

The minutes of the regular Public Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook held on October 17, 2024 at 7:00 PM at the Saddle Brook Municipal Complex, 55 Mayhill Street, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663.

The Council President called the meeting to order.

The Township Clerk called the roll:

Councilman Cimiluca – present
Councilman Gierak – present
Councilwoman Sanchez – present
Councilwoman Mazzer – present
Council President Accomando – present

Mayor White – present
Ms. Rush – Twp. Attorney – present
Mr. Klein – Twp. Engineer – present
Mr. Homsy – Twp. Administrator – present

Council President Accomando – Please rise for the salute to the flag.

The Council President 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 Accomando – Motion to open the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilman Gierak

Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer – yes
Council President Accomando – yes

Council President Accomando – The meeting is now open to the public. This is the last meeting before the election and I will give a five minute time limit to the meeting tonight because I know people get stuff off their chest and get things said. If we can just be professional about it and respectful that would be fantastic.

Andrew Dzedzic Saddle Brook Council candidate comes forward. On November 5th I urge everyone to vote column 1 all the way down for a change not only at the Town Hall but also at the County level. Just to recap what we've been coming up here for many months including over a year what the total cost of the Municipal Complex was why it was never put through on a referendum for homeowners and taxpayers and residents to decide. It was something I think should have been done and disclosed and voted on. Hiring of a business administrator for Saddle Brook when that position was for someone at a much lower salary than the \$300,000 business administrator that we just hired in Town this year at a ridiculous cost of \$300,000 a year. Also if we reelected one councilman the potential cost for his healthcare benefits to cover him and his family over the course of 25 or 30 years could be potentially a million 1.1 or 1.2 million that's not budgeted for that we would have to pay. Additionally with the passing of nine marijuana licenses in Town being the only Town in city in Saddle Brook where we have three different types for retail, manufacturing and cultivation and the back and forth of not really understanding the hours of operations the rules the regulations the quick transfer of ownership of the marijuana license where if somebody opens the business in thirty, sixty, ninety days that they could immediately transfer that license and we don't have a say about it in Town is a big cause for concern and the location having them all on the same district or in the same highway and the amount of potential issues which could cause the hiring of many more police officers in Town with not knowing the rules, regulations or hours of operation for these facilities. Last but not least the Special Council Work Session we had in September regarding the Townwide rat infestation which is in seven out of eleven districts and the only solutions provided was for you the homeowner and resident to spend money on exterminators which is going to cost hundreds of dollars as well as now imposing a new ordinance for the homeowner to spend hundreds of dollars on new garbage cans. So really the only long term solution for a problem that has been known for a very long time in this Town is for the homeowner to spend hundreds if not thousands on exterminators and garbage cans. I hope and urge everybody to vote column 1 all the way on November 5th thank you.

Mayor White – Through the Chair. I have a question, Mr. Dzedzic can you go back up here?

Mr. Dzedzic – I'm not taking questions.

Mayor White – Oh okay fine.

Mr. Dziedzic – You guys haven't taken our questions for over a year when people come here one month.

Council President Accomando – If you're not taking questions have a seat thank you.

Mayor White – I'm just going to say that I don't know I guess I can't pronounce his name Andrew D. I don't know where you get your information from about a Townwide rat infestation and you know all the districts I don't know how the heck you know that you're not an expert and you're wrong. You have no idea we've been tracking it we know what's going on. The other stuff I have no problem with that's your opinion but don't say something that doesn't exist you don't know that. You absolutely do not know that you're not an expert and you have no knowledge or information to back up what you're saying.

Mr. Dziedzic – Can I respond?

Mayor White – I thought you didn't want to answer the question.

Council President Accomando – You had your time thank you anybody else?

Sylvia Zottarelli of 236 Lanza Avenue comes forward. Walmart I know there's a meeting Monday night unfortunately I can't be there. I drove back behind there today before I came tonight. You talk about problems with rats on the other side of Town the garbage back there is disgusting. The dumpsters they're not covered they're all over the place there's all kinds of storage units. It's a disaster and they're still racing going on at night. Now they want to add additional stuff to Walmart they can't control what's there now and us residents that live there are suffering the consequences of it. Something's got to be done I don't know what I know if you speed bumps back there put the things that come up when your tires go I don't know but something has got to be done. I come back this is I started before the summer because I knew it was going to be an issue and here we are going into November and it's still an issue and again Walmart wants to add more back there.

Mayor White – They postponed it again

Ms. Zottarelli – Oh thank you okay.

Alan Mangini from Lanza Avenue comes forward. I was here over a year ago in March and basically as the woman here before stated that pigsty Walmart back there it's not just the Walmart problem I go back there periodically my property is very well maintained and it's adjacent to the back of Walmart where the easement is and I actually took my wife today on a field trip again and I am just shocked by what she said there are open dumpsters there are open grease pits it is disgusting and part of the problem is if you want to maintain property in Saddle Brook whether you're a homeowner or a business or

an institutional organization it should be the same for everyone. The problem with Walmart is it's not all Walmart. Now in 1988 we had a rat infestation in this Town back there before Walmart was there and Mr. Lo Dico was there then and he could very well attest that my wife actually brought the news media down here to put it on national TV and the problem is with who owns the property. Cutting the grass is not just maintaining your property. That place is overgrown with brush there is no water in that easement and all it is a breeding ground for rodents. The other problem back there which is Walmart is noise pollution. I went through this at the Planning Board meeting a year ago and they were knocked down. Part of the problem is the zoning laws clearly state that trucks should not be idling within a 150 feet of people's property. They violate this every single day. I cannot tell you how many times I have to call the Police Department to go there and tell them to shut the engines off. I hear trucks come in at twelve one o'clock in the morning okay it's wrong. They know what the noise pollution is and nobody does anything about it. Your own statutes say that you need a property management guy and a noise control individual you have neither of which. I call the police up oh we'll go check it out that's the end of it. If you don't put Walmart to task and summons them when they break the laws they will just keep doing it. They have no regard for the people that live back there and I'm going to tell you a couple of other things I am amazed that when I walk outside this building and if I was to look at the commercial property next door here it is pristine compared to Walmart. Why is that because you people work here and you have to look at it. Well we have to look at that crap all the time and enough is enough and if you people don't get a hold of the situation you've had over a year. I got lip service here a year ago nothing is done. I asked for signs to be posted about trucks idling that they can't be idling back there they continuously do it. If they want to park a refrigeration truck there overnight until 6:00 in the morning when the loading dock opens up let him park on Route 46 by McDonald's where it's away from people's houses. This is ridiculous and I hate to say it I'm not trying to single anybody out but I mean I have a lot of respect for Mayor White but I read his platform and one of the campaign things was he was going to put people to task to maintain properties commercial properties and I don't see that happening. You guys are getting like a D- on my report card for the way that place is. There's no excuse for it I appreciate you giving me the time to express myself but I not only speak for me believe me plenty of my neighbors are fed up. I had a neighbor that had a rat in his yard a couple of weeks ago and I don't want to see another rat infestation that's the last thing we need. Thank you.

Omar Rodriguez of Saddle Brook comes forward. Council candidate on November 5th column 1. First and foremost I would like to bring up a few subjects. It's been said for so many months that we are not pointing to the truth. I want to challenge any one of you with documents tonight that any of the things that we've been saying is not true. We've been saying that this building cost us most likely thirty two million dollars in excess maybe of thirty two million dollars. Until I don't see the paperwork there's nothing that I can do and if you ask me where I'm getting my facts I asked an OPRA eight months ago and still I

don't get it because they haven't compiled the total numbers yet. So I have a right to say thirty two million dollars unless I'm proven wrong. The voters haven't even been asked whether it's good or not for the Town you just did it at least you should release the numbers. Then we also being accused of exaggerating numbers when it comes to a business administrator. We hire a three hundred thousand dollars a year administrator the highest pay in the State of New Jersey. Then we have volunteers right here as our Fire Department they do this job from their heart and we don't give them what they're asking for. What it cost to just give them some extra money twenty thirty thousand dollars when actually and you Council President with do all respect when you speak I don't laugh and I'm speaking with the truth and I'm going to prove it to you. If any of you challenge me I got all the documents right here and I can pass it on to you the three hundred thousand dollars a year that's an embarrassment for a Town like ours so small and with thirteen thousand people when actually Paramus which is ten times higher in business and people actually just pay a hundred and thirty thousand dollars. We are not Alpine or Franklin Lakes last time I checked paperwork here someone wants to challenge me it's just three hundred thousand dollars we pay. Another point none of you has questioned if I'm wrong if elected Councilman Cimiluca once again it will cost the taxpayers and the kids of your kids a million dollars in medical benefits or close to a million dollars in medical benefits and I can prove it because every single year the benefits go up and up and up and especially in a Town like ours that you don't have to pay nothing when you have medical benefits. That is not right the hard working people in Saddle Brook have to make a lot of efforts to pay the taxes and every year the taxes go up. It have to come down so then again if anyone wants to tell me something I can tell you how to do the numbers and it's not five cents per person it's close to a million dollars because anytime councilman can get remarried and have other kids and also the Town will have to cover. Just multiply twenty thousand it's very simple to do it and it's 4300 homes how much is it but anyway forty thousand dollars just twenty years but then again the parks look at the County Parks it's a shame all of you know and have been complaining here that the County doesn't do nothing to you that the County do not respond to you that the State do not listen to you but when it's time for election like tonight I just saw one of the candidates right here it's time for you guys to say vote for that person but when it's time to help Saddle Brook nobody from the County nobody has come. The Mayor and Council has expressed it right here that nobody listen or pick up the phones for you then why you pushing for people that don't even pick up the phone call to you and you tell the residents to go and complain to the County. Why do we elect you you have to show me that you're the leader. So don't blame other people we have to take we elect you we don't elect the County to go over there we elect you. Then also when we talk about just water rates. There's an ordinance I'm going to speak up later but the water rate shouldn't go up we got a surplus of six hundred thousand dollars we should pay garbage can put of that six hundred thousand dollars we keep on increasing the budget once and if elected on November 5th with the support of all the residents in Saddle Brook as a financial controller I promise you on my first year one of my first things I will do it will not be water rate increases or no property

increases and I can put you and I will teach them how to do it because I know what I'm doing when it comes to finances and enough is enough. If we going to have to tighten our belt they will have to do the same. Thank you very much for your time.

Anthony Cureton Bergen County Sheriff comes forward. I stand before you as your Bergen County Sheriff and with that being said I'm here for a public service announcement first and foremost but this is my first time coming to this facility and it's great to see the direction Saddle Brook is going and it's quite obvious when I pulled up I'm like where am I but it was great to see. I see we are representing domestic violence with the colors out front looks great but I just wanted to let everybody know I've been going town to town and there's been something going on in the Sheriff's Office or relating to the Sheriff's Office about scams and the scams seem to be focused at seniors unfortunately but if you haven't we've been getting residents have been getting calls where people have been representing themselves as the Sheriff's Office and or Sheriff's Officers. To date we had about seventy thousand dollars that were taken from residents. Phone calls they go out on a regular you may hear Sheriff's Officer Duffy and he's been claiming himself you know of course part of the Sheriff's Office and you to meet at a certain location or come to the court for a warrant or jury duty or something to that effect and they ask you to bring X amount of dollars. We don't ask for money when it's time to arrest somebody we don't ask for we don't tell you if there's a warrant we tell you to come down and see us and it's the message you want to get out too because a lot of the seniors like I said who have unfortunately been victimized by this even to the point folks have asked for Bitcoins. We had an incident where in Teaneck they met at the local supermarket and the person gave seventeen hundred and fifty to round it up in this Bitcoin exchange which I'm not overly familiar with but it's a continued practice. We just got a phone call earlier this week same thing someone professing himself to be from the Bergen County Sheriff's Office. Just bear in mind in the State of New Jersey we don't have Deputy Sheriffs and this person that's calling Dale Reinhardt I think he said his name is same consistent person. He always presents himself as Deputy Sheriff. State of New Jersey we don't have any recognition of Deputy Sheriffs. So in going out through the County various senior centers it's been welcome information and of course we want to make sure everybody hear about this because no one should be victimized for that type of money especially when you have individuals that say my grandson my nephew and we know we all as people when it comes to our families we embrace it. So that's the challenge we're experiencing right now again if you go to our website www.bcsd.us you'll get a sample call or actual call of the individual who's been calling these various residents and of course trying to solicit money. On another note I read in the paper recently you having a new Chief of Police and it's great to see forward progression like I said if you look at the building it shows that next step you're doing and I offer myself to the new Chief. As far as any directions he's going in law enforcement. I applaud the members of the Saddle Brook Police Department that I know all had a great working relationship with them and going forth I think we're going to do even better as far as relationship between the Sheriff's

Office and the Saddle Brook Police Department. One good thing about Bergen County we're ranked ninth in the nation as far as the safest county. That's not only by the doing of the Sheriff's Offices but the whole Bergen County law enforcement community and I proudly share that with everybody with that being said Mayor and Council anything I can do for you please give me a call. I see the work you're doing and though I'm not a Saddle Brook resident I'm appreciative of the work you are doing especially as a County official who have some sort of interaction with you on a regular daily basis thank you for the time.

Council President Accomando – Anyone else? Seeing none

Mr. Rodriguez comes forward and is insisting on speaking even though he had already spoken for his five minutes. He makes an argument that the time limit is not enforceable because it's a resolution not an ordinance and asks the attorney for a legal opinion. The attorney explains that she works for the Township and that he and everyone else was given an extra 2 minutes for this meeting and if he would like to speak to her after the meeting he may do so. Council President Accomando tells him to be seated and he may speak again at the end of the meeting if would like.

Council President Accomando – Motion to close the meeting to the public.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Gierak – yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer – yes

Council President Accomando – yes

Mayor White – I have two proclamations I want to read to start off. The first proclamation is October is Italian Heritage and Culture Month.

WHEREAS, The Township of Saddle Brook wishes to join the Saddle Brook Chapter of UNICO National in celebrating October as “Italian Heritage and Culture Month”; and

WHEREAS, Saddle Brook hosts an active local Chapter of UNICO National, the largest Italian American Service Organization in the United States who operate and live by the motto “Service Above Self”; and

WHEREAS, UNICO's mission is to promote and enhance the image of Italian Americans; for their Members to be of service to the community; and literary projects; to promote interest in public welfare and to cooperate with others in civic, social and cultural development.

WHEREAS, The Township of Saddle Brook celebrates the culture, traditions and history of Italian Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Robert D. White, **MAYOR** of the **Township of Saddle Brook, New Jersey**, do hereby proclaim October as Italian Heritage and Culture Month in the Township of Saddle Brook.

Mayor White – The next proclamation is in observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and is a platform for educating women about the importance of early detection; and

WHEREAS, through research, advocacy, and early detection, significant advances have been made in the fight against breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, a variety of public and private organizations and agencies provide care, support, or services to anyone who in any capacity is affected by breast cancer; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer survivors are a testament to resilience, to the promotion of awareness, and to following the recommended screening guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Robert D. White, **MAYOR** of the **TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM** to recognize the month of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month; encourage our residents to become educated and informed about programs and services that offer early detection and to also celebrate the survivors and memorialize those who have lost their battle. Thank you.

Mayor White – I'm going to start by just mentioning some of Mr. Rodriguez's comments. He says that the building cost thirty two million dollars I don't why he hasn't gotten the OPRA I don't know maybe our Clerk can weigh in on that but if it's been 8 months it's too long so that's unacceptable. Our numbers are more like twenty eight million so it's a four million dollar difference. Now the BA is a little bit more of Mr. Rodriguez twisting the facts. He is right that the one year two years ago we did pay three hundred thousand dollars to a business administrator we were in dire shape because we had some problems our BA was sick and was in the hospital and for almost a month and we had a lot of things that were going on and we needed somebody to fill in. So that person did fill in we hired a

consultant service on an emergency basis so yes that's true three hundred thousand for one year. Jimmy Homsy our current Business Administrator he makes \$160,000 that's what he makes so I don't know where you're saying that he's getting paid more money than he is he's not getting paid three hundred thousand he's getting paid a hundred and sixty thousand. You may think that's too much I don't know but the truth of the matter is yes you're right about the one year and we felt it was necessary we were pretty much in an emergency situation and we had to hire somebody. We had to hire somebody that was seasoned and good and that could help us through a very difficult time. I want to talk a little bit about the budget. Tax bills went out for the fourth quarter the tax rate is 2.306 so the municipal side increase is \$242.28 on a residential property valued at \$462,500. This is more than we wanted to raise taxes but unfortunately none of this is all the raise is non-discretionary it's all funds that we need to operate run and operate the Town most of it is salaries and raises. We have a Police Department to run we have a Town Hall to run we have a DPW and they all do a great job but you know we don't want to cut service that's something we don't want to do. One of the biggest reasons that taxes did go up is the property values have increased. I was talking to the Tax Assessor twenty to twenty five percent in the last four years the values of the properties have gone up and you have to raise taxes. The values are going up and our tax rate is pretty low. Inflation everybody is suffering from inflation so that's a big deal it costs us more for the services it costs us more for the vendors that we hire. It seems like the larger increases were multi-family homes and income producing homes rental properties. They seem to go up a lot and in a certain area of Town mostly the south end of Town they went up but the values went up so much. The people that have homes that they have a tenant they're going to pass it on to the tenant. It's unfortunate for the tenant I feel bad for the tenant but that's what usually happens the homeowner Mr. Rodriguez you own a two-family home you have a renter so you may pass it on to that renter I don't know what you're going to do but you seem to feel sorry for the residents and what they have to pay so maybe you'll take it easy on your tenant. We're still 12th lowest in the County that's where we stand out of seventy municipalities. Next year in 2025 we're anticipating additional revenues coming in. One of the biggest things is we're going to sell and we're very close to a redevelopment plan. We're going to sell 73 and 93 Market Street. Ninety three Market Street sat there for and Mr. Rodriguez you were on the Council back then 2002. In 2006 we built the new Police Station so you had four years to do something with that property and really it sat a long time. I had ten years you know I'm embarrassed by it we need to do something with that property it's just sitting there. That's what we're going to do we're going to sell it and we're going to have it redeveloped so that's something that's going to happen very soon. Within this year we're going to have an ordinance to sell that and it's going to go before the Planning Board and also Andrew Dziedzic you mentioned the cannabis businesses those cannabis businesses are going to bring us in revenue and they're going to open up. Two of them are going to open up before the end of the year so that's something that we all voted on here we're going to get two percent of the sales and it's going to be a lot of money. It's going to help the residents that extra revenue is going to help residents.

Many residents received water bills late due to a problem with the Post Office so interest has been waived until October 21st because some people got their bills late not everyone a portion of the Town. So let's go over the rodent update rat update. Rodent sightings rat sightings and activity appear to be lessening and still not nothing we're still getting reports but we're receiving less complaints. We're tracking activity which still seems to be confined the infiltration I must say there could be a rat here and there that's going to happen but the infiltration of rats seems to be in the north end of Town a half mile section and they're pockets. There are people in that area that never see a rat but there are nests and we're working on it and the Town what we've done we baited Avon Park with there's 30 traps there what they call bait traps. They're the type of traps because we didn't want to put poison down the kids play on that field and also there's some concern for other animals that eat the animals that eat the poison. We put these special kind of traps at the recommendation of our exterminator our pest control expert. They're the type of trap where the bait is regular food and the rodent goes inside and gets trapped in there and every three or four days they get checked and if there's any bodies in there they're disposed of humanely. I don't know what that means but that's what I'm told. Now we've been getting more mice but we've been getting some rats too so far it's been two or three weeks we got four rats and about ten mice a couple of chipmunks too. The school district is helping out with us because we got some complaints on Jamros Terrace so they're cleaning up the Smith Field along the fence that's adjacent to the backyards on Jamros Terrace and I don't know whether they're going to they have their own exterminator I don't know if they're going to put bait traps there but there's a lot of overgrowth there so they are working on that. They also put new garbage pails on the field that have lids on them because there was a complaint about there were no lids on the pails on the field. We're cracking down on property maintenance violators they've been getting red stickered we try to talk to them try to get them to clean up. We have a second reading tonight on an ordinance which requires residents to use garbage pails with lids. The ordinance will take effect November 13th if it passes. Violators right now are receiving notices in the mail from the Health Department because they're not violating the ordinance but we're letting them know that we have a rat problem and that they need to cooperate and get a pail and stop putting out plastic bags at the curb and more people than you think do it. Once the ordinance is passed then at that point we'll start putting red stickers on the doors and they'll get warning notices and if they don't comply they'll get summonses. Residents have been taking the matter seriously and hiring professionals and I feel pretty positive about it that we're working together to eradicate the problem. Township Road Restoration Program right now in Town the engineer can correct me if I'm wrong but I think there's three locations Lincoln Avenue, Sterling Place and Sampson Street. The concrete work has been done on Lincoln and Sterling and Sampson I think they started it this week. So then within the next couple of weeks they'll be paving. Public Service Gas and Electric they're replacing gas mains around Town they're doing a lot of work in Town so you may get delays at times. Westminster Place they've been there in that area too Boulevard, Adriana, South Street now they're on Wilson Street, Ash and Elm and President and Third

Street. They did some work but they're going back to do more work over there. Events that took place over the last month the shredding event was Saturday September 28th. I want to thank Bergen County for sponsoring it and also Joan Ramsey and Perry Festa of the DPW and my secretary Christine Genuario. The UNICO Street Fair was Sunday September 29th the weather wasn't ideal but it ended up that it was well attended considering and thank you to everyone who came out and participated. That's an annual event that we kind of joined together with UNICO it's a joint event that we do with them. Fire Prevention Week was October 6th to the 10th I know that the Fire Department is out on their calendar drive I know they were out this past weekend I think they're going to be out again this weekend please be generous to our Volunteer Fire Department during this calendar drive. Washington School's 100th Anniversary was held on October 10th the school district did a fantastic job it was very well done. I can't believe how many people came out former students, teachers to celebrate that. Also we had the dedication of Arturo Babe Liberty Field on Sunday October 13th this past Sunday it was a wonderful event. A lot of people in Town knew Babe he passed away at 93 back in June but a well-deserved honor. The field is named after him now Nedellec Field is now Arturo Babe Liberty Field. Upcoming events we have the Halloween Decorating Contest we have about 10 I believe registrants. The last day to register is October 25th. Trunk or Treat is Saturday October 26th from 12 noon to 2:00 pm in the Municipal Complex parking lot. If there's inclement weather we'll bring it inside in the gym. The Senior Halloween Party is October 29th I think that's a Tuesday I'm not sure but it's October 29th at 6:00 pm at the Saddle Brook VFW 44 Market Street. If you're interested any seniors call the Senior Center to make a reservation to attend 201-845-4594. Election day is Tuesday November 5th polls open at 6:00 am and close at 8:00 pm and good luck to column one. Good luck to column two too good luck to everybody that's on the ballot.

Councilman Gierak – Good evening everyone I just have a couple of things. The Flood Committee Meeting we're going to be meeting on October 22nd that's a Tuesday at 6:30 here at the Municipal Complex anyone interested in getting involved you're more than welcome to come to the Flood Committee Meeting. We do have a number of people coming so please make every effort to be there. I just want to talk a little about the taxes. I received my tax bill like everybody else within the last two weeks and being a middle school math teacher for fourteen years I broke down the tax bill and I mentioned it at the work session two weeks ago. The school tax is 55.3% of your tax bill, the municipal is 32.9%, the County is 9.9%, your library is 1.5% of your tax dollars and about a half a percent goes for open space. So schools are extremely important not going to we're not we want great schools and we've got to fund great schools if we want a great community. We're dealing here with 32.9% of the money obviously of that 32.9% roughly a third most of it is salary and benefits. There's not a lot that can be done with that three quarters of our budget three quarters of one third is salary and benefits. Now do we want armed security in the schools we instituted that program it's a great program. Is that something we cut? Do we cut fireworks, do we cut newsletters what do we cut and how much is that

going to save our taxpayers? Every little bit helps so that's something we have to consider. Taxes have gone up my taxes in 2003 were about thirty six hundred dollars now they're eighty one hundred dollars. I bought my house for two hundred and ninety two thousand houses on my block are selling for five six hundred thousand dollars. There's a lot of math to be done here. We have a wonderful community it costs money to run a community and when somebody says it's Town Hall that means it's our residents we're all Town Hall. So if we want to buy garbage pails for the residents because we have a rat issue who's going to pay for that the residents are going to pay for it whether they go to Home Depot and buy a pail or whether the Town supplies it for them because we would have to raise taxes to buy everybody garbage pails. So it all comes from a pot of money. The Board of Ed contributes to that the County contributes to that because we live in the County we have a great park so there's things that we have to pay for if we want a good community. I know when a house goes up for sale on Ash Avenue in two days it's gone. I know when I talk to that neighbor that moves in and welcomes them to my block they tell me one of the reasons I came here is because of low taxes. So it may sound funny but if you're coming from Queens or Brooklyn and you see what you're getting there for what it is people want to come to New Jersey and they want to come to Bergen County. My dad was recently in the hospital at Memorial Sloan spoke to the nurse there and just bought a house in Hillsdale thrilled loves Bergen County grew up in Rockland County. Great schools safe communities we have a wonderful Town we have a wonderful County okay unfortunately it does cost a little bit of money and for people that are on a fixed income senior citizens I was at the AARP meeting they're able to freeze their taxes and that's very important that the neighbors know you're 65 years old your property taxes can be frozen and we're trying to get that word out to people.

Mr. Mangini – Isn't that dependent on your income if you're retired?

Councilman Gierak – I think the income is like \$150,000 it's a lot of money and if you're making \$160,000 in retirement.

Mr. Mangini – That's why I couldn't.

Councilman Gierak – Okay but in any regard I just wanted to speak to the taxes a little bit and some of the candidates we're running against well one of the candidates we're running against was on the Council for eight years and I remember candidly when I got my tax bill it's funny everything went up. Now he can get elected and not raise taxes that's a miracle he should have done that for the eight years he was on the Council maybe it'd still be there I don't know but in any regard taxes went up every one of those eight years. I remember him being there and it was total chaos but that's a story for another day. I appreciate you listening to me happy Halloween safe Halloween be well thank you.

Councilwoman Mazzer – Good evening everyone for those of you who do not know who I am my name is Florence Mazzer I am also a candidate for Council. I've the opportunity and the pleasure actually because it has been for the past 24 years to serve as your Councilwoman. They call this the silly season I find nothing funny about it when we have people coming up here and exaggerating and throwing innuendos around. I've been a resident of this Town for over forty years and I've seen the progress and I'm so very proud to be living here raising my children my grandchildren in business here and I only see a bright future for our Township and I wish everyone luck on there but let's remember what we're here for. I also want to congratulate the Liberty family for the rededication of Nedellec Field it's a great man Babe and well deserved and also everyone involved with the 100 year celebration of Washington School. My children went through that school and a lot of great memories there and did a great job and look forward to many more years of fun at that location. I hope to see everyone at the Trunk or Treat thank you.

Mayor White – Through the Chair. I just want to thank the Sheriff for coming tonight and doing that public service announcement and I'm going to get in touch with them hopefully we can have the Sheriff's Department come to our Senior Center they have in the past come and done similar type of scam alerts and educational type seminars so thank you Sheriff for coming tonight.

Councilwoman Sanchez – So just briefly I believe in the past we have sent somebody out to go look at Walmart and follow up with Walmart if I'm not mistaken. I don't know if we can do that again just to see if they can continue to address these issues because clearly the issues haven't stopped. Now I also just want to apologize for not being able to attend the last meeting because I had personal matters to attend to and I wasn't here to congratulate Chief Kugler on his retirement so I just wanted to take a second to do that congratulate him and wish him well in his retirement and good luck to all the candidates in this upcoming election.

Councilman Cimiluca – Couple of things that came across Babe Liberty great guy great family unfortunately I was unable to attend I had my daughter's baby shower so congratulations to her but it's a well-deserved honor. He seemed like a gruff guy but he was a sweetheart and once you got to know him and talk to him it was a good experience. He was always at the fence for football games too he's a fixture in Saddle Brook an icon so it was great that Little League was able to do that. Even though it's not in our Town Elmwood Park is going to be dedicated a Vietnam Veteran Memorial. It's a statue of three soldiers that's going to be this Saturday at eleven o'clock the corner of Van Riper and Mola Boulevard so even though it's not the Town's it's our neighboring community and it honors our veterans. Speaking of that November 11th we won't have a meeting until after that. We won't have a public meeting televised public meeting so November 11th at 11:00 am at VFW Circle there will be the annual VFW Veterans Day Memorial so we ask that people come out to honor our vets. I'm going to address some comments that were made

by column one. They haven't been coming here for a year Mr. Rodriguez has he's been coming for decades but I believe it was May when we first saw column one candidates come here certainly not a year. It talked about the Business Administrator and I'm going to repeat some of the things that the Mayor and other Council people have said but again it was an emergent situation we did not pay a person three hundred thousand dollars we paid a company three hundred grand seventy five a quarter to help us with this emergent situation. The person that was doing our Business Administrator work also served for some time as the Clerk. She ran an election during that period of time so did we want that to happen no thank God the health has returned and we have hired Mr. Homsy who is well qualified and talking about Paramus the information about the salary of Paramus first of all Paramus is not ten times larger than us in terms of people at least but the salary is more than our current Business Administrator is making so again misinformation. I'll go over it again even though it's said over and over again this ridiculous notion that my health benefits are going to cost the taxpayers a million dollars if God forbid my wife passed away or we get divorced and I remarry somebody with young kids and those kids get benefits to 26 come on I mean you're really stretching things. It's just ridiculous it's a lot of ifs if the queen had balls she'd be the king. So it's just anyone who listens to that and takes any kind of credence and thinks that that's a real thing is nuts and if that's the case if you believe that don't vote for me. The Municipal Complex I mean just look around we are now the envy of many towns in this area. What people don't understand or column one doesn't seem to understand at least we needed this place. We had concerts this summer outside we've got a big parking lot. We had ten parking spaces at our old Municipal Complex ten I mean that's crazy for a Municipal Complex. If you ever went to court there the entire community the entire area around there was just inundated with cars parking every which way because they had 100 people going to court they had ten spaces. Our Hook and Ladder Fire Squad was there in a building that was moldy they were cramped they've got a new space. Ambulance Corps cramped outdated they've got a new space. We never had a Recreation Center we now have a Recreation Center. Our Fire Official was in one building, the Tax Assessor in another building, the Building Department in another building, Rec Director in another building they were all over now we're all in one place. So the one issue they seem to harp on is that there was no referendum. In our form of government we don't need to have a referendum and I'll point this out. The Fire Department we have many of our members there we're going to pass a bond ordinance for a new fire truck but there's some people out there that don't think we need a new fire truck. They see fire trucks they see they keep them in nice shape they're nice and shiny and red why do we need a fire truck. Well they don't realize that the fire trucks expire. Ou know they have a shelf life twenty years or so and we try and do a revolving purchase. We don't purchase one every year but when we need to we do they have to be replenished. So if you go out to a referendum what if fifty one percent of the people actually fifty percent plus one says nah we don't need a fire truck we don't get a fire truck. What if we're going to do a road program and people say you know what I went on Schepis Avenue that seems okay we don't need to pave that I'm going to vote

against it. If everything is put to a referendum government wouldn't function. That's not our type of government we are elected to make hard decisions and that's part of it and your response is if you like what we're doing you keep us here if you don't we'll be out. Next year this time somebody else will be sitting up here if you don't like what we're doing. I think we're doing a good job obviously I'm biased but the Town is being we've got road programs, we've got police we're not doing what had been done where police vehicles were replaced basically when they were riding on the rims. The equipment was outdated people had guns that were older than them sometimes in the Police Department. That's not happening now we're trying to do what we have to do to make this Town run properly and does it come at a cost yes. What Councilman Gierak had mentioned I was you know knocking on doors doing campaigning and somebody said an older gentleman and he said are you going to lower my taxes I said I'm not going to lie to you no. I don't know of a way to do that we try to hold the line on it as much as humanly possible but we don't then I said you know I'm going to be 65 you're no offense you're older than I am he was in his 80's. I said you have a tax freeze he goes Ah just like that Ah I said what does Ah mean he goes I don't believe in that. You don't believe in a tax freeze why not and he had no answer for it. I said you know that if you're 65 the gentleman asked the question if anyone of your family if they're a husband and wife and one of them is 65 once that person turns 65 even if the other one is not 65 you're eligible for this tax freeze and what happens is you pay your taxes if they go up let's say they were ten thousand they go up to ten thousand five hundred you pay the ten thousand five hundred the State will reimburse you that five hundred dollars but you've got to apply and a lot of people surprisingly I was at the same AARP meeting and I said that to some of the members and one guy who's who I thought was pretty astute says I didn't know he's 80 years old for fifteen years he's been paying more than he should. I believe the income level is a hundred and sixty or a hundred sixty five thousand dollars a year combined income. In terms of they mentioned about marijuana the reason that the marijuana facilities the cannabis facilities are in one location is because that's the way we wanted it. We have a cannabis overlay district we didn't want it all over the place. If you're going to have it have it in one district. Now some people may know about the huge problem that they have in Rochelle Park because of their cannabis facility does anybody know about that. Well you don't because there is none its fear mongering for people that are not knowledgeable about it. These places have security they make it seem as if these are like methadone clinics or a Grateful Dead concert or something that people are just going to be stoned walking in driving in and driving out. That's not what it's about so again lack of knowledge leads to misinformation. In terms of the rats and they said we haven't done anything and apparently this gentleman said that in the 80's there was a rat problem so I don't recall that but he lives in a different area and there's a creek there and there's stores and facilities that have a lot of garbage generated over there so I can easily see that there would be a rat issue over there but the Mayor laid it out at that rat hearing ten or eleven steps. Now column 1 came in and said this is my proposal these are things I'm going to fix this problem well we already did two of the three things that he said and the third thing was to spread poison which believe

it or not is frowned upon around in Saddle Brook and throughout the State. You don't want to poison our kids. In terms of Walmart, Ms. Zottarelli had come up and said something about speed bumps unfortunately it's a private enterprise so I don't think the Town can require them at this point to install speed bumps. The gentleman had mentioned something about idling trucks there is a statute I think it's 39-453 or so off the top of my head that says you can't idle besides a local ordinance that says you can't idle so again the crap in the back the idling trucks that's enforcement issues and personally I apologize to the people who have to put up with that.

Mr. Mangini – Why don't you enforce it that's the answer to the problem.

Councilman Cimiluca – It's an enforcement issue and we have to get on the different entities that are required.

Mr. Mangini again tries to interrupt and Councilman Cimiluca says that he can't just blurt stuff out like that.

Ms. Zottarelli – That's been an excuse for the past nine months.

Councilman Cimiluca – I'm not in charge of grabbing these guys by the throat and telling they have to do their job but they got to do their job.

Mr. Mangini – I brought it up a year ago so nothing's really changed right.

Councilman Cimiluca – I don't know I mean it's an ongoing issue.

There is more disruption from members of the audience.

Ms. Rush - I'm just going to remind everybody that public portion is over right now let the Councilman give his report thank you.

Councilman Cimiluca – It's an ongoing issue that sometimes enforcement is more lax than we would like so I agree. As somebody said I feel your pain but we're going to go at it again the Mayor is certainly aware of this we all are aware of this and you brought it to our attention once again. So we've got to get to the powers that be in order to do enforcement. One is property maintenance the other one is police there's two different entities that are in charge of each of those type of things they got to do their job and if they don't do their job there should be some accountability that's the main thing on here. If there's no accountability then you know why do we have laws why are we up here. These people who are hired to certain things have to do those things and do it well. The last thing I got a call from somebody about Columbus Day and it says hey Saddle Brook they're not celebrating Columbus Day because on Facebook it said Indigenous People's

Day it also had Columbus Day so it is known federally Columbus Day and Indigenous People's Day but the Town did what they should have. We can't ignore that it is a Federal holiday and it's Columbus Day and Indigenous People's Day. There's one gentleman in the audience and he comes here and he specializes in lighting and things like that light pollution and I appreciate him coming here because rather than just coming here and being angry constantly and just saying you guys suck basically he comes up here and he has actual ideas and he actually has some proposals that we take into account so I appreciate you sir for what you do. Thank you to the Sheriff for coming here and spreading that PSA to us that's all I have for now thanks.

Mayor White – Through the Chair. I just want to Mr. Mangini and Ms. Zottarelli after the meeting which shouldn't be too much longer if you want to stay myself and our Business Administrator will talk to you.

Mr. Mangini – Thank you.

Council President Accomando – I do want to congratulate the Liberty family that's such a great honor and if you didn't ever meet Babe he was a quiet guy but he was a very nice guy so it's a good honor for that family. Trunk or Treat is the 26th from twelve to two. I moved here 23 years ago and I met Pastor Wolf he has been a wonderful guy a great asset to the Town great asset to the community and he just got his what I like to say walking papers he got transferred to another church parish so I just wanted to wish him and his family all the best and just let Hawthorne know they're getting a great man when they get Pastor Wolf so good luck to Pastor Wolf. Like Councilman Gierak said when I moved here my taxes were thirty eight hundred dollars a year twenty three years later they're thirteen thousand five hundred and I have no problem paying that because you know why because if I go to Fair Lawn my house is over eighteen thousand. If I go to Lodi my house is over twenty thousand and they don't offer the community that we offer. I also knew what I was getting myself into when I bought here and put an addition on my house so I could raise a family and enjoy my hopefully long life here in Saddle Brook so the amount of taxes my taxes went up over twenty three years in numbers it sounds like a lot but in reality compared to other towns and I know this is Saddle Brook we live here we shouldn't worry about other towns but that's how they base your taxes so I'm happy paying thirteen thousand five hundred knowing that I can get almost nine hundred thousand dollars for a house that I paid two hundred and fifty thousand for. So if that's a problem for anybody maybe you should reconsider living in Saddle Brook because the stock market won't make money like that. On a good note I just would like to thank the Sheriff for coming here taking time out to educate the residents of Saddle Brook. I'd like to wish all the candidates all the best in this upcoming election. Thank you.

Mr. Lo Dico – We have ordinances.

ORDINANCES

1. ORDINANCE # 1757-24 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53 (TAX MAPS)

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

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes

Councilman Gierak - yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando - yes

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

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53 (TAX MAPS)

Council President: A motion is in order that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be opened.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes

Councilman Gierak - yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando - yes

Council President Accomando: Announces that the public hearing on this ordinance is open and that all persons interested may now have the opportunity to be heard.

There were no comments from the public.

Council President (after all persons have had an opportunity to be heard) states motion is in order that the hearing on this ordinance be closed.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

Council President then directs the Township Clerk to read the resolution regarding final passage.

Township Clerk then reads the resolution as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled:

CR# 1024-160

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53 (TAX MAPS)**

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

Motion: Councilman Gierak

Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando - yes

2. ORDINANCE # 1758-24 – SECOND READING

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES AND A NEW FIRE ENGINE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,545,300 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

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

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilwoman Sanchez

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes

Councilman Gierak - yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando - yes

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

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES AND A NEW FIRE ENGINE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,545,300 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Council President: A motion is in order that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be opened.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilwoman Sanchez

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando - yes

Council President Accomando: Announces that the public hearing on this ordinance is open and that all persons interested may now have the opportunity to be heard.

Councilman Cimiluca asks that the Fire Chief who is in attendance come up and speak about the what a lot of the bond is going to be used for.

Chief Mielnicki – I'm the Fire Chief of the Saddle Brook Fire Department. What we're getting from the Mayor and Council is a new engine that's replacing one of our oldest pieces right now. We're also getting a new Chief's truck that the current vehicle that I'm using now was on its very last legs. We are also getting for the first time in a very long time pagers. Right now our members are very dependent on using their cell phones to get dispatched for calls. If some of you know that if you live in an area where you don't get such great cell services you may not be aware that there's an emergency that you need to respond to. So that's another huge thing that we were able to get this year. The other thing that we're getting too is our Gemtor Belts. Our Gemtor Belts are basically the equivalent of a bulletproof vest for the Police Department. The Gemtor Belts in the event of an emergency while we're inside a building if we have to bail out of the window our bailout system is attached to that Gemtor Belt and that will save our lives if we have to bail out of a building. Also when we're doing aerial operations we can lock into the ladder with the Gemtor Belt preventing anybody from falling. So that's what the items that the Fire Department is receiving and I'd like to thank the Mayor and Council for doing this for us. This Mayor and Council has always had our Fire Department's back anytime that we needed anything they've always done whatever they can to make sure that we have the best equipment available to do the jobs that we do and for that I thank you.

The Council thanks Chief Mielnicki as well as the Fire Department for all they do for the Town.

Mr. Homsy – There's one item that's not in the capital that the Fire Department will be receiving this year is it's turnout gear through a grant so some of the items have to be financed through the operating budget. Through a grant forty three thousand dollars' worth of turnout gear through a grant and then a couple of other items so some of these items were able to be purchased through State and County grants.

Council President (after all persons have had an opportunity to be heard) states motion is in order that the hearing on this ordinance be closed.

Motion: Councilman Gierak

Second: Councilman Cimiluca

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

Council President then directs the Township Clerk to read the resolution regarding final passage.

Township Clerk then reads the resolution as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled:

CR# 1024-161

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES AND A NEW FIRE ENGINE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,545,300 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

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

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando - yes

3. ORDINANCE # 1759-24 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 100 ENTITLED “GARBAGE COLLECTION” OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilwoman Sanchez

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes

Councilman Gierak - yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando - yes

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

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 100 ENTITLED “GARBAGE COLLECTION” OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Council President: A motion is in order that the Public Hearing on this ordinance be opened.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes

Councilman Gierak - yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando - yes

Council President Accomando: Announces that the public hearing on this ordinance is open and that all persons interested may now have the opportunity to be heard.

There were no comments from the public.

Council President (after all persons have had an opportunity to be heard) states motion is in order that the hearing on this ordinance be closed.

Motion: Councilman Cimiluca

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

Council President then directs the Township Clerk to read the resolution regarding final passage.

Township Clerk then reads the resolution as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that the ordinance entitled:

CR# 1024-162

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 100 ENTITLED “GARBAGE COLLECTION” OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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 Sanchez

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes
Councilman Gierak - yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando - yes

Councilman Cimiluca – Through the Chair I just wanted to say one thing and that’s one of the things that the Council and the Mayor have done is to introduce this ordinance. We do believe that this will assist in helping the situation involving the rat issue in Town. It’s one of many things that we are implementing but it’s a first step.

The Township Clerk reads the following:

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.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierek

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca - yes

Councilman Gierek - yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando - yes

* MINUTES

NONE

* RESOLUTIONS

TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK RESOLUTION

Prepared by Peter Lo Dico
October 15, 2024

CR# 1024-163

WHEREAS, the League of Municipalities conference takes place November 19-21, 2024 and

WHEREAS, reservations were made through the League of Municipalities for participants from the Township of Saddle Brook for room reservations that will be reimbursed to the Township by each attendee for these costs,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby authorized the Township Treasurer to release off-line checks upon receipt by the Township of participant's reimbursement to the Township.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierek

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1024-164

WHEREAS Frank A. Macchione Construction Inc. was awarded a contract in the amount of \$359,567.18 for FY' 2022 MAP Cambridge Avenue; and

WHEREAS Robert J. Klein, Township. Engineer, during the course of the work being performed by Frank A. Macchione Construction Inc. recommended Change Order #2 Final; 1,148.21 for adjustment of unit quantities to their final as-built quantity; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook that it hereby approves Change Order #2 Final for Frank A. Macchione Construction Inc. for a total amount of \$1,148.21, a total contract amount of \$386,514.29 providing funds are available.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT
FORM OF RESOLUTION**

CR# 1024-165

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2023 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Township Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and,

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled “Comments and Recommendations, and,

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled “Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and,

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and,

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board, and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Township Council of the Township of Saddle Brook, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierek

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Gierek – yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1024-166

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 **\$4,340,852.54** 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: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierek

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Gierek – yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando – yes

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RESOLUTION**

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Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierek

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Gierek – yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION
APPROVING EXTENSION TO LITTIE LLC**

CR# 1024-168

WHEREAS, the Township of Saddle Brook previously adopted Resolution CR#1223-180 on December 7, 2023 approving Support of the Location and Operation of a Cannabis Cultivator for Littie LLC at property located at 217 Route 46 in the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township is in receipt of a request from Littie LLC for an extension for their cultivation license as same has expired; and

WHEREAS, Littie LLC is seeking an extension for their cultivation license for a period of six (6) months to April 17, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council and Township Attorney has reviewed the request for an extension of the cultivation license for a period of six (6) months to April 17, 2025 from Littie LLC and recommends the approval of same; and

WHEREAS, all other terms and conditions of the resolution previously adopted remain in effect.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the request of Littie LLC for an extension of their cultivation license for a period of six (6) months to April 17, 2025 be and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to Littie LLC upon its passage.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

**TOWNSHIP OF SADDLE BROOK
RESOLUTION**

CR# 1024-169

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2021, the Planning Board of the Township of Saddle Brook adopted a resolution approving an Amendment to the Township’s Master Plan and Adoption of a Revised Housing Element and Fair Share Plan prepared by Maser Consulting, P.A.; and

WHEREAS, the resolution, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, reflects the findings of fact and conclusions law wherein the amendment of the Master Plan by adoption of the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan prepared by Maser Consulting is in the best interest of the Township and will provide the Township with a Judgment of Repose which will determine that the Township is in compliance with its constitutional obligations to provide its fair share of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator and Township Attorney have reviewed this matter and the resolution adopted by the Township Planning Board attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and recommend the approval of same.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township of Saddle Brook, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the resolution adopted by the Township Planning Board on October 18, 2021 approving the Amendment to the Township’s Master Plan and Adoption of a Revised Housing Element and Fair Share Plan be and is hereby endorsed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Planning Board upon its passage.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

*** CORRESPONDENCE**

**1. COUNTY EXECUTIVE TEDESCO
TO: MAYOR WHITE**

**RE: GRANT AWARD - 3RD STREET - \$123,000
DATE: SEPTEMBER 17, 2024**



**COUNTY OF BERGEN
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
One Bergen County Plaza ■ 4th Floor ■ Hackensack, NJ 07601-7076
(201) 336-7200 ■ Fax (201) 336-7247

**James J. Tedesco, III
County Executive**

September 17, 2024

The Honorable Mayor Robert White
Township of Saddle Brook
55 Mayhill Street
Saddle Brook, New Jersey 07663

VIA EMAIL

Dear Mayor White,

I'm delighted to inform you that your application for PY 2024-2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the Bergen County Division of Community Development (BCDCD) has been approved.

We look forward to working with you as a subgrantee for the following project:

3rd Street Road Improvements **\$123,000**

Laura Salandra, a CDBG contract administrator with BCDCD, has been assigned to work with you in executing this project through to completion. Please expect to hear from Laura shortly to review the subgrant implementation process. Among the first steps to be taken will be the submission of plans and specifications for your project and the completion of an environmental assessment by BCDCD before the contract is finalized.

Should you have any questions before that time, please feel free to contact Rob Esposito, Director of the Division of Community Development, at (201) 336-7201 or resposito@co.bergen.nj.us

The Division of Community Development's partnership with the county's 70 municipalities and scores of nonprofit and government agencies over the years has resulted in a wide range of significant quality-of-life improvements to the benefit of Bergen residents. Thank you very much for being part of our continuing effort to make Bergen County a great place to live for everyone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James J. Tedesco, III".

James J. Tedesco, III
County Executive

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2. REV CARRARO, OUR LADY OF MT VIRGIN
TO: MAYOR AND COUNCIL AND EMPLOYEES

RE: THANKS – CAR SHOW
DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2024



188 Mac Arthur Avenue
Garfield, NJ 07026
Tel: 973-772-2295
Fax: 973-478-4389
www.mountvirgin.com

September 18, 2024

Mayor Robert D. White
Township of Saddle Brook
55 Mayhill Street
Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

Dear Mr. Mayor, Township Council and Township Employees,

The Car Show Committee of Our Lady of Mt. Virgin is grateful beyond words AGAIN for access to the beautiful parking lot and facilities of the Municipal Complex for our show held on September 15th. Furthermore, we deeply valued the ready and willing cooperation of many township employees including those in your office, the Health Department, the Fire Prevention Bureau, DPW, Police and others. Of course, your presence at the show, Mayor, and the presentation of the Mayor's trophy was a true highlight.

Our second effort attracted a nearly full lot of spectacular cars, actually a few more than last year. The show was a raging success in large measure due to the dry, perfect weather, but also to the facilities, especially the clean bathrooms which were appreciated by car owners and spectators alike. In fact, we had several participants come to the registration booth and thank us for having "real bathrooms" vs porta johns. Truly, the facility is a genuine source of appeal for the show participants.

We offer a sincere "Thank You" for being willing to help us host this show. We look forward to continuing this annual event which not only showcases some pretty fine cars and motorcycles, but also the Township's terrific Municipal Complex.

Gratefully,

Fr. Francesco Carraro, Administrator and the Mt. Virgin Car Show Committee

Fr. Francesco Carraro

Fr. Francesco Carraro
Administrator

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3. J. SUAREZ, COMMISSIONER, DCA

TO: MAYOR WHITE

RE: RES-AREA IN NEED OF REHAB

93 MARKET STREET

DATE: SEPTEMBER 20, 2024



State of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

101 SOUTH BROAD STREET

PO Box 800

TRINTON, NJ 08625-0800

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Governor

TAHESHA L. WAY
Lieutenant Governor

JACQUELYN A. SUÁREZ
Commissioner

September 20, 2024

The Honorable Robert D. White
Mayor
Township of Saddle Brook
55 Mayhill Street
Saddle Brook, New Jersey 07663

RE: Resolution 824-110 determining Block 611, Lot 1.01 to be an Area in Need of Rehabilitation

Dear Mayor White:

The Department of Community Affairs (DCA) received the above-referenced resolution on August 23, 2024. The determination area is situated where development and redevelopment are encouraged pursuant to State law or regulation. Accordingly, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6b (5)(c), the redevelopment area determination took effect after transmission to the Commissioner of DCA.

The municipality or redeveloper(s) may find the New Jersey Business Action Center (BAC), located in the Department of State, helpful in identifying potential sources of state financing to facilitate the redevelopment of these properties. You may contact the BAC by calling 1-800-Jersey 7 (1-800-537-7397).

This determination is a tribute to the work the Township of Saddle Brook has done. Please do not hesitate to contact Keith Henderson at (609) 948-0015 if you need any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Jacquelyn A. Suárez
Commissioner

cc: Peter Lo Dico, Municipal Clerk
Donna Rendeiro, State Planning Commission
Keith Henderson, Local Planning Services

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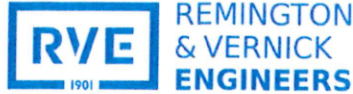
4. R. KLEIN, TWP.ENG.

TO: J. HOMSI, BUS. ADM.

RE: PAYT #2 – FINAL – CAMBRIDGE AVE.

FRANK MACCHIONE CONST. - \$8,855.53

DATE: OCTOBER 7, 2024



One Harmon Plaza, Suite 600
Secaucus, NJ 07094
O: (201) 624-2137
F: (201) 624-2136

October 7, 2024

James Homsí – Administrator
Township of Saddle Brook
55 Mayhill Street
Saddle Brook, New Jersey 07663

Re: Township of Saddle Brook
Municipal Aid – 2022 Cambridge Avenue
Pay Certificate No. 2 - FINAL
RVE File No. 0257-T-105

Dear Mr. Homsí,

Enclosed please find Payment Request No. 2. Final and two (2) year Maintenance Bond No. 800097558MB from Frank Macchione Construction, Inc., for work performed on the above referenced project. Remington & Vernick Engineers has reviewed the certificate with the contractor and agrees with the final payment noted.

Therefore, we recommend the final payment be made to **Frank Macchione Construction, Inc.** in the amount of **\$8,855.53**.

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

Sincerely,
REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS, INC.


Robert J. Klein, PE, CME
Project Manager

Cc: Mayor White, Frank Barrale, Pete LoDico

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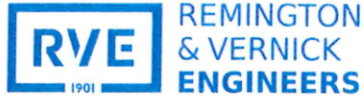
5. R. KLEIN, TWP.ENG.

TO: J. HOMSI, BUS. ADM.

RE: CHANGE ORDER #2 – CAMBRIDGE AVE.

FRANK MACCHIONE CONST. - \$1,148.21

DATE: OCTOBER 7, 2024



One Harmon Plaza, Suite 600
Secaucus, NJ 07094
O: (201) 624-2137
F: (201) 624-2136

October 7, 2024

James Homsí – Administrator
Township of Saddle Brook
55 Mayhill Street
Saddle Brook, New Jersey 07663

Re: Township of Saddle Brook
Municipal Aid – 2022 Cambridge Avenue
Change Order No. 2 Final
Our File# 0257-T-105

Dear Mr. Homsí,

Please be advised that this office is recommending approval of attached Change Order No. 2 Final. This change order is for the fuel/asphalt price adjustments.

A summary of the contract amount is below.

• Original Contract	\$ 359,567.18
• Change Order No. 1	\$ 25,798.90
• Change Order No. 2 Final	\$ 1,148.21
• Amended Contract Total	\$ 386,514.29

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

Sincerely,
REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Klein'.

Robert J. Klein, PE, CME
Project Manager

Cc: Mayor White, Frank Barrale, Pete LoDico

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*** APPLICATIONS**

BINGO

1. **ELMWOOD PARK BOMBERS AT ST. PHILIP AUDITORIUM – BA #1397**

*** REPORTS**

1. **MUNICIPAL COURT MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2024**
2. **BERGEN COUNTY SANITARIAN MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2024**
3. **BERGEN COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2024**
4. **HOTEL ROOM TAX MONTHLY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2024**
5. **FIRE PREVENTION OFFICIAL MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2024**
6. **TAX COLLECTOR’S MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2024**
7. **WATER BILLING MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2024**
8. **CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL’S MONTHLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2024**
9. **PROPERTY MAINTENANCE OFFICIAL REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2024**
10. **BUDGET STATUS REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2024**

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor White – Thank you for mentioning Pastor Wolf good man.

Councilman Gierak – I just want to mention the Liberty family I was there by the Little League Field a well-deserved honor congratulations to the Liberty family.

Councilwoman Mazzer – I would just like to mention the two grants we received one for a little over a hundred and thirty eight thousand dollars for the improvement of some of our parks and also another one we received from our County Executive also and our Commissioners there a million dollars for the dredging of the pond at Otto Pehle Park. Hopefully, it’s the beginning of some help with the flooding there I’d like to thank them for it.

Councilman Cimiluca – It's not only dredging but I believe that they're going to put in another aerator in there. Currently we have one there that's kind of buried and hasn't worked for years but they're going to do that and they're also at least they've told us they're committed to working with different divisions within the park to desnag and get rid of a lot of the dead trees there and potentially open up some of the area so you can see the lake. Right now as you walk around or ride your bike you can see it at the north end and south end but the rest is all covered with foliage. Some people say that that's the way they want it to avoid people going into the lake. I personally think that the lake is a beautiful thing and should be seen and I'm hoping that we can get a lot of that or at least some of that I don't want to be too greedy some of that foliage taken out so this way we can see what we have there.

Council President Accomando – Can I have a motion to open for agenda items only?

Motion: Councilman Gierak

Second: Councilwoman Mazzer

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes

Councilman Gierak – yes

Councilwoman Sanchez – yes

Councilwoman Mazzer - yes

Council President Accomando – yes

Council President Accomando – The meeting is now open for agenda items only anyone wishing to speak?

Omar Rodriguez comes forward. I believe that it becomes an agenda only when actually my name has been left and right. The new garbage cans should be paid out of the water account they got six hundred thousand dollars why the taxpayers have to be increased taxes again paying a hundred twenty a hundred forty dollars per can and it's just twenty six inches but anyway that's the wrong call that's desperation there's other solutions that is not going to resolve that rat issue and a lot of attacks today but again it's election season and I guess it's time for change on November 5th. All those that are happy just continue the government but if it's time for change column one and I can prove a lot of things but I believe that like the VA one year the Mayor hasn't said that I've been battling right here for more than ten months to get rid of the highest paid business administrator in the State of New Jersey and that person was let go from Edison. That same company that the Mayor's mentioning was hired in Edison within twenty days they found a replacement for the business administrator and by the way the business administrator was here so in twenty days and it took one year right here or they were just covering or doing a favor.

Council President Accomando – Do you have a comment for agenda items?

Mr. Rodriguez – Am I going to be arrested again?

Council President Accomando – Stop being ridiculous you're like a child.

Mr. Rodriguez – Yes so listen you're going to try and dictate me this is Saddle Brook the United States of America.

Council President Accomando – I asked you if you if you have something for the agenda items only but you're acting like a child.

Mr. Rodriguez – Really.

Council President Accomando – Yes.

Mr. Rodriguez – I wonder if you got some education?

Council President Accomando – Sure.

Mr. Rodriguez – Do you have it?

Council President Accomando – Yeah.

Mr. Rodriguez – You just went six months to high school.

Council President Accomando – Do you have kids you know how kids act?

Mr. Rodriguez has nothing to say regarding the agenda items he only wants to question the time limit and states that it is only a resolution and not an ordinance and that he knows the law and that everyone should read it and educate themselves about it etcetera. It's time for a change vote column one on November 5th. Thank you very much have a good night.

Council President Accomando – Motion to close the meeting to the public on agenda items.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

Council President Accomando – Motion to adjourn.

Councilman Cimiluca – I got one thing to say. It's time for a change that means vote column two so we don't get a retread like this coming every single month thank you.

Council President Accomando – I have to say something. He sat up there and said how we could help the Fire Department if we weren't paying three hundred thousand dollars for a BA. That's the same man Councilman, Council President when he was a Councilman who neglected to do anything for the Fire Department and tabled everything they wanted until it cost a significant amount and then approved it so if anybody cost the taxpayer's money it was Omar Rodriguez not this Council. So he should just speak before he talks too thank you. Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Councilwoman Mazzer

Second: Councilman Gierak

Roll Call:

Councilman Cimiluca – yes
Councilman Gierak – yes
Councilwoman Sanchez – yes
Councilwoman Mazzer - yes
Council President Accomando – yes

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Lo Dico, RMC, CMC
Township Clerk

Todd J. Accomando
Council President

Approved: November 7, 2024