

The minutes of the Regular Public Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook held on August 6, 2020 at 7:00 PM at the Senior Center, 8 Caldwell Avenue, Saddle Brook, NJ.

Council President Cimiluca called the meeting to order.

The Township Clerk called the roll:

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

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

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

Council President Cimiluca announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been sent to all Council members by police messenger and to all legal newspapers in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 and in consideration of Executive Order No. 103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency and a Public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey.

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 Cimiluca asked for a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

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

Bill Gula, 260 Hillside Avenue thanked the Council for their correspondence and said he was wondering how we made out with the direction of the speed bumps on Hillside Avenue.

Council President Cimiluca said we have gone there with the engineer, and I made a recommendation to the Mayor on behalf of the committee for various roads. Hillside, we felt, based on its width and the fact that it's a cut-through, that it was something that met the criteria, so we intend to put a speed hump there on Hillside, and it's a location that we're going to rely more on the engineer to give us the best location for that speed hump.

Mr. Gula asked if it's a go.

Council President Cimiluca said it's a go, and we would intend to do it this year. We know that we're going to put one on Wilson; that's going to be next year because we're going to repave Wilson, and we didn't want to do it this year and come back and tear it up when we do new paving. Hillside, I think, is going to be the final speed hump for this year's road program, so it's should be a couple months.

Mr. Gula said all right. Good enough. I would refer to the engineer the possibility of - since it is a wide street and a long street, perhaps two speed humps? I don't know the logistics; that's why he's here. I don't know the logistics of it.

Council President Cimiluca said it's not that long of a street, but we talked about it. I'll just ask you while you're here. Based on the concerns, we sent out a correspondence to everyone on Hillside. Unlike Leswing, where we had a mixed bag, on Hillside it was universal that they were looking for a speed hump. So if you were going to choose one off the top of your head, is the problem speeding or the problem the volume based on cut-through? What would you say? I know probably a combination, but what would you say is from your experience?

Mr. Gula said I would actually say speeding. The volume is the volume. Last year I spoke with Peter about it, and we have a local traffic only sign. We can't expect law enforcement to be sitting on our street all day long. It's a cut-through, but speeding... I don't know what went on the other night, something was going on. I don't know if it was a road race or what on 46. You're on my end of town, I don't know if you heard it, it was kind of crazy. Speeding is the number one, and beyond that I think if we do divert the traffic there, it's a plus-plus for the town. People have to drive past our businesses, otherwise they go down Market Street, and they pass by. So, thank you very much.

Council President Cimiluca said I appreciate your input, thank you.

Mr. Maalik from 270 Hillside Avenue talked about the Hillside Avenue speed bumps and said speeding is a big problem. I have four kids at home, so it's a concern. I have a three-year old. Thank you.

Mr. Richard Garcia of 593 Hickory Avenue thanked the first responders for their work during the storm. He said I see a lot of trees have come down, and the DPW is working. He then asked for some clarification on the property assessments and said I was here last month and was told the town is broken up into pieces, I guess, quarters. Is that the way it works? Every year a quarter gets assessed?

Council President Cimiluca explained we have a town-wide assessment, a rolling assessment, so a quarter of the town every year gets reassessed. It's rolling, so the whole town gets re-evaluated as a whole every four years, so we're basically up to date, and we don't have anything falling down. Sometimes you don't have a reassessment for 10 years or 15 years. The goal is to help us with tax appeals in the future.

Mr. Garcia said the reason I bring it up is, my part of town, the tree streets area, we were assessed in 2018 for 2019. Last Friday or July 24th a gentleman was walking through the town in my neighborhood. I forget the name of the company, but he said he was there to reassess our property, so that's now in 2020. So we were assessed in 2018, and we're being assessed again now in 2020. I have the letter I got in 2018 for 2019. The other part of that is the gentleman who showed up - we weren't notified that he was coming around this time. In 2018 I knew they were coming because I got a letter. This time I was not. Whether other people were notified I can't tell you, but the people on my block were not notified.

Councilman Accomando said through the chair, they didn't notify you, but they did leave a sticky note?

Mr. Garcia said yup, I got a sticky note. And I did speak to them. My point is, if you were assessed in 2018/2019, now they're back again. [He presented a copy of the letter to Mr. Lo Dico.]

Council President Cimiluca said later on I will ask the clerk.

Mr. Garcia said the last thing I want to ask was about the municipal complex on Mayhill.

Council President Cimiluca said your time is up.

Mr. Garcia said I will be real quick. You can answer it later. I did get a copy of the budget. I was wondering if you can show me where this is located on this budget.

Mr. Emil Sudol of Van Luyn Terrace said I'm glad to see everyone is wearing protection. He said this was all over Facebook a week or so ago. During that hot spell that we had that the park, the lake – there was a tremendous fish kill. I don't know if anybody has seen pictures of it. I want to know if anybody in Saddle Brook or the County had looked into that problem. Has anybody from the town looked at it? Would that be the County Park Commission?

Council President Cimiluca said I did talk to them. I don't want to take up your time, but I planned on talking about that during the comments.

Mr. Sudol said okay, that's pretty much all I have to say.

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

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Gierek

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Gierek – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – yes

Council President Cimiluca – yes

COMMENTS

Councilwoman D'Arminio spoke about volunteers Diane Cherico and Colby Jacenack doing exercise and line dancing videos for the seniors which will appear on Channel 77/38 at 10 and 11 in the morning and will run every day. She then asked if every senior who is 90 or over this year, in any month in 2020, to please contact the senior center and give their name and address as they are planning to put something together for them as well as for the four World War II Veterans and the Korean War Veteran. The deadline for the seniors is August 25th and there will be more information coming next month.

Regarding Tri-Centennial Park, Councilwoman D'Arminio said the pad is done, and the flagpole is done. We're waiting for the gazebo to come in and they say it should be in on September 1st thereabouts so that park is coming along and again that's no cost to the taxpayers. That's money we had received, and that's all I have right now.

Councilwoman Mazzer said we had intended to have a Town-wide Garage Sale, and of course because of the pandemic we had to cancel it, but we're going to reschedule it tentatively for October 3rd and 4th which is a Saturday and Sunday. There will be more information on the Township website and Channel 77. There will be no fees, but we ask that everyone register. This way people can have a road map of whose house is actually going to be having them and be participating in the garage sale. In conclusion she commended all the first responders for their service and said it was a treacherous week with the storm.

Councilman Gierek said the flood committee met on Thursday July 30th. The members in attendance discussed cleaning and maintenance of our storm drains and catch basins. This is up to date. The posting of flood information on the Township website will include the flood plain protection guidelines, and that will be up on our website very shortly. Also, the Mayor will be requesting a meeting with the County Parks representatives to discuss ways to alleviate flood issues in the Township. Despite the virus, the committee is doing our best to address flood issues in the Township. Also, I'd just like thank our DPW and our first responders for what they did this week. They did a great job.

Councilman Accomando said the DPW did a fantastic job. He said a tree fell at the end of his block, and it was removed within 15 minutes, traffic opened, and thank God nobody got hurt. He thanked them and the rest of the first responders.

Council President Cimiluca addressed Mr. Sudol's question about the fish kill and explained that the town does not have any jurisdiction over the county park. He said apparently, we had a perfect storm which resulted in a fish kill. It was a combination of

algaecide or something to kill the algae that they put in. It's copper sulfite, which under certain circumstances can kill certain fish. It was extremely hot weather. We hadn't had rain for a while. There was a lack of oxygen in the lake, and I think at that same time we might have had a hailstorm come in. It was all bad things that led up to a lot of fish that died. They were of one variety. I don't think the carp died, there are some bass there but they were a lot of perch and small fish like that. It was a lot. He went on to explain the fish had been left on the side of the hill which should not have been done. He said they did call in the person from the county mosquito commission, and I pointed out a lot of the dead trees that are in the water. They're going to get machinery they have to pull that out. I told them we got dead trees in the water, pull them out. They agreed that it was a mess. They're going to pull them out. There're dead trees around the park. There's no reason for them to be there. They're just waiting to fall down. I don't know, they might have fallen down during the tropical storm. They're going to cut down the dead trees. They're also going to trim back the living trees so this way they're not so overgrown. I asked them, and they didn't have a problem with it, to cut it down. Just cut it down. It's a beautiful lake, and it's our lake. We asked them to cut it down and hopefully we will get some action on that. There're also some culverts that go into the brook that, as I pointed out, some of them seem to be full. So, they're going to bring in a different division to hopefully pull out some dirt and maybe jet them out so this way we have a better flow. So hopefully we will get progress, and they're also going to – they installed one fence, they're going to install another fence. There's an area under the parkway where it drops off so they're putting up a fence.

Regarding the paving program Council President Cimiluca said we finished 2019. We're rolling with 2020, and the most recent one is Mayhill. I think we did a great job, a fantastic job, and they went up to the concrete over Route 80. Anyone who travelled up Mayhill going toward the ACME would kind of bottom out as you went up the bridge. It was jarring, and actually we got complaints from the people who live in the houses near there that they hear it. Well, that got done last week. They did a great job, and I'm happy that the Board of Ed worked with us. It came out to \$18,000 to pave a little semi-circle in front of the high school, and while they were doing that they considered it an extra work order, and they agreed to pave that. It seemed kind of silly to have a brand new Mayhill and then just have an old decrepit semi-circle, so it's all brand new, it looks great, they did a great job, and we're hoping to have similar results for our 2020 program. He asked Mr. Klein to list the streets.

Mr. Klein said the 2020 roads are Dana Way, Taggart Way, Colonial Ave, Woodcrest Place and Jamros Terrace.

Council President Cimiluca said in addition to that, PSE&G is going to be paving certain streets. He asked Mr. Klein to list those streets.

Mr. Klein said right now we have Oxford they're going to repave, and then we have to finalize another street because they did some work over by Dewey, Hobson and Steinway, so we have to finalize which one out of those streets.

Council President Cimiluca said as you can see, we're working toward getting our infrastructure done. Regarding the striping on Fairlawn Parkway, we talked to our engineer, and he's been in contact with Fair Lawn. Fair Lawn is basically going to continue what we did all the way down to Dunkin Donuts/7-11 over there because what happens is as they're coming in from Fair Lawn it's a wide road, and they tend to go 40 miles an hour. We try to quell the traffic. Sometimes it doesn't get down to the 25 that it's supposed to be, however with that, we're hoping it will be a safer roadway for everyone, for Fair Lawn and for Saddle Brook.

Council President Cimiluca said our speed committee wrapped up this year's investigation. We have recommended a number of speed humps. One was based on Liberty, one was based on President Street; we had two on Franklin because that's been a problem area ever since I moved into town. Floral Lane, again the criteria is cut-through streets, streets with complaints about speeding, parks, and schools. We are going to continue this year. The last one that we anticipate will be Hillside. We will revisit some of the other streets. We've got a lot of requests for different streets. Don't think that we abandoned you. Don't think that your complaints or concerns are unfounded. It's just that we do have limited resources, so we're trying to allocate them as best we can, but we will be revisiting those streets, so if you have complaints, please continue to let

us know, and we will evaluate them. One of our members of the committee is a captain on patrol, and he gets a lot of the complaints and knows where a lot of the speeding tickets are issued.

Council President Cimiluca noted he would read a resolution on the 30th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. He then noted in terms of Mr. Garcia's question, there is nothing in the budget for this year for the municipal building. We will not start paying that until 2021. So, you will see that in next year's budget, but not this year's budget. One of his questions was about the reval. Maybe I can direct the question to Pete. The intent was to have a rolling revaluation. If they were done in 2018 it should be a four-year cycle.

Mr. Lo Dico said the only thing I'm aware of, and I believe I got the same letter Mr. Garcia got, I know they do send out the values every year so people know the value based on their rolling reassessment. I just have to check if it's town-wide, but I recognize the letter. I've also received it every year letting the people know what their value is so they have time if they want to call the company, check to make sure the information is accurate, but I will check with the assessor and get back to you.

Council President Cimiluca said we will check on that because that's the situation. It started with one town-wide, and then it's supposed to be a quarter of the town every year. I don't know if it was a special request. We'll check it out, and we will have an answer for you.

Mayor White thanked the Council and members of the police department, fire department, ambulance corps for their response to tropical storm Isaias and said it did a job on us. We got hit pretty bad; three hundred eight seven households lost power. There were twenty-eight trees down and countless large limbs; fourteen wires fell as a result, and some of them resulted in fires. The police department received fifty-eight calls for service in that 2-hour period. We currently have many people still without power. Taggart and Avon, there's barricades at these locations because wires came down as well as South Boulevard, Fifth Street by the old Amloid, Wilson Street and North Midland Avenue are barricaded at this time. We have been in constant contact with our representative from PSE&G, and they're doing the best they can. I even reached out to Senator Lagana's office because they may have a contact that's higher than we do, and we expressed concern. If you're without power for a long period of time, it's terrible and we received a lot of complaints. I just want the public to know that they're not falling on deaf ears. We're doing everything we can. I hope that helps a little bit.

Regarding COVID-19, the Mayor said he was involved in the Governor's teleconference and as of today the number of positive cases in Saddle Brook is 326, the number of deaths is 19. We had an uptick of about 19 cases in a 3-week period. He noted the total number of these cases is a cumulative number and does not reflect the hundreds of residents that have already recovered from coronavirus.

Mayor White noted our recreational facilities and programs have reopened obviously with many restrictions and requirements that include new health and education guidelines, modifications of use and schedules and additional coaches and sanitizing. The New Jersey Education commission has developed a list of rules and guidelines to re-open schools. Two weeks ago, the Governor announced that parents will have the option of having their children learn fully remotely, and on Friday July 24th he issued state rules on virtual learning. Saddle Brook school superintendent Danielle Shanley formed a school re-opening committee. The committee worked on developing a plan that provides for the safe and efficient opening of the school year in September. I commend Superintendent Shanley and the whole committee. I do believe they came up with something that's going to work.

The Mayor thanked all the healthcare workers, emergency responders and essential workers for all they've done on the front lines of this pandemic and commended all our residents for doing their part to be cautious and safe. He said remember the coronavirus is still here, it's still a risk to us, so we must continue to practice good hygiene, keeping at least six feet apart from one another and wearing face coverings both indoors and outdoors as required. The important things that were mentioned in this conference call: because of recent activity such as house parties, indoor gatherings are now 25%

capacity or 25 people, whichever is less, down from 100. This does not apply to religious services, weddings, funerals, political events such as town meetings, Planning Board, Zoning Board, Council meetings, etc. Outdoors is still 500, but you must wear a mask if you cannot p distance. Restaurants and dining, if they want to serve indoors, they must have two open walls, or else they have to use outdoor guidelines. Face coverings will be required for all students at all times in school regardless of social distancing. As we get closer to the school year, we're going to expect more announcements to be made. The Department of Education will be sharing its checklist to ensure district plans, for instance the one we develop here in Saddle Brook, follow those guidelines so that the public can check the state guidelines with the local plan. The Governor is also signing an executive order allowing public employees to get medical coverage immediately upon hire. With the pandemic they want immediate coverage for all public employees.

Mayor White explained that he put out a memo on Facebook explaining our road program and briefly went over the highlights and explained that due to budgetary constraints prior to 2015. We really weren't paving roads. We know that many roads need to be done, and we really rely on our town engineer and our DPW supervisors to recommend roads that they believe are in the worst shape. Sometimes these streets also have utility pipes that need to be replaced, or drainage improvements need to be done so we want to do that first before we pave the road because we don't want to do it where we have to dig up the road after it was recently paved.

The Mayor noted we also seek grants that save taxpayers and us money. One street recently done was Mayhill street which we received a NJDOT grant of \$182,653. The state has certain criteria in order to be considered for these grants such as traffic near schools, the roadway must connect to a county road, things of that nature. We've been fortunate to have received these grants. Two years ago, Caldwell Avenue was paved right out here because of its proximity to Franklin School. Another way we save money is applying for Community Development programs, applying for grants, which is a federally funded program administered by the county. The federal government sets criteria to determine a community's ability to apply for these grants which is set by census information every ten years. The current area of eligibility for grants in town is Rochelle Parkway and Leswing Avenue area, and that is why those streets recently have been repaved. The third criteria as was mentioned by Mr. Cimiluca is Public Service, Gas and Electric. I'm sure as many of you have noticed many streets have been paved, and they're in town doing a lot of work on their antiquated gas service, replacing it with new lines. They're having a lot of problems with water getting into the old pipe and causing problems for homeowners. Public Service is under state regulations. They're only required to pave the section where they dig, not the whole road, but we partnered with them to have them pave the entire street instead of just a portion and the Township includes others as part of the road program, we work with them to get these roads totally paved. It just makes more sense to go curb to curb instead of doing it patchwork. So since embarking on our annual road program back in 2015 we spend a million dollars a year, and we pave approximately 5 to 6 streets, depending on their length, per year. It's expensive, but we're committed to doing it. Again, residents have called and expressed concern that their streets should be paved and I also worked with Bob the engineer and DPW supervisor Bob Hicswa to make a criteria for choosing which streets get resurfaced. He concluded by explaining criteria for rating streets for road program eligibility.

Mayor White noted we received FEMA direct assistance for firefighters for COVID-19 grant, receiving a little over \$8000 to reimburse for PPE for our fire department. He thanked our grant writer and also Congressman Pascrell for writing a letter of support for our application. He explained the shredding event was scheduled for Friday, September 19th and we're still awaiting confirmation with the shredding company to make sure that they're going to be available. They have not responded back to us. If we do have it, we're going to have it at 55 Mayhill Street, not Coolidge School.

He thanked Diane and Colby for doing the exercise videos and he thanked Councilwoman D'Arminio for her help, and said we are also working on putting our senior bus back in service by September just for doctor visits alone. So, we're hoping that by September that will be back in service. We're going to have a limit to the amount on the bus and do all the necessary sanitizing.

Mayor White said the gazebo in Tri-Centennial Park should be installed by September 1st. They put some nice Belgian block around the flagpole, and again these funds that we're using have been reserved from past budgets. Also, another project is the flagpole on the property between the entry and exit ramps of Route 80 on Saddle River Road by the intersection of Railroad Avenue and hopefully a street sign saying Welcome to Saddle Brook.

Regarding the ordinances, Mayor White said we pulled the one on vision obstruction and will be working on that one. He discussed Ordinance #1685-20 regarding driveways on Fairlawn Parkway and noted there is no extension on tax payments, they are due August 1st with a ten-day grace period.

The Mayor said he sent an e-mail to the manager of the Bergen County Parks Division asking to schedule a meeting to discuss issues at Saddle River County Park and address some of the major and minor complaints. He thanked Council President Cimiluca and Councilman Gieriek for heading the two committees and also Councilman Accomando for assisting on both of those committees. He concluded by noting that the cost of the new municipal building be believed would be part of the debt service and would not be a line item in the budget and asked Mr. Garcia if the representative from appraisal systems had an ID. Mr. Garcia said they did.

ORDINANCES

1. ORDINANCE #1685-20 – FINAL READING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 196 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”

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

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio Second: Councilman Accomando

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

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 196 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”

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

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gieriek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – yes
Council President Cimiluca – 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: Councilwoman Mazzer Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

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

CR# 820-129

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 196 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”**

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 Accomando

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

2. ORDINANCE #1686-20 – FINAL READING
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-29, ARTICLE VIII
ENTITLED “VISION OBSTRUCTION ON CORNER LOTS”

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

Motion: Councilman Accomando Second: Councilman Gierrek

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

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

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-29, ARTICLE VIII
ENTITLED “VISION OBSTRUCTION ON CORNER LOTS”

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

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio Second: Councilman Gierrek

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierrek – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – yes
Council President Cimiluca – 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: Councilwoman Mazzer Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

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

Council President Cimiluca said we discussed this particular ordinance in closed session, and we think we need some further input from our code enforcement officer and also our construction code official, so we are going to invite them to attend next month's meeting at the work session to get more input on changing the wording or doing nothing about the current wording. Because of that I'm going to entertain a motion to table.

Council President Cimiluca asked for a motion to table this ordinance until the September 2020 meeting.

Motion: Councilman Gierrek

Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Gierrek – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – yes

Council President Cimiluca – yes

3. ORDINANCE #1687-20 – FIRST READING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206 ENTITLED “ZONING”

The Council President announced that the next order of business is the introduction of **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206 ENTITLED “ZONING”**

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

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Gierrek – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – yes

Council President Cimiluca – yes

CR# 820-130

Be it resolved by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206 ENTITLED “ZONING”**

that heretofore passed on first reading, be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 3rd day of September, 2020 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 Accomando

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Gierrek – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – yes

Council President Cimiluca – yes

**4. ORDINANCE #1688-20 – FIRST READING
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-9.43.1,
AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT**

The Council President announced that the next order of business is the introduction of
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-9.43.1, AFFORDABLE
HOUSING RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT**

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

Motion: Councilwoman D’Arminio

Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

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

CR# 820-131

Be it resolved by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206-9.43.1, AFFORDABLE
HOUSING RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT**

that heretofore passed on first reading, be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 3rd day of September, 2020 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 Accomando

Councilwoman D’Arminio – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilman Accomando – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – yes
Council President Cimiluca – 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 minutes and applications.

Mr. Lo Dico said we are adding a resolution {CR# 820-143} for a settlement for 109 North Fifth St. vs. Township of Saddle Brook for tax appeal and also {CR# 820-144} 580 Brighton Road Associates for a tax appeal also, and we have the extension of the recycling contract with Gaeta {CR# 820-140} . We also have the approval of the new contract for one year for Joseph Smentkowski, Inc. of Jersey City for the recycling {CR# 820-145}. It was the only bid received. And resolutions #7 {CR# 820-138} and #8 {CR# 820-139} and two resolutions by Council President Cimiluca {CR# 820-147} and Councilman Gierak {CR# 820-146} are not part of the consent agenda and will be voted on separately.

Councilman Cimiluca reiterated that only CR# 820-138, CR# 820-139, CR# 820-146 and CR# 820-147 are not part of the consent agenda, and the other items mentioned are additions to the consent agenda.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

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

*** MINUTES**

1. July 2, 2020 – Regular Public Meeting

*** RESOLUTIONS**

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE BID THRESHOLD

CR# 820-132

WHEREAS, the recent changes to the Local Public Contracts Law gave local contracting units the ability to increase their bid threshold up to \$44,000; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a permits and increase in the bid threshold if a Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted to negotiate award such contract below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C 5:34-5 et seq. establishes the criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, Raymond Carnevale possesses the designated Qualified Purchasing Agent as issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook desires to take advantage of the increased bid threshold;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Township of Saddle Brook, in the County of Bergen, in the State of New Jersey, hereby increases its bid threshold to \$44,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body hereby appoints Raymond Carnevale as the Qualified Purchasing Agent to execute the duties of the purchasing agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-2(30), with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the contracting unit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5-34-5.2 the local unit Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-133

WHEREAS, 4 Clean Up was awarded a contract in the amount of \$248,501.60 for North & South Leswing Road Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Richard G. Arango, Twp. Engineer, during the course of the work being performed by 4 Clean Up recommended Change Order #1; \$25,279.60 to match as-built conditions, additional curb and driveway aprons based on field conditions and Township requests, two speed humps to be constructed, one on Liberty Street and on Avon Lane including striping and signage; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby approves Change Order #1 for 4 Clean UP for a total amount of \$25,279.60, a total contract amount of \$273,781.20 providing funds are available.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-134

WHEREAS, Marini Bros Construction was awarded a contract in the amount of \$508,453.05 for Fairlawn Parkway (Section 2) & FY' 2019 NJDOT Various Streets Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Richard G. Arango, Twp. Engineer, during the course of the work being performed by Marini Bros Construction recommended Change Order #3 Final: -\$9,391.68 for the final adjustment of unit quantities for the project and the replacement of a fire hydrant and service line located just north of the intersection of Fairlawn Parkway and Schepis Avenue, whose failure was imminent and would have resulted in disturbing the newly paved road if put off until after resurfacing; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby approves Change Order #3 Final for Marini Bros Construction for a total amount of -\$9,391.68, a total contract amount of \$535,437.37 providing funds are available.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-135

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	WINNER FORD	2 VEHICLES	\$88,109.00
REPLACES 0720- OVER \$2,500 RESOLUTION THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN 2 VEHICLES			
BOND ORD.	CLIFFSIDE BODY CORP	REVERSIBLE PLOW	\$14,337.16
BOND ORD.	WITTKE SANITATION EQUIP	25 YD REARLOAD REFUSE BODY TRUCK	\$85,760.00
BOND ORD.	DELUXE INTL TRUCK	CHASSIS AND CAB GARBAGE TRUCK	\$125,160.00
DPW/SEWER	RAPID PUMP & METER	MAINT OF PUMPS	\$4,520.00
DPW/SEWER	RAPID PUMP & METER	REPLACE STARTER ON PUMP #1 MAYHILL	\$3,440.00
BOND ORD.	AAA EMERGENCY	OHD QUANTIFIT RESPIRATOR – FIRE	\$9,374.00
DPW	GREAT WHITE	HEATING PIPE POLICE	\$5,382.00
DPW	BEYER BROS	REPAIR OF TRUCK	\$3,263.63

*** 2019 RESERVES**

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-136

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 **\$96,223.20** 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 BILLS ARE PAID THROUGH OFF LINE CHECKS.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

CR# 820-137

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

Councilwoman D'Arminio recused herself and left the dais at this time.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CR# 820-138 IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

CR# 820-138

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
93269	MAZZONE PLUMBING INC	\$165.00

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierek

Roll Call:

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

Councilwoman D'Arminio returned to the dais and Councilwoman Mazzer recused herself and left the dais at this time.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CR# 820-139 IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-139

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
93466, 93472	STONE BROOK GARDEN	\$199.00

Motion: Councilman Accomando Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes
Councilman Giersek - yes
Councilman Accomando - yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - absent
Councilman President Cimiluca – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer returned to the dais at this time.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-140

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook is in the process of preparing bid documents with respect to the Township's recycling services; and

WHEREAS there is a need to extend the present contract for recycling services until such time as a new bid is awarded for Township recycling services,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the present recycling contract with Gaeta Recycling is hereby extended until August 31, 2020.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-141

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook advertised for bids for the HVAC system improvements and duct work for the police building; and

WHEREAS, 3 bids were received and opened on July 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer in correspondence dated August 3, 2020 recommended awarding the contract to the lowest bidder and Township Attorney has reviewed the bids received and concurs; and

WHEREAS, the low bidder is GMT Contracting Corp., 6702 Bergenline Avenue, West New York, NJ with a base bid of \$80,000 and Alternate #1 of \$15,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has completed a certificate of availability of funds certifying that funds are available in Capital funds,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby awards the bid for the HVAC system improvements and duct work at the Police Building with a total bid of \$95,000, providing funds are available.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

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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.

HVAC System Improvements – Police Department

PURPOSE: _____

04-2150-55-1664-902

ACCOUNT _____

General Capital

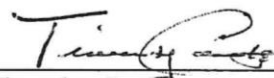
FUND _____

\$80,000.00

AMOUNT _____

95111

PURCHASE ORDER NO. _____



Timothy Conte
Chief Financial Officer

DATE _____

CHECKED BY _____

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

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**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF TAX APPEAL ENTITLED 109
NORTH FIFTH ST., LLC V. TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK AT 109 NORTH FIFTH
STREET, BLOCK 405, LOTS 4 & 5 FOR TAX YEARS 2016 THROUGH 2020**

CR# 820-143

WHEREAS, 109 North Fifth St., LLC has filed action with the Tax Court of New Jersey against the Township of Saddle Brook challenging the tax assessed against property located at 109 North Fifth Street and identified on the Township's tax maps as Block 405, Lots 4 & 5 for tax years 2016 through 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Township Assessor, the Township Tax Appeal Attorney and Township Appraiser, after independent review and upon consulting with each other, is of the opinion that the settlement proposed below is in the best interest of the Township of Saddle Brook; and

WHEREAS, the Township Assessor, the Township Tax Appeal Attorney and the Township Appraiser, after independent review and upon consulting with each other, jointly recommends that this matter be settled according to the terms listed below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, Bergen County, New Jersey that the Township Tax Appeal Attorney be hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to settle this matter according to the following proposed terms:

- 1) The assessment on Block 405, Lot 5 for tax year 2016 to be reduced from \$6,468,000 to \$6,268,000 resulting in a refund of \$5,730.
- 2) The assessment on Block 405, Lot 4 for tax year 2018 to be reduced from \$1,636,000 to \$1,565,000 resulting in a refund of \$1,801.
- 3) The assessment on Block 405, Lot 5 for tax year 2018 to be reduced from \$7,653,000 to \$7,335,000 resulting in a refund of \$8,068.
- 4) The assessment on Block 405, Lots 4 & 5 for all tax years to remain unchanged.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF TAX APPEAL ENTITLED 580
BRIGHTON ROAD ASSOCIATES V. TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK AT 383
MARKET STREET, BLOCK 706, LOT 7 FOR TAX YEARS 2017 THROUGH 2020**

CR# 820-144

WHEREAS, 580 Brighton Road Associates has filed action with the Tax Court of New Jersey against the Township of Saddle Brook challenging the tax assessed against property located at 383 Market Street and identified on the Township's tax maps as Block 706, Lot 7 for tax years 2017 through 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Township Assessor, the Township Tax Appeal Attorney and Township Appraiser, after independent review and upon consulting with each other, is of the opinion that the settlement proposed below is in the best interest of the Township of Saddle Brook; and

WHEREAS, the Township Assessor, the Township Tax Appeal Attorney and Township Appraiser, after independent review and upon consulting with each other, jointly recommends that this matter be settled according to the terms listed below;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, Bergen County, New Jersey that the Township Tax Appeal Attorney be hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary in order to settle this matter according to the following proposed terms:

- 1) The assessment for tax year 2017 to remain unchanged.
- 2) The assessment for tax year 2018 to be reduced from \$7,741,000 to \$7,500,000 resulting in a refund of \$6,114.
- 3) The assessment for tax year 2019 to be reduced from \$7,941,000 to \$7,500,000 resulting in a refund of \$11,435.
- 4) The assessment for tax year 2020 to be reduced from \$8,199,000 to \$7,500,000 (refund to be determined once 2020 tax rate is published).

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

CR# 820-145

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook advertised for bids for recycling; and

WHEREAS, 1 bid was received and opened on July 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has reviewed the bid received and recommends awarding the bid to the lowest responsible bidder,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby awards the bid for a one-year period to Joseph Smentkowski, Inc., 160 James Avenue, Jersey City, NJ 07306 with a bid of \$179,800 providing funds are available.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

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

Councilman Gieriek explained the purpose of the following resolution was requesting financial aid for the state and local governments such as Saddle Brook. He read the resolution.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CR# 820-146 IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-146

Presented by Councilman Gieriek

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has affected our country in ways no one could have imagined; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey and its residents continue to experience a deadly impact to the extent that there probably isn't a resident who hasn't known someone close to them who contracted this disease; and

WHEREAS, the state, counties and all 566 municipalities have spared no cost to protect the health of their citizens throughout this pandemic; and

WHEREAS, some costs may be reimbursable, but the loss of revenue experienced by state, county and local governments are not and will have an adverse impact and cause an additional tax burden on all our taxpayers, many of whom have not been able to return to the workforce due to the pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby strongly supports and requests that federal aid be provided to all states, counties and municipal governments, as this is a national emergency being deeply felt by all Americans in all 50 states and US territories; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the United States Donald Trump, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, NJ Governor Phil Murphy, Senate President Steve Sweeney, Minority Leader Thomas Keane, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin and Minority Leader Jon M. Bramnick and the NJ League of Municipalities.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes

Councilman Gieriek - yes

Councilman Accomando - yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Councilman President Cimiluca – yes

Council President Cimiluca spoke about the Township's Access for All Committee and the Stigma-Free programs. He read the following resolution.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION CR# 820-147 IS NOT PART OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 820-147

Presented by Council President Cimiluca

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act was signed into law by President George H.W. Bush on July 26, 1990; and

WHEREAS, this civil rights law afforded all citizens with disabilities certain rights against discrimination as well as affirming the inherent dignity of every person, regardless of their disability; and

WHEREAS, great strides have been made in the past 30 years since the enactment of the Americans with Disabilities Act, but more can and must be done to eliminate barriers in the workplace, public buildings, housing, etc.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby recognizes and fully supports this landmark piece of legislation that allows individuals more freedom to lead independent lives and overcome their disabilities at home, schools, public buildings and public transportation.

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Second: Councilman Accomando

Roll Call:

Councilwoman D'Arminio - yes

Councilman Gierak - yes

Councilman Accomando - yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Councilman President Cimiluca – yes

*** CORRESPONDENCE**

1. **Robert Klein, PE** **Re: North and South Leswing Road**
 Remington Vernick **Improvements Pay Certificate No.**
 Engineers **1**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: June 25, 2020

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

Therefore, we recommend the following that payment be made to **4 Clean Up** in the amount of **\$244,727.76** for Certificate No. 1.

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

2. **Robert Klein, PE** **Re: Fairlawn Parkway (Section 2) &**
 Remington Vernick **FY' 2019 NJDOT Various Streets**
 Engineers **Improvements Change Order No. 3**
 Final

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: July 21, 2020

Please be advised that this office is recommending approval of attached Change Order No. 3 Final which adjusts the contract quantities to as-built quantities. This final change order is for the final adjustment of unit quantities for the project. This change order also includes the replacement of a fire hydrant and service line located just north of the intersection of Fairlawn Parkway and Schepis Avenue, whose failure was imminent and would have resulted in disturbing the newly paved road if put off until after resurfacing.

The contract breakdown is as follows:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| • Original Contract | \$ 508,453.05 |
| • Change Order No. 1 | \$ 7,800.00 |
| • Change Order No. 2 | \$ 28,576.00 |
| • <u>Change Order No. 3</u> | <u>-\$ 9,391.68</u> |
| • Amended Contract Total | \$ 535,437.37 |

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

**3. Robert Klein, PE
Remington Vernick
Engineers**

Re: Fairlawn Parkway (Section 2) & FY' 2019 NJDOT Various Streets Improvements Core Proposal Request

**To: Sor Testing Laboratories
ANS Consultants, Inc.
Key Tech
Frank H. Lehr Associates
Martin A. Ackley
Associates**

Date: July 6, 2020

The construction of a NJDOT funded project involving the roadway improvements to Fairlawn Parkway from Cambridge Avenue to the Fair Lawn Border near Wilson Street in the Township of Saddle Brook, Bergen County, New Jersey has been completed.

Any street funded by the NJDOT is required to be tested to ensure its conformance to NJDOT standards. Therefore, we are requesting cost proposals to perform the necessary tests. The cost of this proposal shall include all testing costs as well as any incidental cost associated with the work in accordance with NJDOT requirements.

The paving course was installed by Marini Bros Constr. Co. Inc., 9 Lafayette Street, Hackensack, NJ 07601 for the surface course paving. The project consists of a 2" thick mill and 2" of 9.5M64 surface course pavement. The limits of the project are as follows:

Location	Limits	Approx. SY
Fairlawn Parkway	Cambridge Ave to Fair Lawn Border near Wilson Street	17,285 SY

Cost proposals will need to be completed and submitted to our office no later than **July 17, 2020**. The testing costs will be paid directly by the Township upon completion.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at (201) 624-2137 or fax at (201) 624-2136.

**4. Robert Klein, PE
Remington Vernick
Engineers**

**Re: FY' 2020 Municipal Aid Program
Mayhill Street Roadway
Improvements, Phase I Change
Order No. 1**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: July 23, 2020

Please be advised that this office is recommending approval of attached Change Order No. 1. This change order is for the connection of a sump discharge pipe from 380 Mayhill Street to an existing catch basin as requested by the Township.

- Original Contract \$ 216,288.95
- Change Order No. 1 \$ 9,750.00
- **Amended Contract Total \$ 226,038.95**

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

5. **Det./Lt. Thomas Johnson, SBPD** **Re: Massage Therapist Application – Recovery Bodywork**

To: Chief Robert Kugler, SBPD **Date: July 16, 2020**

**RE: Recovery Bodywork
 337 Market Street
 Saddle Brook, NJ 07663**

**Toni-Ann Accardi
164 Orchard Street
East Rutherford NJ 07073**

The above business filed a Massage\Physical Therapist application and all required documents were submitted. In accordance with Township Ordinance #125, the Detective Bureau conducted an investigation of the above business and individual who filed the application.

A background check was conducted of the applicant and no disqualifying information or events were found. There also has not been any complaints regarding the applicant within the Township in the past year.

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

6. **Robert Klein, PE** **Re: Fairlawn Parkway (Section 2) & FY'**
Remington Vernick **2019 NJDOT Various Streets**
Engineers **Improvements Pay Certificate No. 2**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk **Date: July 21, 2020**

Enclosed please find Payment Request No. 2 from Marini Bros. 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 **Marini Bros.** in the amount of **\$311,995.12** for Certificate No. 2.

With the Change Order No. 1-3, the total contract price is \$535,437.37. Therefore, the project is 100% complete and only retainage remains.

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

7. **Robert Klein, PE** **Re: Saddle Brook Police Department**
Remington Vernick **Ductwork Insulation Installation &**
Engineers **HVAC Control System**
 Improvements Recommendation
 to Award

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk **Date: August 3, 2020**

We have tabulated the bids received on Thursday, July 30, 2020, with reference to the above-captioned project. This project consists of the following:

Base Bid

- Provision of New Supply Ductwork Insulation
- Commissioning of Existing HVAC System

Alternate Bid No. 1

- Allowance to be used at the discretion of Township & Engineer

Alternate Bid No. 2

- Provision of New Return and Exhaust Ductwork Insulation

A copy of the tabulation & original bid documents are enclosed for your review.

Our recommendation(s) to award are as follows:

- Should the Township decide to award the Base Bid, the resolution should indicate award to GMT Contracting Corp, 6702 Bergenline Avenue, West New York, NJ 07093 in the amount of \$80,00.00 representing Items 1 through 5 on the Base Bid.
- Should the Township decide to award the Base Bid plus Alternate Bid No. 1, the resolution should indicate award to GMT Contracting Corp, 6702 Bergenline Avenue, West New York, NJ 07093 in the amount of \$95,000.00 representing Items 1 through 5 on the Base Bid and Item 1 on the Alternate Bid 1.
- Should the Township decide to award the Base Bid plus Alternate Bid No. 1 & 2, the resolution should indicate award to GMT Contracting Corp, 6702 Bergenline Avenue, West New York, NJ 07093 in the amount of \$113,000.00 representing Items 1 through 5 on the Base Bid Item 1 on the Alternate Bid 1, & Item 1 on the Alternate Bid 2.

Therefore, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq, the contract should be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, which appears to be GMT Contracting Corp in all scenarios.

The award should be contingent upon approval of your Counsel and the availability of funds.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (201) 624-2137.

**8. Robert Klein, PE
Remington Vernick
Engineers**

**Re: 2020 Road Program
Recommendation to Award**

To: Peter Lo Dico, Twp. Clerk Date: July 30, 2020

We have tabulated the bids received on Thursday, July 30, 2020, with reference to the above-captioned project and find the lowest bidder to be 4 Clean Up Inc, PO Box 5098, North Bergen, NJ 07047 in the amount of \$859,547.75 representing the base bid on the quantities for items #1-48 inclusive.

A copy of the tabulation & original bid documents are enclosed for your review.

Therefore, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq, the contract should be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, which appears to be 4 Clean Up Inc.

The award should be contingent upon approval of your Counsel and the availability of funds.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (201) 624-2137.

*** RAFFLES & APPLICATIONS**

Auto Repair

1. Saddle Brook Auto Center – 458 Fairlawn Parkway – RENEWAL

Massage Therapy

2. Recovery Bodywork – 337 Market Street – Corporate – NEW
3. Toni-Ann Accardi - @ Recovery Bodywork – Individual - NEW

*** REPORTS**

1. Municipal Court Monthly Report – June 2020
2. Bergen County Sanitarian Monthly Report – June 2020
3. Grant Writer Monthly Report – June 2020
4. Hotel Room Tax Revenue Report – July 2020
5. DPW Monthly Report – June 2020
6. Construction Code Official Report – June 2020
7. Property Maintenance Official Report – June 2020
8. Tax Collector Monthly Report – June 2020
9. Water Billing Monthly Report – June 2020
10. Engineer's Status Report – Mid-July 2020
11. Budget Monthly Status Report – July 2020

Old Business / New Business

Council President Cimiluca asked Councilwoman D'Arminio if she had more information about the busing issue.

Councilwoman D'Arminio said our attorney is on the Bergen County Transportation committee, and they have some additional ideas of what we can do on the bus to keep the people safe. We will try to start as soon as we can, and it will be one person at a time. Mr. Suarez is going to get me some information on some more safety measures to use on the bus. Then we will post it when the bus is available for everybody.

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

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

Councilwoman D'Arminio – yes

Councilman Gierak – yes

Councilman Accomando – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – yes

Council President Cimiluca – yes

Mr. Sudol asked about the increase in the bid threshold.

Council President Cimiluca explained it had been increased to \$44,000 and above that you have to go out to public bid or underneath that you can just ask for three quotes and it's gone up. They increased it. You need to have a Qualified Purchasing Agent, which we do. Raymond Carnevale is our purchasing agent.

Mr. Sudol mentioned the Leswing 4 Clean-up and Fairlawn Parkway 4 Clean-up and asked what was done there.

Mr. Lo Dico explained Fairlawn Parkway is a minus. It's a decrease.

Council President Cimiluca said it's a change order that was a decrease of about \$10,000.

Mr. Sudol said it was increased for \$10,000?

Council President Cimiluca said it's a decrease.

Mr. Lo Dico said it's a minus of \$9,000.

Council President Cimiluca said on North and South Leswing when they were doing the paving, they came up with other issues which had to be resolved before they could actually do the paving. There were some issues with regards to water mains and things like that that they had to address, so unfortunately it cost a little more than we had originally anticipated.

Mr. Sudol said for the closed session when we arrived here, we weren't allowed in. The work session tonight was a closed session?

Council President Cimiluca said no, the work session was there and then during the work session at the end of the work session we had a closed session to talk about litigation, personnel.

Mr. Sudol said so that started at six?

Council President Cimiluca said no, as soon as we finished the regular agenda on the work session there was a motion to go into a closed session on specific litigation items, tax items and things like that.

Mr. Garcia asked what the affordable housing resolution was and then questioned the bills for Mazzone Plumbing and Stone Brook.

Council President Cimiluca said I'm not understanding you.

Mr. Garcia said there was no dollar amount indicated.

Council President Cimiluca said that's in the section that's marked for the bill payment. Those are the ones that have actual numbers on them, those were the change orders.

Mr. Suarez said those have to do with the settlement of the case involving the affordable housing matter that started back in 2015. So basically, the case was settled a couple of years ago. He discussed how this pertained to the settlement.

Mr. Garcia asked if it was Mount Laurel, and Mr. Suarez said yes.

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

Motion: Councilwoman D'Arminio Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

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

Council President Cimiluca asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer Second: Councilwoman D'Arminio

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Andrew M. Cimiluca
Council President

Approved: September 3, 2020