## WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS WAS HELD THIS EVENING IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

## Monday, April 11, 2022

Council President Sgobba called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Christine Hablitz, Albert Kahwaty, Tanya Seber, and Christopher Vancheri. Also present were Mayor James Damiano, Township Attorney Joseph Wenzel, Township Engineer Tom Lemanowicz, Township Administrator Charles Cuccia, and Municipal Clerk Cynthia Kraus.

Absent: Deputy Clerk Melissa DePiro.

Township Employees present: Deputy Police Chief Bryan Prall and Fire Chief Ken Cichy.

## SALUTE TO THE FLAG

## STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE:

Take notice that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-8 and N.J.S.A. 10:4-10 as follows: A notice of the meeting was prominently posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building, located at 225 Main Street, Little Falls, N.J. on March 11, 2022. A copy of the notice was mailed to the North Jersey Herald and News and The Record on the same date. Additionally, a copy of the notice was filed in the office of the Township Clerk on said date. A link and a telephone number to join the meeting virtually can be accessed on the Township website at <u>www.lfnj.com</u>. Electronic provisions have been established for the public to participate during the public comment portion of the meeting.

AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION - At this time, Mayor Damiano read the Proclamation recognizing April 2022 as Autism Awareness Month in the Township of Little Falls.

DONATE LIFE AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION – Mayor Damiano read the Proclamation recognizing the month of April, 2022 as National Donate Life Awareness Month in the Township of Little Falls.

## PUBLIC COMMENT – GENERAL MATTERS

Anyone wishing to address the Township Council may do so through the Council President. Please give your name and address for the record. Comments are to be limited to three minutes, however, if appropriate, you may be granted additional time in the sole discretion of the Council President.

Members of the public who have joined the meeting virtually and desire to provide comment shall raise their virtual hand in the Zoom application. The Meeting moderator will queue the members of the public that wish to provide comment and the Council President will recognize them in order. Members of the public who have joined the meeting by calling in must press \*6 to mute and unmute themselves and \*9 to raise their hand. Members of the public who have joined the Meeting via the Zoom application must click the Reactions icon and then the Raise Hand icon. Please give your name and address for the record. Once the process is complete, we will return to the regular order of business.

It was moved by Councilmember Vancherir, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that the meeting be and it was opened to the public.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri and Council President Sgobba Navs: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

<u>Luis Fernandez</u>- 54 Harrison Street, discussed his recent experience at a Planning Board meeting. Council President SGOBBA stated the incident was not done intentionally, and the Planning Board President did not signal that comments went over the time limit. Mr. Fernandez referred to Ordinance No. 1430, noting signage has not been erected to date. Councilmember VANCHERI recommended Mr. Campbell be contacted to follow-up on this matter.

No one having come forward to be heard, it was moved by Councilmember Kahwaty, seconded by Councilmember Seber, that the meeting be and it was closed to the public.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

# ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

## MAYOR/ADMINISTRATOR:

- 1. RESOLUTION TO AMEND 2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET- Mayor Damiano explained the routine nature of the resolution.
- 2. RESOLUTION ADOPT 2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET Mayor Damiano elaborated on the routine nature of the resolution.
- ORDINANCE NO. 1436 AMENDING CHAPTER 7, TRAFFIC HANDICAPPED PARKING ON WARREN STREET – Mayor Damiano explained the update to the Ordinance was requested by the Library seeking to have another handicapped parking spot on Warren Street to assist handicapped patrons.
- 4. ORDINANCE NO. 1437 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO WILMORE PARK In the interim several slides at the playground will be

temporarily replaced, however, Mayor Damiano stated significant improvements to Wilmore Park are planned with the assistance of Open Space grants. The Mayor then explained the purpose of reimbursement grants whereby the Township pays the initial costs and is then reimbursed, in this case, by the County.

- 5. ORDINANCE NO. 1438 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING UNDERTAKING OF 2022 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - The Mayor reviewed this annual improvement program. In response to Council President SGOBBA's query, Mayor Damiano explained the DPW compiles a list of roads in need of resurfacing and that the useful life of roadways is estimated to last about twenty years.
- 6. ORDINANCE NO. 1439 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITION OF NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT- Mayor Damiano stated this Ordinance emanated from the recent flood emergency and allows the Township to have its own dumpsters. The Township hopes to acquire a universal dumpster truck that will give the municipality the capability to pick up any one of the various types of dumpsters that may need to be removed.
- ORDINANCE NO. 1440 BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING UPGRADING OF THE 9-1-1-COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EMS - Deputy Chief Prall explained the existing system is outdated and cannot be sustained with changing technology. In response to Council President SGOBBA, Deputy Chief Prall stated the new equipment is the best for the technology available today. Councilmember KAHWATY added his support of the upgrade. Mayor Damiano noted the Township is a 9-1-1 dispatch center and provided an explanation of how dispatch centers operate. Fire Chief Ken Cichy relayed similar challenges of outdated equipment in the Fire Department and as EMS uses the same frequency, experiences the same issues.
- 8. ORDINANCE NO. 1441-BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING OF STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS AT MAIN STREET (PHASE III) – Mayor Damiano announced the Township received an additional section of Streetscape from Maple Street on Main Street down to Van Ness. The Mayor outlined the areas of the Township that will be part of the next phases and noted this is also a reimbursement grant which will be reimbursed from the NJDOT.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

<u>Public Hearing on 2022 Budget</u> - It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that the public hearing on the 2022 Municipal Budget be, and it was opened.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

As no comments were received, it was moved by Councilmember Hablitz, seconded by Councilmember Seber, that the public hearing on the 2022 Municipal Budget be and it was closed.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Kahwaty, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, to approve Resolutions A through D:

Resolution to Amend 2022 Budget

**RESOLUTION [A] 22-04-11- #1** 

## Adoption of 2020 Municipal Budget

### **RESOLUTION [B] 22-04-11- #2**

#### Resolution to Award Township Issued Firearms

**RESOLUTION** [C] 22-04-11 - #3

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the award of a Township issued firearm (Sig Sauer P320X FS SER#55B009876) to James Minnella in recognition of his retirement as Police Lieutenant and for his service with the Little Falls Township Police Department9; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the award of a Township issued firearm (Sig Sauer P320X FS SER#55B009885) to Daniel Gianduso in recognition of his retirement as Police Lieutenant and for his service with the Little Falls Township Police Department.

#### Bill List

### **RESOLUTION [D] 22-04-11 - #4**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls the Council having received the Treasurer's certification of the availability of funds for payment of all bills presented, that payment of all bills approved by the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized, subject to the availability of funds and subject to the appropriate and available appropriation in the line item.

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## Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri and Council President Sgobba

Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

## NEW BUSINESS

<u>Ordinance No.1432</u> - It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1432, "CALENDAR YEAR 2022 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK" be and it was opened.

#### Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

As no comments from the public were received, it was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1432 be and it was closed.

#### Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Navs: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that Ordinance No. 1432 be and it was adopted.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No.1433 - It was moved by Councilmember Kahwaty, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP AND THE LITTLE FALLS TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC. FOR THE PROPERTY AT 35 STEVENS AVENUE" be and it was opened.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

As no comments from the public were received, it was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1433 be and it was closed.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that Ordinance No. 1433 be and it was adopted.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No.1434 - It was moved by Councilmember Seber, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CONFIRMING THE TOWNSHIP'S OWNERSHIP OF SISCO LANE" be and it was opened.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Navs: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

As no comments from the public were received, it was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1434 be and it was closed.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Seber, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that Ordinance No. 1434 be and it was adopted.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No.1435 - It was moved by Councilmember Kahwaty, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CONFIRMING THE TOWNSHIP'S OWNERSHIP OF CANFIELD LANE" be and it was opened.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancher, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

As no comments from the public were received, it was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1435 be and it was closed.

Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Poll: Ayes: Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Kahwaty, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that Ordinance No. 1435 be and it was adopted.

Poll Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Ayes:

Nays: None

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The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No.1436 - It was moved by Councilmember Kahwaty, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that there be introduced and the meeting of May 9, 2022 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

## **ORDINANCE NO. 1436**

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 7 (TRAFFIC), SECTION 29 (HANDICAPPED PARKING)

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1 - Chapter 7, Article I, Section 29.1 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Little Falls, is hereby amended and supplemented to provide for additional on-street handicapped parking spaces at the following locations

No. of Spaces Location

Warren Street Along the northern curbline of Warren Street beginning at a point 37 feet west 1. of the western curbline of Stevens Avenue, and extending 40 feet westward therefrom. Section 2 - Severability

If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, sentence, phrase or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 3 - Repealer and Merger

All Township Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed. Section 4 – Effective Date

This ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after final passage, adoption and publication as required by law.

Poll: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Ayes:

Navs: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No.1437 - It was moved by Councilmember Hablitz, seconded by Councilmember Seber, that there be introduced and the meeting of April 25, 2022 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1437 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO WILMORE PARK IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$250,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A COUNTY GRANT, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey (the "Township"), is hereby authorized to undertake various improvements to Wilmore Park in, by and for the Township. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$250,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the down payment and the \$150,000 Open Space grant from the County of Passaic (the "County Grant") appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of the Township, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the Township pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$250,000, and (4) \$150,000 of said sum is to be provided by the County Grant hereinafter appropriated, and (5) \$5,000 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (6) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$95,000, and (7) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$15,000, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that the sum of \$150,000 received or to be received as the County Grant is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of such purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$5,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for the Township, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$5,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose. Section 6. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$95,000 are hereby

authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 7. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$95,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 8. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the Township and attested by the Township Clerk or Deputy Township Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance, and also the power to sell

said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law

Section 9. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of fifteen years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk of the Township, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$95,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 11. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Passaic, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose (other than the County Grant hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purpose, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 12. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 13. The Township intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 1 of this ordinance. If the Township incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the Township hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this ordinance.

Section 14. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Township, and the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 15. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No.1438 - It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that there be introduced and the meeting of April 25, 2022 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

#### **BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1438**

BOIND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE 2022 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$500,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN AUXIORDATION OF THE USUA NOT OF DESIDE ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey (the "Township"), is hereby authorized to undertake the 2022 Road Improvement Program at various locations, as set forth on a list prepared by the Township Engineer on file or to be placed on file with the Township Clerk, and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto. Depending upon the contract price and other exigent circumstances, and upon approval by the Township Council, there may be additions to or deletions from the aforesaid list. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"). Section 2. The sum of \$500,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Section 1

hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of said Township, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Township pursuant to the Local Bond Law, and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$500,000, and (4) \$25,000 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$475,000, and (6) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$30,000, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the

extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law. Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$25,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for the Township, are now available to finance said purpose.

The sum of \$25,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose. Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$475,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding Section 6. \$475,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 7. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the Township and attested by the Township Clerk or Deputy Township Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance, and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk of the Township, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$475,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Section 10. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Passaic, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any

funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of said purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for said purpose shall be reduced accordingly. Section 11. The Township intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 1 of this bond

ordinance. If the Township incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the Township hereby states its reasonable expectation

to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized

by this bond ordinance. Section 12. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Township, and the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount. Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency

therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection. Section 14. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

#### Poll: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Ayes:

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Nays:

None

Ordinance No.1439 - It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that there be introduced and the meeting of April 25, 2022 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1439 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$550,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey (the "Township") is hereby authorized to undertake various public improvements and to acquire a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said Township, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary

and suitable therefor. Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited. Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Township.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (3) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (4) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

#### SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Acquisition of a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of a roll-off truck for the use of	
the Department of Public Works.	
Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$300,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 15,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$285,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years
B. Undertaking of sanitary sewer improvements at various locations.	
Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$150,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 7,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$142,500
Period of Usefulness	40 years
C. Undertaking of various improvements to municipal facilities and property. It is hereby determined and stated that the public	
facilities being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2	
of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").	
Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$100,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 95,000
Period of Usefulness	15 years

\$550,000

\$ 27,500

\$522.500

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$17,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other

expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law. Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$27,500, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Township, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$27,500 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$522,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$522,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Township and attested by the Township Clerk or Deputy Township Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 16.36 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk of said Township, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$522,500 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law. Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Passaic, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Passaic, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection. Section 14. The Township intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of

Section 14. The Township intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the Township incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Township hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 15. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Township, and the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

<u>Ordinance No.1440</u> - It was moved by Councilmember Kahwaty, seconded by Councilmember Vancheri, that there be introduced and the meeting of April 25, 2022 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

#### BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1440

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UPGRADING OF THE 9-1-1 COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FIRE DEPARTMENT AND EMS IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$850,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey (the "Township"), is hereby authorized to upgrade the 9-1-1 Communications System for the Police Department, Fire Department and EMS in, by and for the Township. Said improvement shall include all work, materials, equipment and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$850,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvement described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of said Township, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Township pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$850,000, and (4) \$42,500 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$807,500, and (6) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$23,000, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$42,500, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for the Township, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$42,500 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Township of an aggregate principal mount not exceeding \$807,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 6. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$807,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 7. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the Township and attested by the Township Clerk or Deputy Township Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance, and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk of the Township, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$807,500 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 10. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Passaic, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of said purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for said purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 11. The Township intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the Township incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the Township hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 12. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Township, and the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection. Section 14. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Poll: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Aves:

Nays: The Council President declared the motion passed.

None

Ordinance No.1441 - It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that there be introduced and the meeting of April 25, 2022 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1441 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS AT MAIN STREET (PHASE III) IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,175,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Little Falls, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey (the "Township"), is hereby authorized to undertake streetscape improvements at Main Street (Phase III) in, by and for the Township. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$1,175,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the down payment and the State grant appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of the Township, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the Township pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$1,175,000, and (4) \$583,000 of said sum is to be provided by the State grant hereinafter appropriated, and (5) \$30,000 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (6) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$562,000, and (7) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$50,000, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that the sum of \$583,000 received or to be received as a grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of such purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$30,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for the Township, are now available to finance said purpose.

The sum of \$30,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose. Section 6. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$562,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 7. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$562,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 8. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the Township and attested by the Township Clerk or Deputy Township Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance, and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk of the Township, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$562,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 11. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Passaic, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose (other than the State grant hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purpose, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 12. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 13. The Township intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 1 of this ordinance. If the Township incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the Township hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this ordinance.

Section 14. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Township, and the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 15. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Poll Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

## COUNCIL TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

Councilmember KAHWATY commented on baseball and softball Opening Day and announced a drone was presented to PVHS by the Passaic County Film Commission.

Councilmember HABLITZ highlighted Library events, including a showcase from the Girl Scouts robotics team, a build-your-own motorized art event, adult tote bag painting, and Family Bingo. The Annual Shred Event will be held on April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Municipal Building.

Councilmember VANCHERI thanked the Mayor for the two Proclamations read today and gave a special thanks Corporal Vanak. He announced April 10-16<sup>th</sup> is National Public Safety Telecommuters Week and provided a status report on Memorial Day weekend plans. Lastly, he thanked Chief Steve Post for his service to the Township.

Councilmember SEBER announced Breakfast with the Bunny will be at the Recreation Center this weekend and the Spring Rabies Clinic will be at the 307 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Clifton on April 20<sup>th</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup>. Lastly, Councilmember SEBER reminded everyone that May 22<sup>nd</sup> is opening day of the Farmers Market.

Mayor Damiano expressed his best wishes to Chief Post on his retirement and gratitude for his 28+years of service.

Council President SGOBBA announced the Senior Advisory Committee's Spring Fling Event will be on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Anyone wishing to address the Township Council may do so through the Council President. Please give your name and address for the record. Comments are to be limited to three minutes, however, if appropriate, you may be granted additional time at the sole discretion of the Council President.

Members of the public who have joined the meeting virtually and desire to provide comment shall raise their virtual hand in the Zoom application. The Meeting moderator will queue the members of the public that wish to provide comment and the Council President will recognize them in order. Members of the public who have joined the meeting by calling in must press \*6 to mute and unmute themselves and \*9 to raise their hand. Members of the public who have joined the Meeting via the Zoom application must click the Reactions icon and then the Raise Hand icon. Please give your name and address for the record. Once the process is complete, we will return to the regular order of business.

It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that the meeting be and it was opened to the public.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

<u>Ann Kahwaty</u> – 45 Morningside Circle, on behalf of the Library, thanked the Council for introducing Ordinance No. 1436.

<u>Luis Fernandez-</u> questioned whether Ordinance No. 1440 had any relation to the Pinnacle Corporation. Mayor Damiano stated items pertinent to Ordinance No. 1440 will be utilized right away. In regard Mr. Fernandez's query on Ordinance No. 1441, Mayor Damiano will provide the information requested at the next Meeting.

No one further having come forward to be heard, it was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Kahwaty, that the meeting be and it was closed to the public.

Poll: Ayes: Hablitz, Kahwaty, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

At this time, Deputy Chief Prall thanked the Council for their support of the Coffee with a Cop program. On April 27<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders will graduate from the Law Enforcement Against Drugs program. The Junior Police Academy will be held June 20-24<sup>th</sup> and has approximately 40 recruits. Deputy Chief Prall then announced that during April there is Distracted Driving Enforcement Campaign called You Text, You Drive, You Pay.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Councilmember Seber, seconded by Councilmember Hablitz, that the meeting be and it was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Cynthia Kraus Municipal Clerk