

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

MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

On motion of Councilman Pignatelli, 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:  
Tax Appeal Settlements; Potential litigation-Library; Affordable Housing update; Non-union salaries; Update on network security issues.
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.

No action taken.

CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Mayor Schwager at 7:32 pm.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Schwager called the meeting to order and the Clerk called the roll. Present: Mayor Schwager, Councilmembers Biale, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini. Absent: None. Also Present: Lisa M. Duncan, Borough Clerk; Richard Kunze, Borough Administrator; Brian Chewcaskie, Borough Attorney.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

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

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**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Schwager attended the Science of Styrofoam program at the Library this past Sunday. It was coordinated by Carol Peterson of the Green Team and Environmental Commission. There will be a Styrofoam and plastic bag collection drive on April 29<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 2 pm at Borough Hall sponsored by the Green Team. This year's FLOW Film Festival will be hosted by Oakland on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mayor Schwager reminded residents to shovel sidewalks 24 hours after snow ends and to dig out fire hydrants. She reminded everyone to clean the top of the car from snow and ice. Mayor Schwager advised that bids were opened for the demolition of the Roosevelt properties. The low bidder is being vetted. Mayor Schwager received an anonymous letter signed from "a concerned citizen". She will not respond unless people give their name.

**OPENED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:**

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

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

Chopper Russo, Minnehaha Blvd, and Mike Rose, Ramapo Valley Road, were in attendance to speak about the holiday decorating program. This past year, was the first holiday decorating contest and 50 residents participated. There were winners for each section of town. The Manito section winners were: First Place 93 Algonquin and Second Place 76 Pawnee. The Heights section winners were: First Place 35 Princeton and Second Place 78 Hiawatha Blvd. The Dogwood section winners were: First Place 8 Hatfield and Second Place 165 Page Drive. The overall best in town winner was 54 Saratoga.

Mr. Rose explained that they would like the Community of Commerce to help get the commercial properties involved this year. He would like the Borough to decorate the center of town as well so he will donate \$ 5,000 towards the new holiday lights for the town. Mr. Russo advised that Public Events will contribute \$ 11,000 toward the new holiday lights. He would like new lights done from Franklin Avenue to Oak Street. He would like the Mayor and Council to commit an additional \$ 9,000 to pay for thirteen lights. He explained that the Borough needs to take advantage of the sale pricing by the end of the month. Mr. Russo spoke about an idea to offer seasonal banners for businesses to purchase in order to make money for additional decorations.

Mr. Kunze explained that only 12 of the poles currently have power to plug in decorations. Mayor Schwager thanked Mr. Rose and Mr. Russo for getting people involved. Councilman Talamini commented that he is not comfortable with asking for private donations. Mr. Kunze advised that the purpose of tonight's discussion was to get feedback on the designs in order to take advantage of the sale pricing. Councilman Kulmala asked how much additional money is needed. Mr. Russo advised that they need an additional \$ 9,360 for the decorations. There are currently 12 poles with plugs and they are looking to outfit 13 additional poles with plugs. Borough Engineer John Yakimik asked them to reach out to Rockland Electric to find out their guidelines for holiday decorations. Councilman Kulmala asked how much it would cost to outfit the poles. Mr. Rose estimated it would cost \$ 200 per pole. Mayor Schwager commented that they would then need approximately \$ 12,000 for the decorations and to outfit the poles.

Councilman Knapp advised that he supports the project but doesn't know where to get the money from. Mr. Kunze spoke about the Public Events Trust Fund which has plenty of money and then taxpayer money would not have to be used. Councilman Talamini explained that the Public Events Committee wants to cap the contribution to \$ 11,000. Councilman Kulmala asked how many decorations we can get with the money we currently have. Mr. Russo advised we can purchase 16 decorations plus banners. The Council consented to purchasing that amount now. Discussion ensued over how to raise money by going to businesses. Mr. Kunze explained that a solicitation could be sent to every business and then a fund can be set up to accept the money. Borough Attorney Chewcaskie advised that when donations are solicited, everyone has to be given a fair chance.

#### Motion To Endorse The Purchase Of Decorations:

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Biale, the Council endorsed the purchase of \$ 16,000 of holiday decorations and banners.

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

Dave Richardson, 320 Ramapo Valley Road, spoke about people not stopping at the stop sign by River Road and Spring Street. Mayor Schwager asked Councilman Knapp to speak to the Police Department on this issue. Mr. Richardson commented that instead of using the field lights to light the walking path, the Borough should put up decorative light poles. It would cost less money in the long run. Mayor Schwager asked if Mr. Richardson would help by getting some price estimates and giving them to the Recreation Chairman.

Ken Dolski, Parsippany, spoke about the proposed Meadowlands Power Plant. They want every town to pass a resolution opposing the power plant. This will be a large source of air pollutants. This area is already rated an F for ozone. Research links ozone to deaths. This power plant can be a 50 year health threat. The DEP allows them to buy ozone credits. We met with the DEP and they expect to issue the approvals to build the power plant. 42 towns have passed resolutions and Mr. Dolski is asking Oakland to pass a resolution to oppose the power plant.

Don Sena, Thackeray Road, would like to know when this issue will be put on an agenda. Mayor Schwager advised it will be listed on the next agenda.

#### CLOSED FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JANUARY 23, 2019

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Knapp, the minutes from the Mayor and Council meeting of January 23, 2019 be approved.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JANUARY 9, 2019 EXECUTIVE MINUTES

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Knapp, the minutes from the Mayor and Council Executive Session of January 9, 2019 be approved.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JANUARY 23, 2019

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Knapp, the minutes from the Mayor and Council meeting of January 23, 2019 be approved.

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

APPOINTMENTS:

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:

Mayor Schwager brought forth the nomination to move David Blanke to an unexpired term left by Kevin Mauro's resignation and she brought forth the nomination of Peter Kikot for appointment to an unexpired term as Alternate 2.

Motion to Consent:

On motion of Councilman Pignatelli, seconded by Councilman Biale, the Council consented to the appointment of David Blanke to an unexpired term which will expire December 31, 2019. The Council also consented to the appointment of Peter Kikot to an unexpired term as Alternate 2 to expire December 31, 2019.

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

FLOOD COMMISSION:

Mayor Schwager brought forth the nomination of Michael Pritchard to an unexpired term on the Flood Commission.

Motion to Consent:

On motion of Councilman Pignatelli, seconded by Councilman Biale, the Council consented to the appointment of Michael Pritchard to an unexpired term on the Flood Commission to expire December 31, 2020.

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

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

Mayor Schwager made the following appointments to the Emergency Management Council for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2019:

Roy Bauberger	OEM Coordinator (3-yr term, expires 12/31/19)
Leonard Tanis	Deputy OEM Coordinator
Anthony Marcucilli	Deputy OEM Coordinator
Tim Ryan	Deputy OEM Coordinator
Acting Chief Keith Sanzari	Police Liaison
Sergeant Keith Docwra	Police Liaison
Fire Chief Vincent Dies	Fire Liaison
Assistant Fire Chief Gary Walker	Fire Liaison
Assistant Fire Chief Lewis Thurston	Fire Liaison
First Aid Chief Matt Goodrich	First Aid Liaison
Mayor Linda Schwager	Mayor
Robert Knapp	Council Liaison
Richard Kunze	Borough Administrator
Don Broek	Shelter Coordinator
Lois Smid	Shelter Assistant
Ann Kelly	OFD Auxiliary
Dan Hagberg	Construction Code Official
Jason Duncan	DPW Equipment Operator
Principal Sean Bowe	Local Board of Education
Robert Jacod	Local Board of Education
Joe Tumminia	Local Board of Education
Tony Smid	Animal Rescue Coordinator
Ed Tryon	Emergency Operations Center Coordinator
Doug Brown	Sara 3 Representative
Dave Potash	Local Resources
Erin Bauberger	Technology Resources
Steve Tiffinger	Board of Health Liaison
Scott Ciccarella	DPW Municipal Damage Assessment
Don Sena	CERT Coordinator
Dan D'Elia	Assistant Drill & Cleanup Coordinator

**GREEN TEAM:**

Mayor Schwager made the following appointments to the Green Team for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2019:

Chopper Russo, Carol Peterson, Nancy Krause, Peter Kikot, David Blanke, Dana Andro, Maria Glasson, Sandra Coira, Zuzanna Fahey, Alison Fleeson.

**APPROVE RAFFLE LICENSE RL1347**

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, approval be granted for Raffle License RL1347 for Oakland Fathers' Club to hold an off-premise 50/50 raffle on April 26, 2019 at 24 Lawlor Drive.

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

**APPROVE RAFFLE LICENSE RL1348**

On motion of Councilman Pignatelli, seconded by Councilman Biale, approval be granted for Raffle License RL1348 for Indian Hills PTSO to hold an on-premise 50/50 raffle on March 7, 8, 9, 10, 2019 at Indian Hills High School, 97 Yawpo Avenue.

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

**RESOLUTION 19-65 APPOINT SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR SEWER SERVICE**

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland is interested in pursuing discussion with the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority for sewer service; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to seek special counsel to represent the Borough of Oakland in this matter; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a proposal from John Napolitano and the firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri & Jacobs, LLC at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified funds are available in account #9-01-20-155-028; and

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

WHEREAS, Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri and Jacobs, LLC has complied with the Borough's Pay-to-Play requirements as outlined in Ordinance 12-CODE-669 adopted July 11, 2012;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby award a contract to John Napolitano of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri and Jacobs, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00; 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, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

**RESOLUTION 19-70 AUTHORIZE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT**

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

WHEREAS, SEC Rule 15c:2-12 requires municipalities to file financial and statistical information as well as notices of "material events" affecting the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Phoenix Advisors LLC has submitted a proposal to provide services as a Continuing Disclosures Agent in the amount of \$ 1050; and

WHEREAS, Phoenix Advisors LLC has submitted all necessary paperwork to comply with the Borough's Pay-to-Play requirements; and

WHEREAS, this contract is for a professional service which does not require public bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in Account #9-01-20-130-028

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize a contract with Phoenix Advisors LLC in an amount not to exceed \$ 1050 for services as Continuing Disclosures Agent for the Borough of Oakland; and

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

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

#### RESOLUTION 19-71 OPPOSE NEW BEEKEEPING REGULATIONS

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

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Agriculture has published new beekeeping regulations in the New Jersey Register on December 3, 2018; and

WHEREAS, these new regulations include a section that states, "It shall be unlawful for any beekeeper to keep any hive or hives in such a manner or of such disposition to pose a direct threat to: 1. Public health and safety; or 2. Bee health, as determined by the State Apiarist or his or her designee"; and

WHEREAS, these new regulations also include a section on Location of Hives, which requires that when a colony is located less than 20 feet from any property line, a beekeeper shall establish a flyway barrier at least six feet in height consisting of a solid wall, fence, dense vegetation or combination thereof that is parallel to the property line and maintain it to extend 10 feet beyond the colony in each direction; and

WHEREAS, these new regulations also include a section on Waiver Process that is unduly burdensome and should simply utilize the provisions of the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-12; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland believes that bees and Borough residents who are beekeepers are beneficial to the Borough of Oakland and that those residents in the Borough who are currently beekeepers as hobbyists should be able to continue to have bee hives.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey wishes to go on record with the New Jersey Department of Agriculture that the Borough of Oakland is opposed to the new beekeeping regulations which would have a detrimental impact on beekeeping in the Borough of Oakland as well as throughout the State of New Jersey and urges the New Jersey State League of Municipalities to work with the New Jersey Beekeepers Association towards creating legislation

with straightforward regulations based on fact, science and best management practices which will protect both beekeepers and non-beekeepers within the State of New Jersey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be provided to: (i) the New Jersey Department of Agriculture; (ii) the New Jersey State League of Municipalities; (iii) the New Jersey Beekeepers Association; (iv) all Bergen County municipalities urging them to oppose the adoption of the new beekeeping regulations by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture.

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

#### RESOLUTION 19-72 RE-ESTABLISH GREAT OAK PARK COMMITTEE

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland is the owner of approximately 40 acres of open space formerly known as the Pleasure Land property; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council created the Great Oak Park Committee to formalize the planning, funding and coordination of the development of this public park, and oversee the development phases; and

WHEREAS, there is still a need for the Great Oak Park Committee and the Committee must be re-established by resolution;

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

- a. There is hereby re-established in the Borough of Oakland the Great Oak Park Committee, which shall be responsible for the study, planning, coordination of various municipal groups and the public for input; coordination of sub-committees, if necessary; organization of fund raising efforts; obtaining input from municipal departments or commissions; coordination of any DEP or other environmental concerns; and ultimate recommendations to the Mayor and Council for development of the park, to be accomplished in phases.
- b. The Committee shall consist of six residents of the Borough, made up of a Chairman, four regular members and an alternate member, who shall each serve one year terms, all of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council. In addition, the Council shall name a Council Liaison to the Committee. In addition to the six members of the Committee and the Council Liaison, the following positions are ex officio members of the Committee: Mayor, Borough Administrator, Borough Engineer, and Department of Public Works Superintendent.
- c. The Borough of Oakland entered into an agreement with the Sports Association of Oakland to provide fundraising opportunities for the development and improvement of Great Oak Park.

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



**RESOLUTION 19-73 REFUND DUPLICATE PAYMENT-CCO APPLICATION**

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

WHEREAS, there is a request for a refund of a duplicate payment in the amount of \$ 175.00 for a Continued Certificate of Occupancy fee for 8 Valley Forge Road; 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:

Greg Babaian, 8 Valley Forge Road, Oakland, NJ 07436 refund due \$ 175.00

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

**RESOLUTION 19-74 AUTHORIZE LICENSE BOROUGH PROPERTY BL 2004, LOT 15**

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

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a request to license Borough owned property adjacent to 42 Riverside Drive; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works and Zoning Officer have reviewed the request and they recommend the issuance of the license for the year 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Borough Clerk to issue a license for the Borough property adjacent to 42 Riverside Drive to Andrea Lewis, 42 Riverside Drive, subject to the rules and regulations specified in Resolution 19-20 adopted on January 9, 2019.

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

**RESOLUTION 19-75 REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT-BLOCK 802, LOT 25**

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland has received a request from the property owner for a refund of taxes due to an overpayment; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, upon advice of the Tax Collector, do hereby authorize a refund as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
802/25	Khaitov, Sergey & Alla	\$ 66.13

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

**RESOLUTION 19-76 REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT-BLOCK 5604, LOT 12**

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland has received a request from the property owner for a refund of taxes due to an overpayment; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, upon advice of the Tax Collector, do hereby authorize a refund as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
5604/12	Kuriloff, Fredric M.	\$ 189.81

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

**RESOLUTION 19-77 DEDICATION BY RIDER-DOMESTIC PARTNER PROGRAM**

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

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonable accurate estimates in advance, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from Domestic Partner Program are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirements,

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 Mayor and Council hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to place funds received by the Domestic Partner Program in a specified fund to be considered a dedication by rider to the budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 for Domestic Partner Program.
2. The Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Oakland is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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

**RESOLUTION 19-78 DEDICATION BY RIDER-OAKLAND MARRIAGE LICENSE**

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

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonable accurate estimates in advance, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from Oakland Marriage License Program are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirements,

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 Mayor and Council hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to place funds received by the Oakland Marriage License Program in a specified fund to be considered a dedication by rider to the budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 for Oakland Marriage License Program.
2. The Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Oakland is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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

**RESOLUTION 19-79 DEDICATION BY RIDER-OAKLAND RECYCLING CONTAINER**  
On motion of Councilman Pignatelli, seconded by Councilman Knapp, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed by roll call vote:

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonable accurate estimates in advance, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the Oakland Recycling Container Program are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirements,

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 Mayor and Council hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to place funds received by the Oakland Recycling Container Program in a specified fund to be considered a dedication by rider to the budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 for the Oakland Recycling Container Program.
2. The Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Oakland is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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

**RESOLUTION 19-80 DEDICATION BY RIDER-OAKLAND SHADE TREE**

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

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonable accurate estimates in advance, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the Oakland Shade Tree Program are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirements,

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 Mayor and Council hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to place funds received by the Oakland Shade Tree Program in a specified fund to be considered a dedication by rider to the budget in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 for the Oakland Shade Tree Program.
2. The Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Oakland is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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

**RESOLUTION 19-81 CONSENT TO TWA APPLICATION-LONG HILL PLAZA**

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

WHEREAS, an application has been made to the Borough of Oakland by Long Hill Medical Plaza for the Long Hill Plaza septic repair for the facility located at 9 Post Road, Oakland, NJ.

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

The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the necessary consent by Governing Body to be attached to the Treatment Works Application to be filed by Long Hill Medical Plaza subject to the following:

- A. The construction shall conform to all applicable requirements of the Borough of Oakland and the Board of Health of the Borough of Oakland.

- B. The installation of all sewer lines and appurtenances shall be inspected and approved by the Borough of Oakland and/or the Borough of Oakland Board of Health.
- C. Long Hill Medical Plaza shall pay for all engineering expenses incurred by the Oakland Board of Health and the Borough of Oakland for all inspections and testing of the sewer lines and/or appurtenances.
- D. Long Hill Medical Plaza shall pay for the Borough's application fees, legal fees and other applications, administrative, technical or any other expenses relating to review of the project.
- E. Any manholes constructed or modified by reason of this project be fitted with sewer guards to prevent inflow. All manholes constructed must be installed with all required waterproofing measures, including exterior painting and pipe gasket interlock.
- F. Water conserving plumbing fixtures be installed in all new buildings constructed as part of this project.
- G. Long Hill Medical Plaza shall comply with all conditions imposed by the Oakland Board of Health.
- H. Long Hill Medical Plaza shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Borough of Oakland, the Oakland Board of Health and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided to Long Hill Medical Plaza and the Oakland Board of Health.

Mr. Kunze explained that this resolution gives our consent for Long Hill Medical Plaza to file an application to the DEP for septic repairs. Since the system handles more than 2,000 gallons per day, approval by the DEP is required.

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

#### RESOLUTION 19-82 AUTHORIZE GRANT APPLICATION-SUSTAINABLE JERSEY

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

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, Oakland strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air, and water, improve working and living environments; and

WHEREAS, Oakland is participating in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, and they have created a program called the 2019 Sustainable Jersey Grant Program-\$ 2,000 Grant; and

WHEREAS, Sustainable Oakland Green Team Committee wishes to apply for a grant for the 2019 Sustainable Jersey Grant Program-\$ 2,000 Grant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland has determined that the Borough of Oakland should apply for the aforementioned grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby authorizes the submission of an application for the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant in the amount of \$ 2,000.

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

#### RESOLUTION 19-83 AUTHORIZE GRANT APPLICATION-BCUA RECYCLING ENHANCEMENT

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

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, Oakland strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air, and water, improve working and living environments; and

WHEREAS, Oakland is participating in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, and they have created a program called the 2019 Sustainable Jersey Grant Program-\$ 2,000 Grant; and

WHEREAS, Sustainable Oakland Green Team Committee wishes to apply for a grant for the 2019 Sustainable Jersey Grant Program-\$ 2,000 Grant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland has determined that the Borough of Oakland should apply for the aforementioned grant; and

Chereby authorizes the submission of an application for the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant in the amount of \$ 2,000.

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

**RESOLUTION 19-84 SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT-VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SERVICES**

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland will enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Bergen for Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Services on an As-Needed Basis; and

WHEREAS, this agreement benefits the Municipality and its citizens by allowing the Borough a needed service at a most effective cost;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Oakland that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Shared Services Agreement for Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Services on an As-Needed Basis which agreement is annexed hereto and made a part hereof.

Councilman Talamini asked if there is a cost to enter into this agreement. Mr. Kunze responded there is no cost to enter into the agreement. Councilman Talamini asked if we have used this recently. Mr. Kunze responded that we have never used this service. Councilman Kulmala spoke to Creskill and they send the Fire Apparatus to the County for repairs. He asked for a rate sheet. Mr. Kunze advised it is referenced in the agreement.

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

**RESOLUTION 19-86 APPROVE LOSAP LIST**

On motion of Councilman Biale, seconded by Councilman Levy, 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, the required certifications have been presented by the Oakland Fire Department & by the Oakland First Aid Squad to the Local Plan Administrator, and;

WHEREAS, the Local Plan Administrator has reviewed the annual list, and supporting documentation from the Oakland Fire Department & from the Oakland First Aid Squad to substantiate the information provided, and is satisfied that the list is complete and 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 & the Oakland First Aid Squad who have qualified for credit under LOSAP for the year 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 & the Oakland First Aid

Squad 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 19-87 TRANSFER TO BUDGET RESERVES

On motion of Councilman Pignatelli, seconded by Councilman Knapp, 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 2018 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 2018 budget of the Borough of Oakland; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 permits the transfer of such funds between Appropriations Reserves during the first 3 months of the calendar 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 2018 Appropriations Reserves budget:

<u>Current Fund</u>		From	To
8-01-20-145-011	Tax Collector Perm Full Time	\$ 750.00	
Sub-total		\$ 750.00	
8-01-22-145-105	Tax Coll – Bills & Notices		\$ 750.00
Sub-total			\$ 750.00

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

#### RESOLUTION 19-88 TEMPORARY EMERGENCY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

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

WHEREAS, NJSA40A:4-20 of the Local Budget Law provides that in addition to temporary appropriations necessary for the period prior to the adoption of the budget, the governing body may, by resolution adopted by 2/3 vote of the full membership thereof, make emergency temporary appropriations for any purposes for which appropriations may lawfully be made for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the adoption of the budget, and;

WHEREAS, the need exists to expend such funds prior to the adoption of the budget, and;

WHEREAS, the emergency temporary appropriations will be included in its entirety in the final adopted budget;



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, that the following emergency temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services:

Current Fund

Roots for Rivers Reforestation Grant

\$ \$4,672.70

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

**WORK SESSION:**

**RECYCLING DEPOT BEHIND BOROUGH HALL:**

Councilman Levy advised that residents have approached him asking for a recycling program above what we are currently doing. Many towns have a recycling center. Councilman Levy spoke with DPW Superintendent Marcucilli and they have identified a location that would be favorable behind the clothing bins by Borough Hall where the old handball court was located. The cost to turn that space into a recycling center will be between \$ 50,000 and \$ 60,000. The DPW has a truck that can take materials to a disposal facility. This is part of enhancing our community. Mayor Schwager advised that the Board of Education is not happy about us using that space. Councilman Talamini advised that the Board of Education has concerns about something like that being located so close to the school. Councilman Levy would be happy to meet with the School Board to discuss this project. Councilman Talamini will arrange a meeting.

Councilman Pignatelli thinks it is a good idea for people who forget to put their recycling out. Councilman Levy commented that we can look at other locations. Councilman Biale does not understand why people would take their recycling somewhere if they are not using curbside pick up. The cost just to set up the recycling center is \$ 50,000. Councilman Levy advised that there are some grants the Borough can apply for to try to offset the cost. The problem is that the garbage program is not doing what it is supposed to do. Councilman Kulmala asked if we can do a comparison of costs if we were to go back to single stream. Mr. Kunze advised that we are going to be going to bid in another year for collection since the contract is up at the end of 2020. He is going to prepare an analysis of the costs for 2017 single stream versus 2018 commingled but is waiting for January data. Mr. Kunze advised that we had projected the cost savings of commingled versus single stream to be approximately \$ 65,000 to \$ 70,000. Through 11 months of data, the savings was \$ 65,000. He believes there is more cost savings by cost avoidance rather than actual revenue. Mr. Kunze advised that the markets got worse in 2018 than in 2017. There is less recycling tonnage collected. Part of that could be that some of the recycling is being diverted to the solid waste collection. However, when we had single stream, we were counting it all as recycling even though part of it was ending up in a landfill anyway.

**BOSWELL PROPOSAL-ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR HOCKEY RINK:**

Councilman Kulmala advised that the hockey rink has failed. It was build in 2001 but within the last five years, there has been deterioration to the surface. The Borough brought in a vendor to seal the cracks but the following year, the cracks got worse. The Borough asked Boswell to rate the condition of the work done by the vendor. It was determined that the entire surface of the rink was at the end of its life and could not be salvaged. The boards could not be saved and the rink needs to be fully rebuilt. Councilman Kulmala is asking that Boswell be hired for designing the plans and specifications of the new rink.

Mike Guadagnino, Recreation Chairman, advised that the Recreation Commission has worked hard to try to get the rink repaired. However, the entire rink needs to be redone. The Recreation Commission has tried to get projects done without costing the taxpayers money. The estimate to rebuild the roller hockey rink has been \$300,000. He hopes the bids that come in will be cheaper. Mr. Kunze advised that over half the cost is for the new board system. Councilman Levy asked if this is used for league play. Mr. Guadagnino responded that it is used for our youth league, the adult street league and the summer camp. Our rink was used as a playoff site. Wyckoff has allowed us to use their rink but we need to get our rink back. Councilman Kulmala commented that grants have been applied for. Mr. Guadagnino advised that the Borough has been tentatively approved for a grant that will pay for approximately half the project. There is an old grant of \$ 17,000 and \$ 20,000 will be paid from the Recreation trust fund. Mr. Guadagnino spoke about bonding the remaining \$ 126,000 at low interest and the Recreation Trust will pay this off over a ten year span. Mr. Kunze advised that the Borough would do a bond ordinance. A certain amount would come from the Recreation Trust each year to pay off the money. Mr. Gaudagnino advised that the Borough would still apply for grants.

Councilman Pignataelli asked how long construction will take. Mr. Guadagnino responded that construction will take six weeks. Councilman Talamini asked if the money was just for the rink or if a scoreboard or bleachers were needed. Mr. Guadagnino responded that we have the scoreboard and bleachers and the cost is just for the rink. Councilman Biale asked to go through the financing again. Mr. Guadagnino advised that the cost of the project including Boswell's cost is \$ 327,000. Borough Engineer Yakimik advised that construction inspection is not included in the \$ 27,000 proposal. Mr. Kunze commented that there will be a separate cost for construction inspection. Mr. Guadagnino advised that we are applying for a second grant. The remaining amount will be bonded and paid off from the Recreation Trust over ten years.

Mr. Kunze advised that at the next meeting, Boswell would be authorized to prepare the specifications. We are waiting for approval from the County on our grant application. The capital ordinance will include this project for funding. We can go out to bid in July or August and the work will be done in the fall. Councilman Kulmala explained that this is being brought up now so that the project can get done in time for the next roller hockey season.

Mr. Kunze asked Mr. Yakimik if this proposal includes bid oversight. Mr. Yakimik explained he will include this with construction inspection. Councilman Kulmala asked Mr. Yakimik what the cost would be for construction inspection. Mr. Yakimik advised that the inspection can be part-time and supplemented with the DPW. He can tailor it to be a minimal cost between \$5,000 and \$10,000. Councilman Talamini asked what would be inspected. Mr. Yakimik responded that the asphalt would be inspected, the installation of the concrete collars, and that the forms are being put in place properly. He explained that there does not need to be 24/7 inspection on this project.

#### GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES FOR FIRE CO. 1:

Mr. Kunze advised that this will be the last professional service contract for this project. The Architect needs to know the soil conditions in order to do the plans. The architect is recommending hiring Carlin & Simpson for \$ 5,200. Councilman Knapp commented that this project is taking a long time and is becoming extremely expensive and he doesn't think it needs to be. He commented that we had put a \$ 250,000 not to exceed cost for this project but another Borough is doing this project for \$100,000. Councilman Knapp is going to meet with this Borough to discuss their project. Councilman Kulmala asked if it has been considered pushing the back wall of the building out. Councilman Knapp responded that it would end up being more costly than putting up the accessory garage. He advised that we are going to hold this item until a meeting can be set up to discuss costs.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Kunze advised that the bid opening for the demolition of the Roosevelt properties was held. We need to check references of the low bidder. If those check out, this can be awarded at the next meeting. Then a pre-construction meeting will be held the following week. They would have 40 days to get the work done.

Mayor Schwager asked Mr. Kunze to contact Margaret Hickey on the status of the application for the Stream House. Mr. Kunze responded that we just entered into the contract with them for this project. They are starting work. He will follow up with Ms. Hickey on Friday. Councilman Biale asked if we ever got feedback from SHPBO. Mr. Kunze responded that they understand what we are looking to do and they do not have a problem. They will not make us replace it with an inkind building.

Councilman Kulmala commented that a resident came to a meeting in October and complained about the condition of the Van Allen House. Mr. Kunze advised that we recently took bids for the Phase 2 of the Van Allen House project. Four bids were received and are under review. There may be a funding issue so we may need to amend the bond ordinance to award a contract. Mr. Kunze did follow up with DPW to say that temporary work needs to be done by the end of the week. Councilman Kulmala advised that he went to the Van Allen House this past Saturday and he was shocked at the deterioration in the past six months. There is mold and the ceiling is falling down. The building is rotting from the inside out. He would like to have the Borough Engineer assess the house and make a recommendation to the Mayor and Council.

Councilman Knapp advised that the DPW explained that they have addressed the issue with tarps but the raccoons eat through the tarp. Councilman Kulmala asked if the Engineer can go in to give a recommendation. Mayor Schwager asked Councilman Biale to work with the Borough Engineer. Councilman Talamini commented that you can see through the Stream House. He asked if plywood can be put up. Mr. Kunze will address this at the staff meeting tomorrow. Councilman Biale asked if the DPW can put a tarp on the Van Allen House. Mr. Kunze responded he sent an email to the DPW to do what is required to make the building water tight. Councilman Talamini advised that the bright blue tarp looked terrible on the Stream House and to think about not putting up a bright blue tarp. Councilman Kulmala asked if we can put a temporary roof until we get funding.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilman Talamini: The Public Events Committee is committing funding for the holiday decorations on the poles in the center of town. The Public Events Committee is in need of new members. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held April 13<sup>th</sup> with a raindate of April 14<sup>th</sup>. They are talking about a train at the Easter Egg Hunt. Schools will be closed next week. The Finance Committee met and went over the audit and had a tentative budget talk. They will talk about budget meetings at the next Finance Committee meeting.

Councilman Kulmala: The Recreation Commission reorganized. Mike Guadagnino is the Chairman and Steve Saliani is the Vice-Chairman. Neil Malmud is the Treasurer. There will be a spring break camp from 4/8/19 to 4/12/19. There is now online signups for Recreation sports. The trial was done for baseball and has been successful. The Water & Sewer Committee will meet on Friday at 11 am. The OCC needs two commissioners and volunteers for the tv committee.

Councilman Biale: The Senior programs are being held at the Library. The Senior Club meetings are being held at the Knights of Columbus the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays. The Senior Trip to Resorts Monticello will be held April 4<sup>th</sup>. Bingo will be held on February 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:00. The DPW is in the middle of the asset inventory project. Boswell is assisting by the GIS location of valves and fire hydrants. The DPW received notification that Rockland Electric has approved this year's request of LED lights. The Senior Center construction is underway. It is scheduled to be completed on time.

Councilman Pignatelli: He attended the Environmental Commission meeting. David Blanke gave an update on the self-assessment that the Environmental Commission is undertaking. Councilman Pignatelli welcomed back Steve Tiffinger to the Board of Health. He was voted President and Brian LaForgia is Vice-President. The Administration Committee met and will recommend a change to the personnel policy. Councilman Pignatelli attended an ice drill. He advised that the Fire Department does an excellent job.

Councilman Levy: The Shade Tree Commission met the first Monday and reviewed the landscape plan for the dog park. The Flood Commission met Monday February 10<sup>th</sup>. He reminded everyone who lives along the river to not dump leaves and lawn clippings in the river. It contaminates the water and clogs the channel. Borough Engineer John Yakimik and Gary Ascolese went to Trenton to meet with the DOT railroad division for a pre-diagnostic meeting to see if we can get the blessing for a second railroad crossing. Mr. Yakimik advised it was a positive meeting. Councilman Levy commented that the DOT is not objecting. Mr. Yakimik will put in a proposal for Engineering for the project. This is an exciting time for our town. Councilman Levy advised that he is working to try to resolve the problems with Allerman Brook. The DOT is resistant to accepting responsibility but Councilman Levy is being aggressive about pursuing a remedy. The Planning Board will meet tomorrow night in the Council Chambers at 7 pm.

Councilman Knapp: There has been a lot of comments on Facebook regarding the downtown. People are asserting that the Mayor and Council are ignoring aesthetics. Councilman Knapp explained that the downtown has stalled right now because of the progress of sewers. He explained that Councilman Levy is in charge of the downtown aesthetics. There are plans for Ramapo Valley Road from Exit 58 to Lawlor Drive. However, there is the issue with sewers. We are talking about doing some inexpensive temporary improvements. The Borough is switching from low band radio to the State Police radio system. We are going to be using the State system's infrastructure. We hope to go live next month. The Park Committee met on January 29<sup>th</sup>. The plan is to start working on the Great Lawn between March and April. The bandshell will follow. They are looking to install the bird and bat houses that were donated. There is a stream clean out planned for the spring. The Borough received a Roots for Rivers grant. The LOI for the dog park came in. Councilman Knapp complimented the DPW on the storm clean up. As soon as he hit the Oakland border yesterday, the roads were black. The DPW does an outstanding job.

#### 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 Pignatelli, seconded by Councilman Knapp, this portion of the meeting be closed to public discussion.

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

**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.

**MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On motion of Councilman Levy, seconded by Councilman Biale, 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:  
Network Security issues 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, Knapp, Kulmala, Levy, Pignatelli, Talamini.

No action taken.

**CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

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

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

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING:

On motion of Councilman Levy, seconded by Councilman Talamini, the regular meeting be reconvened.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED:

On motion of Councilman Talamini, seconded by Councilman Levy, the meeting be adjourned at 10:10 pm.

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

*Lisa M. Duncan*

*Linda H. Schwager*

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Lisa M. Duncan, Borough Clerk

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Mayor Linda H. Schwager

February 27, 2019

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Date Approved