

Re-Organization Meeting
January 5, 2015

The 2015 Re-Organization Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque was held on Monday, January 5, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at the Wanaque Municipal Building, 579 Ringwood Avenue, Wanaque, New Jersey 07465.

The Mayor called the meeting to order with the flag salute.

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was delivered by Rabbi Mendy Gurkov.

MASSING OF COLORS AND FLAG SALUTE: By the VFW and American Legion.

SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

The Mayor read the following Sunshine Statement: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Mayor and Council by e-mailing notice of this meeting to the Suburban Trends and the News newspapers on December 9, 2014 stating therein that this meeting would be held on Monday, January 5, 2015 at the time of 7:00 P.M., in the Wanaque Municipal Building, 579 Ringwood Avenue, Wanaque, New Jersey, and a copy of this notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Wanaque Municipal Building on December 9, 2014 and a copy is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

OFFICIALS TO BE SWORN INTO OFFICE:

The Mayor asked Assemblyman Robert Auth to come forward and administer the Oath of Office to himself and Councilman Donald Pasquariello and Councilman Robert Pettet.

APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAX COLLECTOR: Resolution #24-0-15

The Mayor presented the name of Ann Smolen – Municipal Tax Collector.

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Balunis moved a motion to appoint Ann Smolen as Municipal Tax Collector.

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ann Smolen be and is hereby appointed as Tax Collector for the Borough of Wanaque, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-145 that Ann Smolen is granted tenure in the position of Tax Collector.

MAYOR'S ADDRESS:

“Good evening and Happy New Year. Welcome to the annual reorganization meeting of the Wanaque Mayor and Council.

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I would like to start by thanking Assemblyman Robert Auth for taking time out of his busy schedule to attend our meeting tonight to swear in our elected officials. Bob took office last January and established his 39th District Legislative Office in the Haskell Town Center Building here in Wanaque.

I would like to congratulate both Councilman Don Pasquariello and Rob Pettet their re-election to the Council. For Don this will be his sixth term and for Rob this will be his fourth term. Both of these Councilmen have worked very hard in the past for our town and we look forward to their continued commitment to our citizens.

I would also like to congratulate our Administrator, Tom Carroll, on his recent election as president of the NJ Municipal Managers Association for 2015. We are all proud of his dedicated involvement with this organization.

As I begin my third term as your Mayor, I would like to take this opportunity to review the status of several projects and to discuss the vision for the future of Wanaque.

For the past few years I have spoke of our vision to construct a new municipal building. As everyone can see the new building next door is progressing nicely. The exterior is substantially complete and the building is now closed to the elements. Over the next few months the contractor will be finishing the interior. The construction schedule was delayed by the harsh winter in 2014 and we are looking at a completion date in the spring. After the new building is occupied, the old building will be razed and converted into a parking lot. I can confidently say that our 2016 Re-Organization meeting will be held next door in our new Town Hall.

In September, we dedicated the new Wanaque "Welcome Park and 9-11 Memorial" at the intersection of Ringwood and Union Avenues. This project includes a piece of steel from North Tower of the World Trade Center and a memorial to John E. Bulaga, Jr., a lifelong resident of Wanaque who died in the terrorist attack on September 11 2001. This project was a joint effort between the Borough of Wanaque, the NJ Department of Transportation, Passaic County, the owner of the Dunkin Donuts strip mall, numerous businesses and many volunteers. I would like to personally thank the Project Chairman, Frank Covelli and his committee for a job well done.

Parkside at Wanaque, which is an 88 unit development at the old candle factory on Fourth Avenue is now completed and fully occupied. Last month, the developer donated the final unit through the Wounded Warriors program to a young Marine who was seriously injured in Afghanistan. This same developer is now in the process of building an additional 78 units across the street from Parkside at the former US Aluminum site. They have a waiting list from Parkside and expect to have the initial units completed in the fall of 2015.

We are finally seeing some movement on the Mountain Lakes - Lakeside Manor development off of Conklintown Road which has been abandoned for over 12 years. The completion of these partially built structures was delayed by a combination of the Highlands Act and subsequent litigation. The developer of Parkside has entered into a tentative agreement with the property owner to complete Phase I of the development, which is the currently disturbed area comprising 47 townhouses and 13 single family homes. Permits from the State of NJ are in the process of being refreshed and construction is expected to resume by the summer.

Recent improvements to our infrastructure include the resurfacing of several streets including part of Cannonball Road, McAtee Lane, Mullen Avenue and East Street, Park Street, Prospect Street, Short Street, Shady Avenue, Skylands Avenue and Oak Street. We utilized an interlocal agreement with Ringwood to use their in-house engineer and a co-operative pricing group to contract for the paving at significant cost savings. In addition, we completed the reconstruction of Westbrook Road from Ringwood Avenue to the bridge during 2014 using a \$235,000 grant.

The bridge over the reservoir is in the process of being rebuilt by Passaic County. The County project should conclude in late 2015.

During 2014, we completed the upgrade of the sanitary sewer lines on Jefferson Street, Monroe Street, Jackson Street and Dickens Place. This consisted of replacing old deteriorated clay lines which were behind residents homes with state of the art sewer lines located the streets. This project was partially funded by a \$350,000 Passaic County Community Development Block Grant. It is expected that these new lines will significantly reduce ground water infiltration into the sewer system which is problematic of clay pipes. We have applied for grants to upgrade the water mains in these streets and to complete the paving.

We also received over \$200,000 of grants to reconstruct Fifth Avenue and Leonard Place, which includes replacing the 80 year old water main. This work is expected to occur in 2015. We have also applied for additional grants to complete similar work on Sixth Avenue and Phelan Court.

In November, the tax lien holder foreclosed on the abandoned restaurant at 815 Ringwood Avenue. The new owner subsequently contacted us and we expressed our desire to see the return of an active restaurant at this location.

In August, we settled a new contract with our police officers, which was in conjunction with a re-organization of the police department. Police officers are now working a 12 hour shift vs the prior 8 hour shift. This allows for 4 officers per shift vs 3 per shift under the prior schedule. The number of years it takes for an officer to reach the maximum salary was increased by 3 years and police officers will begin contributing to their health benefits. In September, we hired two new police officers. Both are veterans that served in the US military in Iraq and Afghanistan. They expect to graduate from the police academy in March. We will be hiring additional police officers in 2015 to replace retirees. These changes in the police department are considered cost neutral meaning that they should not have a negative impact on the 2% cap.

In the area of property taxes we have worked very diligently to control expenses while continuing to provide the best level of services to our citizens. We are currently working to prepare our 2015 budget. Our 2014 budget included a 1% increase which was below the 2% CAP. We once again anticipate being within the 2% CAP. However, increases in pension and health benefit costs and several large commercial tax appeals may require us to be closer to the CAP in 2015. We will continue to review every budget line item for potential savings.

To help curtail costs, we entered into several new interlocal shared services agreements with neighboring municipalities in 2014. These included sharing our construction department with Riverdale and sharing a Deputy Court Administrator position with Ringwood.

We have a lot of work to do again this year. We do our best to provide great services to our residents. Our Police Officers, Road and Water Department workers, and our Borough Hall staff are second to none. Our volunteer Firefighters, First Aid Squad members, Recreation volunteers and people who donate their time to our community make Wanaque a great place to live. I thank all of them for their efforts

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Borough Council, our Administrator Tom Carroll, our Borough Clerk Kathy Falone, Chief Norton and our Borough Attorney Tony Fiorello. I am confident that we will continue to move forward as we continue to improve our community.

I would like to conclude by thanking my wife, Marie, my mother Geraldine and the rest of my family for their continued support in allowing me to be Mayor of this great town.

Thank you and God Bless America.”

COUNCIL ADDRESSES:

Councilman Pettet:

“Good evening and Happy New Year. I am grateful, once again to have the privilege of serving Wanaque for, Lord willing, another 3 years. I congratulate my running mate, Dr. Don for winning another elected term.

I'd also like to congratulate Mayor Dan Mahler. I'm appreciative of your leadership and wisdom. Under your leadership, I believe we operate with the public trust, always keeping the limited government principle in mind, doing the best in our service to the citizens of Wanaque, while respecting rights, freedom, and personal property.

Thank you as well, fellow council members, and also, Tom and Tony. Thank you, police, fire, first aid, and community volunteers. If it's popular to criticize and demonize our law enforcement officers, and I believe that is a minority view, then let me be unpopular and heap nothing but praise on "Wanaque's finest", and be a voice that lets them know we appreciate them and understand their job is never easy.

Thanks also to my family, wife, Denise, daughter Ashley, daughter Kristen, and "my boy", grandson, Todd!

You've always been there for me and you have never complained if a committee meeting or late night council meeting keeps me away from home. Thank You.

I look forward to good things in 2015!

God Bless and Happy New Year!”

Councilman Pasquariello:

“GOOD EVENING, I would like to start out tonight thanking everyone for their support in re-electing me to the Council. This is a labor of love, and I enjoy working with this Council, our employees and our volunteers to make Wanaque a better community.

Last year we approved a reorganization of the Police Department, and hired two Police recruits, who will be graduating from the Police Academy in April. Also, we will be adding two new officers next week, which moves us closer to filling the new Table of Organization presented by Chief Norton. We also settled the contract with the Police Union, which allows us to now have 4 men on a shift, instead of three. With the recent events in the Country involving Police, having more officers on the street is a wise move.

Over the next three years I hope to continue working with the Police Department, and all Borough Departments. I am looking forward to the opening of our new Borough Hall, and giving our employees a good working environment.

In closing, I would like to thank our volunteers, our employees, Mayor Mahler, the Council, and everyone who devotes their time and effort to our community. I would also like to thank my children and my wife Lisa for their continuing support in allowing me to serve the residents of Wanaque.”

Councilman Balunis:

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"I want to begin by wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. I also would like to congratulate Dan, Don and Rob on the commencement of their new term.

Last year we opened the Welcome to Wanaque Park and 9/11 Memorial. It is a great addition to the corner of Wanaque and Ringwood Avenue and the first thing you see entering our town from the southern end. We've made gradual, but steady improvement to Ringwood Avenue and other areas of our town. We've made great strides but need to continue this progress in order to elevate our town to the next level. The opening of the new Borough Hall early this year is a good start in that direction.

I'd like to thank all the Borough employees for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. The Police Department, Road Department and all the employees at Borough Hall do an outstanding job which is greatly appreciated by the Mayor and Council and all the residents.

I'd also like to thank the members of our Fire Department and First Aid Squad for their selfless dedication. They sacrifice a tremendous amount of their personal time to be there when we need them in an emergency.

I'd also like to thank the trustees who serve on the Wanaque and Lakeland Board of Education as well as all the other volunteers who serve in Recreation, Scouting and other volunteer boards in town. Their willingness to volunteer is what makes Wanaque such a close knit town.

In closing we have a lot of servicemen and women returning from Iraq and Afghanistan including many from our town. Please thank them for their service and show them the respect and support they deserve and may God bless America."

Councilman Willse:

"I would like to congratulate Councilman Pasquariello and Councilman Pettet on their reelection. I look forward to continuing to work with them in the service of our fellow residents. This past year we added some new phrases to our conversations. "Polar Vortex" and "Where is the salt". I had hoped we would be meeting in the new Council chambers today, but the extreme cold last winter delayed the construction of the building. I am happy to say the construction is advancing at the good pace, and the craftsmanship I see from all the trades is good. While we have had some change orders for mostly minor things, like moving outlets, adding some outlets, moving doors and such. As well as reacting to upgrades in the codes. Our contractor has been very helpful and quick to respond to our tweaks of the building. As well as our construction Architect. Both have made this process run mostly smoothly. I look forward to the ribbon cutting this coming spring, and welcoming everyone to the building.

I would like to once again thank all the members of our volunteer fire department for their selfless dedication to helping to protect all of our residents. I would be remiss for not also thanking our Ambulance Squad for their volunteer service as well. As well as my wife for her patience and support."

Councilman Cortellessa:

"GOOD EVENING AND I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME EVERYONE AS WELL TO OUR FIRST MEETING OF 2015.

LET ME BEGIN BY CONGRATULATING DAN ON HIS RE-ELECTION AS MAYOR AS WELL AS DON AND ROB ON THEIR RE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL. I

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AM PLEASED TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THEM AS WELL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES OF OUR COMMUNITY.

IT IS AN HONOR TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE AND I PLEDGE TO CONTINUE TO WORK HARD TO HELP MAKE OUR TOWN THE BEST IT CAN BE.

TONIGHT, I WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY THANK MEMBERS OF THE BOROUGH TEAM FOR DOING A GREAT JOB FOR US IN 2014.

CHIEF TOM NORTON AND OUR VERY CAPABLE POLICE OFFICERS FOR THEIR COMMITMENT AND OUTSTANDING RESULTS IN KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE. CHIEF NORTON HAS BEEN A PROACTIVE LEADER IN INSTITUTING NEEDED TACTICAL CHANGES AS WELL AS DEVELOPING STRATEGIC PLANS THAT LOOK TO THE FUTURE NEEDS OF THE DEPARTMENT AND OUR COMMUNITY.

MIKE RIEF AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STAFF FOR THEIR DAILY EFFORTS IN MAINTAINING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE THEREBY, ENSURING VITAL SERVICES TO OUR RESIDENTS ARE CONSISTENTLY DELIVERED. AND LET'S NOT FORGET, WITH WINTER UPON US, THAT THEY ARE THE ONES WHO KEEP OUR ROADS CLEAR AND SAFE.

OUR BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR AND OFFICE STAFF. THEY PROVIDE A CONSISTENT HIGH LEVEL OF SERVICE TO OUR RESIDENTS. I CANNOT SAY ENOUGH ABOUT THEIR PROFESSIONALISM.

AND HOW DO WE NOT THANK OUR FIRST AID SQUAD AND OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR SELFLESS SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. THESE HOME TOWN HEROES MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE FOR OUR RESIDENTS DURING LIFE THREATENING EVENTS REGARDLESS OF TIME OR WEATHER.

AS OUR MAYOR STATED, 2014 WAS A CHALLENGING YEAR FOR ALL OF US BUT MUCH WAS ACCOMPLISHED. AND I WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY COMMEND THE MAYOR FOR HIS STRONG LEADERSHIP AND COMMITMENT TO WANAQUE AS WELL AS MY HARD WORKING COUNCIL COLLEAGUES.

HOWEVER, WE CANNOT SIMPLY REST ON OUR PAST ACHIEVEMENTS. NOR CAN WE IGNORE THOSE THINGS WE FAILED TO ACHIEVE. WE NEED TO RELENTLESSLY STAY COMMITTED TO OUR GOALS TO HELP MAKE OUR BOROUGH THE BEST IT CAN BE.

TO START WITH, IN THESE STILL DIFFICULT ECONOMIC TIMES FOR MANY BOROUGH RESIDENTS, WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO STAY FOCUSED ON EXPENSES BY SCRUTINIZING BY LINE ITEM, THE BUDGET, WHILE ENSURING THAT WE MAKE ONLY NECESSARY PURCHASES AND INTELLIGENT FINANCIAL DECISIONS.

WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO PURSUE THE DIFFICULT CHALLENGE OF DEVELOPING SHARED SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES THAT DELIVER LOWER COST WHILE IMPROVING COMMUNITY SERVICES.

WE ALSO NEED TO CONTINUE TO MAXIMIZE GRANT OPPORTUNITIES ALLOWING US TO IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITY WITHOUT USING TAX DOLLARS.

AT THE SAME TIME WE FOCUS ON REDUCING COSTS, WE NEED TO BE CREATIVE IN DETERMINING HOW TO GENERATE MORE REVENUE. REVENUE NOT SIMPLY TO BE USED FOR INCREASED SPENDING BUT TO LOWER TAXES SO THAT

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OUR BOROUGH IS AFFORDABLE FOR OUR SENIORS, CURRENT AND FUTURE YOUNG FAMILIES AS WELL AS BUSINESSES.

AS THE MAYOR STATED WE HAVE SOME SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS THAT WILL HELP ACHIEVE OUR EXPENSE AND REVENUE OBJECTIVES. PROJECTS THAT WILL:

1. INCREASE REVENUE FROM NEW TAX RATABLES WITHOUT INCREASING OUR COST OF SERVICES.
2. ~~SHARED SERVICE PROJECTS THAT WILL REDUCE EXPENSES AND IMPROVE SERVICES.~~

AND PROJECTS THAT WILL

3. STIMULATE LOCAL BUSINESS GROWTH AND FILL THE EMPTY STORES THAT LINE RINGWOOD AVENUE WITH SERVICES THAT ARE IMPORTANT FOR OUR RESIDENTS AND FOR OUR FUTURE.
4. AND LET'S NOT FORGET THE FAILED MOUNTAIN LAKES DEVELOPMENT PROJECT NEGATIVELY IMPACTING RESIDENTS AS WELL AS THE BOROUGH. WITH MAYOR DAN'S LEADERSHIP WE WILL RESOLVE THE COMPLEX ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS LONG OVER DUE PROJECT.

BY-THE-WAY, THERE ARE MANY BUSINESSES AND HOMES THAT WE NEED TO ENSURE GET CLEANED UP ALONG RINGWOOD AVE. THAT WILL MAKE WANAQUE A MORE ATTRACTIVE PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE AND DO BUSINESS.

I WOULD BE SERIOUSLY REMISS IF I FORGOT THE FUTURE LEADERS OF OUR WONDERFUL COUNTRY. CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR YOUTH AND RECREATION PROGRAMS IS ESSENTIAL. THESE PROGRAMS FORM THE FOUNDATION FOR LEADERSHIP, INTEGRITY, TEAMWORK AND PHYSICAL FITNESS FOR OUR FUTURE LEADERS. THIS SHOULD BE AN ESSENTIAL OBJECTIVE OF THE COUNCIL AND ALL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY.

AND I WOULD LIKE ALL OF US TO CHERISH, REMEMBER AND NEVER FORGET THE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE AND CONTINUE TO SERVE IN THE MILITARY TO ENSURE OUR SAFETY AND FREEDOM IN THE GREATEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD. GOD BLESS THEM AND GOD BLESS AMERICA.

THERE IS MUCH FOR US TO DO IN 2015. SUCCESS WILL DEMAND THAT WE LISTEN TO RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES. THAT WE FOCUS OUR ENERGY AND SKILLS ON SOLVING OUR PROBLEMS. AND THAT WE WORK TOGETHER TIRELESSLY TO ENSURE OUR COMMUNITY IS AFFORDABLE FOR ALL RESIDENTS, ENCOURAGES BUSINESS GROWTH AND MOVES WANAQUE FORWARD WHILE RETAINING THAT SMALL TOWN FEEL.

I AM OPTIMISTIC ABOUT OUR FUTURE AND I LOOK FOREWORD TO WORKING WITH MY COLLEAGUES ON THE COUNCIL AND THE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY.

I AM OPTIMISTIC ABOUT OVERCOMING THE CHALLENGES WE FACE AND ENSURING THAT THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE IS THE BEST IT CAN BE FOR ALL RESIDENTS.

AND I AM EXCITED ABOUT OUR NEW BOROUGH HALL, ALMOST COMPLETED. IT WILL BE A BEACON FOR PROGRESS AND A VISION OF THE FUTURE WE SEE FOR OUR WONDERFUL BOROUGH.

I HOPE 2015, FOR ALL OF US, TURNS OUT TO BE A YEAR OF LESS TROUBLE, MORE BLESSINGS AND ONLY HAPPINESS COMING THROUGH OUR DOORS.

HAPPY NEW YEAR AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.”

Councilman Leonard:

“To begin with congratulations go out to Mayor Mahler and Councilman Pettet and Pasquariello for their re-elections.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank everyone for their support during these past few months. As most of you know, this past July our family suffered a great loss and we are forever appreciative of all the caring and help provided by so many members of our community. Mayor and Council, borough employees, Wanaque School members, neighbors, friends, all showed us great support. I would like to also again express my admiration to all our emergency services personnel for showing such compassion and professionalism dealing with our loss.

This will also lead me to another personal observation about our superior police department. Recent events in NYC and other areas has put a laser light on how a moment of bad leadership from any elected official and a few bad comments and actions can have such immediate and devastating results. A level of reasonable leadership is often expected and perhaps assumed by our citizens and often over-looked. In NYC’s case, I feel those residents did not receive a reasonable level of leadership when it comes to their upper-level managers, and the Mayor specifically needs to apologize and has a great deal of work, as a leader, to mend that relationship. But from what I have observed so far, an apology will not probably happen. Why do I mention this? It’s simple, from what I witness in my position as Councilman, there could not be a more opposite level of respect shown between this Mayor, Council and Borough Administrator toward our own outstanding department and I pledge that the same failure in leadership will never happen here.

I wish everyone has a healthy and happy new year and enjoy what a blessed community we have.”

ROLL CALL:

On roll call the following Council Members were present: Balunis, Cortellessa, Leonard, Pasquariello, Pettet and Willse. Also present was Borough Attorney, Anthony Fiorello.

APPOINTMENTS:

The Mayor presented the following names of professionals for the year of 2015:

- Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva, P.A- Charles Ferraioli - Auditor
- Richard A. Alaimo Associates – Michael Cristaldi – Engineer
- Anthony Fiorello, Esq. – Borough Attorney
- Kenneth Albert/Richard A. Alaimo, P.E. – Borough Planner

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Benecke Economics – Borough COAH Planner
Michael F. Kelly, Esq. - Public Defender
Ralph Fava, Esq. - Prosecutor
Scarinci & Hollenbeck, LLC - Sean Dias, Esq. - Labor Counsel
Hawkins, Delafield & Wood - Bond Counsel
Polaris Galaxy, Inc. – John Serapiglia – Multi-Line – Workmen’s Comp.
UHY Advisors – Joseph Rude - Health
Robert Benecke – Economic Development Consultant
Benecke Economics – Highlands Planner
Alaimo Group – Sewer Engineer
Eric Nemeth, Esq. – Special Counsel

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

On roll call, all voted yes, except Councilman Pettet who abstained on the appointment of Borough Insurance Broker and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS:

Mark Dieghan	Mark Oliveri
Chris Fuehring	Robert Passarella
Shane Reigler	Wayne Rundecker
Kathrine Kollmann	Chris Vnencak
Patricia Norton	

CHAPLAIN – POLICE DEPARTMENT: Pastor Thomas Berninger
CHAPLAIN - FIRE DEPARTMENT: Theodore Luciani

OFFICERS - FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The Mayor presented the following names as Officers for the Wanaque Borough Volunteer Fire Department for the year 2015:

Chief:	Mark Olivieri
1st Asst. Chief:	Jerry Reap
2nd Asst. Chief:	Craig Palatucci
Captains -	Co. #1: George Decker Co. #2: George Schamble
1 st Lieutenants -	Co. #1: Fred Tritschler Co. #2: Zach Anderson
2 nd Lieutenants -	Co. #1: Mike Drumgoogle Co. #2: Herb Bachmann

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU - FIRE PREVENTION SPECIALIST:

The Mayor presented the following names as Fire Prevention Bureau - Fire Prevention

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Specialist for the year 2015:

Fire Official	-	Kevin Platt
Fire Inspectors	-	Dennis Dondero, William Roberto, John Roberto Robert DeStaffen

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Pasquariello and Pettet moved a motion to approve the aforementioned appointments of Special Police Officers and Officers for the Fire Department.

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

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS:

Recreation Commission:

The Mayor appointed Councilman Thomas Balunis as Council Liaison.

Planning Board:

The Mayor appointed Joseph Graceffo as a Class IV member to a Four (4) Year Term and Councilman Dominick Cortellessa as Council Liaison.

Library Board:

The Mayor appointed Anna Hagstrom to a Five (5) Year Term and Mayor Daniel Mahler is the Mayor's Representative.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS:

Planning Board:

Kevin Platt was appointed as a Class II One (1) Year Term and Councilman Dominick Cortellessa was appointed as a Class III One (1) Year Term.

Board of Adjustment:

Jack Dunning and Don Ludwig were appointed to a Four (4) Year Term each, Suzanne Henderson was appointed as an Alternate #1 to a Two (2) Year Term and Councilman Edward Leonard as Council Liaison.

Board of Health:

Marianne Vuksanic, Linda Van Rossen and Laura Stiansen were appointed to a Three (3) Year Term each and Councilman Eric Willse was appointed as Council Liaison.

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Mary Leonard was appointed to a Three (3) Year Term and Councilman Robert Pettet as Council Liaison. Terms begin April 1, 2015.

Ethics Committee:

Reverend Ayn Masker and Rabbi Mendy Gurkov were appointed to a Five (5) Year Term each and Mayor Daniel Mahler is the Council Liaison.

Wanaque Valley Regional Sewerage Authority:

Councilman Dominick Cortellessa is the Council Liaison.

STATUTORY APPOINTMENTS: One (1) Year Terms

1. Susan Boyhan - Assistant Treasurer
2. Katherine Falone - Assessment Search Officer
3. Katherine Falone - Tax Search Officer
4. Thomas Carroll - Public Agency Compliance Officer
5. Thomas Carroll - Fund Commissioner NJIF
6. Thomas Carroll – Solid Waste Advisory Council

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

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

BONDS:

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| 1. Blanket Bond | 3. Municipal Judge |
| 2. Court Administrator | 4. Tax Collector |

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA: Anything placed on this agenda has been deemed to be non-controversial in a matter of routine business and will be voted on by one motion.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #1-0-15:

Re: Signature Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor, Borough Clerk and Chief Financial Officer be and are hereby authorized to sign all checks and issue payments for the Borough of Wanaque; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council President be authorized to sign in the absence of the Mayor and the Assistant Treasurer in absence of the Chief Financial Officer.

Resolution #2-0-15:

Re: Transfer Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue transfer checks on her signature alone, to transfer Borough funds from one account to another, but no funds are to leave the credit of the Borough.

Resolution #3-0-15:

Re: Interest Resolution - Delinquent Taxes

BE IT RESOLVED that interest on delinquent taxes be 8% per annum on amounts of less than \$1,500.00 and on any amounts in excess of \$1,500.00 the rate shall be 18%; and

BE IT RESOLVED that a 6% penalty will be charged on delinquencies in excess of \$10,000.00 at the end of the calendar year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a grace period of ten (10) days shall be provided within which the installment of taxes may be received without charge for interest.

Resolution #4-0-15:

Re: Interest Resolution - Unpaid Assessments

BE IT RESOLVED that interest on unpaid assessments shall be at the rate of 8% per annum on amounts of less than \$1,500.00 and on any amounts in excess of \$1,500.00 the rate shall be 18%; and

BE IT RESOLVED that a 6% penalty will be charged on delinquencies in excess of \$10,000.00 at the end of the calendar year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a grace period of ten (10) days shall be provided within which the installment of taxes may be received without charge for interest.

Resolution #5-0-15:

Re: Cancel property Tax refunds or delinquencies of \$10.00 or less

WHEREAS, Chapter 82, Public Law of 1987, known as N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1 permits authorized employees to process cancellation of property Tax refunds or delinquencies of \$10.00 or less without further action of the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is responsible for property Tax collection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council do hereby authorize the Tax Collector to cancel property Tax refunds or delinquencies of \$10.00 or less.

Resolution #6-0-15:

Re: Tax Sale for 2014

BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector shall have a Tax Sale for 2014 and Prior Delinquent Municipal Charges during the calendar year of 2015.

Resolution #7-0-15:

Re: Investment Resolution

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Wanaque for the uses of modern techniques of money management of excess funds in all accounts; and

WHEREAS, on such acceptable and sound technique is the use of cash flow when balances become available in secure legal investments and certificates of deposit; and

WHEREAS, it has further been determined that the Borough Auditor has recommended, due to the instability of the financial market that the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer be hereby authorized to invest current excess funds in all accounts, as she deems necessary, in order to obtain the highest interest rates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Wanaque, that the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer be and she is hereby authorized and directed to invest all excess cash funds in all accounts in Certificates of Deposit and Money Markets at the highest interest rate, as she deems necessary, when the Borough has the funds available, in those banks as legally designated by the Mayor and Council;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer is further authorized and directed to report, in writing, to the Governing Body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any investment is made pursuant to this Resolution and such report shall include the amount, description, interest rate, financial institution and maturity date of such investment.

Resolution #8-0-15:

Re: Change Fund Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque that a change fund be established as follows:

TAX COLLECTOR.....	\$200.00
WATER CLERK.....	\$100.00
HEALTH DEPARTMENT.....	\$25.00
SEWER CLERK.....	\$100.00

Resolution #9-0-15:

Re: Enumerated Claims for Payment

WHEREAS, all claims for payment by the Borough are required to be first submitted to the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque, for consideration before payment is made; and

WHEREAS, due to the nature of certain claims and timing the particular meetings involved, certain claims which are statutory and regular in nature should be paid when presented, other than for the next meeting of the Borough Council due to the nature of said bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Wanaque, as follows: 1. This Borough Council does hereby approve of the payment between meetings of the following enumerated claims for payment, and the same are presented to the Borough Treasurer of the Borough of Wanaque:

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- A. The Standard Insurance Company
- B. Bergen Municipal Employee Benefit Fund
- C. Wanaque Board of Education
- D. Lakeland Regional High School
- E. Wanaque Valley Regional Sewerage Authority
- F. New Jersey State Health Benefit Plan
- G. GSPOPS/Bollinger

Resolution #10-0-15:

Re: Civil Rights Compliance Officer

WHEREAS, there must be a Civil Rights Compliance Officer designated to oversee the Civil Rights Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque, the Borough Administrator is hereby designated the Civil Rights Compliance Officer for the Borough of Wanaque to oversee Civil Rights.

Resolution #11-0-15:

Re: Affirmation Action Program for Equal Employment Opportunity

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM FOR EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

A. DEFINITION - "An Affirmative Action Program is a set of specific and result-oriented procedures; the objective of which is to achieve equal employment opportunity, and in doing so to recognize and overcome the effects of racial, sexual and social discrimination in employment.

B. STATEMENT OF POLICY - The Borough of Wanaque is committed to ensuring equal opportunity and participation to all of its volunteers, employees and applicants for employment. The treatment of all employees and applicants for employment without unlawful discrimination as to race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, handicap, marital status, sexual orientation or affectional preference in all employment decision, including but not limited to recruitment, hiring, compensation, training and apprenticeship, promotion, upgrading, demotion, downgrading, transfer, lay-off and termination, all other terms and conditions of employment except as provided by law.

The Borough of Wanaque intends to advocate this Affirmative Action Program to clearly reflect in increased distribution and utilization of minority group employees

C. RESPONSIBILITY - The Borough Administrator of the Borough of Wanaque is responsible for implementing the Affirmative Action Program. He or she is responsible for ensuring equal opportunity for all employees and volunteers.

The Executive Director shall be responsible for reviewing the progress of the Affirmative Action Program to ensure that equal opportunity exists in fact. The Executive Director will be responsible for all necessary actions and efforts to support the Affirmative Action Policy.

Resolution #12-0-15:

Re: Alcoholism and Drug Abuse The Borough of Wanaque is sympathetic to personnel with substance and alcohol problems, but it will not tolerate situations in which drug or alcohol dependency causes unsatisfactory position performance and/or substandard behavior and where

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#11-0-15:

Re:

Affirmation

Action Program

for Equal

Employment

Opportunity

it jeopardizes the Borough's reputation and position in the community.

When drug dependency or alcoholism results in unsatisfactory position performance and/or substandard behavior, the Borough of Wanaque consider termination of employment to be a business necessity. Unsatisfactory position performance and substandard behavior include, but are not limited to, the following:

- consistent and/or excessive lateness or absences.
- inability to carry out assigned duties on at least an average level.
- inability to follow instructions.

- lack of cooperation.
- lack of self-sufficiency and self-control.

Management will evaluate such situations if patterns of poor work performance and/or substandard behavior occur.

Employees will also be subject to immediate dismissal if they are under the influence of alcohol or drugs or are in possession of or sell alcohol or illegal drugs on Borough time or property.

Resolution #13-0-15:

Re: 2015 Salary Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the salaries for Borough Employees for the year 2015 be and are hereby established as per the attached schedule:

BOROUGH OF WANAQUE
COUNTY OF PASSAIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION #13-0-15

BE IT RESOLVED that the salaries for the following employees of the Borough of Wanaque are hereby established for the year 2015:

T. Norton	Chief	\$169,468.00
K. Fackina	Det/Cap	\$156,419.00
R. Kronyak	Captain	\$143,504.00
A Calabro	Sergeant	\$118,649.00
P Cavallaro	Sergeant	\$118,649.00
C. Huber	Sergeant	\$118,649.00
M. Kershaw	Sergeant	\$118,649.00
K Lacouture	Sergeant	\$118,649.00
K. Carman	Patrol/Det	\$117,577.00
C. Sahanas	Patrol/Det	\$117,577.00
J. Ascenzo	Patrolman	\$107,869.00
B. Bellifemine	Patrolman	\$107,869.00
J. Cappello	Patrolman	\$107,869.00
P. Carbone	Patrolman	\$107,869.00
J. Galinus	Patrolman	\$107,869.00
J. Hennessey	Patrolman	\$107,869.00
M. Ralicki	Patrolman	\$107,869.00
E. Schroeder	Patrolman	\$107,869.00
J. Fiorito	Patrolman	\$31,053.00
	Prob 4/1	\$35,535.00
W. Lopez	Patrolman	\$31,053.00
	Prob 4/1	\$35,535.00
A. Mule	Patrolman	\$35,535.00
	9/16	\$48,979.00
K. Norton	Patrolman	\$48,979.00
	6/11	\$57,941.00

And

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the salaries of all other Borough employees are continued at the 2014 levels until such time as determined by the Governing Body.

Adopted: January 5, 2015

Attest:


Katherine J. Falone, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk


Daniel Mahler
Mayor

Resolution #14-0-15:
Re: Budgetary Transfers

None.

Resolution #15-0-15:
Re: Payment to Library - 1st
Quarter Allotment: \$106,615.75

BE IT RESOLVED that payment be made to the Wanaque Public Library for the 1st Quarter Allotment in the amount of \$106,615.75.

Resolution #16-0-15:
Re: Mailing of Notice for the Tax
Sale in place of advertising

WHEREAS, Chapter 99 of the Public Laws of 1997 as further codified in N.J.S.A. 54:5-26 permits a maximum fee of \$25.00 for each notice by regular or certified mail sent in lieu of advertising for two of the four weeks preceeding the week of the tax sale.

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is to hold a tax sale yearly

for delinquent Municipal charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Tax Collector to charge \$10.00 for each set of mailings done in lieu of the advertising for the tax sale.

Resolution #17-0-15:
Re: Approve Surety Bond – County Road Opening

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF WANAQUE TO ISSUE AND EXECUTE A BOND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE "PASSAIC COUNTY RIGHT OF WAY ENTRY RESOLUTION"

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque need to make certain repairs on roadways which are located within the borders of the Borough of Wanaque and are owned by the County of Passaic; and

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WHEREAS, in September of 1991, the Passaic County Board of Chosen Freeholders adopted a "Right-of-Way Entry/Opening Resolution" requiring all municipalities to comply with certain requirements before making any repairs to a County road; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the above requirements and prior to the Borough of Wanaque undertaking any repairs, a Bond must be posted with Passaic County to insure that the Borough of Wanaque will properly excavate and restore the surface of any County roadway; and

WHEREAS, the Passaic County Board of Chosen Freeholders have indicated that they will accept a municipality's own Bond in lieu of a Bond issued by a Surety Bonding Company; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque desire to satisfy this requirement in order to undertake all necessary roadway repairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque does hereby authorize the issuance and execution of a Bond in the amount of \$30,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all instruments relating hereto and that a copy of this Resolution along with the Bond be forwarded to the Passaic County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Resolution #18-0-15:

Re: Adopting Tort Claim Notice

BE IT RESOLVED that the attached Tort Claim Form be and is hereby approved for all Title 59 notifications.

Resolution #19-0-15

Re: Award of Professional Services

WHEREAS, on November 24, 2014 the Borough of Wanaque announced through its official Municipal Website, [HTTP://www.wanaqueborough.com](http://www.wanaqueborough.com) that it was soliciting proposals for various professional services under the "Fair and Open" provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq; and

WHEREAS, those proposals were received on December 16, 2014 by the Borough Administrator, who opened them and read them aloud; and

WHEREAS, upon review by the Borough Council it is agreed to make certain appointments under the "Fair and Open" provisions of the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following professional appointments are made for the year 2015 in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:11-5 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.:

Borough Attorney:	Anthony Fiorello, Esq.
Borough Auditor:	Ferraioli, Wielkocz, Cerullo & Cuva-Charles Ferraioli
Borough Engineer:	Richard A. Alaimo Associates-Michael Cristaldi
Borough Planner:	Kenneth Albert, P.P.; Benecke Economics; Alaimo Group
Borough COAH Planner:	Benecke Economics

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Public Defender:	Michael Kelly, Esq.
Borough Prosecutor:	Ralph Fava, Esq.
Borough Labor Counsel:	Scarinci & Hollenbeck, LLC-Sean Dias, Esq.
Bond Counsel:	Hawkins, Delafield & Wood
Borough Insurance Broker:	John Serapiglia-Multi-line, Workmen's Comp. Joseph Rude, UHY Advisors-Health
Economic Development Consultant:	Robert Benecke
Highlands Planner:	Benecke Economics
Sewer Engineer:	Alaimo Group
Special Counsel:	Eric Nemeth, Esq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be published in the Suburban Trends as required by Law.

Resolution #20-0-15:

Re: Borough Newspapers

WHEREAS, Section 3d of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 requires that certain notice of meetings be submitted to two (2) newspapers, one of which shall be the official newspaper; and

WHEREAS, the second newspaper designated by this body must be one which has the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the jurisdictional boundaries of this body of such meeting;

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

First: The Suburban Trends is hereby designated as the official newspaper of the Borough and it is to receive all notices of meetings as required under the Open Public Meetings Act.

Second: It is the opinion of this body that the Herald & News/The Record shall be designated as the second newspaper as it has the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the jurisdictional area of this body of such meeting.

Resolution #21-0-15:

Re: Meeting Schedule:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Work and Regular Meetings of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque shall be as follows:

WORK MEETING: 2nd Monday of the Month - 7:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING: 2nd Monday of the Month - 8:00 P.M.

With the exception of April where the meeting will be held on April 20, 2015 not April 13, 2015, September 21, 2015 not September 14, 2015 and October

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where the meeting will be held on October 19, 2015 not October 12, 2015.

The July 13, 2015 Work and Regular Meetings and the August 10, 2015 Work and Regular Meetings will be combined into a Business Meeting which will begin at 7:00 P.M.

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

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

Resolution #22-0-15:

Re: Temporary Budget – Current and Water Utility

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

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-19 provides that where contracts, commitments, or payment are to be made prior to final adoption of the 2015 Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this Resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, said total temporary appropriations are limited to one quarter of the total appropriations in the 2014 Budget exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, capital improvements fund, or public assistance in said 2014 Budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wanaque, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Treasurer for his/her records.

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

**BOROUGH OF WANAQUE
COUNTY OF PASSAIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

2015 TEMPORARY BUDGET

WATER UTILITY

Total Appropriation	\$1,958,625.00
debt service	\$ 498,354.00
capital improve	\$
Subtotal	<u>\$1,460,271.00</u>
x26.25%	<u>\$ 383,321.14</u>

SEWER UTILITY

Total Appropriation	\$ 4,350,400.00
debt service	\$ 845,400.00
capital improve	\$ 75,000.00
Subtotal	<u>\$ 3,430,000.00</u>
x26.25%	<u>\$ 900,375.00</u>

CURRENT

Total Appropriation	\$ 13,062,798.42
debt service	1,223,891.00
CIF	\$
deferred chg	\$ 385,282.00
Subtotal	<u>\$ 11,453,625.07</u>
X26.25%	<u>\$ 3,006,576.58</u>

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2015**

WATER UTILITY

Salary & Wages	\$ 225,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 150,821.14
FICA	<u>\$ 7,500.00</u>
<u>TOTAL TEMP BUDGET</u>	<u>\$ 383,321.14</u>

SEWER UTILITY

Other Expenses	\$ 50,000.00
Sewer Agreement	\$ 128,125.00
WVRSAs-Service Agreement	<u>\$ 722,250.00</u>
<u>TOTAL TEMP BUDGET</u>	<u>\$ 900,375.00</u>

BOROUGH OF WANAQUE

**TEMPORARY BUDGET
2015**

CURRENT FUND APPROPRIATIONS

Allocation
For 2015

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Administrative & Executive	\$	36,000.00
Salaries & Wages	\$	5,000.00
Other Expenses		
Municipal Clerk	\$	15,000.00
Salaries & Wages		5,000.00
Other Expenses		
Mayor & Council	\$	9,000.00
Salaries & Wages		
Elections		
Salaries & Wages	\$	
Other Expenses	\$	
Financial Administration		
Salaries & Wages	\$	26,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	2,500.00
Annual Audit	\$	8,000.00
Miscellaneous Other Expenses Data Processing	\$	10,000.00
Collection of Taxes		
Salaries & Wages	\$	7,500.00
Other Expenses	\$	2,500.00
Assessment of Taxes		
Salaries & Wages	\$	12,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	700.00
Legal Services		
Retainer	\$	4,485.00
Fees	\$	10,000.00
Prosecutor	\$	2,000.00
Engineering Services & Costs		
Other Expenses	\$	7,156.00

Other Expenses – Contractual	\$	
Public Buildings		
Salaries & Wages	\$	6,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	15,000.00
Planning Board		
Salaries & Wages	\$	2,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	500.00
Bd of Adjustment		
Salaries & Wages	\$	2,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	500.00
INSURANCE:		
Other Insurance-Premiums	\$	395,000.00
Group Insurance	\$	275,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	\$	
Police		
Salaries & Wages	\$	631,896.58
Other Expenses	\$	35,000.00
Purchase of Police Cars	\$	-
Fire Department		
Salaries & Wages	\$	5,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	-
Emergency Management Service		
Salaries & Wages	\$	3,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	1,700.00
First Aid Squad	\$	8000.00
Other Expenses		
Road Repairs & Maintenance	\$	125,000.00
Salaries & Wages		
Other Expenses	\$	15,000.00
Sanitation/Garbage	\$	110,000.00
Other Expenses		
Recycling	\$	32,767.00
Board of Health	\$	16,000.00
Salaries & Wages		3,000.00

Other Expenses		
Administration of Public Assistance	\$	2,200.00
Salaries & wages	\$	613.00
Wanaque Golden Age Club	\$	500.00
Other Expenses		
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Parks & Recreation	\$	2,800.00
Salaries & Wages	\$	10,000.00
Other Expenses		
Construction Code Official	\$	17,550.00
Salaries & Wages		1,000.00
Other Expenses		
Plumbing Inspector	\$	2,000.00
Salaries & Wages		
Electrical Inspector	\$	2,000.00
Salaries & Wages		
<u>UNCLASSIFIED</u>		
Celebration of Public Events		
Other Expenses	\$	
Street Lighting	\$	8,604.00
Gasoline	\$	1,000.00
Telephone		
DEFERRED CHARGES		
Deferred Charges		
Emergency Authorizations		
Public Employees' Retirement System	\$	
Social Security System	\$	44,500.00
Police and Firemen's Pension Fund	\$	
Unemployment Compensation Insurance	\$	
Judgments	\$	
TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS		
"WITHIN CAPS"	\$	1,942,171.58

GENERAL OPERATIONS
(A) OPERATIONS EXLUDED FROM "CAPS"

Municipal Court		
Salaries & Wages	\$	15,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	3,501.00
Maintenance of Free Public Library		
Other Expenses	\$	106,615.75
INSURANCE:		
Other Insurance-Premiums	\$	
Group Insurance	\$	
Public Employees Retirement System	\$	314,288.25
Police and Firemen's Pension System of N.J.	\$	625,000.00
Reserve for Tax Appeals	\$	
Other Expenses	\$	
TOTAL OTHER OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"	\$	1,064,405.00
<u>TOTAL TEMPORARY BUDGET</u>	\$	<u>3,006,576.58</u>

Dated: January 5, 2015

Daniel Mahler
Mayor

Attest:

Katherine J. Falone, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk

Resolution #23-0-15:
Re: Bank Depository:

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Wanaque that the official depositories for the Year 2015 shall be Lakeland State Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, PNC Bank, MBIA Class New Jersey, New Jersey Cash Management Fund, TD Bank, Bank of America, Merrill Lynch, Smith Barney, Bank of New York, Hudson City Savings Bank and Kearny Federal Savings Bank.

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

COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

COMMITTEE

COUNCIL MEMBER

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Councilman Eric Willse

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Councilman Eric Willse - **CHAIRMAN**
Councilman Dominick Cortellessa
Councilman Edward Leonard

EXECUTIVE

Mayor Daniel Mahler - **CHAIRMAN**
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FINANCE & INSURANCE

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LIASIONS	
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On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Willse and Cortellessa moved a motion to approve the Council Committees.

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

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

The Mayor opened the Public Discussion.

Ann Timko, 28 Fourth Avenue, Haskell said what is the status of the properties on Ringwood Avenue.

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BENEDICTION: The Benediction was delivered by Rabbi Mendy Gurkov.

ADJOURNMENT:

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Leonard and Willse moved a motion to adjourn the meeting; meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

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

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BENEDICTION: The Benediction was delivered by Rabbi Mendy Gurkov.

ADJOURNMENT:

On entertainment of the Mayor, Councilmen Leonard and Willse moved a motion to adjourn the meeting; meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

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

Katherine J. Falone, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk