MINUTES TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING OCTOBER 8, 2020

The Committee Meeting of the Pennsauken Township Committee was held via ZOOM electronic participation on Thursday, October 8th, 2020.

The Meeting was called to order by Mayor Killion at 6:00 pm. Who also gave an update on the number of COVID cases within the Township; thee have been 999 since the onset of the virus and 25 deaths. Mayor Killion expressed his thoughts, concerns and prayers for families affected by the virus and families who have lost loved ones. He continues to stress the importance of wearing your mask and social distancing. He also asked for prayers for the families caught in the devastating fires in California.

Mayor Killion called for the Salute to the Flag followed by a Moment of Silence and announced the "Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act" keeping the meeting in compliance with state laws.

CONSIDERATION OF / AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS ON ANY REQUEST FOR ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION IN MEETING –

Special request for electronic participation in the Meeting due to current Covid-19 Pandemic.

Committeewoman McBride moved the motion to participate via ZOOM. Deputy Mayor DiBattista seconded the motion. An affirmative 5/0 voice vote was recorded. *Motion passed.*

The Meeting commenced with a roll call by the Township Acting Clerk.

PRESENT: Committeeman Dyer, Committeewoman McBride, Committeewoman Rafeh, Deputy Mayor DiBattista and Mayor Killion.

Also present were Acting Administrator Palumbo, Acting Township Clerk Pamela Scott-Forman and Jose Calves, Esq. of Parker McCay.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

Meeting of September 3, 2020 Closed Session of September 3, 2020

Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2020

Committeewoman Rafeh moved a motion to approve the minutes on the agenda Committeeman Dyer seconded the motion

An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

MAYOR's appointments to the Planning Board

Mr. Melvin Little – 1st Alternate unexpired term

Ms. Brandi Johnson – 2nd Alternative unexpired term

Mayor Killion thanked them for their willingness to serve. He also offered them the opportunity to have a few words. Both declined.

ORDINANCES: SECOND READING - (PUBLIC MAY COMMENT)

2020:15

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIIP OF PENNSAUKEN CHAPTER 299 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" (829 Engard & 4620 Roosevelt)

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Chapter 299-57 "Restricted Parking Zones in Front of Residences: is hereby amended to ADD the following:

- Handicapped Parking Signs located at 829 Engard Avenue beginning 73 feet north from the northwest corner of Engard Avenue and Day Avenue and continuing 22 feet north.
- Handicapped Parking Signs located at 4620 Roosevelt Avenue beginning 475 feet east from the southeast corner of Terrace Avenue and Roosevelt Avenue and continuing 22 feet east.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon due publication and final enactment as provided by law.

No public wished to comment.

Committeeman Dyer moved a motion to adopt Ordinance 2020:15 Committeewoman McBride seconded the motion An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

ORDINANCES: FIRST READING - (NO PUBLIC COMMENT)

Ordinance 2020.16

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIIP OF PENNSAUKEN CHAPTER 299 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" (Wayne Ave.)

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Chapter 299-57 "Restricted Parking Zones in Front of Residences: is hereby amended to ADD the following:

3. No Parking Between 6am – 3pm Signs located across from 6725 Wayne Avenue, on the eastern curb line beginning 50 feet south from the northeast corner of Clement Avenue and continuing 190 feet south.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon due publication and final enactment as provided by law.

Committeewoman McBride moved a motion to approve Ordinance 2020:16 on First Reading Committeeman Dyer seconded the motion

An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

ORDINANCE 2020:17

REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF THE TOWNSHIP'S OUTSTANDING CALLABLE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2011, DATED AUGUST 31, 2011; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$6,000,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, TO FINANCE THE COSTS THEREOF; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township") (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law, Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"), as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> The Township is hereby authorized to refund up to all of its outstanding callable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011, dated August 31, 2011, in the aggregate principal amount of \$5,375,000 and maturing on August 15 in the following years and principal amounts (collectively, the "Callable Bonds"):

Maturity Date	Total Principal Amount
2022	\$1,000,000
2023	1,035,000
2024	1,080,000

2025 1,120,0002026 1,140,000

The exact principal amount of Callable Bonds to be refunded (which may be less than all of the Callable Bonds) shall be determined pursuant to a resolution adopted by Township Committee by not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof.

<u>Section 2.</u> To effectuate the refunding of up to all of the Callable Bonds, negotiable general obligation refunding bonds of the Township are hereby authorized to be issued in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 ("Refunding Bonds"), pursuant to the Local Bond Law. The exact principal amount of Refunding Bonds to be issued and terms thereof shall be determined pursuant to a resolution adopted by Township Committee by not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof.

Section 3. An aggregate amount not exceeding \$100,000 for the items of expense listed in and permitted by Section 51.b. of the Local Bond Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:2-51. b., has been included in the aggregate principal amount of the Refunding Bonds authorized herein.

Section 4. The purpose of the Refunding Bonds is to effect an interest cost savings for the Township.

<u>Section 5.</u> Each Refunding Bond authorized herein shall be designated, substantially, "Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, New Jersey, General Obligation Refunding Bond, Series 202_" and shall be in the form prescribed and permitted by the Local Bond Law, as Bond Counsel may advise, and as the Township shall approve.

Section 6. The Refunding Bonds may be sold at public or private sale pursuant to a resolution of Township Committee adopted by not less than two-thirds of the full members thereof.

Section 7. The supplemental debt statement provided for in Section 10 of the Local Bond Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:2-10, was duly filed in the office of the Township Clerk prior to the passage of this refunding bond ordinance on first reading and a complete executed duplicate original thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey.

Section 8. A certified copy of this refunding bond ordinance as adopted on first reading has been filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey prior to final adoption, together with a complete statement in the form prescribed by the Director and signed by the Chief Financial

Officer of the Township as to the outstanding indebtedness to be refunded by the issuance of the Refunding Bonds.

Section 9. This refunding bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Acting Administrator Palumbo explained the ordinance, stating this allows for the recall of 2011 Bonds issued with a much better rate at 5.3%.

Committeewoman Rafeh moved a motion to approve Ordinance 2020:17 on First Reading Committeeman Dyer seconded the motion
An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

RESOLUTION(s) (PUBLIC HEARING/PUBLIC MAY COMMENT) The Following Resolution(s) will be considered individually

2020:251

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN TO ENTER INTO A NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2(b)(3) authorizes local contracting units to utilize national cooperative contracts as a method of procurement and to enter into national cooperative pricing agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Program, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a cooperative pricing system known as HGACBuy; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Pennsauken, on August 6, 2020, applied for membership as an End User in the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative purchasing program for the contract term commencing on January 1, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Pennsauken, on August 21, 2020, duly advertised their intent to make a contract award under the Lead Agency's HGACBuy programs request for proposals under Sealed Bid/Proposal No. HT06-20;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

This **RESOLUTION** shall be known and may be cited as the National Cooperative Purchasing Resolution of the Township of Pennsauken.

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2(b)(3), the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a cooperative pricing agreement with the Lead Agency based on the proposals submitted under HGACBuy program Sealed Bid/Proposal No. HT06-20.

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Acting Administrator Palumbo commented this is a no bid schedule; the HGHG is a government to government municipal purchases.

Committeewoman McBride moved the motion to approve resolution 2020:251 Committeewoman Rafeh seconded the motion An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote

2020:252

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO ACCEPT THE LIGHT FEASIBILITY STUDY AND FORWARD TO DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken recognizes that the Borough of Merchantville received funding for the lighting feasibility study at the multi-use path along Chestnut Avenue from the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission as a TCDI grant; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken would benefit from additional lighting along this path, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken has received and reviewed the completed light feasibility study from the engineer and supported the study during the Township Committee meeting on September 17, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Pennsauken hereby accepts the light feasibility study and supports Merchantville's plan to forward it to the Delaware Regional Planning Commission.

Mr. Palumbo explained this is in response to the presentation made at the meeting of September 17th.

Committeeman Dyer moved a motion to approve resolution 2020:252 Committeewoman Rafeh seconded the motion An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

2020:253

RESOLUTION APPROVING A REFUND OF \$4,122.50 FOR OVER PAYMENT MADE BY VERIZON TO THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAKEN

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken received payment in the amount of \$4,122.50 (check # 1274142747) for invoice #8633; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken received a second payment in the amount of \$4,122.50 (check # 1274160933) for invoice #8633;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden and State of New Jersey that the sum of \$4,122.50 is returned to

Verizon Accounts Payable (MD5.3/3045) 6929 N. Lakewood Drive

Tulsa Oklahoma 74117

A CERTIFIED COPY of this resolution will be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the Applicant and the Finance Department.

Committeewoman McBride moved the motion to approve resolution 2020:253 Deputy Mayor DiBattista seconded the motion An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

2020:254

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF OFFERING DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF THE TOWNSHIP'S GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND AWARD OF SAID BONDS; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED THERETO

BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2011, the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, New Jersey ("Township"), issued its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011, dated its date of delivery, in the aggregate principal amount of \$12,850,000, bearing interest at rates ranging from 2.50% to 4.00% per annum ("2011 Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the 2011 Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$5,375,000, and maturing on August 15 in the years 2022 through 2026, both inclusive (collectively, the "Callable Bonds"), are subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the Township on or after August 15, 2021 at a redemption price equal to 100% of the Callable Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the low interest rates prevailing in the municipal bond market, the Township has the opportunity to economically refinance up to all of the Callable Bonds; and

Committeewoman McBride moved a motion to adopt resolution 2020:254 Committeewoman Rafeh seconded the motion An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

RESOLUTION(s) (PUBLIC MAY COMMENT) The Following Resolution(s) will be considered by consent agenda

2020:255

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 54:5-52.1

WHEREAS, THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN HAS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED A TAX SALE CERTIFICATE TO ACTLIEN HOLDING INC WHICH THE CERTIFICATE IS DATED DECEMBER 5, 2012 COVERING PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN

AND REFERRED TO AS BLOCK 5410 LOT 3 AS SET OUT ON THE MUNICIPAL TAX MAP THEN IN USE WHICH CERTIFICATE BEARS NUMBER 12-00681.

WHEREAS, THE PURCHASER OF THE AFORESAID TAX SALE CERTIFICATE HAS INDICATED TO THE TAX COLLECTOR THAT THEY HAVE LOST OR OTHERWISE MISPLACED THE ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE AND HAVE DULY FILED THE APPROPRIATE AFFIDAVIT OF LOSS WITH THE TAX COLLECTOR, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN THAT THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN BE AND IS HERBY AUTHORIZED, UPON RECEIPT OF THE APPROPRIATELY EXECUTED AND NOTARIZED LOSS AFFIDAVIT AND THE PAYMENT FEE OF \$100, TO ISSUE AN APPROPRIATE DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE TO THE SAID PURCHASER COVERING THE CERTIFICATE LOSS AS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED ALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 99 OF PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION AND A COPY OF THE LOSS AFFIDAVIT BE ATTACHED TO THE DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE TO BE ISSUED TO SAID PURCHASER AND THAT SAID CERTIFICATE BE STAMPED OR OTHERWISE HAVE IMPRINTED UPON IT THE WORD "DUPLICATE" AS REQUIRE BY LAW.

2020:256 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF USED CAR LICENSES FOR 2020 (JDR Auto)

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the following Used Car License is authorized to be issued in 2020.

JDR Auto Inc.

8192 National Highway

Pennsauken, NJ 08109

The following restrictions are in effect:

- 1. Office use ONLY.
- 2. No sale of cars on site.
- No invitations to the general public to purchase used care from the site.
- 4. No used cars will be stored on site
- 5. No advertisement that used cars are sold at the site.

2020:257

A RESOLUTION GRANTING RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE # 0427-33-017-009 (Regal 73 LLC) FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021

WHEREAS, AN APPLICATION HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK FOR THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES NOW IN EFFECT IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN; AND

WHEREAS, PROPER RENEWAL FEES HAVE BEEN PAID AND NO OBJECTIONS HAVE BEEN FILED AGAINST THE PROPERTY; AND

WHEREAS, ALL PREVIOUS RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN REMOVED;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, IN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, THAT THE LICENSE BE RENEWED WITH THE CONTINUANCE OF ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE IN PRIOR YEARS. THE TOWNSHIP CLERK IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO PREPARE AND ISSUE THE LICENSE WITH TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021 FOR THE TYPE OF LICENSE SO INDICATED ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION, AND TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN.

2020-2021 LIQUOR LICENSES – PLENARY CONSUMPTION LICENSE 0427-33-017-009 REGAL 73 LLC 1444 Palmyra Bridge Blvd.

2020:258

RESOLUTION FOR UNPAID MUNICIPAL CHARGES FOR EXAMPLE BUT NOT LIMITED TO GRASSCUTTING, CLEAN-UP AND BOARD-UP; ESTABLISH A FINAL BILLING; IMPOSE MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENTS; ENFORCE THROUGH TAX SALE; AND IMPOSE MUNICIPAL LIENS. (Commercial)

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN HAS INCURRED AN EXPENSE IN THE YEAR(S) 2020 AGAINST VARIOUS PROPERTIES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP FOR FAILURE OF THE PROPERTY OWNER TO COMPLY WITH MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES CONCERNING THE CONDITION OF THEIR PROPERTY, AND:

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP IS EMPOWERED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.13; N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.14; AND, N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.5(F)(2), TO IMPOSE A LIEN FOR THE RECOVERY OF THOSE MONIES EXPENDED BY THE MUNICIPALITY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, IN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN, IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, THAT THE ATTACHED LIST OF PROPERTIES DESIGNATED BY BLOCK AND LOT NUMBER, THE OWNER OF RECORD AND MAILING ADDRESS OF RECORD. THE AMOUNT LISTED CONSTITUTES A DEMAND BY THE TOWNSHIP FOR PAYMENT BY THE PROPERTY OWNER FOR THE COST INCURRED BY THE MUNICIPALITY.

BE IT FURTHUR RESOLVED, IF PAYMENT FOR THE MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENT IS NOT RECEIVED IN FULL TO THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, C/O DANIELLE LIPPINCOTT, TAX COLLECTOR, 5605 NORTH CRESCENT BOULEVARD, PENNSAUKEN, NEW JERSEY 08110 THAT THE MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENT WILL BE ENFORCED BY TAX SALE BECOMING A MUNICIPAL LIEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH NEW JERSEY STATE STATUTE.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE TAX COLLECTOR AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER.

2020;259

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RESCINDING PRIOR RESOLUTIONS WHICH IMPOSED LIENS ON CERTAIN DESIGNATED PROPERTIES

WHEREAS, Liens for property maintenance on specific properties were placed on properties not conforming to the Township maintenance code; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Pennsauken is empowered under N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.13; N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.14; and N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.5(F) (2), to impose a lien for the recovery of those monies expended by the Municipality, and;

WHEREAS, the Pennsauken Township Committee has approved by resolution imposing of a lien for the recovery of those monies expended by the Municipality, and;

WHEREAS, after researching the documentation it has been determined the properties listed below should not have been placed on the list; and

WHEREAS, the liens imposed on the following properties by the Township Committee under N.J.S.A. 40:49-2.13; N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.14; and N.J.S.A.40:48-2.5(F)(2) be Rescinded:

Resolution No.	Street Address	Block	Lot	Amount
2018:287	2278 Hollinshed Ave	4905	24	\$250.00
2018:267	4546 Harding Road	52069	20	\$250.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden and State of New Jersey that the aforementioned properties and resolution(s) representing the inappropriate 2005, 2018 and 2019 liens be rescinded:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is ordered by the Pennsauken Township Committee to mark the records; that the aforementioned imposed lien(s) are rescinded.

A CERTIFIED COPY of this resolution will be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the following: Tax Collector, Chief Financial Officer, Construction Official and Administrative Asst. Building & Housing.

2020:260

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN APPOINTING A PURCHASING AGENT (Katelyn Ubil)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that **Katelyn Ubil** is hereby appointed Purchasing Agent for the municipality.

BE IT RESOLVED this appointment shall be for a unexpired term of office commencing September 28, 2020 and expiring December 31, 2020

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to Ronald Crane the Chief Financial Officer and Katelyn Ubil.

2020:261

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN APPOINTING A DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR (Jennifer Wurtenberg)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that **JENNIFER WURTENBERG**, is hereby appointed Deputy Court Administrator for the Pennsauken Municipal Courts.

BE IT RESOLVED this appointment shall take effect October 12, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to Ronald Crane the Chief Financial Officer and Meagan Perez.

2020:262

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN APPOINTING A COURT ADMINISTRATOR (Meagan Perez)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that **MEAGAN PEREZ**, is hereby appointed Court Administrator for the Pennsauken Municipal Courts.

BE IT RESOLVED this appointment shall take effect October 12, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to Ronald Crane the Chief Financial Officer and Meagan Perez.

2020:263

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN APPOINTING A DIRECTOR OF REGULATRORY SERVICES (Shakir Ali)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that **SHAKIR ALI**, is hereby appointed Director of Regulatory Services of the Township of Pennsauken.

BE IT RESOLVED this appointment shall take effect June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to Ronald Crane the Chief Financial Officer and Shakir Ali.

2020:264

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN APPOINTING A DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES (Elwood Martz)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that **ELWOOD MARTZ**, is hereby appointed Director of Municipal Services of the Township of Pennsauken.

BE IT RESOLVED this appointment shall take effect June 19, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to Ronald Crane the Chief Financial Officer and Elwood Martz.

2020:265

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN OFFICER OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT TO SIGN CHECKS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that **MEAGAN PEREZ or her designees** are hereby authorized to sign and release checks as required from the Municipal Court for the Year 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be forwarded by the Township Clerk to Republic Bank notifying them of this authorization in order for checks to clear under their signature, the Chief Financial Officer and Meagan Perez

2020:266

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES FOR WHO ARE ENTITLED TO AN EXEMPTION DUE TO THE VETERAN ADMINISTRATION DETERMINATION OF 100% PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED.

WHEREAS, THE OWNER AND RESIDENT OF THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES

HAVE MET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

EXEMPTION AS PERSCRIBED BY NEW JERSEY STATUTE 54:4-3.30 FOR EXEMPT

STATUS UNTIL SOLD: AND

WHEREAS, THE OWNERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES

HAVE APPLIED TO THE TAX ASSESSOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN FOR

TAX EXEMPT STATUS AND HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE TAX ASSESSOR OF

THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN FOR TAX EXEMPT STATUS; AND

WHEREAS, THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN

RECOMMENDS THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES FOR THE PROPERTIES AS

DISCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

<u>BLOCK / LOT PROPERTY LOCATION YEAR AMOUNT TO CANCEL</u>

1502 10 8116 STOW RD 2020 \$1,677.20 100 DAYS

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE TAXES ON THE AFORMENTIONED LIST BE CANCELLED AND THAT THE TAX ASSESSOR AND THE TAX COLLECTOR ARE HEREWITH AUTHORIZED AND INSTRUCTED TO ADJUST THEIR RECORDS ACCORDINGLY;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS

RESOLUTION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO THE TAX ASSESSOR, TAX COLLECTOR,

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, AND THE CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF

THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, THAT THE

AFOREMENTIONED EXEMPTIONS ARE GRANTED.

Committeewoman Rafeh moved a motion to approve the consent agenda Deputy Mayor DiBattista seconded he motion An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

PAYMENT OF BILLS

AUGUST

 Budgeted
 \$ 7,580,457.13

 Statutory Expenditures
 \$ 104,499.44

 Section 8
 \$ 44,192.84

SEPTEMBER

 Budgeted
 \$ 2,097,372.47

 Statutory Expenditures
 \$ 29,496.76

 Section 8
 \$ 45,427.63

Committeewoman McBride moved a motion to approve the bills for payment

Committeewoman Rafeh seconded the motion An affirmative 5/0 roll call vote was recorded

CONFERENCE / ITEMS OF DISCUSSION -

Economic Development - Larry Cardwell and Terry Carr

Mr. Cardwell presented the following to Committee

Maxon Auto Corporation – 500 Griffith Morgan Lane (**further down Griffith Morgan from the historic house**) The property will be used for warehouse and distribution which is the same as the previous use.

Committee ok'd to move forward

Physique Fitness – 6313 Westfield Ave (property located across Westfield Ave from Halliday Dance and Bobby Rays) The perspective tenant would like to use the space for personal training. Mr. Diggs is currently a freelance personal trainer.

Committee ok'd to move forward

Frank Paulsworth – 7533 South Crescent Blvd (in front of Village Thrift) This the annual application for the sale of Christmas Trees at the Airport Circle.

 Committee ok'd to move forward paperwork must go through the construction office and clerk.

Items for Discussion

Wawa - 8000 South Crescent Blvd.

Committee has concerns with tractor trailer parking and safety. Adjusted Site Plans would definitely be needed for the Central Highway access and Route #130 and N. Park Drive. They suggested a traffic study be incorporated.

Mr. Cardwell informed Committee that Haddon Point building 11 is about complete with 23 apartments.

Solar Landscape

Mr. Cardwell introduced Ms. Donna M. Jennings, Esq. and Mr. Kevin Dunshee of Solar Landscape project at the World Harvest Christian Center property.

Ms. Jennings, Esq. for Solar Landscaping gave a brief synopsis of how the Solar company received the project and the intended improvements. She commented the solar panels are part of a project to help keep property owners from having to put panels on their properties; and that the electricity is sold back to the community. The state requires 50% of the electricity to be sold to low to moderate income homes within the community.

<u>Marc Schottinger of Asbury Park, NJ</u> and owner of Solar Landscape also spoke on the aspects of the project. Mr. Schottinger commented that he would be a good neighbor placing fencing and trees. He also stated the panels could not go on grass and that this particular property was accepted for the many aspects of the property, specifically the impervious grounds.

Mayor Killion allowed members of the neighborhood to ask questions / make statements.

<u>Claudia Bryman of Derousse Avenue</u>, suggested they switch sides, remove the asphalt at the proposed location and asphalt the current grassy area. She stated it would be more aesthetically pleasing to the neighborhood, and commented the current layout is not acceptable to her.

Cynthia Samuels Bundy of Bethel Avenue, Moorestown, NJ, commented she disagreed with Ms. Jennings and stated that it would be a negative impact to the neighbors. Mrs. Bundy noted the height of the panels, the ascetics and impact on property values. She also commented that she is familiar with the World Harvest Christian Center and that the rendering shown have been their vision for many, many, years.

Mr. Schottinger responded property values usually go up.

Mayor Killion thanked everyone for their comments and opened the floor for public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

<u>Sherry Rollins of Linden NJ (Union County)</u> questioned if the trails would be fixed and the rocks cleared from the trails.

Mayor Killion replied the trails would be asphalted.

<u>Jordan Hernandez of the CollinsTrac neighborhood</u>, commented cars have been speeding down Cove Road doing 45+ mph and asked for a speed bump or something more permanent to slow the cars down. He commented he had personally purchased "slow down children at play" lawn signs.

Mayor Killion commented he would have Lt. Henkel of the Pennsauken Traffic Division give him a call.

Captain Olivo and Lieutenant Henkel both suggested the traffic trailer. One of them will reach out to Mr. Hernandez.

Ken Diaz of Lincoln Avenue, made the observation, concerning the Solar project and questioned the amount of CARES money for Pennsauken.

Mayor Killion first thanked Mr. Diaz for all his hard work on the CENSUS on behalf of the Township.

Acting Administrator Palumbo replied to his question concerning the CARES Act money received; commenting it covered dollar for dollar COVID related expenses.

Mr. Diaz inquired if anyone form the church was informed about tonight's meeting and he was sure he didn't hear from that entity.

Mayor Killion reassured him they were notified.

<u>Kevin Dunshee of Solar Landscaping,</u> commented that Reverend Nancy Palmer had been on the call earlier.

<u>Ellyn McMullen of Palace Court,</u> questioned the impact of COVID 19 on the Township financially.

Mr. Palumbo responded minimal and explained the Tax Collector had prepared estimated tax bills, he also informed her the CARES Act funding is Dollar for Dollar which has covered the unexpected cost for public safety, and protective equipment, thus far

Steve Squibb, Township Engineer commented on the Cove Road question commenting it's a County Road and the options are limited as to what can be installed.

<u>Shawn Keegan of Neptune, NJ,</u> Solar Landscaping commented Eight Foot wood fencing would be placed around the facility.

<u>Cynthia Samuels Bundy of Moorestown, NJ.</u> questioned the hours of operation for Griffith Morgan Lane, commenting on the truck traffic on Derousse Avenue.

Mayor Killion asked Mr. Cardwell to respond who stated there would definitely be large truck deliveries during hours of operation; which he would need to verify the hours. There is currently signage on Derousse Avenue.

Mrs. Bundy asked for increased police presence at Wesley Park and on Velde, Forrest and Derousse Avenue.

<u>Christopher Schnep of Camden, NJ,</u> commented that he is in support of the connecting bridge for the trails. He stated it would be very good for nee bikers.

Cynthia Samuels Bundy of Moorestown, NJ, commented that on Tuesday, October 20th there was an increase number of trucks from River Road to Westfield Avenue, along with the 417 bus up and down Derousse Avenue on October 8, 2020. Mrs. Bundy then asked for the total cost of the Solar project, she also questioned why the project could not be changed, changing the current asphalt to grass and the current grass to asphalt.

Marc Schottinger of Asbury Park, NJ and owner of Solar Landscape commented it is now at Seven to Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars and "at some point it isn't cost effective."

<u>Johnani Harris of 36th Street</u> stated she is an Urban Promise graduate and is in support of the trail connector bridge.

<u>Daryl Davis of 42nd Street</u> stated he has been a Pennsauken resident for 27 years and has no knowledge of the trail which would run behind his home and he is not in support of it for various reasons. Mr. Davis commented there are trees that need to be cut down and two vacant homes. He also asked for more police presence and maintenance in the area. He again commented he did not receive any notice about a walking trail!

Mayor Killion replied Public Works would be notified about the trees and asked Mr. Davis to contact Public Works about the over growth. He explained the grass cutting process.

<u>Anya Sorworski of 3rd street Philadelphia, PA.</u>, of the Rails to Trails Conservatory commented there is a lot of enthusiasm for the project in Pennsauken. She thanked Committee ad asked that they continue to work on the project and see it through to fruition. She also commented that the DVRPC grant funds could possibly be revoked.

Both Mayor Killion and Acting Administrator Palumbo commented this is the first time hearing the grant could be revoked.

<u>Nathaniel Hernandez of Camden, NJ,</u> stated he's affiliated with Urban Promise and Thank Committee for their commitment to the trails and the he is in support of the rails to trails project.

<u>Tim Brill of Lambertville, NJ,</u> Thanked Freeholder Nash and Committeewoman McBride for all their support on the connection between Merchantville and Camden with the trails project and the connection across Rt. #130.

<u>Daryl Davis of 42nd Street</u>, stated he want the literature on the rails to trails project and again commented 42ndand 43rd Streets need to be cleaned up.

Township Attorney Jose Calves commented the Township is going through reviews.

Mayor Killion reiterated there has not been any formal action.

Deputy Mayor DiBattista Davis what his concerns are with the trails. Mr. Davis replied there has been no literature given to the resident so the area and he does not prefer people walking through his neighborhood.

Committeewoman McBride talked about the clean ups that has taken place in the area; with "10 guys in 10 days both times." She also commented the property is owned by NJTransit who does not clean up abandoned rails beds. Mrs. McBride stated she has ben working diligently to make the trail active which would "actually make it safer and more visible."

<u>Sonia Szczesma of Mercer Street, Trenton, NJ</u>, commented that Route #130 is consistently in the top portion of worse roads in New Jersey and how safe the connector bridge would be for those on the trail.

Deputy Mayor DiBattista move to close the floor to public comment Committeeman Dyer seconded the motion An affirmative 5/0 voice vote was recorded

COMMITTTEE COMMENTS

Mayor Killion

- Urged residents to Vote using their mail in ballots and informed the residents of the drop box located at the Municipal building.
- Listed the different locations and ways to return your ballot. By United States Postal service; County Board of Elections, Polling location.
- Township Best Practice Audit complete which his directly tied to Municipal Aid; The Township scored above average.
- Halloween is still on, please follow the State Governments guidelines and stressed the importance to continue safe distancing and wearing your mask under your costume mask.

Deputy Mayor /DiBattista

Thanked those on the call for participating

- Condolences to those who have loss family members to COVID and a speedy recovery for those 999 residents who have tested positive.
- Excited about the parks and recreation update happening specifically 49th Street park and the Pickle ball courts.
- Non-perishable food drive in conjunction with a Township Halloween theme Drive In movie Hocus Pocus on the 24th of October – parking reservations needed.
- Continue to wear your mask.

Committeewoman Rafeh

- Thanked everyone for all their well wishes and introduced Karina to the Pennsauken residents.
- Thanked everyone for joining in on the call

Committeewoman McBride

- Thanked everyone for their participation in the meeting
- Census has been completed and thanked Mr. Ken Diaz for all of his hard work.

Committeeman Dyer

- Thanked the residents for participating in the meeting along with the 7 out of town guest.
- Thanked Committeewoman McBride and Diane Johnson for the Food Drive held on October 2nd at the Soccer Complex; and the need to continue to help the many in need during this pandemic.
- Urged everyone to complete their Vote by mail ballots and using the drop boxes throughout the county.
- Please continue to wash your hands, wear your mask and social distancing

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor DiBattista moved a motion to adjourn Committeeman Dyer seconded the motion An affirmative voice vote was recorded

The meeting adjourned at 8.35 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Scott-Forman Acting Township Clerk

ADOPTED: November 5, 2020