



**MINUTES**  
**TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MARCH 07, 2023 AT 6:30 PM**

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**STATEMENT OF THE PRESIDENT**

*"This meeting is being held with the benefit of public notice as required by the Open Public Meetings Act"*

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:**

Councilwoman Nancy Phillips  
Councilman Richard Tighe  
Council Vice President Anthony Carabelli, Jr.  
Council President Charles Whalen

**ABSENT:**

Councilman Pasquale Papero, Jr.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Kathryn Monzo, Business Administrator  
Elissa Grodd-Schragger, Esq, Director of Law and Township Attorney  
Jennifer Eugene, Esq., Deputy Township Attorney  
Alison Sabo, Municipal Clerk

**FLAG SALUTE**

The Salute to the Flag was led by Boy Scout Troop No. 91.

**INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by Council Vice President Carabelli.

**DISCUSSION**

1. RECESS AS THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Council Vice President Carabelli to adjourn as the Township Council and convene as the Board of Health.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

The following individuals appeared before Council to present the Board of Health report:  
Kathleen Fitzgerald, Director of Health, Recreation, and Senior Services  
Chris Hellwig, Health Officer

Ms. Fitzgerald provided Council with an overview of the duties and functions of the Divisions of Health, Recreation, and Senior Services which is accomplished through promotion, prevention, and education. The Division of Health is made up of Nursing and Public Health Services, Consumer and Environmental Services, Vital Statistics, Licensing along with Animal Control Services. She then provided the progress of each section. Ms. Fitzgerald advised that the 2022 annual report had been finalized and invited the Council to review it.

Mr. Hellwig wished former Municipal Clerk Eileen Gore a happy retirement, and congratulated the new Municipal Clerk Alison on her new role and added the Division of Health was looking forward to working with her.

Mr. Hellwig spoke of the ongoing duties of the Health Division staff and went over the core functions of the public health which were defined by the National Institute of Health in 1998 (Assessment, Assurance, and Policy Development). He went over what each of the factors included. He stated that each municipality in the State of New Jersey has a Board of Health who work with the Health Officer to make sure that services are delivered to meet the needs of the community. The core functions of the Board of Health are similar to those of public health but are further outlined as administration, program planning, evaluation of organizational effectiveness, financial stewardship, and represent citizens. The day to day operations of the Division of Health are the responsibility of the Health Officer and Director, and the Board of Health is the eyes and ears of the communities and is responsible for making sure that health services are delivered. He added that according to the 2022 annual report, the Division of Health is continuing to meet its annual public health obligations. Mr. Hellwig then highlighted a few key points in the annual report and gave an overview of the responsibilities of each section within the department. Councilman Tighe asked if there were any vaccination clinics and was told that every Friday there are clinics at the Division of Health building. Once a month, there is also a clinic held at the Senior Center. Alternating clinics are also held between the Wilson Center and the Bromley Center. Updated vaccine clinics are posted on the Township website each month.

Council President Whalen referred to the part of the report where it talks about home water sampling being done for Legionella and asked what the acceptable levels of Legionella were. Mr. Hellwig stated that Legionella is a naturally born bacteria and there should not be an acceptable level. He added that people over the age of 50 with chronic illnesses are the ones who should be concerned with getting sick. Ones who are healthy and are exposed to the bacteria will not get sick.

Relative to restaurant inspections, Council President Whalen asked if a written warning is issued for violations found. Mr. Hellwig stated that a risk based inspection system is used. Most violations can be corrected on the spot, and if corrected, a satisfactory is received. If they are unable to be corrected on the spot, a conditional is received and they are given two weeks to correct the issue. An inspector then goes out again goes out to see if the problem is corrected and hopefully, they then receive a satisfactory inspection.

Council Vice President Carabelli noted he saw that ten businesses were declined from being issued retail food establishment licenses and asked if they were due to closures. Mr. Hellwig stated that some were due to closures and others were due to change of ownership. In some instances, a retail food establishment license was issued, but the facility does not end up opening.

Councilman Tighe asked if the standard of care for the animals at the shelter was for them to be watered, sheltered and fed. Mr. Hellwig stated that animals need to be fed, cleaned, watered, and medicated if necessary. Each animal needs about fifteen minutes for general cleaning and care.

Councilman Tighe asked about the progress of the Health Department getting certified. Mr. Hellwig stated that they were going to go only for half accreditation. A questionnaire as well as documentation was submitted to the accreditation body. It was then suggested to the Health Department that they go for full accreditation. Over the next few months, the Health Department will be making sure they have all documentation necessary for acquiring full accreditation.

Ms. Lisa Williams of 130 Briner Lane stated that in the report, she saw that there were 47 summonses and asked how many of them were for unleashed dogs. She also noted that the number of dog licenses for 2022 were the lowest they have been in three years. Relative to the types of summonses, Mr. Hellwig stated he would have to get back to the Board of Health with a breakdown. Relative to the issue with dog licenses, Mr. Hellwig stated that it had been brought to his attention and they are trying to have more residents license their dogs. He added that in the first two months of 2023, the Health Department issued over 2,000 dog licenses which is triple the amount for the same amount of time last year. They are also looking at ways they can go back and audit to see who has not complied and getting their animals licensed in past years. If a complaint is received about an unlicensed animal, an ACO goes out to verify that there is an animal at the residence. In some cases letters are sent out.

Council President Whalen asked if there were any problems with cross referencing the rabies shot compared to when the license was expiring. There were many people who were having issues with their dog license expiring and when they applied for their dog license, it would come back that their rabies shot was expiring. Mr. Hellwig stated that was a GovPilot glitch and they are working to rectify it. Councilman Tighe asked if summonses require court appearances and was told by Ms. Schragger that if they plead guilty and pay the fine, they do not have to go to court.

Ms. Williams stated that when she filed an OPRA request for the rabies expiration dates, there were many dates where they were either blank or the rabies had already expired.

Ms. Janice Glonek of 432 Trinity Avenue asked if families who cannot afford it are able to get their children vaccinated through the health clinic, and was told that was true.

In closing, Ms. Fitzgerald thanked the Board of Health, Mayor Martin and the Administration for the opportunity to serve the residents of Hamilton.

Motion made by Council member Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Tighe to adjourn as the Board of Health and reconvene as the Township Council.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

- C1. RECEIPT OF DOCUMENTATION TO UPDATE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LICENSE ON FILE 1103-31-058 AMERICAN LEGION POST 313, 560 SCHILLER AVENUE (UPDATE OF OFFICERS)

Council President Whalen stated this was the Broad Street #313 establishment. Ms. Sabo stated this was put on the agenda for several meetings. The purpose of this was to switch the positions of the commander and vice commander. After the last Council meeting, she reached out to the Police Department and was told that there were no updates of any more issues or problems.

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Council Vice President Carabelli to accept the Communication.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

- C2. JOINT PROCLAMATION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR MICK CONBOY AS THE GRAND MARSHAL FOR THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Council President Whalen read the Proclamation into the record for the members of the audience.

- C3. JOINT PROCLAMATION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR EVA KELLY AS MISS ST. PATRICK At THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE.

Councilwoman Phillips read the Proclamation into the record for the members of the audience.

- C4. JOINT PROCLAMATION FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR GIL LUGOSSY RECEIVING A SPECIAL COMMUNITY AWARD FROM THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE COMMITTEE

Councilmember Tighe read the Proclamation into the record for the members of the audience.

- C5. PROCLAMATION FOR IRISH HERITAGE MONTH 2023

Council Vice President Carabelli read the Proclamation into the record for the members of the audience.

- C6. GIRL SCOUTS OF CENTRAL & SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY REQUEST PERMISSION TO CONDUCT COOKIE SALES AT VARIOUS APPROVED DATES AND LOCATIONS TO BE CONDUCTED MARCH 11 THROUGH MARCH 25, 2023

Prior to continuing with the rest of the agenda, Ms. Monzo requested that Council consider adding a resolution to the agenda. It is a resolution authorizing transfers to the Calendar Year 2022 Municipal Budget. The Municipal Budget Law allows for the transfer of money within the first three months of the year. There were some utility bills which came in, which were not able to be processed before the end of last year. This resolution will authorize moving the sum of the budget amount from the Landfill line item to cover what is needed in utilities. This resolution could go on the Consent Agenda and would be Resolution 23-142.

Motion made by Council Vice President Carabelli and seconded by Councilmember Phillips to add Resolution 23-142 to the Consent Agenda.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

## **RESOLUTIONS**

- RES1.** **23-120** - RESOLUTION TO CEASE AND DESIST ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE 1103-33-020-003 AS OF MARCH 7, 2023

Councilmember Tighe asked for an explanation. Ms. Sabo stated the liquor license previously belonged to Hamilton Lanes, Mr. Ely. The current Hamilton Lanes owner purchased a different liquor license. This particular liquor license has not been active since February of 2018. The license was not able to be

renewed due to nonpayment and not obtaining a tax clearance. The Division of ABC reached out and stated they would not consider renewing the license due to noncompliance.

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Council Vice President Carabelli to approve the Resolution.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

**RES2.** **23-121** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON TO UNDERTAKE A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER A CERTAIN AREA WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP QUALIFIES AS A CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT (BLOCK 1922, LOTS 5 & 7)

Ms. Schragger stated there is a house that is located next to the lot of the back entrance of the future Municipal Building Complex and is in terrible shape. The Township is in negotiations with the owner to purchase it. In case the negotiation falls through, Ms. Schragger requested condemnation power if the Township is unable to purchase it, they can expand and own the property and add it to the bigger property of the Municipal Complex. In response to Councilmember Tighe's question, Council President Whalen stated the property was less than one acre.

Motion made by Councilmember Phillips and seconded by Council Vice President Carabelli to adopt the Resolution.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Tighe advised he would be abstaining from voting on Consent Agenda item CA16 because he is affiliated with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority.

Council President Whalen gave a brief overview of the items listed on the Consent Agenda.

Relative to Consent Agenda item CA2, Council Vice President Carabelli was grateful for the CFO's thorough analysis for the banking services. Relative to Consent Agenda item CA13, Council Vice President Carabelli appreciated the lowest bid came in 52% lower than the engineer's estimate. He then asked for an explanation on Consent Agenda item CA16. Ms. Monzo stated this was the cleanup going on at the site. The consultant would come in and create a bid to go out and have a contractor come in remove the contamination.

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Councilmember Phillips to adopt Consent Agenda items CA1-CA21.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe (Abstained on CA16), Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

**CA1.** **23-122** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT FOR A 2023 DISTRACTED DRIVING CRACKDOWN - U DRIVE. U TEXT. U PAY. GRANT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY, FOR THE TERM APRIL 1, 2023 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2023 (\$12,250.00)

**CA2.** **23-123** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A THREE (3) YEAR CONTRACT FOR BANKING SERVICES WITH FIRST BANK

**CA3.** **23-124** - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONTRACT WITH DELL-TECH, INC. FOR THE HISTORIC ISAAC PEARSON HOUSE REPAIR PROJECT (ROOF, STRUCTURAL STABILIZATION AND CHIMNEYS) FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (\$205,400.00 MAXIMUM)

**CA4.** **23-125** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ACCESS AGREEMENT WITH SYNERGY ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. TO PERMIT ACCESS TO A GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL INSTALLED ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1750 WHITEHORSE-MERCERVILLE ROAD, BLOCK 1922, LOT 7

**CA5.** **23-126** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX ASSESSOR TO FILE APPEALS, ADDED AND OMITTED ASSESSMENT APPEALS, FILE COUNTER APPEALS AND ROLLBACK COMPLAINTS WITH THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION AND TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY

- CA6.** **23-127** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH APPROVED HUNTERDON COUNTY COOPERATIVE #34HUNCCP PURCHASING PROGRAM VENDORS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023
- CA7.** **23-128** - RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 23-012 AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL UTILIZATION OF NEW JERSEY STATE APPROVED CONTRACT VENDORS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12(a) (AT&T MOBILITY, CONTINENTAL FIRE & SAFETY, INC., HERTRICH FLEET SERVICES AND MONTAGE ENTERPRISES, INC.)
- CA8.** **23-129** - RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 23-017 AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS, SERVICE CONTRACTS AND VARIOUS PROPRIETARY MATERIALS/EQUIPMENT WITH VARIOUS PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE VENDORS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(dd) (ADDING - LEADS ONLINE)
- CA9.** **23-130** - RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 23-015 AUTHORIZING ALTERNATE AWARD/FULL DISCLOSURE CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 (ADDING BRITTON INDUSTRIES)
- CA10.** **23-131** RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) KUBOTA RTV UTILITY VEHICLES WITH ATTACHMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF PARKS WITH CHERRY VALLEY TRACTOR SALES VIA THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NJ (ESCNJ) CO-OP #65MCESCCPS (\$45,469.83 MAXIMUM)
- CA11.** **23-132** - RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FIRST ONE (1) YEAR EXTENSION TO CONTRACT 20-583 WITH THE CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION (CYO) OF MERCER COUNTY FOR THE OPERATION, MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE BROMLEY NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER (\$126,000.00 MAXIMUM)
- CA12.** **23-133** - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONTRACT WITH TED DOLCI, INC. FOR EMERGENCY UNDERGROUND INFRASTRUCTURE/DRAINAGE REPAIRS TO COMPTON WAY FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY PLANNING & COMPLIANCE (\$22,173.19 MAXIMUM)
- CA13.** **23-134** - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONTRACT WITH EARLE ASPHALT COMPANY FOR THE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO INDUSTRIAL DRIVE (WHITEHEAD ROAD TO DEAD END) FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, DIVISION OF ENGINEERING (\$284,013.13 MAXIMUM)
- CA14.** **23-135** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF AN ALTERNATE AWARD/FULL DISCLOSURE CONTRACT WITH GARDEN STATE LAB, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL LABORATORY SERVICES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00
- CA15.** **23-136** - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF VOICE OVER IP EQUIPMENT TO REPLACE THE EXISTING PHONE SYSTEM IN MULTIPLE MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS FROM WITH CDW-G (AUTHORIZED DEALER OF CISCO SYSTEMS) UTILIZING NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #21-TELE-01506 AND CDW GOVERNMENT LLC (CDW-G) UTILIZING THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NJ (ESCNJ) CO-OP #65MCESCCPS (NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00)
- CA16.** **23-137** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN, INC. FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT, ENGINEERING OVERSIGHT, REPORT PREPARATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AT 1849 EAST STATE STREET, THE FORMER NEARPARA RUBBER FACTORY SITE (\$86,930.00 maximum)
- CA17.** **23-138** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR ON -SITE IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO THE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 335 AND 343 RUTGERS AVENUE (CURB AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS)
- CA18.** **23-139** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REDUCTION AND RELEASE AND REPLACEMENT OF A PERFORMANCE SURETY BOND FOR ON-SITE IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO THE DEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT BETHEL AND ZELLEY AVENUE

**CA19.** **23-140** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND FOR IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO THE DEVELOPMENT KNOWN AS HRP MERCER (ROADWAY WIDENING) LOCATED ON LAMBERTON ROAD (HRP MERCER UR BAN RENEWAL, LLC.)

**CA20.** **23-141** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF DUPLICATE FEE PAID BY CAROLINE HILL FOR A 2023 DOG LICENSE (\$21.00)

**CA21.** **23-142** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET (\$185,000.00)

## **ORDINANCES**

### **SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING**

**ORD1.** **23-008** - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE *CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, CHAPTER 485, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE II, PARKING, § 485-19, HANDICAPPED PARKING (Repealing the space established at 141 Herbert Avenue by Ordinance No. 03-046)*

After the above Ordinance had been read by title, the President declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone wished to be heard concerning same. There being no response, a motion was made by Council Vice President Carabelli and seconded by Councilmember Phillips to close the public hearing and adopt the Ordinance on second reading.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

### **FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION**

**ORD1.** **23-009** - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE *CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 340, PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS, ARTICLE I, RULES AND REGULATIONS, § 340-4, PERMITS FOR GROUP USE*

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Councilmember Phillips to introduce the Ordinance on first reading.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

**ORD2.** **23-010** - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE *CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 215, FEES*

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Council Vice President Carabelli to introduce the above Ordinance on first reading.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

**ORD3.** **23-011** - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE *CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, CHAPTER 485, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE II, PARKING, § 485-19, HANDICAPPED PARKING (Repealing space established at 132 Overlook Avenue by Ordinance No. 20-042)*

Motion made by Council Vice President Carabelli and seconded by Councilmember Phillips to introduce the above Ordinance on first reading.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Tighe, Council Vice President Carabelli, Council President Whalen

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Mr. Gerard Apert who is the Assistant Scout Master for Boy Scout Troop 91 thanked Council for recognizing the troop at the meeting.

Ms. Janice Glonek of 432 Trinity Avenue said that the calendar issue was rectified with the post office because she received a second calendar. She also spoke highly of the recycling brochure which was sent out from Mercer County. Relative to Congoleum, Ms. Glonek asked who was responsible for picking up all the litter along the road. She stated that when garbage trucks go down the road, trash flies out of them. They are going down Second Avenue and cross into Lawrence Township to the Waste Management Facility. He asked Ms. Monzo that Waste Management be contacted about the garbage trucks shedding trash as they're going through Hamilton. Ms. Glonek added that there are trash bags in front of Congoleum as well, and she did not know who was responsible for cleaning that up. Ms. Schragger stated she could reach out to the lawyers because there is the contract purchaser and the current owner. She did not know where they were in the process because there were a few matters which had to be taken care of before the purchase was finalized. Council President Whalen added this would definitely be looked into and taken care of.

Ms. Lisa Williams of 130 Briner Lane asked that as the Governing Body is looking at the shelter budget and health office budget, that they consider hiring some part time animal control officers. She stated that prior to this administration, there was a seven day work week, 365 days a year. Weekends and holidays were covered by part time ACO's. Currently, the contracts there are an issue with the full time ACO's. Ms. Williams added that the part time ACO's should be sent out to drive around and see what animals are licensed. The money collected from the dog license fees could be put into the dog fund to be used for such things as hiring part time ACO's. She feels they should be part time so that there is flexibility in scheduling them. Also, if a full time ACO retires or leaves the Township, a full time ACO could be promoted to fill that position, and then another part time one could be hired.

### **COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL**

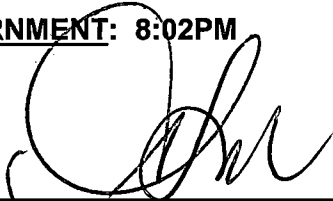
Councilwoman Phillips thanked all for attending the meeting. She also thanked the Boy Scouts for being at the meeting. Councilwoman Phillips was glad to be back to the meetings and being with her Council colleagues. She was looking to the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Councilman Tighe welcomed Councilwoman Phillips back to the meetings. He spoke of the ongoing effort by the Township to improve services for the residents, giving attention to a long neglected property, and to redevelop properties in need of redevelopment, bringing jobs to the Township through those efforts. He was proud of the ongoing work Council continues to do. Councilman Tighe was glad for the continuing efforts the Township is making for renewable energy. He was glad the Boy Scouts were at the meeting and told them to reach out if they ever had any questions.

Council Vice President Carabelli also recognized the Boy Scouts for being at the meeting. He wished all a Happy St. Patrick's Day and was looking forward to seeing everybody at the parade.

Council President Whalen was appreciative to the Boy Scouts for being at the meeting. He gave a reminder of the St. Patrick's Day Parade upcoming Saturday, with opening ceremonies taking place at 12:30pm at the Nottingham Firehouse. The parade begins at 1:00 pm. The rain date for the parade will be March 18<sup>th</sup>. Council President Whalen advised that the budget will be introduced on April 4<sup>th</sup>. There will be budget hearings after that, and hopefully, the budget would be adopted some time in May.

**ADJOURNMENT: 8:02PM**



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**Alison Sabo, RMC  
Municipal Clerk**



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**Charles Whalen  
Council President**