

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
HELD AT THE
OAKLAND SENIOR CENTER
20 LAWLOR DRIVE, OAKLAND, NEW JERSEY
WEDNESDAY JULY 12, 2017

MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

On motion of Councilwoman Coira, seconded by Councilman Talamini, 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:
Personnel; Labor Negotiations; Affordable Housing update
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, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

Discussion ensued over Police personnel, labor negotiations and Affordable Housing. No action taken.

CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

On motion of Councilman Knapp, seconded by Councilman Biale, the Executive Session be closed.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Council President Talamini at 7:33 pm.

ROLL CALL: Council President Talamini called the meeting to order and the Clerk called the roll. Present: Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti. Absent: Mayor Schwager, Councilman Kulmala. 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 Talamini 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 ABSENCES:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Knapp, the absences of Mayor Schwager and Councilman Kulmala be excused.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

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

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

Kevin Heffernen, 40 Grove Street, spoke of the history of the train station. He commented that there is nothing done to welcome people to the downtown area. He spoke about the idea for Station Park. That area is the focal point of entry and should be an area to welcome people to Oakland. The idea was presented to the Council last year and it was endorsed by the Council. He commented that Resolution 17-73 to authorize Boswell to do a site survey was tabled and it still remains tabled. He would like the Council to authorize the Borough Administrator to develop a new RFP to give to Boswell. He would like Shade Tree Commission involved in all discussion. He suggested a Committee be appointed to serve as a central project action service.

MAYOR SCHWAGER ENTERED AT 7:40 PM.

Jodi Goffredo, Sioux Avenue, questioned the outcome of an issue involving her cat. Mr. Kunze advised he will contact Tyco Animal Control.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

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

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JUNE 28, 2017

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Knapp, the minutes from the Mayor and Council meeting of June 28, 2017 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.
Abstain, Councilwoman Coira.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JUNE 28, 2017 EXECUTIVE

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Knapp, the minutes from the Mayor and Council Executive Session of June 28, 2017 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.
Abstain, Councilwoman Coira.

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET AMENDMENT:**OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:**

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

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

No comments made.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

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

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-202 ADOPTION OF BUDGET

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

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, County of Bergen that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

(a) \$13,878,024.00	for municipal purposes, and
(d) 221,825.00	Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation
Trust Levy	
(e) \$ 801,900.00	Minimum Library Tax

SUMMARY OF REVENUES**1. General Revenues**

Surplus Anticipated	\$ 1,198,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue Anticipated	\$ 5,810,090.49
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	\$ 4,900.00

2. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Municipal Purposes	\$ 13,878,024.00
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3. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Schools Type I	\$	0.00
4. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Schools Type II	\$	0.00
5. Amount to be Raised by Taxation – Library Levy	\$	801,900.00

Total Revenues: \$ 21,692,914.49

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

6. General Appropriations

Within “CAPS”

(a&b) Operations including Contingent \$ 15,071,499.00

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(a) Operations \$ 1,261,415.49

(c) Capital Improvements \$ 900,000.00

(d) Municipal Debt Service \$ 3,903,600.00

(e) Deferred Charges – Municipal \$ 106,400.00

(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes \$ 450,000.00

Total Appropriations \$ 21,692,914.49

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-203 AWARD BID FOR TURNOUT GEAR

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

WHEREAS, the Wyckoff Township Committee authorized a re-bidding for three (3) fire equipment items after revising the specifications via the adoption of Resolution 2017-163; and

WHEREAS, a legal advert soliciting competitive sealed bids for the WOLF Cooperative Pricing System was published in the June 9, 2017 issue of The Ridgewood News; and

WHEREAS, in order to encourage spirited competition, eight bidders who bid on the first fire equipment bid were provided with the specification, specifications were provided free of charge and the advert soliciting competitive sealed bids was posted on the Township of Wyckoff web page “Jobs and Bids” easily accessed from the home page; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2017, the following sealed bids were publicly received, opened and their contents read aloud as follows:

Bidder Name & Address	511 Jacket	Turnout Coat	Turnout Pants	Total Coat & Pants
MES Lawmen Supply 66 Firemen’s Way Poughkeepsie, NY 12603	\$215.00	Globe \$1,269.00	Globe \$1,127.00	\$2,396.00
Stateline Fire & Safety 50 Park Avenue Park Ridge, NJ 07656	NB	Globe \$1,123.90	Globe \$1,187.90	\$2,311.80

		Lion	Lion	
Witmer Public Safety Group	\$229.00	\$1,305.00	\$1,005.00	\$2,310.00
104 Independence Way				
Coatesville, PA 19320				

WHEREAS, Franklin Lakes and Oakland who are members of the WOLF Cooperative Pricing System shall issue their own purchase order/contracts and process payment directly for their needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that a WOLF Cooperative Pricing System Contract is awarded to: MES Lawmen Supply, Inc., 66 Firemen's Way, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 at \$215 for each 511 Jacket and a contract to Witmer Public Safety Group, 104 Independence Way, Coatesville, PA 19320 at \$2,310 for Turnout Pants and Coats in strict accordance with the specifications requirements;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk shall provide a certified copy of this resolution to Franklin Lakes and Wyckoff Administrator.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-204 AUTHORIZE BOSWELL-WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN
On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Talamini, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland needs to amend its Wastewater Management Plan;
and

WHEREAS, Boswell McClave Engineering has submitted a proposal dated May 23, 2017, in the amount not to exceed \$45,000 for the services required; and

WHEREAS, Boswell McClave has submitted all necessary paperwork to comply with the Borough of Oakland's Pay to Play requirements; and

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

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in Account #7-01-20-110-044 \$ 17,000 and Account # 7-01-20-165-100 \$ 28,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize Boswell McClave Engineering to amend the Wastewater Management Plan as per their proposal dated May 23, 2017, at a cost not to exceed \$45,000; and

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

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-205 SUPPORT OF NEW JERSEY PILOT PROGRAM

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

WHEREAS, New Jersey's population demands an ample water supply provided by adequate open space to support our quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Open Space in the form of parkland, family farms, historic and cultural sites, recreational areas and natural watershed areas is vital to our economy, planned growth, protection of property values, water quality and safety and urban, suburban and rural quality of life; and

WHEREAS, continued plentiful and sustained funding is vital to a strategic Open Space program to bolster and enhance private, municipal, county, other state and federal Open Space funding programs; and

WHEREAS, provisions for stewardship to properly care for parks, preserved lands, and historic sites is an important component of Open Space efforts; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Payment In Lieu of Taxes program (Pilot) should be restored to full funding because it encourages municipalities to host state and non-profit preserved open space;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Oakland supports sustainable continuing funding for Open Space in New Jersey.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-207 RECREATION REFUNDS

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland has received requests for refunds of Basketball Camp, Baseball Camp and Open Recreation Camp registration fees in the amount of \$575.00; 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 authorizes refunds to:

Michelle Tompkins, 15 Crooked Hill, Oakland, NJ 07436 refund due \$105.00
Stacey Pulice, 35 Pawnee Avenue, Oakland, NJ 07436 refund due \$130.00
Kathy Gay, 9 Pine Crest Drive, Oakland, NJ 07436 refund due \$340.00

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-208 PUBLIC EVENTS COMMITTEE MEMBER TERMS

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

WHEREAS, there were certain errors with respect to the terms for Public Events Committee members; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland wish to establish the expiration dates for members of the Public Events Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland as follows:

1. The Mayor and Council confirm that the terms of the members of the Public Events Committee are as follows:

The following list of members' terms expire on December 31, 2018:

Jerri Angermueller
Thomas "Chopper" Russo
Mame Schwarzfischer
Joseph Inglima
Michael Kozak

The following list of members' terms expire on December 31, 2019:

Stacie Zeller
Suleika Arredondo
Pat Pignatelli
Brian Tully
Lisa Patterson

The following member's term expires on December 31, 2020:

Robert Goworek

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be provided to the Committee members and shall be kept on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-209 AWARD BID-VEHICLE AUCTION

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 the provisions of NJSA 40A:11-36, the Borough of Oakland may sell any personal property; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland previously authorized the sale of surplus vehicles via online public auction; and

WHEREAS, said auction took place and the Governing Body now wishes to approve the winning bids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland that the winning bids and amounts thereof are hereby approved for the following:

Vehicle	Winning Bidder	Winning Bid
1991 F-350 Wrecker	Joseph Ricci	\$ 2,901.00
1997 Ford F-250	Ryan Dublirer	\$ 716.00

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-210 AUTHORIZE REFUND REDEMPTION MONIES LIEN 16-00001

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

WHEREAS, the Oakland Tax Collector has received funds from a property owner or other party of interest for redemption of a Tax Sale Lien 16-00016, Block 1606, Lot 11, better known as Roosevelt Blvd. on June 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, lien holders are entitled to payment for redemption of the Tax Lien upon receipt of funds by the Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,354.78 payable to Srisaivineela Chalasani, 9301 Riverside Station Blvd., Secaucus, NJ 07094;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,354.78 to the aforementioned lien holder.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-211 AUTHORIZE REFUND REDEMPTION MONIES LIEN 16-00016

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

WHEREAS, the Oakland Tax Collector has received funds from a property owner or other party of interest for redemption of a Tax Sale Lien 16-00016, Block 1606, Lot 11, better known as Roosevelt Blvd. on June 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, lien holders are entitled to payment for redemption of the Tax Lien upon receipt of funds by the Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,354.78 payable to Srisaivineela Chalasani, 9301 Riverside Station Blvd., Secaucus, NJ 07094;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,354.78 to the aforementioned lien holder.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-212 AUTHORIZE REFUND REDEMPTION MONIES-LIEN 16-00027

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

WHEREAS, the Oakland Tax Collector has received funds from a property owner or other party of interest for redemption of a Tax Sale Lien 16-00027, Block 2004, Lot 19, better known as 48 Riverside Drive on June 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, lien holders are entitled to payment for redemption of the Tax Lien upon receipt of funds by the Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$923.87 payable to US Bank Cust/PC4 1st Trust Bank, Tax Lien Services Group, 50 South 16th St-Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$923.87 to the aforementioned lien holder.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-213 AUTHORIZE REFUND REDEMPTION MONIES-LIEN 16-00039
On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Talamini, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, the Oakland Tax Collector has received funds from a property owner or other party of interest for redemption of a Tax Sale Lien 16-00039, Block 3001, Lot 16, better known as 198 Long Hill Road on June 28, 2017; and

WHEREAS, lien holders are entitled to payment for redemption of the Tax Lien upon receipt of funds by the Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$112.36 payable to US Bank Cust/PC4 1st Trust Bank, Tax Lien Services Group, 50 South 16th St-Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$112.36 to the aforementioned lien holder.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-214 AUTHORIZE REFUND REDEMPTION MONIES LIEN 16-00041
On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Talamini, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, the Oakland Tax Collector has received funds from a property owner or other party of interest for redemption of a Tax Sale Lien 16-00041, Block 3101, Lot 14, better known as 140 Breakneck Road on June 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, lien holders are entitled to payment for redemption of the Tax Lien upon receipt of funds by the Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,352.35 payable to Srisaivineela Chalasani, 9301 Riverside Station Blvd., Secaucus, NJ 07094;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,352.35 to the aforementioned lien holder.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-215 AUTHORIZE REFUND REDEMPTION MONIES-LIEN 16-00042

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

WHEREAS, the Oakland Tax Collector has received funds from a property owner or other party of interest for redemption of a Tax Sale Lien 16-00042, Block 3501, Lot 46, better known as 107 Grove Street on June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, lien holders are entitled to payment for redemption of the Tax Lien upon receipt of funds by the Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$87.98 payable to Srisaiveela Chalasani, 9301 Riverside Station Blvd., Secaucus, NJ 07094;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$87.98 to the aforementioned lien holder.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-216 AUTHORIZE REFUND REDEMPTION MONIES-LIEN 16-00063

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

WHEREAS, the Oakland Tax Collector has received funds from a property owner or other party of interest for redemption of a Tax Sale Lien 16-00063, Block 4305, Lot 10, better known as 113 Thackeray Road on June 9, 2017; and

WHEREAS, lien holders are entitled to payment for redemption of the Tax Lien upon receipt of funds by the Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$82.85 payable to US Bank Cust/PC4 1st Trust Bank, Tax Lien Services Group, 50 south 16th St-Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$82.85 to the aforementioned lien holder.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-217 ACCUMULATED TIME PAYOUT-J. FERRARELLA

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Talamini, 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 Joseph Ferrarella for sick, vacation, personal and compensatory time accumulated in the amount of \$ 41,198.75; 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 \$ 41,198.75 composed of 320 hours of vacation time, 600 hours of sick time, and hours of personal time be paid out to Joseph Ferrarella. Said payment to be paid out of the Accumulated Absence Trust Fund established in 2010 for this purpose.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

RESOLUTION 17-219 CHANGE ORDER 1 FOR RAMAPO RIVER RESTORATION PROJECT

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

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to T.R. Weniger, Inc., in the amount of \$ 369,800 for the Ramapo River Restoration Project; and

WHEREAS, the following Change Order has been requested:

Mussel Study	\$ 12,200
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WHEREAS, the Change Order has been reviewed and recommended by the Borough's Engineer, Boswell McClave Engineering; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in Account # C-04-56-691-401;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby authorize Change Order #1 in the amount of \$ 12,200 for a new total contract amount of \$ 382,000 .

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

FINAL PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. 17-CODE-757 PIPELINE-TABLED

Mr. Chewcaskie advised that the ordinance had been referred to Planning Board for review and they are not discussing it until tomorrow night. He suggested this ordinance be tabled until the Planning Board review is complete.

MOTION TO TABLE:

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Talamini, Ordinance 17-Code-757 be tabled until the July 26, 2017 meeting.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

WORK SESSION:**AMEND AUDITOR CONTRACT:**

Mr. Kunze explained that the Auditor asked for a small increase of \$ 2,500 for the additional services in connection with the 2017 budget review conducted by the DLGS. Councilman Talamini questioned if this was a flat fee or if there would be additional charges going forward. Borough Auditor Frank DiMaria responded that this is a one-time charge and there will be no charges going forward.

RESOLUTION 17-218 APPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE-J. COLEMAN

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland has determined the need to authorize the hiring of a police officer for the Oakland Police Department based on a vacancy and the current table of organization; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief has advised that Jonathan D. Coleman has completed the necessary pre-employment testing and background checks and has recommended his appointment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Oakland that Jonathan D. Coleman be and is hereby appointed as a police officer for the Borough of Oakland, which appointment is effective as of July 13, 2017, and being made in accordance with the New Jersey Department of Personnel Intergovernmental Transfer Program, and his salary shall be \$ 45,708 in accordance with the current PBA contract.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

Mayor Schwager left the meeting at 8:02 pm.

WORK SESSION CONTINUED:**FIRE COMPANY #2 RENOVATION:**

Mr. Kunze explained that bids were taken for the Renovation to Fire Co. #2. There are sufficient funds for the project. Councilman Talamini asked if this company has experience. Mr. Kunze responded they have done similar work in North Jersey.

CRANE PERMIT ORDINANCE:

Mr. Kunze explained that Construction Official Dan Hagberg provided a comparison of the proposed ordinance against the proposed change by the DCA to the Uniform Construction Code. Mr. Hagberg has recommended the Mayor and Council wait until the DCA changes are adopted before considering an ordinance.

Daniel Ortega, operator engineer of Local 825, commented that the biggest concern is the State is not doing a lot for crane safety. He spoke of a crane accident two years ago in Cliffside Park. He is asking the municipality to get copies of documents from crane operators that the State requires. He is asking municipalities to protect themselves and their residents. Councilman Knapp asked about tree companies that drive an outrigger. Mr. Ortega responded those are technically not cranes and are not considered under the Statute. Councilman Biale asked what the fee for the permit would be. Mr. Ortega responded that is dependent upon the municipality. He feels the crane operators should have the same kind of requirements for permits that plumbers and electricians have. Mr. Chewcaskie commented that this ordinance would provide some level of municipal oversight.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Biale: He and Councilman Knapp met with the DPW. He spoke about a line of sight issue. The new ladies room at the Senior Center is finished. The Senior Club will hold their picnic. The new air conditioning unit for the Senior Center is on its way.

Councilman Visconti: The Flood Commission met Monday. They are working on the resubmittal for the CRS program. There is a delay with the River Restoration project. He explained that we need to do a study to see if there are mussels in the river. The Library construction is on schedule. Councilman Visconti contacted Borough Engineer Kevin Boswell to resurrect the old traffic plan concerning realignment of Yawpo Avenue so we will know how much land would be left for Station Park. He explained that he is trying to get preliminary work done so there can be a meeting to discuss the park. He commented that maybe there can be discussion of a committee at the next meeting and discussion on how to proceed.

Councilwoman Coira: The Shade Tree Commission will meet on August 7th. The Environmental Commission met last night. She thanked the members who worked on the grant application that was submitted. The Planning Board will meet tomorrow at 7 pm.

Councilman Knapp: The Board of Health does not meet in July or August. The Municipal Alliance does not meet until next quarter. Regarding Public Safety, Councilman Knapp is very happy that we hired Officer Coleman tonight. He congratulated the Fire Department on the call for the accident on Route 287. The OEM and First Aid were also involved in the call.

Councilman Talamini: The Budget has been adopted. Public Events will hold a post-carnival meeting. Councilman Biale questioned what the Board of Ed is doing about the school election. Councilman Talamini responded the Board is still waiting on the report from the State commission before acting on this.

OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

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

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

Ryan Schwertfeger, 58 Andrew Avenue, spoke of accidents on Route 287 and asked if DOT can do anything to alleviate this. Mr. Chewcaskie advised that the DOT approved a plan for Mahwah by Route 17 but there are no plans to address 287 as far as he knows. Councilman Knapp commented that maybe the Police Department can request that the Oakland section of 287 be looked at. We should put pressure on the State to do something. Mr. Kunze commented that the

number of accidents in that one stretch of 287 is overwhelming. He will try to get a dialogue with the DOT.

CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

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

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

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, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

On motion of Councilman Visconti, seconded by Councilman Biale, the meeting be adjourned at 8:29 pm.

ROLL CALL: All yeas, Councilmembers Biale, Coira, Knapp, Talamini, Visconti.

Lisa M. Duncan, Borough Clerk
July 26, 2017

Mayor Linda H. Schwager

Date Approved