



Borough of Middlesex
Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
~ Minutes ~

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Tuesday, November 20, 2018

7:00 PM

Municipal Building

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

Council Member Kevin Dotey
Council Member Dan Parenti
Council Member Sean Kaplan
Council Member John Madden
Council President Robert Schueler
Council Member Jack Mikolajczyk

Also Present:

Others Absent:

Ron DiMura Mayor
Aravind Aithal Attorney

Attorney Tim Arch attended the meeting to replace Borough Attorney Aravind Aithal.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Annual Police Department Awards

Middlesex Borough Chief of Police Matthew P. Geist presented awards to six officers of the Middlesex Borough Police Department.

Officer George Pilesky and Officer James Dolinski each received a Life Saving Resuscitation Save Award for their actions on March 26, 2018. On that date, Officer Pilesky and Officer Dolinski were dispatched to a call of an unresponsive person. Upon their arrival, they determined that the victim did not have a pulse and was not breathing. The officers performed Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) on the victim until they were able to detect a pulse. The victim was transported to a local hospital and survived the incident.

Officer James Dolinski was awarded a second Life Saving Resuscitation Save Award for his actions while off-duty and at his home. On September 15, 2018, Officer Dolinski arrived home to find his neighbor lying motionless in the backyard and the neighbor's son administering first aid. Officer Dolinski ran to help and

learned that his neighbor had collapsed while doing yardwork and was not breathing and had no pulse. Officer Dolinski immediately initiated CPR and, with the neighbor's son, performed CPR until local police arrived. Local police used an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and a pulse and breathing was restored. Officer Dolinski's neighbor was transported to a local hospital and survived.

Lieutenant Daniel O'Connor, Detective Daniel McCue, Detective Sean Flanagan and Detective Paul Steffanelli were awarded Unit Citations in recognition of their outstanding work in teaming to conduct numerous complex and difficult investigations that resulted in the successful apprehension of many dangerous criminals. Some of the more notable cases solved and prosecuted involved two armed robberies, numerous drug distribution operations, an arson case, prostitution operations, numerous burglaries, liability for drug induced deaths, money laundering and child pornography.

Detective Flanagan also received an Honorable Service Award for his intensive investigation into the exploitation of an underage borough girl by an Illinois man. Detective Flanagan's intelligence and resourcefulness enabled him to successfully navigate numerous social media platforms and criminal justice databases, identify the offender and provide the FBI and Illinois police with sufficient information to effect an arrest. Detective Flanagan's efforts led to apprehension of a dangerous sexual predator.

Detective McCue received a Certificate of Commendation for reopening and doggedly investigating a twelve year old fraud case. Detective McCue determined that the fraudster was still swindling elderly victims around the country. He tirelessly sifted through hundreds of pages of financial records and identified twelve victims that were scammed out of more than \$170,000.00.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 268-2018

TERMINATION OF DIANE SEMMLING FROM THE DPW EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

At the recommendation of the DPW Supervisor, the Governing Body hereby approves the termination of Diane Semmling as a part time employee in the DPW effective immediately.

Attorney Arch gave a brief explanation regarding this matter being discussed. The employee had received a Rice Notice and was informed that a hearing was to be held. This employee requested that the matter be discussed in open session. Council reviewed background information provided to them regarding this matter and the employee's reprimands and after discussion with the Supervisor and Assistant Supervisor moved to terminate Ms. Semmling immediately. Council approved this termination by resolution.

RESULT:	ADOPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Robert Schueler, Council President
SECONDER:	Dan Parenti, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

APPOINTMENTS

PROCLAMATIONS

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION

The Borough Clerk read ordinance 1953-18 by title:

ORDINANCE 1953-18

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE CODES OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX
CHAPTER 318 ABANDONED PROPERTY REGISTRATION**

WHEREAS, the Municipal Land Use Law of the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1, et seq., grants to municipalities the power to adopt a zoning ordinance relating to the nature and extent of the uses of lands, buildings and structures thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Middlesex, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION ONE. The Code of the Borough of Middlesex, Middlesex County, New Jersey Section 318 is hereby amended as follows:

318-1 Definitions.

ABANDONED - A property that is vacant and/or is under a current notice of default and/or notice of trustee's sale, pending Tax Assessor's lien and/or properties that have become subject of a foreclosure where the title was retained by the beneficiary of a deed of trust involved in the foreclosure and/or properties transferred under a deed in lieu of foreclosure or sale and/or any owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee who holds a deed, deed of trust or mortgage on a property an owner, trustee or corporation of record

318-2. Recordation of transfer of loan, deed of trust, assignment of rents.

The owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee shall record, with the Zoning Official's office, a list the name of the corporation, and/or individual, the mailing address and contact phone number of the owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee for receiving payments associated with the loan, deed or deed of trust.

318-3. Registration.

A. Any owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee who holds a deed, deed of trust or mortgage on a property located within the Borough of Middlesex shall perform an inspection of the property that is the security for the deed or deed of trust or mortgage, upon default by the trustor or mortgager, prior to recording a notice of default. If the property is found to be vacant or shows evidence of vacancy, it is, by this article, deemed abandoned, and the owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee shall, within 10 days of the inspection, register the property with the Zoning Officer, or his or her designee, on forms provided by the Borough. If the property is occupied but remains in default, it shall be inspected by the owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee, monthly until 1) the owner, trustor or mortgagor or other party remedies the default; or 2) it is found to be vacant or show evidence of vacancy, at which time it is deemed abandoned, and the owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee shall, within 10 days of that inspection, register the property with the Zoning Officer, or his designee, on forms provided by the Borough. Registration of \$500 shall be paid at the time of initial registration for residential properties. A registration fee of \$1,000 shall be paid at the time of initial

registration of all other properties. The fee shall be \$1,500 for the first renewal registration for residential properties; \$3,000 for the second renewal for residential properties; and \$5,000 for the third or subsequent renewal of residential properties. The fee shall be \$3,000 for the first renewal registration for all other properties; \$6,000 for the second renewal of all other properties; and \$10,000 for the third or subsequent renewal of all other properties.

B. In either case, the registration shall contain the name of the owner of record (corporation or individual) or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee and the direct street or office mailing address of the owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee (no Post Office boxes), a direct contact name and phone number for the owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee and, in the case of corporation or out-of-area owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee, the local property management company responsible for the security, maintenance and marketing of the property.

C. An annual registration fee shall accompany the registration form. The fee and registration shall be valid for one year from the date the form and fees are submitted. Registration fees will not be prorated.

D. This section shall also apply to properties that have been the subject of a foreclosure sale where the title was transferred to an owner or corporation or the beneficiary of a deed or deed of trust or mortgagee involved in the foreclosure and any properties transferred under a deed in lieu of foreclosure or sale.

318-4 Maintenance requirements.

H. Adherence to this section does not relieve the owner of record (corporation or individual) or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee of any obligations set forth in any covenants, conditions and restrictions and/or homeowners' association rules and regulations which may apply to the property.

318-5 Security requirements.

C. If the property is owned by a corporation and/or out-of-area owner or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee, a local property management company shall be contracted to perform weekly inspections to verify that the requirements of this section, and any other applicable laws, are being met.

318-6. Additional authority.

In addition to the enforcement remedies, the Zoning Officer or his or her designee shall have the authority to require the owner of record or beneficiary or trustee or mortgagee of any property affected by this section to implement additional maintenance and/or security measures, including but not limited to securing any or all door, window or other openings, installing additional security lighting, increasing on-site inspection frequency, employment of

an on-site guard or other measures as may be reasonably required to arrest the decline of the property.

318-8. Enforcement.

Violations of this article may be enforced in any combination by the Zoning Officer

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 12/18/2018 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member	
SECONDER:	John Madden, Council Member	
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk	

The Borough Clerk read ordinance 1954-18 by title:

ORDINANCE 1954-18

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX,
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, CHAPTER 395 TREES, ARTICLE I SHADE
TREE, SECTION 395-8 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES**

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

Section 395-8 Violations and Penalties is amended to read as follows:

Any person who is guilty of a violation of any of the provisions of these regulations shall, upon conviction by the Magistrate, be fined a sum not to exceed \$1,000, plus the cost of the replacement of a new tree, for each offense. Each day any violation of this article shall continue shall be considered a separate offense.

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 Section 395-8 Violations and Penalties as stated above.
2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 12/18/2018 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member	
SECONDER:	John Madden, Council Member	
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk	

ORDINANCE(S) FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Approval of the October 23, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

1. Motion

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sean Kaplan, Council Member
SECONDER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Cancellation of December 4, 2018 Regular Meeting - Final Regular Meeting for 2018 will be December 18, 2018

Council President Schueler reported that Mayor DiMura will be cancelling the December 4, 2018 Regular Council Meeting. The next meeting will be December 18, 2018.

REPORTS - STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance/Taxation/Real Estate/Insurance/Public Utilities

Fire/OEM/Rescue Squad

1. Approval of the September, 2018 Fire Chief Report

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council Member
SECONDER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

Recreation/Recreation Fields/Swim Pool/Community Celebrations

Councilman Dotey reported that the Christmas Tree Lighting is scheduled for December 9th at 4PM. He also reported that Sherley Penrose has resigned from the Recreation Committee after 22 years of service on that Commission/Committee and wished her well.

Public Works/Buildings & Grounds/Recycling

1. DPW Recycling Employee Hearing

This item was moved up on the Agenda to be discussed under Presentations. Councilman Parenti reported that the DPW has changed their hours for the winter and will be working from 7AM - 3PM.

Police/Legal/Code Enforcement & Zoning/Shade Tree/Construction/Municipal Court

1. Approval of the Police Department Report for October, 2018

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council Member
SECONDER:	John Madden, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

Administration/Department of Senior Services/Legislation/Licensing

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Rich Rutkowski, 211 Maple Street questioned why the December 4, 2018 Regular Meeting had been cancelled and when will the rescheduled Redevelopment Meeting be held.

NEW BUSINESS/CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Madden, Council Member
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 256-2018

AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF 2016 TO 2018 TAX APPEALS FILED BY TORANCO ASSOCIATES, LLC, FOR THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 32, LOT 1, ON THE TAX MAP OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX

WHEREAS, Toranco Associates, LLC, is the owner of the Property identified on the Tax Map of the Borough of Middlesex as Block 32, Lot 1 ("Property"); and

WHEREAS, Toranco Associates filed appeals of the 2016 to 2018 tax assessments on the Property in the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey under Docket Nos.: 008320-2016, 008532-2017, and 008619-2018; and

WHEREAS, a proposed settlement of the aforesaid tax appeals was negotiated between Toranco Associates, the Borough Tax Assessor and the Borough Tax Attorney as set forth in the Stipulation of Settlement annexed hereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Stipulation of Settlement, the aforesaid tax appeals are to be resolved as follows:

2016 Tax Year

	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>County Board Judgment</u>	<u>Requested Tax Court Judgment</u>
Land	\$ 90,400	\$ 90,400	\$ 90,400
Improvements	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000
Total	\$ 490,400	\$ 490,400	\$ 490,400

2017 Tax Year

	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>County Board Judgment</u>	<u>Requested Tax Court Judgment</u>
Land	\$ 90,400	\$ 90,400	\$ 90,400
Improvements	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 319,600
Total	\$ 490,400	\$ 490,400	\$ 410,000

2018 Tax Year

	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>County Board Judgment</u>	<u>Requested Tax Court Judgment</u>
Land	\$ 90,400	\$ 90,400	\$ 90,400
Improvements	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 252,500
Total	\$ 490,400	\$ 490,400	\$ 342,900

- All refunds due as a result of the settlement shall be effectuated by way of credit against future taxes on the Property commencing with the first quarterly tax bill due following the entry of Judgments by the Tax Court.

- The taxpayer waives statutory interest provided the appropriate credits are provided by the Borough in accordance with the Stipulation of Settlement.

- The Tax Assessor has agreed to set the 2019 assessment on the Property at \$342,900.

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor agrees it is in the best interests of the Borough to resolve the aforesaid tax appeals pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth above and in the Stipulation of Settlement annexed hereto based on market conditions as well as the uncertainty and costs associated with continued litigation; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid settlement is based on the specific and identifiable facts and circumstances pertaining to the Property and has no general application to other properties within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council having reviewed and considered the pending tax appeals and the proposed settlement thereof agree and confirm it is in the best interests of the Borough to resolve the tax appeals as set forth herein and in the Stipulation of Settlement attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council hereby make this settlement with Toranco Associates without prejudice to its dealings with any other taxpayer requests for tax assessment reductions.

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

1. The Borough's Tax Appeal Attorney is authorized to execute on behalf of the Borough of Middlesex the attached Stipulation of Settlement pertaining to the tax appeals filed by Toranco Associates under Docket Nos.: 008320-2016, 008532-2017, and 008619-2018 for the Property identified on the Tax Map of the Borough of Middlesex as Block 32, Lot 1.

2. This settlement shall be without prejudice to the Borough's dealings with any other taxpayer requests or appeals for tax assessment reductions.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 257-2018**APPROVAL TO ADVANCE PATROLMAN DANIEL MCCUE TO PATROLMAN CLASS "A" EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 21, 2018 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$109,119**

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

WHEREAS, On November 6, 2018 Chief Geist recommended Police Officer Daniel McCue 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 Daniel McCue be and is hereby advanced in grade to Patrolman Class "A" effective November 21, 2018 at an annual salary of \$109,119.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 258-2018**APPROVAL TO ADVANCE PATROLMAN JAMIE MARCZAK TO PATROLMAN CLASS "C" EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 19, 2018 AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$90,637**

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

WHEREAS, On November 6, 2018 Chief Geist recommended Police Officer Jamie Marczak 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 Jamie Marczak be and is hereby advanced in grade to Patrolman Class "C" effective November 19, 2018 at an annual salary of \$90,637.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 259-2018**BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR 2018 - *Item Removed from Consent***

The Treasurer hereby authorizes the transfer of funds for the Current Budget of 2018:

Department	From	To
Legal Services - Police Attorney		\$2,000.00

Legal Services - Litigation		\$10,000.00
Garbage - S/W		\$25,000.00
Buildings & Grounds - Supplies		\$3,000.00
Buildings & Grounds - Maintenance		\$10,000.00
Shade Tree - Planting		\$3,000.00
Senior Nutrition - S/W		\$4,500.00
Senior Coordinator S/W		\$8,500.00
Sewer - S/W		\$5,000.00
Sewer - Outside Maintenance		\$5,000.00
Social Security		\$10,000.00
DCRP		\$1,500.00
Piscataway Sewer		\$115,000.00
Administrator - S/W	\$32,800.00	
Municipal Court - S/W	\$15,000.00	
Zoning Board - S/W	\$3,000.00	
Diesel Fuel	\$35,000.00	
Community Center - Rent	\$45,000.00	
Community Center - Utilities	\$22,500.00	
Police - Overtime	\$34,200.00	
Gasoline	\$15,000.00	
	\$202,500.00	\$202,500.00

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member
SECONDER:	John Madden, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 260-2018

APPROVAL TO RE-APPROPRIATE FUNDING IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE REPAIR OF THE ELGIN SWEEPER - *Item Removed from Consent*

WHEREAS, the 2013 Capital Budget appropriated funds for Engineering Services,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a portion of the unused balances be re-appropriated for the repairs and replacement parts for the Elgin Crosswind J Sweeper,

NOW FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer hereby certifies that the funds in the amount of \$26,000.00 are available in C-04-14-832-000-052.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dan Parenti, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 261-2018

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 2019 BOUND BROOK ROAD (STATE HIGHWAY 28) STREETScape PROJECT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of Middlesex Borough formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2019-2019 Bound Brook Road (State Highway-00517) to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Middlesex Borough.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Middlesex Borough and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 262-2018

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 2019 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS - HARRIS AVENUE, ASHLAND ROAD & FISHER AVENUE PROJECT - *Item Removed from Consent*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of Middlesex Borough formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2019-2019 Road Improvements Harris Avenue-00505 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Middlesex Borough.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Middlesex Borough and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 263-2018

THE GOVERNING BODY HEREBY AUTHORIZES SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

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 of Middlesex 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 of Middlesex 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 of Middlesex 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 of Middlesex 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	\$24,965.0
Cash Match	\$ 6,241.25
In-Kind	\$18,723.75
2. The Borough of Middlesex Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 264-2018

**RESCINDING DANIELA CORDERO AS ACTING DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR
EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY - *Item Removed from Consent***

WHEREAS, in the matter of the Order from the Honorable Dennis M. Fackelman designating an Acting Court Administrator/Deputy for Middlesex Borough Municipal Borough Court effective January 2, 2018 Daniela Cordero was assigned as the Acting Deputy Court Administrator for a period not to exceed ninety days; and

WHEREAS, per this Order, the Mayor and Council hereby rescind Daniela Cordero from this position of Acting Deputy Court Administrator effectively immediately.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dan Parenti, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 265-2018

**APPROVING TO TRANSFER THE 2004 FORD CROWN VICTORIA THAT THE POLICE
DEPARTMENT DECLARED SURPLUS TO THE CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT - *Item
Removed from Consent***

The Governing Body hereby approve transferring the 2004 Ford Crown Victoria, Vin. #2FAFP71W04X139317 to the Middlesex Construction Department.

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member
SECONDER:	John Madden, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

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 266-2018

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:	Sean Kaplan, Council Member
SECONDER:	Jack Mikolajczyk, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

The Borough Clerk read the following resolution:

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

RESOLUTION 267-2018

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. Municipal Clerk's Retirement

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kevin Dotey, Council Member
SECONDER:	Dan Parenti, Council Member
AYES:	Dotey, Parenti, Kaplan, Madden, Schueler, Mikolajczyk

AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEM

1. Sewer Sampling Costs

This matter was tabled until the December 18, 2018 Regular Meeting

2. Event Dates for Next Year

Council President Schueler reported that the following Event Dates for 2019 have been scheduled:

1. Easter Egg Hunt - April 13, 2019, Rain Date April 14, 2019
2. Community Day - July 20, 2019, Rain Date July 21, 2019

3. Street Fair - October 5, 2019, Rain Date October 6, 2019
4. Halloween Event - October 31, 2019
5. Christmas Tree Lighting - December 8, 2019

3. Best Practices Inventory

The Borough Clerk indicated that the Best Practices Inventory Report must be sent to the state and the governing body is required to review this document and then the CFO will send this report to the state for final approval. The Best Practices Inventory is valuable in that it helps with the aid that the borough receives. Council approved.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR ON AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEMS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Municipal Clerk's Retirement

ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Meeting will be December 18, 2018

Respectfully yours,

Kathleen Anello, RMC
Borough Clerk