



Borough of Middlesex
Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
~ Minutes ~

1400 Mountain Avenue
Middlesex, NJ

Linda Chismar
732 356-7400 x238
www.middlesexboro-nj.gov

Tuesday, September 8, 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
Christopher Corsini Borough Attorney

Others Absent:

PRESENTATIONS

APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Ann Marie Kleiber to the Swim Pool Commission - Expiring 12/31/2024

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

PROCLAMATIONS

1. CHARCOT-MARIE-TOOTH AWARENESS MONTH - SEPTEMBER, 2020

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Mayor and Council of Middlesex Borough to focus attention on noteworthy causes and occasions; and

WHEREAS, Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease (CMT) is a common inherited neurological disorder that affects approximately 1 in 2,500 people in the United States and 2.8 million worldwide; and

WHEREAS, CMT is characterized by a slow and progressive deterioration of motor and sensory nerves across various parts of the body that can lead to weakness of the foot and lower leg muscles, foot deformities, frequent tripping and falls and muscle weakness in the hands; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 70 kinds of CMT that affect individuals from all walks of life, and in all areas of the world; and

WHEREAS, there is no cure for CMT, and while physical therapy, bracing and surgical procedures can help stabilize and correct certain CMT symptoms, continued awareness and research of the disease are needed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I, JOHN L. MADDEN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, do hereby join with the Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association and municipalities across the United States in proclaiming the month of September 2020 to be

CHARCOT-MARIE-TOOTH AWARENESS MONTH

NOW FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Middlesex urges all citizens to join with me and Council in spreading awareness of Charcot-Marie-Tooth Disease, and in voicing our support for the Charcot-Marie-Tooth Disease Association.

Councilman Rex read the Charcot-Marie Tooth Awareness Month Proclamation in its entirety and also expressed his appreciation for the Council's recognition of this disease.

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE(S) FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION

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.

Mayor Madden opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2005-20. Seeing that there was no public participation, Mayor Madden closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2005-20.

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

The Borough Clerk read ordinance 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.

Mayor Madden opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2006-20. Seeing that there was no public participation, Mayor Madden closed the public hearing on Ordinance No. 2006-20.

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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the August 11, 2020 Regular and Executive Meeting Minutes

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

2. Approval of the August 31, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Madden recommended that residents refrain from leaving messages for him attached to the vinyl posts in the parking lot, and requested that they feel free to call or email him directly with any concerns that they may have.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council President Mikolajczyk

Council President Mikolajczyk reported that we are awaiting the results of the 2019 Audit which we should be receiving any day.

Councilman Carnes

Councilman Carnes reported the following:

- The Joint Land Use Board Meeting is scheduled Sept 9th 2020 at the Recreation Center/ Rescue Squad Building

- The Culture & Heritage Committee - We are waiting for committee appointments, coming soon and we have applied for Middlesex County Grants
 - Coffee with Council - No updates
 - Board of Ed - There is a BOE Meeting tonight. Also, the first marking period is all Virtual.
 - Department of Public Works will be switching back to once a week trash pick up. October 28th is the last day for curbside bulk pick up. Victor Crowell Park / Duck Pond Aerator will be installed this Friday. Distribution of new leaf bags will be starting the beginning of October. The new hours for the Recycling Center beginning October 5 will be as follows: Tuesday 6am-2pm, Thursday 11am -7pm and Saturday 7am-3pm
-

Councilman Carr

Councilman Carr had nothing to report.

Councilman Eodice

Councilman Eodice reported that on August 18th he attended the monthly meeting with the Fire Departments, and reports are in the packet tonight.

This Thursday September 10th the Board of Health will be holding it's make up meeting from last month, and it will be conducted by phone.

There will be a 9-11 Ceremony at 7:00 pm on September 11th at Victor Crowell Park. Masks will be required.

Lastly, he commended our MHS student athletes, coaches, parents and others who attended a rally this evening and made their voices heard in an effort keep their athletic season alive.

Councilwoman Flood

Councilwoman Flood reported that her Committee has not met yet. She commented that the 25-mph sign for the High School, and the No Left Turn sign off Van Ness Dr. still has not been installed. The Business Administrator will follow up on this.

Lastly, the Councilwoman will reach out to the Business Administrator to discuss Public Donations.

Councilman Rex

Councilman Rex reported that the medical and grocery trips are returning with limited services. Plans on place on safely and slowly bringing back programming starting with chair yoga in the coming week. They are waiting to hear if the county is going to hold their annual flu clinic at the recreation center. They need specifics on the building for COVID purposes.

Councilman Rex attended a SWAC dial in meeting on 9/8. There was no specific news to report from the meeting. He has been attending meetings to keep Middlesex Borough's name current at the meetings as our presence has been absent in previous years.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator's Report September 8, 2020

*Items with asterices * 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. Miscellaneous
 - i. Video Taping of Meetings: additional work
 - ii. *Dredging of Lake/Mosquito Control Commission
 - iii. Eagle scout project - dog park
 - iv. Presentations at Upcoming Meetings
 - v. School District Shared Services
 - vi. *Market Street Fence (Under Councilman Carnes' Report) waiting quote
 - vii. *Bullet Proof Glass installed trim done
 - viii. *Back filled positions
 - ix. Property maintenance ordinance
 - x. CO inspection for illegal discharge into sewer system ordinance
 - xi. Peddlers license ordinance amendment

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Kevin Redzinski, 441 Fairview Avenue

- Questioned how many people were interviewed for the Code Enforcer position
- How much is being saved by reducing the hours in the Recycling Center
- Who has the authority to fire the Administrator?

Dave Polakiewicz, 240 Hazelwood Avenue

- Questioned the status of the CRS Program

- Requested that once we receive the funds that are in arrears for the Pinelli Property, that they should be put into the tax levy to help taxpayers and give them tax relief

Charles Kratovil, New Brunswick

- Questioned which developer is behind in their PILOT and if the borough could terminate their long term tax abatement or their tax exemption agreement.
- Awaiting information from his OPRA request

Bruce DeRoma, 428 First Street

- Concerned with tree that is 7 feet from his driveway and that it has twisted his apron and curb and requested what could be done.

Bob Dessino, 405 Edgeworth Street

- Confirmed to Council that although the recycle center hours/days have been reduced, the borough still has recycling curbside pick up every two weeks.

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 209-2020

ACCEPTANCE OF STANDING REPORTS

The Governing Body hereby accepts the following Reports itemized below:

1. Acceptance of the July, 2020 Recreation Summary
2. Acceptance of August, 2020 Director's Report
3. Acceptance of Middlesex Recreation Strategic Plan
4. Acceptance of the July, 2020 Police Report
5. Acceptance of the July, 2020 Board of Fire Officers Report
Approving the following Qualified Drivers:
Truck 25-Joseph Eckert, Joseph McCauley, Joseph Buro, Brian Forsyth & Eric Powlison
Truck 18-Shawn Young, Brian Mattox, Jason Frank, Thomas Kurtz, Joseph Eckert, Joseph McCauley, Joseph Buro, Brian Forsyth & Eric Powlison
Truck 22-Jake Wright
6. Acceptance of the Fire Chief's 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 210-2020**AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF AUTOMATIVE AND LIGHT DUTY AFTERMARKET TRUCK PARTS/TOOLS/SUPPLIES UNDER SOMERSET COUNTY CO-OP PRICING SYSTEM, CO-OP #CC-0113-20, FIRST YEAR OF TWO-YEAR CONTRACT - *Item Removed from Consent***

WHEREAS, as a member of the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex wishes to purchase automotive and light duty aftermarket truck parts/tools/supplies from D & B Auto Supply under said CO-OP #CC-0113-20, first year of two-year contract; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Contracts Law, 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, D & B Auto Supply, 320 Lincoln Blvd., is under the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, CO-OP # CC-0113-20, first year of a two-year contract for automotive and light duty aftermarket truck parts/tools/supplies; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council that the purchase of automotive and light duty aftermarket truck parts/tools/supplies under the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, CO-OP #CC-0113-20, first year of two-year contract be and is hereby approved.

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 211-2020**AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF DUPLICATE PROPERTY TAXES ON BLOCK 22.03, LOT 3.13 FOR THIRD QUARTER 2020 TAXES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,031.99**

WHEREAS, payment was sent in for Block 22.03 Lot 3.13 for 3rd Qtr. 2020 in the amount of \$3,031.99 and processed on 7/31/2020; and

WHEREAS, an additional payment was sent in for Block 22.03 Lot 3.13 for 3rd Qtr. 2020 in the amount of \$3,290.63 and processed on 8/5/2020; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has requested a refund for the error in the double payment; and

WHEREAS, the property owner is entitled to a refund as there is a credit of \$3,031.99 on the account; and

NOW THEREFORE, a check in the amount of \$3,031.99 should be made payable to:

Richard & Patricia Newton
525 Grandview Street
Middlesex, NJ 08846

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 212-2020

**ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF MICHAEL RICK FROM THE OFFICE OF AGING
AND SENIOR SERVICES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2020**

The Governing Body hereby accepts the resignation of Michael Rick as a Part Time Driver in the Office of Aging and Senior Services effective September 1, 2020.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 213-2020

**ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF BARRIE PALUMBO, ZONING OFFICER/CODE
ENFORCER EFFECTIVE AUGUST 25, 2020**

The Governing Body hereby accepts the resignation of Barrie Palumbo, Zoning Officer/Code Enforcer effective August 25, 2020.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 214-2020

**ACKNOWLEDGING THE CHANGE IN STATUS FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES UNDER
THE SENIOR CITIZEN/DISABLED PERSON/VETERAN TAX DEDUCTIONS**

WHEREAS, certain Senior Citizens/Disabled Persons/Veterans were the owners of property in the Borough of Middlesex for the year 2017, and

WHEREAS, once a homeowner is deceased said Senior Citizens/Disabled Persons / Veteran deductions remain on property until the property is sold or until the end of the year, and

WHEREAS, said deductions were not removed at the end of 2017, and

WHEREAS, the property has a recorded sale date of 3/2/2018, and

WHEREAS, in 2018 a partial proration was collected based on the sale date of the property in the amount of \$184.93, and

WHEREAS, the full \$250.00 should have been collected due to the death of recipient of the deduction in 2017, and

THEREFORE, the Tax Collector has disallowed the following Senior Citizen/Disabled Person/Veteran deduction and will bill back for the years 2018, 2019 & 2020 as follows:

2018 in the amount of \$65.07, 2019 in the amount of \$250.00 and 2020 in the amount of \$250.00 for a total of \$565.07.

Name: Carmella Vaccaro

Block/Lot: 196 / 37

Amount: \$565.07

Reason: DOD 8/2/2017- Deduction Not Removed

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 215-2020

AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 56-47 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 655 LINCOLN BOULEVARD, LOTS 25, 27, 29 & 29.01, BLOCK 314 (PLANNING BOARD APP. NO. P2018-07)

WHEREAS, Section 56-47 of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Middlesex requires the execution of a developer's agreement between an applicant and a developer upon the granting of final site plan approval by the Joint Land Use Board (or predecessor Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment) of the Borough of Middlesex; and

WHEREAS, on November 28, 2018, the Planning Board granted preliminary and final site plan approval to the applicant Tapasya, LLC, for the property located at 655 Lincoln Boulevard, Lots 25, 27, 29 & 29.01 of Block 314 in the GB General Business Zone, with the resolution of said Board attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, Condition 7 of the resolution of the Board directs the Applicant to "request a waiver of the municipal requirement for a Developer's Agreement of from Governing Body" which Applicant has done through correspondence to the Borough dated August 10, 2020 as attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, Applicant has noted that the proposed improvements consist of the renovation of a building and related parking area and moving a liquor store into the building. As a result, there will be relatively minimal site work on the property, the oversight of which can be handled in accordance with the detailed resolution of the Planning Board, and in consideration of same waiver of the Borough's requirement for a developer's agreement is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, having reviewed the resolution of the Planning Board and having considered the recommendation of same, the Borough Council desires to grant the Applicant's request and waive the Developer's Agreement requirement of Section 56-47 of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Middlesex; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, does hereby waive the Developer's Agreement requirement of Section 56-47 of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Middlesex for the project approved in Planning Board App. No. 2018-07 and granting preliminary and final site plan approval to Tapasya, LLC, for the property located at 655 Lincoln Boulevard (Lots 25, 27, 29 & 29.01 of Block 314).

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 216-2020

ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF NOREEN WILPISZESKI'S EFFECTIVE AUGUST 21, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO PAY THE FULL ALLOWANCE OF \$1,286.00 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PERSONNEL POLICY

The Mayor and Council hereby accept Noreen Wilpiseski's resignation effective August 21, 2020 and authorize the Treasurer to pay the full allowance of \$1,286.00 in accordance with the personnel policy in the next regular Borough payroll of September 11, 2020. The benefits include the following:

5 Days Vacation Time	\$ 1,286.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,286.00

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 217-2020

SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS - CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: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 items 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 any item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, hereby requests that the Director of Local Government Services approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$26,323.50, which item is now available as a revenue from the Clean Communities Grant Program in the amount of \$26,323.50;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$26,323.50 is hereby appropriated under the caption of "Clean Communities Grant Program"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is a result of a State Grant of \$26,323.50 from the Clean Communities Grant Program.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 218-2020

**SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS - STATE ALCOHOL
ENFORCEMENT DWI PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: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 items 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 any item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, hereby requests that the Director of Local Government Services approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$3,834.28, which item is now available as a revenue from the State Alcohol Enforcement DWI Program in the amount of \$3,834.28;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$3,834.28 is hereby appropriated under the caption of "State Alcohol Enforcement DWI Program"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is a result of a State Grant of \$3,834.28 from the State Alcohol Enforcement DWI Program.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 219-2020

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY PERTAINING TO THE OPERATION**

AND MAINTENANCE OF A FLASHING BEACON SYSTEM AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 28 AND LORRAINE AVENUE AND FOR THE BOROUGH TO ASSUME 25% OF THE COST OF THIS LIGHT (\$12,760.00 - BOROUGH COST) - *Item Removed from Consent*

WHEREAS, a traffic condition exists at the intersection of Route NJ 28 (M.P. 9.29) and Lorraine Avenue, in the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, which requires the installation of a Flashing Beacon System; and;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to expedite the safe movement and conduct a pedestrian and vehicular traffic; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has indicated its willingness to install a Flashing Beacon System at said intersection; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has proposed a form of Agreement pertaining to operation and maintenance of said Flashing Beacon System; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement assumes 25% of the cost associated with the construction of the flashing beacon system, estimated to be \$12,760.00 will be paid by the Borough of Middlesex; and the State will assume 75% of the cost, estimated to be \$38,280.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk of the said Borough of Middlesex, be and are hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement with the State of New Jersey, acting through its Commissioner of Transportation, for the purpose aforesaid, a copy of said Agreement being attached hereto and made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk of the Borough of Middlesex, be and hereby are authorized to execute said Agreement.

The CFO Certifies that funds in the amount of \$12,760.00 are available in Account C-04-20-002-000-085.

Caroline Benson, Acting CFO

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 220-2020**HIRING OF ASHLEY WHITE AS THE DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$60,000 EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 21, 2020, PENDING A SATISFACTORY PHYSICAL AND BACKGROUND CHECK**

The governing body hereby approves the hiring of Ashley White of Somerset, NJ as the Director of Recreation at an annual salary of \$60,000 effective September 21, 2020, pending a satisfactory physical and background check.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 221-2020**SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS - CARES ACT REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: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 items 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 any item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, hereby requests that the Director of Local Government Services approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$13,591.13, which item is now available as a revenue from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief & Economic Security (CARES) Act in the amount of \$13,591.13;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$13,591.13 is hereby appropriated under the caption of "CARES Act"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is a result of a Federal & State Grant of \$13,591.13 from the CARES Act Reimbursement Program.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 222-2020**HIRING OF MATTHEW STITT AND JOHN JENKINS AS PART TIME LABORERS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AT \$14.00 PER HOUR, AT A MAXIMUM OF 28**

HOURS PER WEEK, PENDING A SATISFACTORY PHYSICAL AND BACKGROUND CHECK EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

The Governing Body hereby hires Matthew Stitt and John Jenkins of Middlesex, NJ as part time laborers for the Department of Public Works at \$14.00 per hour, at a maximum of 28 hours per week, pending a satisfactory physical and background check effective September 14, 2020.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 223-2020

APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF SECURITY CAMERAS FOR THE RECREATION/SENIOR BUILDING AND BOROUGH HALL - *Item Removed from Consent*

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to purchase security cameras for the Recreation/Senior Building and Borough Hall with funds that are appropriated in the 2020 Capital Budget; and

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

1. At the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent, the Mayor and Council hereby approve the use of the funds appropriated in the 2020 Capital Budget to purchase security cameras for the Recreation/Senior Building and Borough Hall.

NOW FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer hereby certifies funds are available in account number C-04-20-002-000-083 in the amount of \$2,560.00 for Borough Hall and account number C-04-20-002-000-090 in the amount of \$2,868.00 for Recreation/Senior Building.

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 224-2020

HIRING KAREN WICK AS THE CONSTRUCTION/LAND USE BOARD SECRETARY EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 21, 2020 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$40,000

The Governing Body hereby hires Karen Wick, Middlesex, New Jersey as the Construction/Land Use Board Secretary in the Construction Office effective September 21, 2020 at an annual salary of \$40,000 pending a satisfactory background check and physical.

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 225-2020

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:	Jason Carr, Councilman
AYES:	Mikolajczyk, Carnes, Carr, Eodice, Flood, Rex

AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEM

1. Extension of Temporary Outdoor Food Service Permit

A motion was made by Council President Mikolajczyk, seconded by Councilman Carnes to extend the Outdoor Food Service Permits until November 30, 2020 and carried by a unanimous vote of Council. The Clerk will advise these Permit Applicants that if they are intending to use any type of "heating element" that they should advise the Borough, in advance, so that the Fire Inspector can give his approval.

2. Borough Logo

The Governing Body discussed holding a contest to have the community input for suggestions for a new borough seal and also a slogan to brand the town. There will be public recognition for the winner of this contest. The Council is requesting community suggestions and will advertise via a possible banner, on Facebook, the Borough website and also the Administrator recommended that we reach out to our public relations company for their help.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR ON AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEMS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Meeting will be September 22, 2020

Respectfully yours,

Borough Clerk