

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS
WAS HELD THIS EVENING IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Monday, August 27, 2018

Council President Anthony Sgobba called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Maria Cordonnier, Willam Liess, Tanya Seber, and Christopher Vancheri. Also present were Mayor James Damiano, Township Attorney Joseph Wenzel, Township Engineer Paul Przybylinski, Township Administrator Charles Cuccia and Township Clerk Cynthia Kraus.

Absent: Police Chief Steven Post

Township Employees present: DPW Superintendent Phillip Simone, Deputy Registrar Marlene Simone, Fire Chief Jack Sweezy, and Sgt. Daniel Gianduso, OEM.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Following the Salute to the Flag, Council President SGOBBA requested a moment of silence for the passing of Senator John McCain.

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 January 2, 2018. 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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Vancheri, that the Minutes of the Workshop Meeting of August 13, 2018 and the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 23, 2018 be and they were approved.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
 Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

REMARKS FROM CHAIR

Council President SGOBBA thanked all the Township employees, Councilmembers, and the Mayor, who provided assistance during the recent flooding incident.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Councilmember VANCHERI remarked on the life and recent passing of John McCain.

Councilmember LIESS reported the Senior Advisory Board is working on ideas for seniors in the upcoming months.

Councilmember CORDONNIER thanked Sargeant Gianduso, OEM Coordinator, and members of the Office for Emergency Management for their coordinated efforts in helping those affected by the flood. She also thanked Bob Dombrowski for representing St. Agnes outreach efforts to help those in need.

Councilmember SEBER expressed her gratitude and pride for those who helped individuals and the community at large.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Damiano thanked the We Love You Foundation for all of their assistance during the past few weeks following the flood. The Mayor invited representatives of the Foundation to the podium and extended a heartfelt thank you on behalf of the Council and residents to the membership for their hard work and hours of assistance provided to residents in need.

Mayor Damiano remarked on the passing of Senator John McCain and announced the flag will be placed at half-staff. The Mayor thanked all those in Little Falls who were instrumental in helping the residents affected by the flood, including the Police Department, Fire Department, to the DPW Department. The Fire Department was responsible for assuring the safety of 45 individuals pulled from their homes on August 11, 2018. The Police Department secured the areas that were affected. The DPW was involved in the initial evacuations and garbage removal in the aftermath. The Office of Emergency Management, headed by Sergeant Gianduso, made sure everyone had enough cleaning supplies and had somewhere to stay that was cool. The Mayor thanked the Council for taking on a task to help and assist the residents. The Mayor also thanked Mr. Cuccia, Mrs. Kraus, and Mrs. Simone for acquiring the emergency appropriations and for all their assistance on the municipal side.

DISCUSSION OF STOP SIGN PLACEMENT AT UNION AVENUE AND RAILROAD AVENUE

The Mayor stated there is no stop sign at the end of Railroad or Union Avenues, posing a safety concern. The Mayor recommended an ordinance be introduced to add a stop sign at the end of Railroad Avenue to allow those traversing down Union Avenue to have the right of way. The Mayor added the stop sign placement should be on Railroad Avenue as it is owned by the municipality. He also requested this issue be moved on quickly. Councilmember

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VANCHERI thanked the Mayor for his recommendation, noting this area has been discussed during Transportation Committee meetings, and he looked forward to seeing this on a future Council Agenda.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Mr. Wenzel had nothing to report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

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

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

C O N S E N T A G E N D A

Council President SGOBBA announced the Consent Agenda item under Correspondence will be voted on separately, as there is a conflict of interest involving Councilmember Seber.

All items on the Consent Agenda were considered to be routine and were enacted with a single motion. Any items under REQUISITIONS carried a Treasurer’s certification as to sufficiency of funds.

REPORTS

Municipal Clerk’s Report – Month of July 2018

MUNICIPAL CLERKS REPORT Month of July 2018		
ABC LICENSES		\$220.00
OTHER LICENSES		
Business Licenses	\$1,475.00	
Pre-paid Business Licenses		
Raffle Licenses	60.00	
		\$1,535.00
REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS		
Fees & Permits	\$544.00	
Marriage Licenses-LF	\$18.00	
Marriage Licenses-NJ	\$150.00	
		\$692.00
MRNA		
Street Maps		
Zoning Maps		
Zoning Ordinances		
Document Copies	\$1.95	
Garage Sales	\$30.00	
Misc. Fees & Refunds:	\$36,725.00	
TOTAL MRNA		<u>\$36,786.95</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ACCOUNT		<u>\$39,223.95</u>
TOTAL TO TREASURER		<u>\$39,223.95</u>

Municipal Clerks Dog/Cat License Report - Month of July 2018

MUNICIPAL CLERK'S DOG/CAT LICENSE REPORT Month of July 2018	
Dog Licenses issued 07/01/2018 thru 07/31/2018	
Nos. 260 to 290 = 31 Licenses	
Amount due Little Falls	\$210.80
Amount due State	\$40.20
Total Cash Received	\$251.00
Cat Licenses issued 07/01/2018 thru 07/31/2018	
Nos. 19 to 21	
Licenses Issued	
Total Cash Received	<u>\$16.00</u>
Total to Treas.	<u>\$267.00</u>

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Tax Collector's Report – Month of July, 2018

MONTHLY REPORT

Municipality of Township of Little Falls
 Office of the Tax Collector
 Township of Little Falls Current Account, Lakeland Bank
 Revenues Collector for the Month of July 2018

Categories 01-	July 1-31, 2018	2018 Year to Date
2018 Taxes	\$3,086,606.51	\$24,707,633.74
2017&2016 Taxes	19,786.33	312,620.51
Interest	5,419.66	44,459.86
Duplicate Tax Bills	15.00	60.00
Insufficient Check Fee	0.00	260.00
6% Penalty Fee	0.00	4,975.24
GRAND TOTALS	\$3,111,827.50	\$25,070,009.35

Delinquent 2016 Taxes \$817,845.89
 Delinquent 2017 Taxes 170,208.35
 Delinquent 2018 Taxes 370,335.74
Total Delinquent Taxes \$1,358,389.98

2018 Refunds this month = -\$0.00
 2018 Year to date refunds = -\$17,011.02

Breakdown of refunds for years 2013-2018 completed in 2018(see attached).

REFUNDS IN THE YEAR 2018

Months	2013 STCJ	2014 STCJ	2015 STCJ	2016 STCJ	2017 STCJ	2018 CBJ	Regular 2018	2018 Veteran/Widow	2018 Senior/Disabled	Exempt 2018	Total by Months
January	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
February	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
March	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,537.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,537.47
April	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
May	\$0.00	\$2,080.83	\$2,137.82	\$2,169.10	\$2,198.29	\$0.00	\$1,473.55	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,059.59
June	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
July	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	\$0.00	\$2,080.83	\$2,137.82	\$2,169.10	\$2,198.29	\$0.00	\$17,011.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,597.06

Note: The above figures represent the months that the Tax Collector did the adjustments in the computer; the Resolution(s) may have been adopted in the next month.

STCJ = State Tax Court Judgments.
 CBJ= County Board Judgments.

Municipality of Township of Little Falls
 Office of the Tax Collector
 Township of Little Falls Tax Collector Trust 1 (Lien Monies), Lakeland Bank
 Revenues for the Month of July 2018

	Deposit	2018 Year-to-Date
January 2018	\$19,800.97	\$19,800.97
February 2018	\$ 0.00	\$19,800.97
March 2018	\$ 0.00	\$19,800.97
April 2018	\$ 0.00	\$19,800.97
May 2018	\$ 0.00	\$19,800.97
June 2018	\$ 0.00	\$19,800.97
July 2018	\$ 0.00	\$19,800.97
Total Collected as of July 31, 2018		\$19,800.97

Municipality of Township of Little Falls
 Office of the Tax Collector
 Township of Little Falls Tax Collector Trust 2 (Lien Premium Monies), Lakeland Bank
 Revenues for the Month of July 2018

	Liens with Premiums Redeemed/ (-)	Bal. /Dep. (+)
Balance Brought Forward (January 1, 2018)		\$286,300.00
January 2018	\$ -8,900.00	\$277,400.00
February 2018	\$ 0.00	\$277,400.00
March 2018	\$ 0.00	\$277,400.00
April 2018	\$ 0.00	\$277,400.00
May 2018	\$ 0.00	\$277,400.00
June 2018	\$ 0.00	\$277,400.00
July 2018	\$ 0.00	\$277,400.00
Ending Balance as of July 31, 2018		\$277,400.00

Recreation Report – Month of July, 2018

The following is a condensed version of our Excel work spread sheet providing the data on an ongoing basis for the Receptions Center.

Participants: indicates only those who participated in the various programs held here during the each month, it is not reflective of any spectators who might have attended these events.

Session: indicates the number of events held during each month.

Hours: indicates the total number of hours which were used to hold the session during each month and is not reflective of the total number hours the facility was open. It should be noted that the utilized number of hours may exceed the total number of hours of operation due to multiple events occurring at the same time.

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Recreation Center Usage Report

Month	Participants	Sessions	Hours Utilized
January 2018	4,284	165	333
February 2018	3,493	157	306
March 2018	2,949	170	198
April 2018	3,796	175	243
May 2018	6,544	173	205
June 2018	6,790	188	341
July 2018	6,547	185	275

Civic Center Report - Month of July, 2018

The following is a condensed version of our Excel work spread sheet providing the data on an ongoing basis for the Civic Center.

Month	Participants
January 2018	365
February 2018	427
March 2018	649
April 2018	548
May 2018	605
June 2018*	420
July 2018	455

*Does not include Election Day usage

Construction Report – Month of July, 2018

Uniform Construction Code

Permits Issued – 57

Total Value of Construction - \$3,202,134.00

Total Fees Collected - \$2520.00

Permit Fees Collected - \$22,750.00

Total Fees Collected - \$25,270.00

Zoning

Fence Permits – 4 @ \$50.00

Zoning Applications – 1 @ \$200.00

Total Fees Collected - \$1250.00

Property Maintenance

Certificates of Compliance Issued – 22 @ \$35.00

Warnings Issued – 19

Complaints Addressed – 6

Roll-off permits – 7 @ \$10.00

Total Fees Collected - \$840.00

APPLICATIONS

NEW JERSEY SOUTH HILLS PET RESCUE, INC., ON-PREMISE 50/50, 10/20/18, 5:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M., 245 PATERSON AVENUE, LITTLE FALLS

NEW JERSEY SOUTH HILLS PET RESCUE, INC., TRICKY TRAY, 10/20/18, 5:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M., 245 PATERSON AVENUE, LITTLE FALLS

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ANGELS CHURCH, OFF-PREMISE 50/50, 11/16/18, 6:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M., 465 MAIN STREET, LITTLE FALLS

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ANGELS CHURCH, TRICKY TRAY, 11/16/18, 6:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M., 465 MAIN STREET, LITTLE FALLS

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ANGELS CHURCH, BINGO, 11/16/18, 6:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M., 465 MAIN STREET, LITTLE FALLS

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ANGELS CHURCH, ON-PREMISE 50/50, 6:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M., 465 MAIN STREET, LITTLE FALLS

RESOLUTIONS

Review of 2017 Annual Report of Audit

RESOLUTION [A] 18-08-27 #1

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, The Annual Report of Audit for the year 2017 has been filled by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk as per the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey is authorized to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs, as per R.S. 52:27BB-34; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled:

General Comments

Recommendations

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and, **WHEREAS**, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled:

General Comments
Recommendations

as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, as per the regulations of the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the promulgations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52 – to wit:
R.S. 52:27BB-52 – “A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls, hereby states that it has complied with the promulgation of the Local Finance Board of the state of New Jersey dated July 30, 1968 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

Corrective Action Plan for 2017 Annual Audit

**TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS
PASSAIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION [B] 18-08-27 - #2**

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has formally directed all municipalities to adopt a Corrective Action Plan as part of their annual audit process; and

WHEREAS, this Corrective Action Plan shall be submitted to the Director of Local Government Services upon adoption of the Governing Body and it shall be kept on file with the Township Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Plan shall cover all audit findings and recommendations and be prepared in accordance with the Single Audit Act OMB Circular 128 and Local Finance Notice of 92-15; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council hereby approves the attached Corrective Action Plan for the 2017 Annual Audit;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk is hereby directed to maintain said Plan in Township files, available to the public.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution, including the Corrective Action Plan, be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Insertion of Special Item of Revenue and Appropriation Firefighter Grant

**TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS
PASSAIC COUNTY NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION [C] 18-08-27 - #3**

SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls in the County of Passaic, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2018 in the sum of \$925.00, which is now available from Miscellaneous Revenues – Section F – Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with prior written consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public & Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations New Jersey American Water Company Firefighter Grant-\$925.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$925.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption:

General Appropriations	
(A) Operations – Excluded from “CAPS”	
Public & Private Programs Offset by Revenues	
New Jersey American Water Company Firefighter Grant	-\$925.00

Insertion of Special Item of Revenue and Appropriation Fire Prevention Grant

**TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS
PASSAIC COUNTY NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION [D] 18-08-27 - #4
SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION**

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls in the County of Passaic, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2018 in the sum of \$1,500.00, which is now available from Miscellaneous Revenues – Section F – Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with prior written consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public & Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations FM Global Fire Prevention Grant-\$1,500.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$1,500.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption:

General Appropriations	
(A) Operations – Excluded from “CAPS”	
Public & Private Programs Offset by Revenues	
FM Global Fire Prevention Grant-	\$1,500.00

Authorization to Waive Interest Charges

**RESOLUTION [E] 18-08-27 - #5
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO WAIVE INTEREST FEES ON A PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the property owner of Block 128, Lot 2, C798, also known as 79 Turnberry Road, Unit 8A, paid their third 2018 quarter property taxes on 7/31/18; and

WHEREAS, the payment was not processed by the bank before the grace period ended and an interest charge of \$19.35 was levied;

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to waive the interest charge in the amount of \$19.35 for the 2018 third quarter tax period on the above-noted property.

Release of Performance Bond

**RESOLUTION [F] 18-08-27 #6
RESOLUTION FOR RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND**

The Township Council hereby authorizes the release of the Performance bond for Autumn Pointe at Little Falls Condominium Association in accordance with the recommendations of the Township Attorney as provided in correspondence dated August 10, 2018. The Township Council also authorizes, and requires, the submission of a maintenance bond for a period of two (2) years as recommended by the Township Attorney and in accordance with the Municipal Land Use Law (§40:44D-53.3 & 5).

Authorization to Waive Permit Fees for Flood-Affected Residents

**RESOLUTION [G] 18-08-27 #7
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND FIRE PREVENTION OFFICES TO WAIVE PERMIT FEES FOR FLOOD-AFFECTED RESIDENTS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Building Department and Fire Prevention Offices to waive permit fees for residents who were affected by the flood on August 11, 2018.

Bill List

RESOLUTION [H] 18-08-27 - #8

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.

It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Cordonnier, that the Consent Agenda be approved as printed.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Liess, that the following be approved:

CORRESPONDENCE

REQUEST FROM LITTLE FALLS ATHLETIC CLUB FOR PERMISSION TO CONDUCT A CAN SHAKE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018 AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2018 AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF ROUTE 23/MAIN STREET, MAIN STREET/STEVENS AVENUE AND MAIN STREET/UNION BOULEVARD

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Abstain: Seber
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1329-It was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Vancheri, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1329, "**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 19, ANIMALS,**" be and it was opened.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

No one having come forward to be heard, it was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Liess, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1329 be and it was closed.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Liess, that the Ordinance No. 1329 be and it was adopted.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No. 1330-It was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Vancheri, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1330, "**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE SINGAC INDUSTRIAL ZONE REDEVELOPMENT AREA,**" be and it was opened.

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Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

No one having come forward to be heard, it was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Vancheri, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1330 be and it was closed.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Seber, that the Ordinance No. 1330 be and it was adopted.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No. 1331-It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Cordonnier, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1331, **“BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE RECONSTRUCTION OF DONATO DRIVE IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS, IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$750,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, 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 and it was opened.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Luis Fernandez, Harrison Street, questioned whether the Township obtained a grant pertaining to the Donato Drive project. Mayor Damiano clarified that a grant was obtained from the DOT, and further elaborated on how grant funds operate. Grant money will not be provided by the DOT until the Township demonstrates the funds were spent. The Township will then be reimbursed for the grant amount. The amount of \$750,000 was appropriated in the event something further needed to be done once the road is opened up.

No one further having come forward to be heard, it was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Vancheri, that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1331 be and it was closed.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

It was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Liess, that the Ordinance No. 1331 be and it was adopted.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No. 1332-It was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Vancheri, that there be introduced and the meeting of September 24, 2018 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

ORDINANCE NO. 1332

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 71 FEES

WHEREAS, the Township of Little Falls (“Township”) is a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey; and
WHEREAS, the Township’s Code of General Ordinances (“Code”) currently provides for the regulation of its Fees in the Township;
WHEREAS, the municipal council (“Municipal Council”) of the Township has determined to amend Chapter 71 of the Code entitled

Fees; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council has determined to amend said Chapter of the Code as follows:

71-2 Fees Schedule

CERTIFICIATE OF COMPLIANCE CHAPTER 37

Sale of a One and Two-Family Dwelling	\$ 55
Rental of a One and Two-Family Dwelling	\$ 55
Rental of a dwelling unit within multifamily dwelling (3 or more units)	\$100
Resale of a multifamily dwelling (3 to 6 units)	\$180
Resale of a Multifamily dwelling exceeding 6 units	\$180
plus \$10 every additional unit	
Single rooms rented in a one and two family dwelling	\$15
Resale of a Commercial Building	\$250
Lease of a Commercial Building	\$150

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New Construction Use Groups CHAPTER 46

A-5, B, E, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5, I-1, I-2, I-3, I-4, M, H, U \$.040/cf

A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, F-1, F-2, S-1, S-2 \$.030/cf

Fees for renovations, etc.: estimated cost:

Fees for additions shall be computed the same way as new construction

The minimum fee for any permit issued for the building subcode \$75

For a combination of alteration and additions; the sum of the fees computed separately as alterations and additions

Accessory Structures, decks, communication tower and outdoor structures requiring a construction permit shall be figured under the alteration fee

Signs: Square foot surface area sign (both sides of a double-face signs) and Awnings with Business name and/or logo \$6/sqft

Retaining Walls for R-3 and R-5 \$50

In all other use groups, it shall be computed as an alteration

Radon Remediation \$50

Demolition Fees

One-and two family dwelling(All Use Groups Except U) under 5,000 square feet \$250

All Use Groups Except U over 5,000 square feet \$500

Plumbing fixtures and equipment: Chapter 46-3D

First three Fixtures and appliances (except listed below) \$100 and every additional shall be \$25 per fixture

The Minimum fee for any permit issued for the Plumbing subcode \$100

Fire protection and other hazardous equipment fees. Chapter 46-3E

~~Smoke, heat, and carbon monoxide detectors~~ Alarm and Supervisory Devices

~~One to Twelve~~ One to Ten \$125

For each ~~25~~ 5 additional detectors \$35

Commercial Fire Alarm Control Panel \$125

Sprinklers:

20 or fewer heads \$100

21 to 100 heads \$150

101 to 200 heads \$250

~~201 to 400~~ 201 to 500 \$500

~~401 to 1,000 heads~~ 501 to 1,000 heads \$750

Over 1,001 heads \$1000

Pre-engineered suppression system \$150

Private yard fire hydrants \$100

kitchen exhaust system \$225

Fire Service Line \$225

Smoke Control System \$225

Fire Place venting/ Metal Chimney \$75

Oil and fuel tank installation \$75

Oil and fuel tank Removal \$75

The Minimum fee for any permit issued for the fire subcode \$75

Mechanical Inspection Fees (by a mechanical inspector in Use Groups R-3 and R-4):

Mechanical inspection fee for first device \$50

Additional device \$25 each

Electrical fees: Chapter 46-3 G

Electrical fixtures and devices:

Minimum fee \$65

From 1 to 50 receptacles, fixtures or switches \$125

Increments of 25 additional items \$25

For the purpose of computing this fee, the term "receptacles, fixtures or switches" shall include lighting outlets, fluorescent fixtures, intercom devices, CRT outlets, smoke detectors, pool bonding, thermostats, light standards, heat detectors, burglar alarm devices, communication points and telephone outlets.

Solar, minimum fee \$75

Each array shall be listed as communication point.

Each inverter shall be listed as switch.

Each disconnect shall be included and listed as amp motor control center/disconnect.

Back-fed circuit breaker shall be listed as subpanel or, if a stand-alone system, as a service.

The minimum fee for any permit issued for the electrical subcode \$100

136. XI. Consistency, Severability and Repealer

(A) If any provision or portion of a provision of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional, preempted by Federal or State law, or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of the ordinance shall not be invalidated.

(B) All ordinances or parts of ordinances, which are inconsistent with any provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed as to the extent of such inconsistencies.

(C) No provision of this ordinance shall be construed to impair any common law or statutory cause of action, or legal remedy there from, of any person for injury or damage arising from any violation of this ordinance or from other law.

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

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Municipal Council hereby amends Chapter 71 of the Code entitled Fees of the Code of the Township of Little Falls.
3. It is the intent of the Municipal Council to incorporate the additions and/or supplements contained in this Ordinance in to the Code. All of the remaining provisions in Chapter 71 of the Code entitled Fees of the Code shall remain unchanged and have full force and legal effect. All other ordinances enacted and inconsistent herewith are hereby modified pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance.
4. 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 remaining portions of this Ordinance.
5. A copy of this Ordinance shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Township Clerk.
6. This Ordinance shall take effect after twenty (20) days of its final passage by the Municipal Council, upon approval by the Mayor and publication as required by law.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

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Ordinance No. 1333-It was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Vancheri, that there be introduced and the meeting of September 24, 2018 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

ORDINANCE N O . 1 3 3 3
ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 71 FEES

WHEREAS, the Township of Little Falls (“Township”) is a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey; and
WHEREAS, the Township’s Code of General Ordinances (“Code”) currently provides for the regulation of its Fees in the Township;
WHEREAS, the municipal council (“Municipal Council”) of the Township has determined to amend Chapter 71 of the Code entitled Fees; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council has determined to amend said Chapter of the Code as follows:
71-2 Fees Schedule

Chapter 3	ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT	
3-7.7L (3)	Police officer application fee	\$75 \$125.00

136. XI. Consistency, Severability and Repealer

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(B) All ordinances or parts of ordinances, which are inconsistent with any provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed as to the extent of such inconsistencies.

(C) No provision of this ordinance shall be construed to impair any common law or statutory cause of action, or legal remedy there from, of any person for injury or damage arising from any violation of this ordinance or from other law.

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

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Municipal Council hereby amends Chapter 71 of the Code entitled Fees of the Code of the Township of Little Falls.
3. It is the intent of the Municipal Council to incorporate the additions and/or supplements contained in this Ordinance in to the Code. All of the remaining provisions in Chapter 71 of the Code entitled Fees of the Code shall remain unchanged and have full force and legal effect. All other ordinances enacted and inconsistent herewith are hereby modified pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance.
4. 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 remaining portions of this Ordinance.
5. A copy of this Ordinance shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Township Clerk.
6. This Ordinance shall take effect after twenty (20) days of its final passage by the Municipal Council, upon approval by the Mayor and publication as required by law.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No. 1334-It was moved by Councilmember Vancheri, seconded by Councilmember Seber, that there be introduced and the meeting of September 24, 2018 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

ORDINANCE N O . 1 3 3 4
ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 280 ENTITLED ZONING

WHEREAS, the Township of Little Falls (“Township”) is a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey; and
WHEREAS, the Township’s Code of General Ordinances (“Code”) currently provide for the regulation of development throughout the Township; and

WHEREAS, the municipal council (“Municipal Council”) of the Township has determined to amend Chapter 280 -149 Encroachments in Required side yards as follows;

- A. The space in any required yard shall be open and unobstructed except as follows:
- B.

(1) An awning or movable canopy shall be permitted to project not more than four feet into any yard whether or not such yard meets required setback requirements, but in no event shall be permitted to extend beyond the lot line.

(2) An arbor, open trellis, flagpole, unroofed steps, unroofed porch and recreation and drying yard equipment shall be permitted to encroach no closer than six feet to the property line.

(3) An awning or movable canopy shall be permitted to project not more than six feet into any required yard setback.

(4) A generator or air conditioner condensing unit shall be permitted to project not more than six feet into any yard whether or not such yard meets required setback requirements, but in no event shall be permitted to extend beyond the lot line. Generator and air conditioner condensing units are required to be screened. Fences, hedges or screen plantings may be used to meet the required screening. Fences, hedges or screen plantings erected in compliance with section 280-166 shall also meet the requirements of this chapter.

1. This ordinance shall be sent to the Planning Board for their review and comments prior to the final adoption by the Governing Body.
2. A copy of this Ordinance shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Township Clerk.
3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage by the Municipal Council, and approval by the Mayor and publication as required by law.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Ordinance No. 1335-It was moved by Councilmember Liess, seconded by Councilmember Seber, that there be introduced and the meeting of September 24, 2018 set as the date for the public hearing of the following:

ORDINANCE N O . 1 3 3 5
ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 7 ENTITLED TRAFFIC

WHEREAS, the Township of Little Falls (“Township”) is a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey; and
WHEREAS, the Township’s Code of General Ordinances (“Code”) currently provide vehicular traffic excluded from certain streets in the Township; and

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WHEREAS, the municipal council ("Municipal Council") of the Township has determined to amend Chapter 7 entitled Traffic Section 7-19 Through Streets to add an additional street as follows;

7-19 Through Streets

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-140, the streets or parts of streets described are hereby designated as through streets. Stop signs shall be installed on the near right side of each street intersecting the through street except where yield signs are provided for in the designation.

Name of Street **Direction**

Glen Rock Road **Entire length within the corporate limits of Little Falls Township**

A stop sign shall be installed on the intersecting streets at Oak Crescent, Overmont Road and Overlook Road facing the traffic entering on to Glen Rock Road.

1. A copy of this Ordinance shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Township Clerk.
2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage by the Municipal Council, and approval by the Mayor and publication as required by law.

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
 Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT –GENERAL MATTERS

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

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri and Council President Sgobba
 Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

Phyllis Dillon, 25 Riker Avenue, expressed concern regarding the repair of the rear steps to the Civic Center in time for the Harvest Moon Dance. Mayor Damiano replied that the Township applied for a Community Block Development Grant (CDBG) to enhance ADA accessibility to the entries of the Morris Canal and the Civic Center. CDBG grants are generally awarded in October at which point the Mayor described the potential timeline should an award be given. Action may not occur until the spring of 2019. In response to Council President SGOBBA's query, Mayor Damiano indicated the estimates submitted with the grant application were approximately \$250,000. In response to Councilmember Seber, Mayor Damiano indicated the deadline for the grant was March 31st.

Deborah Minardi, 14 Sindle Avenue, cited an issue of a neighbor renting to a MSU students and possible living conditions that may be illegal. Mayor Damiano stated he forwarded the complaint to the Building Department and an investigation has been undertaken.

Dan Isku, 76 William Street, stated he experienced his first flood on August 11, 2018. He would like to know what resources he could receive to restore his home and prevent future flooding. Mayor Damiano explained the municipality itself does not have funds available to help individual property owners. The Township continues to look for the federal government to declare Little Falls and the surrounding communities a disaster area, such that the federal government can then send funds to our municipality. He emphasized that the FEMA threshold is difficult to reach. While the Mayor noted he will continue to work towards this goal, he encouraged Mr. Isku to reach out to FEMA directly. The Mayor also instructed that a homeowner can always elevate his or her home, however, this is an expensive option. Mr. Wenzel then indicated his request to speak to Mr. Isku after the meeting.

Bob Dombrowski, 3 Garden Street, discussed the Brookside stream which flows under Main Street. Mayor Damiano recounted a prior discussion with Mr. Simone, who had indicated how much water pump stations received during the rain of August 11, 2018. Some stations took in two to four times the amount of water they were engineered to manage. The infrastructure throughout the State is not made to handle that type of rain in a short period of time.

Luis Fernandez, Harrison Street, requested the threshold amount for Little Falls to receive FEMA funding. Council President SGOBBA stated the formula does not only include Little Falls, adding the Township does not set the guidelines. Mr. Fernandez questioned the involvement of the Governor and Senators. Council President SGOBBA noted Senator Corrado and Assemblymen Rooney were both here. Mayor Damiano added he received calls from Senator Menendez, Senator Booker, and Congressman Pascrell, who all were willing to help the Township get funding. Mr. Fernandez complimented the DPW Department on a great job cleaning up after the recent flood, and queried how long the dumpsters will be available to residents. The Mayor responded that the dumpsters will be removed this week from all locations in the Township. However, as residents continue to clean up, debris will either be picked up with normal collection or for a larger collection, the DPW can be contacted to pickup.

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

Poll: Ayes: Cordonnier, Liess, Seber, Vancheri, and Council President Sgobba
 Nays: None

The Council President declared the motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was moved by Councilmember Cordonnier, seconded by Councilmember Seber, that the meeting be and it was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Cynthia Kraus
Municipal Clerk