

**Pennington Borough Council
Regular Meeting –February 3, 2020**

Mayor Lawver called the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council to order at 7:20 pm. Borough Clerk Betty Sterling called the roll with Council Members Chandler, Griffiths, Marciante and Mills in attendance. Council Members Gnatt and Semple were absent.

Also present were Borough Administrator Eileen Heinzl, Public Works Superintendent Rick Smith, Public Safety Director Bill Meytrott, Chief Financial Officer Sandra Webb, Borough Attorney Walter Bliss and Ken Baker, Emergency Management Coordinator.

Mayor Lawver announced that notice of this meeting has been given to the Hopewell Valley News, Trenton Times and was posted on the bulletin board in Borough Hall and on the Borough web-site according to the regulations of the Open Public Meetings Act.

Mayor Lawver asked everyone to stand for the flag salute.

Open to the Public – Agenda Items Only

Mayor Lawver read the following statement.

The meeting is now open to the public for comments on items on the agenda for which no public discussion is provided. In an effort to provide everyone interested an opportunity to address his or her comments to the Governing Body, a public comment time limit has been instituted for each speaker. **Please come forward and state your name and address for the record. Please limit comments to the Governing Body to a maximum of 3 minutes.**

There were no comments from the public.

Mayor's Business

Mayor Lawver invited Mr. Ken Baker to come forward. Mr. Baker invited Mr. Meytrott to join him. Mr. Baker stated that he and Mr. Meytrott were representing the Hopewell Valley Veteran's Association and he stated that Mr. Meytrott is a Marine Veteran and Purple Heart Recipient. Mr. Baker stated he would like to first thank Borough Council for the outstanding job that they do, he enjoys living in this great community. Mr. Baker stated that Governor Murphy developed a program last year called New Jersey Governor's – We Value Our Veteran's Community Award to recognize communities that value veterans. Mr. Baker stated that to qualify for the award each town had to answer a series of questions and the questions were then rated on a point system. Mr. Baker stated that on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2019, the Governor presented communities with the award during a Veterans Ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Holmdel, NJ. Mr. Baker stated that he and Mr. Meytrott attended the ceremony where they were presented with the certificates for Pennington Borough, Hopewell Township and Hopewell Borough and tonight he is here to present the certificate to Borough Council. Mr. Baker stated that the program requires a Purple Heart Recipient sign in the parking lot designating a spot for Purple Heart Recipients. Mr. Baker stated that the Hopewell Valley Veterans Association purchased a sign and he would like to leave that with Council tonight so that it can be hung in the parking lot. A group photo was taken.

Mayor Lawver stated that he would like to form a committee to look at funding/support for community and civic events. Mayor Lawver stated that the PBPA and Pennington Day ask each year for assistance with police expenses related to their events and before Council considers these requests he would like to have some conversations regarding what the role of Council should be in these situations. Mr. Lawver asked for two volunteers from Council to join him, Eileen Heinzl, Bill Meytrott and Rick Smith around a table to brainstorm some guidelines for these requests. Mr. Lawver asked that this happen sooner rather than later as the snowflakes need to come down and Pennington Day is right around the corner. Mrs. Chandler and Mr. Marciante volunteered.

Mayor Lawver stated that a group has been working together on a new Logo for the Borough which goes along with the website redevelopment. Mr. Lawver stated that the group consisted of Glen Griffiths, Eileen Heinzl, Betty Sterling, Gabrielle Canavera and Jesse Landis. Mayor Lawver stated that Kim Waters of Zoe Graphics was enlisted to put together some samples based on discussions that the group had. Mayor Lawver stated that over time, around thirty drafts were reviewed and we are now down to two designs. Mayor Lawver stated that he is not looking for too much discussion, unless someone does not like either design. Mayor Lawver distributed copies of the two designs to each Council Member and asked that they return the one that they like the best.

Mayor's Appointments

Mayor Lawver announced the appointment of Seung Kwak as Alternate #2 on the Planning Board for a term ending December 31, 2021.

Appointments (with Council Approval)

Mayor Lawver announced the appointment of Maureen Hassett as a member of the Library Board for a 5

year term ending December 31, 2024 and the appointment of Krystyn Friedlich as a member of Parks and Recreation for a 3 year term ending December 31, 2022. Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve the appointments, second by Council Member Griffiths with all members present voting in favor.

Presentations

Mayor Lawver invited Heide Kahme to come forward for a presentation on Municipal Alliance. Mayor Lawver stated that the Municipal Alliance put forth a request that would double Pennington Borough's contribution for 2020. Mayor Lawver stated that Council Members have information in their Council Packages. Mrs. Kahme thanked Mayor and Council for giving her the opportunity to speak. Mrs. Kahme stated that the handout summarizes what the alliance does, some of the programs they offer and the reason for the request for additional funding. Mrs. Kahme stated that their mission is a community united in the development of caring, confident and responsible youth. Mrs. Kahme stated that Municipal Alliance is entering its twenty-fourth year and that is with thanks to the Municipalities and partners that support them each year. Mrs. Kahme stated that their executive committee is made up of forty five or more groups consisting of businesses, religious, first responders, school officials, municipal officials, libraries, mental health providers and many more. Mrs. Kahme stated that they meet and brainstorm how to best meet the needs of the students. Mrs. Kahme stated that one of the primary reasons the Municipal Alliance is looking to increase the hours required to do the job is suicide. Mrs. Kahme reviewed some statistics regarding suicide rates in Mercer County. Mrs. Kahme stated that she did not have statistics specific to Hopewell Valley, but in the fall of 2018 the Hopewell Valley Regional School District had an opportunity to survey 7th, 9th and 11th grade students with their parent's permission and one of the questions was who would you first go to if you were experiencing a mental health issue and out of the 7th graders seventy percent said a parent first, 9th graders about forty-seven percent said a parent first and 11th graders about forty percent said a parent first. Mrs. Kahme stated that the second highest answer was a friend so the charts reflect that as students get older they are less likely to talk to a parent and more likely to talk to a friend. Mrs. Kahme stated that the health and welfare of our youth is a community issue. Mrs. Kahme stated that we need to continue to educate parents and students on the issues of mental health and suicide and that will take additional time with community partners to discuss the work that needs to be done. Mrs. Kahme stated that this is the primary reason for the request for additional funds. Mrs. Kahme stated that she would just ask that when Council discusses the budget that they reconsider the request for additional funds. Mayor Lawver thanked Mrs. Kahme for coming and asked Council Members if there were any questions. Mr. Griffiths asked several questions regarding qualifications of the members in terms of mental health and suicide. Mrs. Kahme stated that they conduct a community needs assessment where members of the community meet to discuss the needs that they are aware of in the community, they work with mental health providers and hospitals in the area, and provide programming that has been tested and seems to work in other communities. Mr. Griffiths asked how these programs tie into strategies that have been proven effective. Mrs. Kahme stated that they work with State and County sources to provide as much assistance as they can. Mr. Griffiths asked how the additional funds would be used to augment these services. Mrs. Kahme stated that the additional funds are really for her time to coordinate efforts, to gather people at the table, to collaborate with other groups to provide effective programming, support and community education and that all takes time. Mr. Griffiths stated that suicide is a serious issue and he wants to feel confident about how this funding is being used. Mrs. Kahme stated that the Municipal Alliance gathers data and information on what issues need to be addressed and then she gathers the necessary professionals together to coordinate programs and assistance to those youths that are experiencing issues. Some discussion took place regarding similarities between what the Municipal Alliance is doing and what the Health Department is doing. Mr. Lawver stated that Mrs. Kahme coordinates programs along with the Health Department and other professionals and groups that can offer assistance.

Committee Reports

Planning & Zoning / Open Space / Personnel – No report due to Mrs. Gnatt being absent.

Public Safety /Economic Development / Environmental – Mrs. Chandler stated that Public Safety met and reviewed the budget for 2020 and it will be discussed further at the Finance Committee meeting. Mrs. Chandler stated that Economic Development, she was unable to attend the meeting, but they continue to work on the "Get Lit" program. Mrs. Chandler stated that the Environmental Commission continues to look at how to deal with plastic bags in the community.

Public Works – Mr. Marciante stated that Mercer County continues to work on enforcement of items that can and can't be recycled and there is talk of asking municipalities to assist with enforcement of recycling. Mr. Marciante stated that he feels that the County should be enforcing the regulations since they are responsible for collecting recycling. Mr. Marciante stated that the County has been collecting items for a long time that should not have been in the recycle buckets. Mrs. Heinzl asked Rick Smith to comment as he is the recycling coordinator for the Borough. Mr. Smith stated that at the coordinators meeting, the consensus was to have a united front among coordinators and leave enforcement up to the County. Mr. Smith stated that there are different avenues and programs for recycling items that the County does not pick up. Mayor Lawver stated that at a meeting in January, Dan Napoleon from Mercer County Improvement stated that there would be a slow roll out on enforcement beginning with tagging recycling buckets that contain non-recyclables. Mayor Lawver asked where we are with that process. Mr. Smith stated that his understanding is that a team of enforcement people is going around and tagging buckets. Mr. Smith stated that the guys on the truck collecting recycling are not going to be doing the enforcement.

Mr. Smith stated that if it is a quick fix at the can, they will work with the homeowner, but if it is a larger issue, they will tag the can and not pick up the recycling. Mrs. Chandler stated that she and the Environmental Commission have been tagging cans for over a year and they keep tagging the same cans because the County continues to pick them up. Mr. Smith stated that this is the County's program and it is in their lap and he is happy that they are doing something. Mrs. Chandler agreed that the County needs to own this because there is only so much that the Borough can do. Mr. Lawver stated that we can work with local businesses to encourage them to not use plastic bags or food packaging containers with a 5 or a 6 to try to lessen the amount of non-recyclables. Mrs. Chandler stated that one of the problems is that Hopewell Township has no interest in a plastic bag ordinance, the environmental commission has reached out to them. Mr. Griffiths stated that the ban needs to be unilateral throughout the State because you can't tell a store in one municipality not to use plastic bags when the same store in the next town over can continue to use plastic bags. Mr. Lawver stated that the rationale for Pennington Borough to do a plastic bag ordinance is to put some motivation on the State to do something on the State level.

Mr. Marciante stated that the Public Works Committee also discussed Glen's report on automated garbage collection. Mr. Griffiths thanked Rick Smith for doing the legwork. Mr. Marciante stated that on February 26th they will be having a meeting with a vendor for automated garbage trucks to gather more information. Mr. Griffiths stated that the goal is to be able to reallocate staff to do other tasks in town.

Finance / Board of Health – Mr. Griffiths stated that the Board of Health met to discuss the Corona Virus which at the time of the meeting was not present in the United States but by five o'clock that evening the first case was identified. Mr. Griffiths stated that there are many health care professionals prepared to answer questions and he suggested that if someone is asked a question do not try to answer it, just refer the person the CDC website for information. Mr. Griffiths stated Montgomery Township Board of Health is also prepared to answer questions. Mayor Lawver stated that the meeting was well attended by first responders, school representatives, law enforcement and others. Mayor Lawver stated that we should put this in perspective, 8,000 people have died from the flu this year and we have yet to see a death from the corona virus. Mr. Griffiths stated that there is a flu shot available and not everyone takes advantage of it. Mayor Lawver encouraged people to get the flu shot.

Mr. Griffiths stated that a meeting to discuss new bond financing was cancelled because we are waiting for some hard numbers for the Borough Hall renovation project and that will dictate the decisions that we need to make regarding financing options. Mr. Griffiths stated that he did speak to Ed McManimon, Bond Counsel for the Borough regarding some financing options that would not require the Borough to pay the \$35,000 in transaction fees so we will be looking into that option as the project moves along. Mr. Griffiths stated that we are in a good position with our Bond Anticipation Notes and the use of uncommitted debt service funds that are available due to retirement of an old bond.

Mayor Lawver asked where we are with the current budget cycle. Mr. Griffiths stated that we are waiting to get the unaudited Annual Financial Statement from Mr. Morrison which should be here in the next couple weeks. Mr. Griffiths stated that department heads have submitted their initial requests and there are some increases with regard to additional investments that are needed in the police department. Mr. Griffiths explained that the initial investment is worthwhile because the present system keeps patrol officers off the street an average of four hours a day.

Historic Preservation / Library – Mrs. Mills stated that she did not have a report for Historic Preservation.

Mrs. Mills stated that the Library continues with ongoing programming. Mrs. Mills briefly listed some of the programs that the library will hold in the month of February. Mrs. Mills stated that the Library Board received information regarding the Library Construction Bond Act and they will be discussing this further because there is a lot to consider and given that this program requires a match from the Library.

Parks and Recreation / Shade Tree – No report due to Ms. Semple being absent.

Senior Advisory Board – Mayor Lawver stated that renovations to the exterior of the Senior Center are expected to be completed in March and there are plans for an April or May dedication of the Senior Center. Mayor Lawver stated that it is interesting that Hopewell Township has set aside \$100,000 in their 2020 budget for designing a new community center. Mayor Lawver stated that he had a conversation with the Mayor of Hopewell Township to find out what their plan is for the Community Center so that Pennington Borough can decide up front how involved we want to be in this project so that the Township does not build what they want and bill us later. Mayor Lawver stated that he has heard some plans and it sounds like it is going to be very costly to run this center. Mayor Lawver stated that the present idea involves the property behind the ShopRite and that involves getting approval for ELSA which could take from five to ten years given some pending litigation. Mayor Lawver stated that we just need to make sure that we get into the conversation early so that we can plan accordingly. Mayor Lawver stated that he is not hearing a lot of support from residents in Pennington for a Community Center. Mr. Griffiths stated that he would like to see a firm business plan before he makes any decisions.

Mayor Lawver stated that the Senior Advisory Board also asked for a seat at the table as the discussions on the Community Center go forward.

NEW BUSINESS

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION #2020 – 2.1**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED that a refund be issued from the Developer’s Escrow Account to Mark Neary, 8 East Welling Avenue, Pennington, NJ 08534 in the amount of \$688.39 for Planning Board Application P19-003.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	S				Marciante	X			
Gnatt				absent	Mills	X			
Griffiths	M				Semple				absent

Council Member Griffiths made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.1, second by Council Member Chandler with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION #2020 – 2.2**

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, certain bills are due and payable as per itemized claims listed on the following schedules, which are made a part of the minutes of this meeting as a supplemental record;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pennington that the bills be paid on audit and approval of the Mayor, the Appropriate Council Member and the Treasurer in the amount of \$ 2,077,171.73 from the following accounts:

Current	\$ 1,756,015.95
W/S Operating	\$ 105,431.60
Grant Fund	\$ 2,296.05
Animal Control Fund	\$ 10.20
Other Trust Fund	\$ 75.00
General Capital	\$ 207,004.34
COAH Trust Fund	\$ 244.50
Open Space Fund	\$ 2,948.50
Developer’s Escrow	\$ 3,145.59
TOTAL	\$ 2,077,171.73

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	M				Marciante	X			
Gnatt				Absent	Mills	S			
Griffiths	X				Semple				Absent

Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.2, second by Council Member Mills. Mr. Marciante had a couple questions regarding specific bills on the bill list. Mayor Lawver had a couple of questions. Upon a roll call vote all members present voted in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION #2020–2.3**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE
2020 TEMPORARY BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the 2020 Budget for the Borough of Pennington has not been adopted; and

WHEREAS, additional funds are necessary to meet various obligations of the Borough of Pennington;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following additional appropriations be made in the 2020 Temporary Budget for the Current Account.

Administration	Salaries	\$5,000.00
Finance	Salaries	\$7,000.00
Planning Board	Salaries	\$4,000.00
Construction	Salaries	\$6,000.00
Worker’s Comp – First Aid	Other Expense	\$13,500.00
Police	Salaries	\$50,000.00
Police	Other Expense	\$15,000.00
Streets	Salaries	\$50,000.00
Streets	Other Expense	\$20,000.00
Trash	Salaries	\$20,000.00
Library	Salaries	\$20,000.00
Library	Other Expense	\$30,000.00
Electricity	Other Expense	\$5,000.00
Telephone	Other Expense	\$5,000.00
Gas, Fuel, Lubricants	Other Expense	\$5,000.00
Social Security	Other Expense	\$20,000.00
Municipal Court	Salaries	\$3,000.00
Municipal Court	Other Expense	\$2,500.00
Shared Services – Recycling	Other Expense	\$940.00
DCRP	Other Expense	\$2,000.00
Total		\$283,940.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following additional funds be appropriated for the 2020 Temporary Budget for the Water and Sewer Fund:

Water	Other Expense	\$30,000.00
Sewer	Other Expense	\$20,000.00
Group Insurance	Other Expense	\$25,000.00
SBRSA	Other Expense	\$103,000.00
Social Security	Other Expense	\$5,000.00
Payment of BANS – NJEIT	Other Expense	\$10,000.00
Water Bond – Interest	Other Expense	\$20,000.00
TOTAL		\$213,000.00

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	M				Marciante	X			
Gnatt				absent	Mills	X			
Griffiths	S				Semple				absent

Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.3, second by Council Member Griffiths with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION #2020 – 2.4**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
FOR RENOVATIONS TO BOROUGH HALL**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pennington seeks to perform renovations to Borough Hall including roof and window replacement, HVAC replacement, sidewalk repairs and replacement and installation of a generator and;

WHEREAS, the Borough now seeks to advertise for bids for this project as required by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of

Pennington, as follows:

The Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to advertise for and receive, in the manner provided by law, bids for Borough Hall Renovations, pursuant to plans, specifications and bid documents prepared by the Borough Engineer.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	X				Marciante	M			
Gnatt				Absent	Mills	S			
Griffiths	X				Seiple				Absent

Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.4, second by Council Member Mills. Mayor Lawver explained that the projects will be bid together and awarded separately so that we can work towards meeting the deadline for installation of the generator. Upon a roll call vote all members present voted in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION #2020 -2.5**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NEW JERSEY ANALYTICAL LABORATORIES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pennington requires professional services for routine sampling, analysis and consulting services related to operation of the Borough’s potable water system;

WHEREAS, New Jersey Analytical Laboratories, having its office at 380 Scotch Road, Bldg. 2, Suite B, Ewing, NJ 08628, is a laboratory licensed by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and is able to provide the professional services required;

WHEREAS, New Jersey Analytical Laboratories has submitted a proposal for the work dated January 24, 2020, for a contract price of \$19,200.00 to be invoiced at \$1,600.00 per month each month of the calendar year 2020;

WHEREAS, to cover additional costs related to new DEP requirements, New Jersey Analytical has proposed an additional \$7,920 (\$495 x 4 wells x 4 quarters) for PFNA testing and an additional \$2,800 (\$175 x 4 wells x 4 quarters) for 111TCP testing, totaling an additional \$10,720 for the calendar year 2020;

WHEREAS, the work shall include all routine laboratory sampling and analysis as set forth in the proposal, a copy of which is attached;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid proposal also provides that if additional sampling and analysis services are required by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) they shall be invoiced separately;

WHEREAS, a condition of any agreement must include a requirement that New Jersey Analytical Laboratories shall file all analytical reports with the appropriate regulatory agency within the time prescribed by law and shall be responsible for any untimely filings, including all fines and penalties;

WHEREAS, before the agreement may be effective, New Jersey Analytical Laboratories shall supply proof of general and contract liability insurance and professional liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 respectively, naming the Borough of Pennington as an additional insured;

WHEREAS, approval of this contract complies with the Code of the Borough of Pennington as well as, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, effective January 1, 2006, which prohibit the award of certain professional services contracts to any person or business entity which makes reportable contributions to local political or candidate committees representing members of the governing body;

WHEREAS, such political contributions are permitted by the statute only if the municipality has elected to award the contract through a competitive process involving a publicly advertised request for proposals and a review process based on written procedures and criteria prescribed in advance by the governing body or as otherwise provided by law;

WHEREAS, Borough Council awards this contract without resort to such a process because the appointee has made no such political contribution and shall be prohibited from making any such contribution during the term of the contract;

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded as a professional services contract in compliance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., without advertising for proposals or competitive bidding;

WHEREAS, New Jersey Analytical Laboratories has completed and submitted a sworn Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that the firm has not made and shall not make any political contribution prohibited by the relevant provisions of either statute or the Borough Code concerning pay-to-play;

WHEREAS, New Jersey Analytical Laboratories shall comply with requirements for Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action as set forth in the annexed Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that funds are available for the purpose of this contract;

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law requires that a resolution authorizing an award of contract for professional services without competitive bid be publicly advertised following adoption;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized to issue an appropriate purchase order and accept as a binding contract the attached proposal by New Jersey Analytical Laboratories dated January 24, 2020 for a contract price not to exceed \$29,920.00.for the calendar year 2020, provided such agreement shall be further subject to such amendments for supplemental services required by NJDEP as may hereafter be agreed upon, and provided further that such agreement shall state explicitly that New Jersey Analytical Laboratories shall indemnify and hold harmless the Borough from all negligent acts and omissions in connection with performance of the agreement by New Jersey Analytical Laboratories, including but not limited to the timely filing of all analytical reports required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be published in the official newspaper as required by law.

Record of Council Vote on Passage										
COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY		N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	X					Marciante	M			
Gnatt					absent	Mills	X			
Griffiths	S					Sample				absent

Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.5, second by Council Member Griffiths. Mayor Lawver stated that it appears that additional testing is required since the amount has jumped by \$10,000 in the past couple of years. Upon a roll call vote all members present voted in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION #2020 – 2.6**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF
KENNETH SMITH TO THE POSITION OF CREW MEMBER**

WHEREAS, an agreement exists between the Borough of Pennington and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local No. 35;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 28 of the agreement, promotion to the position of Crew Member in the Department of Public Works requires mastery of all Laborer 2 level responsibilities assigned with little or no supervision, direction or instruction; a demonstrated ability to lead, provide guidance and relay instruction to employees in the Laborer 1 and Laborer 2 positions; knowledge of proper practices and safety procedures; the ability to receive assignments, plan and direct the work of and be responsible for a field crew; coordinate work activities with others and perform independently all other duties as assigned; the ability to operate and use nearly every piece of equipment utilized by the Department; and an outstanding ability to communicate with the public, fellow employees and supervisors;

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works has determined that Kenneth Smith, a Laborer 2, meets the qualifications for Crew Member and deserves promotion to that position;

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee is in agreement with the recommendation of the Superintendent and approves the promotion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, as follows:

1. The promotion of Kenneth Smith from Laborer 2 to Crew Member is hereby approved effective at the start of the next pay period, February 13, 2020.
2. Mr. Smith’s hourly rate will be adjusted as set forth in the agreement between the Borough of Pennington and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local No. 35;
3. Mr. Smith’s pay increase will be effective February 13, 2020.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	X				Marciante	M			
Gnatt				absent	Mills	S			
Griffiths	X				Semple				Absent

Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.6, second by Council Member Mills. Mayor Lawver asked Mr. Smith if he had any comments to add to his recommendation letter. Mr. Smith stated that Ken Smith is a phenomenal employee and this is well deserved. Upon a roll call vote all members present voted in favor. Mayor Lawver asked Mr. Smith to convey congratulations to Ken Smith.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION #2020 -2.7**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AUCTION OF CERTAIN SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR THE PUBLIC USE BY PENNINGTON BOROUGH UTILIZING THE SERVICES OF GOVDEALS, INC.

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough is the owner of certain surplus personal property that is no longer needed for public use as specifically identified and described on the attached Exhibit A (“Surplus Property”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36 and Local Finance Notice 2019-15, Pennington Borough is authorized to sell said Surplus Property through an approved online auction; and

WHEREAS, the required on line services are available from www.GovDeals.com through Sourcewell (formerly the National Joint Powers Alliance); and

WHEREAS, Pennington Borough joined the National Joint Powers Alliance (now Sourcewell) by Resolution 2017-6.5 in June of 2017; and

WHEREAS, the National Joint Powers Alliance (now Sourcewell) accepted Pennington Borough’s request to join and assigned Member # 132214 to the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pennington intends to utilize the online auction services of GovDeals, Inc. located at www.govdeals.com ; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of auctioning the Surplus Property on Pennington Borough’s behalf, GovDeals, Inc. will be paid 12.5% of the winning bid for each asset sold, paid directly by the successful bidder to Govdeals, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, all other terms and conditions of the auction of the Surplus Property and agreement with GovDeals, Inc. are available on the GovDeals, Inc’s website, www.govdeals.com and in the office of the Borough Clerk;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that:

1. Pennington Borough, is authorized to sell the surplus personal property that is identified and described on the attached Exhibit A (“Surplus Property”).
2. The Surplus Property shall be sold by public auction without cost to the Borough, through the online auction site of www.govdeals.com, as more fully described in the “Whereas Clauses,” which are incorporated herein as if fully restated.
3. In consideration for auctioning the Surplus Property on Pennington Borough’s behalf, GovDeals, Inc. will be paid 12.5% of the winning bid for each asset sold, paid directly by the successful bidder to GovDeals, Inc.
4. Pennington Borough shall publish in its official newspaper notice of this approved online auction together with a description of the Surplus Property to be sold. The auction shall be held not less than 7 or more than 14 days after the latest publication of the notice.
5. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs in accordance with Local Finance Notice 2019-15.

Record of Council Vote on Passage									
COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	M				Marciante	X			
Gnatt				absent	Mills	S			
Griffiths	X				Semple				absent

Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.7, second by Council Member Mills with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2020 - 2.8**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE TERM OF PAMELA SWITLIK
AS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE STONYBROOK REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Borough Council Resolution 2019-3.13, effective March 4, 2019, the Borough has appointed Pamela Switlik the Pennington Borough representative to the Stonybrook Regional Sewerage Authority, to complete the unexpired term of Harry Compton then believed to extend through December 31, 2020;

WHEREAS, Resolution 2019-3.13 has been discovered to be incorrect with respect to the date of the end of Mr. Compton’s unexpired term, and in accordance with the Sewerage Authorities Law, N.J.S.A. 40:14A-4, this five-year term should instead expire on January 31, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the appointment of Pamela Switlik as Pennington Borough Representative to the Stonybrook Regional Sewerage Authority, for the purpose of completing the unexpired term of Harry Compton is ratified and affirmed except the duration of the unexpired term is hereby amended to extend through January 31, 2021 as required by law.

Record of Council Vote on Passage									
COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	M				Marciante	X			
Gnatt				Absent	Mills	X			
Griffiths	S				Semple				absent

Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.8, second by Council Member Griffiths with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2020 – 2.9**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING RAFFLE LICENSE RA: 1.20 FOR
THE PENNINGTON SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION**

WHEREAS, the Pennington School Parents Association submitted raffle application RA: 1.20 on January 16, 2020 for a raffle to take place on March 28, 2020 and a copy of that application is attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 13:47-4.1 et seq., requires seven (7) days to elapse before the Governing Body makes its findings and determinations; and

WHEREAS, the required waiting period was satisfied on January 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Pennington School Parents Association meets the qualifications for issuance of a license for said raffle based on the findings and determination set forth in the annexed form 5-A, as required by law;

WHEREAS, the Pennington School Parents Association, in accordance with law, has submitted the required fees forthwith;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington that raffle license RA: 1.20 for the Pennington School Parents Association be approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk will forward the annexed Application and Findings and Determinations for RA: 1.20 to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13:47-4.1, et seq.

Record of Council Vote on Passage									
COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	S				Marciante	M			
Gnatt				absent	Mills	X			
Griffiths	X				Semple				Absent

Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.9, second by Council Member Chandler with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2020 – 2.10**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AS
WATER AND SEWER COMPLIANCE OFFICER**

WHEREAS, the Borough seeks to enter into a contract with Water Resource Management to provide professional services as Water and Sewer Compliance Officer for the Borough in 2020;

WHEREAS, Water Resource Management has supplied a letter dated January 7, 2020 (“Compliance Officer Proposal”) describing the scope of services it will provide as Water and Sewer Compliance Officer, as set forth in the numbered paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Compliance Officer Proposal;

WHEREAS, as further described in the Compliance Officer Proposal, Water Resource Management will provide the Compliance Officer services for a flat fee of \$395 per month;

WHEREAS, at the Borough’s request, Water Resource Management also provides for the performance of emergency call out and additional professional services for work beyond the scope of services described in the Compliance Officer Proposal on an hourly basis at the rate of \$116 per hour plus additional costs as needed on a case by case basis;

WHEREAS, Water Resource Management and its personnel hold all required New Jersey DEP licenses required to perform the services described in the Compliance Officer Proposal and the Additional Services Proposal;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds necessary to pay for these services are available in account #: 0-05-55-501-000-260;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the attached Compliance Officer Proposal is hereby accepted and Water Resource Management is hereby appointed Water and Sewer Compliance Officer for Pennington Borough for 2020, subject to the following conditions:

1. that the Compliance Officer Proposal be amended to ensure compliance by Water Resource Management with Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action requirements of the State of New Jersey as set forth in the annexed Exhibit A;
2. that the Compliance Officer Proposal be further amended to provide that the contract between Water Resource Management and the Borough shall be terminable on 30 days prior written notice by either party;
3. that the Additional Services Proposal be supplemented by a provision that expenditures for additional services and costs under that Proposal not exceed on an annual basis \$1,000.00 unless approved in advance, in writing, by Borough Council;
4. that Water Resource Management demonstrate coverage by sufficient professional liability insurance, to be approved by the Borough Attorney; and
5. that the Mayor and/or Borough Administrator are authorized to issue such purchase orders and contract documents as further necessary to retain and pay for the services of Water Resource Management as Water and Sewer Compliance Officer consistent with the Compliance Officer Proposal as well as for the additional services and costs covered by the Additional Services Proposal.

Record of Council Vote on Passage									
COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	X				Marciante	M			
Gnatt				Absent	Mills	S			
Griffiths	X				Semple				absent

Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.10, second by Council Member Mills with all members present voting in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2020 – 2.11**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT AFFECTING USE,
MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING OF THE SENIOR CENTER**

WHEREAS, use of the Senior Center on Reading Street in the Borough of Pennington is shared by Hopewell Borough, Hopewell Township and Pennington Borough;

WHEREAS, responsibilities for maintenance of the Senior Center are also shared among the three municipalities;

WHEREAS, the three municipalities intend to enter into a shared services agreement for 2020, superseding prior agreements, by which Hopewell Township will continue to provide weekly cleaning services at the Center and pay to Pennington Borough the sum of \$4,969.00; Hopewell Borough will pay Pennington \$1,241.00 for the year; and Pennington will provide cleaning supplies for the building and be responsible for all maintenance to the outside of the building, as well as snow and ice removal from sidewalks and parking lots, HVAC maintenance, plumbing, painting and replacement of light bulbs;

WHEREAS, the proposed form of agreement is annexed to this Resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the Mayor, with the attestation of the Borough Clerk, is hereby authorized to execute the annexed agreement on behalf of Pennington Borough.

Record of Council Vote on Passage									
COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	X				Marciante	S			
Gnatt				Absent	Mills	X			
Griffiths	M				Semple				absent

Council Member Griffiths made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.11, second by Council Member Marciante. Mayor Lawver stated that he and Eileen Heinzl met with the Mayor, Borough Administrator and the Director of Facilities for Hopewell Township to discuss keeping the newly renovated Senior Center in a condition that represents the work that we put into bringing the building up to speed. Mayor Lawver stated that any concerns should be directed to Eileen Heinzl for action. Some discussion took place regarding the distribution of responsibilities between the three municipalities regarding this agreement. Upon a roll call vote all members present voted in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2020 – 2.12**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT PRODUCTS AND
SOLUTIONS UNDER CONTRACTS WITH APPROVED OMNIA PARTNERS GOVERNMENT
PURCHASING ALLIANCE NATIONAL COOP VENDORS**

WHEREAS, Borough of Pennington, pursuant to P.L.2011.c.139; N.J.S.A. 18A: 18A-et.seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c) and per Local Finance Notice No. LFN 2011-35, may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase goods under the OMNIA Partners Government Purchasing Alliance National Coop from any national and/or regional cooperative entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pennington has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods and services utilizing the OMNIA Partners Government Purchasing Alliance National Coop; and

WHEREAS, Borough of Pennington may enter into contracts with the referenced OMNIA Partners Government Purchasing Alliance National Coop vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current OMNIA Partners Government Purchasing Alliance National Coop;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington that for the years 2020 and 2021, the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized to purchase certain goods from approved OMNIA Partners Government Purchasing Alliance National Coop Vendors as listed below, pursuant to all conditions of the individual awarded bids;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the expiration date of the contracts between the Borough of Pennington and the referenced OMNIA Partners Government Purchasing Alliance National Coop Vendors shall not extend beyond the dates also stated below;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that before any obligation to purchase such goods may be undertaken and before any moneys may be expended for such goods, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that sufficient funds are available to make such purchase in the Borough Property Budget – 0-01-26-310-000-273;

TRANSACTIONS AUTHORIZED:

Agreement Number	Lead Agency	Vendor	Commodity/ Service	Expiration Date	Amount Not to Exceed
R-BB-19002	Prince William County Public Schools	Cintas	Facilities Management Products and Solutions	October 31, 2023	\$11,000.00

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	X				Marciante	S			
Gnatt				Absent	Mills	X			
Griffiths	M				Semple				absent

Council Member Griffiths made a motion to approve resolution 2020-2.12, second by Council Member Marciante. Mr. Griffiths asked what this is for. Mrs. Heinzel stated that this is a new contract that will take the responsibility of ordering janitorial supplies for the Borough off of Rick Smith and Betty Sterling. Mrs. Heinzel stated that Cintas will come each week to Borough Hall, Public Works and the Senior Center and fill all dispensers in each building and provide supplies for the next week. Upon a roll call vote all members present voted in favor.

**BOROUGH F PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2020 - 2.13**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ARCHITECT RONICA A. BREGENZER FOR CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH RENOVATIONS TO PENNINGTON BOROUGH HALL, AND SUPPLEMENTING RESOLUTION 2020-1.30

WHEREAS, by Agreement effective December 27, 2017, the Borough of Pennington contracted with Ronica A. Bregenzer, Architect, LLC (hereafter “Architect”) for the performance by Architect of professional services on behalf of the Borough in connection with renovations to Pennington Borough Hall at 30 N. Main Street in the Borough;

WHEREAS, the work covered by Architect’s initial contract required the Architect to assess the relative needs for and estimated costs of various desired renovations to Borough Hall and to make recommendations in particular concerning replacement or improvement of all or most of the existing HVAC air handling system in the building, attic ventilation, temperature control system, lighting and such further needs as the Architect might identify;

WHEREAS, further in accordance with Architect’s initial contract, Architect has collaborated with the Borough to consider options for proceeding with repairs and renovations or some combination of them in keeping with estimated costs, Borough priorities and the availability of Borough funds;

WHEREAS, upon completion of the work under the initial contract Borough Council selected the following repairs and renovations as the highest priority at this time: 1. New Building HVAC Systems 2. Roof Replacement 3. Window Replacement 4. Sidewalk Repair and installation of new sidewalks at certain areas 5. Gas Generator;

WHEREAS, further in accordance with Architect’s initial contract, the Borough requested that Architect submit a proposal for architectural services for the design and construction of such repairs and renovations, and Architect submitted a proposal dated October 18, 2019;

WHEREAS, based on that proposal, Council authorized Design Phase Services by Architect for the Lump Sum Fee of \$24,900.00 (including the Architect and Architect’s subcontractors Strunk-Albert Engineering and Becker & Frondorf, cost estimating, exclusive of the services of Van Note Harvey Associates);

WHEREAS, after the Design Phase or Design Development Phase of the project was completed, the Architect submitted at the Borough’s request a proposal dated October 18, 2019/Revised January 2, 2020 proposing a lump sum fee of \$35,000.00 for the Construction

Document Phase of the project (including the Architect, Strunk-Albert Engineering and Becker & Fondorf cost estimating, exclusive of Van Note-Harvey Associates) and a lump sum fee of \$2,000.00 for services related to the Bidding Phase of the project (including Architect and Strunk-Albert Engineering, exclusive of Van Note-Harvey Associates);

WHEREAS, by Resolution 2020-1.30, Borough Council adopted this proposal subject to entering into a detailed contract delineating the rights and obligations of the parties;

WHEREAS, at the Borough’s further request, Architect has now submitted the attached proposal dated October 18, 2019/Revised January 31, 2020 proposing a lump sum fee of \$25,000.00 for the Construction Administration Phase of the project (including the Architect and Strunk-Albert Engineering, exclusive of Van Note-Harvey Associates), together with up to \$2,500 in reimbursable expenses as set forth in the proposal;

WHEREAS, it is understood that Van Note Harvey Associates will coordinate with Architect and consultants but will work directly for the Borough;

WHEREAS, Borough Council seeks to adopt the attached proposal subject to its inclusion in the detailed contract with the Architect authorized by Resolution 2020-1.30;

WHEREAS, this contract for professional services is not subject to public bidding under the Local Public Contracts Law;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that funds are available for the awarding of this contract in the General Capital Fund under Ordinance 2017-14;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the Mayor, with the attestation of the Clerk, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Ronica A. Bregenzer, Architect, LLC, for Construction Administration services, on the terms described in the attached proposal and as part of the contract with Architect authorized by Resolution 2020-1.30, in a form approved by the Borough Attorney, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the Construction Administration phase of this project, together with \$2,500.00 of reimbursable expenses, provided total expenditures for expenses shall not exceed \$2,500.00 without express prior written approval by Borough Council.

Record of Council Vote on Passage									
COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Chandler	X				Marciante	M			
Gnatt				absent	Mills	X			
Griffiths	S				Semple				absent

Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.13, second by Council Member Griffiths. Mayor Lawver stated that Ronica Bregenzer will be the primary person for construction oversight on the building so that we don’t end up with the same HVAC problems as we have with the current building. Mayor Lawver stated that Brandon Fetzer and Ronica Bregenzer have worked out a system that he thinks will work pretty well. Upon a roll call vote all members present voted in favor.

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2020 – 2.14**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF
WOMEN’S SUFFRAGE**

WHEREAS, the year 2020 marks the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, guaranteeing and protecting women’s right to vote; and

WHEREAS, this centennial offers an opportunity to commemorate a milestone of democracy; that the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the federal or state governments on account of gender; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has had a long, storied history in the suffrage movement with New Jersey women playing a crucial role in pursuing the rights of women to vote; and

WHEREAS, in 1776 women property owners were enfranchised under the New Jersey State Constitution, which was unique in the nation at the time. However, in 1807, the New Jersey Legislature eliminated the property requirement for voting rights and limited the ballot to white males; and

WHEREAS, in 1867 New Jersey residents Lucy Stone and Harry Blackwell organized the New Jersey Woman Suffrage Association (NJWSA), devoted to gaining women’s suffrage; and

WHEREAS, in 1909 New Jersey’s first open air suffrage rallies were held in Orange and Newark, led by Dr. Emma O. Gantz and Martha Klatshchken with NJWSA collecting 5,000 signatures for a petition in support of the federal amendment guaranteeing and protecting women’s constitutional right to vote; and

WHEREAS, although the 1912 state referendum on woman’s suffrage was soundly defeated in the New Jersey Legislature a corner was turned for the New Jersey suffrage movement; and

WHEREAS, in 1913 an automobile rally led by “General” Rosalie Jones traveled through New Jersey on the way to Washington, D.C., in a Suffrage Parade of over 8,000 marchers with many New Jersey women including event organizer Alice Paul; and

WHEREAS, in 1915 a second suffrage constitutional referendum was pursued in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts with active campaigns by many suffrage organizations, including the “Passing of the Torch of Liberty” via tug boats on the Hudson River from New York to New Jersey, but was defeated in all four states October 1915; and

WHEREAS, in 1917 New Jersey suffragists Allison Turnbull Hopkins, Julia Hulburt, Beatrice Reynolds Kinkad, and Minnie D. Abbott picketed in front of the White House as part of the Silent Sentinels and subsequently were arrested and imprisoned; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 1919 Congress passed the 19th Amendment guaranteeing all American women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 1920, New Jersey became the 29th state to ratify the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, shortly after the ratification of the 19th Amendment Margaret Laird and Jennie Van Ness were the first two women elected to the New Jersey Assembly in 1921 and in 1925 Rebecca Estelle Bourgeois Winston of Estell Manor was New Jersey’s first woman mayor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Ratification of the 19th Amendment (insert name of municipality) will light the municipal building in purple, one of the colors of the New Jersey Suffrage movement, for the week of February 10; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the (insert the name of municipality) supports the efforts of New Jersey’s Suffrage Centennial NJ Women Vote and strongly encourages local celebrations of this historic milestone; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Governor, Secretary of State and New Jersey League of Municipalities.

Record of Council Vote on Passage									
COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B
Chandler	X				Marciante	M			
Gnatt				absent	Mills	S			
Griffiths	X				Semple				absent

Mayor Lawver stated that he was asked by a group for women in Municipal Government to do this resolution and he feels that it is important to honor and support and remember those people who fought to get women the right to vote. Mayor Lawver stated that the one thing to note is that the Borough will be lit with purple spotlights next week. Council Member Marciante made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-2.14, second by Council Member Mills with all members present voting in favor.

Council Discussion

Social Affairs Permit – Pennington Fire Co. – May 2, 2020 - Ms. Sterling explained that Social Affairs Permits come before Council because these events involve alcoholic beverages. Mrs. Sterling stated that she has spoken to Director Meytrott and he has no concerns with the event. Mr. Meytrott stated that the Fire Company has had similar events in the past and they have gone off without issue. Council Member Chandler made a motion to approve the permit, second by Council Member Griffiths with all members present voting in favor with the exception of Mr. Marciante who abstained.

Mr. Marciante asked if any vehicles would be sold in the online auction. Mr. Meytrott stated that there are none.

Professional Reports

Mrs. Heinzl stated that in addition to the change approved earlier regarding janitorial supplies, the contract with Eagle Janitorial is going to be cancelled. Mrs. Heinzl stated that we have an employee in Public Works

who is interested in assuming the cleaning duties at Borough Hall. Mrs. Heinzl stated that the Personnel Committee has discussed this and they are in favor of the change. Mrs. Heinzl stated that if Council is on board with bringing the cleaning back in house then she will send a letter to Eagle Janitorial cancelling the contract which has a 30 day cancellation clause.

Mrs. Heinzl stated that since Mrs. Gnatt was unable to be here she would like to report that the Planning Board met in January and the approval of the minor sub-division for the Arboretum was on the agenda but because there was not a quorum for the meeting that item will be on the agenda for the February 12th meeting of the Planning Board. Mrs. Heinzl stated that she gave a presentation at the January meeting and there were several people in attendance interested in getting involved in the project. Mrs. Heinzl stated that there will be another item on the agenda for February regarding a property on East Curlis Avenue.

Mrs. Chandler stated that she has tree companies interested in getting started on the Arboretum project. Mrs. Chandler stated that the trees that are coming down were marked in December. Mr. Smith stated that he would recommend not entering the property until the Borough actually owns it and once winter is over that may change some of the trees that are marked to come down. Mrs. Chandler stated that she got written approval from the school to enter the property. Mrs. Heinzl stated that it should not take too long to get quotes for the tree removal once the Borough owns the property. Mrs. Heinzl stated that there are still some questions that need to be addressed. Mrs. Chandler asked when the closing would be on the property. Mrs. Heinzl stated that the closing will have to be scheduled with Mr. Schmierer after the sub-division is approved. Mr. Smith stated that he will feel more comfortable entering the property after the closing takes place.

Mr. Smith had no further comments.

Mr. Meytrott stated that last night there were about fifteen cars that were broken into, Hopewell Township had another twelve. Mr. Meytrott stated that all cars were unlocked, items were moved but not taken. Mr. Meytrott stated that it is very strange and he would advise residents to lock their cars.

Public Comment

Mayor Lawver asked that anyone wishing to speak to Council please come forward and state your name and address for the record and please limit comments to the Governing Body to a maximum of 3 minutes.

There were no comments from the public.

At 8:10 PM, with no further business to come before Council, Mr. Marcianti made a motion to adjourn, second by Council Member Chandler.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Sterling
Borough Clerk