

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Woodbridge, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey held on August 3, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 1 Main Street, Woodbridge, NJ 07095.

Members of the Council and all those present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council President Small: Please rise for our Flag Salute and a moment of silence for our men and women serving in our military.

Notice Requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law have been satisfied concerning this meeting. The Home News Tribune and The Star Ledger published the Annual Notice Schedule on December 18, 2020. A copy of the Schedule was posted on the Municipal bulletin board. It should be so noted in the minutes of this meeting.

The Municipal Clerk took the Municipal Council attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cory Spillar, Gregg Ficarra, Debbie Meehan, Virbhadra N. Patel, Kyle Anderson (Arrived 6:04 P.M. – Did Not Vote), Lizbeth DeJesus, Howie Bauer, Brian Small.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nancy Drumm.

ALSO PRESENT: John E. McCormac, Mayor
John Mitch, Municipal Clerk
Vito Cimilluca, Business Administrator
Marta Lefsky-Darden, Director of Planning and Development
Robert Hubner, Director of Police
John Hagerty, Communications Director
Casey Wagner, Deputy Business Administrator
Craig J. Coughlin, Esq. (Arrived 6:17 P.M.)
Fred Rubenstein, Esq.

The Municipal Clerk: Can I get a motion to approve the minutes from July 20, 2021 and July 27, 2021?

Council Vice President Bauer moved the adoption of the following minutes seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously.

Council Vice President Bauer abstained from approving the minutes from July 20, 2021 due to being absent from the meeting.

Council Meeting:	July 20, 2021
Budget Meeting:	July 27, 2021

The Municipal Clerk read the following Ordinances by title on Second Reading as Consent stating that copies of these Ordinances were posted on the bulletin board.

Mr. Mitch: There are no Second Reading Ordinances this evening.

The Municipal Clerk called for a First Reading of the following Ordinances as consent:

A. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER IV, GENERAL LICENSING, OF THE WOODBRIDGE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES TO ADD SPECIAL EVENTS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY PERMIT ORDINANCE.

Council Vice President Bauer made a motion, seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously that these Ordinances be passed on First Reading, to be published in the Home News Tribune on Friday, August 13, 2021 with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on August 17, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

The Municipal Clerk introduced the following Resolutions as Consent.

- (1) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby grants permission to Joe DiSilvestro to temporarily close Hollywood Drive and Clayton Court on September 5, 2021 (rain date September 6, 2021) from 12:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. for a block party.
- (2) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Municipal Comptroller to issue a refund check from the Current Account for Permit Fees to Seninho Fernandes, 155 Oxford Rd., Colonia, NJ 07067.
- (3) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes that all Township fees for National Night Out sponsored by the Woodbridge Police Department scheduled for August 3, 2021 from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. are hereby waived.
- (4) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Municipal Engineer to approve and adopt the Drug Free Zones Map and it shall remain in effect until such time as the map is updated and approved by subsequent Resolution.

- (5) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Police Director to accept the award SFY21 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program monies from the New Jersey Department of Law & Public Safety for successful applicants funded through the SFY2021 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program for the dates of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$509,500.00.
- (6) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor, Municipal Clerk, and Municipal Purchaser to execute any and all documents that may be necessary for the award of Bid to Capela Construction Inc. (Contract #2021-016) for the Watson Crampton Recreational Trail in an amount not to exceed \$368,568.00.
- (7) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby awards a contract without competitive bidding to P & A Construction for the repairs to the broken water main at the Department of Public Works on an emergency basis in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00.
- (8) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township of Woodbridge hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase through Sourcewell Contract #032119-CAT of one 938M Wheel Loader for the Roads Division of the Department of Public Works from Foley Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$209,073.00.
- (9) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase through Sourcewell Contract #032119-CAT and Sourcewell Contract #052417-WLR of one new P385B Asphalt Paver for the Roads Division of the Department of Public Works from Foley Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$223,748.00.
- (10) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the purchase through Sourcewell Contract #040621-WQI and Sourcewell Quote #WQ-10201732 of two (2) 20-yard roll off containers, two (2) 30-yard roll off containers, and two (2) 40-yard roll off containers for the Department of Public Works from Wastequip in an amount not to exceed \$63,842.00.
- (11) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes and executes a Change Order on the contract with Pyrotecnico Fireworks, Inc. for 2021 July 4th Fireworks Display increasing the contract amount of \$65,000.00 by \$10,000.00 to a total of \$75,000.00.
- (12) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Municipal Clerk to enter into an agreement with Environmental Connection Inc., for professional environmental services for 8 Port Reading Avenue, Woodbridge in an amount not to exceed \$4,930.00.

- (13) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute a contract with A3 Contracting, LLC for home improvement repairs at the home located on Block 710, Lot 274 in the Township of Woodbridge, in an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00.
- (14) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes Cheryl Sharkey be named “Acting Deputy Municipal Clerk” during the absence of the Deputy Municipal Clerk through December 31, 2021.
- (15) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby designates Block 524, Lot 4.01 and Block 524, Lot 5.03, on the tax maps of the Township, as an area in need of redevelopment (non-condemnation) pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5* of the LRHL.
- (16) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute a Discharge of Mortgage and record same with the Middlesex County Clerk to Judith Sidote, 624 Barron Avenue, Woodbridge.
- (17) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Township of Woodbridge Police Department to hire police officers following the alternative process set forth in New Jersey Senate Bill S3220, as soon as Bill S3220 takes effect.
- (18) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the renewal of the bid for Recyclable Leaf Bags awarded to Pabco Industries on March 19, 2019 be renewed for the remaining two-year optional renewal period effective March 19, 2020.
- (19) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby grants the request of the Pennsylvania Avenue School #27 PTO to temporarily close East Willow Street, starting at Pennsylvania Avenue, cross streets, East Cedar Street, and end at Cavour Street from 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. to host a Color Run on Saturday October 2, 2021.
- (20) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the establishment of Petty Cash Funds for Township Departments for the State Fiscal Year 2022.
- (21) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to make a transfer of the State Fiscal Year 2021 budget appropriation reserves.
- (22) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby amends Resolution #38 adopted June 22, 2021 with the proper budget amounts in the Current Fund Temporary Appropriations of the 2021/2022 Fiscal Year Budget.
- (23) **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipal Council hereby approves all claims and bills presented to it by the Chief Financial Officer of the Current Bill List dated August 3, 2021, and the Supplemental Bill List dated July 16, 2021 through July 30, 2021, and the Addendum to the August 3, 2021 Bill List.

Council Vice President Bauer moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolutions. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously.

Public Meeting:

Council President Small: At this time we'll go into our public session. You have a five minute one time period, please give your name and your address thank you.

Leigh Darden, Avenel: Spoke about the Community Aggregation Petition and why it is an important initiative to pass for the Township. Explained the initiative is to increase the percentage of renewable energy used, stated the program has been successfully implemented in other towns across the state of New Jersey, and mentioned it doesn't raise taxes.

Amber Jarret, Woodbridge: Spoke about the Community Aggregation Petition and explained the benefits it will have to the Township, its residents, and the environment. Stated other local Municipalities have already passed this initiative which include New Brunswick, Piscataway, and East Brunswick.

Elizabeth, Port Reading: Asked the Council for help regarding her home behind the Saints Field.

Mayor John E. McCormac: Once the public portion is over I'll meet you in the hallway, give me all your contact information and then I'll follow up.

John Vrtaric, Woodbridge: Spoke not in favor of the new Keasbey Power Plant being put up and that the electricity from that Plant will be going to other towns. Spoke not in favor of the new Apartment Developments being built.

Tom Maras, Fords: Spoke not in favor of taxing medical marijuana and expressed concern of crime increasing with the Medical Marijuana Shop being able to sell recreational marijuana. Asked about the Arts Village and the Woodbridge Arts Alliance; asked if they paid any money back to the Township, and asked if it's a conflict of interest for Caroline Ehrlich to be President and Vito Cimilluca to be Vice President of the Woodbridge Arts Alliance while they both work for the Administration of Woodbridge Township. Spoke in favor and support of the Petition to curb the development of the third Power Plant in Woodbridge Township and suggested they use that area as a Solar Power Field instead.

Fred Rubenstein, Esq.: There is no conflict of interest for Ms. Ehrlich and Mr. Cimilluca for holding both of those positions. They receive no remuneration, they receive no compensation, so there is no conflict.

Mayor John E. McCormac: The Avenel Arts Center has not paid back anything, as you know a startup business is always going to be behind and lose money, then COVID hit, so they've not paid back anything of what they owe the Town and if they did there is no interest rate attached to that.

Charles Kratovil, New Brunswick; Central Jersey Organizer for Food & Water Watch: Echoed the support of the Energy Aggregation Program and mentioned there were over 1,500 signatures from registered voters in support of the Ordinance to launch a Community Energy Aggregation Program. Asked if Mr. Mitch will be addressing the Petition and when the public hearing will take place.

Mr. Mitch: My intention is to certify the Petition this evening and the hearing will be scheduled for August 17, 2021.

Mr. Mitch: Asked for a motion to close the public portion of this meeting.

Council Vice President Bauer made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting which was seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously.

BRIAN SMALL, COUNCIL PRESIDENT / COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE

1. Woodbridge News.
HOLD
2. Mayor’s Advisory Council on Education (Mac-E).
HOLD
3. Port Reading Fire and Township First Aid Squads.
HOLD
4. Website E-Government.
HOLD
5. Bicycle Lanes/ Bicycle Share/ Bicycle Paths.
HOLD
6. Electric Vehicle Car Share/ Car Charging Stations.
HOLD
7. School Projects.
HOLD
8. S.T.O.W. (Register @ 732-726-2394 for Client Transport ID#).
HOLD
9. Level Playing Field @ Cypress Recreation Center/Our House.
HOLD
10. Property Fraud (www.middlesexcounty.nj.gov search for “Property Alert” to Register).
HOLD
11. Inspections at Hotels/Motels.

HOLD

12. National Public Lands Day.

HOLD

13. Marine Eight.

HOLD

14. Mayor Mac Café.

HOLD

15. Jazz Festival.

HOLD

16. Concerts.

HOLD

17. Light Parade.

HOLD

Council President Small: Thank you. At this time we're going to the agendas portion of our meeting. On Number 17 on my Agenda is the Light Parade, this year it's going to be held Saturday November 27, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. in conjunction with Small Business Saturday. Line up for the participants will be at 5:00 P.M., the event should start between 6:15 P.M. and 6:30 P.M. If you have any questions you can call myself or Municipal Clerk John Mitch at 732-634-4500 Ext. 6404. God Bless America and God Bless all of our first responders, Township workers, and that's all I have. Vice President Bauer.

18. Human Rights Commission

HOLD

19. American Irish Association of Woodbridge.

HOLD

HOWIE BAUER, COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT / 2nd WARD COUNCILMAN

1. 2nd Ward Road Projects.

HOLD

2. County Greenway.

HOLD

3. Downtown Parking on New Brunswick Avenue.

HOLD

4. Woodbridge Waterfront Park/Keasbey.

HOLD

5. Hometown Hero Banners.
HOLD
6. Fords Business Community.
 - A. Cruise Night
 - B. Trunk or TreatHOLD
7. Fords/Hopelawn/Keasbey Fire Companies.
HOLD

Council Vice President Bauer: Thank you Council President my agenda is in order, I have a few announcements. All of our local Fire Districts are seeking Volunteer Fire Fighters, must be at least 18 years old and all training is free. It's a great stepping stone for those who are seeking a career opportunity in Fire Fighting, or those who just like to give back to their communities. Please contact me at 732-887-9796 for any further assistance or information.

8. Fords V.F.W.
HOLD
9. Troop 53 Boy Scouts of America.
HOLD
10. Pathmark Property.
HOLD
11. Brownfields.
HOLD
12. Hickory Senior Center.
HOLD
13. Greenway Family Success Center.
HOLD

Council Vice President Bauer: Also Greenway Family Success Center, located at 537 New Brunswick Ave. in Fords, is a great resource for all. The Greenway Family Success Center is a community gathering place where families find fun, information, and support. Stop by and learn about their free education workshops, family activities, and ways you can use your talents to strengthen our community. Monthly activity calendars are available on their Facebook page or call 732-527-3400 for more information. That's all I have tonight thank you Council President.

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilwoman DeJesus.

14. Highland Grove Swim Pool.
HOLD
15. Little Libraries.
HOLD

LIZBETH DEJESUS, COUNCILWOMAN-AT-LARGE

Councilwoman DeJesus: Thank you Council President. On behalf of Councilwoman Nancy Drumm I'd like to announce that a new restaurant has opened on Main Street. Siwa Thai Restaurant at 96 Main Street in Woodbridge, the Grand Opening was yesterday. Please let's support our local businesses and patronize all our restaurants and new businesses opening up, not only on Main Street but throughout our Township.

1. Housing Authority.
HOLD
2. Affordable Housing Corporation.
HOLD
3. Youth and Government Day.
HOLD
4. History Museum.
HOLD
5. Police Community Relations.
HOLD
6. Youth Employment/Job Fair.
HOLD
7. Township Parks and Playgrounds.
HOLD
8. Hispanic Heritage Month.
HOLD
9. Barron Arts Center.
HOLD

Councilwoman DeJesus: On my Agenda number 9 the Barron Arts Center, they have Decorative Folk Art of Ukraine on view from July 1st to August 27th at the Barron Arts Center and also the Art of Ukrainian Embroidery. You can call 732-634-0413 for more information.

10. Free Public Library of Woodbridge.

HOLD

Councilwoman DeJesus: Item number 10 the Free Public Library of Woodbridge. Alignable is a social media tool for growing business. Alignable will make a stop at Woodbridge Main Library at 6:30 P.M. this Thursday August 5th to share stories on Alignable success, light refreshments, and a brief presentation of library resources for entrepreneurs and businesses will be available. You can go to woodbridgelibrary.org for more information. That is all that I have for now, thank you.

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilman Spillar.

11. Veteran's Tax Deduction.

HOLD

12. Green Infrastructure.

HOLD

13. Girl Sports.

HOLD

14. Girl Scouts/Scouts Pavilion and Camp; E. William St. Park.

HOLD

15. Census 2020.

HOLD

16. Youth Leadership Council.

HOLD

17. Community Backpacks.

HOLD

CORY S. SPILLAR, 3rd WARD COUNCILMAN

1. Avenel's Very Merry Holiday Lighting (11/28/21) / Port Reading Day (TBD).

HOLD

2. Avenel Arts Village/Train Station/Eric LeGrand Believe Park.

HOLD

3. Woodbridge River Watch/ Oros Nature Preserve.

HOLD

4. Port Reading Saints/ Saints Complex Improvements.

HOLD

5. Avenel Middle School Community Service Club and School Improvements.
HOLD
6. Port Reading Knights/Sycamore Senior Center/Red Oak.
HOLD

Councilman Spillar: Thank you Council President Item number 6 on my Agenda Sycamore Senior Center. They are back and their first luncheon, their end of the summer luncheon is Wednesday August 11th from 12-3 P.M. tickets are \$10 a person. Tickets are on sale now, you can call Sandra at 732-726-6272.

7. Route 1 Redevelopment.
 - a. Star / City Motels.
 - b. Americana / Avenel Motels.
 - c. Rt. 1 @ So. Inman Ave.
 - d. Bud's Hut.
 - e. Big Top property.
 - f. Holiday Inn Express expansion.
 - g. Pier I Imports property.HOLD

Councilman Spillar: Item number 7, Route 1 Redevelopment. I'd like to congratulate Dr. Aquino and his team at White Oak Dental as they receive their certificate of occupancy and now's open for business. Property is located at 1040 Route 1 which is the Big Top Property I mentioned at the last meeting. University Orthopedics is open right next door. Property looks great, landscaping looks great. Also in the news last week, Cambria Hotel has made a deal with the Township to build a new hotel and restaurant at the sites of the City and Star Motel's on Route 1. This will be a wonderful addition to the Route 1 corridor and will go along the same premise idea of the Holiday Inn which is across the street, up a little bit on Route 1. To put it respectfully, the City and Star Motel's for years have had numerous property, health, and fire complaints from the Township, from nearby residents, so this will be a much better use for that property.

8. Avenel Fire Department.
HOLD
9. Social Clubs Avenel Knights of Columbus/Columbian Club, Avenel V.F.W.
HOLD
10. Woodbridge Developmental Center property.
HOLD
11. Cable Commission/Renewal.
HOLD
12. School 4 & 5.
HOLD

13. Mileed Way Army Corps of Engineers project.
HOLD
14. Maple Tree Senior Center.
HOLD

Councilman Spillar: Item number 14, there's an error in the recent Woodbridge News where the Maple Tree Senior Center was detailed, it inadvertently had a picture of the Avenel VFW, and the new Senior Center will be located at the Avenel Knights of Columbus; Columbia Club of Avenel, 109 Morrissey Avenue, Avenel. Check out for details coming out shortly, we're looking to start rocking and rolling those first two weeks of September. That's all from my agenda this evening Council President just a couple announcements. I'm sure the residents might have seen it by now there's a new Pedestrian Rafted Flashing Beacon Pedestrian Crosswalk in the area of Daniel Street in Port Reading. I'd like to thank the Mayor and the Administration for listening to our concerns as that area is heavily traveled by pedestrians, especially the area by the Temple. I want to thank them for constantly reaching out to the County D.O.T. to have them investigate the matter and have a result. Thank you to all emergency responders, Fire, EMS, Police Department, CERT, and all our Public Works and Township employees. God Bless America, thank you Council President.

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilwoman Meehan.

DEBBIE MEEHAN, 5TH WARD COUNCILWOMAN

Councilwoman Meehan: Thank you Council President my agenda is also in order I just have a couple announcements. This Saturday the Mayor's Summer Concert will be coming to Colonia Middle School featuring music by Revolver. It'll have hamburgers and hotdogs served by the American Legion, Beer and White Claws served by the Colonia VFW, soft drinks and pretzels by the independent club. There will be face paint, games for the kids, visit from the Colonia Fire Department, and a 50/50. The event will run from 2-7 P.M. Just bring a chair or blanket for you to sit; it'll be a great day for community fun and music and all proceeds from this event will go to our Colonia VFW and our Colonia American Legion, who through the pandemic have been hurting for funds so this will help our Veterans. Also Councilwoman Drumm asked me to make a couple announcements for her. Rebuilding Warriors will be holding a super 50/50; tickets are \$100 and only 300 tickets will be sold; first place ticket will be \$10,000, second to sixth prize will be \$1,000 each. To get your ticket you can reach out to Nancy Mullen at 732-859-0324; all proceeds from this event will be used to train service dogs to help our Veterans and First Responders suffering from PTSD. Lastly, the 12th annual Bowl for Hunger will be held on August 23rd from 5-10 P.M. at the Majestic Lanes bowling alley. If you're interested in putting in a team you can call 732-925-8769; everything raised at this event will go to help our food pantries. I hope everyone's having a good summer and stay safe, that's all I have this evening.

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilman Anderson.

1. Inman Avenue Business District Improvements.
HOLD

2. Green Houses – Colonia Middle and Colonia High Schools.
HOLD
3. Evergreen Senior/Youth Center / Senior Services.
HOLD
4. Events: Taste of Colonia.
Have a Heart Food Drive.
Colonia Easter Bonnet Parade & Egg Hunt.
Colonia 5K/Chris Jantas Run.
Colonia Annual Wiffle Ball Tournament.
Support the Troops Rally.
Colonia Pride Day.
Colonia Clean Up.
Colonia Christmas Tree Lighting.
Cookies and Can for the Troops and Food Bank.
Toys for Tots Run.
Breast Cancer Walk.
HOLD
5. Food Pantry.
HOLD
6. Reinhard Manor.
HOLD
7. Colonia Fire Department/First Aid Squad.
HOLD
8. Colonia American Legion/V.F.W./Elks.
HOLD
9. Veteran's Issues.
HOLD
10. Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority.
HOLD
11. Cpl. Kevin Reinhard Marine Corps League.
HOLD
12. Municipal Alliance + Addiction Task Force.
HOLD
13. Volunteer Directory.

HOLD

14. Domestic Violence Response Team.

HOLD

15. AED Program.

HOLD

NANCY J. DRUMM, 1st WARD COUNCILWOMAN (ABSENT)

1. Events: Relay for Life.
Fishing Derby.
Parker Press Concerts.
Woodbridge Wednesdays and Local Band Thursdays.
Saint James Street Fair.

HOLD

2. (DMA) Downtown Merchants Association.

HOLD

3. Main Street SID (Special Improvement District).

HOLD

4. Chamber of Commerce.

HOLD

5. Buy Local Program.

HOLD

6. Transit Village.

HOLD

7. Blue Acres/F.E.M.A.

HOLD

8. Main Street and Route 9.

HOLD

9. Animal Shelter.

HOLD

10. Dog Park.

HOLD

11. Arts.

(A) Woodbridge Train Station Mural Project.

(B) Woodbridge Artisan Guild.

HOLD

12. PACE.
HOLD

13. Woodbridge Elks Lodge 2116.
HOLD

14. Woodbridge Fire Department.
HOLD

15. Coast Guard.
HOLD

16. Sewaren Library Programs.
HOLD

17. Acacia Center.
HOLD

18. RISE Program
HOLD

19. Sewaren Marina
HOLD

KYLE ANDERSON, COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE

1. W.T.Y.R.C.
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: Thank you Council President. WTYRC youth football and cheer practice season have begun. Woodbridge Broncos are practicing at Merrill Park on Weeknights from 6-8 P.M., Golden Saints are practicing at their location 100 Saints Blvd, Port Reading weeknights from 6-8 P.M., and Middlesex Junior Knights practicing at Fords Park Monday-Friday through the month of August from 6-8 P.M.

2. Job Bank.
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: For our Job Bank; Woodbridge Crossing Guards, we're looking for some crossing guards here in Woodbridge. Its great pay, great part-time job, free training, you have to be over 18 to apply; contact our HR Department at 732-634-4500 Ext. 6408 or you can contact Eunice Jackson at 732-634-4500 Ext. 2125. Amazon is offering \$1,000 to sign a sign-on bonus; you can apply at amazon.com or you can go on our employee opportunity website. BASF is hiring as they've been on our website for quite a while. There's also hiring for a 911 Dispatcher, and substitute teachers are needed in the oncoming school year. Mill Creek is looking for an

Administrative Assistant and FedEx Ground is hiring at \$18.60 to start. So if you're out of work right now there's some good starting pay jobs and also if you have a desire to work with disabled citizens you can go to www.njid.org. Dave & Buster's is also hiring, Middlesex Water, Bayshore Recycling, BCB Bank, Northfield Bank, and Gem Limousine.

3. Mayor's Trophy.
HOLD

4. Woodbridge Hall of Fame.
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: Woodbridge Hall of Famer on Saturday Malik "The Natural" Nelson, who we honored here from Avenel, he had an outstanding amateur career and he opened his first professional career with a fourth round TKO knockout at the Prudential Center in Newark in front of a great home crowd.

5. Taste of Woodbridge.
HOLD

6. Charity Raffle.
HOLD

7. Drive-In Movies.
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: Drive-In Movie- Mr. Cimilluca for this year are we going to plan for a Drive-In Movie with COVID or not?

Business Administrator Cimilluca: We don't have anything planned yet but I will check with the Recreation Department and will get back to you Councilman.

8. N.A.A.C.P. (*NAACP.org*)
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: N.A.A.C.P. I ask that you all keep President Reverend Donna Stewart and her family in prayer, she lost her grandchild this week.

9. Dr. Martin Luther King Annual Program.
HOLD

10. Independent Club of Colonia.
HOLD

11. Tooling Around Program.
HOLD

12. Boy Scouts/Camping.

HOLD

13. League Consolidation.
HOLD
14. Middlesex College.
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: Middlesex College has a virtual open house on middlesexcc.edu; information on the college's operating status you can go to middlesexcc.edu/coronavirus. And also you can find out about their plan for the school and check out their new branding for the college; they're no longer known as Middlesex County College, they're only known as Middlesex College and they changed their colors and a lot of signage all throughout the campus, it really looks nice.

15. Woodbridge Organization of Neighbors Advocating Change.
HOLD

Councilman Anderson: WONAC is going to be exploring interest in a bike ride at some point during the year and a family walk and run health day. If you have any interest in something like that feel free to reach out to me. Thank you that's all I have.

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilman Ficarra.

GREGG FICARRA, COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE

1. WCC (Woodbridge Community Center).
 - (A) Senior Recreation and programming.
 - (B) Youth Recreation and programming.HOLD

Councilman Ficarra: Thank you Council President. From the Woodbridge Community Center we have a slew of outside activities at the skyline mini golf and batting cages; inside we have ice hockey and roller skating; until the end of August there's an opportunity to take a tour and receive a five-day pass just to get a little feel for what's going on. You can always check out www.njwcc.com. As far as Senior Recreation is concerned the New Jersey Senior Olympics, the 14th year here in Woodbridge, September 10th, 11th, & 12th. The deadline for registration is August 27th; don't forget that Woodbridge Township Seniors get a \$25 reduction if you're a Township Resident; it normally costs \$10 per event- you can enter three events that's \$30- but for Woodbridge Residents you only pay \$5, so it's not too late and it's a nice savings. There is a brochure out and about and you can go to njseniorolympics.com.

2. Youth Month – April.
Senior Month – May.
HOLD
3. Mentoring Programs.

HOLD

4. Mayor's Fitness / Wellness Initiatives.

HOLD

Councilman Ficarra: A couple events coming up through our Wellness Program. Our Crossroad's Race is Sunday September 5th and the Tour De Woodbridge Bike Tour is September 26th more information to follow on that.

5. Fireworks.

HOLD

6. Heroes & Cool Kids / Strengthening Families.

HOLD

7. Pedestrian Safeway's / East Coast Greenway.

HOLD

8. Annual Pizza Run.

HOLD

9. Jacob's Landing.

HOLD

10. The Club at Woodbridge upgrades.

HOLD

11. Crossroad's Race.

HOLD

12. Mental Health / Wellness.

HOLD

13. COVID-19 efforts.

HOLD

Councilman Ficarra: From Mr. Green and the Health Department just an update on our COVID Vaccines; total number of doses administered is at 9,756 that's a combination of dose 1 and 2. There have been 69 clinics just in our Health Center alone since the start of this program, there is a clinic going on right now at the Community Center as part of National Night Out; there's another one this coming Thursday at the Health Center from 10 A.M.- 2 P.M. and next Thursday August 12th from 3-5 P.M. You can walk up on those and we could also accept reservations. The CDC and the New Jersey Department of Health are both watching the Delta Variant closely; it's approximately 83% of cases are involving that Delta. If you're vulnerable please be safe, if you haven't gotten your vaccine please get out there and get your vaccine especially if you're in a medical condition that makes you more vulnerable. A general statement that I've said a few

times now, when you're talking about smart growth in the town it seems to be coming up quite a bit, four projects the upper Main Street, the old Hess solar farm, Riffys across from Walgreens, the strip mall across the street, and then Stern Towers- which when Stern Towers were there it was basically tax-free. If you added those properties up before any of this smart growth redevelopment, they added up to about \$500,000 a year of taxes; once those projects are completed there'll be 3 million dollars per year. The downtown projects funded the new Ross Street School and nearly a new Woodbridge Middle School as most of us know and acknowledged. These projects improve property values in Woodbridge which is basically Ward One; so property values go up and the town gets a little bit more revenue. I just wanted to reiterate that, thank you Council President.

Council President Small: Thank you. Councilman Patel.

(VIRU) VIRBHADRA N. PATEL, 4th WARD COUNCILMAN

Councilman Patel: Thank you Council President. My agenda is also in order I have two announcements. Five-Branches Senior Center which is located in Iselin, they are holding their brunch on this Friday August 6th from 11 A.M. – 2 P.M. Also IBA or Indian Business Association with many area organizations, are holding their annual Indian Parade on Oak Tree Road in Edison and in Iselin on this Sunday August 8th; this year the parade is dedicated to the frontline workers that include police officers, firefighters, EMS, Doctors, and Nurses. The parade will have floats, fire engines, and police vehicles. The parade will start at 2 P.M. from Cinder Road in Edison and will conclude at Middlesex Avenue in Iselin. The Oak Tree Road portion from Wood Avenue to Correja Avenue will be closed from about 1 P.M. till 3:30 P.M. The Oak Tree Road from Correja Avenue to Middlesex Avenue will be closed from 1 P.M. till about 8 P.M. Police Officers will be directing traffic, if you are traveling in the area please allow some extra time and follow the police directions and detours. That's all for tonight thank you.

Council President Small: Thank you. Mr. Mitch.

1. American Legion (T. Nulty Post).
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2. Oak Tree Road Special Improvement District (SID).
HOLD
3. JFK High School Field and Building Improvements.
HOLD
4. Sucker's Brook Bank Stabilization.
HOLD
5. 4th Ward Road Projects.
HOLD
6. Magnolia/Willow/Walnut Area Commuter Parking.
HOLD

7. Sign Ordinance.
HOLD

8. Cooper Field.
HOLD

JOHN M. MITCH, MUNICIPAL CLERK

1. Liquor License Transfer(s) / Change of Corporate Structure:

A. Person-To-Person and Place-To-Place Transfer of Liquor License # # 1225-33-022-008 from Francesco R. Curatolo, Executor / Estate of Anthony L. Curatolo to Wick Wholesalers, Inc., 106 Main St., Woodbridge, NJ 07095.

2. Liquor License Incident(s) / Hearing(s).

3. Liquor License Renewals.

A. 2021 Annual Retail Licensee Meeting.

4. Street Closings / Special Events (Block parties, street fairs, carnivals, etc.).

5. Elections.

A. 2021 General Election: November 2, 2021

Mr. Mitch: Thank you Mr. President just two items this evening. Number 5 I'm going to drop down to the elections just so you're aware and I'll keep Council posted; we will be looking to prepare for early voting with the General Election in November, have more to it hopefully in about the next two weeks.

6. Initiative Petition Update – Aggregation Program.

Mr. Mitch: Number 6 the Initiative Petition Update as was indicated earlier as you know I did receive an Initiative Petition from a Committee of voters to adopt an Ordinance creating an Energy Aggregation Program here in the community. Initially denied it due to insufficient amount of qualified signatures, the committee provided supplemental signatures, they've now satisfied they were able to cure the petition, my certification has been issued, I sent you a copy, based on my certification and a state statute that means we have now moved that as an Ordinance on First Reading officially, so I'll advertise it as indicated earlier to Mr. Kratovil, it'll be up for public hearing on August 17th. That's all I have thank you.

Council President Small: Thank you. Director Darden.

MAYOR:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

Business Administrator Cimilluca: Thank you Council President. Under Administration & Finance I have a 100% Disabled Veteran, I have a Tax & Sewer Overpayment.

ADD – ON’S:

Business Administrator Cimilluca: Under Add-On’s I have a purchase of a new F250 4x4, I have a purchase of four new F250 4x4 with extended cap, I have a County Tax Appeal, I have a Change Order for French & Parillo for a Contract for Field Observation, and I have the 2022 Recreational Grant Application for Acacia Youth Center. Thank you Council President.

Council President Small: Thank you. Legal.

POLICE:

HEALTH:

RECREATION:

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:

Director of Planning and Development Marta Lefsky-Darden: Thank you Council President just our standard bi-weekly Refund Resolution.

Council President Small: Thank you. Business Administrator Cimilluca.

PUBLIC WORKS/ENGINEERING:

LEGAL:

Craig J. Coughlin, Esq.: We don’t have anything this evening Council President but I do want to thank Councilwoman Meehan for plugging the Bowl for Hunger, it’s on the 23rd and it’s a terrific event that helps the people of the 19th Legislative District. You’ll come out, you’ll have a lot of fun, and you’ll do something nice for someone else who really needs it so thank you Councilwoman. We don’t have anything else.

Council President Small: Thank you. Before we adjourn tonight I just want to recognize Vice President Bauer and his wife Ingrid, their daughter Emily is getting married this Friday so Congratulations and Best Wishes.

On a motion made by Council Vice President Bauer seconded by Councilman Ficarra and carried unanimously, Council President Small adjourned the meeting at 6:42 P.M.

Brian Small,
Council President

John M. Mitch, RMC, CMC, CMR,
Municipal Clerk