

MARCH 6, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Piscataway Township Council was held on March 6, 2018 at the Piscataway Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by the Council President, Chanelle McCullum, at 7:30 pm.

Mrs. McCullum made the following Statement, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, specifying the time, date, location and, to the extent known, the agenda by posting a copy of the notice on the Municipal Building, Municipal Court and the two Municipal Library Bulletin Boards, providing a copy to the official newspapers of the Township and by filing a copy in the office of the Township Clerk in accordance with a certification by the Clerk which will be entered in the minutes.

On roll call, there were present: Messrs. Bullard, Cahn, Lombardi, Shah, Uhrin and McCullum. Mrs. McCullum led the salute to the flag.

There were no comments from Administration and Council.

Mrs. McCullum opened the meeting to the Public for comments regarding the Consent Agenda Items.

There being no comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

RESOLUTION #18-124

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Lombardi, seconded by Mr. Bullard, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Piscataway permit the adoption of Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway as part of the Consent Agenda, upon certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, each of the following Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations to be presented before the Township Council at its March 6, 2018 Regular Meeting appear to have the unanimous approval of all members of the Township Council:

- a. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Taxes Due to Tax Court Judgment – Block 4503, Lot 1.05 – 300 South Randolphville Road.
- b. RESOLUTION – Adopting of Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund 2018 Safety Incentive Program.
- c. RESOLUTION – Authorizing 2018 Peddlers Licenses: Joseph Cutinello, Tunde Kiss, Glenn Weinstein and Ronald Middlecoop and 2018 Solicitors Licenses: Stephan Pelerin and Talina Bobe.
- d. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Taxes Due to Tax Court Judgment – Block 1016, Lot 3 – 600 Prospect Avenue.
- e. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Award of Contract – Property Maintenance - 2nd Year Option (2018) – Custom Care Services, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$30,100.00.
- f. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Raffle License RA-1355 & RA-1356 – New Jersey Coalition for Battered Women.
- g. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Performance Surety and Cash Bonds – IEEF – Block 6003, Lot 4 – 445 Hoes Lane.
- h. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Street Opening Bond – Centennial Industrial Park – Block 4801, Lot 1 – 11 Colonial Drive.
- i. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Escrow – Gibbons P.C. – Block 5601, Lot 1.02 – 1280 Centennial Avenue.
- j. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Sterling Village Security Deposit:
 - Erna Tomicic – Apt. 326

- Helen Timko – Apt. 342
 - Jean Ruggiero – Apt. 308
 - Marian Sturn – Apt. 250
- k. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Engineering and Inspection Fees – Ericsson Inc. – Block 7401, Lot 2.01 – 1 Ericsson Drive.
- l. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Cancellation and Re-Advertising of Bid – School Street Road Improvements/Phase II.
- m. MOTION – Accept Minutes – Reorganization & Agenda Meetings – January 2, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway that each of the above-listed Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations be approved and adopted by the Township Council, with the same legal effect as through each was read in its entirety at the March 6, 2018 Regular meeting and adopted by separate vote.

On roll call vote, Messrs. Bullard, Cahn, Lombardi, Shah, Uhrin and McCullum answered yes.

The following are the Resolutions, typed in full, which were adopted by the foregoing consent agenda resolution:

RESOLUTION #18-125

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the following party overpaid taxes and is requesting a refund of this amount as listed below.

BLOCK	LOT	QUAL	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	REASON
4503	1.05		BROWN & SHEA 300 S Randolphville Rd	2016	4988.59	Tax Court Judgment
4503	1.05		BROWN & SHEA 300 S Randolphville Rd	2017	5080.41	Tax Court Judgment

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the overpayment of taxes to the record owner and the Collector is hereby authorized to adjust the records accordingly.

RESOLUTION #18-126

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP is a member of the Central Jersey Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (CENTRAL JIF); and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the CENTRAL JIF to achieve the best and most practical degree of freedom from accidents and/or injuries; and

WHEREAS, the CENTRAL JIF endeavors to ensure that all of their members' employees, volunteers and public are provided with a safe and healthy environment, free from any recognized hazards; and

WHEREAS, the CENTRAL JIF endeavors to ensure that all of their members are in compliance with applicable safety and health requirements; and

WHEREAS, the CENTRAL JIF's Safety Committee is made up of representatives of the Fund's Municipalities, along with the professionals employed by the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the new Program will assist all the Central JIF members in becoming or maintaining compliance with all Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health (PEOSH) Requirements; and

WHEREAS, the CENTRAL JIF has adopted the 2018 SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM which should succeed in providing a safe, healthful and pleasant environment; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of Piscataway Township, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Central Jersey Municipal Joint Insurance Fund SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM be adopted by the Township of Piscataway.

RESOLUTION #18-127

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, Joseph Cutinello, Tunde Kiss, Glenn Weinstein, and Ronald Middlecoop have applied with the Township of Piscataway for Peddlers Licenses for 2018; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to letters from the Piscataway Township Police Department dated February 9, 2018, February 9, 2018, February 15, 2018, and February 15, 2018, respectively, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, the Piscataway Township Police Department recommends granting Peddlers Licenses to Joseph Cutinello, Tunde Kiss, Glenn Weinstein, and Ronald Middlecoop; and

WHEREAS, Stephan Pelerin and Talina Bobe each applied with the Township of Piscataway for a Solicitors License for 2018; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to letters from the Piscataway Township Police Department each dated February 15, 2018, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, the Piscataway Township Police Department recommends granting Solicitors Licenses to Stephan Pelerin and Talina Bobe; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to issue Peddlers Licenses to Joseph Cutinello, Tunde Kiss, Glenn Weinstein, and Ronald Middlecoop; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to issue Solicitors Licenses to Stephan Pelerin and Talina Bobe.

RESOLUTION #18-128

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the following party overpaid taxes and is requesting a refund of ½ this amount and credit of ½ this amount as listed below.

BLOCK	LOT	QUAL	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	REASON
1016	3		170 Great Neck Co	2016	19312.81	Tax Court Judgment
1016	3		170 Great Neck Co	2017	19668.31	Tax Court Judgment

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the overpayment of taxes to the record owner and the Collector is hereby authorized to adjust the records accordingly.

RESOLUTION #18-129

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2017, the Township of Piscataway received bids for Property Maintenance for One Year with the Option for a Second Year ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Township awarded a contract for the Project to Custom Care Services, Inc., Wall, NJ, who is the lowest qualifying bidder, in the amount not to exceed \$30,100.00 for the first year, with a second year option in the amount not to exceed \$30,100.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$60,200.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to award the second year option to Custom Care Services, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$30,100.00 from April 4, 2018 to April 4, 2019; and

WHEREAS, funds are available pursuant to certification # B-2017-14-01;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to award the second year option of the contract for Property Maintenance to Custom Care Services, Inc., Wall, NJ, for a total cost not to exceed \$30,100.00 from April 4, 2018 to April 4, 2019, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents.

RESOLUTION #18-130

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, New Jersey Coalition to End Domestic Violence, Trenton, NJ filed

Application No. RA 1355 and No. RA 1356 with the Township of Piscataway for a Raffles License to conduct an On-Premise 50/50 Raffle and an On-Premise Draw Raffle, respectively, on June 13, 2018 at Rutgers University, Busch Campus Student Center, 604 Bartholomew Rd., Piscataway, NJ; and

WHEREAS, the Township Municipal Clerk has reviewed the applications and recommends that the applications for Raffles Licenses by New Jersey Coalition to End Domestic Violence, Trenton, NJ be approved; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to accept Applications No. RA 1355 and RA 1356 and issue Raffles Licenses to New Jersey Coalition to End Domestic Violence, Trenton, NJ to conduct an On-Premise 50/50 Raffle and an On-Premise Draw Raffle, respectively, on June 13, 2018 at Rutgers University, Busch Campus Student Center, 604 Bartholomew Rd., Piscataway, NJ.

RESOLUTION #18-131

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, IEEE, Inc., Piscataway, NJ requests the release of a Performance Surety Bond in the amount of \$1,850,040.00, which was posted on July 5, 2016, and Cash Bond in the amount of \$205,560.00, which was posted on July 18, 2016, with the Township of Piscataway for Planning Board Application #16-PB-04/05V regarding improvements for Block 6003, Lot 4 (445 Hoes Lane); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated September 12, 2017 and a letter from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated January 19, 2018, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, the said Supervisor of Engineering advised that all improvements required and covered have been satisfactorily installed; and

WHEREAS, the Township Supervisor of Engineering has further advised that the release of the Bonds be conditioned upon IEEE, Inc. posting a maintenance bond in the amount of \$256,950.00, to run for a period of two years; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to return a Performance Surety Bond in the amount of \$1,850,040.00 and Cash Bond in the amount of \$206,172.30 (including accrued interest) to IEEE, Inc., Piscataway, NJ, regarding the above referenced Planning Board Application, conditioned upon IEEE, Inc. posting a Maintenance Bond, to run for a period of two (2) years, in the amount of \$256,950.00.

RESOLUTION #18-132

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, Paul C. Veltri (Murray Construction Co., Inc.), Millburn, NJ, requests the return of a Street Opening Bond in the amount of \$500.00, posted with the Township of Piscataway on July 13, 2016 regarding repairs and inspections for Block 4801, Lot 1 (11 Colonial Drive); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated February 8, 2018 and a memorandum from the Supervisor of Engineering dated February 13, 2018, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, the said Supervisor of Engineering advised that the repairs and inspections have been made according to Township specifications, and therefore recommended the return of said Street Opening Bond; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to return said Street Opening Bond to Paul C. Veltri (Murray Construction Co., Inc.) in the amount of \$500.00, regarding the above referenced property.

RESOLUTION #18-133

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2015, Gibbons P.C., Newark, NJ posted an escrow check with the Township of Piscataway in the amount of \$500.00 regarding Conceptual

Review – Kimco Realty Corporation for Block 5601, Lot 1.02 (1280 Centennial Avenue); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated February 6, 2018 and a Memorandum from the Township Supervisor of Planning dated February 6, 2018, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, the Supervisor of Planning and the Finance Department approved the release of the unexpended escrow fees in the amount of \$361.24 to Gibbons P.C.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release unexpended Escrow Fees in the amount of \$361.24 to Gibbons P.C., regarding the above referenced property.

RESOLUTION #18-134

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, Erna Tomicic requests the return of a Security Deposit in the amount of \$754.73, posted with the Township of Piscataway for Apartment 326 at Sterling Village; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a memorandum from the Piscataway Township Finance Department dated February 16, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Finance Department recommended the return of said deposit to Erna Tomicic; and

WHEREAS, Helen Timko requests the return of a Security Deposit in the amount of \$777.92, posted with the Township of Piscataway for Apartment 342 at Sterling Village; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a memorandum from the Piscataway Township Finance Department dated February 16, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Finance Department recommended the return of said deposit to Helen Timko; and

WHEREAS, Jean Ruggiero requests the return of a Security Deposit in the amount of \$896.54, posted with the Township of Piscataway for Apartment 308 at Sterling Village; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a memorandum from the Piscataway Township Finance Department dated February 16, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Finance Department recommended the return of said deposit to Jean Ruggiero; and

WHEREAS, Marian Sturn requests the return of a Security Deposit in the amount of \$314.54, posted with the Township of Piscataway for Apartment 250 at Sterling Village; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a memorandum from the Piscataway Township Finance Department dated February 16, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Finance Department noted that there was an outstanding balance in rent in the amount of \$12.81 and recommended the return of the remaining portion of the mortgage \$301.73 to Marian Sturn; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release said Security Deposits to Erna Tomicic in the amount of \$754.73, Helen Timko in the amount of \$777.92, Jean Ruggiero in the amount of \$896.54, and Marian Sturn in the amount of \$314.54; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the remaining balance of Marian Sturn's Security Deposit in the amount of \$12.81 shall be released to the Township of Piscataway for payment of outstanding rent.

RESOLUTION #18-135

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, Ericsson, Inc., Plano, TX has completed its project on Block 7401, Lot 2.01 (1 Ericsson Drive); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated January 18, 2018, and a Memorandum from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated January 30, 2018, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Supervisor

of Engineering advised that all inspections and deductions for the project are complete and recommended that unexpended engineering and inspection fee funds in the amount of \$500.00 be returned to Ericsson, Inc., Plano, TX; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to return said engineering and inspection fee funds to Ericsson, Inc., Plano, TX in the amount of \$500.00.

RESOLUTION #18-136

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, Township of Piscataway received bids for the School Street Road Improvements / Phase II; and

WHEREAS, the Township Business Administrator recommended that, pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-13.2(d), the Township reject all bids, as the Township discovered a substantial inadvertent error in the bid specifications and therefore needs to substantially revise the specifications of same, and authorize a rebid for the School Street Road Improvements / Phase II; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to reject all bids for the School Street Road Improvements / Phase II and advertise a re-bid request with corrected specifications.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMENTS FROM OFFICIALS:

Chief Scott Cartmell addressed the public regarding the Police Department being the first on scene in an emergency. He explained that many lives are saved by Police officers who are on the road and respond to emergency calls and administer CPR and or AED. He further explained the lives saved from overdose by Police officers administering Narcan. He gave statistics regarding the lives saved over the past three years by the Police Department. He mentioned again the Police Department is the first on scene and discounted the comments previously made that lives are being lost.

Lt. Thomas Mosier advised he is the Traffic Safety Division Supervisor and he is also the EMS, Fire Department and Emergency Services liaison for Piscataway. He advised the protocols are sound and the dispatchers do a fantastic job in a high stress and high impact situations. Lt. Mosier advised that a letter from the Mayor that was referenced at a prior Council meeting was written solely in support of River Road Rescue Squad's actions to bill the patients they transport through their insurance companies. It wasn't written to limit the Mayor or Chief's authority in dispatch protocols. Lt. Mosier explained that the statements made at a previous meeting regarding two persons who lost their lives were false. It was tragic and to indicate those calls resulted in a death is simply a play on words. There were no human errors or errors in protocol in those deaths. He explained the time lines associated with the calls. He advised the protocols and responses are sound.

Steve Cahn commented there are terrific Police officers in town that respond to different emergencies and are first to arrive and take control of chaotic situations. He is proud of our Police Department.

Jim Bullard commented that he is proud of the Police Department for all they do.

Chanelle McCullum thanked the volunteer firemen and rescue squads for all they do. She felt it is important to clarify the situation. She thanked Chief Cartmell and Lieutenant Mosier for coming and clarifying.

Michele Lombardi thanked the Chief and Lieutenant for coming and clarifying those times. There is no discredit to any of our volunteers.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

Ken Simmons, Tap into Piscataway, asked with the use of services from RWJ, are there any charges to the Township?

Chanelle McCullum advised the patients receive a bill from RWJ.

Mr. Simmons asked about the agreement; is there a financial arrangement?

Rajvir Goomer advised there was an open public bidding process; the Township doesn't pay a dollar amount.

Mr. Simmons commented that this is to assist the EMS services already in town already; not take the place of.

Mr. Cahn advised the problem was not having enough EMT volunteers to cover 24 hours a day. This is a supplement for when volunteers can't cover.

Evan Shegoski, Chief of River Road Rescue, 101 Shirley Parkway, commented that the Township pays over \$20,000.00 per year and it increases every year. He thanked Mr. Dacey for meeting with him to clarify the documentation required for the yearly contribution. He commented that the Township pays quarterly for weekend coverage too. He spoke about the emergency services meeting that took place and Lt. Mosier advised they have the schedule and have never had a problem knowing whether River Road was in or out of service. He advised the OEM Coordinator advised RWJ will be stationed at the Rushmore Ave. location to service South Plainfield, he doesn't understand why that is being done.

Timothy Dacey explained they have predictive software and asked to be stationed in that area.

Mr. Shegoski commented that the Chief said a lot about what the Police do, he thinks it's fantastic that they help, but didn't talk about what EMS does. There were no EMS numbers brought up. He explained that he didn't say that anyone caused anyone's life to be lost. He believes it could be better if they are dispatched from a crew in house.

David Akins, 39 Ambrose Valley Lane, asked about item L, is this for 139 School Street?

Mayor Wahler advised this is for advertising for Phase 2 of the School Street improvements.

Mr. Akins asked about the Township purchasing 139 School Street.

Mr. Goomer advised the Township owns that property and it will be auctioned.

Mr. Akins asked about an item on the agenda at the last meeting, authorizing change order #1, restroom renovations, not to exceed \$7,858.00, what did they find?

Mrs. McCullum advised she doesn't have the information in front of her, so she'll have to get back to him.

Mr. Akins asked about another item from last week, community center, construction management, Cumming Construction Management, what are they doing?

Mr. Dacey advised the plans and site work are being finalized and getting ready to bid the project sometime this summer. Cumming will handle coordinating the project prior to bidding, assist with the bidding process and will handle the construction management once the project is awarded.

Junior Romero, Food and Water Watch, 200 Bayard Street, New Brunswick, NJ, advised he is here to advocate for an off fossil fuels resolution. He asked the council to support the cause and adopt a resolution.

Mr. Cahn advised that the Township is a component of that with existing and some proposed solar power.

Staci Berger, 233 Ellis Parkway, advised she reviewed the minutes from January 2nd meeting and she is thrilled to see the second reading of the video tape ordinance coming up. She doesn't understand why things can't be put on the website, why things were taken down, that there are no email addresses for the Council any longer. It appears that things are less transparent now. Things should just be available to people like agendas, minutes, resolutions.

Jim Bullard advised we are taking a look at our website and updating it currently.

Tony Weil, 2250 Plainfield Avenue North, commented that hundreds of pages and transcripts could be put on the website at no cost. Other municipalities are video taping their meetings. People being more educated on government can't be a bad thing.

Mrs. McCullum commented these are things we are looking into.

There being no further comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm on motion of Mrs. Lombardi, seconded by Mr. Cahn, carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa A. Seader, Township Clerk

Accepted:

Chanelle McCullum
Council President