



Borough of Middlesex
Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
~ Minutes ~

1400 Mountain Avenue
Middlesex, NJ

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Tuesday, August 11, 2020

7:00 PM

Recreation Center

MAYOR'S STATEMENT

UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ., NOTICE OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN BY WAY OF AN ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE TO THE STAR LEDGER, COURIER NEWS AND HOME NEWS, AND POSTED AT BOROUGH HALL.

SALUTE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Mayor John Madden
Council President Jack Mikolajczyk
Councilman Jeremiah Carnes
Councilman Jason Carr
Councilman James Eodice
Councilwoman Amy Flood
Councilman Douglas Rex

Also Present:

Marcia Karrow Administrator

Others Absent:

Christopher Corsini Borough Attorney

Attorney Michael O'Grodnick was in attendance to replace Attorney Christopher Corsini.

2. Mayor Madden amended the Agenda to add a resolution to accept the resignation of the Recreation Director and also to discuss the Claremont PILOT in Executive Session

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

PRESENTATIONS

APPOINTMENTS

1. Accepting the resignation of Lori Erickson from the Swim Pool Commission effective July 31, 2020

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
SECONDER:	Douglas Rex, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

2. Accepting the resignation of John Erickson from the HUD Committee & Board of Health effective August 10, 2020

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

3. Appointing Councilman Carnes and Councilwoman Flood as Co-Representatives to the Board of Education

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	James Eodice, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

4. Appointing Laura Steinau as Alternate 1 on the Board of Health
Mayor Madden appointed Laura Steinau as Alternate 1 on the Board of Health.

PROCLAMATIONS

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION

The Borough Clerk read ordinance 2006-20 by title:

ORDINANCE 2006-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, CHAPTER 351 SOLID WASTE, ARTICLE I GARBAGE AND REFUSE COLLECTION, SECTION 351-6 HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES AND BULK ITEMS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX THAT:

Section 351-6 Household Appliances and Bulk Items is amended to read as follows:

- A. All owners of residential households are permitted one curbside bulk item collection in a calendar year at no charge. No more than five cubic yards are permitted to be placed outside for bulk pickup. All bulk items will be collected on Wednesdays by

appointment only. Appointments must be scheduled at least seven days prior to that Wednesday's pickup. Items cannot be placed at the curb for pick up more than 72 hours prior to that Wednesday's requested pickup. There will be no bulk pickup November 1 through January 31.

- B. Construction debris, wood, branches, leaves, paint, metal, computers, televisions, and stereos will not be picked up.
- C. Household appliances, i.e., stoves, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, hot-water tanks and dishwashers, can be picked up throughout the year by appointment only. All doors must be removed from the appliance.
- D. An additional or special pick up may be available for owner-occupied one- and two-family residential dwellings only at a fee of \$150 per pick up.
- E. Each owner-occupied one- and two-family residential dwelling will be mailed 2 bulk coupons annually. An additional bulk coupon can be purchased from the Finance Office for \$50.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Governing Body does hereby amend Chapter 351 Solid Waste, Article I Garbage and Refuse Collection, Section 351-6 Household Appliances and Bulk Items as stated above.
2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 9/8/2020 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President	
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman	
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex	

ORDINANCE(S) FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION

The Borough Clerk read ordinance 2003-20 by title:

ORDINANCE 2003-20

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE SALARY RANGE OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX

TITLE	SALARY	RANGE
Full Time Employees		
Chief of Police	160,000	195,000
Borough Administrator	100,000	150,000
Borough Clerk	65,000	100,000

Deputy Borough Clerk	40,000	65,000
Tax Collector	50,000	75,000
DPW Superintendent	90,000	120,000
Director - Office on Aging	50,000	75,000
Treasurer/CFO	60,000	90,000
Recreation Director	55,000	75,000
Court Administrator	55,000	70,000
Administrative Clerk/Purchasing Agent	45,000	65,000
Human Resources/Payroll Clerk	45,000	60,000
Administrative Assistant	32,000	45,000

Part Time Employees

Assistant Recreation Director	11,000	14,000
Recreation Commission Secretary	1,100	1,500
Tax Assessor	20,000	40,000
Code Enforcer/Zoning Official	30,000	65,000
Construction Official	10,000	15,000
Electrical Sub-Code Official	11,500	17,000
Building Sub-Code Official	20,000	25,000
Resale Certificate Inspector	2,500	7,500
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	10,000	25,000
Fire Sub-Code Official	10,000	15,000
Planning/Zoning Clerk (per meeting)	200	400
Shade Tree Secretary	2,350	3,000
Juvenile Conference Committee Secretary	1,500	2,500
Municipal Magistrate	35,000	50,000

Hourly Employees

	Per Hour	Per Hour
Administrative Clerk	13.00	20.00
Construction/Code Inspectors	13.00	16.00
DPW Laborer	13.00	20.00
Meals on Wheels Driver	13.00	20.00
Medical Transportation Driver	13.00	20.00
Senior Transportation Driver	13.00	20.00
Pre-School Program Coordinator	14.00	20.00
Pre-School Program Instructor	13.00	18.00
Playground Coordinator (Seasonal)	12.00	20.00
Playground Site Supervisor (Seasonal)	11.00	16.00
Playground Counselor (Seasonal)	10.30	14.00
Police Matrons	15.00	20.00
Crossing Guards	14.00	20.00
Custodian	15.00	20.00

Mayor Madden opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2003-20. Seeing that there was no public comments, Mayor Madden closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2003-20.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read ordinance 2004-20 by title:

ORDINANCE 2004-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 420 ENTITLED "ZONING" SECTIONS 420-23, 420-61, 420-64; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 158 ENTITLED "CERTIFICATES, RESALE/LEASED" SECTION 158-14; AND AMENDING CHAPTER 359 ENTITLED "STREETS AND SIDEWALKS" SECTIONS 359-3, 359-4, 359-7 TO INCREASE VARIOUS FEES

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex to amend and revise the Borough's current ordinances for the assessment of certain fees collected thereby; and

WHEREAS, it is the Borough Council's specific intention to amend Chapters 420, 158, and 359 to increase various fees relating to construction and zoning; and

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that Chapters 420, 158, and 359 of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey be and are hereby amended effective January 1, 2021 as follows:

Section I

Chapter 420, Section 23, Subsection D, Subsubsection (1) entitled "Outdoor storage restricted" shall be amended as follows:

D. Portable home storage units.

(1) One portable home storage unit may be placed upon any property only upon the issuance of a permit by the Zoning Officer. The application fee is \$25 ~~\$75~~.

Section II

Chapter 420, Section 61, Subsection D, Subsubsection (2), Subsubsection (h) entitled "Signs" shall be amended as follows:

D. Permitted signs. All permitted signs shall be classified as either freestanding signs, wall signs or window signs. The following regulations shall apply in the specific districts to all signs other than those specifically exempted.

(2) Commercial and industrial districts.

(h) Temporary signs. The placement of "sandwich board" or "A-frame" signs used to advertise a special sale or event on a commercial premises shall be permitted upon approval of the Zoning Officer, **together with a fee of \$100 for the year**, under the following conditions:

[1] Only one sandwich board or A-frame sign per business not exceeding 10 square feet shall be permitted to be placed in front of the entranceway of the business. For businesses that front on more than one street, one sign per street may be permitted.

[2] An unobstructed pathway of at least four feet in width shall be

maintained on the sidewalk at all times.

[3] All sandwich board or A-frame signs must be removed when said business is not opened to the public.

[4] All sandwich board or A-frame signs must be maintained at all times and may not be illuminated.

[5] No person shall construct, erect, replace or alter any sandwich board or A-frame sign under the provisions of this subsection without first obtaining an annual zoning permit. An application shall be made to the Zoning Officer upon forms provided by the Borough before any sign is permitted to be used.

Section III

Chapter 420, Section 61, Subsection D, Subsubsection (2), Subsubsection (g) entitled "Signs" shall be amended as follows:

D. Permitted signs. All permitted signs shall be classified as either freestanding signs, wall signs or window signs. The following regulations shall apply in the specific districts to all signs other than those specifically exempted.

(2) Commercial and industrial districts.

(g) Temporary banners. The construction, erection, replacement or alteration of any temporary banner advertising a grand opening or special sale or event on a commercial premises shall be permitted upon approval of the Zoning Officer, **together with a fee of \$50 for a thirty (30) day period,** under the following conditions:

[1] One temporary banner per business not exceeding 36 square feet designed to advertise a grand opening celebration of a commercial establishment may be erected and maintained on the commercial premises which is the subject of said grand opening celebration for a period not to exceed 30 days. For businesses that front on more than one street, one banner per street may be permitted. Streamers, pennants, balloons and other like accessory decorations may also be erected during the above time period.

[2] One temporary banner per business not exceeding 36 square feet designed to advertise a special sales event may be erected and maintained on the commercial premises conducting said event for a period not in excess of 30 calendar days. For businesses that front on more than one street, one banner per street may be permitted. Said temporary banner(s) must be removed for a minimum of 15 days before a new banner can be erected. The erection of a temporary banner advertising a special sales event shall be limited to eight events per year per commercial establishment.

[3] No person shall construct, erect, replace or alter any temporary banner under the provisions of this subsection without first obtaining a zoning permit. An application for a temporary banner shall be made to the Zoning Officer upon forms provided by the Borough at least 10 days before said temporary banner is to be erected.

Section IV

Chapter 420, Section 64, Subsection A entitled "Approvals and permits required" shall be amended as follows:

It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation, entity or agent, whether on behalf of itself or others, to construct, relocate, renovate or alter a structure or land without first applying for required approvals and permits.

A. An application for zoning approval along with all required documents, together with a fee of ~~\$50~~ **the appropriate fee**, shall be submitted to the Construction Office at the time of submittal of the construction application(s). Construction permit(s) shall be not be issued until a zoning permit is first obtained. **The fee for all zoning permits is \$75 and the fee for all commercial use permits is \$100.**

Section V

Chapter 158, Section 14 entitled "Fees for residential change of title" shall be amended as follows:

The fee for a residential change of title shall be ~~\$100~~ **\$150**.

Section VI

Chapter 359, Section 3 entitled "Restoration of street surface; cost" shall be amended as follows:

After the work for which the permit is issued has been completed and the excavation has been refilled, the Supervisor of the Middlesex Borough Public Works Department shall estimate the charge for restoring the surface to its original condition, and, after the deduction of said charge from the sum paid by the applicant, plus ~~25%~~ **50%** to be taken out of this amount for administration charges, the balance, if any, will be returned to the applicant. In the event, however, that the prescribed fee is not sufficient to defray the expense of restoring the surface excavated, the applicant shall pay the necessary difference plus ~~25%~~ **50%** to be taken out of this amount for administration charges to the Borough of Middlesex.

Section VII

Chapter 359, Section 4, Subsection A entitled "Placing of monitoring well in public right-of-way" shall be amended as follows:

Monitoring wells may be placed in the public right-of-way upon all of the same terms and conditions of all provisions of this chapter and:

A. Posting of a bond in the amount of \$3,500 per each well, in a form satisfactory to the Borough Engineer, and an additional charge of ~~25%~~ **50%** of the \$3,500 or ~~\$875~~ **\$1,750** for an administration charge;

Section VIII

Chapter 359, Section 7 entitled "Bond in lieu of permit fees" shall be amended as follows:

In lieu of paying any of the permit fees, the applicant may give a bond satisfactory to the

Borough of Middlesex, in such form and in such amount as shall be determined by the Borough Engineer, conditioned upon the restoration by such applicant of the street, road, highway, sidewalk, gutter or pavement thereon to a proper condition promptly and without expense to the Borough at the conclusion of the work for which such permission is sought. A bond will be put up in the amount of \$3,500 with an additional charge of ~~25%~~ **50%** of the \$3,500 or ~~875~~ **\$1,750** for an administration charge that will be paid directly to Middlesex Borough

Mayor Madden opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2004-20. Seeing that there was no public comments, Mayor Madden closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2004-20.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	James Eodice, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read ordinance 2005-20 by title:

ORDINANCE 2005-20

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT AND CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT/LICENSE IN CONNECTION WITH SOUTHERN PORTION OF MIDDLESEX SAMPLING PLANT SITE

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Energy ("DOE") is the owner of approximately 9.6 acres of vacant, undeveloped land commonly known as the Middlesex Sampling Plant located at 239 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex Borough, New Jersey and identified as Block 318, Lot 1.01 and Block 319, Lot 45 on the Municipal Tax Map ("MSP Site"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is working with the DOE to acquire the MSP Site in order to (1) build a new Department of Public Works ("DPW") facility which is currently located in a residential area; and (2) to construct a new public road at the southern portion of the MSP Site in order to access said new DPW facility; and

WHEREAS, the MSP Site is adjacent to an existing scrap metal facility located at 245 Mountain Avenue (Block 318, Lots 38.01 and 48) in the Lincoln Boulevard Redevelopment Area and consists of approximately 21 acres ("Redevelopment Site"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough's designated redeveloper, Claremont Companies ("Redeveloper"); has proposed to build a new 379,340 square feet commercial warehouse facility at the Redevelopment Site, which is anticipated to produce approximately 200 new jobs and additional tax revenue for Borough residents; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned new public road is critical to the Redeveloper's project and will allow the redevelopment project to move forward for the benefit of the Borough and community; and

WHEREAS, until the public road is constructed, the DOE has agreed to give the Borough an easement to access the southern portion of the MSP Site for the purpose of

construction, maintenance and operation of a right-of-way for a public road or street over, across, and upon the Easement Area, Government-owned property, together with rights of ingress and egress ("DOE Easement") which easement is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, in order for the Redeveloper to advance the redevelopment project, the Borough has agreed to give the Redeveloper a license to access the southern portion of the Middlesex Site for the purpose of construction, maintenance and operation of a right-of-way for a public road or street over, across, and upon the Easement Area, Government-owned property, together with rights of ingress and egress, ("Borough License") which is attached hereto as Exhibit B and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-4 authorizes a municipality to acquire easements; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8.f. & g require that the conveyance of licenses by municipalities be accomplished by ordinance; and

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX THAT:

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to sign said DOE Easement which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, or a similar Easement which is substantially similar to Exhibit A, and record the same in the Middlesex County Clerk/Register's Office; and
2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to sign said Borough License which is attached hereto as Exhibit B, or a similar License which is substantially similar to Exhibit B, and record the same in the Middlesex County Clerk/Register's Office; and
3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

RESULT:	TABLED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 9/8/2020 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President	
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman	
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex	

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the July 14, 2020 Regular & Executive Meeting Minutes

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

MAYOR'S REPORT

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council President Mikolajczyk

Council President Mikolajczyk reported that with John Ericson's resignation from the Swim Pool Commission he would expect a candidate to be recommended from the Swim Pool Commission to get Council approval.

Councilman Carnes

Councilman Carnes reported that the Culture & Heritage Committee is coming up with a lot of "hopeful planned events". and he will be attending a grant class with Middlesex County tomorrow. Also, the DPW is doing an amazing job.

Councilman Carr

Councilman Carr had no report.

Councilman Eodice

Councilman Eodice reported that on July 20th, he attended the regular meeting with members of the fire departments. Some information regarding that meeting is included in the MFD report for approval tonight.

On July 30th, there was a meeting of the OEM where we addressed concerns and preparations for Tropical Storm Isaias. Fortunately, we avoided the worst case scenarios, and thanks to our DPW and others involved, we are bouncing back quickly.

Lastly, there was also to be a Board of Health meeting on Thursday, but I believe we will be postponing that until early September, and information on the re-scheduled date should be coming shortly.

Councilwoman Flood

Councilwoman Flood stated that the Recreation Committee met last evening and this was Noreen Wilpiseski's last meeting as Director.

The Soccer Registration will open on September 1st and close September 30th. The season will begin October 3rd and will be run more like a skills and drills program.

On Saturday, August 1 the Green Brook Flood Commission met outside the American Legion and concluded with a memorial service for those who were lost as a result of the past storms and floods.

Councilman Rex

Councilman Rex reported that the SWAC meeting for last night was cancelled and rescheduled for next month.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**Administrator's Report
August 11, 2020*****Items with asterics * have updates***

- i. COVID update
- ii. Flood Management:

iii. Update on Sewer Projects:**i. Phase I:**

- a. Additional work on George Street
 - b. O&M Manual required by DEP - no update
 - c. I/I Study
 - d. Sampling Program
- ii. Phase II Funding: Pending with i-bank (DEP)**
- iii. Phase IV (Sewer Bypass) - Design/engineer/i-bank**
- iv. MCUA Lining Project**

iv. Update on Other Public Works Projects:

- i. Streetscape Project
- ii. Safe Routes to Schools - no update
- iii. Road Design (2019 DOT Grant)
- iv. Road Design (2020 DOT Grant)
- v. Road Design (2021 DOT Grant)

v. Update on Other Projects:**i. *Mountain View Park****vi. Video Taping of Meetings****vii. Miscellaneous****i. *Dredging of Lake/Mosquito Control Commission**

- ii. Eagle scout project - dog park
- iii. Presentations at Upcoming Meetings
- iv. School District Shared Services
- v. *Market Street Fence (Under Councilman Carnes' Report)
- vi. *Bullet Proof Glass
- vii. *Administrator's Annual Report
- viii. *Resignation of Recreation Director, and hiring of new Administrative Asst. for Clerk/Finance/Administration, and hiring of part-time Rec Admin. Asst.
- ix. *Tax Collection

After the Administrator's Report was discussed, a motion was made by Councilman Mikolajczyk and seconded by Councilman Rex to have the gate on Market Street put up and be closed only from Memorial Day to Labor Day.
Ayes: Mikolajczyk, Carr, Eodice, Rex. Nays: Carnes & Flood.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

John Ericson, 209 Second Street stated that he moved to Middlesex 17 years ago and was moving on Thursday, but was happy to see the 7 Councilmember and Linda up front and appreciates their hard work.

Also, he requested that the Council not put up the gate on Market Street now as the pool has low attendance and is closing in a couple weeks.

Betty Platten, 4 Hooker Avenue had the following questions: (1) Are the meetings prepared to be televised? (2) If this meeting was being recorded and how long is it kept? (3) The salary ordinance lists Recreation Commission and not Recreation Committee, and (4) Is the Clerk a Clerk/Registrar.

Frank Ryan, 303 Maple Street stated that the Governing Body has to just keep doing their job and disregard criticism.

Mayor Madden and Administrator Karrow responded to all questions from the public.

NEW BUSINESS/CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 181-2020

ACCEPTANCE OF STANDING REPORTS

The Governing Body hereby accepts the following Reports itemized below:

1. Acceptance of the June, 2020 Fire Chief's Report
2. Acceptance of Resignation of Bobby Schneider, Jr. from MFD effective 7/14/2020
3. Acceptance of 6 Month Leave of Absence of Chris DuBois effective 7/13/2020
4. Accepting Mike Macher & Matt Gould as Qualified Drivers of Truck 18 for 2020
5. Approval of the June, 2020 Police Department Report
6. Approval of the Tax Collector Report for July, 2020

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 182-2020

APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSES FOR THE YEAR 2020 - 2021

The application for renewal of Liquor Licenses for the year 2020-2021 which have been approved by the Police Department be accepted; and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the following licenses in consideration of the fees which have been paid to the Borough of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey:

Shri Radha Krishna Inc. t/a Endzone Lounge 425 Bound Brook Road	1211-33-001-005
Rikjo Liquors, Inc. t/a Middlesex Liquor Store 1323 Bound Brook Road	1211-44-005-003
OK Liquors, t/a Cub Liquors, Inc.	1211-32-011-004

242 Lincoln Boulevard

Vilaverdense t/a Vincenzo's Restaurant
665 Bound Brook Road

1211-33-012-004

Middlesex Lodge 2301 BPO Elks
545 Bound Brook Road

1211-31-014-001

Pearldhyan, Inc.
657 Lincoln Boulevard

1211-44-006-003

Ellery's Grill, Inc.
701 Lincoln Boulevard

1211-32-004-002

Faron Realty Management, LLC t/a Ferraro's Pizza & Pub
275 Lincoln Boulevard

1211-33-002-010

Carpaccio Ristorante Inc.
651 Bound Brook Road

1211-33-010-004

Cahoots, Inc.
624 Lincoln Boulevard

1211-33-003-003

John W. Lupu Memorial Post 306
The American Legion
707 Legion Place

1211-31-013-001

Timothy Kerwin's Inc.
353 Bound Brook Road

1211-33-009-003

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 183-2020

**APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE
FISCAL GRANT CYCLE FOR YEAR 2019 - 2020 (FIFTH QUARTER) - *Item Removed
from Consent***

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Middlesex Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Middlesex Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Middlesex Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Middlesex;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Middlesex Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Middlesex Borough Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2019-2020 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$1,997.20
Cash Match	\$ 499.30
In-Kind	\$1,497.90

2. The Middlesex Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 184-2020

APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 2020 - JUNE 2025 - *Item Removed from Consent*

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

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1. The Middlesex Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Middlesex Borough Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2021 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$6,078.00
Cash Match	\$1,519.50
In-Kind	\$4,558.50

2. The Middlesex Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 185-2020

APPROVAL FOR AMUSEMENT MACHINE LICENSES FOR 2020/2021

The application for Amusement Machine Licenses, Pool Tables and Music Licenses, filed by the following establishments, which have been approved by the Chief of Police, be accepted, and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the licenses upon receipt of the fees. This license is valid until May 31, 2021.

End Zone Lounge 425 Bound Brook Rd.	(1) Pool Table (4) Amusement Machine (1) Music Machine	\$350.00
Ferraro's Pizzeria & Pub 275 Lincoln Boulevard	(1) Music Machine	\$150.00
American Legion 707 Legion Place	(1) Pool Table (1) Amusement Machine (1) Music Machine	\$350.00
Tim Kerwin's Tavern 353 Bound Brook Rd.	(4) Amusement Machines (1) Music Machine	\$350.00

TOTAL \$1200.00

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 186-2020

**THE GOVERNING BODY HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM
OF AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COUNTYWIDE DRUG RECOGNITION
EXPERT INITIATIVE - *Item Removed from Consent***

The Governing Body hereby authorizes Police Chief Geist, as the Agency Chief/Director for Middlesex Borough to execute the Memorandum of Agreement to participate in the Countywide Drug Recognition Expert Initiative.

The Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office established this countywide initiative whereby participating drug recognition experts will provide drug recognition evaluation services throughout the County in accordance with said Agreement.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 187-2020

**HIRING OF KELSEY MEIXNER AS THE CONFIDENTIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK AND THE DEPARTMENTS OF
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2020 AT AN ANNUAL
SALARY OF \$36,000**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hires Kelsey Meixner as the full time Confidential Administrative Assistant for the Department of the Municipal Clerk (minimum 27.5 hours) and the Departments of Finance and Administration (maximum 10 hours) effective August 17, 2020 at a salary of \$36,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, upon successful completion of each required class for the Registered Municipal Clerk Certification (5 total classes) she will be entitled to a \$500.00 increase; and

WHEREAS, she will be considered for an additional increase to be determined once she has received her Registered Municipal Clerk Certification.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of

Middlesex, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that:

1. The Governing Body hereby hires Kelsey Meixner as the full time Confidential Administrative Assistant for the Departments of the Municipal Clerk, with a maximum of 10 hours per week to be for the Departments of Finance and Administration at an annual salary of \$36,000. Upon successfully completion of each Registered Municipal Clerk Class, she will be entitled to a \$500.00 increase, and upon attaining the Registered Municipal Clerk Certification, she will be considered for an additional increase in an amount to be determined.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 188-2020

**APPROVING THE NJDEP TO ACCESS BOROUGH PROPERTY FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEGMENT H FLOODWALL/LEVEE FOR THE GREEN
BROOK FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION PROJECT**

The Governing body hereby approves the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute the Department of the Army Right of Entry to access portions of borough Property in order to commence construction of Segment H Floodwall/Levee for the Green Brook Flood Damage Reduction project. The land affected by this permit or right-of-entry is located in the State of New Jersey, County of Middlesex, and is described as Exhibit A attached hereto.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 189-2020

**AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO WAIVE OR ADJUST SEWER CHARGES ON
VARIOUS PROPERTIES IN MIDDLESEX BOROUGH**

WHEREAS, All users which discharge more than 120,000 gallons of domestic sanitary wastewater per annum, shall be charged a service charge for flow, and:

WHEREAS, an appeal process has been established for those users who believe the threshold of 120,000 gallons per annum has not been exceeded, and:

WHEREAS, as per the appeal process proper supporting documentation was submitted and reviewed, and;

THEREFORE, the following charges on the below properties have been waived or adjusted;

Block/ Lot : 86.03 / 9

Original Amount: \$2177.76
New Amount: 0.00

Block/ Lot: 42 /5
Original Amount: \$4827.90
New Amount: \$ 2860.76

Block/Lot: 290 /1
Original Amount: \$60, 512.09
Adjusted Amount: \$42,358.46

Block / Lot: 320 /1.01
Original Amount: \$73.29
New Amount: 0.00

Block/Lot: 86.02 / 23
Original Amount: \$481.62
New Amount: \$125.64

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 190-2020

**APPROVING THE REFUND OF \$73.29 TO THE PROPERTY OWNER OF BLOCK 320,
LOT 1.01 FOR APPEAL OF SEWER CHARGE**

WHEREAS, as per Borough Ordinance 1889-16, payment must be paid prior to submitting the sewer appeals, and;

WHEREAS, the sewer account for Block 320, Lot 1.01 has been successfully appealed; and paid prior to appealing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund the property owner of Block 320, Lot 1.01 the amount of \$73.29.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 191-2020

**AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR LOAN FROM THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL
INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM FOR THE VARIOUS SANITARY SEWER
MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PHASE II GREENBROOK ROAD AND LOUIS AVENUE PUMP
STATIONS REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Middlesex has filed or is about to file an application with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental

Infrastructure Trust Fund Loan Program for the Various Sanitary Sewer Main Improvements Phase II Greenbrook Road and Louis Avenue Pump Stations Replacement project; and

WHEREAS, Remington & Vernick Engineers, the Borough's Consultant Engineer, has been engaged to prosecute the said applications on behalf of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to formally confirm the authority of Marcia Karrow, Borough Administrator to represent the Borough for the said purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that Marcia Karrow, Borough Administrator of the Borough of Middlesex is designated agent of the Borough of Middlesex for the purpose of prosecuting the Borough's applications for funds under the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Fund Loan Program Application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a true copy of this Resolution be forwarded with said application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for their review and final action.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 192-2020

AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR LOAN FROM THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING PROGRAM FOR VARIOUS SANITARY SEWER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PHASE IV PISCATAWAY METERING STATION REPLACEMENT PROJECT - *Item Removed from Consent*

WHEREAS, the Borough of Middlesex has filed or is about to file an application with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Fund Loan Program for the Various Sanitary Sewer Main Improvements Phase IV Piscataway Metering Station Replacement Project; and

WHEREAS, Remington & Vernick Engineers, the Borough's Consultant Engineer, has been engaged to prosecute the said applications on behalf of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to formally confirm the authority of Marcia Karrow, Borough Administrator to represent the Borough for the said purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that Marcia Karrow, Borough Administrator of the Borough of Middlesex is designated agent of the Borough of Middlesex for the purpose of prosecuting the Borough's applications for funds under the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Fund Loan Program Application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a true copy of this Resolution be forwarded with said application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for their review and final action.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 193-2020

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR SEWER LINE
IMPROVEMENTS**

The Governing Body hereby authorizes Mayor Madden to execute the Reimbursement Agreement with the Middlesex County Utilities Authority. This agreement authorizes the Middlesex County Utilities Authority to incorporate the rehabilitation of the Borough's connecting sanitary sewers upstream of the Authority's Middlesex Meter Chamber into the Main Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation - Phase III Project.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 194-2020

**UPDATING THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH PURCHASING MANUAL EFFECTIVE JULY,
2020**

The Governing Body hereby approves the Middlesex Borough Purchasing Manual which has been updated effective July, 2020.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 195-2020

**RELEASING LUCAS CONSTRUCTION GROUP, INC. PERFORMANCE BOND IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$222,474.23 FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF SOUTH AVENUE FROM
SHERMAN AVENUE TO HALL STREET PROJECT - *Item Removed from Consent***

WHEREAS, final payment to Lucas Construction Group, Inc. has been submitted for the Reconstruction of South Avenue from Sherman Avenue to Hall Street Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53 of the Municipal Land Use Law, the Borough Engineer, by letter dated June 1, 2020, has recommended the release of Performance Bond No. BX03743MB, issued by Bondex Insurance Company in the amount of \$222,474.23,

which was submitted by Lucas Construction Group, Inc. and is being held by the Borough for the Reconstruction of South Avenue from Sherman Avenue to Hall Street Project; and

WHEREAS, Remington & Vernick Engineers and the Borough Attorney have reviewed all documents and are recommending release of the Performance Bond;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey in accordance with N.J.A.C. 40:55D-53c. (1) of the Municipal Land Use Law, and by recommendation of the Remington & Vernick Engineers and the Borough Attorney, the governing body hereby agrees to release the performance bond for the Reconstruction of South Avenue from Sherman Avenue to Hall Street Project to Lucas Construction Group, Inc.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Douglas Rex, Councilman
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 196-2020

APPROVAL TO ADVANCE PATROLMAN COLIN DEVINCENZO TO PATROLMAN CLASS "C" EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2020 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$94,994

WHEREAS, Police Officer Colin DeVincenzo is eligible for advancement in grade pursuant to Article XV of the Police Department Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, On July 30, 2020 Chief Geist recommended Police Officer Colin DeVincenzo be advanced in grade.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Police Officer Colin DeVincenzo be and is hereby advanced in grade to Patrolman Class "C" effective August 17, 2020 at an annual salary of \$94,994.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 197-2020

APPROVAL TO ADVANCE PATROLMAN ROBERT DANGLER TO PATROLMAN CLASS "D" EFFECTIVE AUGUST 9, 2020 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$85,517

WHEREAS, Police Officer Robert Dangler is eligible for advancement in grade pursuant to Article XV of the Police Department Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, On July 30, 2020 Chief Geist recommended Police Officer Robert Dangler be advanced in grade.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Police Officer Robert Dangler be and is hereby advanced in grade to Patrolman Class "D" effective August 9, 2020 at an annual salary of \$85,517.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 198-2020

APPROVAL TO ADVANCE PATROLMAN PAUL CERRETO TO PATROLMAN CLASS "D" EFFECTIVE AUGUST 9, 2020 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$85,517

WHEREAS, Police Officer Paul Cerreto is eligible for advancement in grade pursuant to Article XV of the Police Department Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, On July 30, 2020 Chief Geist recommended Police Officer Paul Cerreto be advanced in grade.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Police Officer Paul Cerreto be and is hereby advanced in grade to Patrolman Class "D" effective August 9, 2020 at an annual salary of \$85,517.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 199-2020

HIRING LINDA CHICARELLI AS A PERMANENT PART TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE AUGUST 11, 2020 AT \$14.00 PER HOUR FOR UP TO 28 HOURS PER WEEK

The governing body hereby hires Linda Chicarelli as a permanent part time Administrative Assistant for the Recreation Department at \$14 per hour, maximum of 28 hours per week, pending a satisfactory background check effective August 17, 2020.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 200-2020

AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO REFUND CAMP BOW WOW \$100.00 FOR PAYMENT OF A DUPLICATE BOARD OF HEALTH LICENSE

Authorizing the Treasurer to refund Middlesex Camp Bow Wow, 288 Lincoln Boulevard, Middlesex, NJ a check in the amount of \$100.00 for a duplicate Board of Health License.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 201-2020

**APPROVING THE HOMEOWNER OF 190 MARKET STREET AS TAX EXEMPT AS
APPROVED AS A DISABLED VETERAN**

WHEREAS, the homeowner(s) of 190 Market St, Block 22.03, Lot 3.11, has been declared a 100% Disabled Veteran by the Division of Veterans Affairs, and;

WHEREAS, 100% Disabled Veterans are tax exempt, and;

WHEREAS, the homeowner has completed and submitted an application and has been approved by the Tax Assessor, and;

THEREFORE, the owners of Block 22.03 Lot 3.11 are tax exempt.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 202-2020

**THE TAX COLLECTOR IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE A CHECK FOR TAX TITLE LIEN
REDEMPTIONS FOR BLOCK 165, LOT 11.01 FOR CERTIFICATE NO. 16-00021**

WHEREAS, said liens have been redeemed by the owners or those persons having an interest, and the purchasers of said property are legally entitled to receive redemption funds in the following specific amounts, and;

WHEREAS, the interest and payments on the following Tax Title Lien Redemptions were calculated for August 11, 2020, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue a check to the said individual in the following amount(s):

<u>Date of Sale:</u>	7/12/2017
<u>Block/Lot:</u>	165 / 11.01
<u>Amount:</u>	\$102.52
<u>Premium:</u>	\$200.00
<u>Certificate:</u>	16-00021
<u>Payable To:</u>	US Bank Cust Actlien 50 South 16 th St. Suite 2050 Philadelphia, PA 19102

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 203-2020

**RENEWAL OF JUNKYARD LICENSES FOR 2020/2021 (EXPIRING 5/31/2021) FOR THE
BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX**

The application for renewal of Junkyard Licenses filed by Absolute Auto Truck Salvage and Falgi, Inc. have been approved by the Police Department, Fire Official and Board of Health. The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the license in consideration of the fees which have been paid. These Licenses will expire on May 31, 2021.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 204-2020

**HIRING STEVEN VECCHIO, TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY AS THE SUBSTITUTE
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR FOR THE CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE
IMMEDIATELY**

The Governing Body hereby hires Steven Vecchio, Toms River, NJ as a substitute Electrical Inspector for the Construction Department effective immediately.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 207-2020

**ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF NOREEN WILPISZESKI FROM THE RECREATION
DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE AUGUST 21, 2020**

The Governing Body hereby accepts the resignation of Noreen Wilpiseszski, the Recreation Director, effective August 21, 2020.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 205-2020

PAY ALL CLAIMS

THE DISBURSING OFFICERS BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO PAY THE ATTACHED CLAIM LIST AS PRESENTED, IF FOUND CORRECT, AND APPROVED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. EXCLUDED VOUCHERS MAY BE PAID UPON BEING FOUND ACCEPTABLE.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Douglas Rex, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex that:

RESOLUTION 206-2020

EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

WHEREAS, the regular meeting of this Governing Body will reconvene.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex will go into closed session for the following reason listed below as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 and the minutes will be kept, and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the items no longer require confidentiality, the minutes can be made public.

1. Personnel - Construction Department
2. Potential Litigation - Midmarket Urban Renewal LLC

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council President
SECONDER:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEM

1. Use of Ballfields - Permits

Noreen Wilpiseski, Recreation Director, attended the meeting to discuss the use of ballfields and the permitting of fields. She indicated that the residents are upset about the ballfields closed and about needing a permit. Noreen spoke regarding this with the Chief of Police and Department of Public Works Foreman and they both concurred that permitting the fields is the to the benefit of the borough.

Chief Geist was unable to attend but Mayor Madden read a statement from him which stated that "I spoke to Noreen last night to convey that I support the permit process for fields. I have heard of past

problems regarding rights to the fields that have resulted in arguments and physical altercations. Anyone can access the fields, however, the permit process provides organized sports the rights to the fields for the prescribed date, location and time of their sporting event.”

Noreen discussed that 2020 has been an extremely unusual year with rules and extreme requirements for the teams in the borough in order to permit a field due to COVID. These teams are required not only to provide insurance, but they must provide additional documents to be able to permit a field.

Noreen indicated that Mountain View Park is a big revenue generator, as out of town applicants pay double the amount of our resident's pay for permit fees. Due to COVID, we have lost revenue on the rental of the pavilion and also only a few teams have used the fields, and a majority of these teams are using the fields with the permit fees that they paid for Spring permits that were never issued due to COVID.

The permitting of the fields helps to protect the field from over usage, damage or vandalism and misuse of our fields, as the permit holder is liable. The permitting also helps avoid scheduling conflicts, as some of the fields double as both baseball and/or softball and overlap, which is a safety issue. Also, the permits allow us to know who is there and how to prep the field. It is also important that the DPW maintain the fields so that they do not become a safety issue. A consensus of Council was that permitting of the fields was needed for the fields in the borough.

Noreen also stated that Soccer registration is getting started September 1 and the Finance Department is hesitant to begin registration. If the season is cancelled, it involves refunding numerous applicants, and also the Borough is stuck with the credit card fees. Council discussed and agreed to revisit Soccer Registration at the September 8th Council Meeting.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR ON AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEMS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel - Construction Department
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ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Meeting will be September 8, 2020

Respectfully yours,

Borough Clerk