# REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL COURT /COUNCIL CHAMBERS 10 LAWLOR DRIVE, OAKLAND, NEW JERSEY WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 13, 2019

### MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

On motion of Councilman Knapp, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on roll call vote:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

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

- 1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
- 2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

  Police Chief Agreement: Labor Negotiations; Police Department IGT candidate
- 3. The Mayor and Council shall release and disclose to the general public the discussion and actions taken on the subject matter of the above mentioned closed session once the Mayor and Council has arrived at a final decision on the specified subject matter.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

Discussion ensued. No action taken.

### CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Talamini, the Executive Session be closed.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Council President Knapp at 7:30 pm.

ROLL CALL: Council President Knapp called the meeting to order and the Clerk called the roll. Present: Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini. Absent: Mayor Schwager. Also Present: Lisa M. Duncan, Borough Clerk; Richard Kunze, Borough Administrator; Brian Chewcaskie, Borough Attorney.

#### SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

# MOMENT OF SILENCE:

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT: Council President Knapp announced this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law duly announced and included in the schedule of regular meetings.

# MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENCE:

On motion of Councilman Knapp, seconded by Councilman Biale, the absence of Mayor Schwager be excused.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### MAYOR'S REPORT:

Councilman Knapp advised that the Mayor's sister passed away and that is why the Mayor was unable to attend tonight's meeting. He offered condolences.

#### OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, this portion of the meeting be opened for public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

Tom Connolly, 1 Winding Ridge, congratulated Mayor Schwager and Councilman Knapp on their election victory. He thanked the residents for their support. He thanked the Council for all the time they give.

# CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, this portion of the meeting be closed to public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES: OCTOBER 16, 2019

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, the minutes from the Mayor and Council meeting of October 16, 2019 be approved.

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On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, the minutes from the Mayor and Council Executive Session of October 16, 2019 be approved.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### APPOINTMENT: SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Council President Knapp brought forth the Mayor's nomination of Kim Bouma for appointment to an unexpired term on the Shade Tree Commission. The term will expire December 31, 2021.

### RESOLUTION 19-307 AUTHORIZE GRANT APPLICATION-NJ TRANSIT

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland is interested in expanding its transportation services for Oakland Senior Citizens; and

WHEREAS, the NJ Transit has a Mobility of Seniors Grant Program to help with operating expenses and the Borough of Oakland wishes to make application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the grant submittal to the NJ Transit Enhanced Mobility of Seniors Grant Program "Operating Expenses" in the amount of \$ 10,714.50.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

# RESOLUTION 19-308 AUTHORIZE RECREATION REFUND

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland has received a request for a refund of Recreation Soccer fees in the amount of \$77.00; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17 requires governing body approval for said refund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby authorize a refund to:

Dan Mason, 34 Winding Ridge, Oakland, NJ 07436, amount due \$ 77.00

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### RESOLUTION 19-309 AUTHORIZE BURGIS-DOWNTOWN PLANNING

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend the Land Use Plan Element to assist with downtown planning due to planned sanitary sewer improvements and potential affordable housing proposals in the area; and

WHEREAS, Burgis Associates has provided a proposal dated October 24, 2019 for the services required in the amount of \$ 44,800 broken down as follows:

1.	Preparation of Background Analysis	\$ 5,200
2.	Preparation of Land Use Plan Amendment	\$ 24,000
3.	Preparation of Streetscape Design Guidelines	\$ 6,800
4.	Preparation of Power Point Presentation	\$ 2,400
5.	Public Meeting Attendance Allowance	\$ 6,400

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WHEREAS, this contract is for a professional service for which no public bidding is required; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in Account # G-02-09-716-001;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council do hereby authorize a contract be awarded to Burgis Associates, Inc. for the amendment to the Land Use Plan Element in the amount of \$ 44,800 as specified in their proposal dated October 24, 2019;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the Borough of Oakland.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### RESOLUTION 19-310 CANCEL CAPITAL BALANCES

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, certain Capital Improvement Authorization balances remain dedicated to projects which have been completed; and

WHEREAS, the balances are no longer necessary for the purpose originally created,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland that the following balances of unexpended General Capital Improvement Authorizations be cancelled as follows:

# General Capital

Ordinance		Unexpended Improvement		
<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	Authorization Balance to Cancel		
18-770	Portable Surveillance Cameras	\$ 14,000.00		
Total – General Capital		\$ 14,000.00		

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### RESOLUTION 19-311 APPROVE LOSAP LIST

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Talamini, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-191, emergency service organizations participating in a Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) shall annually certify to the sponsoring agency a list of all volunteer members who have qualified for credit for the previous year, and;

WHEREAS, the certification shall be based on records maintained by the emergency service organization in accordance with the sponsoring agency's adopted point system, and;

WHEREAS, additional certifications have been presented by the Oakland Fire Department to the Local Plan Administrator based upon further review of accumulated points and account deposits, and;

WHEREAS, the Local Plan Administrator has reviewed the annual list, and supporting documentation from the Oakland Fire Department to substantiate the information provided, and is satisfied that the additional information is accurate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the certified list of volunteer members of the Oakland Fire Department who have qualified for credit under LOSAP for the year 2017 and 2018 is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the approved certification list is posted at the office of the Municipal Clerk, and returned to the Oakland Fire Department for posting at their locations, for a period of 30 days to allow sufficient time for membership review.

ROLL CALL: Yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Levy, Talamini.
Abstain, Councilmembers Knapp, Kulmala, Pignatelli.

### RESOLUTION 19-312 CHAPTER 159 SENIOR CENTER GENERATOR

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland has received notification of a CDBG Grant in the amount of \$119,316.00 from the County of Bergen for the purpose of installing Emergency Generators at the Borough of Oakland Senior Center, and wishes to amend its 2019 budget to include this amount as a revenue,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

Senior Center Generator - \$119,316.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$119,316.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:

(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"

Public and Private Appropriations Offset by Revenues:

Senior Center Generator

Other Expenses - \$ 119,316.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk forward two copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### RESOLUTION 19-313 BUDGET TRANSFER

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to expend funds in excess of the amounts approved in the Calendar Year 2019 budget of the Borough of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, there exist certain budget expenditures with funds available in excess of the amounts approved in the Calendar Year 2019 budget of the Borough of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 permits the transfer of such funds during the last two months of the fiscal year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, that based on the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer, the following transfers be made to the Calendar Year 2019 Current Fund budget:

Current Fund		From	To
9-01-31-460-001	Gasoline	\$ 11,000.00	
9-01-23-220-001	Insurance – Group Health Benefit	\$ 65,729.95	
Sub-total		\$ 76,729.95	
9-01-20-140-029	Info & Tech – Contracted Services		\$ 10,000.00
9-01-26-310-026	Bldg & Gr – Repair & Maintenance		\$ 11,000.00
9-01-25-266-200	LOSAP		\$ 13,000.00

9-01-26-305-082	Garbage Disposal Contract	\$ 30,000.00
9-01-36-471-000	Public Employee Retirement System	\$ 12,729.95
Sub-total		\$ 76,729.95

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### RESOLUTION 19-314 HIRE SEASONAL LABORER

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the hiring of the following seasonal laborer for the Department of Public Works:

NAME EFFECTIVE DATE SALARY
Nicholas Marcheso November 18, 2019 \$ 12.00/hour

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### RESOLUTION 19-315 AUTHORIZE PURCHASE DUMP TRUCK

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works wishes to purchase a Ford F-750 Dump Truck with salt spreader and snow plow; and

WHEREAS, Route 23 Auto Mall, 1301 Route 23, Butler, NJ, has State Contract # T-3063 for the vehicle and options desired at a cost of \$ 143,180.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in Account #C-04-56-787-212;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the purchase of one Ford F-750 Dump Truck with salt spreader and snow plow at a total cost of \$ 143,180.00.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### RESOLUTION 19-316 ACCRUED TIME PAYOUT-T. DelCORPO

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-15 establishes rules that govern how local government units manage and finance compensation for accumulated absence time for their respective employees, and

WHEREAS, accumulated absence includes any sick days, vacation days, personal days, compensatory time or any other absence time authorized as part of an employer agreement, which

is not used by the employee during the allowed period and which is permitted to accumulate over time to the benefit of the employee, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the funds and authority exists to pay the part of the accumulated absence, as per the attached schedule, to Tyler DelCorpo for sick, vacation, personal and compensatory time accumulated in the amount of \$ 474.10; and

WHEREAS, the attached certification and documentation are presented to comply with the rules and regulations established by the Local Finance Board.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland that the total sum \$ 474.10 composed of 22 hours of vacation time, 0 hours of sick time, and 0 hours of personal time and 0 hours compensatory time be paid out to Tyler DelCorpo. Said payment to be paid out of the Accumulated Absence Trust Fund established in 2010 for this purpose.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### RESOLUTION 19-317 AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT-POLICE CHIEF

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, Chief Keith Sanzari of the Oakland Police Department has been permanently appointed to the title of Police Chief of the Borough of Oakland Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed the terms and conditions of this Employment Agreement and determined those terms to be in the best interests of the Borough of Oakland.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Council do hereby ratify and approve the Employment Agreement between the Borough of Oakland and Chief Keith Sanzari.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Employment Agreement.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

### INTRODUCTION: ORDINANCE NO. 19-BOND-798

The Clerk was directed to take from table Ordinance No. 19-Bond-798 and read by title for its first reading.

The Clerk then read by title Ordinance No. 19-Bond-798 entitled: " CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY PROVIDING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$14,000, for ORDINANCE 19-786 CAPITAL PROJECTS, POLICE DEPARTMENT IT EQUIPMENT IN AND BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH, AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND OF THE BOROUGH."

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on roll call vote.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled, Capital Ordinance Of The Borough Of Oakland, In The County Of Bergen, New Jersey Providing A Supplemental Appropriation Of \$14,000, For Ordinance 19-786 Capital Projects, Police Department It Equipment In And By And For The Borough, And Providing That Such Sum So Appropriated Shall Be Raised From The Capital Improvement Fund Of The General Capital Fund Of The Borough.", be introduced;

That said Ordinance be considered for final adoption at a meeting on December 4, 2019 at the Municipal Court/Council Chambers, 10 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, New Jersey at 7:30 P.M.

That said Ordinance be published in full in The Record on or before November 18, 2019 together with notice of this introduction and of the time and place for further consideration for final passage, and that the Clerk post a copy of said Ordinance in the Municipal Building and make copies available to the public.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

# FINAL PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. 19-CODE-794 EMERGENCY GENERATOR USE

The Clerk was directed to take from the table Ordinance No. 19-Code-794 and read by title for its final hearing.

The Clerk then read by title an Ordinance entitled " AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE USE OF PRIVATELY OWNED GENERATORS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND"

### OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Talamini, this portion of the meeting be opened for public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

No comments made.

# CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Pignatelli, seconded by Councilman Levy, this portion of the meeting be closed to public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

On motion of Councilman Talamini, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on a roll call vote.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled, An Ordinance To Regulate The Use Of Privately Owned Generators Within The Borough Of Oakland", be adopted;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby directed to cause said Ordinance to be published by title in The Record in the manner provided by law.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

# FINAL PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. 19-CODE-796 OFF-DUTY POLICE ESCROW

The Clerk was directed to take from the table Ordinance No. 19-Code-796 -and read by title for its final hearing.

The Clerk then read by title an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER II ADMINSTRATION OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND TO ADD A NEW SECTION 2-5A-OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT OF OFF-DUTY POLICE OFFICERS

### OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, this portion of the meeting be opened for public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

No comments made.

# CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, this portion of the meeting be closed to public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on a roll call vote.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled, An Ordinance Amending And Supplementing Chapter Ii Adminstration Of The Code Of The Borough Of Oakland To Add A New Section 2-5a-Outside Employment Of Off-Duty Police Officers, be adopted;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby directed to cause said Ordinance to be published by title in The Record in the manner provided by law.

# FINAL PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. 19-CODE-797

The Clerk was directed to take from the table Ordinance No. 19-Code-797 and read by title for its final hearing.

The Clerk then read by title an Ordinance entitled " AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER X, BUILDING AND HOUSING CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND BY THE ADDITION OF SECTION 10-9 REHABILITATION OF ABANDONED PROPERTY"

### OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, this portion of the meeting be opened for public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

No comments made.

### CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, this portion of the meeting be closed to public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Pignatelli, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on a roll call vote.

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled, An Ordinance Amending And Supplementing Chapter X, Building And Housing Code Of The Borough Of Oakland By The Addition Of Section 10-9 Rehabilitation Of Abandoned Property", be adopted;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby directed to cause said Ordinance to be published by title in The Record in the manner provided by law.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

# WORK SESSION:

# 2020 MEETING SCHEDULE:

The Oath of Office meeting is set for Sunday January 5<sup>th.</sup> The Clerk advised there were two conflicts in the draft schedule-the first night of Passover on April 8<sup>th</sup> and Veterans Day on November 11<sup>th</sup>. The decision was to hold the meetings on Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup> and Monday November 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **BOROUGH CALENDAR:**

Assistant Administrator Michael Carelli explained that the draft calendar has been provided to the Mayor and Council for review. It will contain meeting schedules and information useful for the residents. He is still waiting on a few pieces of information for the calendar. The Mayor and Council must decide from the options provided what picture they want on the cover.

Councilman Pignatelli advised he receives many compliments from people about Veterans Park so he votes for that option. Councilman Knapp agreed but felt it should be a straight on picture that has the Library in it as well.

Mr. Carelli advised that the calendar will not go to print for three weeks in case there are any additional recommendations. Councilman Kulmala commended Mr. Carelli on a great initiative. The calendar will be a wonderful resource for residents. Councilman Pignatelli advised that the Green Team wants to know how to opt out of receiving the calendar. Mr. Kunze responded that we are not set up for anyone to opt out and that the businesses who have sponsored the calendar did so thinking it was going to all residents. Councilman Talamini asked if the calendar is costing the Borough money. Mr. Kunze responded that the sponsor fees are covering the cost of the calendar. There is still ad space available and Mr. Carelli is reaching out to businesses.

# RECREATION FEE ORDINANCE:

The Mayor and Council have been provided a memo from Neil Malmud on the increases to the Recreation fee ordinance. Most increases are minimal. Summer camp fees are increasing due to the new law on minimum wage. Councilman Kulmala advised that the summer camp rate will escalate as the Borough works up to the new \$ 15 rate. This is being driven by Trenton. Recreation Commissioner Mike Guadagnino explained that camp itself is running flat but now the Borough must meet the new minimum wage standards. Even with the increase, the camp is still a bargain.

Councilman Kulmala asked for an explanation of the increase to the cap fee. Mr. Guadagnino explained that the cap fee has not been raised since its inception in 2007 and costs are rising. This fee can be used for repairs to the facility. The cap fee is paid only by people who use the fields so basketball and volleyball registrations do not pay a cap fee. The cap fee has helped pay for the lightning detection system and the roof on the Danny D'Ellia building.

# WATER AND SEWER RATE ORDINANCE:

Mr. Kunze advised that the water and sewer rates are reviewed every fall. The consensus of the Water & Sewer Committee is that there should be an incremental increase. They are proposing a 2% increase across the board. There are increases costs due to the new Water Quality Accountability Act. Mr. Kunze explained that the Water & Sewer Committee wants to start focusing on infrastructure. He explained that he will also look for grant money. He explained that this will be an ongoing annual program like the road program is. The proper way to handle infrastructure repairs is to put money away in capital each year like we do for the road program. The rate increase will be on the base fee only to generate \$ 200,000 per year in capital. That amounts to an increase of \$ 11 per quarter on each bill.

Councilman Kulmala explained that the Water & Sewer Committee wants to focus on infrastructure. Councilman Biale explained that the infrastructure is very old. We will start in the Pleasureland area. Councilman Talamini advised that some parts of town have wells and asked if there is any chance they can be hooked up to Borough water. Mr. Kunze advised that it can be discussed again. It was looked at already and there are issues but it can be revisited.

Councilman Pignatelli asked if there is a deficit. Mr. Kunze explained that is if you look at the number of linear fee that needs to be replaced. This is for the first phase. Councilman Pignatelli asked if there will be a 2% increase each year for several years. Mr. Kunze advised that the rate increase will be revisited each year. This 2% increase will generate \$ 200,000. Councilman Biale explained that the Water & Sewer Committee does not want to go year after year without an

increase and then have a huge increase down the road as infrastructure fails and needs replacement.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilman Kulmala advised that some towns are doing ordinances on rooming houses or air bnb's. We do not have teeth in our ordinance to deal with issues that are occurring. Councilman Pignatelli advised that Lincoln Park had issues and they passed a stringent ordinance. Councilman Knapp asked if there are issues. Councilman Kulmala explained that there is a problem with several properties.

Councilman Kulmala also brought up the lack of parking in the Colony section and certain residents are parking trailers on the road. There is nothing in the ordinance to enforce this. Mr. Kunze advised that we can talk internally about this issue and come up with a type of solution. Mr. Chewcaskie advised that there can be enforcement if the trailers are not properly registered with Motor Vehicle.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Councilman Levy advised there is approximately two weeks left on the emergency work being done on Allerman Brook.

Councilman Pignatelli had brought up the issue of a traffic study for Ramapo Valley Road. He is aware that Mr. Kunze sent a letter to the County to see if they will do the study for us. He hopes we hear from the County soon. He commented we need this done before the County paves Ramapo Valley Road.

Councilman Kulmala commented that the Mayor and Council may want to put an air bnb ordinance in place. Councilman Biale advised this has been an issue in Jersey City. Councilman Kulmala asked if they can be prohibited. Mr. Chewcaskie responded that some communities have prohibited rentals under 30 days.

# **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilman Knapp: The Police Department held Coffee with a Cop at the TD Bank to give the customers a chance to interact with Oakland Police Officers. Programs like this are outstanding so that children see officers as allies. A presentation was held at Indian Hills on October 24<sup>th</sup> and Chief Sanzari and Officer Tineo participated. In the month of October, the Police Department had 353 motor vehicle stops, 17 radar details, 6 traffic details and issued 487 summonses. There were 40 motor vehicle crashes and the year-to-date calls are 15,680. The Fire Department had 33 calls for the month of October for a total of 287 hours. Year-to-date, the Fire Department has responded to 311 calls for 8381. The First Aid Department has responded to 64 calls for 128 hours in the month of October. The First Aid Squad responded to 695 calls year-to-date for 1390 hours. The First Aid Squad met last week to discuss the Lucas system which is an automated CPR machine that they wish to get. They cost \$ 15,000 each and the First Aid Squad is looking to get some money from the Borough. Councilman Pignatelli advised this unit will give nonstop CPR until the patient gets to the hospital.

Councilman Pignatelli: The razor recycling is temporarily unavailable until the Green Team gets a bigger box. Residents can recycle crayons and markers at the Library. Compost bins are available at DPW for \$ 60. It is important to get your flu shot. 80,000 people died last year from the flu.

Councilman Talamini: He thanked Public Events for everything they do. The Tree and Menorah Lighting will be held December 8<sup>th</sup>. The Holiday Lights judging will be December 18<sup>th</sup>. The Public Events Committee always need members. Councilman Talamini thanked everyone who ran for office because this is an important job.

Councilman Levy: The Shade Tree Commission is replanting 100 trees per year through 2030. He advised residents who live below the railroad trestle to get a new flood elevation certificate because changes have taken effect. The Flood Commission meets the second Monday of the month and the Shade Tree commission meets the first Monday of the month. Councilman Knapp asked how someone gets a flood certificate. Councilman Levy responded that an engineer must issue the certificate.

Councilman Kulmala: The Roller Hockey rink boards are up and we are waiting for the final walk through. It should be done by the end of November. There had been a problem with the main doors at the Library. They finally brought in another vendor to replace the doors. The Water & Sewer Committee will have a public meeting tomorrow for people who live around the Skyview sewer plant.

Councilman Biale: The Senior movies take place on Mondays at 1:30 pm. The movie for November 18<sup>th</sup> is Breakthrough and the November 25<sup>th</sup> movie is Lion King. There will be a trip to the High Society Teah House on November 21<sup>st</sup> and the cost is \$ 30 per person. Line Dancing will take place November 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 pm. The winter trip to the casino in Bethlehim will take place December 17<sup>th</sup>. The Men's club will hold a cooking class on November 19<sup>th</sup> and they will make chicken pot pie. A representative from Assemblywoman Shepisi's office will be available on November 19<sup>th</sup> with information relevant for Seniors. The 2019 storm drain inspections have been completed. There are 104 basins that need repair and 121 required cleaning. The potholes may increase as weather changes. Residents should notify the DPW. The DPW repaired 1599 potholes since January 1<sup>st</sup>. The DPW serviced and tested all snow removal equipment. The DPW is taking suggestions for locations for new LED lights. The yard waste pick up is coming to an end. The last pick up will be December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Biale gave a shout out to American Legion Commander Ron Beattie for organizing the Veterans Day ceremony and he also gave a shout out to Jimmy McWilliams from the DPW for all his help.

# OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, this portion of the meeting be opened for public discussion.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

Tom Connolly, 1 Winding Ridge, advised that the County is going to pave Ramapo Valley Road and he suggested the DPW should check the water main and all valves. The grooving on Skyline Drive will be done next year.

### CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, this portion of the meeting be closed to public discussion.

# BILLS TO BE PAID:

On motion of Councilman Talamini, seconded by Councilman Biale, the following bills be submitted for payment:

(see following pages)

BE IT RESOLVED that the foregoing bills be paid and charged to their respective accounts when the funds are available.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

# MEETING ADJOURNED:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, the meeting be adjourned at  $8:35~\mathrm{pm}$ .

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Lisa M. Duncan, Borough Clerk\ December 4, 2019	Council President Robert Knapp
Date Approved	