

Regular Meeting
December 12, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque was held on Monday, December 12, 2016, at 8:45 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 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 2, 2016, and a notice thereof has been posted on January 2, 2016 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.

MINUTES:

November 14, 2016.

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

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

The Mayor read the following Proclamation:

PRESENTATIONS:

Sports Award Certificates – UP Travel Soccer – 7:00 P.M.

Scott McLaren – CPR Save – 8:00 P.M.

The Mayor presented a certificate to Scott McLaren for a CPR Save

ORDINANCES:

Public Hearing of Ord. #24-0-16:

Re: 2017 Salary Ordinance

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Balunis moved that Ordinance #24-0-16 be taken from the table and read by the Clerk, by title only, for consideration of final reading.

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

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The Clerk took from the table and read by title only as follows: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCES THAT PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF PAYMENT THEREOF FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC WHO ARE NOT COVERED BY MUTUAL AGREEMENTS.

This Ordinance has been duly advertised in accordance with the statutes; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, a copy was available for the public to read in the Clerk's office, and copies are available for the public present here this evening.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing.
No One came forward.
The Mayor closed the Public Hearing.

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCES THAT PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF PAYMENT THEREOF FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC WHO ARE NOT COVERED BY MUTUAL AGREEMENTS pass final reading, and that said Ordinance be adopted as an Ordinance of the Borough of Wanaque; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby directed to cause said Ordinance to be published in the manner prescribed by law.

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

Public Hearing of Ord. #25-0-16:
Re: Amend Chapter 91 Sewers

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Pettet moved that Ordinance #25-0-16 be taken from the table and read by the Clerk, by title only, for consideration of final reading.

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

The Clerk took from the table and read by title only as follows: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 91 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE TITLED "SEWERS".

This Ordinance has been duly advertised in accordance with the statutes; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, a copy was available for the public to read in the Clerk's office, and copies are available for the public present here this evening.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing.
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On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Pettet moved that,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 91 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE TITLED "SEWERS" pass final reading, and that said Ordinance be adopted as an Ordinance of the Borough of Wanaque; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby directed to cause said Ordinance to be published in the manner prescribed by law.

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

Public Hearing of Ord. #26-0-16:

Re: Bond Ordinance - \$450,000 Road Resurfacing – Milton Place, Jefferson Street, Monroe Street, Jackson Street and Dickens Place

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Pettet moved that Ordinance #26-0-16 be taken from the table and read by the Clerk, by title only, for consideration of final reading.

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

The Clerk took from the table and read by title only as follows: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF VARIOUS ROADS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$450,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$243,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION.

This Ordinance has been duly advertised in accordance with the statutes; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, a copy was available for the public to read in the Clerk's office, and copies are available for the public present here this evening.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing.

No one came forward.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing.

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Ordinance entitled: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF VARIOUS ROADS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$450,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$243,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION pass final reading, and that said Ordinance be adopted as an Ordinance of the Borough of Wanaque; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby directed to cause said Ordinance to be published in the manner prescribed by law.

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

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution #200-0-16:

Re: Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #13-00024 for Block 426, Lot 3 in the amount of \$24,459.36 for the Tax Sale Certificate and \$19,000.00 for the premium

WHEREAS, a Tax Sale was held for 2013 delinquent Municipal charges on September 24, 2014;

WHEREAS, Stonefield Investment Fund III, was the successful bidder for Block 426 Lot 3, 12 Elm Street for which certificate 13-00024 was assigned;

WHEREAS, Corelogic Tax Services for the mortgage company, has redeemed said certificate of which funds have been deposited into the Current Account;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Treasurer shall refund the lienholder \$24,459.36 for the tax sale certificate and \$19,000.00 for the premium per the certification of the Tax Collector.

Resolution #201-0-16:

Re: Credit Water and Sewer charges for Block 317, Lot 5.08 in the amount of \$535.66

WHEREAS, there has been a discharge of debts ordered from the United States Bankruptcy Court for the water and sewer charges at Block 317 Lot 5.08, 58 Carter Road;

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has advised that we should cancel water and sewer balances prior to the filing date of August 17, 2016;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector shall credit this account in the amount of \$535.66.

Resolution #202-0-16:

Re: Credit Water over billing for 30 Roseland Avenue due to a misread in the amount of \$152.06

WHEREAS, there exists a water over billing on 30 Roseland Avenue due to a misread by the water department;

WHEREAS, the owner has requested a credit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector shall credit this account in the amount of \$152.06.

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Resolution #203-0-16:

Re: Refund of Tax over billing for Block 221, Lot 4 for the Year 2015 due to a judgment
From the Tax Court of New Jersey in the amount of \$2,428.66

WHEREAS, there exists tax overbilling on Block 221 Lot 4 for the year 2015 due to a judgment from the Tax Court of New Jersey;

WHEREAS, the credit totals \$2,428.66 and the owners have asked for a refund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer shall issue a check in the amount of \$2,428.66 for the year listed above.

Resolution #204-0-16:

Re: Refund of Tax overpayments for various properties for the 2016 4th Quarter Taxes in the amount of \$7,106.93

WHEREAS, there exists tax overpayments on the following block and lots for the 2016 4th quarter taxes,

Block/Lot	Address	Overpayment Amount
215/3	16 Second Street	\$122.60
266/7	22 Lovell Drive	\$250.00
271/4	8 Wolfe Drive	\$2,943.35
310/3	30 Smith Avenue	\$136.99
317/4.04	82 Carter Road	\$250.00
432.01/11.02	35 Red Oak Court	\$1,985.05
436/4	Brook Street	\$ 822.32
437/2/C0003	Brook Street, Apt 3	\$596.62

WHEREAS, the owners have requested a refund of said overpayments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer shall refund \$7,106.93 as per the certification of the Tax Collector.

Resolution #205-0-16:

Re: Budgetary Transfers

None.

Resolution #206-0-16:

Re: Cancel Various Appropriations

BE IT RESOLVED that the following 2016 Budget Appropriations be and are hereby cancelled:

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S&W	\$40,000.00
Misc	\$10,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 50,000.00

CURRENT

Legal O.E.	\$40,000.00
Group Insurance	\$45,000.00

Two (2) Applications for Raffle Licenses:
Re: Wanaque School PTA - RA:951 and RA:952

Three (3) Applications for Tow Truck License:
Re: 1) Justified Towing, 400 Union Avenue, Haskell, 2) Ringwood Towing, 89 Greenwood Lake Turnpike, Ringwood and 3) Roberto's Auto Body, 14 Haskell Avenue (Approved by the Police Department)

Two (2) Applications for Used Car Lot Licenses:
Re: 1) Auto Handlers, 1368 Ringwood Avenue, Haskell and 2) Ameri-Car Truck Sales, Inc., 891 Ringwood Avenue, Haskell (Approved by the Police Department, Building Department and Health Department)

Application for Amusement Machine License:
Re: Joseph Agostino, 18 Railroad Avenue, Wanaque (Approved by Police Department Fire Prevention)

Resolution #207-0-16:
Re: Approve Release – Morris Ritchie Associates

WHEREAS, Morris Ritchie Associates provided architectural services to the Borough of Wanaque for the construction of the new municipal building; and

WHEREAS, there was a need to redesign a ramp in the Council Chambers in order to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements, which required the Borough to expend additional funds, and Morris Ritchie Associates has agreement to reimburse that amount to the Borough of Wanaque.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a release on behalf of the Borough of Wanaque to Morris Ritchie Associates with regards to the additional cost for the redesign of the ramp in the Council Chambers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this release is limited only to this particular item, and is not a general release for any other design of the building.

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Resolution #208-0-16:

Re: Approve Final Payment Application #32 – Borough Hall Construction – UniMak LLC - \$133,468.90

BE IT RESOLVED that payment #32 and final payment to UniMak LLC in the amount of \$133,468.90 for the construction of Borough Hall be and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator is authorized to execute the release of the Performance Bond.

Resolution #209-0-16:

Re: Approve Dental Insurance Renewal – Met Life (No increase)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 et. seq. exempts the purchase of insurance from public bid; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wanaque has a contractual relationship with MetLife for dental insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, MetLife has informed the Borough of Wanaque that there will be no change in premium for 2017 for dental insurance coverage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator is authorized to execute the continuation of coverage for dental insurance with MetLife for the year 2017 at the following monthly rates:

Employee only:	\$ 43.29
Employee/ 1 dependent	\$ 86.83
Family	\$142.66

Resolution #210-0-16:

Re: Approve Proposal Richard A. Alaimo Associates – Water Main and Road Resurfacing (Jefferson Street, Milton Place, Jackson Street, Monroe Street and Dickens Place) - \$124,350.00

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wanaque is in need of engineering design services for the water main replacement and road resurfacing on Jefferson Street, Monroe Street, Jackson Street, Dickens Place and Milton Place; and

WHEREAS, Richard A. Alaimo Associates has been appointed as the consulting Borough Engineer for the year 2016; and

WHEREAS, Richard A. Alaimo Associates has submitted a proposal dated November 7, 2016 to perform design and engineering services for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proposal dated November 7, 2016 in the amount of \$124,350 submitted by Richard A. Alaimo Associates for engineering design services for the water main replacement and road resurfacing on Jefferson Street, Monroe Street, Jackson Street, Dickens Place and Milton Place, is hereby approved; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk publish a notice of this action in the Suburban Trends.

Resolution #211-0-16:

Re: CDGB Grant Agreement - \$59,604.72 for Library Elevator Replacement

] WHEREAS, the elevator at the Wanaque Public Library was installed over fifteen years ago, funded by the NJ Small Cities Community Development Block Grant; and

WHEREAS, the elevator is at the end of its useful life and in need of replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wanaque has asked the Passaic County Community Development Block Grant Program if funds were available to replace the elevator, outside of the regular application process; and

WHEREAS, the Passaic County Community Development Block Grant Program has made \$59,604.72 available to the Borough of Wanaque for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute the grant agreement with the Passaic County Community Development Block Grant Program for the replacement of the elevator at the Wanaque Public Library in the amount of \$59,604.72.

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

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

REGULAR REPORTS - PROFESSIONAL REPORTS:

1. Clerk's Receipts for October 2016 -
2. Police Department Report for October 2016 -
3. Tax Collector's Report for October 2016 -
4. Municipal Court Report for October 2016 -

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Balunis 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:

Closed Session:

Re: Litigation/Negotiation/Personnel

None.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

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:

Current Operating 2016	\$ 223,824.38
Water Operating 2016	\$ 22,277.21
Sewer Operating 2016	\$ 92.37
General Capital	\$ 142,863.01
Escrow	\$ 11,246.14
Animal Trust	\$ 3.60
Open Space	\$ 7,674.00
Recreation Trust	\$ 5,460.50
Voucher Total:	\$ 413,441.21

Payroll

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

PR #23	11/15/2016	\$ 232,383.68
PR #24	11/29/2016	\$ 235,021.68
Payroll Total:		\$ 467,405.36
Grand Total:		\$ 880,846.57

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 Pettet and Leonard moved a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried; meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Katherine J. Falone, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk