

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JANUARY 25, 2021**

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MANVILLE, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, WAS HELD ON JANUARY 25, 2021 VIA ZOOM MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.

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MAYOR RICHARD ONDERKO PRESIDED

The Borough Clerk announced that proper notice had been given by the posting of the Regular Meeting Notice and by providing adequate notice of the Regular Meeting to the Courier News and the Star Ledger.

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR RICHARD ONDERKO
COUNCILMAN JOSEPH LUKAC, III
COUNCILWOMAN SUZANNE MAEDER
COUNCILWOMAN MICHELE MAGNANI
COUNCILMAN STEPHEN SZABO
COUNCILWOMAN PATRICIA ZAMORSKI
COUNCIL PRESIDENT TED PETROCK

ALSO PRESENT:

THADDEUS R. MACIAG, BOROUGH ATTORNEY
BRETT RADI, BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR
WENDY BARRAS, BOROUGH CLERK

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

PROCLAMATIONS

A/ National Law Enforcement Day

Councilwoman Zamorski read the Proclamation for National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day into the Public Record.

**National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day 2021
Proclamation**

WHEREAS, first observed in 2015, National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day came about in the wake of the 2014 Ferguson, Missouri, officer-involved shooting of Michael Brown, at a time when there much scrutinization of police officers and concerns about police brutality; and

WHEREAS, National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, is observed on Saturday, January 9, 2021 and Observants of the day spend it thanking police officers, wearing blue, and turning on blue lights at their homes, and

WHEREAS, there are over 900,000 law enforcement officers in the United States being honored on National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day , showing that the community recognizes the difficulty of their job and supports them as they provide a public service; and

WHEREAS, the day is dedicated to all members of law enforcement, focusing on police and similar state and local agencies. It was started by Concerns of Police Survivors, which partners with organizations across the country to make the day happen; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I Richard M. Onderko, Mayor of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey along with the Council supports observance of this day and encourages all citizens to thank your local police officers for their service to the Borough of Manville and to continue to respect their profession.

Borough of Manville



Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

Councilman Joseph A. Lukac, III
Councilwoman Suzanne Maeder
Councilwoman Michele Magnani

Council President Ted Petrock
Councilman Stephen Szabo
Councilwoman Patricia Zamorski

Read into the Record: January 25, 2021

B/Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Mayor Onderko read the Proclamation for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day into the Public Record.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Proclamation

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. devoted his life to advancing equality, social justice, and opportunity for all, and challenged all Americans to participate in the never-ending work of building a more perfect union; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King's teachings can continue to guide and inspire us in addressing challenges in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Service Act enacted in 1994, designated Martin Luther King, Jr. Day as a National Day of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights empowers us all. The principles enshrined in the Declaration are as relevant today as they were in 1948; and

WHEREAS, since 1994 millions of Americans have been inspired by the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to serve their neighbors and communities on this day; and

WHEREAS, serving on this day is an appropriate way to honor to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. meet local and national needs, bring our citizens together, and strengthen our communities and nation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Day of Service is the only federal holiday commemorated as a national day of service, and offers an opportunity for Americans to give back to their communities on the holiday and make an ongoing commitment to service throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, each of us can and must contribute to making our communities better with increased opportunity for all our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Richard M. Onderko, Mayor of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey along with the Council do hereby proclaim January 18, 2021 as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in the Borough of Manville and call upon its residents to pay tribute to the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through participation in community service projects on Martin Luther King Jr. Day and throughout the year.

Borough of Manville



Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

Councilman Joseph A. Lukac, III Council President Ted Petrock
Councilwoman Suzanne Maeder Councilman Stephen Szabo
Councilwoman Michele Magnani Councilwoman Patricia Zamorski
Read into the Record: January 25, 2021

C/ National School Choice Week

Councilwoman Maeder read the Proclamation for National School Choice Week into the Public Record.

Manville School Choice Week Proclamation

WHEREAS, all children in MANVILLE should have access to the highest-quality education possible; and

WHEREAS, MANVILLE recognizes the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students in MANVILLE to be successful adults; and

WHEREAS, quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of MANVILLE; and

WHEREAS, educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy, but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and

WHEREAS, MANVILLE has many high-quality teaching professionals in all types of school settings who are committed to educating our children; and

WHEREAS, School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard M. Onderko, Mayor of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset,

State of New Jersey along with the Council do hereby recognize January 24-30, 2021 as MANVILLE School Choice Week , and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.

Borough of Manville



Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

Councilman Joseph A. Lukac, III

Council President Ted Petrock

Councilwoman Suzanne Maeder

Councilman Stephen Szabo

Councilwoman Michele Magnani

Councilwoman Patricia Zamorski

Read into the Record: January 25, 2021

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to approve the following minutes:

A/ Reorganization Meeting of January 4, 2021

Councilman Szabo, seconded by Councilman Lukac made a motion to approve the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of 2021.

ROLL CALL: AYES: PETROCK, LUKAC, MAEDER, MAGNANI SZABO, ZAMORSKI

B/ Scheduled Meeting of January 11, 2021

Councilman Szabo, seconded by Councilman Lukac made a motion to approve the minutes of the Scheduled Meeting of January 11, 2021.

ROLL CALL: AYES: PETROCK, LUKAC, MAEDER, MAGNANI SZABO, ZAMORSKI

ORDINANCE- FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION

Mayor Onderko read Ordinance #2020-1256 by title and requested a motion to introduce. Councilman Szabo, seconded by Councilman Lukac made a motion to introduce Ordinance #2020-1256.

ROLL CALL: AYES: PETROCK, LUKAC, MAEDER, MAGNANI SZABO, ZAMORSKI

Ordinance #2021-1256

Ordinance To Exceed The Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits Providing For A 3.5% "Cap" For The 2021 Budget And To Establish A Cap Bank Pursuant To N.J.S.A 40a:4-45.14

Statement of Purpose

This purpose of this ordinance is to exceed the municipal budget appropriation limits providing for a 1% "cap" for the 2021 budget and to establish a cap bank pursuant to N.J.S.A 40a:4-45.14

WHEREAS, the Local Government CAP Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 1% 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 the 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 Council of the Borough of Manville in the County of Somerset 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 Borough Council hereby determines that a 1% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$270,798.75 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government CAP Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough 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 Borough Council of the Borough of Manville, in the County of Somerset, 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 Borough of Manville shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$379,118.25 and that the CY 2021 municipal budget for the Borough of Manville be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, 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 the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days after such adoption.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

Mayor Onderko read Ordinance #2020-1257 by title and requested a motion to introduce. Councilman Szabo, seconded by Councilman Lukac made a motion to introduce Ordinance #2020-1257.

ROLL CALL: AYES: PETROCK, LUKAC, MAEDER, MAGNANI SZABO, ZAMORSKI

Ordinance #2021-1257

An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance #500 “An Ordinance To Regulate Motor Vehicle Parking And Traffic In The Streets And Parking Lots Of The Borough Of Manville And Providing Penalties For Violations Thereof” as amended by Ordinance #628 , Ordinance #1149, and Ordinance #1241

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to regulate parking in Municipal parking lots.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey that Ordinance #500, as amended by Ordinance #628, #1149, and #1241 be further amended as follows:

SECTION 1. ARTICLE XII, Section 12-5 is hereby repealed and amended to read as follows:

Section 12-5 Whenever snow has fallen and the accumulation is such that it covers the parking lot area, vehicles shall be removed within twenty-four(24) hours of the conclusion of the snow event to allow for the removal of snow by the Borough.

SECTION 2. CONSTRUCTION

Where consistent with the context in which used in this ordinance, words importing the singular shall include the plural; words importing the plural shall include the singular; and, words importing one gender shall include all other genders.

SECTION 3. INCONSISTENCY

Should any provision of this ordinance be inconsistent with the provisions of any prior ordinances, the inconsistent provisions of said prior ordinances are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

In the event that any provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this ordinance which may be given effect, and, to realize this intent, the provisions and applications of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. PURPOSE OF CAPTIONS

Captions contained in this ordinance have been inserted only for the purpose of facilitating reference to the various sections, and are not intended and shall not be utilized to construe the intent and meaning of the text of any section.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon final adoption in accordance with law.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

PUBLIC PORTION ON RESOLUTIONS

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to open the public portion on Resolutions #2021-32 through #2021-40. Councilman Szabo , seconded by Councilman Lukac , made a motion to open the public portion on Resolutions #2021-32 through #2021-40.

All present were in favor.

When no one from the public wished to comment, Mayor Onderko requested a motion to close the public portion on Resolutions. Councilman Szabo, seconded by Councilwoman Magnani, made a motion to close the public portion on Resolutions #2021-32 through #2021-40.

All present were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS- TAKEN SEPARATELY

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-32. Councilman Szabo, seconded by Councilwoman Magnani made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-32.

ROLL CALL: AYES: PETROCK, LUKAC, MAEDER, MAGNANI SZABO, ZAMORSKI

**Resolution #2021-32
Approval of Vouchers**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of The Borough of Manville that the following accounts:

1. Current	\$1,577,737.18
2. Sewer Checking	\$143,282.50
3. Developer's Escrow	\$385.00
4. Lien Premium	\$14,900.00
5. Redemption Checking	\$10,695.77
6. Unemployment Trust	\$5,005.43
TOTAL	\$1,752,005.88

After being examined by each respective committee, are hereby ordered to be paid.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

RESOLUTIONS-BY CONSENT

Mayor Onderko asked if any Council member would like to take any resolution individually. When no one answered, Mayor Onderko requested a motion to adopt Resolutions #2021-33 through #2021-40. Councilwoman Maeder, seconded by Councilman Lukac made a motion to adopt Resolutions #2021-33 through #2021-40.

ROLL CALL: AYES: PETROCK, LUKAC, MAEDER, MAGNANI, SZABO, ZAMORSKI

**Resolution #2021-33
Tax Collector Adjustment-Redeemed Liens**

WHEREAS, several real property tax payers have redeemed liens held against their property taxes and;

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received proof of such payments after correspondence with said property owners;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council, of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes the Tax Collector to release the amount specified to the lienholders listed below.

<u>Block Lot</u>	<u>Name of Owner</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Premium</u>	<u>Lienholder</u>
11 37	Mackie, K & R	\$4,534.45	\$1,600.00	CC1 NJII
212 10	Cebula, C & M	\$1,077.27	\$2,500.00	Act lien Holding

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

**Resolution #2021-34
Authorization to Hire Temporary Seasonal DPW Employee**

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department has the need to hire one temporary seasonal employee as there was a vacancy created by injuries and COVID-19 quarantines; and

WHEREAS, any temporary seasonal employees hired will be part-time with a maximum of 29 hours per week; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works and the Borough Administrator recommend the hiring of a temporary seasonal employee to work 29 hours per week for a period not to exceed 20 weeks; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator supports the recommendation of the DPW Director to hire Brian Pierrot to serve in the position of temporary seasonal sanitation worker; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, that the Director of Public Works is hereby authorized:

To hire Brian Pierrot as temporary, seasonal part-time employee for the Public Works Department at the rate of \$15 per hour, for 29 hours per week, effective January 26, 2021.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

**Resolution #2021-35
Adjusting the Duties and Responsibilities of Part Time Administrative Clerk to
Include Board of Health Secretary.**

WHEREAS, Jennifer Colucci was appointed to the position of Administrative Clerk effective March 27, 2018, and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Colucci was appointed Board of Health Secretary at the annual Reorganization meeting of the Board of Health held on January 19, 2021; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey that Jennifer Colucci is hereby appointed as Board of Health Secretary effective January 19, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the salary for the position of Administrative Clerk and Board of Health Secretary will be increased to \$20.00 per hour from here present salary of \$18.00 per hour, no benefits.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

**Resolution #2020-36
Appointment of Joint Land Use Board Secretary-Nancy Kagan**

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy in the Position of Land Use Board Secretary due to the resignation of Jasmine D. Mathis, and

WHEREAS, at the Reorganization Meeting of the Joint Land Use Board held on January 12, 2021 the Joint Land Use Board appointed Nancy Kagan to the position of Board Secretary,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville, County Of Somerset, and State of New Jersey that:

- 1.) Nancy Kagan is hereby appointed as the Joint Land Use Board Secretary for the Borough of Manville effective January 12, 2021,

- 2.) Nancy Kagan will attend all Joint Land Use Board meetings, will prepare all meeting packets and agendas, will be responsible for proper advertisement of public meetings, will prepare all meeting minutes and will work closely with the Borough Engineer, the Borough's Zoning Official and the Joint Land Use Board Attorney, In addition, Ms Kagan will be available to attend to questions from the public and to work with Borough Staff.
- 3.) Nancy's salary stipend for this position will be \$6,000 per annum, effective January 12, 2021, said position is not eligible for overtime or compensatory time.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

Resolution #2021-37
Tax Assessor Adjustment- 100% Disabled Veteran Exemption

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor of the Borough of Manville does hereby determine that the property owner qualifies as a 100% disabled veteran and is entitled to receive a full exemption from property taxes on the property located at 115 North 8th Avenue also known as Block 54, Lot 26 in the Borough of Manville.

WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs has determined that the property owner has had a 100% permanent wartime service-connected disability since December 3, 2020.

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor of the Borough of Manville does hereby determine that the property owner qualifies for a 100% exemption from property taxes on the property, a single-family residence, located at 115 North 8th Avenue, also known as Block 54, Lot 26, in which the veteran currently resides.

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey statutorily provides the following:

Section: 54:4-3.32: Return of certain taxes collected on exempt property.

3. The governing body of each municipality, by appropriate resolution, may return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt had proper claim in writing been made therefor in the manner provided by P.L. [1948, c.259](#) (C.54:4-3.30 et seq.). The governing body of each municipality, by appropriate resolution, may also return to the veteran or the veteran's surviving spouse all property tax payments made since the time of the veteran's actual disability or since the time of the veteran's death. No refunds shall be made under this section for any year or portion thereof prior to the effective date of P.L.1948, c.259 (C.54:4-3.30 et seq.).

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville does hereby declare that the property owner is entitled, as a 100% disabled veteran, to a refund of the property taxes billed for 115 North 8th Avenue, also known as Block 54, Lot 26, in the Borough of Manville retroactive to December 3, 2020.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

Resolution #2021-38
Tax Assessor Adjustment- 100% Disabled Veteran

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor of the Borough of Manville does hereby determine that the property owner qualifies as a 100% disabled veteran and is entitled to receive a full exemption from property

taxes on the property located at 1802 West Camplain Road also known as Block 92, Lot 39 in the Borough of Manville.

WHEREAS, the Department of Veterans Affairs has determined that the property owner has had a 100% permanent wartime service-connected disability prior to November 3, 2020.

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor of the Borough of Manville does hereby determine that the property owner qualifies for a 100% exemption from property taxes on the property, a single-family residence, located at 1802 West Camplain Road, also known as Block 92, Lot 39, in which the veteran currently resides.

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey statutorily provides the following:

Section: 54:4-3.32: Return of certain taxes collected on exempt property.

3. The governing body of each municipality, by appropriate resolution, may return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt had proper claim in writing been made therefor in the manner provided by P.L. [1948, c.259](#) (C.54:4-3.30 et seq.). The governing body of each municipality, by appropriate resolution, may also return to the veteran or the veteran's surviving spouse all property tax payments made since the time of the veteran's actual disability or since the time of the veteran's death. No refunds shall be made under this section for any year or portion thereof prior to the effective date of P.L.1948, c.259 (C.54:4-3.30 et seq.).

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Manville does hereby declare that the property owner is entitled, as a 100% disabled veteran, to a refund of the property taxes billed for 1802 West Camplain Road, also known as Block 92, Lot 39, in the Borough of Manville retroactive to November 3, 2020.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

**Resolution #2021-39
Professional Services Agreement-Appraiser
Sterling DiSanto and Associates**

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Manville appointed Sterling DiSanto as Manville Borough Appraiser for the calendar year 2021, at its January 4, 2021 Reorganization Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids on the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the governing body, upon review of the qualifications, determined that Sterling DiSanto and Associates has the necessary qualifications to perform the duties of Borough Appraiser and has provided the Borough with a satisfactory proposal; and

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

- 1) The proposed Professional Services Agreement from Rogut McCarthy., in the form annexed to and made a part of this Resolution, is accepted.
- 2) This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A 40:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law;
- 3) The Mayor and Borough Administrator are hereby authorized to execute the attached Professional Services Agreement, as consistent with the terms of this Resolution, with an hourly rate of \$150.00 per hour and not to exceed \$6,000.00

- 4) A Notice of award of this contract shall be published once, in accord with N.J.S.A 40:11-5(1)(a)(i).
- 5) The Chief Financial Officer shall provide a Certification of Funds.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

**Resolution #2021-40
Authorizing Joint Agreement with the Township of Hillsborough
for the Repaving of Brooks Boulevard**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of Borough of Manville, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey that the attached AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF MANVILLE AND THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH REGARDING THE REPAVING OF BROOKS BOULEVARD is hereby approved on the terms and conditions as set forth in this attached agreement; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that, as set forth in the attached Agreement, same shall be effective upon approval by the governing bodies of both the Borough of Manville and the Township of Hillsborough; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, the Borough Administrator, the Borough Engineer and the Borough Finance Officer are authorized to take such actions and sign such documents, as are necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution and the attached Agreement.

Borough of Manville
/s/ Richard M. Onderko, Mayor

OFFICIAL REPORTS

- A/ Clerk's Report-December, 2020
- B/ Code Enforcement Report- December,2020
- C/Bureau of Fire Safety Report- December, 2020
- D/Manville Municipal Court-December 2020

Mayor Onderko stated the above reports were on file in the Clerk's Office.

NEW BUSINESS

Towing License Renewals 2021

- A/ Kovi Towing
- B/ Mike's Towing

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to accept New Business.

All present were in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Onderko spoke of the newsletter and explained that it is an effective way for the Borough to relay information to the Public. He stated there has been a delay in the reconstruction portion of the Main St. Road Diet until 2022 and Bidding for the project won't start until January 2022. There will be a public meeting scheduled in February where the Public will be able to view and comment on the

finalized designs. Mayor Onderko commented he is hopeful to see new plans for the Rustic Mall in February. Street lights and lamp posts on Main St. have been upgraded to LED lighting.

Councilwoman Zamorski, as Chairperson of the Public Safety Committee, stated she attended the Board of Engineers meeting and congratulated the new chiefs. The Fire Dept. is looking to reinstate the Junior Firefighter program. Fire Superintendent Renaldi reported the rental inspections are going well and there are a few new businesses opening. OEM Director Bentz was nominated to be the Board of Engineers Secretary. Chief Herbst reported the Police Dept. has received a donation of PPE equipment from Licarrdi Motors in Green Brook. One of the Borough's Police Officers is currently working with the County Sherriff's Dept for the next six months.

Councilman Lukac, as Chairperson of the Department of Public Works Committee stated the Committee met this evening. The Brooks Blvd project was discussed, the project bid will be accepted in February and the project is set to be completed before school reopens in September. Councilman Lukac stressed the importance of the crack sealing program to his fellow council members. DPW Director LoMedico will be researching slurry sealing for the Borough and will report his findings back to the Committee. 10 new trees were planted as a grant from the Shade Tree Commission. DPW will not be able to brine for the upcoming storm due to the roll off truck with the brine box is still out of service.

Councilwoman Magnani, as Chairperson of Policy, Planning, and Personnel Committee, stated the Committee met this evening and in attendance were Councilwoman Maeder, Councilman Lukac, and Administrator Radi. The committee discussed job description updates as well as codification updates for the Joint Land Use Board.

Council Petrock, as Chairperson of the Finance Committee, stated he had no report however the Finance Committee is working on a few items before drafting the 2021 budget.

Councilwoman Maeder, as Chairperson of the Building and Grounds Committee, stated the Committee met this afternoon. The lighting project at the Library has been completed and the installation of the generator will commence mid February and should take a few months to complete. The committee discussed projects that would be funded through CDBG grants, and the priority project is curbing and sidewalks throughout the Borough. The Rabies Clinic will be February 27th at Firehouse #3 from 9:00 through noon. Recreation programs registration for Softball, T-Ball or Soccer will be available on line through Community Pass.

Councilman Szabo, as Chairperson of the Progress and Development Committee, stated walls have begun to be constructed at the Valerie Villas project.

Administrator Radi stated he is working with Nan Peterson to determine if the Borough's COVID relief grant could possibly fund an ADA compliant circulation desk and seating area that is more COVID friendly. The Clerk's office will be utilizing Gov Pilot for online OPRA Request processing and Civic Clerk for online agendas and supporting documentation.

PUBLIC PORTION

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to open the Public Portion. Councilman Szabo , seconded by Councilman Lukac , made a motion to open the Public Portion.

All present were in favor.

Pastor Kenneth Gorman, 921 Lincoln Ave., Commented on a box truck that parks on his block and questioned whether there was an Ordinance to prevent this.

Mayor Onderko answered his question.

When no one else from the Public wished to speak, Mayor Onderko requested a motion to close the public portion. Councilman Szabo , seconded by Councilwoman Magnani made a motion to close the public portion.

Mayor Onderko requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Szabo, seconded by Councilwoman Magnani made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

All present were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:35pm.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wendy Barras".

Wendy Barras
Borough Clerk