

A Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of Middletown Township was held in the Main Meeting Room at Town Hall, One Kings Highway, Middletown, New Jersey and virtually through WebEx at 7:00 p.m. on July 19, 2021.

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt called the meeting to order and read the following notice:

The Notice Requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by transmission to The Star Ledger, The Independent and Two River Times and by posting at the Middletown Township Municipal Building and filing with the Township Clerk all on January 7, 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell, Settembrino, Mayor Perry
Absent: None

Also present were Township Administrator Anthony Mercantante, Township Attorney Brian Nelson, Township Engineer Ted Maloney and Township Clerk Heidi Brunt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt requested a moment of silence to honor the troops serving worldwide defending our freedom and way of life.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE POLICE OFFICERS

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt invited the following Police Officers along with their families to be sworn in as Police Officer by Mayor Perry.

Robert J. Headden
Ryan A. Bruno
Shane M. Hosler
John J. Mania
Dominick S. Librie
Sean P. MacDonald

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION/PROCLAMATIONS

Presentation Recognizing Monmouth United Soccer Club Riptide Team for Winning the 14U NJYS 2021 Challenge Cup

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt invited Head Coach Sean Field and the Assistant Coaches to the front of the room along with the team to be congratulated by Mayor Perry for their historic win. Certificates were given to the Coach to distribute to the team after the presentation.

Presentation Recognizing Middletown High School North Girls Track and Field Team's NJSIAA North II Group III State Sectional Championship

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt invited head coaches Brock Silvestri and Ray Convey along with the assistant coaches and the team to join Mayor Perry at the front of the room. Mayor Perry congratulated them on their win and gave the coaches certificates to distribute to the team later.

Presentation Recognizing Middletown High School South Baseball Team's NJSIAA Group IV State Championship

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt invited head coach Chris LeMore and the assistant coaches, trainer and the team to join Mayor Perry in the front of the room. Mayor Perry congratulated them on their win and presented the coaches with certificates to be distributed to the team later.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt requested a motion to approve the minutes.

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adopt the minutes of the following meetings:

March 15, 2021 Regular Meeting, April 5, 2021 Workshop Meeting, April 19, 2021 Regular Meeting, May 3, 2021 Workshop Meeting, May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting, June 7, 2021 Workshop Meeting and June 21, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Settembrino, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: None

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated Motion carries to approve the minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt read the following ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2021-3312 - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 540 Of The Code of the Township of Middletown Prohibiting the Operation of Any Class of Cannabis Business Within the Jurisdiction of the Township of Middletown

Mayor Perry opened the meeting for public comments.

Joe Pascorella, 557 West Front Street, commented they are against the dispensaries and support the ordinance. He is concerned about traffic accidents like in other states with the legislation.

The Reverend Rose Marie Newbury, 9 Kennedy Court, commented that she opposes the ordinance. She stated the new law was voted on by the people of the State. She is concerned about the five-year ban and it should be governed like alcohol. Mayor Perry responded that we can amend per the State legislature. He also stated this is not how the legislative set the law for there were no regulations to use to make a decision.

Tara Fleming, 49 Brandywine Way, commented she is in favor of having dispensaries with local control. Mayor Perry responded that protocols need to be in place. Township Attorney Brian Nelson commented that the Alcohol and Beverage Control (ABC) manual dictates how alcohol is regulated. The State has 1,000's of pages of regulations. The concerns on revenue being lost is not correct. The State is not issuing licenses.

Greta Siwec, 125 Seabreeze Avenue Ideal Beach, supports this ordinance and thanked the Township Committee for defending quality of life.

Rocky Rios, 41 Harmony Avenue, commented he agreed that the State has been dragging its feet but the Township can go forward with regulations. Township Attorney Brian Nelson discussed a multitude of issues with going forward.

Paul Sarlow, Bergen County, commented that 80% of the residents in Asbury Park voted in favor and yet they still banned it. He stated it is irresponsible to allow dispensary close to the 6,000 acres of parks. He discussed the energy receipts tax the State does not give the money to the towns. \$11 million owed to the Township by the State. Cannabis regulatory oversight commission is irresponsible.

William Brunt, 47 Kings Highway, commented that marijuana is still a class one drug under the US criminal code and banned Federally. The State commission cannot be trusted. We live in a representative republic to make sure the government makes decisions based on what is best for the public instead of mob rule.

Nicholas Babcock, 3 Thorne Place, he is concerned about medical marijuana, the State is dragging its feet.

Tony Fiore, 29 Brasch Blvd, thanked the Township Committee for moving forward with this ordinance. He stated there is no benefit to allowing dispensary in the Township or in any other municipality. It will be another unfunded State mandate if we allow growing, dispensary and cultivation. The residents will go elsewhere to get the pot. Policing will increase, robberies cost a great deal of money. This will never benefit Middletown.

Edward Grimes, stated he objects to this ordinance because it does not allow medical marijuana and it is finding a way around the will of the people.

Hugh Giordano, United Food Workers Union (UFCW), commented the labor union is working with union brothers for cannabis and jobs.

Jamie Van Sciver, Sativa Cross Organization, stated she is concerned about the cannabis for medical use in the Township of Middletown.

Jeff King, 24 Elizabeth Parkway, Eatontown NJ, commented he is disappointed in the Township on the ban, he is concerned about the black market. He also commented that prohibition was a failure too.

Marina Rebmann, Sativa Cross, discussed medical marijuana, PTSD and cancer. She explained that in 2017 she was diagnosed with cancer and none of the prescribed drugs helped. Mayor Perry responded the ordinance is for recreational marijuana not medical.

Hearing no further comments from the public it was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to close public hearing and carried to adopt this ordinance on second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Settembrino, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: None

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated motion carried to pass this ordinance.

INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt read the following Ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2021-3313 – Amended and Restated Ordinance Authorizing Granting of Certain Deeds of Easement Upon Portions of Township-Owned Property Pursuant to The Raritan Bay and Sandy Hook Bay, Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction Project, Port Monmouth, New Jersey, Phase II (Contract 4)

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Settembrino, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: None

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on August 16,2021.

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt read the following Ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2021-3314 – Amended and Restated Ordinance Authorizing Granting of Certain Deeds of Easement Upon Portions of Township-Owned Property Pursuant to The Raritan Bay and Sandy Hook Bay, Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction Project, Port Monmouth, New Jersey, Phase II (Contract 5)

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Committeeman Settembrino to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Settembrino, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: None

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on August 16,2021.

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt read the following Ordinance by title:

Ordinance 2021-3315 – Bond Ordinance Providing an Appropriation of \$950,000 For The Acquisition of Body Cameras, In Car Video and Storage and Accessories for The Police Department by and for The Township of Middletown in The County of Monmouth, New Jersey and Authorizing the Issuance of \$650,807 In Bonds or Notes of the Township for Financing Part of the Appropriation.

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell to pass this ordinance on first reading.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Settembrino, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: None

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated motion carried to pass this ordinance on first reading with a public hearing to be held on August 16, 2021.

CONSENT AGENDA

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt requested a motion to adopt a consent agenda including Resolutions 21-179 through 21-196 and Bingo and Raffle Applications.

It was moved by Mayor Perry, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hibell and carried to adopt the consent agenda:

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Settembrino, Snell, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: None

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt stated the motion carried to adopt the consent agenda.

Resolution 21-179 - Resolution Confirming the Sale of \$8,905,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2021, Consisting of \$4,730,000 General Improvement Bonds, Series 2021 And \$4,175,000 Open Space Bonds, Series 2021 Of The Township of Middletown, In The County of Monmouth, New Jersey to The Monmouth County Improvement Authority

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, the Township adopted a resolution on June 21, 2021 (the “Authorization Resolution”), providing for the issuance and sale of bonds to The Monmouth County Improvement Authority (the “Authority”) in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$10,338,613 to be issued as two series designated as General Improvement Bonds, Series 2021 and Open Space Bonds, Series 2021 (collectively, the “Bonds”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Authorization Resolution, the terms of the Bonds shall be confirmed by the provisions set forth herein (the “Confirming Resolution”).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) that:

SECTION 1. Ordinances. There shall be issued bonds of the Township in the following principal amounts pursuant to the following bond ordinances:

A. \$108,281 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2007-2931):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING APPROPRIATION OF \$3,800,000 FOR THE DREDGING OF SHADOW LAKE BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,800,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE

TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 20 years.

B. \$25,226 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2019-3262):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$30,600 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A VIDEO PIPE INSPECTION CAMERA FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$29,070 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 5 years.

C. \$294,298 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2019-3263):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$357,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF EASEMENTS FOR THE PORT MONMOUTH FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$339,150 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 40 years.

D. \$147,149 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2019-3264):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$178,500 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO GRAND TOUR ROAD BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$169,575 IN BONDS OR

NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 20 years.

E. \$327,932 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2019-3265):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$397,800 FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$377,910 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 15 years.

F. \$98,099 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2019-3275):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$119,000 FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$113,050 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 5 years.

G. \$950,493 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2019-3276):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,153,000 FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,095,350 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 16.56 years.

H. \$2,778,522 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2020-3290):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$3,671,500 FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,201,975 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 15.68 years.

I. \$4,175,000 bonds, being a portion of the bonds authorized by an ordinance entitled: (Ord. No. 2019-3277):

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$5,145,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO NORMANDY PARK TURF FIELDS BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,887,750 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.”

heretofore finally adopted. The average period of usefulness is 15 years.

SECTION 2. Amount of Bonds. The Bonds in the principal amount of \$8,905,000 are hereby issued and sold in accordance with the provisions of the Authorization Resolution and the provisions of this Confirming Resolution. The Bonds shall constitute and shall be designated “General Improvement Bonds, Series 2021” and “Open Space Bonds, Series 2021”.

SECTION 3. Average Useful Life. It is hereby found, determined and declared, that the average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes for which the said General Improvement Bonds, Series 2021 are to be issued, taking into consideration the amount of such General Improvement Bonds, Series 2021 to be issued for said improvements or purposes, is 17.27 years. It is hereby found, determined and declared, that the average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes for which the said Open Space Bonds, Series 2021 are to be issued, taking into consideration the amount of such Open Space Bonds, Series 2021 to be issued for said improvements or purposes, is 15 years.

SECTION 4. Description of the Bonds.

- (a) Terms of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be dated and shall bear interest from the date of delivery at the rates, and shall mature, subject to prepayment as herein provided, on March 1 in the year and in the principal amount set opposite such year in the following table:

General Improvement Bonds, Series 2021

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2022	\$185,000	4.00%
2023	205,000	4.00
2024	210,000	4.00
2025	220,000	4.00
2026	230,000	4.00
2027	240,000	5.00
2028	255,000	5.00
2029	265,000	5.00
2030	280,000	5.00
2031	295,000	5.00
2032	305,000	3.00
2033	315,000	3.00
2034	325,000	3.00
2035	335,000	3.00
2036	345,000	3.00
2037	355,000	3.00
2038	365,000	2.00

Open Space Bonds, Series 2021

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2022	\$180,000	4.00%
2023	215,000	4.00
2024	220,000	4.00

2025	230,000	4.00
2026	240,000	4.00
2027	250,000	5.00
2028	265,000	5.00
2029	280,000	5.00
2030	290,000	5.00
2031	305,000	5.00
2032	320,000	3.00
2033	330,000	3.00
2034	340,000	3.00
2035	350,000	3.00
2036	360,000	3.00

(b) Form of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be in substantially the form set forth in the Authorization Resolution, which form is by this reference incorporated in full as if set forth herein, with such omissions, insertions and variations as are properly required and which are not contrary to any of the provisions of the Authorization Resolution or any of the provisions of this Confirming Resolution.

SECTION 5. Redemption of the Bonds.

The Bonds maturing on or prior to March 1, 2031 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities. The Bonds maturing on or after March 1, 2032 are subject to redemption at the option of the Township on or after March 1, 2031 upon notice as described in a bond resolution adopted by the Monmouth County Improvement Authority on May 6, 2021, either in whole or in part by lot within a single maturity from maturities selected by the Township, on any date, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof (the "Redemption Price"), plus in each case accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

If notice of redemption has been given as provided herein, the Bonds or the portion thereof called for redemption shall be due and payable on the date fixed for redemption at the Redemption Price, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

SECTION 6. Award of the Bonds. The Bonds are authorized to be sold and awarded to The Monmouth County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") at a purchase price of \$10,476,217.00 for the Bonds. The terms and conditions of such offer are set forth in a bond purchase agreement, dated June 23, 2021 (the "Bond Purchase Agreement"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and which by this reference is made a part hereof as if set forth in full herein. Settlement for the Bonds was made in immediately available funds on July 8, 2021.

SECTION 7. Additional Acts. On behalf of the Township, the appropriate representatives of the Township are authorized and directed to take all steps which are necessary or convenient to effectuate the terms of the Authorization Resolution and the terms of this Confirming Resolution with respect to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

SECTION 8. Effective Date. This Confirming Resolution shall take effect upon adoption hereof.

Resolution 21-180 - Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Substantially Amended CDBG Annual Action Plan of the Fy2020-2024 Consolidated Plan (Program Year 2020)

WHEREAS, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended provides for a program of Community Development Block Grants (CDBG); and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown is an Entitlement Community as defined under said Act and is entitled to financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, federal regulations at 24 CFR Part 91 require that the Township prepare and submit an Annual Action Plan as a prerequisite to receipt of entitlement Community Development Block Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Township intends to substantially amend the CDBG Annual Action Plan of the FY2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, Program Year 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) encourages grantees to use CDBG funds to undertake the priorities and specific objectives for housing and community development outlined in the Township’s annual action plans; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the priorities and objectives outlined in the adopted FY2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, the Township of Middletown anticipates the transfer of \$215,435 in funds currently allocated to the Home Rehabilitation Program of the Township’s CDBG Program to one new, eligible activity, as follows:

<u>Changes to CDBG-Funded Activities:</u>	<u>Prior Allocation</u>	<u>Funding Change</u>	<u>% Change in Allocation</u>
Existing Activity: Middletown Township Home Rehab Program	\$215,435	-\$215,435	-100%
New Activity: Middletown Township ADA Accessibility Improvements at Township Parks and Buildings	\$0.00	+\$215,435	New Activity

; and

WHEREAS, the reprogramming of these funds is in accordance with existing U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Community Development policies; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG Program requires certain certifications to be submitted along with and as part of said plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey that the Mayor be and is authorized and directed to submit the Township of Middletown's substantial amendment to the CDBG Annual Action Plan of the FY2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, Program Year 2020 to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, including all understandings and certifications contained therein, to act as the authorized representative of the Township of Middletown, and to provide such additional information as may be required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Community Development staff are hereby authorized and directed to respond to all citizen's comments received during the required 30-day comment period and make such revisions or modifications to the Plan as may be necessary or appropriate based on such comments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and other authorized appropriate and responsible officials be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the Township of Middletown such certifications and other documentation as may be required the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Resolution 21-181 - Authorizing the Acquisition of One (1) New Kubota 4WD Cab Tractor and Front Loader for the Middletown Public Works Department Through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown is a party to a cooperative purchasing agreement with the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System, a cooperative purchasing program organized pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10, and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law authorizes a municipality to acquire goods and services through a duly formed cooperative purchasing system without advertising for bids, and

WHEREAS, the Township is in need of acquiring One (1) New Kubota M4D-071HDC12 4WD Cab Tractor and Front Loader for the Township of Middletown Public Works Department, and

WHEREAS, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System has awarded a contract to Cherry Valley Tractor Sales, 35 Route 70 West, Marlton, N.J. 08053-3099 for the acquisition of One (1) New Kubota 4WD Cab Tractor and Front Loader (Contract# ESCNJ 18/19-25 Grounds Equipment and ESCNJ 18/19-22 Snow Equipment) in the amount of \$54,892.78, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Middletown has certified that adequate funds for such contract are available, and are designated to line item appropriations of the official budget no. see below-. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and made part hereof and the funds to be expended herein are assigned to line item no. see below. A copy of the within resolution and certification shall be certified by the Township Clerk. The Township Attorney is satisfied that the availability of funds has been provided and a copy of the within resolution shall be made a part of the file concerning said resolution and appointment.

C-04-55-914-111-004 - \$18,680.20

C-04-55-916-178-008 - \$36,212.58

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Township of Middletown enter into an agreement with Cherry Valley Tractor Sales, 35 Route 70 West, Marlton, N.J. 08053-3099 for the acquisition of One (1) New Kubota 4WD Cab Tractor and Front Loader in the amount of \$54,892.78.

1. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following
 - A) Purchasing Agent
 - B) Comptroller
 - C) Director of Public Works
 - D) Vendor

Resolution 21-182 - Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Vendor(S) With State Contracts for Personal Protective Equipment – Scott Air Cylinders

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey as follows:

2. In accordance with the requirements of the Local Public Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40:11-12 et seq., and the regulations promulgated there under, the following purchase without competitive bids from vendor(s) with State Contract is hereby approved:

ITEM # 1

VENDOR

ACTION FIRE APPARATUS, TBA
NEW JERSEY FIRE EQUIPMENT
119-131 ROUTE 22 EAST
GREEN BROOK, N.J. 08812

STATE CONTRACT # 17-FLEET-00819

AMOUNT \$49,356.00

DESCRIPTION

SCOTT CYLINDERS FOR THE AIR
PACKS FOR THE MIDDLETOWN
FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Middletown has certified that adequate funds for such contract are available, and are designated to line item appropriation of the official budget no. 1-01-44-913-200-. A copy of the said certification is attached hereto and part hereof and the funds to be expended herein are assigned to line item no. 800. A copy of the within resolution and certification shall be certified by the Township Clerk. The Township Attorney is satisfied that the availability of funds has been provided and a copy of the within resolution shall be made a part of the file concerning said resolution and appointment.

1-01-44-913-200-800 - \$49,356.00

3. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:
 - A) Purchasing Agent
 - B) Comptroller
 - C) Fire Chief
 - D) Vendor

Resolution 21-183 - Cancellation of Community Development Mortgages

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that the mortgages of the Township securing the Community Development and Neighborhood Preservation Program loan/grants in connection with the following properties be and hereby are authorized to be canceled because these mortgages have been repaid, expired or otherwise satisfied.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
364	6	Mr. & Mrs. Gough	40 Appleton Ave	\$11,800

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and other authorized appropriate and responsible officials including the Township Administrator, the Director of Planning, the Community Development Director, or Township Attorney be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the Township of Middletown such certifications and other documentation as may be required by the Monmouth County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to the following:

A. Community Development

Resolution 21-184 - Resolution Amending Resolution 20-191 as to Estimated and Authorized Expenditure

WHEREAS, the Township by Resolution 17-237 awarded the Police Uniform Bid to Bob's Uniform, P.O. Box 578, Middletown, NJ 0774 on August 30, 2017 to provide said services for a twenty-four (24) month period with an option for two (2) additional twelve (12) month extensions agreeable by both vendor and the Township of Middletown; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police had determined that extending the contract would be in the best interest of the Township for the additional twelve (12) months in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 for the 2020-2021 contract year.

WHEREAS, due to the increase of New Hires throughout the Middletown Police Department, it is necessary to increase the estimated total annual expenditure as set forth in the Resolution 20-191 from the \$40,000.00 for 2020-2021 originally estimated to the amount of \$55,000.00 and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown that Resolution 20-191 related to the Police Uniform Bid is amended to increase the estimated authorized total expenditure for the services during the contract year of 2020-2021 to \$55,000.00. All other provisions of the Resolution remain in effect.

Resolution 21-185 - Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract for Grind and Mulch Operations

WHEREAS, bids were received on July 13, 2021; and

WHEREAS, four (4) bids were picked up by vendors and four (4) responsive bids were received as follows:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COST</u>
ATLANTIC TREE SERVICE P.O. BOX 207 HOLMDEL, NJ 07733	GRIND/MULCH	\$ 4.65 CU YD
MAZZA MULCH INC. 3230A SHAFTO ROAD TINTON FALLS, NJ 07753	GRIND/MULCH	\$ 5.24 CU YD
THE FIREWOOD FARM INC. 325 BERGEN STREET SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ 07080	GRIND/MULCH	\$ 6.50 CU YD
BRITTON INDUSTRIES, INC. 227 BAKERS BASIN ROAD LAWRENCEVILLE, NJ 08648	GRIND/MULCH	\$ 6.89 CU YD

Bid were advertised as per N.J. State Statutes and affidavit of publication is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

ATLANTIC TREE MATERIALS AND GRINDING CO, INC., 805 HOLMDEL ROAD, HOLMDEL, NJ 07733 shall provide the following services for a twenty-four (24) month period. The Township guarantees a minimum of 80,000 cubic yards over the same twenty-four (24) month period as per Bid Proposal & Specifications and Covenants thereof dated July 13, 2021 said being the Lowest Responsible Bidder.

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
GRIND/MULCH WITH A MINIMUM GUARANTEE OF 80,000 CUBIC YARDS OVER 24 MONTH PERIOD	\$4.65 CU YD	\$ 186,000.00 per contract year

This has been bid as an open ended contract with an estimated maximum quantity of up to 160,000 cubic yards over a twenty-four (24) month period. The Township of Middletown has Guaranteed a minimum of 80,000 cubic yards over the same twenty-four (24) month period. This contract has an option for two (2) one-year contract extensions at the end of the twenty-four (24) month contract period.

WHEREAS, bids have been reviewed by the Ted Maloney, Director of Public Works and the Purchasing Agent, and it is their recommendation that the contract be awarded to ATLANTIC TREE MATERIALS AND GRINDING CO., INC., 805 HOLMDEL ROAD, HOLMDEL, NJ 07733 in the amount of \$186,000.00 for the contract year 2021-2022 and \$186,000.00 for contract year 2022-2023. Funds will be encumbered in an appropriate manner for contract years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 by individual purchase orders as services are rendered.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. It hereby awards the contract for Grind and Mulch Operations with a guarantee of 80,000 Cubic Yards of Miscellaneous Material for a twenty-four (24) month period to Atlantic Tree Materials and Grinding Co., Inc., 805 Holmdel Road, Holmdel, NJ 07733 for a total of \$186,000.00 for contract year 2021-2022 and \$186,000.00 for contract year 2022-2023.

2. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this contract is open-ended pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-5-2 (B). Funds will be certified and encumbered by individual purchase order prior to each request for service from the following budget accounts 8-01-26-305-100-810 and T-03-56-802-330-000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this contract is awarded pursuant to a Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20-5 et seq.

3. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:

- A) Purchasing Agent
- B) Chief Financial Officer
- C) Ted Maloney, Director of Public Works
- D) All of the above Bidders

Resolution 21-186 - Resolution Releasing the Performance Guarantee for Four Ponds Center Associates (Block 1063, Lot 10) – Phase 1

WHEREAS, the developer of the Site known as Four Ponds had posted with the Township a Performance Guarantee in the form of a Surety Bond issued by Lexon Insurance Company, Performance Bond No 1134436 in the amount of \$1,073,962.26 and 10% cash Bond in the amount of \$119,329.14; and

WHEREAS, the Performance Guarantee was previously reduced in May 2018; and

WHEREAS, the developer has requested release of said previously reduced Performance Guarantee; and

WHEREAS, the Consulting Engineer, as set forth in his letter of July 14, 2021, indicates he has inspected the premises and has recommended that the performance guarantee in the form of 90% surety bond in the amount of \$1,073,962.26 and 10% Cash bond in the amount of \$119,329.14 be released **subject to the applicant posting a two-year maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$497,204.85.**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee agrees with said recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Middletown Township Committee that the Performance Guarantee be reduced.

A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to the following:

- a. T&M Associates
- b. Planning
- c. Heidi Brunt, Township Clerk
Township of Middletown
One Kings Highway
Middletown, NJ 07748-2085
- d. Kathy C. Herity,
110 Fieldcrest Ave., Edison, NJ 08837, 5th Floor

Resolution 21-187 - Resolution Releasing the Performance Guarantee for Four Ponds Center Associates (Block 1063, Lot 10) – Phase 2

WHEREAS, the developer of the Site known as Four Ponds had posted with the Township a Performance Guarantee in the form of a Surety Bond issued by Lexon Insurance Company, Performance Bond No 1145696 in the amount of \$368,746.78 and 10% cash Bond in the amount of \$40,971.78; and

WHEREAS, the Performance Guarantee was previously reduced in May 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Performance Guarantee was further reduced in August 2019; and

WHEREAS, the developer has requested release of said previously reduced Performance Guarantee; and

WHEREAS, the Consulting Engineer, as set forth in his letter of July 14, 2021, indicates he has inspected the premises and has recommended that the performance guarantee in the form of 90% surety bond in the amount of \$368,746.78 and 10% Cash bond in the amount of \$40,971.78

be released **subject to the applicant posting a two-year maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$170,715.75.**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee agrees with said recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Middletown Township Committee that the Performance Guarantee be reduced.

A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to the following:

- a. T&M Associates
- b. Planning
- c. Heidi Brunt, Township Clerk
Township of Middletown
One Kings Highway
Middletown, NJ 07748-2085
- d. Kathy C. Herity,
110 Fieldcrest Ave., Edison, NJ 08837, 5th Floor

Resolution 21-188 - Resolution Releasing the Performance Guarantee for Four Ponds Center Associates (Block 1063, Lot 10) – Phase 3

WHEREAS, the developer of the Site known as Four Ponds had posted with the Township a Performance Guarantee in the form of a Surety Bond issued by Lexon Insurance Company, Performance Bond No 1145697 in the amount of \$288,005.62 and 10% cash Bond in the amount of \$32,000.63; and

WHEREAS, the Performance Guarantee was previously reduced in August 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Performance Guarantee was further reduced in October 2020; and

WHEREAS, the developer has requested release of said previously reduced Performance Guarantee; and

WHEREAS, the Consulting Engineer, as set forth in his letter of July 14, 2021, indicates he has inspected the premises and has recommended that the performance guarantee in the form of 90% surety bond in the amount of \$288,005.62 and 10% Cash bond in the amount of \$32,000.63 be released **subject to the applicant posting a two-year maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$133,335.94.**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee agrees with said recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Middletown Township Committee that the Performance Guarantee be reduced.

A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to the following:

- a. T&M Associates
- b. Planning
- c. Heidi Brunt, Township Clerk
Township of Middletown
One Kings Highway
Middletown, NJ 07748-2085
- d. Kathy C. Herity,
110 Fieldcrest Ave., Edison, NJ 08837, 5th Floor

Resolution 21-189 - Resolution Adopting Procedures for Administration and Inspection of Federal Aid Highway Projects

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (“**FHWA**”) provides opportunities for Local Public Agencies (“**LPA**”), such as the Township of Middletown (“**Township**”), to receive Federal Aid Highway Program (“**FAHP**” or “**federal-aid**”) funds through New Jersey Department of Transportation (“**NJDOT**”); and

WHEREAS, the Township is presently the recipient of federal-aid funds through a project awarded under the NJDOT Safe Routes to School Program (“**SRTS**”); and

WHEREAS, the Township as an LPA, is responsible for administering federal-aid funded projects in compliance with all federal-aid requirements established by the FHWA; and

WHEREAS, the NJDOT, through its Stewardship Agreement with FHWA, is responsible for ensuring that the Township is adequately staffed and suitably equipped to undertake federal-aid projects, and ensure that federal requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Township, as required by the NJDOT, has developed a Policy outlining the required procedures for the Administration of Federally Funded Transportation Projects administered through the NJDOT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that it hereby adopts the policy entitled, “Middletown Township Procedure for Administration and Inspection of Federal Aid Highway Projects” dated July 2021.

Resolution 21-190 - Jersey Department of Transportation for Phase I of East Road Improvements

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that:

1. It formally approves the submittal of a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the project application identified as **MA-2022-East Road Improvements - Phase I-00178**.
2. It hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute and submit an electronic grant application identified as **MA-2022-East Road Improvements - Phase I-00178** to the New Jersey Department of Transportation.
3. Acknowledges that execution and submittal of the grant application and agreement on behalf of the Township constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

Resolution 21-191 - A Resolution of the Township of Middletown Supporting the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) Plan to Perform an Engineering Study to Make Improvements to The Traffic Signal at Rt. 36 And Thompson Avenue

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown has been notified that the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) studying needed safety improvements and subsequently implementing them as described in the Briefing Paper attached hereto and made a part hereof, prepared by the NJDOT; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Middletown has further been made aware that many portion of this intersection within the NJDOT right-of-way is substandard; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown believes improvements to the design and geometry of this portion of Rt. 36 near Thompson Avenue will significantly improve traffic safety for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MIDDLETOWN, that Middletown hereby supports the NJDOT's study of this intersection and look forward to seeing the proposed design and safety changes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee requests that said the NJDOT work expeditiously to develop a proposed redesign of this intersection and them expeditiously move towards implementation of the finally approved design.

Resolution 21-192 - Resolution Extending Grace Period for Payment of 3rd Quarter 2021 Taxes

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-64 provides that third quarter tax bills were to be mailed at least 47 days prior to the due date of August 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, because of delays outside of the Township's control, the bills could not be mailed prior to this deadline; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3d provides that when third quarter tax bills cannot be mailed by June 14, taxes shall not be subject to interest until at least 25 days after the tax bills are mailed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the interest charged as per Resolution No. 21-38, shall be waived if payment of third quarter tax bills is received by August 20, 2021. Any payments not made within this time shall be charged interest from the State set due date of August 1, 2021.

Resolution 21-193 - Resolution Authorizing Entry of Agreement with The New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish cooperative pricing systems and to enter into cooperative pricing agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen (the “**Lead Agency**”) has offered voluntary participation in the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance, a cooperative pricing system for the purchase of various goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown desires to join the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance for the provision of such goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that:

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5), the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency for entry into the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance.
2. The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Resolution 21-194 - Resolution Approving Shared Services Agreement with The Borough of Fair Haven for Purchasing Agent Services

WHEREAS, the Township of Middletown (“**Middletown**”) and the Borough of Fair Haven (“**Fair Haven**”) have negotiated the terms of a shared services agreement for Middletown to provide purchasing agent services, upon the terms set forth in the agreement attached hereto and incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, entry into this shared services agreement is authorized by the New Jersey Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Middletown in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that it hereby approves entry into a shared services agreement with Fair Haven for the provision of purchasing agent services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the shared services agreement attached hereto and made part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk shall transmit a copy of this resolution and the shared services agreement executed pursuant to same to the Division of Local Government Services at the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for informational purposes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4b.

Resolution 21-195 - Resolution of The Township Committee of the Township of Middletown, Monmouth County, New Jersey, Authorizing The Official Filing of The 2020 Municipal Audit

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, The Annual Report of Audit for the year 2020 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk as per the requirements of N.J.S. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey is authorized to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs, as per R.S. 52:27BB-34; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled:

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and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled:

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as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, as per the regulations of the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the promulgations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52 - to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52 - AA local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Township of Middletown, hereby states that it has complied with the promulgation of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey dated July 30, 1968 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

Resolution 21-196 – Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Bills for July 19, 2021

The Township Committee hereby approves a resolution for the payment of bills for June 21, 2021 in the amount of \$10,670,689.29

BINGO AND RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

Family Resource Associates	21-35A
PTO Harmony School	21-58
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Thompson Middle School PFA	21-61
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VFW #2179 Middletown Township	21-66

No Pet Left Behind Animal Rescue	21-67
Embrella	20-10A
Embrella	20-11A

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ACTING AS THE ABC ISSUING AUTHORITY

Township Clerk Heidi Brunt requested a motion to adopt resolution 21-197 for the renewal of Liquor License 1331-33-001 for 2021-2022.

It was moved by Mayor Perry and seconded by Committeeman Settembrino to adopt Resolution 21-197.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell, Settembrino, Mayor Perry
 Nays: None
 Abstention: None
 Absent: None

Township Clerk Brunt stated motion carried to adopt Resolution 21-197.

Resolution 21-197 - Resolution Authorizing the Renewal of Liquor Licenses for the 2021-2022 Licensing Term

WHEREAS, application has been made to the Middletown Township Committee for Liquor License in the Township of Middletown for the licensing year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 accompanied by an assigned fee per Chapter 240-1A of the Code of the Township of Middletown.

1. 1331-33-001-002 Licensee: JOHN HOYLE ESQ ADMIN OF THE ESTATE OF CARL BACHSTADT

WHEREAS, the application is for an inactive license, and appearing that the application is in due form and that all legal formalities have been met.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk issue the necessary licenses pursuant to this resolution and that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of Alcoholic Beverage Control of the State of New Jersey, provided that in each case payment of \$200.00 filing fee by the licensee have been made to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control in accordance with P.L. 1970, Chapter 77.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS:

Committeeman Settembrino, thanked the sports teams for being here and echoed what the Mayor said “the success of a team means success as a Township”, these teams have honored our town. He congratulated the six new Police Officers and stated more times these officers have left other law enforcement positions to come to Middletown Township which speaks volumes of what we have here one of the safest communities.

Committeewoman Snell, congratulated the six new Police Officers joining part of the finest Police Departments in the Country. She also congratulated the three sports teams honored tonight. She mentioned the fundraising efforts and the brick orders were placed today.

Committeeman Clarke, congratulated the six new Police Officers which speaks a lot about our leadership. He also congratulated the sports teams honored tonight. He commented on Ordinance 2021-3312 and his support. He apologized for not making it to the Employee picnic but wanted to thank employees for all they do.

Deputy Mayor Hibell, also congratulated the Police Officers and sports teams. He also welcomed back the three NJ Task Force One heroes the best of the best.

Mayor Perry, also commended NJ Task Force One as best of the best. He also commented that he is elected to serve Middletown as long as you will have me.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Lois Scabakis, 129 Maple Avenue, expressed her concerns regarding the new pipes on her street. She stated that one broke and now there is flooding on the road and in her basement.

Joe Butler, 145 Maple Avenue, he stated this problem is ongoing since September 2020 and suspects it is a broken pipe.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Deputy Mayor Hibell, seconded by Committeewoman Snell and carried to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Clarke, Hibell, Snell
Nays: None
Abstention: None
Absent: Settembrino, Mayor Perry

Clerk Brunt stated motion carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Brunt
Township Clerk

Approved:

Anthony S. Perry, Mayor