

The minutes of the regular Public Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook held on October 4, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building, 93 Market Street, Saddle Brook, NJ.

Council President Mazzer called the meeting to order.

The Township Clerk called the roll:

Councilman Cimiluca – present
Councilwoman D’Arminio - present
Councilman Gierak – present
Councilman Accomando – present
Council President Mazzer – present

Mayor White – present
Mr. Suarez, Twp. Attorney – present
Mr. Arango, Twp. Engineer – present

Council President Mazzer asked everyone to please rise for the salute to the flag and remain standing for a moment of silence in memory of School Crossing Guard Roberta Cobb.

Council President Mazzer announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been sent to all Council members 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 asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

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

Mr. Tom Hayes of Floral Lane announced his charity fund raising organization, Drums from Heaven, would be starting their 14th year on October 26th. He said they raise money through their events for a lot of good causes. This time around the Saddle Brook VFW is going to be one of the beneficiaries. They’ve been hurting, as a lot of people know, and it’s a dual event. We will also be helping Lennon’s House which is a house that a friend of mine is making for people with disabilities. They want to have people come there and live there eventually, and then take them out into the community. So we have two good causes. The VFW has been there for a lot of people in our town. As you know, they helped many people with different causes, and they’re hurting right now, so it’s about time to give back to them. They’re trying to rebuild the hall. They don’t have a lot of membership, so it’s important that Saddle Brook gets behind this effort. What we do at Drums from Heaven, we bring together a lot of people that like to play percussion instruments and we have performances. We have a zydeco band going to come that night and play some Cajun music. We have a belly dance performance and the drummers. We’re going to have food there. The thing starts at 6:30, goes to 11:30 on October 26th and I’d like to see some people from Saddle Brook come out and help the Vets. It would mean a lot. Lou Verile, as you know, is the commander over there. He has helped a lot of people in different ways. I’ve known Lou for over thirty years. We’ve worked together with Little League and Challenger, so it feels good for me to

be able to give back to a friend and help others. So if you can come out, again it's October 26th at 6:30 to 11:30 at the VFW Hall. I'm going to put some flyers out there if anybody wants to take these on the way out. I thought there'd be more people here, but at least this will get on the TV. Thank you for having me, I appreciate it, and hopefully I will see you guys on October 26th. It will be the best Halloween Party you ever came to. By the way, costumes are optional, but there will be prizes.

Council President Mazzer thanked Mr. Hayes.

Mr. Christopher Winnie of 48 Leswing Avenue said a couple of months ago he came in asking about speed bumps on Leswing Avenue and Liberty to control the speeding that goes up and down the streets. He said I know we put a stop sign at the end of Leswing, and there's always been that one stop sign on Liberty. The problem is, from that stop sign to the school and from the school leaving the school going towards Pehle Avenue and Leswing Avenue, those cars are constantly flying up and down the block. So last I recall, they were going to do some type of a traffic study. This was about three maybe four months ago, and I'm just curious if anything has been done or anything has been scheduled to be done with regards to those speed bumps.

Mayor White said Leswing Avenue is going to be paved next year. As far as I know, the police department was looking into it. I don't know if we got any results from the study yet, but I will ask them what's going on there. When we pave it, that's the time to consider doing it, and that's going to be done next year, a community development project.

Mr. Winnie said those will be those portable speed bumps you were talking about that could come out to plow? Mayor White said that's the other thing, we don't know. We have to discuss it. We've had other areas of town where people have requested it, and I honestly don't know how the Council feels about that whole issue in general because there's problems with it. Like you said, if you make them permanent, the plows hit them. They're expensive, but the temporary ones are an option as well, like you're saying.

Mr. Winnie said, obviously I live on Leswing, so I see it, unfortunately, every day. When I walk the dog, it's like dodging traffic and praying to God somebody doesn't come whipping around the corner. And cars parked in front of my house, when they're making that turn, people are hitting those turns at full speed, and a lot of people – and I've followed cars right into Arrow Stapler because it's like there are caravans filled with ten or eleven people in a car, they're doing 45-50 miles an hour up and down my street, and I'm screaming chasing after them, so at least if we threw a speed bump in there, maybe they'd bottom out or something.

Mayor White said the temporary ones are loud, that's the only problem with them. Mr. Winnie said I'm good with that. I live right there, and I don't mind the loud as long as it's safe. Mayor White said some of the other neighbors might not want that. Mr. Winnie thanked the Mayor for looking into the issue.

Mr. Thomas Van Winkle of 128 Lincoln Avenue spoke about the Mayor's Youth Group. He said they had met in September to talk about the October activities, especially Halloween. The Mayor's Youth Group will be helping out with the UNICO Street Fair on Market Street this Sunday from 10 AM to 5 PM. The Youth Group will be there to help out and also enjoy all the festivities. Also we will be helping out with the Senior Halloween Party on October 23rd from 6 to 9 PM. The Youth Group will help out serving seniors food and drinks. That will be at the VFW, and on Thursday the 25th of October the Mayor's Youth group will be judging the decorations from the Halloween Decorating Contest which has just started this week. We will meet at the Senior Center at 6 PM, and we will get on the senior bus at 6:30 and go to all the houses that registered and for those that do want to register for the decorating contest please call Town Hall at 201-587-2903 to speak with Christine Genuario.

Mr. Van Winkle said also we're going to be helping out with the Trunk or Treat festivities at the high school on October 27th from 12:00 to 2:00 in the parking lot.

We will be there helping out, and I guess some time in October we will have another meeting to talk about all the activities for the upcoming holidays in November and December.

Mr. Van Winkle concluded by saying if anybody wants to join the Youth Group it's open to all students in 4th through 12th grade, so we hope to see many new members come out to the Mayor's Youth Group. We have many activities coming up.

Mr. David Lichtenstein of 87 Colonial Avenue, Larchmont, New York said he was the manager of Block 1008, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4. Three and 4 is our major water problem that I spoke to the Planning Board two days ago, and I just want to reiterate some things I thought of afterwards and just make my plea to have some relief.

Mr. Lichtenstein said we had four major problems. One was remedied by the county, cleaning the culvert below the highway on the south side of Kenny Place; one was remedied by Pete hiring Passaic Valley water to clean out the egress on the east side of our property near Hampshire's land, and the other one by just generally picking up sticks in front of the outlets and other debris and that's done by my tenant who is a pain in the neck but a nice guy, and some parts of the DPW. Where I am now, I'm really new at this, and I do not believe that I have to prove that I have water problems on Lots 3 and 4. I also do not believe I have to prove that the water is not of our making. If I knew a solution, I would tackle how to implement it, but I'm at a loss to know what the answer is. I'll be directing some things to Richard, the Engineer. Is dredging definitely a no? Can our bank be built up two or three feet, just to stop the water and those bad conditions? Perhaps dry wells, about ten-thousand a piece, maybe they can be distributed 20 or 30, not necessarily on our property but across the area. I know this is going to be uncomfortable and maybe something that people have broached before. The straw that broke the camel's back for us would be the renovations to the baseball field, and my question is, is there a liability or errors of omission in insurance against the contractor, the architect, or the engineer because a lot of times, we can get a business decision cheaper than we can get a legal decision. I'm guessing 25 cents on the dollar I can put towards an avenue for a result and get some relief, so anything that can be thought about from an engineering point of view, then we'll know what a solution may be then figure if I can find funding for it.

Mr. Larry Ratajczak of 92 Claremont Avenue said Karen, you should be able to answer him very easily with all your flood committee reports and everything. We knew 12 years ago when we built Veterans' Field that we were just moving the water, that's all we did. We put grass in there; grass didn't take, so we were forced to turf it. Karen, last month you made a statement that didn't sit good with me saying that you don't see me volunteering for anything. I don't know what rock you've been living under the past twelve years, but I've been on the Zoning Board and the Planning Board. There is no salaries there. I also made phone calls at Mazzone's plumbing when they had the clubhouse upstairs to get you elected, Todd elected, Bobby White elected, Lagana and the rest of them, so I don't know where you've been hanging out, but know what you're talking about before you make accusations and say people don't volunteer.

Mr. Ratajczak said the other thing, Flo, this one is for you when you said last month that you knew everything that was going on and were on top of everything and the projects. Let me ask you – where is Urma Place in Saddle Brook?

Council President Mazzer said Urma Place is off of Fifth Street. Mr. Ratajczak said what is going on on Urma Place right now? What's going on there? [Mr. Ratajczak then distributed photos to the Council.]

Council President Mazzer said I'm not sure.

Mr. Ratajczak said you don't know what's going on?

Council President Mazzer said no, and I did not make the comment I know everything that's going on in the Township. Mr. Ratajczak said you said you know everything that's going on. Council President Mazzer said no, no no.

Mr. Ratajczak said I'm not going to argue with you because I have very limited time. We are storing the three trailers or the three boxes – what you call for the senior housing – on a contaminated site.

Councilman Accomando asked if Mr. Ratajczak had any more of the photos, and Mr. Ratajczak said one for each two people. Funding is tight right now. There is a sign right there – Environmental Investigation under way, and what do we do? We drive right by that sign and park three trailers for the senior housing. They're parked there. The other thing is, there's houses on that block. We complain about Carrucci's. Mr. Cimiluca, you made a few comments. Carucci's looks like the Taj Mahal compared to what this Amloid building looks like. And he has to see it, and the town officials have to see it when they drove back there. These people are paying taxes. There's a house under renovation, the last house on this lot here, so the building inspector had to be there who happens to be the property maintenance guy. Is he blind, or is he just told not to look? Look at that building because I don't think any of you have been down that street. Look at that building, look at the trailers, look at the sign. And this is what we want to do? We're taking \$80,000 worth of dirt from the front of that building; this is the back, which is hidden. It's not hidden from anything because it's a street. So if it's contaminated in the front this is where the operation is going on. What do you think's in the back here under this building? The owner of this property will not let it be checked because we went through this on the Zoning Board ten years ago. He wants everybody off that property; he won't let the property on 520 Victor be checked, there's contamination there. Believe me, believe me, believe me.

Council President Mazzer said Mr. Ratajczak's time was up.

Mr. Ratajczak said okay, but these are the decisions that we make. They are very, very bad and costly.

Council President Mazzer repeated that Mr. Ratajczak's time was up.

Mr. Ratajczak said the other thing is our police chief is running for sheriff. Is the Council supporting him? He's a Saddle Brook person his whole life, chief of police and he supported five of the six of you up there his entire life. I think that the town should behind him and support him, and don't worry about what comes out of Hackensack and what doesn't come out of Hackensack.

Council President Mazzer thanked Mr. Ratajczak for the endorsement.

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

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilman Cimiluca - yes

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes

Councilman Gierak - yes

Councilman Accomando - yes

Council President Mazzer – yes

Comments

Mayor White read a proclamation in observance of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. He said most of us are wearing pink in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Councilman Cimiluca said 1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer, it's the most common cancer among women – 40% of all cancers affecting women are breast cancer. It's the second leading cause of death among women, and 250,000

women per year are diagnosed with breast cancer. Twenty-five hundred men will be diagnosed per year, so it's a killer, obviously, much much more for women than men. Under the proclamation, everyone is urged to do the proper testing.

Councilman Cimiluca said this month October is Italian Heritage month – Italian American Heritage Month. We have UNICO, which is an Italian American organization, the largest in the United States. The local chapter will be hosting a street fair on this Sunday from 10:00 to 4:00 on Market Street, from Westminster to Mayhill. It's always a very good time, very good turnout. I'm not going to jinx us by talking about the weather. It's also Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15th - we're coming to the end of it. So for all our Hispanic residents and friends, we wish them well and enjoy a month of cultural acclaim.

Councilman Cimiluca said the gentleman had referred to the meeting Tuesday as the Planning Board, it actually was the same council meeting, but that's called a work session, and it wasn't the Planning Board. So it's the same group of people you spoke to on Tuesday. Certainly, we will look into those concerns, and the engineer will certainly try and look into it and see what the cause, where it is. I know that the field might have been done twelve years ago, no reason not believe that's an accurate estimate of when that field was done, however, with the turfing, we also have extensive drainage system underneath, so it should, in theory, flood less because there is a massive series of underground containers in order to get the water to drain. It drains into these underground containers, and before it flows out, it can sit there so it can hold hundreds of thousands of gallons of water. So we certainly will check that out.

Councilman Cimiluca said in terms of those containers, I've never seen them there. My understanding is that those containers – there has been an agreement to allow them by the owner of the old Bennigan's property to have those containers or boxes for the senior place to be stored there temporarily. There's a crane on the property. They will be installing them shortly.

Councilwoman D'Arminio said I saw John Biale the other night, who is doing the senior housing, and he has said that the boxes will be put together on site within the next couple of weeks. Vetting will not start until December. So I just want to bring everybody up to date on that. It will be six months before it's finished. All those boxes will be put together in a very short period of time. By the time they put it inside and the common area and the elevators, he said about six months. I just want you to all know that as soon as we know when the vetting will begin we will let everybody in town know. Other than that, and I do believe that those boxes are at Bennigan's, isn't that correct?

Mr. Lo Dico said originally, there was an agreement between the county and the owner of the property to put them at Amlold. The owner of the property directed them to the back, and since then we've gotten Bennigan's, so there are two trailers.

Councilman Gierek mentioned the Saddle Brook UNICO Street Fair is a great event, and it allows our community to get together for an excellent cause. I hope to see all our residents there on Sunday, October 7th. In addition on October 27th is the Trunk or Treat and also the Halloween Decorating Contest on October 25th. I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Halloween as well. In addition, the Saddle Brook Educational Foundation will be holding a Tricky Tray in January at the Marriott. At the next meeting I will have all the details for that.

Councilman Accomando commented that on October 6th at 9:00 AM they're going to have a ceremony on Welcome Road for Columbus Day. I would like to see people show up for that as well just for support for the people of UNICO who do a lot for the Township, and Mr. Hayes mentioned the VFW. I just want to say a thank you to – he was my boss but now he's my friend and I worked with him for ten years, I've known him for about 25 now. He got for the VFW – Steven Vincent Martin – he owns a carpet company, and he donated three installers for two days on his dime plus vinyl luxury tile plus the glues and all the extras for the VFW as a donation for everything that they do, so I wanted to thank him personally and let everybody know that he doesn't even live in the state, but his love for our armed forces and what they have done for us shows through his donation. So I want to

thank him on behalf of the Township and the VFW, and we will be there tomorrow to hopefully finish up some of the stuff for the VFW.

Regarding senior housing Councilman Accomando said I've been asked about the foundation, how is it so small, but I just found out that the foundation that is there is only for the part that's going to have a basement underneath it. The building is actually going to extend I believe they said another 50 to 60 feet past that towards the street. So it's not the size of the building that's going to house 30 apartments, it's just the foundation for the basement. I wish everyone a Happy Halloween. Please, if you can, volunteer for the Trunk or Treat; we need volunteers. If you can, you can notify Pete, Christine, myself, Karen or my wife Shannon.

Mayor White said the water main on President Street is underway, and is in fact almost finished. At this point the residential services from the main to the houses are being done and should be done early next week, paving to follow soon thereafter, we hope. Also, paving of Claremont, Legregni, Erie, Hayes and Nedellec will be done this fall. The engineer is already in the process of identifying streets for next year's paving program. A Community Development Block grant we submitted for future projects, including the VFW service organization, building improvements, paving North and South Leswing Avenue and the generator at the senior center. We received a notice today that we have been approved to proceed. We received \$120,000 from Community Development Block Grant for paving Leswing Avenue in 2019. We have a resolution on tonight to use services of EP&G, It's an independent electric provider to purchase electric at a discounted rate at a savings of about 13-15% annually. We do this with natural gas through Bergen County Shared Services Consortium. We are predicted to save \$9600 this year, and we're scheduled to renew that contract next month so there more than likely will be a resolution for that next month.

Regarding Tricentennial Park, the Mayor said PSE&G has installed electric there. We can now move forward with a sprinkler system. A flagpole has been ordered, we're ready to install a fence and playground equipment. We're utilizing funds received from Bergen County Open Space, and we'd like to have a grand opening some time before the end of the year, and we keep pushing that back. I'm hoping we can do something before the end of the year.

Mayor White said the NJDOT grant application for 2019 will be applying for Phase II of Caldwell Avenue and Phase II of Fairlawn Parkway. Regarding 55 Mayhill Street, the old Home Depot building – we are still negotiating, and ideally we're looking to do an outright purchase with the property owner, building or reconstructing to suit our needs. The owner has developed conceptual plans and has a tentative design. Once we come up with an agreement, the Council and I would like to have a special meeting to do a presentation to the public. Senior housing building, Councilwoman D'Arminio gave a good update on that, was making significant progress. It was mentioned, I'll mention it again, October is Italian Heritage and National Hispanic Heritage Month, and we'd like to recognize the many achievements and contributions and successes of the Italians and Hispanics.

Mayor White said October 7th to the 13th is Fire Prevention Week. I'd like to personally thank all our volunteer fire fighters that do an outstanding job in town and express to all the residents to be generous, they do their annual calendar drive later on in the month, so please give as you can.

The Mayor announced leaf bags are now available during normal business at Town Hall. Town Hall will be open Tuesday, October 16th until 9:00 PM for the last day of voter registration, and we will also be handing out leaf bags that evening as well. Town Hall will also be open on Sunday November 4th from 11 AM to 2 PM for leaf bags.

The Mayor said photos taken by Saddle Brook High School photography students will be on display here in the Council Chambers. Teacher Kay Pritchard contacted my office, and she will be coming in tomorrow to hang the photos. I thank her, the students, the school administration and the Board of Education for sharing their artwork.

Mayor White said Town Hall and DPW will be closed this coming Monday, October 8th in observance of Columbus Day – normal Monday grass and yard waste pick up will be picked up on Friday October 12th for those that get picked up in the north end on Monday. The UNICO Street Fair was mentioned, this Sunday October 7th from 10:00 to 5:00, Senior Halloween Party, that was mentioned – that’s Tuesday October 23rd at the VFW, 6:00 to 9:00, Trunk or Treat, again Saturday, October 27th – Saddle Brook High School municipal parking lot 12 noon to 2:00.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Van Winkle for mentioning the Halloween Decorating Contest, and said registration began this Monday and ends on Tuesday, October 23rd. I’d like to congratulate Thom Dutch – former Garfield mayor and State Assemblyman and current City Manager in Garfield for being named the Grand Marshall this year for the 81st annual Pulaski Day parade. Tom will be leading the parade down 5th Avenue in New York City this Sunday, October 7th, so congratulations, Tom. That’s a great honor.

The Mayor concluded by wishing everyone a happy and safe Halloween.

ORDINANCES

NONE

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 11 {CR# 1018-209} was not part of the consent agenda.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D’Arminio

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

***MINUTES**

1. September 6, 2018 – Regular Public Meeting

*** RESOLUTIONS**

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

CR# 1018-199

WHEREAS, upon being notified on June 1, 2017 that a property owner on a parcel of property referred to as 77 Graham Terrace, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663, also known as Block 1513, Lot 42, assessed in the name of Albert and Marjorie Pelligrini is classified as 100% permanent disabled Veteran as of April 6, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a refund is due to the property owner for the 2015 Homestead Rebate which was credited on the November 2018 tax quarter,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a refund be issued to Mrs. Marjorie Pelligrini, 77 Graham Terrace, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663 in the amount of \$240.51.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-200

WHEREAS, upon being notified on June 1, 2017 that a property owner on a parcel of property referred to as 106 Platt Avenue, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663, also known as Block 604, Lot 1, assessed in the name of Anthony J. and Migdalia Rios is classified as 100% permanent disabled Veteran as of September 12, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a refund is due to the property owner for the 2015 Homestead Rebate which was credited on the November 2018 tax quarter,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a refund be issued to Anthony J. & Migdalia Rios, 106 Platt Avenue, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663 in the amount of \$156.62.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-201

WHEREAS, upon being notified on November 1, 2017 that a property owner on a parcel of property referred to as 278 Nedellec Drive, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663, also known as Block 1408, Lot 8, assessed in the name of Ron and Ruby Pozzi is classified as 100% permanent disabled Veteran as of September 3, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a refund is due to the property owner for the 2015 Homestead Rebate which was credited on the November 2018 tax quarter,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a refund be issued to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Pozzi, 278 Nedellec Drive, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663 in the amount of \$219.31.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-202

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook is a member of the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) cooperative purchasing program; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook has interest in purchasing a Bauer Unicus III SCBA Cylinder Recharging Station; and

WHEREAS, the HGAC has a contract EEO8-1519 for the purchase of the Bauer Unicus III SCBA Cylinder Recharging Station; and

WHEREAS, a Certificate of Availability Funds has been filed by the Chief Financial Officer stating that funds are available in account # 04-2156-55-9916-901, of the Capital Budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, that the purchase and delivery of one new Bauer Unicus III SCBA Cylinder Recharging Station, be awarded to Air & Gas Technologies, 42 Industrial Drive, Cliffwood Beach, New Jersey, 07735, through the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) cooperative purchasing program, Contract # EE08-1519 in the amount of \$ 50,693.00.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

AFFIDAVIT

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52: 27BB – 10 and 40A: 4-57. I do hereby certify that funds are available and that the attached resolution can be adopted.

Air & Gas Technologies

PURPOSE: _____

04-2156-55-9916-901

ACCOUNT _____

Capital

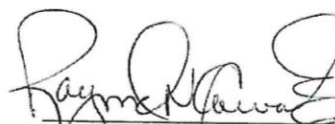
FUND _____

\$ 50,693.00

AMOUNT _____

87419

PURCHASE ORDER NO. _____


Raymond N. Carnevale
Chief Financial Officer

DATE 9/25/18

CHECKED BY (Signature)

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-203

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has formally directed all municipalities to adopt a Corrective Action Plan as part of their annual audit process; and

WHEREAS, this Corrective Action Plan shall be submitted to the Director of Local Government Services upon adoption by the Township Council and it shall be kept on file with the Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Plan shall cover all audit findings and recommendations and be prepared in accordance with the Single Audit Act OMB Circular 12A and Local Finance Notice 92-15; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township hereby approves the attached Corrective Action Plan for the 2017 Annual Audit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby directed to maintain said Plan in Township files, available to the public; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution, including the Corrective Action Plan, be forwarded to the Director of Local Government Services.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-204

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 2018-2019 and the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control be so notified.

PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION

0257-33-009-010 \$1400.00	North Star Saddle Brook Management, LLC, 341-A South Black Horse Pike, Bellmawr, NJ 08031 (Garden Plaza -129 Pehle Avenue)
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Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-205

WHEREAS, Marini Bros. was awarded a contract in the amount of \$206,966.96 for FY' 2016 / 2017 CDBG Storm Drainage Repair and Maintenance Program Phase 2; and

WHEREAS, Richard G. Arango, Twp. Engineer, during the course of the work being performed by Marini Bros recommended Change Order #1 (Final); — \$11,028.44 for as-built quantities; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby approves Change Order #1 (Final) for Marini Bros for a total amount of —\$11,028.44, a total contract amount of \$195,938.52 providing funds are available.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-206

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	D&E UNIFORMS	CROSSING GUARD UNIFORMS	\$3,480.95
WATER	FRANK SEMERARO CONST	EMER. WATER BREAK	\$6,075.00
DPW	KRAFT POWER	GENERATOR REPAIR/RENTAL	\$12,505.11
ORD	TREE TOP PRODUCTS	TABLES/BENCHES VETERANS FIELD	\$6,320.83

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-207

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 \$442.75 PROVIDING FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AND ALL BILLS SUBMITTED COMPLY WITH N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 ET. SEQ AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE STATUTES.

THESE ARE THE BILLS PAID THROUGH OFF LINE CHECKS

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-208

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 **\$4,386,495.86** 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: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

The following resolution CR# 1018-209 is not part of the consent agenda.

Councilwoman D'Arminio stepped down from the dais at this time.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-209

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
87641	MAZZONE PLUMBING & HEATING	\$120.00

Motion: Councilman Gierak

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

Councilwoman D'Arminio returned to the dais at this time.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1018-210

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Saddle Brook directed the Township Clerk to conduct research to determine whether the Township could purchase electricity at a discounted fee below PSE&G standard rates; and

WHEREAS, after conducting his due diligence, the Township Clerk has determined it would be in the Township's best financial interest to retain the services of EP&G as an independent electricity provider.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook does hereby direct the Township Clerk with the assistance of the Chief Financial Officer and Township Attorney to negotiate and enter into an Agreement with EP&G Strategy Company for the purchase of discounted electricity, with Contract Terms not exceeding Statutory Term Limits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified true copy of this resolution be tendered to Peter Lo Dico, Township Clerk/Administrator; Ray Carnevale, Chief Financial Officer; EP&G Company; and Anthony Suarez, Township Attorney.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

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

*** CORRESPONDENCE**

1. **Maria L. Moron, State Board of Public Utilities** **Re: Suez Water New Jersey, Inc.**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk **Date: September 21, 2018**

Re: Suez Water New Jersey, Inc.
 Docket No. WR18050593
 W # 43-18

Dear Mr. Lo Dico:

Thank you for forwarding the Resolution of the Township of Saddle Brook opposing the rate increase that is being sought by SUEZ Water New Jersey, Inc. (SUEZ). The Resolution has become a part of the official case file for this matter.

The NJ Board of Public Utilities (Board) has two main concerns when reviewing a rate case: 1) to ensure that ratepayers receive safe, adequate and reliable service at the most reasonable rates; and 2) that the utility be given the opportunity to earn a fair rate of return on its investment. These two concerns are in fact mandated by statute. Please be assured that the Board pledges to continue to be thoughtful and compassionate when examining any petition for a rate increase especially during these difficult economic times.

Prior to any rate decision being made by the Board, four public hearings were presided over by an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) from the Office of Administrative Law and were held in SUEZ's service territory. The public was encouraged to attend the public hearing(s) to voice any concerns that they may have. These comments become part of the record in this proceeding and are reviewed again before a decision is rendered. The public hearings for SUEZ' request were held on September 5th at 1:00 pm at the Berkeley Township Municipal Building, and at 5:30 pm at the Lambertville Municipal Building, and on September 6th at 1:00 pm at the Littell Community Center in Franklin, and at 5:30 pm at the Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders Meeting Room in Hackensack. The date, time and location of the public hearings were published

in several newspapers -- including The Record and the Herald News at least twenty days before the date of the hearing.

A thorough review of SUEZ's filing is currently underway. This review is being conducted by the Staff of the Board's Division of Water and by representatives of the Division of Rate Counsel. Extensive discovery is being exchanged and evidentiary hearings where direct and cross-examination of witnesses will be scheduled by the ALJ. Board Staff, the Division of Rate Counsel and any interveners who become involved in this case will be ensuring that the rates being charged are the most reasonable in order for the Company to continue to provide safe, adequate and reliable utility service.

I trust that this information addresses your concerns.

2. Paul D. Cray, Remington, Vernick, Twp. Engineer Re: Williams Street Roadway Improvements Payment Certification No. 1

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: August 30, 2018

Enclosed please find Payment Request No. 1 from 4 Clean Up Inc. for work performed on the above referenced project. Remington & Vernick Engineers has reviewed the certificate with the contractor and agree with the partial payment noted.

Therefore, we recommend the following that payment be made to 4 Clean Up Inc. in the amount of **\$94,290.76** for Certificate No. 1.

Should you should have any questions, please feel free to call our offices at (201) 624-2137.

* RAFFLES/APPLICATIONS

NONE

* REPORTS

1. Municipal Court Monthly Report – August 2018
2. Bergen County Sanitarian Report – August 2018
3. Bergen County Animal Control – May 2018
4. Bergen County Animal Control – July 2018
5. Grant Writer report – August 2018
6. Hotel Room Tax Revenue Report – September 2018
7. Senior Center Monthly Report – August 2018
8. Construction Code Official Monthly Report – August 2018
9. Property Maintenance Official Monthly Report – August 2018
10. Fire Prevention Monthly report – August 2018
11. Tax Collector's Report – August 2018
12. Water Billing Report – August 2018
13. Engineer's Monthly Report – September 2018
14. Budget Status Report – September 2018

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Cimiluca said I don't know if the Mayor spoke about it, but we have negotiated with a company to purchase our electric from. We estimate it to be about 13% less than our current costs, so that's obviously a savings to the community. We pay a quarter million dollars just for the street lights.

Mr. Lo Dico said that's not part of it. It's buildings. Councilman Cimiluca said we estimated it's a good \$40,000 to \$40,000 savings. So it's something.

Council President Mazzer asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public on agenda items only.

Motion: Councilman Gierek

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilman Cimiluca - yes

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes

Councilman Gierek - yes

Councilman Accomando - yes

Council President Mazzer – yes

Mr. Ratajczak said on Tuesday you had a thing for a new heating and air conditioning for the police station – I don't see anything on here.

Mr. Lo Dico said we had a proposal from the engineer for wrapping the pipes. We're looking into the heating and air conditioning and the sweating of the pipes with the condensation, and we're going to be taking action through one of the vendors to wrap the pipes. That's the problem with the heating and air conditioning.

Mr. Ratajczak asked how many years old is that building? Mr. Lo Dico said 2006. Mr. Ratajczak said and that was not done when the building was built, and look how much money we spent in the last twelve years having the air conditioning company come. Somebody should be responsible for that. If you're putting air conditioning in, you wrap the pipes, the vents, it's only common sense. Somebody's got to be responsible for these mistakes. We can't keep eating them. We just can't keep going on. The building is brand new – that unit should last 35-40 years with nothing, and it doesn't. Like I say, Great White or whatever it is, is there every week making calls. I'd like to see how much we pay them over the past three or four years. It just doesn't make sense that we build these things. They're

supposed to last, and we wind up paying. Any idea of what a new air conditioning unit...

Mr. Lo Dico said it's not the unit. It's not the unit. We're going to get quotes, I have no idea.

Mr. Ratajczak said hire an engineer to go through that building and say look, these aren't wrapped. Now the drop ceilings are coming down now. The water – it's like being in a rainstorm. When are we going to get people that do good, quality workmanship work and stand behind it? Is that company still in business that did the air conditioning there? Call them back.

Mr. Arango said through the chair that the Township is asking them to take a look. There appears to be some sweating that's going on during very, very warm months, so I have given them a proposal from my mechanical engineer to come out, take a view, see what's going on and give the town recommendations. Nothing is broken as of yet but we will go through it and make our recommendations, that should be soon.

Mr. Ratajczak said I believe that the pipes were not wrapped.

Mr. Arango said I have no idea.

Mr. Ratajczak said I do. And I'd like to see your report. Because if they're wrapped, there's no way they're going to sweat and drip. They don't sweat. They rainstorm, they drip and take out ceilings, so it's not a sweating problem. It's a difference between sweating and it's a difference if you get caught in a rainstorm. That's what's happening here. Like I say, be honest and tell the truth.

Mr. Arango said, are you implying something?

Mr. Ratajczak said no, I'm just saying tell us what the problem is. You're saying that they need to be wrapped.

Mr. Arango said I didn't say that. Mr. Lo Dico had mentioned that.

Mr. Lo Dico said I said that.

Mr. Ratajczak said I don't think that the town should be liable for that. If it was a workmanship problem and it wasn't done correctly, call the guy back. It's not normal to build a building in 2006 and have a sweating problem, it's not normal.

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

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio Second: Councilman Gierek

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

Council President Mazzer asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Lo Dico, R.M.C. CMC
Township Clerk

Approved: November 8, 2018

Florence Mazzer
Council President