

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the Council Meeting at 7:03 PM followed by a short prayer and salute to the flag.

- **STATEMENT OF NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Municipal Clerk Morelos announced that this October 11, 2022 Council Meeting had been advertised and posted in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 by advertising in the Home News Tribune and the Star Ledger, notifying the Sentinel Publishing Co., posting on the bulletin board, and is on file in her office.

- **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Councilpersons Conti, Dwumfour, Maher, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts

Absent: None

Others Present: Mayor Victoria Kilpatrick
Denise Biancamano, C.F.O./Treasurer
Jessica Morelos, Municipal Clerk
Edward Washburne, Esq., Borough Attorney
Jay Cornell, P.E., Borough Engineer
Nicole Waranowicz, Asst. Municipal Clerk

Others Absent: None

- **PROCLAMATION & PRESENTATIONS - NONE**

- **OLD BUSINESS:**

a) Public Hearing on the following Ordinances:

Borough Clerk Morelos read the heading for the following ordinances listed for Public Hearing:

Public Hearing on Ordinance #31-22.

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on Ordinance #31-22.

There were no comments.

Councilwoman Novak moved the Public Hearing be closed the Ordinance be adopted on second and final reading and advertised according to law. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Novak, Conti, Dwumfour, Maher, Onuoha, Roberts, all ayes.

BOND ORDINANCE #31-22

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$1,433,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,361,350 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville, New Jersey (the "Borough") has ascertained and hereby determines that it is necessary and desirable to raise money to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, which improvements are hereby authorized to be made or acquired by the Borough. For said improvements or purposes stated in said Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$1,433,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and including the sum of \$71,650 as the down payment for said improvements or purposes required by law and now available therefor by virtue of provisions for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes and to meet the part of said \$1,433,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$1,361,350 pursuant to the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Revised Statutes (the "Local Bond Law"). In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Borough in the principal amount not exceeding \$1,361,350 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are various improvements, including without limitation, the following: (i) Code Enforcement siding and windows improvements; (ii) Public Safety prisoner cell improvements; (iii) Public Safety locker room improvements; (iv) various technology improvements; (v) various traffic light improvements; (vi) various drainage improvements; and (vii) Library parking lot improvements, together with all other work, materials and appurtenances necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes of the Borough to be issued for said purposes is \$1,361,350.

(c) The estimated cost of said purposes is \$1,433,000, the excess thereof over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor being the amount of said \$71,650 down payment for said purposes.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are properties or improvements which the Borough may lawfully acquire or make as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable lives thereof computed from the date of said bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance, is 17.87 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and a complete duplicate thereof has been electronically filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs in the State of New Jersey (the "Division"), and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$1,361,350, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$145,000 for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs and other items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost of said improvements.

Section 5. Any funds from time to time received by the Borough as contributions-in-aid of financing the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, including any grants, shall be used for financing said improvements or purposes by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said improvements or purposes, or to payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Borough authorized therefor by this bond ordinance. Any such funds so received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the cost of said improvements or purposes shall, be held and applied by the Borough as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Borough authorized by this bond ordinance.

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Section 6. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct and unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all of the taxable property within the jurisdiction of the Borough for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 7. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board of the Division showing all detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division, are on file with the Borough Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. The Borough intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. The Borough expects that the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes which will be issued to finance the cost of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is \$1,361,350. If the Borough incurs any such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough intends to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of the bonds or notes.

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

INTRODUCED/APPROVED ON FIRST READING

DATED: September 27, 2022

/s/Jessica Morelos, R.M.C.
Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville

/s/Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)
Borough of Sayreville

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

DATED: October 11, 2022

/s/Jessica Morelos, R.M.C.
Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville

/s/Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)
Borough of Sayreville

APPROVAL BY THE MAYOR ON THIS 11th DAY OF October, 2022.

/s/Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor
Borough of Sayreville

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/MICHAEL DUPONT, ESQ., Borough Attorney

Public Hearing on Ordinance #32-22.

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on Ordinance #32-22.

There were no comments.

Councilwoman Dwumfour moved the Public Hearing be closed the Ordinance be adopted on second and final reading and advertised according to law. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Dwumfour, Conti, Maher, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all ayes.

ORDINANCE #32-22
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING
CHAPTER IV OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES
OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE TO AMEND
SECTION 4-19.4 "PAYMENT FOR OFF-DUTY ASSIGNMENTS"

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville, in the County of Middlesex, that the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Sayreville are hereby amended as follows:

4-19.4 Payment for Off-Duty Assignments.

a. ***

b. ~~Effective July 1, 2016, all police officers shall be paid an hourly rate of fifty-five (\$55.00) dollars per hour for Board of Education. For all other off-duty assignments, police officers shall be paid an hourly rate of sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) per hour and effective January 1, 2017 seventy-five (\$75.00)~~ **eighty-five (\$85.00)** dollars per hour. All off-duty assignments shall be for four (4) hours at a minimum. All hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours shall be paid at one and one-half (1-1/2) times the applicable hourly rate for each officer.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville, in the County of Middlesex, that **Chapter Four, Section 4-19**, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Sayreville, shall be added to reflect said change.

SECTION 2. Severability Clause.

If any article, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable. (** sections contain no changes and will remain in full force and effect).

SECTION 3. Repealer.

All other ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Borough, the provisions are hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the Ordinances of the Borough are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

SECTION 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

INTRODUCED/APPROVED ON FIRST READING

DATED: September 27, 2022

/s/Jessica Morelos, R.M.C.
Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville

/s/Eunice K. Dwumfour, Councilwoman
(Public Safety Committee)
Borough of Sayreville

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

DATED: October 11, 2022

/s/Jessica Morelos, R.M.C.
Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville

/s/Eunice K. Dwumfour, Councilwoman
(Public Safety Committee)
Borough of Sayreville

APPROVAL BY THE MAYOR ON THIS 11th DAY OF October, 2022.

/s/Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor
Borough of Sayreville

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/MICHAEL DUPONT, ESQ., Borough Attorney

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting for any questions or comments on Consent Agenda Resolutions.

There were no comments.

Council President Maher made a motion to close the Public Portion and adopt the Consent Agenda Resolutions. Seconded by Councilwoman Dwumfour.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes.

RESOLUTION #2022-258

WHEREAS, all bills submitted to the Borough of Sayreville covering services, work, labor and material furnished the Borough of Sayreville have been duly audited by the appropriate committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that all bills properly verified according to law and properly audited by the appropriate committees be and the same are hereby ordered to be paid by the appropriate Borough officials.

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor

/s/ Vincent Conti, Councilman

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman

/s/ Eunice Dwumfour, Councilwoman

/s/ Christian Onuoha, Councilman

/s/ Michele Maher, Councilwoman

/s/ Donna Roberts, Councilwoman

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

Bill list of September 27, 2022 in the amount of \$2,691,233.39 in a separate Bill List File for 2022 (See Appendix Bill List 2022-A for this date).

RESOLUTION #2022-259
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE
AUTHORIZING SHRI DWARKADHIS TEMPLE’S RELIGIOUS EVENTS

WHEREAS, the Shri Dwarkadhis Temple’s has requested permission from the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sayreville to conduct religious events on October 21 – October 25, 2022; November 6, 2022 with an Alternate date of November 9, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish the Borough of Sayreville to be an ecumenical community;

WHEREAS, the schedule of the events are religious and holy in nature; and

WHEREAS, the Shri Dwarkadhis Temple has agreed that before each religious event that will notify the Sayreville Police Department, the Department of Public Works, the Recreation Department, Sayreville Fire Chief and the Sayreville Emergency Squad no less than seven (7) days prior to each event on the Shri Dwarkadhis Temple property; and

WHEREAS, the Shri Dwarkadhis Temple has also agreed that they would adhere to the Noise Ordinance Chapter 5-3 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Sayreville during each date of the event.

THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that on this 11th day of October, 2022 the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Shri Dwarkadhis Temple to hold its religious events on various events from October 21 thru Nov. 6, 2022.

<u>2022</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
10/21	5PM-10PM	Diwali Day 1
10/22	5PM-10PM	Diwali Day 2
10/23	5PM-10PM	Diwali Day 3
10/24	5PM-10PM	Diwali Day 4
10/25	6AM-10AM & 5PM-10PM	New Year Day
11/6	5PM-9PM	New Year Celebration

(Must adhere to Noise Ordinance)

/s/ Michele Maher, Councilwoman
(Recreation Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor’s signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-260

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICY HANDBOOK

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sayreville has in effect a Personnel Policies Employment Handbook that was adopted by the Governing Body in 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Sayreville amended the Personnel Policies Employee Handbook in 2014 and desires to further amend and update the current Personnel Policies Employment Handbook as was amended in its entirety in 2014; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sayreville that the following section is hereby amended which is attached hereto and made a part hereof:

- Section 1.7 Drugs and Alcohol

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this amendment shall take effect immediately.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-261

BE IT RESOLVED that the proper Borough officials are hereby authorized to award a contract through NJ State Contract 17-Fleet-0793, for the purchase of six (6) In Car Video Systems from Motorola Solutions, 500 West Monroe, Chicago, IL 60661, at a total cost not to exceed \$40,681.20.

/s/ Eunice Dwumfour, Councilwoman
(Public Safety Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-262

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, RESCINDING
RESOLUTION #2022-212 AWARDING CONTRACT TO
TRAFFIC SAFETY SERVICE, LLC OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Sayreville sought quotes for the purchase of two (2) light towers; and

WHEREAS, Traffic Safety Service, LLC of South Plainfield quoted a price of \$23,800.00 for two (2) light towers; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2022 Resolution 2022-212 was approved for the purchase of two (2) light towers in the amount not to exceed \$23,800.00; and

WHEREAS, when the Purchase Order for said light towers was presented to Traffic Safety Service, LLC of South Plainfield, Traffic Safety Service advised that the price was now \$31,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Sayreville wishes to rescind Resolution #2022-22 awarding the contract to Traffic Safety Service, LLC of South Plainfield and award the contract to Holt Machinery Company; and

THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Resolution #2022-212 be and is hereby rescinded and the contact for two (2) light towers is awarded to Holt Machinery Company in an amount not to exceed \$29,600.00.

/s/ Eunice Dwumfour, Councilwoman
(Public Safety Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor’s signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST: **BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**
/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC /s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Municipal Clerk Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-263

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2022 the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sayreville, have received bids for “Routine and Emergency Repairs to Water, Sewer, Road and Storm Sewer Infrastructure”; and

WHEREAS, Certification as to Availability of Funds” is annexed hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council on this 11th day of October, 2022, that:

- 1. Contract for “Routine and Emergency Repairs to Water, Sewer, Road and Storm Sewer Infrastructure” be awarded to B & W Construction Co. of NJ Inc., P.O. Box 574, South River, NJ 08882, on their low bid price of \$946,456.00.

/s/ Donna Roberts, Councilwoman
(Water & Sewer Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor’s signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST: **BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**
/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC /s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Municipal Clerk Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-264

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the director of the Division of Local Finance may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation of equal amount:

SECTION 1.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sayreville hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the

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insertion of the following items of revenue in the budget of the year 2022 in the sums contained in **Section 2** which items are now available as a revenue from the following sources:

SECTION 2.

- DMHAS Grant \$5,000.00

SECTION 3.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

TABLED

RESOLUTION #2022-265

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO
THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR IMPROVEMENTS
AT JERRY UST RECREATION COMPLEX**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sayreville desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$1,000,000.00 to carry out a project to upgrade the Jerry Ust Complex.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sayreville:

- 1) that the Borough of Sayreville does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and,
- 2) recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Borough of Sayreville and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application, and that they are or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith

Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

Mayor Kilpatrick requested that this resolution be tabled because she has not seen the application or what the improvements are. Mayor questioned if this grant application was put forward by our grant writers.

Acting Business Administrator/CFO Biancamano stated that it was given to us by our grant writers.

Mayor Kilpatrick stated that she was uncomfortable with how the process of the last grants were handled. She stated that if the council does move forward with passing this resolution that she will not sign it.

Council President Maher stated that she disagrees with this because we can risk losing it. Mayor stated if that grant requires only her signature and no other person can sign the grant, she will not sign it and the Borough will lose it.

Councilwoman Novak stated that they have received monthly reports from the grant writer.

Councilman Onuoha made a motion to table Resolution #2022-265. Seconded by Councilwoman Dwumfour.

Further discussion ensued during the vote.

Roll Call: Ayes: Councilpersons Onuoha, Conti, Dwumfour

Nays: Councilpersons Maher, Novak, Roberts.

Municipal Clerk Morelos stated the vote is 3-3. Mayor voted to table the resolution.

Mayor requested that the grant writer submit the application and all documents associated with this grant.

Councilwoman Novak made a motion to hold a special meeting on October 17, 2022 at 6:30pm. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Novak, Conti, Dwumfour, Maher, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes.

- **BOROUGH ATTORNEY - Michael DuPont- NONE**
- **PUBLIC PORTION**

At this time Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on any and all matters.

Those commenting were:

- Steve Melanaski, 28 Scarlet Drive

Mr. Melanaski commented on the Special School Election and that it was a total surprise. He requested that each chairperson of the boards and commissions come to a council meeting every month to give updates.

- Jim Robinson, 11 Borelle Square

Mr. Robinson commented on the Ernston Road property and the Council should rescind that resolution.

- Ken Olchaskey, 108 N. Edward Street

Mr. Olchaskey commented on the communication with the Special School Election and better communication with the public.

- Debbie Ravalle, 17 Driftwood Drive

Ms. Ravalle stated she sent an email to them about the Ernston Road property and commented on the website.

Further discussion ensued on the website.

- Frank Terzino, 32 Canal Street

Mr. Terzino commented on various Historical Society events that they attended and hosted. He thanked several Borough departments for all their help.

- Kevin Kelly, 1 Parkway Blvd.

Mr. Kelly commented on the Ernston Road property. He questioned if there is a requirement of how much open space a town is required to have.

- Alison Hornbeck, 7 Driftwood Drive

Ms. Hornbeck commented on the Ernston Road property and to keep it open space. She commented on the animals that live on that property.

- Frank Terzino, 32 Canal Street

Mr. Terzino thanked the heartbeat of the town who are Jessica, Nicole and Becky.

- Frank Bella, 5 Keenan Street

Mr. Bella commented on the Special School Board Election and how it was a sneaky election.

Borough Clerk Morelos responded that the Board of Education did notify the Board of Elections requesting to hold a special election. She stated the election was held on a Thursday because of the Jewish Holiday. Borough Clerk Morelos stated by law she had to advertise the application for a mail in ballot in the newspaper.

Further discussion ensued.

- Ken Piscitelli, 9 Canal Street

Mr. Piscitelli requested the Council to look into how to alleviate the flooding near the river. He stated prior to Hurricane Sandy flood control was being looked into. Further discussion ensued.

- Pete Bomm, 3 Ciecko Court

Mr. Bomm commented on the flooding from Hurricane Sandy and the condition of the vacant properties on MacArthur Avenue.

Mayor requested the Borough Engineer to create a plan of mitigation.

Borough Engineer Cornell responded that he could provide what was proposed before.

- Gerri Farrell, 7 Elacqua Blvd.

Ms. Farrell commented on sending information out on Nixle. She stated she gets alerts from other towns and they use it for other things besides just for the Police Dept.

Chief Plumacker stated they use Hyper-Reach for law enforcement purposes.

- Ghalib Syed, 3 Sophie Street

Mr. Syed commented on the baseball field grant and would like to see that money come to the town.

- Syed Ali, 44 Kierst Street

Mr. Ali commented on the burglaries in his neighborhood and questioned what the police department is doing to prevent them from happening

Chief Plumacker responded that this is an issue throughout the state and is an ongoing investigation. He stated they are having more patrols in that area.

- Anthony Sposato, 54 Washington Road

Mr. Sposato stated that today is "National Coming Out Day."

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- Karen Bebert, 9 Burlington Road
Ms. Bebert questioned the amount of crime in town and if they can make the residents aware.

No further comments.

Council President Maher made a motion to close the Public Portion. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

No further business Councilwoman Novak made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

Time 9:20 P.M.

Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved: _____