

Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council May 24, 2021
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 – Absent

Gribbin - Present

Oliva - Present

Olivo - Present

Rodio – Present

Mayor DiDonato - Present

PRESENT ALSO

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor

Bob Vettese, PWM

EXECUTIVE SESSION Resolution #052-2021

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Oliva

Enter into Executive Session

Motion by Council Person Oliva Second Furgione

Close Executive Session

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

RESUME REGULAR MEETING-ROLL CALL

Councilperson:

Furgione - Present

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Present

Oliva - Present

Olivo - Present

Rodio – Present

Mayor DiDonato - Present

PRESENT ALSO

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor
Robert Vettese, Public Works Manager
Dave Cella 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. Each person who wishes to address Council will be allotted 5 minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

No one desired to be heard

Resolution #063-2021- Support the Constitution of the United States and State of New Jersey

**Resolution Supporting the Constitutions of the United States
Of American and the State of New Jersey including all amendments to both**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton supports the Constitution of the United State of American and the State of New Jersey and any and all amendments to both:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HAMMONTON TOWN COUNCIL THAT:

The Town of Hammonton is committed to supporting the constitutions mentioned above and all amendments. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by Council Person Olivo Second Oliva
Resolution #063-2021 is approved

Roll Call

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

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Executive Minutes April 26, 2021
Council Minutes April 26, 2021

Motion by Council Person Olivo Second Furgione
Minutes are approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:
Furgione - Yes
Giralo – Absent
Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes
Olivo - Yes
Rodio - Yes
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

PRESENTATION

- Presentation by Councilmen Jon Oliva to Angela Donio for all her volunteerism and dedication to the Town of Hammonton.
- Atlanticare Life Connection- Susan Brown and Erin Williams talked about the “Life Program” for individuals 55 and older. To get ore info call 609-572-8588, option #2 and leave voicemail if no one answers. Website Lifecconnection@Atlanticare.org
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DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Resolution #056-2021- Self Examination of Budget

**SELF-EXAMINATION OF BUDGET RESOLUTION
[As required by DCA]**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 through 7.5, the Town of Hammonton has been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local government Services, and the Chief Financial officer has determined that the local government meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2021 budget year.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Town of Hammonton that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a & 7.6b and based upon the Chief Financial Officer's certification, the governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
 - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
 - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
 - c. Cash deficit of preceding year
 - d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
 - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
 - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes.
2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3 et seq., are fully met (complies with CAP law).
3. That the budget is in such form, arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.
4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
 - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate and correctly stated,

- b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth,
- c. In itemization, form, arrangement and content, the budget will Permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.

5. The budget has been introduced and publicly advertised in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.

6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services upon adoption.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Rodio
Resolution #056-2021 is adopted

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Introduction of Ordinance #006-2021- Approval to Establish a CAP Bank

**COUNTY OF ATLANTIC
CALENDAR YEAR 2021
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A
CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 1.0% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton in the County of Atlantic finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2021 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council hereby determines that a 2.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$ 260,333.59 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Town Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2021 budget year, the final appropriations of the Town of Hammonton shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$364,467.03, and that the CY 2021 municipal budget for the Town of Hammonton be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Rodio
Ordinance has passed first and is approved for publishing

Roll Call

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

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Resolution #057-2021- Introduce 2021 Municipal Budget

RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE THE 2021 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statement of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Local Municipal Budget for the year 2021;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said budget be published in the Hammonton Gazette, edition of June 9, 2021 as follows:

A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held at the Town Hall on the 28th day of June, 2021 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time and place objections to said budget and tax resolution of the Town of Hammonton for the year 2021 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Summary of General Section of Budget

Current Fund

Municipal Purposes within "CAPS"	\$10,780,186.90
Municipal Purposes excluded from "CAPS"	2,701,876.59
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	<u>1,135,945.53</u>

Total General Appropriations	\$14,538,009.02
Less: Anticipated Revenues	<u>4,773,158.12</u>
Amount to be Raised by Taxation	<u><u>\$9,764,850.90</u></u>

Motion by Council Person Furgione Second Olivo
Resolution #057-2021 is adopted

Roll Call

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

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Public Hearing of Ordinance #004-2021- Cannabis Geographical Boundaries

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF
ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PROHIBITING THE OPERATION OF ANY
CLASS OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES WITHIN ITS GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES
AND AMENDING CHAPTER 175, ARTICLE XIII OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCES OF THE
TOWN OF HAMMONTON**

WHEREAS, in 2020 New Jersey voters approved Public Question No. 1, which amended the New Jersey Constitution to allow for the legalization of a controlled form of marijuana called “cannabis” for adults at least 21 years of age; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2021, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2021, c. 16, known as the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act” (the “Act”), which legalizes the recreational use of marijuana by adults 21 years of age or older, and establishes a comprehensive regulatory and licensing scheme for commercial recreational (adult use) cannabis operations, use and possession; and

WHEREAS, the Act establishes six marketplace classes of licensed businesses, including:

- Class 1 Cannabis Cultivator license, for facilities involved in growing and cultivating cannabis;
- Class 2 Cannabis Manufacturer license, for facilities involved in the manufacturing, preparation, and packaging of cannabis items;
- Class 3 Cannabis Wholesaler license, for facilities involved in obtaining and selling cannabis items for later resale by other licensees;
- Class 4 Cannabis Distributer license, for businesses involved in transporting cannabis plants in bulk from on licensed cultivator to another licensed cultivator, or cannabis items in bulk from any type of licensed cannabis business to another;

- Class 5 Cannabis Retailer license for locations at which cannabis items and related supplies are sold to consumers; and,
- Class 6 Cannabis Delivery license, for businesses providing courier services for consumer purchases that are fulfilled by a licensed cannabis retailer in order to make deliveries of the purchases items to a consumer, and which service would include the ability of a consumer to make a purchase directly through the cannabis delivery service which would be presented by the delivery service for fulfillment by a retailer and then delivered to a consumer.

WHEREAS, section 31a of the Act authorizes municipalities by ordinance to adopt regulations governing the number of cannabis establishments (defined in section 3 of the Act as “a cannabis cultivator, a cannabis manufacturer, a cannabis wholesaler, or a cannabis retailer”), cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services allowed to operate within their boundaries, as well as the location manner and times operation of such establishments, distributors or delivery services, and establishing civil penalties for the violation of any such regulations; and

WHEREAS, section 31b of the Act authorizes municipalities by ordinance to prohibit the operation of any one or more classes of cannabis establishments, distributors, or delivery services anywhere in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, section 31b of the Act also stipulates, however, that any municipal regulation or prohibition must be adopted within 180 days of the effective date of the Act (i.e., by August 22, 2021); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 31b of the Act, the failure to do so shall mean that for a period of five years thereafter, the growing, cultivating, manufacturing, selling and reselling of cannabis and cannabis items shall be permitted uses in all industrial zones, and the retail selling of cannabis items to consumers shall be a conditional use in all commercial and retail zones; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the initial and any subsequent five-year period following a failure to enact local regulations or prohibitions, the municipality shall again have 180 days to adopt an ordinance regulating or prohibiting cannabis businesses, but any such ordinance would be prospective only and would not apply to any cannabis business already operating within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, Town Council of the Town of Hammonton has determined that, due to present uncertainties regarding the potential future impacts that allowing one or more classes of cannabis business might have on New Jersey municipalities in general, and on Hammonton in particular, it is at this time necessary and appropriate, and in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of Hammonton’s residents and members of the public who visit, travel, or conduct business in the Town of Hammonton to amend Hammonton’s zoning regulations to prohibit all manner of marijuana-related land use and development within the geographic boundaries of the Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, officials from two prominent non-profit organizations that have been established for the purpose of advising New Jersey municipalities on legal matters such as have been presented by the Act (those organizations being the New Jersey State League of Municipalities and the New Jersey Institute of Local Government Attorneys) have strongly urged that, due to the complexity and novelty of the Act; the many areas of municipal law that are or may be implicated in decisions as to whether or to what extent cannabis or medical cannabis should be permitted for land use purposes or otherwise regulated in any particular municipality; and the relatively short duration in which the Act would allow such decisions to be made before imposing an automatic authorization of such uses in specified zoning districts subject to unspecified conditions, the most prudent course of action for all municipalities, whether or not generally in favor of cannabis or medical cannabis land development and uses, would be to prohibit all such uses within the Act’s 180-day period in order to ensure sufficient time to carefully review all aspects of the Act and its impacts.

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

1. Pursuant to section 31b of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act (P.L. 2021, c. 16), all cannabis establishments, cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services are hereby prohibited from operating anywhere in the Town of Hammonton except for the delivery of cannabis items and related supplies by a delivery service.

2. Chapter 175, Article XIII, Section 145, a Subsection M is added which reads as follows:

M. Cannabis. All classes of cannabis establishments, cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services as said terms are defined in the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance and Marketplace Modernization Act (P.L. 2021, c. 16), are hereby prohibited within the Town of Hammonton, except for the delivery of cannabis items and related supplies by a licensed cannabis delivery service.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the Courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Oliva
Ordinance 004-2021 is open for public hearing

- Public Heard- Mr. Giraldo from Blackwood New Jersey spoke about how the ordinance can tie the hands of the Town and we should wait to do this.
- Mayor, Council Oliva and Olivo all commented about why we need to do this ordinance. This will give the Town full control of what happens in the Town.

Motion by Council Person Furgione Second Olivo
Ordinance 004-2021 is adopted and approved for final publication

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Public Hearing of Ordinance #005- 2021- Mullica Joint Municipal Court

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON ESTABLISHING A SINGLE JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT WITH MULLICA TOWNSHIP AND AMENDING CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE I OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1(b) authorizes the formation of a single Joint Municipal Court provided that an Agreement is entered into by the Town of Hammonton and Mullica Township and provided that the Agreement is filed with the State of New Jersey Administrative Director of the Courts and the Assignment Judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Atlantic County; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton desires to enter into an Agreement to form a Joint Municipal Court with Mullica Township; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Town of Hammonton to participate in the Joint Municipal Court with Mullica Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows;

Chapter 14, Article I, Section 1 is amended to read as follows:

§14-1. Establishment.

A Joint Municipal Court is established, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1, et. seq., as amended and supplemented, consisting of the Town of Hammonton, Borough of Folsom, Egg Harbor City, Buena Vista Township and Mullica Township. The Joint Municipal Court with Folsom was created in accordance with an Agreement for a Joint Municipal Court for the Municipalities of the Town of Hammonton and the Borough of Folsom dated December 28, 2017, executed by the municipalities in January of 2018, and First Addendum to the Agreement dated September 19, 2019, fully executed on December 3, 2019, and is subject to the terms thereof. The Joint Municipal Court with Egg Harbor City was created in accordance with an Agreement for Joint Municipal Court for the Municipalities of the Town of Hammonton and Egg Harbor City dated January 2, 2020, and executed in January of 2020, and is subject to the terms thereof. The Joint Municipal Court with Buena Vista Township was created in accordance with an Agreement for Joint Municipal Court for the Municipalities of the Town of Hammonton and Buena Vista Township dated August 24, 2020 and executed in August 2020. Mullica Township shall join the Joint Municipal Court of the Town of Hammonton in accordance with an Agreement for a Joint Municipal Court for the Municipalities of the Town of Hammonton and Mullica Township dated April 26, 2021, and executed in May of 2021.

The terms and conditions of the Agreement for a Joint Municipal Court for the Municipalities of the Town of Hammonton and Mullica Township dated April 26, 2021, are hereby approved. The Mayor and Clerk for the Town of Hammonton are hereby expressly authorized to execute and deliver the aforesaid Agreement on behalf of the Town.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the Courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

THIS ORDINANCE WAS HELD. NO VOTING OCCURRED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration - Councilman Gribbin

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Olivo

Channel 9 station name- agreement that it will be called "Access Hammonton"

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes
Giralo – Absent
Gribbin - Yes
Oliva – Yes
Olivo- Yes
Rodio - Yes
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

- Spoke about the “Allies in Caring, Wellness Hub” that opened on 2nd Street and Vine and how they helped during the pandemic.
- Wished everyone a Happy Memorial Day.

Business & Industry – Councilman Oliva

- Ribbon cutting ceremony was this week for “Allies in Caring, Wellness Club” wished them success
- Opening of Nail and Beauty Salon
- Pickle Express due to Open this coming weekend
- This coming Wednesday May 26 there will be Free Coffee and Tea for all the business in Town from 8 am to 10 am
- Red white and Blue Berry Festival will June 27th
- There will be a July 4th parade
- The August 4th golf outing is a go
- Food truck event August 21st from 4 to 9.

Quality of Life – Councilman Oliva

- Reviewed Environmental meeting that was held on May 12th
- The Town received reorganization ad a “Tree City USA” from the Arbor Foundation
- Historical Society is open Every Saturday of each month starting June 5th
- The Ribbon Cutting for the Bike path was on May 20th
- Planning / Zoning Board approved the Cannabis Resolution
- May 31st at 11 Am there will be a celebration at Vets Park for memorial day
- Reviewed meeting with DOT regarding Cedar Branch Stream
- Bellevue Ave Survey work is under way.

Motion by Council Person Oliva Second Furgione

Send Letter to County to have Fire Company #2 used for early voting

Roll Call

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

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Education - Councilman Giralo – this was given by Councilmen Oliva (Giralo Absent)

- School budget has a ½ tax decrease
- They are seeking a 2.8 Million Grant
- They will be offering summer programs
- School Purchased a 54 Passenger new bus

- Solar project is ongoing
- All staff have been retained for next year
- Last day for students is the 16th and Teachers will be the 17th of June

Public Works & Transportation - Councilman Rodio

- Reviewed action items under Engineers report

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Furgione

Approval to place bench at Lake Park. The cost is covered by donations to the memory of Debbie Angelastro-Fabrizio
The Town will pay for the concrete pad

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Law & Order - Mayor DiDonato

Police Chief Kevin Friel gave the report

- Spoke about Ordinance 9-2021 regarding police dept.
- COVID numbers are going down
- Traffic study show that during pandemic road rage has risen, please drive slow and be careful
- Memorial Day service on the May 31st at 11, please come out and support our vets.

Water & Sewer - Councilman Furgione

- Land Application update, Boyer Ave we are about 6 weeks ahead of schedule
- Drip is only running during the week
- Spoke about water usage so far this year. We are using a lot to date.

ENGINEER REPORT

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Lake Park ADA Playground/Small Cities (ARH Proposal#21-0230):

As previously reported, ARH was requested to prepare a proposal to complete the design, permitting and construction oversight for a new playground area at the Lake Park. The project is funded in part by Small Cities and will have a focus on ADA features. Currently, we have prepared a proposal for the Town's consideration. The project funding is \$400,000.00 grant with a \$40,000.00 match by the Town. As part of our proposal, ARH will complete survey field work, design activities, and construction oversight.

Action Requested:

Authorize ARH Proposal for professional services for the Lake Park ADA Playground project in the amount of \$42,000.00.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Oliva

PO to ARH in the amount of \$42,000.00 for Lake Park ADA playground contingent upon Ordinance adoption

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent
Gribbin - Yes
Oliva – Yes
Olivo- Yes
Rodio - Yes
Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

2. NJDOT – Local Aid Grants (ARH Proposal#21-0297):

The NJDOT has announced that applications for FY2022 funding are due July 1, 2021. After discussing with the PWTC the following applications are intended to be prepared and submitted for funding consideration.

Municipal Aid - Old Forks Road from the WHP to Town Line

Bikeways - Termination of current path to the Lake Park

Safe Streets to Transit - Flashing Beacons on 11th street at the Bike Path crossing and improvements to the Train Station

ARH typically completes these applications and supporting documentation for around \$2,500.00 per application.

Action Requested:

Authorize ARH to prepare FY2022 NJDOT Grant Applications for the projects noted in the amount of \$3,000.00 (for up to three applications).

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Furgione

PO to ARH in the amount of \$3,000.00 for Grant Applications FY 2022 NJDOT

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

3. K&K Linens Property / 224 Vine Street (ARH #11-01094.01):

The HDSRF grant application has been submitted and is under review by NJDEP. The grant request has an initial NJDEP review. We will work with the Town to provide some additional information related to the grant opportunity. Specifically, there is some clarification needed to set the eligible items under the grant program. The “safety” issue that exists due to the condition of the existing floor in the building, may allow the demolition activities to be funded.

It is our understanding the Town would like to move forward with demolition activities on the site. Environmental investigations (preliminary site assessment & hazard material assessment) was completed in the areas that were accessible on the site. In addition to the demolition activities, it is our understanding in discussion with PWTC that the Town would like to have a parking lot installed behind Town Hall on the K&K site. ARH has prepared a proposal for the Town’s consideration related to demolition activities and preparation of a plan for the proposed parking lot.

Action Requested:

Authorize ARH proposal for professional services for the preparation of plans, bid documents and construction oversight in the amount of \$27,000.00.

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Olivo
PO to ARH in the amount of \$27,000.00 for 224 Vine Street Demo

Roll Call

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

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

4. Mazza Muffler Site / 104 S. Egg Harbor Road (ARH #11-01102):
As previously reported; The HDSRF grant application valued at approximately \$31,000.00 has been submitted for a preliminary assessment and site investigation. Application is currently under review by NJDEP.

Concurrently; it is our understanding the Town would like to move forward with demolition activities on the site. In order to proceed with demolition activities there are a couple of items that will be needed. An environmental assessment, inclusive of a preliminary site assessment and a hazardous materials assessment will need to be completed. These assessments will allow a for bidding documents to be prepared for demolition activities. To that end ARH has prepared a proposal for the Town's consideration.

Action Requested:

Authorize ARH proposal for professional services for the survey field work, bid document preparation and construction oversight in the amount of \$20,500.00.

Motion by Council Person Furgione Second Rodio
PO to ARH in the amount of \$20,500.00 for Mazza Muffler Site

Roll Call

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

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

5. 2021/2022 Water Capital Projects (ARH #21-0078):
Previously, the Town and ARH have worked together to prepare a plan to meet the NJ Water Quality Accountability Act. As part of the plan there is a required annual capital improvements plan to reinvest into the existing system. Using the recommendations previously provided with the Water Quality Accountability report it is the Town's intention design in 2021 and construct in 2022. Over the past couple of months, we have worked with Town officials to define the proposed scope of work and anticipated budgets for the projects. It is planned to have the following projects enter the design phase in 2021:

Rt 54 - First Road to Second Road
S. First Road - Tenth Street to dead end (in the vicinity of Birch Drive)
WHP & Seagrove - A portion of main at the WHP & extension along Seagrove

ARH has prepared a proposal, and we are seeking authorization this evening.

Action Requested:

Authorize ARH proposal for professional services for the environmental assessment, bid document preparation and construction oversight in the amount of \$108,000.00.

Motion by Council Person Furgione Second Rodio

PO to ARH in the amount of \$108,000.00 for Environmental Assessment and Bid Documents for Utility Projects

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

SOLICITOR REPORT

Motion by Council Person Olivo Second Rodio

Approval to represent Town in litigation discussed in closed session

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Introduction of Ordinance # 008-2021- Amending Chapter 175 Accessory Structures

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 175 OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Chapter 175, Section 175-87(D) is amended to add the following sentence to the end of the Section:

If an accessory structure is erected in the side yard, it must be setback a minimum of 5 feet behind the front facade of the principle building.

2. Chapter 175, a Section 175-87(F) is added which states as follows:

F. Square footage. In no case shall the total cumulative area of all accessory structures exceed the following square footages:

- (1) FA, AP, and AP/CLI Zoning Districts-1,500 Square Feet;
- (2) RR Zoning District- 1,000 Square Feet;
- (3) R3 Zoning District - 500 Square Feet; and
- (4) RI and R2 Zoning Districts - 400 Square Feet.

Notwithstanding the above, Agricultural uses on qualified farms are not subject to the size restriction set forth in this Section 175-87(F), provided the accessory structure is to be utilized for the farming/agricultural operation. For purposes of this Section 175-87(F), the term "qualified farms" shall mean those farms that are a minimum size of 5 acres and meet the farmland assessment criteria.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the Courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Oliva

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - No

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

Introduction of Ordinance # 009-2021- Amending Chapter 51 Exemption Civil Service

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 51 OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Chapter 51, a new Section 51-2(C) is added which states as follows:

C. Exemption from Civil Service Examination. The Town may hire a candidate for an entry-level law enforcement position who has not taken a civil service examination, provided the candidate has successfully completed a full Basic Course for Police Officers training course at a school approved and authorized by the New Jersey Police Training commission. Nothing in this Section 51-2(C) shall be interpreted or construed to require the Town to fill an entry-level law enforcement position with a candidate that has not completed a civil service examination.

2. Chapter 51, former Section 51-2(C) is now Section 51-2(D).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the Courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Oliva

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

MAYOR REPORT

No action items to report

PWM REPORT

Radon Awareness Program, Test Kits

As a reminder test kits, program information, etc. could be picked up by Hammonton residents at the Town Hall, 3rd Floor Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

Tree Delivery, Installation

Scott has planted all the trees at the Boyer Avenue Rec. Site and the 50 bare root trees along with the Salem Oak Seedling in the nursery behind their Public Works building. We applied to the NJDEP, Division of Parks and Forestry for reimbursement of funds expended for the project.

Safe Routes to Schools, Sooy Elementary School

We received a letter from the NJDOT that the Town's project forms were approved for the Federal Aid funding program allotment. We are waiting for the signed project funding agreement from the NJDOT. Once the signed agreement documents are received the Town could amend the budget to accept the funds and sign the project contract with GPI so they could start their work.

2022 Municipal Aid/Discretionary Aid

The NJDOT will be accepting applications for their 2022 Municipal Aid Program. Applications are due by July 1st. Any candidates for funding consideration must be selected. They will also be accepting applications for Bike Path extension and Safe Routes to Transit. ARH will provide a proposal for Council's approval to prepare the application, reports, estimates and mapping required for the program and candidates requested. Authorization to proceed would be appropriate with the issuance of the Purchase Order for same.

Storm Water Utility Program

Princeton Hydro has set a date of Wednesday, 5/26 between 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for the steering committee meeting consisting of Town residents, Committee members and Town personnel. This committee will provide input related to the Town's drainage needs and discuss means for possible program funding to achieve identified goals. The work completed by Princeton Hydro is being funded by a grant from the New Jersey League of Conservation Voters.

Drainage Projects

The Public Works chairman and Department have been working on a list of drainage projects that need attention throughout the Town. If deemed acceptable, the project funding could be established in the 2021 municipal budget.

Rt. #54 NJDOT meeting

Representatives from the Town met onsite with NJDOT officials to discuss various topics on the Rt. #54 resurfacing project, along with drainage investigative work and possible cleaning efforts for Cedar Brook (Branch) Stream corridor. A listing of roadway sections needing repair was also provided to the NJDOT. We have also contacted the County about a possible shared services agreement for the stream corridor.

Rt. #54 Water Main Replacement

The Town will be exploring the use of the NJ I-Bank Program funds to secure a commitment (low interest loans) to provide for the replacement of the old 6" water main on 12th Street, Rt. #54 between 1st Road and 2nd Road prior to the NJDOT resurfacing that roadway. ARH has prepared a construction estimate and a proposal to Council to complete the field work and design for the project. They have also investigated other water replacement needs as discussed with the Municipal Utilities Department Superintendent and Committee Chairperson.

Pedestrian/Bicycle Master Plan Report

Sam Schwartz consultant for the Town is completing the final version of the report for presentation to the Town once the State approves the current version of their report. The funds for the study and report were obtained from the NJDOT. Some additional comments received from Town residents were also provided to the consultant for comment and possible inclusion within the report.

Various Park and Public Works Projects

The Town received information from the State and other program groups about potential funding options for various projects. We will discuss these options with applicable Town Committees and Triad to decide which programs might be advantageous for the Town to pursue.

Bellevue Avenue Parklets and Crosswalks

A letter was sent to Vanessa Meades from the NJDOT regarding the guidelines for establishment of parklets within the downtown area along with the possibility for the placement of new painted crosswalks at the downtown intersections along Rt. #54. Any information received will be shared with the downtown representatives and Council.

Electric Vehicle Charging Station, Vine Street Parking Lot

The Town has received notice from the State for approval of a grant in the amount of \$8,000 maximum for the installation of a dual port electrical vehicle charging station within the Vine Street parking lot across from Town Hall. The Town must wait for the agreement from the State before proceeding with the project. \$17,500 was

originally requested in the application for funding consideration. Any difference in the cost for project must be established with Town Budget for 2021. We have completed an application to Atlantic City Electric to supply an electric service to the site.

Sustainable N.J. Atlantic City Electric Grant

The Town is investigating possible projects that might be eligible for a \$2,000 to \$5,000 maximum grant from the Sustainable N.J. Atlantic City Electric grant program. We will be discussing possible projects with the appropriate Town committees.

Other items

June schedule (items must be out prior to 6 am)

- Bulky 7th to 11th – 3 item limit
- Brush 14th to 18th – One (1) 6' x 6' pile allowed
- Recycling pickup by the County will occur on May 31st to June 4th, the 14th to the 18th and June 28th to July 2nd.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

- 1) Approval to Hire Gabe DiVello as of June 28, 2021 and Isaias Aguilar as of July 26, 2021 in the Hammonton Utility Department as Truck Drivers. Starting Salary of \$29,183.00, single benefits, contingent upon all civil services rules and regulations.
- 2) Approval to hire David Scardino retroactive to May 8, 2021 as Highway Department Recycling Program Aide. \$12.00 per hour, 5 hours a week, no benefits. Contingent upon all civil services rules and regulations.
- 3) Approval to hire Joseph De Matteo retroactive to May 10, 2021 in the Highway Department. As a 3-month temporary truck driver at a salary of \$29,183.00, single benefits. Contingent upon all civil services rules and regulations.
- 4) Accept resignation of the Joseph De Matteo from his position with the highway department effective as of May 21, 2021.
- 5) Accept retirement of Linda Martinelli from her position in Police dispatch effective as of August 1, 2021.
- 6) Approval to hire Robin Ripa as a Planning Aide in the Assessors / Planning / Zoning office effective as of June 1, 2021. Yearly salary of \$24,900.00, health benefits, contingent upon all civil service rules and regulations.
- 7) Approval to hire Kim Maclane as a Technical Assistant to the Construction Department effective June 1, 2021. Yearly Salary of \$29,900.00, single benefits, contingent upon all civil service rules and regulations.

Motion by Council Gribbin Second Oliva
Approval of items 1 to 7

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione – Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

APPROVE BILL LIST & PURCHASE ORDERS

Motion by Council Gribbin Second Oliva
Approval of Bill list and purchase orders

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione – Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

Introduction of Ordinance # 007-2021- Amending Chapter 216-19 Rental Fees

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON
AMENDING CHAPTER 216-19 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON**

WHEREAS, the Construction Official/Zoning Official has recommended an amendment to Chapter 216-19 entitled Rental Property Fees; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton have reviewed the recommendation and are agreeable to the amendment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON THAT CHAPTER 216-19 BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

216-19 A Annual Registration Fees

1. For one to seven non-owner-occupied units at one location: \$150.00 per unit
2. For eight to 25 non-owner-occupied units at that same location: \$125.00 per unit
3. For 26 or more non-owner-occupied units at that same location: \$100.00 per unit

216-19 B A re-inspection fee as follows:

- (1) First re-inspection: no charge;
- (2) Second re-inspection: \$50 per unit;
- (3) Third re-inspection: \$50 per unit; and
- (4) Fourth or subsequent re-inspection: \$50 per unit.

Motion by Council Gribbin Second Olivo

Ordinance #007-2021 is approved for advertisement and 2nd reading / public hearing

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione – Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #053-2021- Approval of July 4th 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, 2021 with the following road closures beginning at 7:00 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, 2021 on the following roadways:

Central Avenue from Bellevue to Vine 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, 2021 Independence Day Event is approved.

Resolution #054-2021- Approval of 6th Annual Food Truck Event

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, August 21, 2021 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 2:00 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 August 21, 2021 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 #055-2021 – Cancel 2021 Municipal Alliance Grant

**CANCEL FY 2021 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FUNDS
AS REVISED**

WHEREAS, we have received notice that the FY 2021 Municipal Grant Fund Allocation has been revised. It is the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer to cancel and revise the allocation available as follows:

CURRENT FUND

<u>Grant Receivable Balance</u>	<u>Amount</u>
FY 2021 Municipal Alliance Grant	\$ <u>10,332.03</u>

CURRENT FUND

<u>Unexpended Grant Appropriation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
FY 2021 Municipal Alliance Grant	\$ 10,332.03
FY 2021 Municipal Alliance Grant – Local Match	<u>2,583.01</u>

Total	<u>\$ 12,915.04</u>
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Current Fund Municipal Alliance Grant receivable and unexpended grant reserve balance listed above be canceled and that the Chief Financial Officer record this action in the books and records of the Town of Hammonton.

Resolution #058-2021- Sale of Surplus Property

**RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is the owner of certain surplus property which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is desirous of selling said surplus property in an “as is” condition without express or implied warranties.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The sale of the surplus property shall be conducted through GovDeals pursuant to State Contract A-70967 / T2581 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the State Contract. The terms and conditions of the agreement entered into with GovDeals is available online at govdeals.com.
2. The sale will be conducted online over a period of time to be set in the legal advertisement and the address of the auction site is govdeals.com.
3. The sale is being conducted pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2008-9.
4. Below is a list of surplus property to be sold:

Year	Make/Model	Serial Number			
2004	Zodiac Boat	NJ3585GR	1XDC	0868SG	304
2004	Boat Motor Mercury	25 Horse	OT9	11316	
		Power			
2001	Boat Trailer	40LAB	18201	P0744	21

Resolution #059-2021 - Approval of Grant Application NJ DCA

Grant Application for New Jersey Division of Community Affairs

Whereas, the Town of Hammonton desires to apply for, obtain and accept a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$125,000 to carry out a project to administer and implement a DCA-approved Year 2 Neighborhood Preservation Program Implementation Plan.

Be it therefore RESOLVED,

- 1) that the Town of Hammonton does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and,
- 2) recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Town of Hammonton and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.
- 3) Authorizes the acceptance of the Year 2 Implementation Plan per the grant rules and regulations between the Town of Hammonton and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

Be it further RESOLVED, that the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

Municipal Clerk, Frank Zuber and Mayor, Stephen DiDonato

Resolution #060-2021 – Tax-Water-Sewer Refunds

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON
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>Reason</u>
Various	Lereta		\$2,545.66	Refund/Overpayment
3004/37	Centeno, Valentin	209 Park Ave	\$1,173.28	Refund/Overpayment
3002/16	Jones, Dale & Stacy	301 Locust St.	\$1,212.01	Remove/Exempt Vet
4908/2/C0036	Costa, Matthew	36 Jamestown Blvd.	\$ 223.93	Refund/Overpayment

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 Religious Procession is approved by the Town of Hammonton; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the necessary certificate of insurance has been filed with the Town Clerk.

Motion by Council Person Furgione Second Gribbin
Resolutions #053 to #55 and 58 to 62 are approved.

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo – Absent

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva – Yes

Olivo- Yes

Rodio – Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

PUBLIC HEARD

- Sandy Nickerson from Absecon- spoke about the 1st amendment rights and the resolution to support it.
- Dominic Berger from Egg Harbor Township- also spoke about the 1st amendment rights

MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Oliva