

MINUTES
Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Council
Wednesday, November 13, 2019
7:00 PM

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER –

Mayor Marana called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 116 Paris Avenue, Northvale, New Jersey 07647.

STATEMENT –

Mayor Marana read the “Sunshine Statement” into the record, as follows:

“This is a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale. The date, time and location of this meeting has been advertised in the official Newspaper of the Borough, filed with the Borough Clerk and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building. All notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been fulfilled. Please note the fire exits as required by law at public meetings.”

SALUTE TO THE FLAG & SILENT PRAYER –

Mayor Marana asked all in attendance to rise and join him in a Salute to the Flag and then called for a moment of Silent Prayer.

ROLL CALL –

Name	Present	Absent
Mayor Marana	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Argiro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman DeLisio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman McGuire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Shepard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Also in attendance: Ms. Deena Rosendahl, Borough Attorney; Ms. Marie Raffay, Maser Consulting for Carl O’Brien, Borough Engineer, Councilman-elect Ed Devlin and Borough Clerk, Wanda A. Worner.



Mayor Marana suspends the regular order of business at this time to entertain Police Promotions.

POLICE PROMOTIONS –

Approve the Promotion of Sergeant Michael Graham to Lieutenant, effective immediately.

Motion	Second	Name
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Argiro
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman DeLisio
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman McGuire
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Shepard
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Small
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Sotiropoulos

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman DeLisio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman McGuire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Shepard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Approve the Promotion of the following Police Officers to Sergeant, effective immediately:

PtIm. Giuseppe Alise
 PtIm. Christopher Mazzilli
 PtIm. Reginald Parsells

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Argiro
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman DeLisio
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman McGuire
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Shepard
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Councilman Argiro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman DeLisio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman McGuire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Councilman Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



At this time; the Mayor and Council will take a short break in order to administer the Oath of Office to the newly promoted Lieutenant and Sergeants at the Senior Center.

OATHS OF OFFICE –

Mayor Marana administers the Oath of Office to the newly appointed Lieutenant Graham.

Mayor Marana administers the Oath of Office to the newly appointed Sergeants Alise, Mazzilli and Parsells.



Mayor Marana resumes the regular order of business at this time.

ROLL CALL –

Name	Present	Absent
Mayor Marana	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Argiro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman DeLisio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

Combined Meeting of October 9, 2019
 Closed Session Meeting of October 9, 2019

Motion	Second	Name
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Argiro
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Councilman DeLisio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman McGuire	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Shepard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

AWARDS & PROCLAMATIONS –

CORRESPONDENCE –

- 1. Best Practices Inventory - 2019

Mayor Marana read a short summary on the Best Practices Inventory. He stated that at the minimum we are supposed to get 30 points, but the Borough got 39.

MONTHLY CORRESPONDENCE –

Mayor Marana stated that the following correspondence is on file in the Borough Clerk’s office and can be viewed between the hours of 8:30 – 4:30, Monday through Friday.

- Building Department
- Fire Department
- Fire Prevention
- Municipal Court
- Recreation Minutes
- Tax Collector
- Grantswriter

RESOLUTIONS – Consent Agenda

“All items are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council member. Any item may be removed for further discussion or for a roll call vote in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the general order of business”

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RESOLUTION #2019-165

TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2020 FORD F450 CAB AND CHASSIS CREW CAB 4 x 4 W/PLOW FROM WINNER FORD (State Contract #A88215) FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (Funded from Bond Ordinance #1009-2019)

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale intends to enter into a state contract purchase with Winner Ford of Cherry Hill through this resolution, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State contract, for the purchase of the above mentioned equipment for the Borough of Northvale/Department of Public Works;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Northvale authorizes the purchase of a 2020 Ford F450 Cab & Chassis Crew Cab 4 x 4 w/plow pursuant to all conditions of the State contract at a cost of \$55,693.00.



RESOLUTION #2019-166

TITLE: AUTHORIZE THE BOROUGH CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR RFQ'S FOR PROFESSIONALS FOR THE YEAR 2020

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale, a body corporate and politic and a political subdivision of the State of New Jersey, seeks qualifications and proposals from qualified professionals to provide essential services for the Borough's operations and functions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale seeks to employ a 'Fair and Open Process' as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, 20.5 et seq. for the purpose of soliciting qualified professionals to provide services as required by the Borough for the year 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 13th day of November 2019, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to take, or cause to be taken, all acts necessary to publish the Legal Notice required to solicit for professional qualifications for all professional positions required by the Borough in the usual course of business pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, 20.5 et. seq in a newspaper of general circulation for the Borough of Northvale, and/or on the Borough of Northvale website, www.boroughofnorthvale.com.



RESOLUTION #2019-167

TITLE: APPROVE THE 2018 AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2018 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Borough Clerk as per the requirements of N.J.S. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey is authorized to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs, as per R. S. 52:27BB-34; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled:

- General Comments
- Recommendations

and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled:

- General Comments
- Recommendations

as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the governing body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, as per the regulations of the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the promulgations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52 - to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52 - "A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of the Borough of Northvale hereby states that it has complied with the promulgation of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey dated July 30, 1968 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.



RESOLUTION #2019-168

TITLE: APPROVE THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR 2018 AUDIT

WHEREAS, the 2018 Annual Audit of the Borough of Northvale conducted by Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva PA, contained certain recommendations requiring action; and

WHEREAS, these recommendations have been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer in accordance with the requirements promulgated by the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services, has developed a plan to address the recommendations listed by the auditor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Corrective Action Plan for 2018 for the 2017 Annual Audit, hereto attached, is hereby approved and accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution and its attachments to the Division of Local Government Services.



RESOLUTION #2019-169

TITLE: AUTHORIZE A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION FOR NORTHVALE LIBRARY ADA IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$64,680.00 has been proposed by the Borough of Northvale for ADA compliant: bathroom renovations, front entrance walkway and front entrance door and canopy at the Municipal Library; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the residents of the Borough of Northvale, and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.



RESOLUTION #2019-170

TITLE: APPROVE RAFFLE LICENSE #RL 205 FOR NORTHVALE VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSOCIATION – 300 CLUB

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the following license to conduct a Raffle be issued to:

NAME:	Northvale Volunteer Fire Association
ADDRESS:	204 Washington Street
LOCATION OF RAFFLE:	204 Washington Street
HOURS:	1PM – 5 PM
DATE OF RAFFLE:	March 1, 2020
I.D.#:	353-9-29752
RAFFLE LICENSE #:	RL 205

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said license shall be issued subject to all rules and regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission of the State of New Jersey.

NOTE* - Councilman Shepard abstained.



RESOLUTION #2019-171

TITLE: AUTHORIZE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR MASER CONSULTING – Proposed Minor Subdivision – VFW – Block 1011, Lot 5

WHEREAS, the Borough is in need of the above mentioned services; and

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting has prepared a scope of services per their letter dated October 22, 2019 as follows:

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Task 1.0 – Boundary & Topographic	\$ 7,850.00
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Task 2.0 – Minor Subdivision	4,900.00
Total -	\$12,750.00

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies that funds will be available through the current account not to exceed \$17,500.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the letter of agreement for the Proposal for Professional Planning Services for Maser Consulting for the proposed minor subdivision Block 1011, Lot 5 – VFW dated October 22, 2019.



RESOLUTION #2019-172

TITLE: RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT – OLD TAPPAN – LAIF 2020 - PERRY STREET DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS-00008

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Borough of Northvale was advised that the Governing Body of Borough of Old Tappan is requesting funding from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Aid Infrastructure Fund Program to study, design and construct stormwater runoff improvements for:

LAIF-2020-Perry Street Drainage Improvements-00008

WHEREAS, the area illustrated on the attached “Drainage Area Map” floods even during a moderate rainfall; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer of Old Tappan conducted a preliminary drainage study and prepared a preliminary plan for new subsurface drainage pipes through existing drainage easements on private properties; and

WHEREAS, the new system will connect to an existing storm sewer located on Westcott Street in the Borough of Northvale; and

WHEREAS, it is uncertain if the Borough of Northvale’s existing storm sewer has the capacity to handle the additional volume of stormwater runoff proposed to be added to the Borough of Northvale’s storm sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the proposed work is anticipated to benefit both Northvale and Old Tappan residents who experience flooding due to the lack of stormwater sewers for the subject drainage area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of Borough of Northvale supports the efforts of the Governing Body of Borough of Old Tappan as they seek external funding for the Perry Street Drainage Improvement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Borough of Northvale reserves the right to review the project both during the design period and before it goes out to bid for construction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body of Borough of Northvale hereby formally endorses the grant application of the Governing Body of Borough of Old Tappan for:

LAIF-2020-Perry Street Drainage Improvements-00008.



RESOLUTION #2019-173

TITLE: AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS FOR GRASS/BRUSH AND VEGETATIVE WASTE PICK UP FOR 2020

WHEREAS, the Uniformed Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., allows any municipality or county to enter into a contract with any other municipality or county for the joint provision of any services within their joint jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale and the Borough of Paramus seek to enter into a (Interlocal) Shared Services Agreement wherein the Borough of Paramus will provide the pickup of grass, brush and vegetative waste from April 9, 2020 and terminating October 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds will be available through the department of public works current budget #'s under the heading of recycling collection and disposal; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale hereby agree to the terms of the contract and the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms hereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council authorize Mayor Patrick J. Marana to execute said agreement (attached hereto) between the Borough of Northvale and the Borough of Paramus for the pickup of grass, brush and vegetative waste by the Borough of Paramus.



RESOLUTION #2019-174

TITLE: AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS FOR VEHICLE REPAIR/MAINTENANCE

WHEREAS, the Uniformed Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., allows any municipality or county to enter into a contract with any other municipality or county for the joint provision of any services within their joint jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale and the Borough of Paramus seek to enter into a Shared Services Agreement wherein the Borough of Paramus will provide maintenance and repair to Borough of Northvale vehicles which are directed to the Borough of Paramus by the Borough of Northvale effective January 1, 2020 and terminating December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds will be available through the various departments current budget #'s under the heading of Vehicle Maintenance and Repair; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale hereby agree to the terms of the contract and the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms hereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council authorize Mayor Patrick J. Marana to execute said agreement (attached hereto) between the Borough of Northvale and the Borough of Paramus for the Vehicle Maintenance and Repair by the Borough of Paramus.



RESOLUTION #2019-175

TITLE: AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO REFUND BUILDING PERMIT FEE – RAMANI VAGHASIA – 199/166 WASHINGTON/PARIS - FOR BLOCK 911 LOT 2

WHEREAS, a permit was issued on October 24, 2019 for plumbing at a property located at 199/166 Washington/Paris Avenue - Permit #19-206; and

WHEREAS, said applicant withdrawn his application on October 28, 2019 and is requesting a reimbursement of the permit fees as he is not moving forward;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund the permit fees processed minus the DCA fee and plan review fee in the amount of \$64.00 to:

Ramani Vaghasia
185 McKenna Drive
Norwood, New Jersey 07648



RESOLUTION #2019-176

TITLE: APPROVE SUBMISSION OF THE BEST PRACTICES CHECKLIST INVENTORY TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE

WHEREAS, Local Finance Notice 2017-14 mandates that the municipality shall submit by October 30, 2019 to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services a report describing the municipality’s compliance with the “Best Practices Inventory”; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs established the Best Practices Inventory on August 27, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the report is required to be signed by the Chief Financial Officer and the Municipal Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have reviewed the Best Practices Inventory questions and answers being submitted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Local Government Best Practices Checklist, as completed by the Chief Financial Officer is hereby approved for submission to the Director of Local Government Services.



RESOLUTION #2019-177

TITLE: AUTHORIZE MAYOR MARANA TO SIGN THE 2019-2020 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF ROCKLEIGH FOR SNOW PLOWING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et. seq. governs shared service agreements between municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale desires to enter into an Agreement with the Borough of Rockleigh for the providing of sanding, salting and snow plowing of streets located with the Borough of Rockleigh; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement has been prepared to encompass the months of November and December of 2019 and January through April, inclusive, of 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that Mayor Patrick J. Marana and Borough Clerk Wanda A. Worner be and are hereby authorized to execute the aforesaid Agreement on behalf of the Borough.



RESOLUTION #2019-178

TITLE: RESOLUTION APPROVING RIGHT-OF-WAY USE TO CROSS RIVER FIBER

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber LLC ("Cross River Fiber"), seeks to place its telecommunication facilities aerially on existing utility poles or in an underground conduit in the Public Rights-of-Way within the Borough of Northvale for the purpose of owning, constructing, installing, operating, repairing and maintaining a telecommunications system; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber was approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 48:3-19 requires Cross River Fiber to obtain the consent of the Borough of Northvale for the joint use of any existing utility poles; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber LLC has presented the Borough with a Rights of Way Use Agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Borough of Northvale to execute the Right of Way Use Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the consent granted is for the non-exclusive use of the Public Rights-of-Ways for the purpose of owning, constructing, installing, operating, repairing and maintaining a telecommunications system subject to the terms and conditions of the attached Use Agreement with Cross River Fiber.



RESOLUTION #2019-179

APPROVE THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES #151 FOR BLOCK 207, LOT 7

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Tax Collector shall conduct the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #151 by Gary K. Norgaard, P.C. for the benefit of New Life Pharma, LLC, the property owner, from US Bank Cust for PC6, LLC Sterling National, the lienholder according to N.J.S.A. 54:5-54. The breakdown is as follows:

Block 207 Lot 7 – New Life Pharma LLC – 265 Livingston Street

Tax Sale Certificate #151	\$ 36,724.28
6% Redemption Penalty	2,203.46

0% Interest on Certificate	0.00
Recording Fee	43.00
Search Fee	12.00
Other Fees	1,478.25
Subsequent Tax 2013 - 2018	257,970.67
Interest on Subsequent Taxes	105,426.36
Premium	<u>155,000.00</u>
Total Due to Lienholder	\$558,858.02

The Chief Financial Officer shall issue a check in the amount of \$558,858.02 to:

US Bank Cust For PC6, LLC Sterling National
50 S 16th Street, Suite 2050
Philadelphia, PA 19102



RESOLUTION #2019-180

TITLE: AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO VOID CHECK #181701 AND REFUND TAXES OVERPAID DUE TO STATE TAX COURT JUDGMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to void check #181701 in the amount of \$1,831.80 and refund the following overpayment of taxes due to State Tax Board Judgment:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>
301	6	Waters, McPherson, McNeill, P.C. Attorney for 240 Pegasus Assoc., LLC 300 Lighting Way P.O. Box 1560 Secaucus, NJ 07096 Property – 240 Pegasus Avenue	\$9,957.04	2018

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Chief Financial Officer shall issue a check in the amount of **\$9,957.04** to Waters, McPherson, McNeill, P.C. Attorneys for 240 Pegasus Associates, LLC.



RESOLUTION #2019-181

TITLE: AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO REFUND TAXES OVERPAID DUE TO STATE TAX COURT JUDGMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund the following overpayment of taxes due to State Tax Board Judgment:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>
303	11	Bruce J. Stavitsky, Esq. For the Benefit of Damiano c/o Stavitsky & Associates, LLC 350 Passaic Avenue Fairfield, New Jersey 07004 Property – 240 Livingston Street	\$1,582.40 \$3,462.40 \$3,518.94 \$3,597.84 \$3,734.60	2014 2015 2016 2017 2018

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Chief Financial Officer shall issue one check in the amount of **\$15,896.18 Bruce J. Stavitsky, Esq. For Benefit of Damiano c/o Stavitsky & Associates, LLC.**



RESOLUTION #2019-183

TITLE: AWARD BID FOR MASTER CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY WATER MAIN AND/OR STORM AND SANITARY SEWER REPAIRS AS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR THE RIVERSIDE COOPERATIVE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 48:11-11 (5) authorizes contracting units to enter into cooperative pricing agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Northvale, acting as the Lead Agency of the Riverside Cooperative, received three (3) bids, which were opened and read aloud on November 1, 2019, for "Emergency Water Main and/or Storm and Sanitary Sewer Repairs" pursuant to an advertisement for bids published on October 17, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the bid from J. Fletcher Creamer & Sons, Inc. of 101 East Broadway, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 for the unit prices bid therein producing an estimated total amount of \$1,249.20 pursuant to the estimated schedule of quantities listed in the bid specifications has been determined to be the lowest responsible bid; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded on a unit price basis and may be considered an Open Ended Contract under N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.3, in which case certification of funds is not required until such time as the services are ordered and prior to incurring any liability by placing the order, certification of availability of funds will be made by the Chief Financial Officer, and it shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek certification of availability of funds from the Chief Financial Officer as appropriate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, acting as the Lead Agency of the Riverside Cooperative, that J. FLETCHER CREAMER & SON, INC. be awarded the Master Contract 35-RC-19-02 for Emergency Water Main and/or Storm and Sanitary Sewer Repairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute a Master Contract with the above named firm for Emergency Water Main and/or Storm and Sanitary Sewer Repairs on behalf of the Borough of Northvale acting as the Lead Agency for the Riverside Cooperative RC-35; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Master Contract term shall commence December 1, 2019 and expire November 30, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby instructed to forward a copy of this Resolution to each member of the Riverside Cooperative.



RESOLUTION #2019-183

TITLE: PETITION THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO INSERT AN ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION – CHAPTER 159 – BODY ARMOR GRANT - \$1,864.98

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:4-87 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 item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Northvale in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year **2019** in the sum of **\$1,864.98**, which is now available from **Body Armor Grant**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of **\$1,864.98** is hereby appropriated under the caption **Body Armor Grant**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from **Body Armor Grant** in the amount of **\$1,864.98**.



RESOLUTION #2019-184

TITLE: PETITION THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO INSERT AN ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION – CHAPTER 159 – CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT - \$10,464.44

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:4-87 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 item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Northvale in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year **2019** in the sum of **\$10,464.44**, which is now available from **Clean Communities Grant**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of **\$10,464.44** is hereby appropriated under the caption **Clean Communities Grant**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from **Clean Communities Grant** in the amount of **\$10,464.44**.



RESOLUTION #2019-185

TITLE: PETITION THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO INSERT AN ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION – CHAPTER 159 – RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT - \$11,462.25

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:4-87 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 item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Northvale in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2019 in the sum of \$11,462.25, which is now available from **Recycling Tonnage Grant**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$11,462.25 is hereby appropriated under the caption **Recycling Tonnage Grant**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from **Recycling Tonnage Grant** in the amount of \$11,462.25.



RESOLUTION #2019-186

TITLE: AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR NORTHVALE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE FOR JULY 2020 – JUNE 2025

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale in the County of Bergen, 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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and 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 Mayor and Council has applied for funding to the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Bergen;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Mayor and Council does hereby authorize submission of an application for the Northvale Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2021 in the amount of \$5,501.00.
2. The Mayor and Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC – Consent Agenda Items ONLY at this time.

There being no questions or comments on the Consent Agenda Resolutions; Mayor Marana called for a Roll Call Vote.

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman DeLisio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman McGuire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Shepard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

RESOLUTION #2019-187

TITLE: PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion	Second	Name
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Argiro
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman DeLisio
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Councilman McGuire
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Shepard
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Small
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Sotiropoulos

WHEREAS, claims have been submitted to the Borough of Northvale in the following amounts under various funds of the borough:

Current Appropriations (2019)	\$1,310,471.96
General Capital Fund	\$63,309.42
Grant Fund	\$2,000.00
Police DEA Trust	\$11,814.39
Animal Trust	
Food Trust	\$1,552.50
Escrow Trust	\$2,367.25
Recreation Trust	\$3,705.64
Summer Recreation Trust	\$4,850.00
TOTAL	\$1,400,071.16

WHEREAS, above claims have been listed and summarized in the attached Bills List Report, and the corresponding vouchers have been reviewed and approved by the department head, council liaison, finance committee, and the chief financial officer; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the funds have been properly appropriated for such purposes and are available in the Borough of Northvale, and that the claims specified on the schedule attached hereto, following examination and approval by the finance committee, be paid and checks issued accordingly; and

WHEREAS, claims have already been paid in the following amounts for the purpose specified below during the course of the year:

Payroll – Salaries & Wages	10-04-2019	\$151,606.61
Payroll – Salaries & Wages	10-18-2019	\$157,275.14
Health Benefits	October 2019	\$47,813.80
School Taxes – Local	October 2019	\$828,833.91
School Taxes – Regional	October 2019	\$608,713.40
TOTAL		\$1,794,242.86

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the claims totaling **\$3,194,314.02** and ratified respectively.

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman DeLisio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman McGuire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Shepard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ORDINANCES - 2nd reading –

ORDINANCES – 1st reading –

ORDINANCE #1012-2019

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF NEW RADIO EQUIPMENT FOR THE USE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$84,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Motion	Second	Name
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Argiro
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman DeLisio
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman McGuire
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Shepard
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Small
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman Sotiropoulos

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to acquire new communication and signal systems equipment consisting of radio equipment for the use of the Fire Department in, by and for the Borough. Said improvement shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$84,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvement described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of said Borough, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the total estimated cost of said purpose is \$84,000, and (4) \$4,000 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$80,000, and (6) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$4,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$4,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$4,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$80,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 6. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$80,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 7. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said

notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$80,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 10. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 11. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 12. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 13. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 14. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.



TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION N.J.S. 40A:4-53

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:4-53 (Ch. 48, P.L. 1956 as amended, including Ch. 46, P.L. 2010 and Ch. 38, P.L. 1969) the sum of \$120,000 is hereby appropriated for severance liabilities for the Payment of Accrued Vacation and Sick Time and shall be deemed a special emergency appropriation as defined and provided for in N.J.S. 40A:4-53.

The authorization to finance the appropriation shall be provided for in succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of at least 1/5 of the amount authorized pursuant to this act (N.J.S. 40A:4-55).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law.

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman DeLisio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman McGuire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Shepard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –

William Guyt – Foreman – Department of Public Works – reported that they are staying ahead of the leaves at this time. He stated that there have been some complaints from residents, but overall after addressing their complaints they seem to be happy. He stated that he and the department really appreciate all of the support that they receive from the Mayor and Council.

Andrew Durfee – 174 Walnut Street – Andrew Durfee – 174 Walnut Street – asked the Mayor and Council if Walnut Street is on the list of streets for repaving next year. He stated that the road is in pretty bad shape. He also asked if the DPW could repair the potholes in the meantime. Mayor Marana responded that they should have the list of streets for repaving by the new year and he stated that Walnut Street is under consideration. He stated that one of the problems with repaving the road is that it will become a speedway. Councilman Shepard stated that it’s similar to his street, but, 4 way stop signs were put in and that really reduced the speed. Mayor Marana stated that he will speak with the police department about putting the electronic sign on Walnut to discourage speeding.

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS –

Councilman Sotiropoulos - Reported on the activities of the Department of Public Works for the past month. He stated that they will be getting ready for the tree lighting which is scheduled for December 4th. He stated that they are looking into getting lights for the tree that can stay up all year; possible LED lights. He stated that the DPW is looking for more manpower next year. At this time, they have stopped picking up brush for the moment and will continue with brush once they are finished picking up the leaves. He congratulated the police officers who were promoted this evening and thanked them for the great job that they do. He further reported on the activities of the Ambulance Corps for the past month and thanked Councilman Argiro for fixing the Ambulance in their time of need.

Councilman Small - Reported that the Board of Health meetings are done for the year. Their next meeting is in January of 2020. He stated that there have been many activities at the Senior Center in the past month such as memory screening, blood pressure, etc. He stated that there will be a presentation on Ellis Island tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. and that their annual Christmas Party is at noon on December 12th.

Councilman Shepard - Thanked the fire chief for all of his hard work getting ready for the purchase of the radios for the department. He had nothing further to report this evening.

Councilman DeLisio – Reported that an application for Rio Vista was approved at the Planning Board Meeting. He stated that they were looking for a revision on the plan that was approved back in 2006. He stated that 40 condominium units were approved on a smaller footprint.

Councilman McGuire - Reported that he and the Mayor will be meeting with the school on Friday to hammer out the last item in the Shared Service Agreement with the school. He stated that the school now has an Instagram account where they post highlights of the events happening at the school. He further reported that the Regional

School will now have armed, retired police officers under the supervision of the Old Tappan Police Department at the school for security.

Councilman Argiro – Reported that the Basketball Court at Hogan Park has been installed and it is ready for use. He thanked the Borough Engineer for the coordination with that project. He reported on the activities of the Library and the grant application that is being submitted on their behalf. He stated that the application will address some handicapped accessible issues as well as safety issues in that there is no protection from the weather at the entrance of the Library. He stated that they have instituted a new policy for late returning of books. He stated that instead of a monetary fine, borrowers will now have to pay fines with a non-perishable food item. He further reported that recreation signups for basketball begin on Friday. He stated that Mr. Giordano is looking to coordinate a traveling team for each grade level and that he is looking for participation from other towns for the program. Lastly, he reported that there are three teams in the soccer semi-finals this year. They will be playing their games in the near future.

Mayor Marana - Reported that he has been working with recreation since the beginning of the year to have a plan for the upgrade of both parks. He stated that there was a survey of Veterans Park done in 1986 to see what property belongs to the Borough and what property belongs to CSX, however, we haven't been able to find that survey. Right now, we are looking for former borough engineers to see if they might still have it in their files.

He further reported on the bond sale that recently occurred. He stated that the sale was very successful and that the borough received a good interest rate. He also reported that recently he received an inquiry from the Borough of Old Tappan about bringing the school election back to April. He asked Councilman DeLisio to explain. Councilman DeLisio stated that he feels that it is time to move the school elections back to April as the budgets really need more scrutiny from the public and it will bring more transparency for the taxpayers. After asking the rest of the council for their opinions, it was determined that they would all like to see the school election brought back to April. The Mayor stated that he would convey those feelings to Old Tappan.

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORTS –

Ms. Rosendahl had no report this evening.

BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORTS –

Ms. Raffay reported on the construction of the basketball court at Hogan Park. She stated that it's best that the court not be used until next week. She further reported on the Streetscape project and that it's moving along nicely. She stated that the pavers will be installed next week and soon thereafter the light poles. She reminded the council that the job is ongoing and that they ask for patience if there are any problems they will be addressed prior to the project completion. She stated that the Senior Pavilion design is in the works and that we should be able to go out to bid in the spring. Lastly, she reported on the bid opening for the Riverside Cooperative.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –

There being no further comments or questions from the public this evening; Mayor Marana asked for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT – TIME: 8:32 PM

Motion	Second	Name
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman DeLisio
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilman McGuire
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Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Councilman Small	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Sotiropoulos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Patrick J. Marana

Mayor

ATTEST:

Wanda A. Worner

Wanda A. Worner
Borough Clerk

Approved: December 11, 2019