

Regular Meeting
April 8, 2019

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque was held on Monday, April 8, 2019 at 8:00 P.M. in the Wanaque Municipal Building.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

On roll call, the following Council Members responded: Balunis, Cortellessa, Leonard, Pasquariello, Pettet and Willse. The Mayor declared a quorum. The Borough Attorney and Borough Engineer were present. The Interim Borough Administrator was absent.

The Mayor read the following Sunshine Statement: This is a Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council and adequate notice thereof has been given by advertising the date, time and place of the Regular meetings in the Suburban Trends and the Herald News newspapers and was e-mailed to these papers on January 4, 2019, and a notice thereof has been posted on January 8, 2019 on the bulletin board in the Wanaque Municipal Building, 579 Ringwood Avenue, Wanaque, New Jersey and a copy thereof has been on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE AND APPOINTMENT OF DETECTIVE SERGEANT – Edward Schroeder – Resolution #61-0-19 – 7:00 P.M.

The Mayor administered the Oath of Office to Edward Schroeder appointing him to Detective Sergeant.

Resolution #61-0-19:

Re: Appointment of Detective Sergeant – Edward Schroeder

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Willse moved that,

PROMOTING EDWARD SCHROEDER TO THE POSITION OF SERGEANT IN THE WANAQUE BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT DETECTIVE BUREAU

WHEREAS, Patrolman Edward Schroeder is currently serving in the position of Detective in the Criminal Investigation Division of the Wanaque Borough Police Department:
and

WHEREAS, Patrolman Schroeder is ranked number 1 of the NJ Civil Service Police Sergeant Roster issued on May 16, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Wanaque Borough Chief of Police Robert Kronyak has recommended Patrolman Schroeder be promoted to the position of Sergeant within the Criminal Investigation Division of the Wanaque Borough Police Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque that Edward Schroeder is hereby promoted to the position of Sergeant within the Criminal Investigation Division of the Wanaque Borough Police Department.

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

PROCLAMATION:

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The Mayor read the following Proclamation.

National Day of Prayer – May 2, 2019:

WHEREAS, The Supreme Court has affirmed the right of state legislatures to open their sessions with prayer and the Supreme Court and the U.S. Congress themselves begin each day with prayer; and

WHEREAS, In 1988, legislation setting aside the first Thursday in May in each year as a National Day of Prayer was passed unanimously by both Houses of Congress and signed by President Ronald Reagan; and

WHEREAS, The National Day of Prayer is an opportunity for Americans of all faiths to join in united prayer to acknowledge our dependence on God, to give thanks for blessings received to request healing for wounds endured, and to ask God to guide our leaders and bring wholeness to the United States and her Citizens; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper to give thanks to God by observing a day of prayer in Wanaque when all may acknowledge our blessings and express gratitude for them, while recognizing the need for strengthening religious and moral values in our State and nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Daniel Mahler, Mayor of the Borough of Wanaque, do hereby proclaim the first Thursday in May 2, 2019, to be designated as

"A DAY OF PRAYER IN WANAQUE"

and encourage the citizens of Wanaque to observe the day in ways appropriate to its importance and significance.

MINUTES:

March 11, 2019.

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Willse moved a motion to approve the aforementioned.

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

ORDINANCES:

Introduction of Ordinance #2-0-19:

Re: CAP Index Rate

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Balunis and Willse moved that Ordinance #2-0-19 be taken from the table and read by the Clerk, by title only, for consideration of first reading.

On roll call, all voted yes, except Councilmen Cortellessa who voted no and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Clerk took from the table and read by title only as follows: CALENDAR YEAR 2019 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS

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AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14).

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Balunis and Willse moved that,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Ordinance entitled: CALENDAR YEAR 2019 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14 pass first reading, and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage and adoption at a Regular meeting of the Borough Council to be held on the 13th day of May 2019, at the Municipal Building in the Borough of Wanaque at 8:00 PM., and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be instructed to publish in the manner provided by law a copy of said Ordinance, together with introduction thereof and notice when same will be considered for final passage and adoption.

On roll call, all voted yes, except Councilmen Cortellessa who voted no and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2019 MUNICIPAL OPERATING, WATER UTILITY AND SEWER UTILITY BUDGETS – Resolution #62-0-19 and Resolution #63-0-19 – Deferred School Taxes and other Budgetary Resolutions

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Leonard and Balunis moved that,

Municipal Budget of the Borough of Wanaque, County of Passaic for the Fiscal Year 2019. It is hereby certified that the Budget and Capital Budget annexed hereto and hereby made a part hereof is a true copy of the Budget and Capital Budget approved by resolution of the Governing Body on the 8th day of April, 2019 and that public advertisement will be made in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-6 and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4.4(d). Certified by me, this 8th day of April, 2019, Katherine J. Falone, Clerk. It is hereby certified that the approved Budget annexed hereto and hereby made a part is an exact copy of the original on file with the Clerk of the Governing Body, that all additions are correct, all statements contained herein are in proof and the total of anticipated revenues equals the total of appropriations. Certified by me, this 8th day of April, 2019, James Cerullo, Registered Municipal Accountant, Certified by me, this 8th day of April, 2019, Mary Ann Brindisi, Chief Financial Officer.

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Balunis moved that,

Municipal Budget of the Borough of Wanaque, County of Passaic for the Fiscal Year 2019:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2019;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Budget be published by summary only in the Suburban Trends in the issue of April 14, 2019;

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Adopted this 8th day of April, 2019, and certified as
a true copy of an original.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: (Work Meeting)

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

The Mayor opened the Public Discussion.
No one came forward.
The Mayor closed the Public Discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution #64-0-19:

Re: Refund of Tax overpayment on Block 464, Lot 16 for the 2nd and 3rd Quarter of 2019 in
the amount of \$1,537.13

WHEREAS, there exists a tax overpayment on Block 464 Lot 16, 7 Mann Place for the
second and third quarter of 2019;

WHEREAS, Precedent Management has requested a full refund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer shall refund the Precedent
Management \$1,537.13 as per the certification of the Tax Collector.

Resolution #65-0-19:

Re: Refund of 1st Quarter of 2019 on Block 234, Lot 6.03 in the amount of \$906.66 and
Credit the 2nd Quarter of 2019 due to owner qualifying for a 100% disabled Veteran

WHEREAS, the new owner of Block 234 Lot 6.03, 10 Laura Avenue, qualifies for a
100% disabled Veteran exemption from tax beginning on March 4, 2019, the date of purchase;

WHEREAS, the title company has paid the first quarter of 2019 at closing and 27 days of
that payment need to be refunded to the homeowner in the amount of \$906.66 and the second
quarter of 2019 must be credited;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector shall credit this block
and lot for the second quarter of 2019 and the Treasurer shall refund the \$906.66 to the
homeowner.

Resolution #66-0-19:

Re: Supporting the 2019 UDrive UText UPay Distracted Driving Crackdown

**Supporting the
2019 UDrive. UText. UPay.
Distracted Driving Crackdown
April 1 – 21, 2019**

WHEREAS, distracting driving is a serious, life-threatening practice that is preventable;
and

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WHEREAS, distracted driving can result in injuries and deaths to all road users (motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists); and

WHEREAS, distracted driving occurs when drivers divert their attention away from the task of driving to focus on another activity instead; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 alone distracted driving-related crashes resulted in 3,450 deaths and 391,000 injuries on our nation's roads; and

WHEREAS, in New Jersey distracted driving was listed as a contributing circumstance in 53 percent of all motor vehicle crashes in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Distracted Driving 2019 Crackdown* from April 1 - 21, 2019 in an effort to raise awareness and decrease driver distraction through a combination of enforcement and education; and

WHEREAS, the national slogan for the campaign is *UDrive. UText. UPay*; and

WHEREAS, a reduction in distracted driving in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Wanaque declares it's support for the *Distracted Driving 2019 Crackdown* both locally and nationally from April 1 - 21, 2019 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.

Resolution #67-0-19:

Re: Authorizing a Contract for Janitorial Services

WHEREAS, North Jersey Friendship House Inc. is a "sheltered workshop" and its services are exempt from public bidding in accordance with NJSA 40:A11-5 of the "Local Public Contracts Law," and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wanaque wishes to enter into a contract for janitorial services at Borough Hall/Police Headquarters, Recreation Bathroom Facilities and St. Francis Church.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a contract be awarded to North Jersey Friendship House, 125 Atlantic Street, Hackensack, NJ 07601 in the amount of \$60,000.00 for the period of one year from April 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020, in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-5; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in budget account 9-CU-01-117-283.

Resolution #68-0-19:

Re: Authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for Landscaping Services for the Year 2019

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR LANDSCAPING SERVICES FOR THE YEAR 2019

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wanaque has a need to purchase landscaping services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one year in the amount of

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\$20,43500; and

WHEREAS, Scenic Landscaping has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Scenic Landscaping has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Wanaque in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Scenic Landscaping from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in budget account 9-CU-01-117-281.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque authorizes the Borough Administrator to enter into a contract with Scenic Landscape, 7 Argyle Street, Haskell, NJ 07420 as described herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

Resolution #69-0-19:

Re: Award Re-Bid of 2017 Road Resurfacing Program

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wanaque advertised for and received bids on Thursday April 4th, 2019 for the 2017 CDBG Road Resurfacing Program, NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Contract 1801-1A- REBID from the following:

AJM Contractors, Inc.	\$316,893.25
Crossroads Pavement Maintenance	\$372,365.95
Rockborn Trucking & Excavation, Inc.	\$375,650.70
D.L.S. Contracting, Inc.	\$402,669.25
Zuccaro, Inc.	\$600,692.00

and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has reviewed the bid of AJM Contractors, Inc. and find it to be responsive and responsible and in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-1 et.seq., "Local Public Contracts Law".

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Wanaque that hereby authorizes and approves the award of contract for 2017 CDBG Road Resurfacing Program, NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Contract 1801-1A- REBID, Subject of the approval of the NJ DOT and availability of funds.

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Pettet moved a motion to approve the aforementioned Consent Agenda.

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Willse and Pettet moved that reports be received and filed; and that all monies be turned over to the Treasurer.

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution #70-0-19:

Re: Appointment of Borough Administrator

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pettet and Balunis moved that,

PROVIDING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF PAUL CARELLI AS BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR AND AUTHORIZING AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE AND PAUL CARELLI

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Borough of Wanaque is empowered, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-137 and the Chapter 28, Article X of the Code of the Borough of Wanaque, to appoint a Borough Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Borough of Wanaque has, after a professional search and an interview process including the Borough Council Personnel Committee, submitted the name of Paul Carelli of Riverdale, New Jersey to the Borough Council for advice and consent in accordance with the Code of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque finds that Paul Carelli possesses the skills, expertise and experience to serve in the position of Borough Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to enter into an employment agreement with Paul Carelli for the position of Borough Administrator for a term expiring December 31, 2022 consistent with the term prescribed in the Code of the Borough of Wanaque.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque as follows:

1. Advice and consent is hereby granted to the appointment of Paul Carelli of Riverdale, New Jersey to the position of Borough Administrator effective May 1, 2019
2. The employment agreement between Paul Carelli and the Borough of Wanaque, attached to and made part of this Resolution, is hereby authorized and approved.

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Closed Session:

Re: Litigation/Negotiation/Personnel

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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Status Report - Lakeside Manor

Reported on at the Work Meeting.

Application for Used Car Lot License:

Re: City Motor Group, Inc. – 1368 Ringwood Avenue, Haskell

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pettet and Balunis moved a motion to approve the renewal of the aforementioned application.

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: (Work Meeting)

FINANCE REPORT: Vouchers - Payrolls

Councilman Pettet said your Finance Committee respectfully reports that they have examined and approved the following and recommend that warrants are issued for their payment when the funds of the Borough of Wanaque are sufficient to meet them:

VOUCHERS

Animal Trust 2019	\$	61.80
Pre-Paid Current	\$	7,493.12
Current 2018	\$	47,769.75
Current 2019	\$	208,463.69
Pre-Paid Water	\$	1,232.07
Water Operating 2019	\$	30,249.27
Sewer Operating 2019	\$	3,643.44
General Cap	\$	825.00
Recreation Trust 2018	\$	292.10
Recreation Trust 2019	\$	2,489.85
Escrow 2019	\$	757.50
Voucher Total:	\$	303,277.59

PAYROLL:

Councilmen Pettet and Willse moved a resolution approving the following payrolls:

PR #6	03/22/2019	\$ 227,382.76
PR #7	04/05/2019	\$ 222,911.46

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Payroll Total: \$ 450,294.22
Grand Total: \$ 753,571.81

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the resolution adopted and forthwith approved it.

Daniel Mahler
Mayor

ADJOURNMENT:

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Pettet moved a motion to adjourn the meeting.

On roll call, all voted yes except Councilman Willse who voted no and the Mayor declared the motion carried; meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Katherine J. Falone, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk