

**Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council February, 24 2020
Town Hall Council Chambers, 100 Central Avenue
Executive Session 6:00 P.M.
Public Session 7:00 P.M.**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Councilperson:
Furgione - Present
Giralo - Present
Gribbin – Arrived at 6:05
Oliva- Present
Rodio - Present
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Present

PRESENT ALSO

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor
Bob Vettese, PWM
Stewart Wisner, ARH Planner for Town left at 6:15

EXECUTIVE SESSION Resolution #030-2020

Motion by Council Person Giralo Second Oliva
Enter into Executive Session

Motion by Council Person Giralo Second Rodio Gribbin
Close session return to regular session, Resolution #030-2020 is adopted

RESUME REGULAR MEETING-ROLL CALL

Councilperson:
Furgione - Present
Giralo - Present
Gribbin - Present
Oliva- Present
Rodio - Present
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Present

PRESENT ALSO

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor
Robert Vettese, Public Works Manager
Mark Hermann of ARH, Town Engineer

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting has been posted and given to official newspapers. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exits to the right and rear of the Council Chambers. Please do not proceed beyond the front benches without invitation from the Mayor to do so. Also, each person who wishes to address Council will be allotted 5 minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

Bill Tomasella 160 Pine Road – had questions regarding Resolution #039-2020 that was on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Executive Minutes January 27, 2020

Council Minutes January 27, 2020

Motion by Council Person Giraldo Second Oliva
Minutes are approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giraldo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Resolution #031-2020 – Appoint Certified Tax Collector

**TOWN OF HAMMONTON
APPOINTMENT OF CERTIFIED TAX COLLECTOR**

WHEREAS, there exists a vacancy in the office of the Tax Collector in the Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141-145.12, the governing body shall appoint for a term of four years; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council believes that Deborah Fitchett possesses the necessary qualifications to hold the office of Tax Collector.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Town Council, for the aforementioned reasons,
Hereby appoints Deborah Fitchett to the office of Certified Tax Collector effective March 1, 2020 for a term to expire March 1, 2024.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Giraldo
Resolution #031-2020 is approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giraldo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

PRESENTATION

- 1) Oath of Office Certified Tax Collector – Deputy Mayor Gribbin gave Oath of Office

DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion by Mayor DiDonato Second Gribbin
To support the US Constitution and all its amendments

Roll Call

Councilperson:
Furgione - Yes
Giralo - Yes
Gribbin - Yes
Oliva – Yes
Rodio - Yes
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration - Councilman Gribbin

- Reviewed Admin. Meeting
- Agreement with Egg Harbor City Court, Town is waiting for the approval from NJ State Court

Business & Industry – Councilman Oliva

- Thanked the Chamber and Vineland for the joint meeting that they had.
- Reviewed 3rd Thursday in February, Next one is the 19th of March and that will be Game Night
- Planning for the 4th of July Parade had begun and will update as we get closer to the event

Quality of Life – Councilman Oliva

- Spoke about the green committee event “Green Drink Event at Chimney Brewery
- Reviewed Environmental Committee meeting
- Lake Cleanup will be March 21 from 10 am to 12pm. At the lake Park
- Discussed the tree bank and replacement of trees in the Town

Motion by Council Person Oliva Second Furgione

Approval of Tree Bank pending PWTC review at their meeting on March 19th

Roll Call

Councilperson:
Furgione - Yes
Giralo - Yes
Gribbin - Yes
Oliva – Yes
Rodio - Yes
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Public Works & Transportation - Councilman Rodio

- Reviewed Engineer’s report and action items

Water & Sewer - Councilman Furgione

- Water Meters- The dept is in the process of sending out letter and making phone calls to change out old meters.
- Update on the paving of Lincoln Street Well. We are meeting with Verizon this Thursday to review where the towers will go and Allied Painting will be painting roof and completing the project within the 30 to 45 days.
- The Lincoln Street tank should be online within 30 to 45 days.

ENGINEER REPORT

PUBLIC WORKS ACTION ITEMS:

1. 2018 State Aid Funding (14th Street) (ARH #11-40056.01):

The project is complete. Arawak has submitted final Payment Requests #4 for \$14,757.70 (Phase II) and \$1,438.72 (Phase IIA), which is the release of retainage. We have prepared a Change Order for Phase II which is the result of a penalty due to failing to meet certain NJDOT criteria for a small portion of the road. Closeout procedures will now be performed.

Action Requested:

Approve Change Order #2 in the amount of -\$497.28 for the Phase II Project.

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Furgione
Change order above is approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:
Furgione - Yes
Giralo - Yes
Gribbin - Yes
Oliva - Yes
Rodio - Yes
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

2. 2017 State Aid Funding (Second Road) (ARH #11-40055.01):

The project is complete. Arawak has submitted final Payment Request #6 in the amount of \$19,818.46, which includes the release of retainage. We have prepared a Change Order for additional paving done to finalize the trench repair over the culverts.

Action Requested:

Approve Change Order #2 in the amount of \$5,129.00 for the Phase II Project.

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Furgione
Change order above is approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:
Furgione - Yes
Giralo - Yes
Gribbin - Yes
Oliva - Yes
Rodio - Yes
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

3. **Hammonton Bike Path Connector (ARH #11-40052):**

The Town received bids on Wednesday February 19, 2020 at 10:00 AM. There were three (3) bidders for the project. Unfortunately, all bids came in above the available funding. As a result, we are recommending the Town reject all bids for this project. We will be working with the Town to see if there are any ways to reduce costs with this project. In addition, we would like the opportunity to discuss scope modification strategies with the NJDOT Local Aid representative.

Action Requested:

- Reject all bids received for the Hammonton Bike Path Extension due to insufficient funding.
- Authorize ARH to contact NJDOT and discuss scope modification.

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Gribbin

Approval to reject bids

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Giralo

Approval for ARH to contact NJDOT for modification of Project

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

4. **NJDOT Local Aid FY 2020 – 14th Street Roadway Improvements, Phase IV (ARH #P2020.0108):**

Hammonton has received \$310,000.00 for Phase IV of the 14th Street Project. Our office would like to combine the FY2019 and FY2020 grants into one project. This would combine Phases III and IV and give the Town a total of \$620,000.00 to complete the 14th Street Roadway Improvements from 2nd Road to Egg Harbor Road and fund the construction inspection and testing. By creating one project, we anticipate getting better prices to give the Town a better chance to get the to end of the road. This would require additional surveying and design to finish the construction documents. We have submitted a proposal for an amount not to exceed \$19,000.00 to design the remaining ±0.5 mile of road.

Action Requested:

Authorize ARH's proposal for an amount not to exceed \$19,000.00 to complete the 14th Street Roadway Improvement Project.

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Furgione

Approval of ARH's proposal for 14th Street roadway in the amount of \$19,000.00

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes
Rodio - Yes
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

MISCELLANEOUS ACTION ITEMS:

5. **Wawa (Route #30) (ARH #11-10029):**

Representatives from Bellevue Properties Group have requested the release of the remaining escrow funds for the Wawa store located at the corner of the White Horse Pike, Bellevue Avenue, and Elvins Avenue. We recommend releasing the retainage with the exception of \$600.00 for the final inspection when the maintenance bond is set to expire.

Action Requested:

Authorize release of the escrow funds to Bellevue Properties Group, for the new Wawa store.

Motion by Council Person Giraldo Second Oliva
Approval to release Escrow Funds Bellevue Properties.

Roll Call
Councilperson:
Furgione - Yes
Giraldo - Yes
Gribbin – Recuses
Oliva - Yes
Rodio - Yes
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

PWM REPORT

Water Tank Painting

Work continuing on Lincoln Street tank as weather permits.

Airport Fire Suppression System

As reported last meeting, due to structural conflicts with the original 2nd floor access door placement, subsequent investigative work was completed. The following subcontractors will be required to complete additional work in the Fire Suppression system and related appurtenances to accommodate the access door relocation to the front room area.

- ARH, proposal dated 2/7/2020 totaling \$2,200.
 - Ron Sirolli Construction Co., Inc.
 - CO #1 Access door relocation and related repairs - \$3,350.50
 - CO #2 Relocate and extend roof downspouts - \$966.50
 - CO #3 repair drywall, reinstall window, etc. - \$1,250.50
- Total \$5,567.50

- Scrapple Brothers Construction, install new foundations for relocated outside stairway – estimated \$3,650.00
- Precision-Tech LLC, proposal to complete relocation of steel vertical and horizontal members within hanger wall and outside stairway adjustments – estimated \$6,000.00

Structural, Electrical and the Fire Suppression work continues at the Airport Hanger.

Action requested: Approval of the change orders for additional work as listed above and issuance of purchase order subject to certification of available funds.

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Furgione

Approval of Change orders for Airport listed above contingent upon Funding

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

2019 Road Program

Punch list items were provided to the contractor for various streets completed to date. These items should be addressed in March as weather permits. We will review with the Road Committee and PWTC the remaining work to be carried over to Spring of 2020 and the roads for the 2020 Road Program.

Safe Routes to Schools, Sooy Elementary School

We sent a copy of the Town's recommendation for the consultant selection to the NJDOT for their approval and consideration. We provided additional information to NJDOT as requested. Once approved, the NJDOT (Julie Seaman) will set up a meeting to discuss the project scope, requirements, deadlines etc., with everyone.

Hammonton Lake Park (Small Cities CDBG grant)

The State issued a letter dated 01/17/2020 related to the \$400,000 grant from Small Cities CDBG. This will be used to install ADA compliant equipment and other amenities for the Recreation Facilities at the Hammonton Lake Park. The State will be providing an agreement for the Town to review and execute. This agreement must be reviewed, signed and bonding established before the start of any work. We will also be talking with Matt Miller from MRC about what assistance they could provide the Town related to design plans, specifications etc. for the playground area at the park.

Salem Oak Seedling

We are awaiting further confirmation of the delivery date for the seedling and discussing appropriate locations for the planting with the Environmental Commission.

Bike Path Bids, Award Phase I

Bids were received on 2/19/2020 and are under review. Once the bids are reviewed and options for the possible award discussed, bonding for the project must be established by the Town so that an award could be made if desired. Other options may be available to the Town.

NJDOT Bike Path/Pedestrian Assistance Grant

The Town has received notice that they are eligible to receive a grant from the NJDOT relating to planning assistance for Bicycles and Pedestrian paths within the Town. The Town passed resolution #058-2018 to submit an application for those funds. We will set up an initial meeting with the NJDOT approved consultant and appropriate Town representatives for Friday, February 28th at 2:00 pm to see what assistance can be provided and the requirements for the program.

NJDOT Project Updates

We have requested an update of the following projects from the NJDOT:

- Guide rail, concrete curb work along Rt. 30, White Horse Pike and Fire House #2 related work
- Rt. 30, White Horse Pike, Central Avenue intersection adjustment, FY 2022/2023

- Rt. 54, Bellevue Avenue and 12th Street resurfacing, FY 2022/2023

We received an initial response on some of the projects and were advised of follow up progress reports will be provided. We will keep Council informed of their future response and updates once obtained.

NJ Transportation Bank Financing Program

We will be attending a meeting in Egg Harbor Township on March 5th with the NJDOT, County and other municipalities related to the above noted program.

Other items

- Bulky waste will be the first full week in March, extending from March 2nd through the 6th.
- Brush will be picked up during the second full week of March, extending from February 9th through the 13th.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

- 1) Approval of contract for Andrea Effinger as Department Head of the Construction Department effective January 1, 2020. Increase in Salary of \$5,000.00.
- 2) Accept the resignation of Sharon Riley as Interim Tax Collector effective March 1, 2020.
- 3) Accept resignation of Jackson Morris as regular member of Fire Company #2 in good standing. Approved at Fire Company meeting February 12, 2020.
- 4) Accept John Adams as regular Member of Fire Company #2. Approved at Fire Company meeting February 12, 2020.
- 5) Accept Mikayla Digiovannangelo as Junior member of Fire Company #2 effect February 12, 2020
- 6) Removal of Michael Shannon from the Fire Department for failure to comply with Chapter 25 of the General Ordinances of the Town of Hammonton.
- 7) Approval to Hire Anthony Berenato as Fire Sub Code Official in the Construction Department, effective March 2, 2020. Single Benefits, 32.5 hours per week. Rate of \$52,000.00 per year, Contingent upon Civil Service conditions, policies and approval.
- 8) Appoint Gus Morganti as Building Sub Code Official.
- 9) Appoint William Esposito as Permanent Construction Code Official.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Giraldo
Items 1 to 9 are approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione – Yes, but recues on #8

Giraldo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

APPROVE BILL LIST & PURCHASE ORDERS

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Giraldo
Bill list is approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giraldo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes
Torrissi - Absent
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution # 032-2020- Approval of Tri-Vet Memorial Day Parade

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ENDORSING
THE ANNUAL "TRI VET MEMORIAL DAY PARADE"

WHEREAS, the Tri Vets continue to promote the Town of Hammonton with their annual "Tri Vet Memorial Day Parade"; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council continues to support the efforts of the Tri Vets; and

WHEREAS, **Monday May 25, 2020** is the scheduled date for the Tri Vet Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony beginning at 10:30 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, the Tri Vets have requested assistance of the Town of Hammonton Police Department for this scheduled event and closure of the following street in the Town of Hammonton during the parade from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.:

Bellevue Avenue (Route 54) from Railroad Avenue to Tilton Street

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that the Tri Vet Memorial Day Parade is acknowledged and endorsed by the Town of Hammonton contingent upon the following:

1. Filing of required State written approvals for street closures with the Town Clerk's office.
2. Filing of the necessary certificate of insurance.

Resolution #033-2020 – Authorize Food Truck Festival

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIXTH ANNUAL HAMMONTON FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL EVENT

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton Organization has and continues to promote the Town of Hammonton with scheduled events in the downtown business district; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council has and continues to support the efforts of MainStreet Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, The Hammonton's Sixth Annual Food Truck Festival is a widely popular event attracting many new people to the town and therefore generates increased business for the entire town, and

WHEREAS, Saturday, June 13, 2020 is the scheduled date for the Sixth Annual Hammonton Food Truck Festival event during the hours of 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has requested the following street closures for this event between the hours of 2:00 pm. to 11:00 p.m.:

Central Ave (Route 542) between Bellevue Ave to Vine Street;
North Egg Harbor Road between Bellevue Ave and Orchard Street;
South Second Street between Bellevue Ave and Vine Street;
North Second Street between Bellevue Ave and Orchard Street;
Horton Street between and Bellevue Ave Orchard Street

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has requested appropriate Police Parking Control signs to be posted early in the day noting NO PARKING AFTER 3:00 pm and the reservation of the following parking spaces for safer traffic access and the Food Trucks to park and set up:

Both sides of Route 54 between Third Street and Egg Harbor Road;
Both sides of Central Avenue between Bellevue Ave and Vine Street;
Both sides of N. Egg Harbor Road between Bellevue Avenue and Orchard Street;
Both sides of Horton Avenue between Bellevue Avenue and Orchard Street,

WHEREAS, Main Street Hammonton has met with the Police Chief and been approved for seven Police Officers to assist with crowd control and direct traffic at the intersections due to increased event related pedestrian and vehicular traffic on State Route 54;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that June 13th, 2020 is approved for the Sixth Annual Hammonton Food Truck Festival” event, including the above requests for street closures, reservation of parking spaces, posting of “NO PARKING” signs and five police officers are acknowledged, approved and endorsed;

Resolution #034-2020 – Authorize Various Refunds

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON
AUTHORIZING VARIOUS REFUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the following refunds/close out of accounts are authorized as approved by the respective Department Heads of the Town of Hammonton:

Spado, John 517 Pine Road	\$ 97.50	Escrow Fee
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Resolution #035-2020 – Temporary Emergency Appropriations

RESOLUTION MAKING TEMPORARY EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS
IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON MUNICIPAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides that temporary emergency appropriations may be made for the period between the beginning of the fiscal year and the date of adoption of the budget for said year; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is not within the first thirty days of January, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, New Jersey, that the following temporary emergency appropriations

are hereby made:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
Admin S&W	\$30,000.00
Admin OE	\$2,000.00
Finance S&W	\$20,000.00
Finance OE	\$5,000.00
Assessor S&W	\$30,000.00
Assess OE	\$2,000.00
Collection S&W	\$30,000.00
Collection OE	\$3,000.00
Legal OE	\$30,000.00
Computer S&W	\$20,000.00
Computer OE	\$30,000.00
Plng Brd S&W	\$ 5,000.00
Construction S&W	\$30,000.00
Construction O&E	\$ 7,500.00
Other Code S&W	\$ 7,000.00
Group Insurance	\$500,000.00
Workers Comp (State Wide)	\$100,000.00
NJ Disability	\$10,000.00
Fire Operating Exp.	\$30,000.00
State Fire S&W	\$3,000.00
Police S&W	\$700,000.00
Police OE	\$60,000.00
Radio S&W	\$30,000.00
Prosecutor OE	\$8,000.00
Bldg & Grds OE	\$20,000.00
Highway S&W	\$200,000.00
Highway OE	\$200,000.00
Dog Reg. OE	\$3,000.00
Park S&W	\$500.00
Recreation Operating Exp.	\$15,000.00
Advertising	\$17,000.00
Airport OE	\$5,000.00
Gasoline	\$20,000.00
Natural Gas	\$8,000.00
Electric	\$30,000.00
Telephone	\$20,000.00
Social Security	\$70,000.00
Recycling Tax	\$5,000.00
DCRP	\$4,000.00
Public Defender	\$5,000.00
Municipal Court S&W	\$40,000.00
Municipal Court OE	\$3,000.00
Municipal Drug Alliance (Town \$4,278.00) 2020 to 2021	\$21,391.00
PERS	\$131,168.41
PFRS	\$535,787.12
Capital Improvement Fund	\$50,000.00

Utility S&W	\$200,000.00
Utility OE	\$500,000.00
Utility PERS	\$ 73,750.00

Resolution #036-2020 Budget Transfers

TRANSFER OF BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey, that there be and hereby is authorized the following transfer from the 2019 Budget appropriations reserves.

CURRENT FUND

From:	Telephone – Operating Expense	\$ 2,000.00
From:	Police – Operating Expense	\$ 915.00
To:	Airport - Operating Expense	\$ 2,915.00

Resolution #037-2020- Approval of the 4th of July Parade

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ENDORSING
July 4th Independence Day Parade and Road Closure

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton support and endorse the July 4th Independence Day Event scheduled to be held on July 4, 2020 with the following road closures beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 1:00 p.m.:

Egg Harbor Road from Bellevue Ave to French Street
Bellevue Avenue to Third Street
Central Avenue from Bellevue Avenue to Vine Street

WHEREAS, there shall be no parking between the hours of 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM on July 4, 2020 on the following road ways:

Central Avenue from Bellevue to Vine Street
North Egg Harbor Road to Fairview
Bellevue Ave to Third Street

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton will provide necessary services for the July 4th Independence Day Event and Road Closures including but not limited to Police assistance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that the July 4, 2020 Independence Day Event is approved.

Resolution #038-2020 – Tax/Water/Sewer Refunds

A RESOLUTION OF THE
AUTHORIZING TAX / WATER / SEWER REFUNDS

Whereas, the following accounts need to have amounts credited, transferred, cancelled, refunded or changed

<u>Block / Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Acct.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
3004/15	Ryan Hovermale		\$345.44	1773-0	excess overbill

Whereas, the above amounts have been corrected in the Edmunds Billing system for the Utilities and or tax module showing the correct amounts.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the above refunds are authorized, as approved by the Tax Collector of the Town of Hammonton:

Resolution #039-2020- Adopting the NPP Strategic Plan

Resolution Adopting the Neighborhood Preservation Program Strategic Implementation Plan

WHEREAS, in 2019 the Town of Hammonton applied for and was awarded a \$125,000 Neighborhood Preservation Program (NPP) grant from the NJ Dept. of Community Affairs (NJDCA) for the 1st year of a grant that may be extended for up to a total of five years for improvements to the Downtown Hammonton target area; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the grant is to design and implement a wide range of initiatives to continue to create a favorable climate for investment and to improve the quality of life for the residents, businesses and visitors of this neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of the grant, the NJDCA requires that a Strategic Implementation Plan be prepared which delineates the activities of the NPP program and describes the manner in which the grant funds will be expended. The plan covers a five-year period and must be submitted to the NJDCA for review and approval prior to program implementation; and

WHEREAS, said Plan has been completed pursuant with the required community input and other related State mandates;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton does hereby approve the Downtown Hammonton Strategic Implementation Plan and budget and authorizes submission of said Plan to the NJDCA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Hammonton is hereby authorized to expend funds in accordance with said Plan upon Plan approval by the NJDCA.

Resolution #040-2020 – Support Grant Application

Resolution of Support Authorizing the Submission
of a Grant Application to Sustainable Jersey

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water while improving working and living environments; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is participating in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, for which they have created a grant program called the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program;

THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of the town of Hammonton have determined that the Town of Hammonton should apply for the aforementioned Grant.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, authorize the submission of the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant.

Mr. Tomasello again made comment on resolution #039-2020. Had questions on the strategic Plan
Councilmen Furgione said that the 5 year plan can change. This is only a draft and changes can be made to it.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Oliva

Approval of Resolutions #32 to #40

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Absent

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

PUBLIC HEARD

- Adam Hude – from Egg Harbor Township 1 Robert Best Lane spoke about the 2nd amendment right and would like the Town council to review and pass a resolution supporting it.
- Mike Santoro - Mullica Resident also spoke about supporting the 2nd amendment right and asked for support from council.
- Bill Tomosella had questions regarding his OPRA regarding payments made to Eagle Theatre and resolution number 39-2020. There was a discussion, and after about 15 minutes, the mayor asked Mr. Tomosella to submit his questions in writing and they would be answered.
- Kaitlin Barakat from New Jersey League of Conservation Voter presented paper work to the town for Stormwater Management Grant Program.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion by Council Person Giralo Second Rodio