

Regular Meeting
June 8, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque was held on Monday, June 8, 2020 at 7:05 P.M. by video conference.

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 was 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 December 4, 2019, and a notice thereof has been posted on December 4, 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.

The Mayor asked for a moment of silence. Thank you. I am having a hard time following the format in the minutes with the agenda and resolutions and I would like to follow the other format.

MINUTES:

May 11, 2020

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

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

ORDINANCE:

Introduction of Ordinance #4-0-2020:

Re: Calendar Year 2020 Ordinance to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Leonard moved that Ordinance #4-0-2020 be taken from the table and read by the Clerk, by title only, for consideration of first 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: CALENDAR YEAR 2020 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

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

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Ordinance entitled: CALENDAR YEAR 2020 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 July, at the Municipal Building in the Borough of Wanaque at 7:00 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, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Balunis reported with Recreation there is not too much going on. They had a meeting and it was held outdoors. There is not much going on with sports that can be done with social distancing and there are not many sports that can do that. They are having controlled practices with baseball but they are not doing much of anything.

The Mayor said they consider baseball a contact sport.

Councilman Balunis said if they slide into a base there may be contact. They are not going to do baseball and lacrosse is in the fall sports and I'm not sure what they will do. They are coordinating with the health department on the fall sports and they are still not sure what will happen with the restrictions. Volunteers cleaned up a lot of the brush at Rainbow Valley Lake this past weekend. There may be picnic tables and benches put there to sit on and Paul has a quotation for the grant for Rainbow Valley Lake and they should be starting that. The Department of Public Works is collecting vegetative waste and they are starting to work on the basins and they are repairing them when the time allows.

Councilman Cortellessa reported the First Aid Squad had 42 calls and 410 hours for the month and they treated every call as a COVID 19 call. There is a significant reduction now in calls. The personal protective equipment supplies are adequate and we received a list from Patty to get reimbursed through the town. They have 2 new members and they both are EMT's and are ready to begin soon and she does networking and good information is exchanged and the squad is doing a great job.

Councilman Leonard reported on the outdoor seating resolution and said I am excited about it. I spoke to almost every restaurant and they are excited and this is something we need to do. I have full support for this resolution. Buona Sera has gone above and beyond as other restaurants have for first responders, sheriff officers, hospital workers and other workers in healthcare. Kathleen Leary has a presentation that the Girl Scouts and Brownies in town have a project on crosswalk safety and which they want to add to the streets not on major roads and a letter was also sent to the Mayor and Council. They are getting nervous about the speed the limit which is 35 miles per hour throughout the town and Ringwood Avenue is County controlled.

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We should have a discussion about lowering the speed limit on Ringwood Avenue especially at Doty Road to bring it down to 30 miles an hour. 35 miles an hour is too high.

The Mayor said you should have this discussion with the Chief and the traffic bureau.

Chief Kronyak said the center of Haskell by Doty Road is 30 miles an hour now and up past Jordan's it is lower again.

Councilman Leonard said is there a sign missing or two especially in the Haskell section. That is something we have to address.

Chief Kronyak said I will get in touch with you tomorrow.

Councilman Pasquariello read the police report.

Councilman Pettet reported the Finance committee met and put together the budget. We were going to introduce the budget previously but then the COVID 19 happened and we are ready to introduce it now.

Councilman Willse read the fire report.

The Mayor said regarding COVID I spoke to the nurse and there are 25 active cases as of yesterday and they are getting ready to be taken off the list. There were 7 deaths at the nursing homes and if someone tests positive they trace the contact back to who it was. There is going to be a testing site at the Passaic County Community College which will be a saliva test and you get the results back quickly.

Chief Kronyak said the testing site at the Passaic County Community College I believe is tomorrow.

The Administrator said it is June 10th from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Passaic County Community College and no appointment is needed. You have to be a Passaic County resident and show identification.

The Mayor said you also must wear a mask and gloves.

Councilman Cortellessa said is that the Passaic County Community College in Haskell and when does it start.

The Administrator said it is the one in Haskell and it is just June 10th and it starts at 9:00 A.M. and it is over at 3:00 P.M.

Councilman Cortellessa said the County also sent a notification that you can get a test sent home and you can go online to register for it. They send the test kit home and you send it back and get the results in 2 days. It is a saliva test. That's why I wanted a face to face meeting tonight.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilman Cortellessa said I was surprised to see the resolution and application on the agenda for the Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Seating.

The Administrator said it's mostly Mike Hafner and myself that they are approved by. After the resolution is approved we will put the application online.

Councilman Cortellessa said the barriers in the parking lots need to be put in.

The Borough Attorney said also the Alcoholic Beverage Control put out information.

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The Mayor said it is permissible for patrons to bring drinks outside also.

Councilman Pasquariello said what class Specials are they in the resolution number 113-0-2020.

Chief Kronyak said they are Class 2 Specials.

The Administrator said for resolution 115-0-2020 there is a letter attached to the resolution for the justification and Resolution 116-0-2020 regarding COVID the amount is \$40,000.00 to \$44,000.00 for the bid threshold \$6,600.00 is the quote threshold and you just need 2 or 3 quotes.

Resolution #112-0-2020:

Re: Resolution allowing outdoor seating for restaurants during the pandemic shutdown of Retail and Commercial businesses in New Jersey

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



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RESOLUTION #112-0-2020

**RESOLUTION ALLOWING OUTDOOR SEATING FOR RESTAURANTS DURING THE PANDEMIC SHUTDOWN OF
RETAIL AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES IN NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, restaurants are an integral part of the local economies and social fabrics of municipalities; and

WHEREAS, policies regarding restaurants established by the State of New Jersey through law, regulation and executive order rightfully prioritize public health; and

WHEREAS, the proper adherence of measures to mitigate the spread of the Covid-19 virus has greatly affected the business model of restaurants; and

WHEREAS, The Borough wishes to help its local businesses through this difficult time; and

WHEREAS, many restaurants are owned and operated by local families that depend upon continued economic activity; and

WHEREAS, The Borough has promoted the take-out and home delivery services of restaurants as residents have quarantined at home; and

WHEREAS, restaurant owners are seeking guidance as to how they may safely resume dine-in service upon an eventual broadening of business activity allowable under state authority; and

WHEREAS, The Borough supports and follows the recommendations of health care professionals to continue proactive measures such as social distancing to curtail the spread of the Covid-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, The Borough supports temporary, practical measures that enable restaurants to augment their dine-in capabilities as a means to boost customer activity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque in the County of Passaic in the State of New Jersey hereby agree as follows:

1. Outdoor seating will be temporarily permitted as an accessory use to a restaurant, fast-food restaurant and drive-in restaurant as those terms are defined in §174A in the Borough Zoning Ordinance. The temporary period shall be through December 31, 2020 unless a longer or shorter time is established by an Executive Order issued by the Governor.



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2. Outdoor restaurant seating will not require the filing of a Site Plan Application.
3. A Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Seating Application must be obtained prior to the creation of any outdoor seating. A drawing of the proposed outdoor restaurant seating area must accompany the Zoning Permit Application. This drawing shall show the location and size of all proposed tables and chairs and distances to other tables and chairs and distances from any other structures such as a host podium and serving stations. All distance separations shall comply with all applicable Executive Orders issued by the Governor of the State of New Jersey, as well as any other requirements, conditions and/or limitations in any applicable Executive Orders. Where available, the sketch shall be superimposed upon an existing site plan drawing or survey.
4. The Borough will waive the filing fee for a Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Seating Application to the Planning and Engineering Department seeking to create outdoor restaurant seating.
5. The Borough will expedite the review of all Applications seeking to create outdoor restaurant seating.
6. No performance bond, maintenance bond or engineering inspection fees will be required in connection with an approved outdoor restaurant seating plan.
7. The following standards are hereby created in connection with outdoor restaurant seating:
 - a) The outdoor restaurant seating area may not exceed 1,500 square feet;
 - b) Outdoor restaurant seating areas can be located upon public sidewalks where adequate provision is made for the pedestrian public, on relatively level grass areas, and in parking lots where an adequate number of parking stalls remain in the opinion of the Borough Zoning Officer. Preference should be given to creating outdoor restaurant seating on sidewalks and upon grass areas.
 - c) Where outdoor seating is proposed to be created in a parking lot, bollards or other protection structures shall be erected along the perimeters of the outdoor restaurant seating area in order to enhance public safety;
 - d) Temporary lighting will be required if the outdoor restaurant seating area is proposed to be utilized after dusk;



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- e) Landscaping of the perimeter of or within the outdoor restaurant seating area will not be required but may be proposed by the applicant;
- f) Awning, umbrellas, and tents may be utilized within an outdoor restaurant area, but tents with sides are not permitted;
- g) Serving stations and a host podium may be located within an outdoor restaurant seating area provided a Plexiglas or other similar partition is used;
- h) No change in grading will be permitted in order to create an outdoor restaurant seating area, and no temporary flooring or mats may be utilized;
- i) The proposed hours of operation of the outdoor restaurant seating area will be included in the Temporary Outdoor Restaurant Seating Application;
- j) No outdoor restaurant seating area may be located within an approved delivery area/loading zone;
- k) Restaurants with existing outdoor seating areas may seek to expand the existing area;
- l) Outdoor seating is limited to the front and side of any restaurant. No seating is permitted in the back of any restaurant. The front door of the restaurant shall be considered the front of the restaurant;
- m) An applicant for a proposed outdoor restaurant seating area must have previously secured site plan approval from the Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment or Planning Board and must be in compliance with its existing site plan approval;
- n) The consumption of alcoholic beverages will continue to be regulated by the New Jersey Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission therefore all applicants are responsible for verifying that their liquor license permits the serving of alcohol outdoors;
- o) Seating may not be within 8 feet of any roadway



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- p) An approved outdoor restaurant seating area must be discontinued or reduced in size if proper social distancing is not maintained or the restaurant establishment does not comply with applicable sanitary and cleaning standards, use of masks and partitions or other Executive Order requirements issued by the Governor;
 - q) All outdoor seating areas must be closed by 10pm from Sunday through Thursday and 11pm on Friday and Saturday;
 - r) The Borough Zoning Officer shall have the discretion to create additional standards for a particular property and to fashion such conditions as may be necessary to further the purposes of the Borough Zoning Ordinance in §168 and §174 as well as the goals and objectives of the Borough's Master Plan;
 - s) Additional provisions concerning such issues as the maximum number of people at a table; required minimum distances between tables; and standards for addressing patrons waiting to be seated will be formulated after the promulgation of the Governor's Executive Order permitting restaurants to reopen.
8. This resolution temporarily supersedes any and all restrictions by the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment related to outdoor dining and outdoor serving of alcohol.
 9. Any bar/restaurant having restriction on their 2019 License must have their plan for outdoor serving of alcohol beverages approved by the Wanaque Police Department.
 10. This resolution shall include the provisions of Executive Order 150 issued by the Governor and Executive Directive #20-014 issued by the New Jersey Department of Health.
 11. This resolution is subject to change to conform to any additional Executive Order issued the Governor or an Executive Directive issued by the New Jersey Department of Health.



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RESOLUTION #112-0-2020

RESOLUTION ALLOWING OUTDOOR SEATING FOR RESTAURANTS DURING THE PANDEMIC SHUTDOWN OF RETAIL AND COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES IN NEW JERSEY

This Resolution shall take effect on the date that restaurants for dine-in service are permitted to reopen by executive order of the Governor.

Dated: June 8, 2020

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE

| <i>Councilman</i> | <i>Motion</i> | <i>Second</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Abstain</i> | <i>Councilman</i> | <i>Motion</i> | <i>Second</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Abstain</i> |
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| Balunis | | | ✓ | | | Pasquariello | ✓ | | ✓ | | |
| Cortellessa | | | ✓ | | | Pettet | | | ✓ | | |
| Leonard | | | ✓ | | | Willse | | ✓ | ✓ | | |

ATTEST:

Katherine J. Falone
Katherine J. Falone RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk

Daniel Mahler
Daniel Mahler
Mayor

This resolution, when adopted, must remain in the possession of the Municipal Clerk. Certified copies are available.



BOROUGH OF WANAQUE

ZONING DEPARTMENT

579 Ringwood Avenue

Wanaque, NJ 07465

973-839-3000

Fax 973-835-0783

TEMPORARY OUTDOOR RESTAURANT SEATING

Name of Business: _____

Contact person: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Owner Name and Signature: _____

End Date of Outdoor Seating (Permit expires December 31, 2020): _____

Hours of Operation for Outdoor Seating Area (Sunday-Thursday 10pm / Friday-Saturday 11:00pm)

Applications are currently being accepted but approvals cannot be granted until an official Executive Order has been signed by Governor Murphy

The following items must be included with the application:

1. Survey or plot plan showing location, size and number of tables and seating.
Area cannot exceed 1,500 square feet.
2. Diagram of outdoor seating with measurements.
3. No fee will be required by the Borough of Wanaque.
Any fees imposed by the State of New Jersey will be the responsibility of the applicant.
4. If seating will be utilized after dusk, temporary lighting will be required if existing lighting is inadequate.
5. If within a parking lot, safety bollards or similar must be provided.
6. All applicants are responsible for verifying that their liquor license permits the serving of alcohol outdoors.

Approvals:

Zoning Officer

Date Issued/ Permit#

Borough Administrator

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Resolution #113-0-2020:

Re: Resolution Appointing Special Law Enforcement Officers in the Borough of Wanaque Police Department Effective July 1, 2020

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

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



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RESOLUTION #113-0-2020

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN THE BOROUGH OF
WANAQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque has determined that it is in the best interests of the Borough to appoint Special Class II Law Enforcement Officers to the Wanaque Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.10(e) has confirmed the eligibility and qualifications of such to the position of Special Class II Law Enforcement Officers with the Wanaque Police Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque, that the following officers are hereby appointed as Special Class II Law Enforcement Officers for a term not to exceed one (1) year pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:14-146.14 with the Wanaque Police Department, effective July 1, 2020 pending approvals by the Division of Criminal Justice, and medical clearance.

Charles E Huber Jr.
Philip Cavallaro

Dated: June 8, 2020

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE

| <i>Councilman</i> | <i>Motion</i> | <i>Second</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Abstain</i> | <i>Councilman</i> | <i>Motion</i> | <i>Second</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Abstain</i> |
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| Balunis | | | X | | | Pasquariello | ✓ | | X | | |
| Cortellessa | | | X | | | Pettet | | | X | | |
| Leonard | | | X | | | Willse | | ✓ | X | | |

ATTEST:

Katherine J. Falone RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk

Daniel Mahler
Mayor

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Resolution #114-0-2020:

Re: Resolution of the Borough of Wanaque Authorizing Increase in Deferred Regional High School Taxes

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

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



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RESOLUTION #114-0-2020

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE AUTHORIZING INCREASE IN DEFERRED REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TAXES

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services requires that the Governing Body of any municipality which has Deferred Regional High School Taxes must authorize any increase in the deferral of any additional amounts, and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has decided that an increase in Deferred Regional High School Taxes is in the best interest of the Borough at this time,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body that the following Deferred Regional High School Taxes be hereby increased for the year ended December 31, 2019 as follows:

Deferred Regional High School Taxes

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Amount Deferred 12/31/18 | \$4,166,242.00 |
| Amount Deferred 12/31/17 | <u>\$4,002,241.00</u> |
| | <u>\$164,001.00</u> |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Governing Body that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Dated: June 8, 2020

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE

| Councilman | Motion | Second | Yes | No | Abstain | Councilman | Motion | Second | Yes | No | Abstain |
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| Balunis | | | ✓ | | | Pasquariello | ✓ | | ✓ | | |
| Cortellessa | | | ✓ | | | Pettet | | | ✓ | | |
| Leonard | | | ✓ | | | Willse | | ✓ | ✓ | | |

ATTEST:

Katherine J. Falone RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk

Daniel Mahler
Mayor

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Resolution #115-0-2020:

Re: Resolution Authorizing the Approval of Estimate #1 and Payment to Reivax Contracting Corp, 68 Finderne Avenue, Bridgewater, NJ 08807 fo rthe 2018 Water Main Improvement Project in the Amount of \$208,338.20

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

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



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RESOLUTION #115-0-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF ESTIMATE #1 AND PAYMENT TO REIVAX CONTRACTING CORP, 68 FINDERNE AVENUE, BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807 FOR THE 2018 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$208,338.20

BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque hereby approves Estimate #1 and payment to Reivax Contracting Corp for the 2018 Water Main Improvement Project in the amount of \$208,338.20 as recommended by the Borough Engineer.

Dated: June 8, 2020

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE

| <i>Councilman</i> | <i>Motion</i> | <i>Second</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Abstain</i> | <i>Councilman</i> | <i>Motion</i> | <i>Second</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Abstain</i> |
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| Balunis | | | ✓ | | | Pasquariello | ✓ | | ✓ | | |
| Cortellessa | | | ✓ | | | Pettet | | | ✓ | | |
| Leonard | | | ✓ | | | Willse | | ✓ | ✓ | | |

ATTEST:

Katherine J. Falone
 Katherine J. Falone, AMC, CMC
 Municipal Clerk

Daniel Mahler
 Daniel Mahler
 Mayor

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Resolution #116-0-2020:

Re: Resolution of the Borough of Wanaque Authorizing an Increase of the Bid Threshold

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

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



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RESOLUTION #116-0-2020

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WANAUKE AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE OF THE BID THRESHOLD

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has, effective July 1, 2020, adjusted the bid threshold for awarding contracts pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law and has given local contracting units the ability to increase the bid threshold up to \$44,000 in municipalities with a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has appointed a Qualified Purchasing Agent in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to take advantage of the increased bid threshold

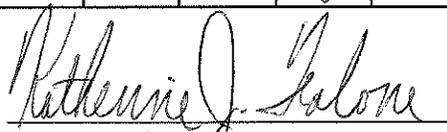
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, that the Borough hereby increases its bid threshold to \$44,000 effective July 1, 2020.

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| <i>Councilman</i> | <i>Motion</i> | <i>Second</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Abstain</i> | <i>Councilman</i> | <i>Motion</i> | <i>Second</i> | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> | <i>Abstain</i> |
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| Balunis | | | ✓ | | | Pasquariello | ✓ | | ✓ | | |
| Cortellessa | | | ✓ | | | Pettet | | | ✓ | | |
| Leonard | | | ✓ | | | Willse | | ✓ | ✓ | | |

ATTEST:


Katherine J. Falone RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk


Daniel Mahler
Mayor

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

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

INTRODUCTION OF THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

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

Municipal Budget of the Borough of Wanaque, County of Passaic for the Fiscal Year 2020. 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 June, 2020 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 June, 2020, 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 June, 2020, James Cerullo, Registered Municipal Accountant, Certified by me, this 8th day of June, 2020, 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 Pettet moved that,

Municipal Budget of the Borough of Wanaque, County of Passaic for the Fiscal Year 2020:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2020;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Budget be published by summary only in the Suburban Trends in the issue of June 17, 2020;

The Governing Body of the Borough of Wanaque does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2020:

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| RECORDED VOTE: Ayes: | Councilman Balunis | Nays: None |
| | Councilman Cortellessa | |
| | Councilman Leonard | Abstained: None |
| | Councilman Pasquariello | |
| | Councilman Pettet | Absent: None |
| | Councilman Willse | |

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Wanaque, County of Passaic, on June 8, 2020.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at the Municipal Building, on July 13, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2019 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

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

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The Public Hearing and Adoption of the Budget is July 13, 2020.

REGULAR REPORTS - PROFESSIONAL REPORTS:

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Willse 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.

The Borough Administrator read the Borough Engineers report. The final payment is \$50,000.00.

The Borough Administrator reported today the employees have returned to work. The building does remain closed to the public still and we have discussed the issues to coming back. I drafted a policy plan for the return to work which includes sanitizing equipment and it is a lot of work to get everyone moved around and trying to figure it out. For COVID \$50,000.00 we topped worth of expenses and the CARES Act is to distribute the money and the County will reimburse us. Plexiglass is to be put up yet and there are other things that need to be done. The Lakeside Park grant is for \$99,000.00. The basketball court was \$15,000.00 and we will replace the fencing, park benches, plants and will start this month hopefully.

Councilman Cortellessa said did Back Beach get done.

The Administrator said I will get back to you on that. The Rainbow Lake grant is to do upgrades there. The outdoor dining will start next week and we will get a lot of applications probably. The mobile testing we took care of that. The budget I had to work on it for about 4 months and then COVID 19 hit and we are getting funding for that which will help. We anticipated the loss of revenues as Court was closed and the Police were more focused on COVID 19 and also the Construction Office was down and there is not as much hotel occupancy tax. The budget is under the 2 percent levy cap. There will be a power point presentation on the adoption of the budget hopefully. There are the tax collections in August and I hope that continues and the economy rebounds. It is a smart budget and we are planning for things that need to be done. I am pleased with the budget and happy with it. The school taxes we don't have too much to do with the budget. This year the average assessment is \$2,142.00 on the tax bill for the Municipal side of the budget.

The Borough Attorney reported there are Tax Appeal cases, 3 cases and a stipulation of settlement for the former furniture store by Conklintown Road and the LaSala strip center by the town center and only 6 Court cases. The OPRA requests have increased. There was one from CNN and the African American and Data Research for the Police Department. Lakeside Manor is still in mediation and the discovery is still ongoing and will continue and I will report at the next meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

FINANCE REPORT: Vouchers - Payrolls

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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

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| Current 2019 | \$ 486.00 |
| Pre-Paid Current | \$ 1,689.23 |
| Pre-Paid Water Operating | \$ 441.00 |
| Pre-Paid General Cap | \$ 26,253.34 |
| Current 2020 | \$180,562.72 |
| Water Operating 2020 | \$ 10,207.24 |
| Sewer Operating 2020 | \$ 2,581.93 |
| Water Capital 2020 | \$ 9,625.00 |
| Recreation Trust 2020 | \$ 2,896.71 |
| Housing Trust 2020 | \$ 48.60 |
| Voucher Total: | \$234,791.77 |

PAYROLL:

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

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| PR #10 | 05/15/2020 | \$217,151.41 |
| PR #11 | 05/29/2020 | \$226,865.10 |
| | Payroll Total: | \$444,016.51 |
| | Grand Total: | \$678,808.28 |

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

Daniel Mahler
Mayor

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

The Mayor opened the Public Discussion.

Kathleen Leary spoke about the letter regarding the Brownies who are third graders and they started around January with crosswalk safety in 3 areas in town on Meadowbrook Avenue and Conklintown Road. We are working with Chief Kronymak, Councilman Leonard and the Administrator and will look into it further. The sidewalks where the crosswalks are is the crossing at Lakeland Regional High School and Addice Park and they are walking between the fields and Chief Kronymak will look at Chestnut Street to Meadowbrook Avenue to Ringwood Avenue and they are looking into other areas also. There are less sidewalks in the neighborhood and Councilman Leonard has other ideas for the next phase.

Chief Kronymak said I spoke with Kathleen and Councilman Leonard for 2 days about the crosswalks and sidewalks which have to be put in and they have to be ADA compliant on the

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Borough's expense. There are other avenues closer to Willow Way and they can cross onto the area with sidewalks. Meadowbrook Avenue to Chestnut Street and to Ringwood Avenue there is not much room to put sidewalks there and we should have the Engineer take a look at it.

Kathleen Leary said there was a child who was a student that got hit by a car and this is how this project started.

Councilman Leonard said I see people spent on flashing crossing signs and flashy pedestrian signs. It is a State law to stop in the crosswalk and there was a car that rolled over right on Ringwood Avenue. There was another car that crashed on Ringwood Avenue and Ringwood police came down Ringwood Avenue and chased it.

Chief Kronyak said Ringwood police were in pursuit of the vehicle.

Councilman Leonard said I was tailgated badly and almost got hit. They are not stopping at the traffic light by Braen Supply and I would like to see more enforcement. I'm glad you heard what Kathleen is doing and the work they are doing.

Councilman Cortellessa said we can get more information and know where the areas are without the sidewalks.

Chief Kronyak said there are no sidewalks on Conklintown Road also.

Kathleen Leary said there are no sidewalks and that is the schools property and there is also no sidewalk on Chestnut Street.

Chief Kronyak said the kids are parking on Chestnut Street.

Kathleen Leary said and Addice Park is used as overflow and I hope they crossover on Meadowbrook Avenue at the corner where Willow Way is. Thank you.

The Mayor said Mary Martin the Director at the Library would like to speak about the reading program at the library.

Mary Martin said the library staff worked hard and we have virtual services to the public. There is more information on the Governors meeting. We set a virtual summer reading challenge and a virtual reading program and I'm not sure when we can do it in person. From June 22nd to August 31st all ages can participate in a community reading bowl ages 6 and up they log minutes that they read and \$25.00 is donated to a local charity if we reach our community goal. People can pre-pledge for the challenge now. To register you can go to the website or the facebook page or call or email us.

Chief Kronyak said I follow you on social media and you are really doing well. It will be better when we get back to better times.

Ken Ambruster, 6 Gardella Place, Haskell said on Conklintown Road I'm not sure if it is Ringwood or Wanaque by 150 Conklintown Road the speed limit is 25 miles an hour and there is a branch hanging over the sign and I don't know if it is Ringwood or Wanaque.

Chief Kronyak said I believe that is Ringwood and I will check it out tomorrow and get a hold of Mike Brusco.

Jay Cohen, 2319 Warrens Way, Wanaque said I would like to compliment Chief Kronyak for the letter on the website. CARES money is being spent and shields were put in for the library. The budget should be posted so the community can read it. The County budget there is no increase and the schools budgets are posted on the websites. Last month Ken Manning had raised money and the Mayor said he was going to put it in his letter and it has not gone out yet.

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The Mayor said I will put the letter out. It is ready and I will get it out.
Councilman Cortellessa said the thank you to him is very well deserved.

Henry Mendoza, 6 Brookside Heights, Wanaque said I would like to thank Mary Martin at the library. She really helped me out and I would like to thank her for a great job she is doing at the library. Are there any statistics for unemployment and locally is the town helping out people at all.

The Mayor said we do not have anything.

The Administrator said there are several food drives to assist the people where they can go and get free food and that's where the County is helping out also.

Henry Mendoza said is there COVID testing for antibodies.

The Administrator said there is just the COVID test.

Henry Mendoza said is there anywhere you can go or people can go for the testing or any information for testing locally in the Borough.

The Administrator said the County is not ready to do that testing yet. They probably will do that testing at some point but maybe in the next week the County may and if they do we will provide any information to everyone.

Councilman Cortellessa said Henry there are no prescriptions needed for testing.

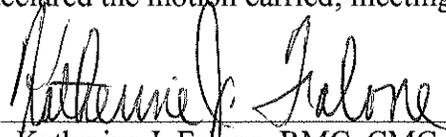
Henry Mendoza said thank you.

The Mayor closed the Public Discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

On roll call, all voted yes, and the Mayor declared the motion carried; meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.



Katherine J. Falone, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk