# Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council November 16, 2020 Town Hall Council Chambers, 100 Central Avenue Executive Session 6:00 P.M. Public Session 7:00 P.M.

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

#### **ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

Councilperson: Furgione - Present

Giralo - Present

Gribbin - Present

Oliva-Present

Rodio-Present

Torrissi – Present

Mayor DiDonato -Present

#### **PRESENT ALSO**

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor Bob Vettese, Public Works Manager

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION Resolution #117-2020**

Motion by Council Person Giralo Second Gribbin Enter into Executive Session

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Oliva

Close Executive Session

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi – Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **RESUME REGULAR MEETING-ROLL CALL**

Councilperson:

Furgione - Present

Giralo - Present

Gribbin - Present

Oliva-Present

Rodio-Present

Torrissi – 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. Due to the COVID 19 Virus this meeting will be held electronically by way of Zoom and broadcast live on our local cable channel 9. Each person who wishes to address Council will be allotted 5 minutes.

Public may be heard by dialing 609-561-3040.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### **PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS**

No one desired to be heard

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Executive Minutes October 26, 2020 Council Minutes October 26, 2020

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Giralo Minutes are approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **PRESENTATION**

 Hammonton Heart and Soul – spoke about the program and the grant that was received in the amount of \$100,000.00

#### **DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### Public Hearing of Ordinance #014-2020- Fixing Salary for Department Head of the Construction Office

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARY OF THE DEPARTMENT HEAD OF THE CONSTRUCITON OFFICE

BE IT ORDAINED BY MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY as follows:

Section 1. The Town of Hammonton has employed qualified personnel for purpose of handling the duties of Department of the Construction Office. Pursuant to a negotiated contract between the Department Head of the Construction Department and the Town of Hammonton, the individual shall be paid pursuant to the contract. Minimums and maximum salaries as per contract are as follows:

	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Department Head Construction Dept.	20,000.00	75,000.00

Section 2. The appropriate salary that will be covered under this contract shall be determined by the language contained in the aforementioned contract. No prior contract language or language contained in the prior salary ordinance shall be applicable for purposes of determining the salary level.

Section 3. The method of payment of the salaries to each employee shall be fixed by resolution by Mayor and Council.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication according to law and its provisions.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Torrissi
The Ordinance is taken up for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and public Hearing

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Torrissi

The Public hearing is closed; the ordinance has passed 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and is adopted

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

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### Public Hearing of Ordinance #015-2020- Amend Chapter 261 Towing

### AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 261 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. This Ordinance shall repeal and replace Ordinance #09-2020. Chapter 261, Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 9 are hereby repealed.

Chapter 261 is amended to read as follows: §261-2. Application Process. A. Submission of application. Applications for all towing licenses required by this Chapter shall be made in writing to the Town Clerk who shall review the applications for completeness prior to transferring said applications to the Chief of Police for processing. All applications shall be accompanied by a \$300.00 nonrefundable application fee.

1. Contents of application. Each application shall include the following information:(a) The name of the applicant; if a corporation, the names and addresses of the officers; if a partnership, the names and addresses of all partners; if a limited liability company, the names and addresses of the members; if a sole proprietorship, the name and address of the owner, shall be set forth.

- (b) The complete home address, home telephone number, date of birth and social security number of the applicant, if a sole proprietorship, or the complete home addresses, home telephone numbers, dates of birth and social security numbers of principal officers and partners if the applicant is a corporation or partnership; or the complete home address, home telephone numbers, dates of birth and social security numbers of the members if the applicant is a limited liability company.
- (c) Photocopies of all registrations of every tow vehicle to be operated by the applicant. If the tow vehicle is leased, the applicant is required to submit a lease agreement.
- (d) Names, addresses and telephone numbers of any lien holders on the principal location.
- (e) Name, address and telephone number of the insurer and photocopies of each certificate of insurance.
- (f) Photocopies of all towing vehicle operator's current driver's licenses, along with their social security numbers.
- (g) Whether or not the applicant has ever had a license to conduct the business herein described denied or revoked. If such license has been denied, the applicant shall set forth in detail the facts leading to such denial.
- (h) A statement as to whether the applicant has been convicted of any crime or the violation of any municipal ordinance other than traffic offenses and, if so, the date and place of conviction, the nature of the offense.
  - (i) The business telephone number of the applicant.
  - (j) The description, including the license number, of all vehicles to be used.
- (k) If the applicant is not actively involved in the day to day operations of the business. then in that event, the applicant shall provide the name and address of the manager and/or individual responsible for the day-to-day operations of the business.
- (I) The applicant shall execute a hold harmless and indemnification agreement prepared by the Town of Hammonton wherein, the municipal towing contractor shall hold harmless, indemnify and defend, at the contractor's expense, the Town of Hammonton, its employees and officials against all claims, demands, lawsuits, or actions for personal injury, property damage, or any third party claim brought against the Town, its employees and officials for any activities which arise out or are related in any way to the services performed in accordance with this Chapter.
- (m) The applicant shall provide an affidavit that the information given in the application is true and correct.
- (n) Applications will be processed according to the order in which the Town Clerk received them.

#### B. Investigation and inspection.

- 1. Applications received by the Town Clerk shall be referred to the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police or his designee shall initiate an investigation to be made of the applicant and of its proposed business operation and shall perform inspections of the vehicles to be licensed.
- 2. A criminal history and driver's license check will be performed on all persons listed in the application; each applicant will pay all fees required by the State of New Jersey for criminal history record information.
- 3. The Town of Hammonton recognizes that the municipal towing contractor must be trustworthy in that it is safeguarding vehicles belonging to others. Therefore, to protect the public interest, the Town may disqualify any applicant wherein an employee, owner, officer, partner, etc., that has been convicted of a crime (including disorderly persons offenses) or any violation that would indicate that the applicant may not be responsible to perform in the best interest of others.
- 4. The Town of Hammonton recognizes that tow truck operators must also be drivers who abide by this state's motor vehicle laws. Accordingly, the Town may disqualify any tow truck operator having one or more convictions, within three years of the date of application or

renewal thereof, of any moving violation of the motor vehicle laws of this state which the Town Chief of Police or his designee determines will negatively impact upon the ability of the tow truck operator to safely and properly perform the services listed in this chapter. If the applicant is already licensed, any conviction for any moving violation which the Town Chief of Police or his designee determines will negatively impact upon the ability of the tow truck operator to safely and properly perform required services will result in the disqualification of the tow truck operator from performing duties associated with this chapter.

- 5. Each contractor must be able to demonstrate that they are qualified and experienced in the towing and removal of all types of vehicles and that they have the facilities, equipment, expertise and personnel to meet the towing and storage requirements of the Town of Hammonton as set forth herein. Further, each contractor shall possess any and all licensing required by local and state law to perform towing and/or storage services within New Jersey.
- 6. The municipal towing contractor shall notify the Police Department, in writing, of any criminal charges (including disorderly person's offenses), motor vehicle offenses or ordinance violations that are issued against the municipal towing contractor or its employees during the term of the license. Failure to make the proper notification to the Police Department may result in the revocation of the license.

#### C. Approval/Denial Process.

- 1. The Chief of Police shall have a reasonable period of time after the receipt of the completed application to complete the investigation and inspection and submit a written report to the Town Clerk. The report shall include recommendations that the applicant be accepted, denied or accepted with provisions.
  - 2. The Town Council, by a majority vote, shall approve or deny any such applications.
- 3. The Town Clerk shall issue a license to applicants approved by the Town Council and notify in writing the applications denied by the Town Council.

#### D. License Issuance.

- 1. All towing licenses will be issued for a period of one year beginning January 1 of each year and expire on December 31. Applications for license renewals are to be completed and returned to the Town Clerk by September 15 for the following calendar year.
- 2. Licenses are property of the Town and cannot be assigned, leased, shared, transferred or sold to another person, corporation or proprietorship under any circumstances.
- 3. The municipal towing contractor shall not represent that he is a servant, agent or employee of the Town with respect to said towing service, but is an independent contractor and shall not hold himself out as an official member of the government of the Town of Hammonton or of its departments.
- 4. The Town of Hammonton may issue a temporary municipal towing contractor license in the event that any emergent situation arises for the purpose of adding additional towers or replacing a current license, for reasons of revocation or closing of the business. The temporary license may be issued immediately, but the applicant must submit an application within two business days. A temporary license shall be valid for 60 days.

#### §261-3. Procedure in Event of Denial.

- A. In the event that the Chief of Police or a police officer designated by him/her makes a determination of non-issuance of a license to an applicant, the applicant aggrieved thereby may appear to the governing body of the Town of Hammonton by written notice filed with the Town Clerk within 30 days of the date of the denial. Town Council shall, at that time, set a date for the hearing, which shall take place no sooner than 10 days nor later than 30 days from the date the request was presented to Town Council. The governing body shall review the application documents, hear testimony from the applicant, the Chief of Police or a police officer designated by him/her and other witnesses as it deems fit, and thereupon affirm, deny or modify the action taken by the Chief of Police or a police officer designated by him/her.
- B. No applicant shall conduct a business without a license or while a denied license is under appeal as aforesaid.
- §261-4. Revocation or Suspension of License.
- A. Any license issued by the Town may be suspended or revoked by the Chief of Police for any of the following causes:
  - 1. Fraud or misrepresentation in any application for a license.
  - 2. Fraud, misrepresentation or other illegal activity in the conduct of the licensed business.
  - 3. A violation of any provision of this chapter or other Town ordinances.
- 4. Conviction of the licensee for any felony or a misdemeanor or disorderly person's offense involving moral turpitude.
- 5. Conduct of the licensed activity, whether by the licensee himself or his agents or employees, in an unlawful manner or in a manner that constitutes a breach of the peace or a menace to the public health, safety or general welfare.
  - 6. A criminal conviction of a towing operator or a principal of the towing operator.
- 7. Failure to respond to calls reliably and promptly, or any other unsatisfactory performance, which interferes with the operation of the rotating tow system.
  - 8. Failure to utilize safe and adequate equipment as set forth herein.
  - 9. Violations of motor vehicle laws and/or municipal ordinances.
- 10. Failure or refusal to tow or remove a vehicle when requested to do so by the appropriate municipal official.
- B. In the event that the Chief of Police revokes or suspends a license issued pursuant to this Chapter, the applicant aggrieved thereby may appeal to the governing body of the Town of Hammonton by written notice filed with the Town Clerk within 30 days of the date of the revocation or suspension. Town Council shall, at that time, set a date for the hearing, which shall take place no sooner than 10 days nor later than 30 days from the date the request was presented to Town Council. The governing body shall hear testimony from the applicant, the Chief of Police or a police officer designated by him/her and other witnesses as it deems fit and receive documents and evidence as it deems fit, and thereupon affirm, deny or modify the action taken by the Chief of Police.

#### §261-5. Tow/Storage Requirements; Towing and Storage of Vehicles; and Fee Schedule

#### A. Tow Requirements

- 1. The contractor shall provide, at a minimum, one or both of the following pieces of equipment to be used to meet the terms of this chapter:
- (a) One light-duty wrecker. These shall have commercially manufactured chassis certified by the manufacturer for light-duty towing. Each shall be equipped with commercially manufactured lifting apparatus with dual rear wheels, safety chains, proper safety lights, rear floodlights and amber rotation emergency flashing lights.
- (b) One car carrier vehicle. These shall have commercially manufactured chassis certified by the manufacturer. Each shall be equipped with a hydraulically powered winch. The tilt bed or slid-back shall be hydraulically operated. Each shall also be equipped with tie down chains, proper safety lights and amber rotation emergency flashing lights.
- 2. Each tow vehicle shall be equipped with or contain equipment for providing two-way communications via radio or cell phone with the contractor's office facilities. These communications shall be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Tow vehicles shall also be equipped at all times with safety vests for operators, first aid kits, hand tools, a flashlight, broom, and work gloves. The contractor shall not apply any additional charge for using this equipment.
  - 3. The following equipment shall be carried on all tow vehicles:
    - (a) Push broom.
    - (b) Shovel.
    - (c) Fire extinguisher.
    - (d) Trash can/bag.
    - (e) Absorbent.
  - 4. All tow vehicles must comply with all applicable laws and safety standards.
- 5. The municipal towing contractor must maintain two (2) phone numbers that act as a twenty-four hour telephone service for police contact.
  - B. Storage Requirements.
- 1. The municipal towing contractor shall designate one (1) storage facility located in Hammonton, or if the municipal towing contractor does not have a storage facility in Hammonton then within five (5) miles of Hammonton, that it shall store all cars towed pursuant to this Chapter.
- 2. All vehicles stored under this chapter shall be stored and protected with ordinary care to protect the vehicle from further damage.
- 3. There shall be no unescorted access to the storage area by the general public. Storage areas shall be posted against unauthorized entry.
- 4. The Police Department shall have access to any part of the storage area, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for the purpose of inspection or investigation. Under this provision, access means a contact person must be available to provide entry.

- 5. No vehicles towed by the municipal towing contractor shall be stored outside of the storage facility.
- 6. The municipal towing contractor shall maintain regular hours for the release of vehicle from storage; a minimum of eight hours a day, Monday through Friday (excluding New Jersey state holidays) and four hours on Saturdays. Hours shall be conspicuously posted at the municipal towing contractor's principal location and the storage facility.
- 7. If a vehicle is towed as a result of parking in a no-parking location in the Town of Hammonton during a festival, parade, or other sanctioned Town event, the municipal towing contractor shall make itself available to release the vehicle that day provided the owner of the vehicle has obtained a release from the Hammonton Police Department and paid all fees to the Town and municipal towing contractor in accordance with this Chapter.

#### C. Towing and Storage of Vehicles

- 1. Towing services must be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The municipal towing contractor must provide a tow vehicle to the designated site within 20 minutes of being notified by the Hammonton Police Department. Repeated late arrivals without satisfactory cause shall constitute grounds in which the Chief of Police may consider the municipal towing contractor in violation of this Chapter and may be grounds for immediate suspension or revocation of said license.
- 2. Municipal towing contractors will be placed on call on a rotating basis as determined by the Chief of Police.
- 3. Municipal towing contractors shall be responsible for the towing of vehicles from the public streets, public alleys, public rights-of-way, public easements, avenues, thoroughfares, public or quasi-public places, including parks and playgrounds, or any other Town, county or state owned facility, as directed by the Town police.
- 4. The municipal towing contractor shall remove vehicles for storage to either the municipal towing contractor's storage facility or the Town storage facility, as directed by the Police Department.
- 5. Vehicles towed to the municipal towing contractor's storage facility will incur charges as set forth in this Chapter.
- 6. Vehicles towed to the Town storage facility will incur only applicable towing fees, not storage charges.
- 7. Prior to release of a vehicle from the Town storage facility, the Town will require the owner to satisfy his obligations to the municipal towing contractor.
- 8. In the event the police direct the municipal towing contractor to move the vehicle from the Town storage facility to contractor's storage facility, the owner of the vehicle will incur the cost of the additional tow and storage fees commencing the date the vehicle is moved. The municipal towing contractor that provided the original service will be requested to provide the secondary service, as long as the contractor still holds a municipal towing license from the Town of Hammonton.
- 9. The owner of any vehicle towed shall have the right to remove his personal belongings from the stored vehicle during normal business hours, unless the vehicle is being held as evidence.
- 10. The owner or agent of the owner shall have the right to photograph the stored vehicle during normal business hours.

- 11. When the municipal towing contractor has been contacted by the Police Department to remove a disabled vehicle that is not impeding the flow of traffic or a safety concern and then the owner or operator of that vehicle appears prior to the municipal towing contractor's arrival and requests his own towing service, the municipal towing contractor cannot charge for the response.
- 12. The municipal towing contractor shall be responsible to clean up and remove all broken glass and debris at the scene of accidents as per N.J.S.A. 39:4-56.8b and any amendments thereto.
- 13. The municipal towing contractor will also be responsible for basic environmental cleanup.
- 14. In the event that an emergency arises and the on-call municipal towing contractor cannot provide adequate service when requested by the Police Department, another municipal towing contractor will be contacted to respond.
- 15. If no municipal towing contractor can perform the required service, the Police Department may contact any available towing contractor with the proper equipment to perform the activity. The fees for vehicles that require this extraordinary service shall be reasonable and customary based upon the prevailing rate in the industry. Whenever applicable, it shall be the responsibility of the towing contractor to first inform the owner or operator of the estimated total cost prior to the performance of any towing service.
- 16. Municipal towing contractors may not charge any owner for any damage to his tow equipment or storage facilities resulting from any towing operation.
- 17. Prior to towing any vehicle, the municipal towing contractor shall remove or secure anything that may fall from the disabled vehicle while being towed.
- 18. No municipal towing contractor shall release a vehicle until a Town of Hammonton Police Department vehicle release form is completed, signed and filed with the Hammonton Police Department. An administrative fee of \$25 shall be charged for the processing of the Hammonton Police Department vehicle release form. Such fee is to be paid by the owner of the vehicle and collected by the Town of Hammonton prior to a release being issued.
- 19. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-56.6, the municipal towing contractor shall be responsible for the public sale or auction of any vehicle abandoned at the municipal towing contractor's storage facility. The Town of Hammonton shall only be responsible pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:10A-1 et seq., for abandoned and unclaimed vehicles at a Town-owned storage facility.
- 20. In no event shall the Town of Hammonton be liable for any charges or claims associated with the towing and/or storage of any vehicles towed or stored under the terms of this Chapter unless said vehicle is owned by the Town of Hammonton and sold at public auction.

#### D. Fee Schedule

1. Basic Towing. Basic Towing Service shall be defined as: The removal and transportation of an automobile from the incident scene to the contractor's storage lot at the request or call of authorized personnel or members of the Town of Hammonton Police Department as may be required when said automobile is abandoned, disabled, damaged in accidents, illegally parked, recovered after being stolen or, in the case of emergency, from a highway, street or other public or private road, or from a parking area or from a storage facility, basic clean up (including glass, debris and fluid), gate fee after hours, yard fee, winching fee, additional cost for second tow truck, if needed, and recovery of a vehicle not in an upright position in the right-of-way only. It does not include recovery of an automobile from a position beyond the right-of-way or berm, being impaled upon any other object within the right-of-way or berm, or any further services provided by the contractor.

- 2. The maximum fees municipal towing contractors shall charge for Basic Towing Service shall be as follows:
  - (a) Basic towing service (two axles).
    - i. Under 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight: \$140.
    - ii. Additional axle: \$25.
    - iii.Rate per mile out of Town: \$3.
  - (b) Basic towing service (two axles).
    - i. Between 10,001 pounds and 16,000 pounds gross vehicle weight: \$215.
    - ii. Additional axle: \$35.
    - iii.Rate per mile out of Town: \$4.
  - (c) Basic towing service, over 16,001 pounds gross vehicle weight (heavy duty): \$300.
    - i. Rate per mile out of Town: \$5.
  - (d) Basic towing service, motorcycle/motorized bicycle: \$100.
    - i. Rate per mile out of Town: \$3
  - (e) Recovery of vehicle not in an upright position within the right-of-way.
    - i. Vehicle under 8,000 pounds gross vehicle weight: \$75.
    - ii. Vehicle between 8,000 pounds and 16,000 pounds gross vehicle weight: \$100.
    - iii. Fees for vehicles over 16,000 pounds gross vehicle weight shall be reasonable and customary, based on prevailing rates in the industry.
  - (f) Cost for a second tow truck if needed: \$75 per hour.
  - (g) Basic cleanup, including glass, debris and fluid: \$35, plus \$17 per bag of absorbent used.
  - (h) Storage fees per calendar day (commencing 12 hours after the request for tow).
    - i. Outside building secured.
      - [1] Under 8,000 pounds gross vehicle weight: \$35.
      - [2] Up to 16,000 pounds gross vehicle weight: \$40.
    - ii. Inside building secured.
      - [1] Up to 16,000 pounds gross vehicle weight: \$50.
    - iii. Fees for vehicles over 16,000 pounds gross vehicle weight shall be reasonable and customary, based on prevailing rates in the industry.
  - (i) Where a vehicle is stored as a result of having been involved in a fatal motor vehicle accident or incident, the permitted storage fees shall not start to be incurred until the 8<sup>th</sup> calendar day after the owner or owner's representative is notified by the Police Department that the vehicle can be released.

- (j) Owner access to vehicle. Any owner requesting access to the owner's vehicle at the storage facility to retrieve items from the vehicle may be charged a fee of \$40.
- (k) After-hours release fee (Gate Fee): \$40.

(I) Yard fee: \$40

(m) Winching fee: \$125

#### Non-basic towing.

- (a) Non-basic towing shall be defined as: All towing services that are not basic towing services or private passenger automobiles.
- (b) This chapter is not intended to regulate or set fees for non-basic towing services or the towing and storage of trucks and buses. Such service, if required, shall be billed at reasonable prevailing rates. The towing contractor shall submit a list of fees in advance for non-basic towing services to the Chief of Police, who shall have the sole discretion in determining the maximum fees permitted.
- 4. Municipal vehicles. The maximum charge for towing Hammonton municipal vehicles, for both basic and non-basic towing, whether from within the Town of Hammonton or outside the Town of Hammonton to any designated municipal impound lot or other location shall be \$100.00.

#### §261-6. Insurance Requirements

- A. Towing contractors shall be required to purchase, maintain and provide during the time of service on the rotary list proof of insurance furnished by a reputable insurance company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey, containing the following coverage's with liability limits as set forth below:
- 1. Garage liability/comprehensive general liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit coverage bodily injury and property damage liability, inducting but not limited to personal injury, products liability (where applicable), independent contractor and completed operation coverage.
- 2. Garage keepers legal liability "direct primary" insurance policy in an amount not less than \$100,000. Said policy must include both comprehensive and collision and an endorsement to include on hook.
- 3. Automobile liability insurance policy in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit covering bodily injury and property damage liability including but not limited to owned, nonowned and hired vehicles.
- 4. Workers' compensation insurance as required by law, including, but not limited to, statutory New Jersey Workers' Compensation benefits, and employers liability of at least \$100,000.
- 5. Excess/umbrella liability. In the event that a garage liability and/or automobile liability cannot be purchased up to the required limit of \$1,000,000, an excess liability or umbrella liability policy must be purchased to affect a total liability limit of \$1,000,000. Excess or umbrella liability policies will not be required for garage or automobile policies that meet or exceed the minimum limit of \$1,000,000.
- 6. The garage liability policy shall name the Town of Hammonton as additional insured and certificate holder.

#### §261-7. Recordkeeping

A. The municipal towing contractor shall prepare and issue to the owner/operator a written invoice for services rendered under this chapter. The invoice shall reflect the date, time, location of service, the employee

that performed the service and that the service was performed at the direction of the Police Department. A copy of the invoice shall be retained by the municipal towing contractor and filed in a manner that coincides with his normal business practice and will allow immediate access to such records when requested by the Police Department.

- B. The municipal towing contractor has discretion to establish the method of payment and forfeits all mechanic lien rights once he physically releases a vehicle from his custody. The Town will not be held liable for or assist the municipal towing contractor to collect any unpaid fees that were incurred under the provisions of this chapter.
- C. The municipal towing contractor shall incur the cost of and shall post the rate schedule listed in this chapter in a conspicuous location at the municipal towing contractor's principal location where payment of fees are transacted.
- D. The municipal towing contractor shall not release any vehicle impounded under this chapter without written release from the Police Department. The release form must be attached and filed with the invoice.
- E. All records, payment invoices and other documentation resulting from the municipal towing contractor's compliance with this chapter must be kept by the municipal towing contractor for a period of two years.
- 3. Chapter 261, the following Sections shall be renumbered:

Old Section	New Section
§261-6	§261-8
§261-8	§261-9

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 Furgione Second Giralo
The Ordinance is taken up for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and public Hearing

Motion by Council Person Giralo Second Rodio

The Public hearing is closed; the ordinance has passed 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and is adopted

#### Roll Call

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

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Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Administration - Councilman Gribbin

- Spoke about COVID issue and the updates to on our website and channel 9 regarding this.
- Wished everyone Happy Thanksgiving and congratulated the new winners of the election.

#### Business & Industry - Councilman Oliva

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday is this coming Thursday November 19th
- Support you local bushiness during this time
- Please remember that there is help at Hammonton.com, there are grants available for Businesses and homeowners. You can also call 609-925-1166

#### Quality of Life – Councilman Oliva

- Reviewed Trick or treat and what a success it was and the safety precautions that were followed.
- Green Committee Fall Festival was on November 14th and was a success.
- Reviewed Environmental Committee cleanup at the lake park was on November 14th
- Gave an update on the Master Plan Review
- Lake Water Quality received a grant from Bass Pro Shop and will be initiating this in the coming months

#### Motion by Council Person Oliva Second Giralo

#### Approve the Tree Bank and support of the initiative with the CSIP Grant

#### Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### Education - Councilman Torrissi

- School is currently open and the hopes to remain open during this pandemic, we need to follow what the board of Education recommends.
- The week's football game between ST Joe and Hammonton will be broadcast live on Channel 9.
- Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and thanked the individuals that ran for office.

#### Public Works & Transportation - Councilman Rodio

- reviewed 14th Street action item on Engineer's report
- They are working on a new sign for the lake park and should be designed in the next month or so.

#### Water & Sewer - Councilman Furgione

- We will be working toward getting the clean flow at the lake cleaned up
- In the new future will be looking into purchase in Vac Truck and the Centrifuse system
- Boyer Ave Land Application is working well and water is draining.

#### Law & Order - Mayor DiDonato

No report

#### **ENGINEER REPORT**

#### **PUBLIC WORKS ACTION ITEMS:**

1. NJDOT Local Aid FY 2020 – 14th Street Roadway Improvements, Phase III (ARH #11-40058):

It was anticipated that work will begin this week, however due to rain the Contractor's schedule is currently delayed a week. The Contractor will begin with storm work and some of the concrete flat work. We anticipate paving will be held off until the spring to allow for better weather and for any trench settlement to occur. The project is currently pending mobilization by the Contractor.

In an effort to utilize/maximize the value of the NJDOT grants. We have requested additional pricing from the Contractor. The proposed changes in work generally include:

- A. Pavement Section is increased from a 2" overlay to a 2.5" overlay, which will help to extend the useful life of the roadway.
- B. Storm Pipe was proposed as 15" HDPE within the cartway, we recommend changing the storm pipe in the cartway to 15" RCP. This primarily includes the pipe between Chew Road and Egg Harbor Road.
- C. Handicap Ramps: the existing handicap ramps will be modified/replaced to meet ADA standards in accordance with NJDOT requirements. Concrete items and public ramp delineations were added.

<u>\$615,000.00</u>	(a) NJDOT Grant
\$478,900.00	(b) Original Contract
\$79,552.00	(c) Change Order #1
\$558,452.00	(d) Revised Contract with CO #1 (b +c)
\$56,548.00	(e) Balance (NJDOT Grant minus Revised Contract) (a – d)
\$50,000.00	(f) ARH Construction Admin/Inspection (previously authorized)
\$6,548.00	Grant Balance* (e -f)

<sup>\*</sup>The balance is available for any "as-built" quantity changes/unforeseen conditions and/or this can be used to offset previously paid design fees. (NJDOT now allows for up to 5% of the allotment to go toward design, this was not an option in prior years)

#### Action Requested:

1. Authorize Change Order #1 in the amount of \$79,552.00 to Arawak Paving Co. subject to NJDOT concurrence.

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Furgione

Approval of change order #1 to Arawak Paving in the amount of \$79,552.00, 14th Street Roadway Project

#### Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **SOLICITOR REPORT**

#### Resolution #129-2020- Shared Services Agreement Mullica Township

Supporting the Exploration by Mullica Township of a Shared Services Agreement with the Town of Hammonton for Various Services

- **WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., any local unit of the State may enter into a contract with any other local unit or units for the joint provision within their jurisdictions of any service which any party to the agreement is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of New Jersey is committed to supporting and advancing local government shared service solutions to enhance the provision of local services and alleviate the property tax burden on the State's residents and businesses; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of New Jersey, with the support of the State Legislature, has authorized State funding to support Shared Services initiatives; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of New Jersey appointed bipartisan Shared Service Czars to lead the Shared Services effort; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs (the "Division") has assembled a team of professional Technical Advisors to support these endeavors; and
- **WHEREAS**, on November 27, 2018 the New Jersey legislature amended the Common Sense Shared Services Pilot Program Act (N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4.1 et. seq.) to include Atlantic County as a Pilot county and the municipalities within Atlantic County as Pilot municipalities; and
- WHEREAS, the Division may, upon request from a municipality, provide a fair, consistent and judicious analysis that promotes efficiency, effectiveness, and performance for the welfare of all parties concerned while applying fiscal restraints and ensuring Attrition and or Soft Landings\_for any employees affected by the potential shared service agreement; and
- **WHEREAS**, the governing body of the Township of Mullica ("Mullica") recognizes that shared services may result in property tax relief and enhanced services for its constituents; and
- **WHEREAS**, the governing body of Mullica wishes to explore the possibility of sharing services in the area of Municipal Court, Chief Financial Officer and Tax Department with the Town of Hammonton ("Hammonton"); and
- **WHEREAS**, the governing body of Mullica seeks technical assistance through the Division to conduct a feasibility study of the potential for one or more successful shared services with Hammonton;
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Mayor and Council for Hammonton hereby endorse Mullica's undertaking of a shared services study, at no cost to Hammonton; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Business Administrator for Hammonton are hereby authorized to take all necessary actions to allow for and support Mullica's participation in this assessment.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any shared service agreement with Mullica shall be subject to the adoption of a further Resolution and/or Ordinance by Mayor and Council of Hammonton in compliance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. seq. and/or N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1, et. seq.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Giralo Resolution #129 is adopted

Roll Call

Councilperson:
Furgione - Yes
Giralo - Yes
Gribbin - Yes
Oliva - Yes
Rodio - Yes
Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **MAYOR REPORT**

- Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, this is a difficult time please be safe and wear your masks.

#### **PWM REPORT**

#### 2020 Road Program

The contractor has completed the roadwork program. They are now working on some remaining concrete work and punch list items. A 2<sup>nd</sup> payment invoice is in for Council's consideration.

#### Storm Water Utility Grant, NJ League of Conservation Voters

The Town was recently informed they were approved for a \$20,000 grant to secure the services of a storm water consultant to investigate the possible benefits to establish a storm water utility. The Town Solicitor is presently reviewing the funding agreement which will need to be signed by the Town in order to secure those funds.

We sent out a letter to four (4) consultants to provide a proposal to complete presentation and report to Mayor and Town Council. Proposal will be due in mid December for award consideration at the December Council meeting. We may also arrange for members of the PWTC to meet with consultants in advance of the selection process. We will keep Council informed of the progress.

#### Safe Routes to Schools, Sooy Elementary School

The NJDOT has approved the consultant's proposal for the preliminary design and project permitting. An agreement for the consultant was provided for Council's review and approval totaling \$324,908.97 for the preliminary design phase. We are completing some additional documentation related to the project as requested by the NJDOT related to the program.

The NJDOT has provided an agreement for signature by the Town to establish the funding for the consultant's design costs. The agreement is being reviewed by the Solicitor. We would request authorization by Council for the Mayor and Business Administrator to sign the agreement subject to the Solicitor's approval. A resolution for signature authorization is on the agenda.

#### **NJ I-Bank Financing Program**

An application for purchase and installation of the centrifuge at the treatment plant has been completed. Frank Zuber will be checking with the I-Bank staff on their review for possible funding.

#### Electric Vehicle Charging Station funding application, Vine Street

We have completed the majority of the application and have been in contact with representatives from EV Connect to provide technical assistance on the application. An approval of the agreement with the consultant will aid in the Town's chances for receipt of funds to complete the installation. The cost for the consultant would be covered under the grant. We are also checking with the Atlantic City Electric related to extending an electric service line to the site.

#### Other items

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

- Bulky 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> 3 item limit
- Brush 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> One (1) 6' x 6' pile allowed
- Recycling pickup by the County will occur on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, the 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> and the 28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Leaf pickup has begun and will continue through December 28th on your regular scheduled trash day.
- Thanksgiving Trash Thursday and Fridays trash will be picked up on Friday November 27, 2020

#### **TOWN CLERK REPORT**

- 1) Accept Resignation of William Off as member in good Standing from Fire Company #2, approved at their board meeting on November 11, 2020.
- 2) Accept Zachary Keeley as a regular member of Fire Company #2, Approved at their meeting on November 11, 2020. Background check completed and approved by Chief.
- 3) Reject all Bids for 149 Eagle Drive, Bids was under the minimum required amount required by Town Ordinance.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Giralo Approval of Items 1 to 3 above

#### Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva-Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **APPROVE BILL LIST & PURCHASE ORDERS**

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Giralo Bill List is approved

#### Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva - Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION**

Introduction of Ordinance #016-2020- Fixing Salaries of Certain Employees

### AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON

BE IT ORDAINED by Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, New Jersey the salaries, clothing allowance, education stipend, health insurance buyout, sick time, vacation time, personal

time, comp time, holidays and overtime shall apply to members for contract terms commencing January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2025 per Town Code and per individual bargaining unit Contracts. Individuals shall be paid pursuant to the contract minimums and maximum salaries / Hourly Rates as per contract are as follows:

	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Assistant Sludge Plant Operator/ Repairer	\$29,183.00	\$75,000.00
Sr.WtrTrmtPltOpr/Rp	\$40,000.00	\$90,000.00
Water Plt Oper/Rep	\$40,000.00	\$87,000.00
Sew PlantOper/Rep )	\$35,000.00	\$87,000.00
Municipal Utilities Superintendent	\$75,000.00	\$153,000.00
Communications System Tech	\$35,000.00	\$74,000.00
Purchasing Agent /Registrar / Deputy Town Clerk	\$45,000.00	\$95,000.00
Clerk 1 Confidential	\$25,350.00	\$30,000.00
Police Captain	\$95,000.00	\$142,000.00
Police Lieutenants	\$92,396.00	\$140,000.00
Town Clerk/Accountant /Deputy Registrar/		
Airport Admin. / Business Admin.	\$45,000.00	\$130,000.00

Section 2. The appropriate salary that each employee covered under this contract shall be paid will be determined by the language contained in the aforementioned contract. No prior contract language or language contained in the prior salary ordinance shall be applicable for purposes of determining the salary level of any member.

Section 3. There shall be added as a longevity increment for each full-time employee as negotiated and set forth in the contract.

Section 4. The method of payment of the salaries to each employee shall be fixed by resolution by Mayor and Council.

Section 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication according to law and its provisions.

Motion by Council Person Gribbin Second Torrissi
Ordinance has passed 1st reading and is approved for public hearing and advertisement

#### Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva- Yes

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

#### Resolution #118-2020- 159 Budget Addition New Jersey League of Conservation Voters Fund Grant

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has received notice of a Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 from the New Jersey League of Conservation Voters Education Fund and wishes to amend its 2020 Current Fund Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

**NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the Current Fund Budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$20,000.00 which has been awarded and is available as a revenue from:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

#### **New Jersey League of Conservation Voters Fund Grant**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$20,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

**General Appropriations:** 

Operations - Excluded from "CAPS":

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

#### **New Jersey League of Conservation Voters Fund Grant**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

#### Resolution #119–2020- Support Heart & Soul Initiative

#### Support for the Heart & Soul Community-Building Initiative

Whereas, the Orton Family Foundation and the Community Foundation of South Jersey have awarded a coalition of volunteer residents and organizations \$100,000 to implement the Heart & Soul program in Hammonton, with the goal of becoming a Transform South Jersey community, and

**Whereas**, Hammonton was one of only six communities selected throughout all of southern New Jersey to participate in this initiative, and

**Whereas**, this initiative builds upon the successful Creative Hammonton process that was held in 2016, and

Whereas, a dedicated group of volunteers has formed a core Leadership Team and is working actively with personnel from the Orton Family Foundation and the Community Foundation of South Jersey to implement the four-phase Heart and Soul strategy, and

**Whereas**, the Hammonton Heart & Soul initiative will combine long-term community-building and concrete action projects for the betterment of all of Hammonton, and

**Whereas**, the Heart & Soul process calls for including all residents in town, from all walks of life and every demographic, in an effort to ensure that all voices are heard from every sector of the town, and

**Whereas**, participating in and promoting this initiative furthers the Town's goal of ensuring its long-term economic, environmental, and social sustainability, and

**Whereas**, the Hammonton Heart and Soul effort is part of a larger Transform South Jersey initiative, thereby making Hammonton a leader for inclusion and progress in the region, and

**Whereas**, the Town wishes to support this initiative to create a more inclusive, equitable, and informed community,

**Now Therefore**, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, hereby declares its support for the Hammonton Heart and Soul/Transform South Jersey initiative, and

**Further**, the Mayor and Council encourage all residents of Hammonton to engage fully with the Hammonton Heart and Soul process as it is rolled out over the next two years, ensuring that Hammonton continues its progress toward long-term social and economic resilience.

#### Resolution #120-2020-159 Budget Addition Sustainable Jersey Grant

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has received notice of a Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 from Sustainable Jersey and wishes to amend its 2020 Current Fund Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

**NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the Current Fund Budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$5,000.00 which has been awarded and is available as a revenue from:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

#### Sustainable Jersey

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$5,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

**General Appropriations:** 

Operations - Excluded from "CAPS":

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

Sustainable Jersey

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Town Clerk forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

#### Resolution #121-2020- Approval of Expansion of Premises for GB Liquors

### A RESOLUTION GRANTING A PLACE TO PLACE "EXPANSION OF PREMISE" FOR ABC – GB LIQUORS

**WHEREAS**, an application has been filed for a place-to-place transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption

License # 0113-33-018-0110, for the purpose of expanding the premises under license wherein the sale, service

and storage of alcoholic beverages are authorized; and

**WHEREAS**, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton does hereby approve, effective November 23, 2020, the expansion of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption Licensed premises located at 104 Fairview Avenue Street Hammonton, NJ 08037 to place under license the area delineated in the application form and the sketch of the licensed premises attached thereto.

#### Resolution #122-2020 - Various Refunds

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

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

Hanselmann, 2753 McCormick Ave Hammonton	\$ 382.50	Escrow Refund
Diguglielmo, 267 Route 206 Hammonton	\$ 142.50	Escrow Refund

#### Resolution #123-2020- Budget Transfer

#### TRANSFER OF BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey, that there be and hereby is authorized the following transfer from the 2020 Budget appropriations:

CURRENT FUND From: Group Insurance- Operating Expense From: Police Salaries and Wages Expense	\$13,652.83 \$ 936.16
To: PERS	\$ 913.53
To: PFRS	\$12,739.30

#### Resolution #124 -2020- Approval of Lady of Guadalupe Procession

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ENDORSING THE ANNUAL "OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SPANISH COMMUNITY PROCESSION"

**WHEREAS**, St. Mary of Mt. Carmel continues to promote the Town of Hammonton with their annual "Our Lady of Guadalupe Spanish Community Procession"; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council has and continues to support the efforts of St. Mary of Mt. Carmel; and

WHEREAS, December 12, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. is the scheduled date for the Spanish Community Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Mary of Mt. Carmel has requested assistance of the Town of Hammonton Police Department for this scheduled event and closure of the following streets in the Town of Hammonton:

Procession begins on Third Street at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel
To French Street
To Second Street
To Pleasant Street
To Tilton Street
To French Street and back to church

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 Town of Hammonton authorizes "Our Lady of Guadalupe Spanish Community Procession."

#### Resolution #125-2020- Safe Routes To School Agreement

Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey authorizing the Mayor and Town Clerk to Executive a Federal Aid Agreement with New Jersey Department of Transportation

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) authorized funding up to an amount of \$324,908.97, for a Safe Routes to School Project for a multi-use pedestrian path that will connect the existing Sooy Elementary School Facilities with existing residential areas and sidewalks, to provide safe passage along the proposed route and destinations as noted herein and further delineated in the Safe Routes to Schools application; and

**WHEREAS**, this authorization was based on the scope of work and budget agreed upon by the Town of Hammonton and the NJDOT Division of Local aid; and

**WHEREAS**, the scope of work in this authorization includes Preliminary Engineering (PE) Activities, at this time which will be authorized once PE activities have been completed and approved; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the Town to enter a design contract between the Town of Hammonton and GPI Inc. for the preliminary Engineering (PE) Activities; and

WHEREAS, work cannot begin m1til this funding agreement is executed by NJDOT.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RE SOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute the attached Federal Aid Agreement.

BE IT FURTHE R RESOLVED that the clerk is hereby directed to return four (4) original signed and sealed copies of the attached agreement along with three (3) signed/sealed Resolutions for execution by the Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the NJDOT will receive an initial billing (payment voucher) from the Town for the design project no later than 3 months after the NJDOT has concurred in the award of the construction contract, and will receive subsequent billings in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

#### Resolution #126-2020- 159 Budget Addition Lake Vegetation Survey

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the Town has received notice of a Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Bass Pro Shops for a Hammonton Lake Vegetation Survey and wishes to amend its 2020 Current Fund Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

**NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the Current Fund Budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$1,000.00 which has been awarded and is available as a revenue from:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

Bass Pro Shops – Lake Vegetation Survey

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$1,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:

Operations - Excluded from "CAPS":

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

Bass Pro Shops - Lake Vegetation Survey

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

#### Resolution #127-2020- 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

Block / Lot	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
1202/16	Dixon, Thomas	581 11 <sup>th</sup> St	\$ 101.34	refund/overpayment
1302/38/QF	J & B Farmland	609 10 <sup>th</sup> St	173.38	refund/combined

1502/9	Warburton, Justin	825 Oakwood Dr	111.56	refund/overpayment
2506/16	Duncan, Mark & Loretta	131 S Monroe Ave	139.64	refund/overpayment
3301/76	Wozniak, Andrew	339 Central Ave	323.74	refund/overpayment
3716/9	Rovani, Victor N Jr	135 Birch Dr	150.34	refund/overpayment
4304/29	Logan, Michelle & Joseph	3 Centennial Dr	117.64	refund/overpayment
4902/9/QF	Pleasantdale Farms	540 Pleasant Mills Rd	25.74	refund/combined
4902/11	Pleasantdale Farms	Rear Pleasant Mills Rd	32.51	refund/combined
5602/2.02	Cichon, Samantha	301 N Myrtle St	154.34	refund/overpayment
1402/12	Corelogic	582 10 <sup>th</sup> St.	\$2,518.03	refund/tax exempt

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

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

#### Resolution #128-2020- Specialized Service Contract

### A RESOLUTION AWARDING VAROUS SPECIALIZED SERVICE CONTRACTS AND QUOTES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for specialized services for the Town of Hammonton, New Jersey, on an annual basis as follows:

<u>Department</u>	Specialized Service	<u>Vendor</u>	Not To Exceed AN
	Water Tank Consultant / Inspection	Mulford Bjorkman	
Utility	Services	Assoc.	\$100,000.00

WHEREAS, funds are available under the above listed budget appropriations, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20 provides for an open and fair process through requests for proposals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY that the Town of Hammonton is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with above listed vendors for years 2020 and 2021.

Motion by Council Person Furgione Second Oliva

Approval of Resolutions #118 to 128. Adding that Resolution #118, is a non-binding

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Furgione - Yes

Giralo - Yes

Gribbin - Yes

Oliva- Yes.

Rodio - Yes

Torrissi - Yes

Mayor DiDonato - Yes

Mayor DiDonato declares motion is carried

#### **PUBLIC HEARD**

Dan Bachalis 115 Bachelor Lane Hammonton-Thanked council for passing the resolutions for the grants.

#### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

Motion by Council Person Giralo Second Oliva