



MINUTES
TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 21, 2022 AT 6:30 PM

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:

Councilman Anthony Carabelli, Jr.
Councilman Pasquale "Pat" Papero, Jr.
Councilman Richard Tighe
Council Vice President Charles Whalen
Council President Nancy Phillips

ALSO PRESENT:

Kathryn Monzo, Business Administrator
Jennifer Eugene, Assistant Township Attorney
Eileen Gore, Municipal Clerk
Alison Sabo, Deputy Municipal Clerk

FLAG SALUTE

The Salute to the Flag was led by Council Vice President Whalen.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Councilman Anthony Carabelli.

DISCUSSION

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

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

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

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AS PRESENTED BY KATHLEEN FITZGERALD,
DIRECTOR OF HEALTH, RECREATION, SENIOR AND VETERANS SERVICES**

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
Donielle Gioia, Animal Shelter Manager
Veronica Eisenmann, Health Educator

Ms. Fitzpatrick 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 consists of nursing and public health services, consumer and environmental services, vital statistics and licensing along with animal control services. Since the first case of COVID 19 was reported in Hamilton, the nursing staff have worked diligently to administer thousands of doses of vaccine. Additionally, the Division has been working hand-in-hand with the school district staff and nurses to develop a safety protocol relative to COVID all while continuing to provide mandated services normally required of the staff.

Mr. Hellwig spoke the on-going duties of the Health Division who continue to conduct weekly COVID vaccination clinic while also investigating other communicable diseases. They continue to provide routine screenings along with the testing and treatment of STD's at a weekly clinic. The environmental inspectors are busy conducting inspections of pool openings and bathing facilities while also conducting routine inspection of all retail food establishments through the Township. The Division continues to meet their annual health obligations. The Division is currently is pursuing a National Public Health Accreditation. Ms. Eisenmann to give an outline of the accreditation process. Currently, the first phase of the application is underway which is the most time consuming because of the policies and program would create the standards and measures to be reviewed prior to the submission of the application. An update will be provided at the next board meeting. When asked about the fees involved, it was advised that the initial fee would be \$1,290 and thereafter an annual accreditation service fee of \$5,600 would be required which is determined by the population of the town.

Mr. Hellwig indicated that the Township received a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from the NJ Department of Environmental Protection to provide the residents with free radon test kits. Another program available is the at-home water bacterial testing which is possible through the continued partnership with the NJ Department of Health. Currently, there is funding available for twenty homes throughout the township, but there is a waitlist available as well. The Division continues to meet monthly with Trenton Water Works, NJDEP, and NJDOH to monitor the progress being made to improve the water quality for Trenton Water Works Hamilton customers, especially as it relates to Legionnaire's Disease which usually produce cases during the summer months. The Township also received a grant and will be working with the Hamilton School District, particularly high schools, the train the team leaders in teen mental health first aid. The grant is for a period of three years and were hopeful that the program could be expanded to other schools in the Township in the future.

The Hamilton Animal Shelter continues to see improvements by way of policies and procedures through the efforts individuals involved in the process. When asked by Councilman Tighe about the ability to determine how founds pets are distinguished from others, Ms. Gioia stated that stray animals are those who come into the shelter without a human attached to them. Once an animal arrives at the shelter, a post is made to the Township's social media page about the animal. Councilman Whalen spoke about the nuisance ordinance listed on the agenda and how that would work with the TNR community. Would those individuals who perform TNR be given the opportunity to do TNR and then place the cats back into the community. She advised that it would be determined on a case-by-case basis. She indicated that many times, the animal control officers provide residents literature on TNR. When questioned by Councilman Papero about the recent issue at the shelter where some animals were missing their medication, she advised that the medication administration procedure had been revised to ensure compliance. The topic of utilizing a dog license term for a period or two to three years instead of one year was discussed. It was the recommendation of Mr. Hellwig that the Township remain at the one year license term because the dog owners would still have to mailed a tag each year and it would not result in any cost savings and it would make it harder to determine that the animals are current with their rabies vaccinations. The State requires that a rabies vaccination be valid for at least ten months of the license year in order to allow for the license to be issued. Councilman Papero indicated that residents have approached him and felt there were not enough animal control officers and asked if they felt more needed to be hired. Mr. Hellwig advised that he along with Ms. Gioia have reviewed the dispatch calls for the last year along with the overtime and felt that the system currently in place was more cost effective than hiring someone to sit at the shelter and no calls being received. Ms. Fitzgerald reassured Council that all of the animals needed were being met and that there is adequate staff in place at the shelter. The last item relative to the shelter that was discussed was the use of PetFinder. Ms. Gioia stated that a recent email from PetPoint stated that automatic uploads would be occurring every evening and was hopeful that it would begin by the end of the week.

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS

C1. COMMENDATION PROCLAIMING JUNE 19, 2022 AS JUNETEENTH "FREEDOM DAY"

C2. COMMENDATION DECLARING JUNE 2022 AS LGBTQ+ PRIDE MONTH IN HAMILTON TOWNSHIP

The above Proclamations were read for the members of the audience. Mr. Healey accepted the commendation of behalf of the LGBTQ+ community and thanked Mayor Martin and the Hamilton

Township Council for the Proclamation looked forward to working with the Mayor's office and the Council to promote equality within the Hamilton community.

C3. RECEIPT OF DOCUMENTATION TO UPDATE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LICENSE ON FILE 1103-33-039-003 NOTTINGHAM TAVERN (CORRECTION TO MAILING ADDRESS)

Motion made by Councilmember Carabelli and seconded by Councilmember Tighe to accept the following communications CA1 through CA3.

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

RESOLUTIONS

RES1. 22-243 - RESOLUTION DENYING THE PERSON-TO-PERSON TRANSFER OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LIQUOR LICENSE 1103-33-036-006 FROM DERR, INC. T/A MARTY'S PLACE BAR AND GRILL TO ROMAN BROTHERS LIQUORS, LLC T/A 1600 BAR AND GRILL

PUBLIC HEARING

Council President Phillips advised that this was a public hearing on the matter and asked if anyone wished to be heard. There were no public comments received.

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Councilmember Papero. Voting Yea: Councilmember Carabelli, Councilmember Tighe, Councilmember Papero, Council Vice President Whalen, Council President Phillips

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Relative to Consent Agenda Item CA16, Council President Phillips stated the appointment of this individual is to fill the position of Assistant Township Prosecutor as the individual that previously held the position passed away the previous week.

Councilman Tighe noted the amount of money being spent for keeping the children safe from lead and commended the Administration, Health Department, along with the grant writers for working together to bring in the money and resources to the Township.

Councilman Carabelli was glad to see the contract for the white collar workers on the agenda, and thanked Ms. Monzo and the Legal Department for their work.

Relative to CA10, Councilman Carabelli noted an increase of \$90,000 for a rural resource management person and asked for an explanation. Ms. Monzo stated there is a requirement to have an individual employed who has an S4 license which the Township did not have an employee who possessed the license at the start of the new year, but an individual did recently pass the required exam. It was also noted that it is required to also have an individual who possesses an S3 license as a backup. While DeBlock provided an individual with this license on a daily basis, it is quite costly. While the Township still needs to maintain its contract with DeBlock to provide the services on a part-time basis, but was hopeful the Township would be employing such a individual before the end of the year and thereby no longer require a contract with the vendor.

Relative to CA38, Councilman Carabelli noted the shared services contract with Robbinsville was coming to an end. Ms. Monzo stated this was the final amendment to the contract with Robbinsville assisting with financial services. They were helping finalize the 2020 bank reconciliations. Once finished, they would begin helping with the 2021 reconciliations.

There were no comments from any members of the public on the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Councilmember Papero to approve the Consent Agenda items (CA1 through CA43)

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

CA1. 22-244 - RESOLUTION APPROVING SECOND EXTENSION (ONE-YEAR) TO CONTRACT 19-236 WITH TRAP ROCK INDUSTRIES, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF HOT MIX ASPHALT AND QUICK PATCH MATERIAL (\$4,100,927.08 MAXIMUM)

CA2. 22-245 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SPECIAL TRAFFIC REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.3

- CA3. 22-246** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON AND THE COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA LOCAL 1042 (WHITE COLLAR) FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024
- CA4. 22-247** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF FEES PAID BY SIXTEEN (16) CRAFTERS AND DEMONSTRATORS FOR THE CANCELLATION OF THE AZALEA FESTIVAL DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER (\$960.00)
- CA5. 22-248** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF FEE PAID BY TINA WHITE FOR THE USE OF VETERANS PARK (PICNIC AREA-SOUTH) (\$150.00)
- CA6. 22-249** - RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 22-036 AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL UTILIZATION OF NEW JERSEY STATE APPROVED CONTRACT VENDORS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022 IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12(a)
- CA7. 22-250** - RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 22-034 AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS, SERVICE CONTRACTS AND VARIOUS PROPRIETARY MATERIALS/EQUIPMENT WITH VARIOUS PROPRIETARY SOFTWARE VENDORS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022 IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(dd)
- CA8. 22-251** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF FEES PAID BY INDIVIDUALS FOR CANCELLATION OF WEDDING CEREMONIES (\$50.00 EACH)
- CA9. 22-252** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF 232 JEREMIAH AVENUE LOCATED AT BLOCK 2210, LOT 1 (LICENSED PREMISES 1); 3 BIGELOW ROAD LOCATED AT BLOCK 2210, LOT 2 (LICENSED PREMISES 2); 5 BIGELOW ROAD LOCATED AT BLOCK 2210, LOT 3 (LICENSED PREMISES 3) AND 7 BIGELOW ROAD LOCATED AT BLOCK 2210, LOT 4 (LICENSED PREMISES 4) FOR ACCESSIBILITY TO THE DRIVEWAY AND REAR YARD FOR THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT TO REHABILITATE A STORM DRAIN PIPE, OUTLET STRUCTURE AND THE SURROUNDING AREA THAT IS CAUSING DRAINAGE CONCERNS ALONG THE REAR OF 7 BIGELOW ROAD
- CA10. 22-253** - RESOLUTION 22-109 ESTABLISHED A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH DeBLOCK ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, LLC FOR A FULL TIME, PROFESSIONAL S4 LICENSED OPERATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL (\$300,000.00 MAXIMUM) SAID RESOLUTION IS HEREBY AMENDED AS A SHARED CONTRACT TO INCLUDE THE SERVICES OF REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS TRADING AS WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, INC. (WRM) (+\$90,000.00 INCREASE TO \$390,000.00 MAXIMUM)
- CA11. 22-254** - RESOLUTION APPROVING RENEWAL OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE TERM OF JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023
- CA12. 22-255** - RESOLUTION APPROVING RENEWAL OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LIQUOR LICENSES WITH SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR THE TERM JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 30, 2023
- CA13. 22-256** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PERSON-TO-PERSON AND LACE-TO-PLACE TRANSFER OF INACTIVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LICENSE 1103-33-037-008 RUBY TUESDAY OPERATIONS, LLC. to HIYA PARA, INC. T/A DOVER PLAZA LIQUORS
- CA14. 22-257** - RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE CY2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, OFFICE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH (CHILDHOOD LEAD PROGRAM) FUND GRANT; \$53,000.00)
- CA15. 22-258** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF SECURITY DEPOSIT FEE PAID BY DONNA CLARK FOR THE USE OF SAYEN HOUSE AND GARDENS (\$250.00)
- CA16. 22-259** - RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF JACQUELINE ABDUR-RAZZAQ, ESQUIRE, TO THE POSITION OF ACTING ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR FOR THE TERM JUNE 21, 2022 TO JUNE 20, 2023
- CA17. 22-260** - ITEM HAS BEEN REMOVED
- CA18. 22-261** - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON AND THE CITY OF TRENTON FOR THE

PROVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR ELEVATED BLOOD LEAD LEVELS IN CHILDREN (\$0 maximum)

CA19. 22-262 - RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 22-032 AUTHORIZING ALTERNATE AWARD/FULL DISCLOSURE CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022

CA20. 22-263 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO SOLICIT PROPOSALS FOR COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING TO OBTAIN GRANT WRITING SERVICES

CA21. 22-264 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF THE UNUSED BALANCE OF ESCROW MONIES PAID BY STEM CIVICS FOR OUTSIDE POLICE SERVICES (NON TRAFFIC) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$450.00

CA22. 22-265 - RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE CY2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET THE FROM NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE, LABORATORIES AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (PHILEP) FUND GRANT; \$100,000.00)

CA23. 22-266 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON AND THE CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE MERCER WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM (\$0 MAXIMUM)

CA24. 22-267 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONTRACT FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT AND REPAIRS TO THE KUSER PARK CARETAKERS HOUSE ROOF WITH VMG GROUP FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS VIA MERCER COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT PURCHASING SYSTEM (\$80,596.80 MAXIMUM)

CA25. 22-268 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EQUIPMENT LOAN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, OFFICE OF DISASTER RESILIENCE FOR USE OF A PHARMAROAM 60 MOBILE VACCINE COOLER FOR STORAGE OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE (\$0 MAXIMUM)

CA26. 22-269 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND FOR IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS KUSER WAREHOUSE LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF KUSER ROAD AND KLOCKNER ROAD

CA27. 22-270 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON TO EXECUTE A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF MERCER TO ENABLE HAMILTON TOWNSHIP TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER OFFICIALS TO DEPOSIT FUNDS (\$22,650.00) IN THE PROPER ACCOUNTS FOR THE HAMILTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023

CA28. 22-271 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TWO YEAR CONTRACT WITH POLYDYNE, INC. FOR THE SUPPLY OF POLYMER FOR SECONDARY EFFLUENT CLARIFICATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL (\$34,524.70 MAXIMUM)

CA29. 22-272 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NEW JERSEY FOR SLUDGE DISPOSAL FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL (\$610,500.00 MAXIMUM)

CA30. 22-273 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF SECURITY DEPOSIT FEES PAID FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2022 BY VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS FOR THE USE OF KUSER PARK AND VETERANS PARK COURT GAMES PAVILION (NORTH AND SOUTH LOCATIONS) - \$1,550.00 TOTAL)

CA31. 22-274 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF 2020-2022 REAL ESTATE TAX OVERPAYMENTS (\$130,733.13)

CA32. 22-275 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF AN ALTERNATE/FULL DISCLOSURE CONTRACT TO SANOFI PASTEUR FOR THE PURCHASE OF 2022-2023 INFLUENZA VACCINES FOR THE DIVISION OF HEALTH (\$43,430.47)

CA33. 22-276 - RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE CY2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF

HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM) FUND GRANT; \$154,113.00)

CA34. 22-277 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO PROCEED WITH AN ACCELERATED TAX SALE FOR DELINQUENT 2022 REAL ESTATE AND SEWER TAXES

CA35. 22-278 - RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS RECEIVED TO ESTABLISH A CONTRACT FOR THE SOUTH CLINTON AVENUE ACCESSIBLE RAMP IMPROVEMENTS

CA36. 22-279 - RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE CY2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, OFFICE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH (STRENGTHENING LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH CAPACITY PROGRAM) FUND GRANT; \$274,735.00)

CA37. 22-280 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2022 CATERPILLAR COMPACT TRACK LOADER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WITH FOLEY, INC. UTILIZING THE SOURCEWELL NATIONAL PRICING SYSTEM CONTRACT #032119 (\$125,750.00 MAXIMUM)

CA38. 22-281 - A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A THIRD AND FINAL AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 21-398 WHICH AUTHORIZED AND APPROVED A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR FINANCE SERVICES BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON AND THE TOWNSHIP OF ROBBINSVILLE FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

CA39. 22-282 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT FOR STATE AID WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE LOCAL AID INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (Grant Identifier: LAIF-2022-Whitehorse Mercerville Road Transi-00063; Whitehorse-Mercerville Road from Kuser Road to Cypress Lane; \$353,877.20)

CA40. 22-283 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT OF THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON FOR THE YEAR 2022

CA41. 22-284 - RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NUMBER ONE TO CONTRACT RESOLUTION 22-226 FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT AND RESTORATION OF FIVE (5) ROOFS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL WITH VMG GROUP VIA MERCER COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT PURCHASING SYSTEM (+\$100,879.00 INCREASE)

CA42. 22-285 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF AN ALTERNATE AWARD/FULL DISCLOSURE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SUPLEE, CLOONEY & COMPANY FOR CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND AUDIT SERVICES WITH REGARDS TO BANK RECONCILIATIONS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021 THROUGH JUNE 2022 IN PREPARATION OF THE 2021 MUNICIPAL AUDIT (\$22,500.00 MAXIMUM)

CA43. 22-286 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A THREE (3) YEAR CONTRACT WITH FIRE APPARATUS REPAIR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF FIRE (\$245,000.00 MAXIMUM)

ORDINANCES

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORD1. 22-019 - ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A QUIT CLAIM DEED RELINQUISHING ANY AND ALL OWNERSHIP INTEREST THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON MAY HAVE IN A PORTION OF BLOCK 1581, LOT 27 (APPROX. 1.175 ACRES) (SWEETBRIAR AVENUE)

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.

Ms. Janice Glonek of 432 Trinity Avenue asked the location of the property and was advised the easement runs between Klockner Road and Sweetbriar Avenue. Since Sweetbriar Road is a county road, the easement would belong to the county and not the township.

Mr. Steve Clegg of Wolfpack Road asked what the value of the easement was and whether or not this was connected to the solar farm which is proposed in that area. Ms. Monzo stated easements do not have any value, and that it is not attached to the proposed solar farm in the area.

Motion made by Council Vice President Whalen and seconded by Councilmember Carabelli to close the public hearing and adopt the on second reading.

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

Voting Nay: Councilmember Tighe

ORD2. 22-020 - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE *CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY*, PART II, *GENERAL LEGISLATION*, CHAPTER 485, *VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC*, ARTICLE III, *TRAFFIC REGULATIONS*, § 485-27, *TURN PROHIBITIONS*, WHICH ESTABLISHED CERTAIN TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON ON QUAKERBRIDGE ROAD, HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY INCLUDING THE APPLICATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF SUBTITLE ONE OF TITLE 39 OF THE NEW JERSEY STATUTES

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. No public comments were received.

Motion made by Councilmember Papero and seconded by Council Vice President Whalen to close the public hearing and adopt second reading.

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

ORD3. 22-021 - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, PART II, *GENERAL LEGISLATION*, CHAPTER 311, *NOISE*, AND REPEALING THE PREVIOUS CHAPTER 311 IN ITS ENTIRETY

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. No public comments were received.

Ms. Eugene stated the State of New Jersey has a model noise ordinance which what before Council currently. If Hamilton wishes to make any revisions to the Ordinance, they must first be approved by the State before being adopted by the Township.

Motion made by Councilmember Carabelli and seconded by Council Vice President Whalen to close the public hearing and adopt the Ordinance on second reading.

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

ORD4. 22-022 - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, PART II, *GENERAL LEGISLATION*, CHAPTER 317, *NUISANCES*, AND REPEALING THE PREVIOUS CHAPTER 317 IN ITS ENTIRETY

After the above Ordinance had been read by title, the resident declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone wished to be heard concerning same.

Ms. Eugene stated that fireworks and animals are addressed in this Ordinance. The purpose of this Ordinance is to clean up the previous Ordinance. Regulations for fire pits are included as part of the Ordinance.

Mr. Steve Clegg of Wolfpack Road asked if the Police Department was prepared to begin enforcing this Ordinance for July 4th. Ms. Gore stated this Ordinance will not go into effect until after July 4th. She added that most Ordinances go into effect twenty days after the Mayor signs his approval. Mr. Clegg raised concern with a section of the Ordinance where it states that if a cat trespasses on a property twice within thirty days, it is considered a nuisance. He felt this was obsessive and open to abuse. The point of TNR was for cats not to be bought to the shelter. Once they are bought to the shelter, there is nowhere for them to go.

Motion made by Councilmember Carabelli and seconded by Councilmember Papero to close the public hearing and adopt on second reading.

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

ORD5. 22-023 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1744 EAST STATE STREET IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 1637, LOT 18 OF THE HAMILTON TOWNSHIP TAX MAP FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

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 were no public comments received.

Motion made by Council Vice President Whalen and seconded by Councilmember Tighe to close the public hearing and adopt the Ordinance on second reading.

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

FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION

ORD1. 22-025 - 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 (*Establishing spaces for 452 Lynwood Avenue; 227 Park Lane; 109 Parker Place; 111 Parker Place; 1734 South Broad Street; and 828 South Olden Avenue*)

Motion made by Councilmember Tighe and seconded by Councilmember Papero to adopt the Ordinance on first reading and introduction.

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

ORD2. 22-026 - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, PART I, ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 5, ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT, SECTION 5-60, FIRE DIVISION

Motion made by Councilmember Papero and seconded by Councilmember Tighe to adopt the Ordinance on first reading and introduction.

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

ORD3. 22-027 - 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 spaces established at 159 Joan Terrace by Ordinance No. 16-010; 27 Moffatt Avenue {Parking space located on Sykes Avenue} by Ordinance No. 12-049; 140 Moffatt Avenue by Ordinance No. 03-032; 146 Norway Avenue by Ordinance No. 19-056; and 113 Parker Place by Ordinance No. 00-060*)

Motion made by Council Vice President Whalen and seconded by Councilmember Carabelli to adopt the Ordinance on first reading and introduction.

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

ORD4. 22-029 - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY, CHAPTER 215, FEES, § 215-8, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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

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

ORD5. 22-028 - ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, NEW JERSEY, PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 485, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE II, PARKING, SECTION 485-17, RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING

Motion made by Councilmember Papero and seconded by Councilmember Tighe to adopt the Ordinance on first reading and introduction.

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

RESOLUTIONS

RES1. 22-287 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022 CURRENT MUNICIPAL BUDGET

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING

Ms. Gore read the amendment in its entirety into the record for the members of the public. No public comments were received.

Motion made by Councilmember Carabelli and seconded by Councilmember Tighe to close the public hearing and approve the Resolution.

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

RES2. 22-288 - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022 CURRENT MUNICIPAL BUDGET

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public comments received. Motion made by Council Vice President Whalen and seconded by Councilmember Papero to adopt the Calendar year 2022 budget.

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ms. Sherri Bauerle of 150 Stewart Street and President of Colonial Firehouse provided Council a copy of the proposed lease agreement for 2022-2023, as well as their response to the comments made by Mr. Buroczi at the March 1, 2022 Council meeting. At that meeting, Ordinance 22-010 was up for adoption to remove the lease agreement Colonial Firehouse had with Hamilton Township. She stated that the majority of the issues brought up at that meeting were erroneous. The remaining issues were partially true, but have been rectified. Colonial Firehouse is hoping to discuss the issues of the rental agreement with the Township. Councilman Tighe stated the Administration will be negotiating with Colonial Firehouse. Council is willing to review the information submitted.

Mr. Ames of Ridge Avenue thanked the Township for installing speed bumps on his street. He then asked Council if they were aware of the accident which occurred on Pitman Avenue where one individual was killed and two children were injured. The car was going down Pitman towards Park Avenue and hit a tree. If the speed bumps were there, the accident would not have happened. The Township had put a speed limit sign for two days and then removed it. Mr. Ames felt the sign should be there on a permanent basis. Council President Phillips stated Council was not aware of the accident and thanked Mr. Ames for bringing it to their attention.

Ms. Mellissa Gerber of 11 Ferndale Avenue stated the HTRBA facility is next to her property. She raised concern with the excessive parking on her street by citizens bringing their children there for baseball. In some instances, some people's driveways get blocked. This makes it difficult for emergency vehicles to get down her street.

Ms. Monzo stated the Township has reached out to the league to advise that there is open field parking on Quakerbridge Road. She added that when fliers have been created for events, it had been written in that there is the parking on Quakerbridge Road. Councilman Carabelli stated that any time his sons had games at either one of the fields, he would be advised of the off-street parking. Council President Phillips stated that when the ordinance is on for public hearing, Ms. Gerber was welcome to come back and voice her concerns.

Ms. Janice Glonek of 432 Trinity Avenue referred to her comments at a previous meeting about the benches near Carella's and asked if Council had found out who put them there. Councilmembers stated they did not know, but suggested that Connie Carella might know because she is part of the Mercerville Business Group. Ms. Glonek then asked what the status of the Congoleum Site was and advised that approvals were granted for a school supply facility to go into one of the warehouses.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Members of Council gave thanks to all for attending the meeting. Thanks was also given to all who were involved with the budget process. Lastly, a reminder was given of the July Fourth fireworks taking place on July 1st at Veterans Park.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Eileen Gore, RMC, CMC, MMC
Municipal Clerk

Nancy Phillips
Council President