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7:00 P.M. meeting Flag Salute Required Statement Roll Call

The Required statement was read.

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner.

On January 2, 2017 advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex.

On January 2, 2017, advance written notice of this meeting was mailed to the Burlington County Times, Willingboro, the Trenton Times, the Philadelphia Inquirer and the Courier Post.

On January 2, 2017, advance written notice of this meeting was filed with the Township Clerk.

The Clerk is directed to enter into the minutes of this meeting this public announcement.

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson Present
Councilwoman Jennings Present
Councilman Nock Present
Councilwoman Perrone Present
Deputy Mayor Holley Present

Also, Eric Berry Township Manager; Richard Brevogel, Deputy Twp. Manager/Director of Public Works; Wendell Bibbs, P.E., Township Engineer; Michael Armstrong, Township Solicitor; Jill Cyrus, Director of Recreation; Eusebia Diggs, Director of Finance; Reva Foster, Director of Community Affairs/Sr. Center; Justin Lamicella, Tax Assessor; Brenda Bligen, Acting Director of Inspections; Chief Anthony Burnett, Fire Department.

SWEARING-IN OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBER

Deputy Mayor Holley:

Good evening everyone, before we get started; as many of you know we had a vacancy on Council on last month. Mayor Chris Walker resigned and turned in his letter of resignation. Following the law and our process, we as a township had to appoint another council person. This process was vexed out through the Democratic Committee, in which we had fifteen (15) days to conduct interviews as a committee and the top three candidates coming out of the committee; their names were sent to the Township Council for interview, which took place this evening. And at this time the interviews have concluded and Council will be

moving forward with the decision on who will be appointed this evening.

Councilman Anderson:

At this time I would like to make a nomination that we appoint Ms. Rebecca Perrone as the next Councilwoman.

Councilman Nock:

I'll second that.

Roll call by name:

Councilman Anderson Ms. Perrone
Councilwoman Jennings Ms. Perrone
Councilman Nock Ms. Perrone
Deputy Mayor Holley Ms. Perrone

Deputy Mayor Honey

Deputy Mayor Holley administered Ms. Perrone's swearing-in.

Manager's Report (See attached)

Township Manager Berry:

Good evening, Council I would respectfully ask for executive session this evening. Two questions from last month's meeting; one was a concern about sidewalks and why it is taking so long to get them finish. The township receives a capital of \$75,000 to \$100,000, which is dedicated to road repair and sidewalks and the townships does keep a list of sidewalks and each year there is an evaluation done by Public Works and prioritizing is done by that. That's how those repairs are chosen.

The second question was about the solar. There has not been much said about the solar. My findings are that the final agreements are with the PPA and they should be contacting us soon. I am going to have two directors to speak briefly about some follow-up issues. First, I would like to call up Director Rucker to bring up-to-date on some things that happen over the holiday.

Dir. Public Safety, Rucker:

First and foremost, I would like to say for those of you who may not know, last Thursday the Willingboro Police
Department along with the State Police and the Department of Homeland Security was involved in a drug operation in Buckingham Park las Thursday evening. As a result of the home search we were able to confiscate 82 kilos of heroin, 3 kilos of methamphetamine, 50 thousand Percocet tablets and 3 kilos of suspected Pentothal. This is the largest drug seize in Willingboro's history and I am extremely proud of

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our Police Department for what they did with the State Police effort last week, hopefully this put a big dent in the drug trafficking in Willingboro; also the State of New Jersey. I would like to publicly commend our Police Department for a fine job.

Director Reva Foster:

Good evening and congratulations, Ms. Perrone. The event that we had on Friday, as most of you know we celebrate the Friday before every holiday and we have the veterans as well as the seniors and the community involved in our 4th of July Celebration at the Banquet Hall, Kennedy Center. We had over 300 people. The Township Manager was there and we were happy to have a sponsor for the afternoon of music and the 4th of July Celebration. From the Rancocas Valley ranks and we had two tables of this organization there. It was a very nice event. I left there feeling like I did not want to hear anymore music and no body to say happy 4th of July. Everyone had a wonderful time. Keep in mind we do celebrate every holiday the Friday before the holiday and everyone is welcome.

Deputy Mayor Holley:

Can you state the reason for executive session?

Township Manager Berry:

Yes, contracts.

Councilman Nock:

Question, I don't know—I know Ms. Bowie was handling the solar. I am trying to figure out where we are? Is the solar agreement back with the bidder or just—because the PPA doesn't mean what is means here? I just want to know exactly what is going on with the solar project.

Township Solicitor:

I will have to discuss it in executive session, because it involves contract negotiations, but she did provide me with the changes that were made to the contract and I will go over them at the time of executive session.

Councilman Nock:

Okay.

Ordinances

ORDINANCE 2017-6 (PUBLIC HEARING-FINAL)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO, CHAPTER 3 ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT, PERTAINING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT, AS SECTION 3-150, IT AND COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

- 1. The Township hereby establishes an Information Technology and Communications Department within Willingboro Township's existing organizational structure. In accordance with Willingboro Township Code Section 3-16, the Township Manager is authorized to assign and transfer administrative functions, powers and duties among and within departments, subject to the Charter and Administrative Code; and to delegate to department heads such powers as the Manager may deem necessary for efficient administration. The Manager shall appoint a Director of Information Technology (IT) and Communications.
- 2. The primary goal and mission of a newly established IT and Communications Department will be to coordinate the IT and Communications services and needs of the Township; to ensure the security of the Township's technology and its records; over see and maintain compliance with the Township's IT policy using practices and procedures that are consistent with federal, state, and local law.
- 3. Pursuant to §3-16(G), the Township manager may delegate to the head of a department such powers as the Manager may deem necessary for efficient administration. In accordance with §3-16(F), the Township Manager may assign and transfer such administrative functions, powers, and duties among and within departments, subject to the Township Charter and Administrative Code.
 - 4. The IT/Communications department shall be headed by the Director of IT/Communications.
 - 5. The IT/Communications department will:
- a. Develop, maintain and adhere to the Township IT and communications policy;
- b. Be responsible for developing maintaining and operating all Township technology resources to service all Township departments;
- c. Counsel and assist all departments in the development and installation of hardware and software;
- d. Establish controls and procedures to secure and safeguard computer hard ware and software, and other pertinent materials;
- e. Provide for the design, implementation and maintenance of the Township's communications services;

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- f. Provide oversight and guidance to the Township's public communications.
- g. Coordinate and cooperate with the Township Manager, other Department heads, vendors, and service providers in providing communications and technology services to the Township.
- h. Advise the Township on the adoption of new services, technologies, equipment, software, hardware, and technology infrastructure.
- i. Assist in the coordination and cooperation of communication services among all Township Departments.
 - 6. The IT/Communications Director shall:
- a. Coordinate with various departments of the Township to develop and implement communications, public information, and educational programs designed to enhance the knowledge of Township residents about the Township's services.
- b. Coordinate the dissemination of information to the public and all aspects of media, including web based, print, radio, television.
- c. Together with the Township Manager, develop policies for the dissemination of public information, in accordance with law, and in cooperation with the Township Council.
- d. Participate in and coordinate the development of local origination programming with the cable television franchisee, public access television, and internet-based access.
- 7. The Township Manager with the assistance of the IT/Communications Director shall be responsible to implement and enforce the Township's IT and Communications practices duly adopted by ordinance or resolution and as authorized pursuant to this Code.
- 8. The Township Council may by resolution adopt and amend from time to time IT and/or Communications policies and procedures, as may be required to comply with the municipality's objectives and goals, and applicable Federal and State law. The IT and Communications policies and procedures adopted pursuant to said resolution(s) shall be applicable to all officials, appointees, employees, prospective employees, volunteers and independent contractors of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session, 5th July, 2017 that it does establish an Information Technology and Communications Department within the Township's organizational structure.

Discussion

Township Manager Berry:

The ordinance is to separate the IT Communications Department from Special Services, which we no longer have, so it is actually by ordinance we have to do this to make it a complete department.

Deputy Mayor Holley:

Any other comments?

On motion by Councilwoman Jennings

Seconded by Councilman Anderson Roll Call: Councilman

Councilman Anderson Yes
Councilwoman Jennings Yes
Councilman Nock Yes
Councilwoman Perrone Abstain
Deputy Mayor Holley Yes

Motion carried.

Ordinance 2017—6 APPROVED FOR FINAL

Resolutions

RESOLUTION 2017 – 94 AUTHORIZING THE PARTICPATION IN THE BURLINGTON COUNTY SAFE STREETS INITIATIVE COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID

WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies have the responsibility of protecting lives and property, enforcing the law, as well as keeping the peace; and

WHEREAS, extra-jurisdictional sharing of resources and capabilities is an efficient and effective use of law enforcement assets to protect life and property, enforce the law and maintain the peace; and

WHEREAS, criminal activity may affect more than one jurisdiction, which necessitates joint cooperation between law enforcement agencies to best protect persons and property, enforce the law and maintain the peace; and

WHEREAS, a proactive approach to addressing crime in our communities is desired; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156 and N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1 et seq., authorize mutual aid between law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, the BURLINGTON COUNTY SAFE STREETS INITIATIVE has been formed to provide a coordinated multi-jurisdictional approach to fighting violent crime and protecting life and property in Burlington County:

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in open public session on this 5th day of July, 2017 that the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro of the State of New Jersey as follows:

A. That the Township of Willingboro is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the Burlington County Cooperation Agreement for Mutual Law Enforcement Aid, a copy of which is attached hereto and made part hereof, on the terms and conditions contained herein.

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B. That the Police Department of the Township of Willingboro is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Burlington County Cooperation Agreement for Mutual Law Enforcement Aid Agreement on behalf of the Township of Willingboro.

C. That the Township of Willingboro is hereby authorized and directed to forthwith file a certified copy of this Resolution and an executed copy of the agreement with the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office. Said Office shall serve as the central repository and shall maintain a master listing of all Signatory Agencies to this agreement.

On motion by Councilman Anderson

Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings

Yes

Councilman Nock

Yes

Councilwoman Perrone

Abstain

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—94 approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-95

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FINAL FOR 2016 CONCRETE REPAIRS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

WHEREAS, on November 23, 2016, the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro entered into a contract with Diamond Construction, located at 35 Beaverson Blvd., Brick, New Jersey 08723, for the 2016 Concrete Repairs at Various Locations, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40:11-1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the original contract amount was awarded for \$132,923.80; and

WHEREAS, the amended final contract amount is \$131,326.30, representing a reduction in the final adjustment of as-built quantities and contract costs of \$1,597.50; and

WHEREAS, Township Engineer has found the proposed Change Order # 1 Final and reduction to be acceptable; and

WHEREAS, Township Council has reviewed the Engineer's recommendation for the Change Order #1 Final, amending the final contract amount to One Hundred Thirty One Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Six and 30/100 Dollars (\$131,326.30).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in open public session on this 5th day of July 2017 that the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro hereby accepts Change Order #1-Final for the 2016 Concrete Repairs at Various Locations and amends the contract amount for this project to \$131,326.30 for Diamond Construction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Township Engineer, Finance director, and Diamond Construction.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilman Nock

Discussion

Councilman Anderson:

I see that 95, 96 and 97 seem to be one in the same. What

streets? It only identifies various streets. Do you have a

list?

Wendell Bibbs, Twp. Engineers:

The roads are Pageant Lane, Princeton Lane, Peartee Lane, Pond Lane, Peppermint Lane, Glover Lane, Pinafore Lane, Peacock Lane, Plumbtree Lane, Pensdale Lane, Pheasant Lane, and Pebble Lane. Some streets had a few and some

streets had several.

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings

Yes Yes

Councilman Nock
Councilwoman Perrone

Abstain

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—95 approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-96

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO AUTHORIZING PAYMENT CERTIFICATE NO. 3 FINAL RELEASING THE RETAINAGE TO DIAMOND CONSTRUCTION FOR THE 2016 CONCRETE REPAIRS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

WHEREAS, the Township of Willingboro's Engineers Remington, Vernick & Arango Engineers, Inc. has submitted the Payment Certificate No. 3 FINAL, to release the retainage in the amount of \$2,626.53 to Diamond Construction for the 2016 Concrete Repairs at Various Locations.

WHEREAS, the Township engineer has determined that no further work is being performed on this project and the Payment Certificate No. 3 FINAL has been reviewed and approved by the Township Engineer; and

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WHEREAS, the Payment Certificate No. 3 FINAL indicates that the amount of \$128,699.77 was previously paid and the retainage in the amount of \$2,626.53 is due to be released to Diamond Construction with this certificate.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Township's Engineer that the Township of Willingboro release the retainage for this project in the amount of \$2,626.53, since all outstanding invoices have been satisfied.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Township of Willingboro to release the retainage for this project in the amount of \$2,626.53 to Diamond Construction, in accordance with the Township Engineer's recommendations in Payment Certificate No.3 FINAL, for the 2016 Concrete Repairs at Various locations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 5th day of July 2017, that the retainage in the amount of \$2,626.53, for the 2016 Concrete Repairs at Various locations, shall be released, to pursuant to the Payment Certificate No. 3 FINAL, and in accordance with the Township Engineer's recommendations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be provided to the Finance Director, the Township Engineer and Diamond Construction, for their information and attention.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Discussion

Councilman Nock:

Just want to know that we know it was done to specifications and

everything.

Wendell Bibbs, Twp. Engineer:

Yes, it was done and we inspected it and we have given it our approval and they will be under a two year maintenance bond. If there are any issue within that two year period the contractor will

be liable to come back and make those repairs.

Councilman Nock:

Okay.

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes Yes

Councilwoman Jennings Councilwoman Perrone

Abstain Yes

Councilman Nock Deputy Mayor Holley

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—96 Approved

RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 97

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO RELEASING THE PERFORMARNCE BOND FOR THE 2016 CONCRETE REPAIRS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS AND ACCEPTING A TWO YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND

WHEREAS, Remington, Vernick & Arango Engineers, and Affiliates, has inspected the 2016 Concrete Repairs at Various Locations throughout the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township's Engineer has determined that the improvements are satisfactory.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Township's Engineer that the Township of Willingboro release the Performance Surety Bond #BX01148, in the amount of One Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Three and 80/100 dollars (\$132,923.80) and upon a posting of a two year Maintenance Bond #BX01148MB in the amount of One Hundred Thirty One Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Six and 30/100 dollars (\$131,326.30), provided that the release of the Performance Bond is contingent upon the payment of all outstanding escrow invoices.

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Township Council and in the best interest of the Township of Willingboro to release the performance bond and accept a two year maintenance bond for the 2016 Concrete repairs at Various Locations in the amounts referenced herein, contingent upon the payment of all outstanding escrow invoices, in accordance with the Township Engineer's recommendations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 5th day of July, that the performance bond #BX01148, in the amount of One Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Three and 80/100 dollars (\$132,923.80) will be released for the 2016 Concrete Repairs at various locations, and it will accept a two year Maintenance Bond in the amount of One Hundred Thirty One Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Six and 30/100 dollars (\$131,326.30), provided that the release of the Performance Bond is contingent upon the payment of all outstanding escrow invoices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be provided to the Finance Director, the Township Engineer, and Jak Construction Corp. T/A Diamond Construction, for their information and attention.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings Councilwoman Perrone Yes Abstain

Councilman Nock

Yes

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—97 Approved

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RESOLUTION NO. 2017-98

Authorizing the Approval of Vouchers for Payment & Ratification

Whereas, Willingboro Township Council received the June 2017, Bill List and had an opportunity to review said Bill List; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 5th day of July, 2017 that the Council hereby authorizes the Approval of Vouchers for Payment and Ratification including those items purchased under state contract and identified as such and all Trust Other Accounts (Recreation Trust, Tax Redemption, Escrow, and Dedicated by Rider Accounts).

Be It Further Resolved that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Director of Finance for her information and attention.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings

Yes

Councilwoman Perrone

Abstain

Councilman Nock

Abstain

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—98 Approved

RESOLUTION NO. 2017--99 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS FOR

OVERPAYMENTS OF TAXES

WHEREAS, the records of the Tax Collector of the Township of Willingboro indicate overpayments of taxes due and overpayments; and

WHEREAS, refunds are due for these overpayments as listed on the attached schedule and made a part hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session this 5th day of July 2017, that refunds be made as per the attached schedule; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Finance Director for information, attention and compliance.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilman Nock

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings Councilwoman Perrone

Yes Abstain

Councilman Nock

Yes

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—99 Approved

Resolution 2017-100

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A COST PROPOSAL FOR GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES FOR THE TEMPORARY FIRE/EMS STRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the Township Engineers sought and received cost proposals from three (3) qualified contractors for work associated with performing soil borings and various soil testing for geotechnical services for the Temporary Fire/EMS Structure to be located at the McGinley School; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 allows the Township to award a contract for goods or services without public advertising for an aggregate amount that is less than \$17,500.

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer reviewed the and tabulated the following cost proposals as follows:

SANO Drilling, Inc., \$2,225.00; Craig Test Boring Co., Inc. \$2,295.00; TRC Companies was non-responsive.

WHEREAS, lowest responsible cost proposal is from SANO Drilling, Inc. in the amount of \$2,225.00 and;

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer recommends that the Township accept the cost proposal for geotechnical services by SANO Drilling Inc. in the amount of \$2,225.00.

WHEREAS, upon its consideration and review of the Engineer's recommendation and the cost proposals, the Township Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to accept the cost proposal of SANO Drilling, Inc. of 12 White Pine Drive, Sewell, New Jersey 08080, in the amount of \$2,225.00.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in open public session this 5th day of July 2017, hereby accepts the cost proposal of SANO Drilling, Inc. of 12 White Pine Drive, Sewell, New Jersey 08080, in the amount of \$2,225.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution shall be provided to SANO Drilling, Inc., the Finance Department, and the Engineer.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings

Yes

Councilwoman Perrone

Abstain Yes

Councilman Nock
Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—100 Approved

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-101

A RESOLUTION OF TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILLINGBORO AUTHORIZING THE 2017 RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1, et seq., the County of Burlington (the "County") developed, implemented and financed a solid waste management and recycling system (the "System"), with a number of facilities for the disposal or recycling of solid waste generated within the County pursuant to the Burlington County District Solid Waste Management Plan ("the Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the County has determined to provide for the use by the Township of Willingboro ("Township") the System for the disposal or processing of solid waste, recyclables and household and small quantity generator hazardous waste (the "S/W Services") collected by or on behalf of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to participate in and utilize the System for disposal, processing and recycling of solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Township to enter into an agreement, the 2017 Recycling and Solid Waste Agreement to establish the terms and conditions under which the County will provide the S/W services.

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that payment for the S/W services will be made by the Township's designated haulers, and in the event that acceptable waste is delivered by the Township payment will be made directly from the Township, according to the fee schedule provided.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 5th day of July 2017 in open public session by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro that the Deputy Mayor is authorized to execute the 2017 Recycling and Solid Waste Services Agreement with the County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Board of Chosen Freeholders County of Burlington, Director of Public Works, and the Finance Director for their information and attention.

On motion by Councilwoman Jennings Seconded by Councilman Anderson

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings

Yes

Councilwoman Perrone

Abstain

Councilman Nock

Yes

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—101 Approved

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-102

Club License Renewal for VFW Post No. 4914

WHEREAS, the Levittown Memorial Post #4914 VFW have applied for renewal of their Club Licenses pursuant to R.S. 33:1-46.1; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the applications and supporting documents are in proper order and ready for approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, assembled in public session 5th day of July, 2017, that the Township Council makes the following findings.

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- a. The Township Council has reviewed the applications and the supporting documents and finds that the submitted applications are complete in all respects, including the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:2-8.7; and
- b. The Officers and Directors of the applicant clubs are qualified to be licensed according to the standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes Regulations promulgated thereunder. as well as pertinent local ordinances or conditions consistent with Title 33; and
 - c. The clubs shall maintain all records required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:2-8.8 and 13:2-8.12; and
- d. No officer or member of the governing board of the applicant clubs have been convicted of a disqualifying offense pursuant to Title 33; and
- e. It is appropriate and in the public interest to approve the renewal of a club license for the Levittown Memorial Post #4914 VFW, #0338-31-002-001 for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Levittown Memorial Post #4914 VFW have complied with the applicable provisions of Title 33, Rules and Regulations of the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control and Ordinance No. 12, 1983, as well as all applicable ordinances of the Township of Willingboro; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be provided to the Levittown Memorial Post #4914 VFW, and the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control for their information and attention.

On motion by Councilman Nock Seconded by Councilman Anderson

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings Councilwoman Perrone

Yes

Councilman Nock

Abstain Yes

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—102 Approved

RESOLUTION NO. 2017 --103

AUTHORIZING

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., permits a public body to exclude the public from portions of a meeting at which specific matters set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b are discussed; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made of the Township Council assembled in public session on this 5th day of July, 2017 to convene a closed Executive session consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b; and

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made and seconded and passed by a vote of in favor

and opposed, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Willingboro, County of

Burlington, State of New Jersey that an Executive Session of the Township Council meeting shall be convened to discuss one or more of the following categories as noted: Any matter which, by express provision of federal law, state statute or rule of court is ____1. rendered confidential or excluded from the public portion of the meeting. Any matter in which the release of information would impair the right to receive funds 2. from the United States Government. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes and unwarranted invasion of privacy as 3. set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(3). Any Collective Bargaining Agreement or the terms and conditions which are proposed 4. for inclusion in any Collective Bargaining Agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees. Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real estate with public funds, 5. the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussions of such matters were disclosed.

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6.	Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public and any investigations of violations or possible violations of law.
XX 7.	Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations in which Township Council is or may become a party.
8.	Any matters falling within the attorney/client privilege to the extent that confidentiality is required for the attorney to exercise his/her ethical duties as a lawyer.
9.	Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment and other categories set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(8).
10.	Any deliberations occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of specific civil penalty or the suspension of loss of a license or permit as set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:9-12b(9).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the general nature of the subject to be discussed relates to: Professional Contract—Long & Mermaro Matter

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the time when and the circumstances under which the discussion conducted in closed session will be disclosed to the public, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-14, and to the extent that it is not inconsistent with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

On motion by Councilman Anderson Seconded by Councilwoman Jennings

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings

Yes

Councilwoman Perrone

Abstain

Councilman Nock

Yes

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried. Resolution 2017—103 Approved

OLD BUSINESS

Res. 2017—91

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE FOR RUBY TUESDAY, INC. (TABLED FROM JUNE 20, 2017

MEETING)

Councilwoman Jennings:

Has anyone come in to speak to us, that was the request?

Clerk:

There was no answer from anyone from Ruby Tuesday thus far.

Deputy Mayor Holley:

Leave it tabled.

Councilman Nock:

Yes, leave it tabled.

Deputy Mayor Holley:

At this time we will open the floor up for public comments please give

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Deputy Mayor Holley:

At this time we are going to open the floor up for public comment. Please give your name and address before making your comment please.

Gary Johnson-54 Gramercy La.

First off, could somebody give a little more explanation as to what this geotechnical services is about so that I have a little better understanding of what is going on there. I read the resolution but it would be nice to have an explanation. But most important, I want to talk about this liquor license because it is highly disturbing; and I was very present and active in the process that brought that into being and the whole emphasis of that process in this dry community was to allow a high scale, an upscale restaurant to move into Willingboro. Now granted, all we got was Ruby Tuesday's, that was the objective. And it wasn't like an ordinary liquor license that ninety percent of the states' communities offer where it can be bid, you then own it and then you can sell it and resell it. It was merely a process that if you met certain criteria with regard to seating and other criteria then you could be allowed to serve liquor. But the cost was low because as I understood it, or at least in my opinion, it was never meant to be sold. You met the criteria, you got the license, if you didn't, too bad; and it wasn't meant for them to get and then be able to sell to Charlie, Dick or Harry or whoever came along. That's what really disturbs me, because we had a hard time getting that resolution going because this is a very dry community. It does not want taverns or other such items. If they can sell it, they can sell it to anybody and it completely defeats the intent of the people. So I don't understand why an enterprise that no longer exists therefore cannot meet the criteria can possibly apply for a renewal. I don't even know why they need a renewal. It should be just gone. And as I have said before, if we can't deny that to a firm that does not meet the criteria, then you as the legislative group of this township have the power to repeal the ordinance and that way there is no liquor license to renew because there is no liquor license. Let's not mess up the community and violate the public trust. We don't want liquor in this town other than an upscale restaurant. Thank you. Thank you.

Pat Lindsey-Harvey-Henderson La.

Just to piggyback off of what Gary was saying, it is very disturbing, and what I want to know is why is our renewals so low? I checked across the highway and theirs is \$2,500.00 for the renewal of the license. And from what I understand, if Ruby Tuesday's gets their renewal, since they are not operational it is only for two years it is called a pocket license and after two

years they either use it or they lose it. So that is my question. Why is ours' so low and everybody else's is so much higher than ours? \$200.00? Across the highway it is \$2,500.00.

Deputy Mayor Holley:

Chief Burnett, do you have an answer for the geotechnical for the site for the Fire/EMS building?

Chief Burnett:

Good evening, the geotechnical report is because at the Millbrook School the firm needed to know what that foundation is made of. So they had to do the drilling to ensure that the anchors would hold the temporary structure up. So that's what that was for. Thank you.

Deputy Mayor Holley:

Thank you, anymore public comment at this time? Hearing none, seeing none at this time public comment is now closed. Council Comment.

Council Comment:

Councilman Nock:

First of all, I want to say good evening everyone. Mr. Johnson is correct. As you know, I am very opposed to renewing this license even though the things that have been sent to us is that we ultimately have to; and I don't know if we really can change the dollar amount. I was glad to hear that there is only a two year window on this. So if they don't do something with it then it reverts back to the township. That's the only redeeming factor. I was very instrumental in trying to make sure that they don't get a license in an empty building. But as to repealing the ordinance, Mr. Johnson, I think that would be fool-hardy because we really have an area that we need to develop and we need to have a license available to them whoever may come in for stores and all. Other than that, I forgot, I wanted to congratulate Ms. Perrone on her achievement this evening and I look forward to working with you. I worked with you on the school board. We shared; I think you came on as I was going off for about two years. I look forward to doing that and I don't have anything else this evening.

Councilwoman Jennings:

Good evening. I also want to congratulate Ms. Perrone on being appointed to the Council another woman. I think we've had another period maybe fifteen years ago when there were two women on the Council. But I want to also applaud all of the candidates. We have additional candidates here and I think that it takes a lot of courage to apply for a position such as this. We had many people who were asked to apply who just didn't want

to be bothered with being on the Council. I want to say that it was unanimous. I don't want people to go away thinking that there was controversy, there was on controversy, it was unanimous. I applaud the Council for that. One of the questions actually was about having a unified Council and I believe that we're moving in the right direction for that. So, I also look forward to working with Mrs. Perrone. All of the candidates had great ideas, let me say that, about moving Willingboro forward, and another of the questions was "Would you still continue to work for the community and work with the Council and moving Willingboro forward?" and everybody said yes they would. So I look forward to working with each and every one of the people who applied as well as Ms. Perrone.

Councilman Anderson:

I, too, am going to echo the same sentiments. I thank all the candidates for stepping up, putting their name in the hat and going after it; and the fact that you are committed to continue to work present ideas that we can move forward together, we look forward to that. Any progress is good progress.

Congratulations, Ms. Perrone, for being selected. Personally, I felt that you interviewed very well, you answered the questions and that fact that the democratic committee supported you with the highest percentage in votes. So, the people have spoken and I was comfortable with that in making my decision. I want to congratulate the police department for a great job on that historic drug bust. Also I had the opportunity with Deputy Mayor Holley to sit in on the opening of the STEAM program with Dr. Worthy. We sat in on the presentation, Ms. Kaya McIntosh is actually going to be one of the facilitators doing science, and just listening to the presentation and what is happening, you know, full steam ahead is how we are moving in Willingboro. Thank you for the idea that was brought Council working together with the Township, now we are making it a reality. And I just ask that everyone who has an idea, present it. Present it. We will do our best to put wheels on it, because it is all about this community. It is not all about recreation. You know, we want to make sure that our kids can compete on the open market, and I think this STEAM program is a way to make sure we have at least a foot in the game. So once again, congratulations Ms. Perrone. Thank you.

Deputy Mayor Holley:

I am going to jump in front this evening because I want to also be able to say congratulations to our newest council member. Welcome aboard. We have our work cut out for us and I know we are up for the task. There has been a lot of positive things happening in town, as Councilman Anderson stated, the

opportunity to go to the open house for the STEAM program last week. Thank you Jill, Kendall, Dionne, Dr. Worthy, you guys are putting together an awesome program and I am excited. I do work summers, but I am sure I will take a day off or two to pop in and check on it and see how everything is going and coming along. Thank you Ms. McIntosh, as well as all of the other volunteers who are giving back to Willingboro and these are all people who are from Willingboro and went through Willingboro schools and they are taking time out of their summer to give back. I see Manny in the back who is an engineer for the MUA and he is also going to be one of the... I guess presenters for the week for the STEAM camp so thank Manny. That's it for me, I am going to keep it short tonight and allow our newest Council colleague to say her piece. Thank you for coming out.

Councilwoman Perrone:

Thank you and good evening community of Willingboro. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the democrats of Willingboro as well as the municipal of Willingboro. They have conducted a very professional process in interviewing for this position and I am thankful that I was selected. I have served on the school board for three years where I have served as Vice President for one year and I look forward to working with this team to bring positive outcome for some positive change and initiatives; and I look forward to speaking with the community and listening to some of the community's ideas; and I want to appreciate all of you for supporting me. Thank you.

Deputy Mayor Holley:

So, at this time we are going to go into executive session. After speaking to the Solicitor and Township Manager we do not believe we will be voting on anything coming out of executive session this evening. Thank you for coming out, once again.

Executive Session began at 7:45PM Executive Session ended at 9:24PM

Motion to come out of executive session was done by Deputy Mayor Holley and seconded by Councilman Anderson. All in favor and none opposed.

Motion done in public session to increase \$100,000 to the firm of Long and Marmero was done by Councilman Anderson and seconded by Deputy Mayor Holley.

Roll Call:

Councilman Anderson

Yes

Councilwoman Jennings

Yes

Councilwoman Perrone Councilman Nock

Abstain Yes

Deputy Mayor Holley

Yes

Motion carried and approved.

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There being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 9:51PM

Attest:

Darvis K. Holley, Mayor

Sarah Wooding, RMC, Township Clerk

- I. 2 Questions from Last Meeting.
 - Q.) 1. Residents receive violation notices to fix damaged driveways, and if not repaired within the time given, a summons is issued to appear in court. The fine for a driveway not repaired is \$200. Some residents have been waiting five years to get their sidewalks repaired. As residents we should be able to take the township to court for sidewalk repairs. Where are we with sidewalk repairs?
 - A.) The township receives capital annually of which \$75,000 \$100,000 is dedicated to the repair of sidewalks. The Township keeps a list of sidewalks called in by residents for repairs as well as those associated with the pavement management plan. Each year the list is evaluated and prioritized to repair those sidewalks that pose the greatest liability.
 - Q.) 2. I wanted to know where we are with the solar project. It seems like it got passed and I haven't heard anything else about it.
 - A.) The final agreements are with PPA. They should be contacting us soon.
- II. Update from Police Department Director Rucker
- III. Senior Update (Fridays' Program) Reva Foster

We_can_be_Heroes Old Truths

We can be Heroes By Bob Bankard

Most of you who've wandered in here before already know I'm demented, so it shouldn't surprise any of you I spent the weekend with a bowl of popcorn and a copy of "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets." I am now officially up-to-date on the cinematic doings at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.

And yes - come June 21, I'll be checking in on book five.

It's things like these that have people looking down their nose at me.

But there's something big to be said for children's entertainment; it's written by people who believe there's still a chance to make a difference. It's written with a message, in the hope that the message might stick. Take our case in point, Harry Potter.

I'm too old to claim that these are the "Things I learned from Albus Dumbledore," but I'm not embarassed to say that these are things that he's confirmed for me. Again.

"It is not our abilities that tell us what we truly are... it is our choices."

"You have to choose between what is right and what is easy."

"It does not do to dwell on dreams, and forget to live."

"The truth... it is a beautiful and terrible thing, and should therefore be treated with great caution"

"It takes a great deal of courage to stand up to your enemies, but a great deal more to stand up to your friends."

There are other lessons there, of course, and even more in the constant stream of juvenalia that I insist on fertilizing my life with. The importance of friends, of trust, of honor, honesty and loyalty. Hard concepts of right and wrong, with no easy surrender to seductive and deceptive shades of grey. All of those cliched values that made us look up to heroes as children. All of those cliched values that made us want to be heroes ourselves.

Before Harry Potter, it was Spider-man, or the X-Men; before them, Superman, and Batman. It reaches back through the ages - The Scarlet Pimpernel, King Arthur, Hercules, Ulysses. All of them icons who represented the very best of what mankind could be, coupled with preternatural power to accomplish epic tasks for the good.

The lesser tasks, by inference, were left to us. We shared their values, and we burned to make a difference. We could be heroes too.

Are you a hero now?

Something went horribly wrong for most of us. Age carried us away from the path, and with drink or drugs, sex, pressure, tedium, money or pride, it tore us apart and left all those heroic dreams in tatters. We are liars, adulterers, cold, indecisive, desperate, meek, apathetic, evasive, haughty, hurtful... a thousand possible poisonous adjectives that would shame us would we allow ourselves to see them squarely in our mirrors. For myself, like Hamlet:

"I am myself indifferent honest; but yet I could accuse me of such things that it were better my mother had not borne me: I am very proud, revengeful, ambitious, with more offences at my beck than I Page 1

have thoughts to put them in, imagination to give them shape, or time to act them in. What should such fellows as I do crawling between earth and heaven? We are arrant knaves, all..."

No hero here. As Oscar Wilde once said, we are all of us in the gutter.

But some of us are looking at the stars. There's still time, for all of us.

What can self-exiled heroes do? Rekindle visions of glory, disinter the shallow graves of our idealism, reawaken the pursuit that life has lulled to sleep?

In a word, yes. Our stories aren't over. Not yet.

Pick your cape up from the chair in the corner - set your phasers on stun. Call AAA for a roadmap to Mordor, pick your favorite nemesis and join the fray. The world needs heroes now. There are causes to fight for, and you can make a difference. There are values crumbling that you can uphold and redeem.

If you have the heart for a cause, I can promise you there are things worth fighting for. If you've a belly for a fight, I can promise you a battle. And if you have the endurance, I can promise you can change the world, even if only a little bit. Being a hero doesn't depend on the scale of victory. It just takes answering a call for help.

And the world needs a lot of help.

The lessons we want our children to learn haven't changed all that much from generation to generation. Some exist in pithy statements; "One for all, and all for one." "With great power comes great responsibility." "Truth, Justice, and the American Way." Others even further delineate; Gene Autry's "Cowboy Code of Honor," or "The Lone Ranger's Creed." Every human generation has heard a clarion call of honor and virtue. Every generation has, in youth, burned to become something noble and golden.

But if the moral precepts the pantheon of heroes embodies are just empty words passed down with a Santa-down-the-chimney wink we shouldn't be surprised when eventually the words fail, and our children fall.

To our level.

"You have to choose between what is right and what is easy."

A child hears this for the first time, and his heart swells with the instant aquisition of a noble truth. And when he looks for that truth in the world, it sweeps him off his feet and brings him to his knees.

And the child

becomes

us.

Are you ready to be a hero, to fulfill the promises you made a child? The world is ours to shape, not ours to obey. You're not 10-years old anymore; you now have Great Power to change the landscape of your society. Get off your knees, get on your feet, find your favorite foe and fight. Illiteracy. Hunger. Abuse. The decay of human - or American - rights, or the slow dissolution of moral fiber. We've been asleep too long; our enemies are legion.

Superman can't save us now; you are what stands between the world and the injustice that threatens.

Show your children they can be heroes in this world. Save the world, hero. One square inch at a time, if neccessary.

"It is not our abilities that tell us what we truly are... it is our choices."

What will you choose, hero? Will you stand and fight, or will you turn your back? Just remember - if you don't choose to change the world... you will deserve the world you get.

Albus Dumbledore didn't say that. But I'm pretty sure he'd agree.

Bob Bankard is an alumnus of the Avengers Mansion, the Jedi Council, the Hall of Justice, the Council of Elrond and the Hogwarts School. I think he's running for Reunion Committee President.

Feed the Children

("Mankind has to be allowed to climb to it's own destiny. We can't carry them there." - Superman)

Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic, New Jersey Unit

Associated Services for the Blind - Philadelphia

("We each serve freedom in our own way" - Captain America)

Aid For Friends Elderly Frail Outreach Center of Bucks County

("Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.")

American Red Cross, Bucks County

American Red Cross Central New Jersey

("For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me")

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Bucks County

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of New Jersey

(This list could go on forever, you know...)

Bristol Township Senior Center

("In order for evil to triumph, it is only necessary that good men do nothing." - The Flash)

American Cancer Society

("Everyone has within himself the power to make this a better world." - The Lone Ranger)

CHOICE, AIDS Awareness

Consumer Credit Counciling Service of Delaware Valley

CONTACT Bucks County

("A Cowboy must help people in distress." - Gene Autry)

The AIDS Coalition of Southern New Jersey

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Delaware Riverkeeper

(TIME is worth more than money. Give it, if you can - show the world a hero in action.)

Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania

("With Great Power comes Great Responsibility" - Ben Parker)

American Civil Liberties Union

("To fight for the right, without question or pause - to march into hell, for a heavenly cause..." - Don Quixote)

NAACP

("The rats... Neverd've pulled this with a Democrat in the White House." - Green Lantern. Honest: JLA #73.)

This list could go on indefinitely. This is just a very small sample of all of the places your help is needed. Find an evil that's right for you and stomp it flat.

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