



Borough of Middlesex
Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
~ Agenda ~

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Tuesday, July 26, 2022

7:00 PM

Municipal Building

- I. 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.
- II. SALUTE TO FLAG**
- III. ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Mayor John Madden	☐	☐	☐	
Council President James Eodice	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Jeremiah Carnes	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Michael Conahan	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Jack Mikolajczyk	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Martin Quinn	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Douglas Rex	☐	☐	☐	
Interim Administrator Joe Costa	☐	☐	☐	
Borough Attorney Christopher Corsini	☐	☐	☐	

- IV. PRESENTATIONS**
- V. APPOINTMENTS**

- 1. **Resolution 199-2022** Hiring Probationary Police Officer Joshua Pham At An Annual Salary of \$51,427.00 Effective July 27, 2022
- 2. Swearing in of Police Officer Christopher Colon
- 3. Swearing in of Police Officer April Menditto
- 4. Swearing in of Police Officer Christian Dulin
- 5. Accepting the Resignation of Chrissy George from the Cultural and Heritage Committee Effective July 1, 2022
- 6. Accepting the Resignation of Michael Conahan from the Joint Land Use Board & Board of Health Effective July 11, 2022
- 7. Appointing Joseph Caruso as a Class IV Member to the Joint Land Use Board
- 8. Appointing Todd Nicolay as Alternate #1 to the Joint Land Use Board

9. Appointing Spencer Durkin as Alternate #2 to the Joint Land Use Board

VI. PROCLAMATIONS

VII. ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION

VIII. ORDINANCE(S) FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION

IX. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the June 14, 2022 Executive Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of the June 28, 2022 Regular & Executive Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of the July 7, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes

X. MAYOR'S REPORT

XI. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

1. Council President Eodice
2. Councilman Carnes
3. Councilman Conahan
4. Councilman Mikolajczyk
5. Councilman Quinn
6. Councilman Rex

XII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

XIII. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

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XIV. NEW BUSINESS/CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS: Matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action. The Resolutions listed below were submitted to the Borough Council for review and will be adopted by one motion.

1. **Resolution 200-2022** Acceptance of Standing Reports
2. **Resolution 201-2022** Approval to Advance Police Officer Robert Dangler to Police Officer Class "B" Effective August 9, 2022 at an Annual Salary of \$109,862

3. **Resolution 202-2022** Approval to Advance Police Officer Paul Cerreto to Police Officer Class "B" Effective August 9, 2022 at an Annual Salary of \$109,862
4. **Resolution 203-2022** Hiring Adriene Bacon as a Part Time Bus Driver in the Office of Senior & Disabled Services at \$20.00 Per Hour, for Approximately 25 Hours Per Week, Effective Immediately
5. **Resolution 204-2022** Approving the Employment Agreement Between the Borough of Middlesex and Matthew P. Geist to serve as Chief of Police
6. **Resolution 205-2022** Approving the New Jersey Department of the Environment to Access Borough Property for the Construction of the Segment C2 Floodwall/Levee for the Green Brook Flood Damage Reduction Project for Block 244 Lot 11, Block 244 Lot 15 and Block 247.1, 701
7. **Resolution 206-2022** Authorizing the Tax Collector to Issue Refunds or Credits on Interest Collected for the Year 2021 to Various Properties
8. **Resolution 207-2022** Hiring Ohany Navarro as a Part Time Sanitation Employee in the Department of Public Works Effective August 1, 2022
9. **Resolution 208-2022** The Governing Body hereby Rejects the Bids for Biodegradable & Recyclable Leaf Bags per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(b)
10. **Resolution 209-2022** Authorizing the Acceptance of an Application for DMHAS Grant Funding through the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse For Year One Grant Term June 1, 2022 - March 14, 2023 in the amount of \$5,000.00
11. **Resolution 210-2022** Acceptance of the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Fiscal Grant Cycle for October 2020 - June 2025
12. **Resolution 211-2022** Approval of the Revised Shared Services Agreement for Radio Dispatching Services with the County of Somerset
13. **Resolution 212-2022** Acknowledging the Change in Status for Certain Properties Under the Senior Citizen/ Disabled Person/Veteran Tax Deductions
14. **Resolution 213-2022** Approval of a 60-Month Lease Option for the Sharp MX-C-304 Copier for the Records Department, in the Amount of \$74.00 for 60 Months Effective Immediately
15. **Resolution 214-2022** Approving the New Jersey Department of the Environment to Access Borough Property for the Construction of the Segment C2 Floodwall/Levee for the Green Brook Flood Damage Reduction Project for Block 278 Lot 61 and Block 278 Lot 60
16. **Resolution 215-2022** Approval of the Middlesex County Board of Taxation Judgment on 2022 Tax Appeal for Block 7.06 Lot 16

17. **Resolution 216-2022** Approval of the Middlesex County Board of Taxation Judgment on 2022 Tax Appeal for Block 262 Lot 1.01
18. **Resolution 217-2022** Approval of the Middlesex County Board of Taxation Judgment on 2022 Tax Appeal for Block 65 Lot 28.03
19. **Resolution 218-2022** Approval of the Middlesex County Board of Taxation Judgment on 2022 Tax Appeal for Block 65 Lot 28.01
20. **Resolution 219-2022** Approval of the Middlesex County Board of Taxation Judgment on 2022 Tax Appeal for Block 42 Lot 1
21. **Resolution 220-2022** Approval of the Middlesex County Board of Taxation Judgment on 2022 Tax Appeal for Block 117 Lot 17
22. **Resolution 221-2022** Approval of the Middlesex County Board of Taxation Judgment on 2022 Tax Appeal for Block 72 Lot 3.04

XV. NON-CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS: Matters listed within the Non-Consent Agenda will be individually addressed and acted upon accordingly. Council reserves the right to refer an item to Committee for further review and discussion. The Resolutions listed below were submitted to the Borough Council for review and will be adopted individually by motion.

1. **Resolution 222-2022** Pay All Claims

XVI. AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEM

XVII. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR ON AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEMS

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XVIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. **Resolution 223-2022** Executive Session
Real Estate - Land Acquisition - Sampling Plant
2. Real Estate - Land Acquisition - Presbyterian Property
3. Real Estate - Land Acquisition - 302 Union Avenue
4. Personnel - DPW Advancements

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

1. The next Regular Meeting will be August 23, 2022

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #199-2022

**HIRING PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICER JOSHUA PHAM AT AN ANNUAL
SALARY OF \$51,427.00 EFFECTIVE JULY 27, 2022**

WHEREAS, Joshua Pham has successfully completed the background investigation, psychological and medical examination required for the position of a Probationary Police Officer in the Borough of Middlesex; and

WHEREAS, Chief Geist is recommending that Joshua Pham be appointed to the position of Probationary Police Officer effective July 27, 2022 at an annual salary of \$51,427.00.

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. Joshua Pham is hereby appointed a Probationary Police Officer for the Borough of Middlesex effective July 27, 2022 at an annual salary of \$51,427.00.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #200-2022

ACCEPTANCE OF STANDING REPORTS

The Governing Body hereby accepts the following Reports itemized below:

1. Acceptance of the June, 2022 Police Report

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #201-2022

APPROVAL TO ADVANCE POLICE OFFICER ROBERT DANGLER TO POLICE OFFICER CLASS "B" EFFECTIVE AUGUST 9, 2022 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$109,862

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

WHEREAS, On July 18, 2022 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 Police Officer Class "B" effective August 9, 2022 at an annual salary of \$109,862.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #202-2022

APPROVAL TO ADVANCE POLICE OFFICER PAUL CERRETO TO POLICE OFFICER CLASS "B" EFFECTIVE AUGUST 9, 2022 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$109,862

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

WHEREAS, On July 18, 2022 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 Police Officer Class "B" effective August 9, 2022 at an annual salary of \$109,862.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #203-2022

**HIRING ADRIENE BACON AS A PART TIME BUS DRIVER IN THE OFFICE OF
SENIOR & DISABLED SERVICES AT \$20.00 PER HOUR, FOR APPROXIMATELY
25 HOURS PER WEEK, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

The Governing Body hereby approves hiring Adriene Bacon, Piscataway, New Jersey to work in the Office of Senior & Disabled Services as a part time bus driver for approximately 25 hours per week at \$20 per hour effective immediately, pending a satisfactory background check, physical and Drivers Abstract.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #204-2022

APPROVING THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX AND MATTHEW P. GEIST TO SERVE AS CHIEF OF POLICE

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex is desires to hire a Chief of Police pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and Chapter 80 of the Borough Code; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex have resolved to retain Matthew P. Geist, of Middlesex NJ, to serve as Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is in compliance with all applicable statutes, regulations and ordinances that are applicable to these positions;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, does hereby hire and retain Matthew P. Geist, of Middlesex NJ, to serve as Chief of Police for the Borough of Middlesex; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough shall enter into a contract for services with Matthew P. Geist, to which the Mayor is authorized to execute on the Borough's behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the compensation for Matthew P. Geist shall, consistent with the Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, further terms of employment between the Borough and Geist shall be dictated pursuant to the agreement between the parties.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #205-2022

APPROVING THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT TO ACCESS BOROUGH PROPERTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEGMENT C2 FLOODWALL/LEVEE FOR THE GREEN BROOK FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION PROJECT FOR BLOCK 244 LOT 11, BLOCK 244 LOT 15 AND BLOCK 247.1, 701

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 C2 and 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 follows: Block 244 Lot 11, 845, off So. Lincoln Ave.; Block 244 Lot 15, 841 E, off So. Lincoln; 851 E1-E-2, Public ROW Parker St.; 853 E, Public ROW So. Lincoln Ave.; Block 247.1, 701 E, behind Voorhees.

Exhibit A Mapping Attached

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #206-2022

AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO ISSUE REFUNDS OR CREDITS ON INTEREST COLLECTED FOR THE YEAR 2021 TO VARIOUS PROPERTIES

WHEREAS, per Senate Bill 4081, for residential customers of local government water, sewer and electric service: interest and penalties cannot be enforced on unpaid balances after 12/21/2021; and,

WHEREAS, the due date of 2021 sewer billing was 8/4/2021, and

WHEREAS delinquent notices were mailed out prior to 12/21/2021 and early 2022, with calculated interest for the 2021 billing, and,

WHEREAS, when payments were received and posted after 12/21/2021 the amount paid included interest and in some cases an overpayment as the payments were received before the calculated due date, and

WHEREAS, several sewer accounts are due a refund for interest collected as there is no open balance for 2022 sewer billing, and,

WHEREAS, some accounts have an open 2022 sewer balance so, a credit of the interest collected will be applied to the 2022 sewer billing: and

NOW THEREFORE, the below accounts are due a refund or credit:

Account #: 384-0
Amount Due: \$24.18
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 523-0
Amount Due: \$8.47
Type: Refund

Account #: 631-0
Amount Due: \$.04
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 789-0
Amount Due: \$1.85
Type: Refund

Account #: 844-0
Amount Due: \$4.60
Type: Refund

Account #: 904-0

Amount Due: \$3.17
Type: Refund

Account #: 1110-0
Amount Due: \$4.03
Type: Refund

Account #: 1451-0
Amount Due: \$2.25
Type: Refund

Account #: 1574-0
Amount Due: \$9.88
Type: Refund

Account #: 1793-0
Amount Due: \$3.35
Type: Refund

Account #: 1926-0
Amount Due: \$59.20
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 2173-0
Amount Due: \$13.63
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 2174-0
Amount Due: \$6.29
Type: Refund

Account #: 2254-0
Amount Due: \$25.72
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 2282-0
Amount Due: \$17.54
Type: Refund

Account #: 2667-0
Amount Due: \$7.19
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 3041-0
Amount Due: \$14.72
Type: Refund

Account #: 3089-0
Amount Due: \$13.50
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 3302-0
Amount Due: \$10.50
Type: Refund

Account #: 3385-0
Amount Due: \$3.90
Type: Refund

Account #: 3552-0
Amount Due: \$42.36
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 3633-0
Amount Due: \$14.77
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 3869-0
Amount Due: \$1.30
Type: Refund

Account #: 4184-0
Amount Due: \$44.42
Type: Credit Account

Account #: 4327-0
Amount Due: \$51.51
Type: Refund

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #207-2022

**HIRING OHANY NAVARRO AS A PART TIME SANITATION EMPLOYEE IN THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2022**

The governing body hereby hires Ohany Navarro as a permanent part time employee for the DPW in the Sanitation Department effective August 1, 2022 at \$14.00 per hour, 28 hours per week, pending a satisfactory physical and background check.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #208-2022

THE GOVERNING BODY HEREBY REJECTS THE BIDS FOR BIODEGRADABLE & RECYCLABLE LEAF BAGS PER N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(B)

WHEREAS, the Borough of Middlesex authorized the receipt of bids for Biodegradable & Recyclable Leaf Bags; and

WHEREAS, only one (1) bid was received on June 21, 2022 at 11:00am, and opened in public; and

WHEREAS, rejecting bids received per pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2 (b), a contracting unit may reject all bids if the lowest bid substantially exceeds the contracting unit's appropriation for good and services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough rejects the only bid received on June 21, 2022, as the amount substantially exceeds the Borough's appropriation for goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that: It hereby rejects the bid received on June 21, 2022 as the amount substantially exceeds the Borough's appropriation for said goods and services.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #209-2022

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN APPLICATION FOR DMHAS GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR YEAR ONE GRANT TERM JUNE 1, 2022 - MARCH 14, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA) 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. In coordination with GCADA, the New Jersey Department of Human Services/Division on Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) has awarded a Youth Leadership Grant to the GCADA Municipal Alliance Program.

WHEREAS, the 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 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 Borough Council has applied for DMHAS Youth Leadership funding through 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 Borough Council does hereby authorize acceptance of an application for DMHAS Grant funding for the Middlesex Borough Municipal Alliance for Year One Grant Term 7/1/22-3/14/23 in the amount of:

DMHAS Grant Funding	\$5,000.00
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2. The Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #210-2022

ACCEPTANCE OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE FOR OCTOBER 2020 - JUNE 2025

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 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 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 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 Borough Council does hereby authorize acceptance of a strategic plan for the Middlesex Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2023 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$7,978.00
Cash Match	\$1,994.50
In-Kind	\$5,983.50

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

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #211-2022

**APPROVAL OF THE REVISED SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR RADIO
DISPATCHING SERVICES WITH THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Middlesex has a need for radio dispatching services and the County of Somerset has the ability to make the services available; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Middlesex and the County of Somerset have acknowledged and agreed to be bound by the Revised Shared Services Agreement for Radio Dispatching Services for a period of ten years from the date executed.

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

1. The Governing Body hereby authorizes the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute the Revised Shared Services Agreement for Radio Dispatching Services with the County of Somerset for a period of ten years from the date executed.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #212-2022

**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 2018, and

WHEREAS, upon the death of the owner, if after October 1, the Veteran deduction remains on the property until the end of the following year, and

WHEREAS the property owner has recorded date of death of 10/27/2018, and

WHEREAS the Widow deduction was not removed by 12/31/2019, and,

THEREFORE, the Tax Assessor has disallowed the following Senior Citizen/Disabled Person/Veteran deductions for the year 2020, 2021 & 2022 totaling \$750.00.

Name: Doleiden, Helen
Block/Lot: 111 /1
Amount: \$750.00
Reason: Deduction not removed at end of 2019

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #213-2022

APPROVAL OF A 60-MONTH LEASE OPTION FOR THE SHARP MX-C-304 COPIER FOR THE RECORDS DEPARTMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$74.00 FOR 60 MONTHS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

WHEREAS, the Police Department wishes to lease a new Sharp MX-C304 copier from Shore Business Solutions under Sourcewell Co-op Contract #030321-SEC in the amount of \$74.00 for 60 months for the Records Department to replace the outdated Savin 816 copier; and

WHEREAS, the replacement parts for the Savin 816 copier are not being manufactured and difficult to obtain; and

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

WHEREAS, Shore Business Solutions, Farmingdale, NJ is under Sourcewell Co-op Contract #030321-SEC for multi-function copiers, printers and equipment; and

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

1. Based upon the recommendation of the Purchasing Agent, the governing body hereby approves the 60-month lease option for the Sharp MX-C-304 copier for the Records Department, in the amount of \$74.00 for 60 months, effective immediately.

NOW FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Acting CFO hereby certifies that funds in an amount not to exceed \$4,440.00 are available in Account No. 2-01-20-140-000-057.

Caroline Benson, Acting CFO

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #214-2022

**APPROVING THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT TO
ACCESS BOROUGH PROPERTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEGMENT
C2 FLOODWALL/LEVEE FOR THE GREEN BROOK FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION
PROJECT FOR BLOCK 278 LOT 61 AND BLOCK 278 LOT 60**

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 C2 and 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 follows Block 278 Lot 61, Daisy Park - Off Drake Ave.; Block 278 Lot 60, Daisy Park - Off Drake Ave.

Exhibit A Mapping Attached

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #215-2022

**APPROVAL OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION JUDGMENT ON
2022 TAX APPEAL FOR BLOCK 7.06 LOT 16**

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A 54:3-21 a taxpayer may file an appeal of Regular Valuation Assessments by April 1st, 2022, and;

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 70 Warrentville Road, Block 7.06 Lot 16, did file an appeal by the April 1, 2022 deadline, and;

WHEREAS, the original assessment was 29,900 Land, 54,400 Improvement for a total assessment of 84,300, and;

WHEREAS, a Tax Appeal (# 10-2200008L) was filed with the Middlesex County Board of Taxation, and;

WHEREAS, The Middlesex County Board of Taxation issued a judgement reducing the 2022 assessment of the improvement to 46,200, for a total assessment of 76,100, and;

WHEREAS, the property owner will be notified by this resolution that they will receive a credit in the amount of \$1,216.59 to be applied to future property taxes.

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

1. The Governing Body hereby approves issuing a credit in the amount of \$1,216.59 to be applied to future property taxes for the property located at 70 Warrentville Road, Block 7.06 Lot 16, based upon the Middlesex County Board of Taxation's Judgment reduction in the land and improvement value.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #216-2022

**APPROVAL OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION JUDGMENT ON
2022 TAX APPEAL FOR BLOCK 262 LOT 1.01**

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A 54:3-21 a taxpayer may file an appeal of Regular Valuation Assessments by April 1st, 2022, and;

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 15C Foxhall, Block 262 Lot 1.01 Q C0015, did file an appeal by the April 1, 2022 deadline, and;

WHEREAS, the original assessment was 13,100 Land, 56,900 Improvement for a total assessment of 70,000, and;

WHEREAS, a Tax Appeal (# 10-2200007L) was filed with the Middlesex County Board of Taxation, and;

WHEREAS, The Middlesex County Board of Taxation issued a judgement reducing the 2022 assessment of the improvement to 39,900, for a total assessment of 53,000, and;

WHEREAS, the property owner will be notified by this resolution that they will receive a credit in the amount of \$ 2,522.21 to be applied to future property taxes.

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

1. The Governing Body hereby approves issuing a credit in the amount of \$2522.21 to be applied to future property taxes for the property located at 15C Foxhall, Block 262 Lot 1.01 Q C0015, based upon the Middlesex County Board of Taxation's Judgment reduction in the land and improvement value.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #217-2022

**APPROVAL OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION JUDGMENT ON
2022 TAX APPEAL FOR BLOCK 65 LOT 28.03**

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A 54:3-21 a taxpayer may file an appeal of Regular Valuation Assessments by April 1st, 2022, and;

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 1273 Bound Brook Road, Block 65 Lot 28.03 did file an appeal by the April 1, 2022 deadline, and;

WHEREAS, the original assessment was 72,500 Land, 337,200 Improvement for a total assessment of 409,700, and;

WHEREAS, a Tax Appeal (# 10-2200005L) was filed with the Middlesex County Board of Taxation, and;

WHEREAS, The Middlesex County Board of Taxation issued a judgement reducing the 2022 assessment of the improvement to 211,300, for a total assessment of 283,800, and;

WHEREAS, the property owner will be notified by this resolution that they will receive a credit in the amount of \$ 18,679.16 to be applied to future property taxes.

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

1. The Governing Body hereby approves issuing a credit in the amount of \$18,679.16 to be applied to future property taxes for the property located at 1273 Bound Brook Road, Block 65 Lot 28.03 based upon the Middlesex County Board of Taxation's Judgment reduction in the land and improvement value.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #218-2022

**APPROVAL OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION JUDGMENT ON
2022 TAX APPEAL FOR BLOCK 65 LOT 28.01**

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A 54:3-21 a taxpayer may file an appeal of Regular Valuation Assessments by April 1st, 2022, and;

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 1275 Bound Brook Road, Block 65 Lot 28.01 did file an appeal by the April 1, 2022 deadline, and;

WHEREAS, the original assessment was 73,200 Land, 255,000 Improvement for a total assessment of 328,200, and;

WHEREAS, a Tax Appeal (# 10-2200004L) was filed with the Middlesex County Board of Taxation, and;

WHEREAS, The Middlesex County Board of Taxation issued a judgement reducing the 2022 assessment of the improvement to 159,000, for a total assessment of 232,200, and;

WHEREAS, the property owner will be notified by this resolution that they will receive a credit in the amount of \$14,243.04 to be applied to future property taxes.

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

1. The Governing Body hereby approves issuing a credit in the amount of \$0.000 to be applied to future property taxes for the property located at 1275 Bound Brook Road, Block 65 Lot 28.01 based upon the Middlesex County Board of Taxation's Judgment reduction in the land and improvement value.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #219-2022

**APPROVAL OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION JUDGMENT ON
2022 TAX APPEAL FOR BLOCK 42 LOT 1**

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A 54:3-21 a taxpayer may file an appeal of Regular Valuation Assessments by April 1st, 2022, and;

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 647 Bound Brook Road, Block 42 Lot 1 did file an appeal by the April 1, 2022 deadline, and;

WHEREAS, the original assessment was 34,400 Land, 173,100 Improvement for a total assessment of 207,500, and;

WHEREAS, a Tax Appeal (# 10-2200003) was filed with the Middlesex County Board of Taxation, for adjustment based on market analysis and inspection, and;

WHEREAS, The Middlesex County Board of Taxation issued a judgement reducing the 2022 assessment of the improvement to 140,600, for a total assessment of 175,000, and;

WHEREAS, the property owner will be notified by this resolution that they will receive a credit in the amount of \$4,821.87 to be applied to future property taxes.

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

1. The Governing Body hereby approves issuing a credit in the amount of \$4,821.87 to be applied to future property taxes for the property located at 647 Bound Brook Road, Block 42 Lot 1 based upon the Middlesex County Board of Taxation's Judgment reduction in the land and improvement value.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #220-2022

**APPROVAL OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION JUDGMENT ON
2022 TAX APPEAL FOR BLOCK 117 LOT 17**

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A 54:3-21 a taxpayer may file an appeal of Regular Valuation Assessments by April 1st, 2022, and;

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 305 Union Avenue, Block 117 Lot 17 did file an appeal by the April 1, 2022 deadline, and;

WHEREAS, the original assessment was 42,100 Land, 138,200 Improvement for a total assessment of 180,300, and;

WHEREAS, a Tax Appeal (# 10-2200002) was filed with the Middlesex County Board of Taxation, and;

WHEREAS, The Middlesex County Board of Taxation issued a judgement reducing the 2022 assessment of the improvement to 75,700, for a total assessment of 117,800, and;

WHEREAS, the property owner will be notified by this resolution that they will receive a credit in the amount of \$9,272.82 to be applied to future property taxes.

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

1. The Governing Body hereby approves issuing a credit in the amount of \$9,272.82 to be applied to future property taxes for the property located at 305 Union Avenue, Block 117 Lot 17 based upon the Middlesex County Board of Taxation's Judgment reduction in the land and improvement value.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #221-2022

**APPROVAL OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION JUDGMENT ON
2022 TAX APPEAL FOR BLOCK 72 LOT 3.04**

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A 54:3-21 a taxpayer may file an appeal of Regular Valuation Assessments by April 1st, 2022, and;

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 5 Heather Lane, Block 72 Lot 3.04 did file an appeal by the April 1, 2022 deadline, and;

WHEREAS, the original assessment was 31,0000 Land, 124,800 Improvement for a total of 155,800, and;

WHEREAS, a Tax Appeal (# 10-2200001) was filed with the Middlesex County Board of Taxation to reflect significant erosion of the back/side yard, and;

WHEREAS, The Middlesex County Board of Taxation issued a judgement reducing the total 2022 assessment to the land value of 11,400 and assessment of the improvement to 118,600, for a total of 130,000, and;

WHEREAS, the property owner will be notified by this resolution that they will receive a credit in the amount of \$3,827.82 to be applied to future property taxes.

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

1. The Governing Body hereby approves issuing a credit in the amount of \$3,827.82 to be applied to future property taxes for the property located at 5 Heather Lane , Block 72 Lot 3.04 based upon the Middlesex County Board of Taxation's Judgment reduction in the land and improvement value.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #222-2022

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.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Middlesex, New Jersey that:

Resolution #223-2022

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 including: (1) Real Estate - Land Acquisition -Sampling Plant, Presbyterian Property & 302 Union Avenue ; (2) Personnel - DPW Advancements; 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.

I Hereby Certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 26, 2022.