. The DARE program basically had a curriculum issue, and New Jersey took offense to it, took it to task, and we created our own program, Law Enforcement Against Drugs. It's a tested program. So when you hear the word LEAD, just take a stand. That's the problem. It's a brand name. When you hear that word DARE, for the most part, everybody knows what that is. It's a drug education and prevention program that the police department and the schools have a partnership in. He said he would be remiss if he didn't thank the real officers that do the program: Lt. William Haverson, Officer Jeffrey Panagia, Officer Doug Haberman and Officer Chris Stanton. They're the ones that go into the classrooms, touch base with the children and do what's right to hopefully educate them and prevent them from getting involved with drugs and dangerous behaviors. He mentioned Captain Toepert, the original officer that brought the program to the community. Officer Schroeder and Officer Lenny Azzarone who was not a DARE officer but was very instrumental in creating videos and favorable things for that program. Chief Kugler thanked all the officers who get the accolades for that program. He then congratulated the women who got the awards in history tonight.

Councilman Cimiluca wished Chief Kugler best wishes on a speedy recovery and said he looked a lot better than the last time he saw him.

Mr. Larry Ratajczak said I just want to clarify one thing about the plans that I said he gave out that night. When I seen the expressions on your faces, it was like the first time you'd seen it. It if wasn't, that's my mistake. As far as me and Mr. Costa, we go back a couple of years, and a year ago, two years ago with the Mayhill project, Mr. Costa sat there where Mr. Suarez is sitting, and he lied to this town. He lied and said that Mayhill was certified and ready –

Council President Mazzer interrupted Mr. Ratajczak and asked him to keep it to the agenda.

Mr. Ratajczak said he had to clear up. He said, I don't have a problem working with him. Like I said today, he hasn't shown up. He's called me on two occasions and said if we're going to spar every week, I thought Mr. Costa was a professional and I would run that Zoning Board as a professional. Whatever happens at the Zoning Board is business. If he doesn't like me or if I don't like him, like I said, I'm to the point in my life where I don't care who talks to me or who don't talk to me. If we have to conduct business here, we conduct it, as professionals. I think Mr. Costa has a problem and by not showing up that tells me that there is a problem. That is the reason why I wouldn't put myself in a business or relationship with somebody I

can't trust. He did lie to the Township that that road was not complete, and Mr. Lo Dico was part of that deal also and –

Council President Mazzer again interrupted Mr. Ratajczak and cautioned him that he was going off topic.

Mr. Lo Dico said he was not part of any deal. He said let's just cut that out once and for all.

Council President Mazzer asked for a motion to close the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilman Camilleri

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer – yes

Council President Mazzer once again congratulated the honorees this evening and wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council President Mazzer asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Camilleri – yes
Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Council President Mazzer – yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Lo Dico, RMC CMC
Township Clerk

Approved: April 2, 2015

Florence Mazzer
Council President