



Borough of Middlesex
Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
~ Agenda ~

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Middlesex, NJ

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Tuesday, February 13, 2024

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 Jack Mikolajczyk	☐	☐	☐	
Council President Michael Conahan	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Jeremiah Carnes	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Robert Dessino	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Kevin Dotey	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Martin Quinn	☐	☐	☐	
Councilman Douglas Rex	☐	☐	☐	
Administrator Michael LaPlace	☐	☐	☐	
Borough Attorney Christopher Corsini	☐	☐	☐	

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

- 1. **Resolution 59-2024** Promoting Sergeant James Dolinski to the Rank of Lieutenant Effective Immediately at an Annual Salary of \$149,095
- 2. **Resolution 60-2024** Promoting Police Officer Paul Steffanelli to the Rank of Sergeant Effective Immediately at an Annual Salary of \$136,785
- 3. Accepting the Resignation of Ann Marie Kleiber From the Swim Pool Commission

- VI. PROCLAMATIONS**

- 1. Appointing John L. Madden Mayor Emeritus

- VII. ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION**

1. **Ordinance 2111-24** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPROVE AND SIGN FOR THE RELEASE OF CONSERVATION EASEMENTS EXECUTED TO THE BENEFIT OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX AS PART OF THE GREEN BROOK FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT PROJECT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
2. **Ordinance 2112-24** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 278, LOT 52 ON THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH TAX MAP AND LOCATED ON DRAKE AVENUE TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

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

1. **Ordinance 2107-24** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 420 (ZONING) SO AS TO UPDATE THE I-INDUSTRIAL ZONE BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION
2. **Ordinance 2108-24** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODE BOOK SECTION 248-10 (FILING FEES) WITHIN CHAPTER 248 (LAND DEVELOPMENT) SO AS TO PROVIDE A REASONABLE INCREASE IN ESCROW FEES FOR DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS
3. **Ordinance 2109-24** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 40 ENTITLED "FIRE DEPARTMENT" TO ADD SECTION 40-5 TO BE ENTITLED "EMPLOYEES WHO ARE MEMBERS OF A VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY OR RESCUE SQUAD"
4. **Ordinance 2110-24** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6 (BYLAWS OF COUNCIL) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX

IX. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the January 23, 2024 Regular & Executive Meeting Minutes

X. MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Appointment of Council Committees

XI. COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

1. Council President Conahan
2. Councilman Carnes
3. Councilman Dessino
4. Councilman Dotey
5. Councilman Quinn
6. Councilman Rex

XII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

XIII. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

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the meeting. Individuals commenting from the audience will be provided an opportunity to address the Council but will not be permitted to speak again until everyone has had an opportunity to speak. If a group is represented by an attorney, the attorney will be given an opportunity to speak on behalf of all of the members of the group. The Council, pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, will not publicly discuss personnel matters and may choose not to respond to comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting; however, the Council will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all individual complaints to the Mayor or appropriate Borough representative for resolution.

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 44-2024** Authorizing the Release of the Performance Bond for the Rt 28 Streetscape Project to Black Rock Enterprises, LLC, Inc. and Accepting the Maintenance Guarantee
2. **Resolution 61-2024** Acceptance of Standing Reports
3. **Resolution 62-2024** Authorizing the Tax Collector To Cancel The Balance Of 1st & 2nd Qtr. 2024 Taxes on Block 329, Lot 21
4. **Resolution 63-2024** Authorizing the Refund of Recording Fee On Tax Sale Certificate 22-00001
5. **Resolution 64-2024** Authorizing A Grant Submission to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' FY24 Local Recreation Improvement Grant Program
6. **Resolution 65-2024** Authorizing the Tax Collector to Issue Tax Title Lien Redemption's on Block 236, Lot 8
7. **Resolution 66-2024** Authorizing the Tax Collector to Issue Tax Title Lien Redemption's on Block 256, Lot 6
8. **Resolution 67-2024** Approving the Temporary Discharge Approval Application at the Factory Lane Site to be Submitted by the MCUA at the Request of New Fields, on Behalf of Bayer Crop Science, Inc.
9. **Resolution 68-2024** Authorizing the Superintendent of Public Works to Submit the Recycling Enhancement Grant Application to the Middlesex County Division of Solid Waste Management
10. **Resolution 69-2024** Approving the Refund of \$1875.00 for Street Opening Permit No. 2022-008 to AWT Environmental, P.O. Box 128, Sayreville NJ
11. **Resolution 70-2024** Approving the Refund of \$1875.00 for Street Opening Permit No. 2023-004 to Mario's Landscaping, 174 Mountain Avenue, Warren NJ

12. **Resolution 71-2024** Approval of Renaming the Property Formerly Known As the Sampling Plant to the Mountain Avenue Facility
13. **Resolution 72-2024** Approval of Renaming the Property Formerly Known As 302 Union Avenue to the Victor Crowell Annex
14. **Resolution 73-2024** Hiring Chelsea Hackney As A Full Time Employee For The Police Department As A Police Records Clerk Effective February 20, 2024 At An Annual Salary Of \$45,000
15. **Resolution 74-2024** Authorizing The Release Of The Performance Guarantee Along With The Balance Of The Inspection Fee Escrow Account for Block 141, Lot 11
16. **Resolution 75-2024** Authorizing The Purchasing Agent To Sell Various Surplus Personal Property On An Online Auction Website Entitled Municibid.com
17. **Resolution 76-2024** Authorizing the Release of the Performance Guarantees and Escrow Funds in Connection with Joint Land Use Board Application #2023-001

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 77-2024** Pay All Claims

XVI. AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEM

1. Heather Lane Property Erosion
2. Pillars of the Community

XVII. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR ON AGENDA WORKSHOP ITEMS

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XVIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. **Resolution 78-2024** Executive Session

Real Estate - Block 265, Lot 25

Personnel - Zoning

Creighton Lake

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

1. The next Regular Meeting will be February 27, 2024