

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022

7:00 P.M.

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 JANUARY 14, 2022. A COPY OF THE NOTICE WAS MAILED TO THE NORTH JERSEY HERALD & 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.

THIS MEETING IS BEING CONDUCTED UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE COVID-19 HEALTH SITUATION. ONLY 25 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON. A LINK AND A TELEPHONE NUMBER TO JOIN THE MEETING VIRTUALLY CAN BE ACCESSED ON THE TOWNSHIP WEBSITE AT WWW.LENJ.COM. ELECTRONIC PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE PUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING.

ROLL CALL

MINUTES

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2022
AND THE WORKSHOP MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14, 2022

MAYOR'S REPORT

MAYOR'S BUDGET PRESENTATION

PRESENTATION BY LITTLE FALLS HISTORICAL SOCIETY RE 35 STEVENS AVENUE

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

PUBLIC HEARING ON TOWNSHIP'S APPLICATION TO THE PASSAIC COUNTY OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION TRUST FUND FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO WILMORE ROAD PARK

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 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.

CONSENT AGENDA

ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND WILL BE ENACTED WITH A SINGLE MOTION. FOR ANY ITEMS UNDER REQUISITIONS THE TREASURER HAS SUPPLIED A CERTIFICATION OF THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

REPORTS

MUNICIPAL CLERK'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

MUNICIPAL CLERK'S DOG/CAT LICENSE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

RECREATION CENTER REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

CIVIC CENTER REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

CONSTRUCTION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

FINANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

APPLICATIONS

NJ STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, RYAN TOLOMEO, MORNINGSIDE CIRCLE, LITTLE FALLS, COMPANY #4

RAFFLE, PASSAIC VALLEY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FOUNDATION, MERCHANDISE RAFFLE, 4/13/22, 5:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M., 100 EAST MAIN STREET, LITTLE FALLS

CORRESPONDENCE

REQUEST FROM ENTERPRISE FIRE CO. #2 FOR PERMISSION TO CONDUCT A BOOT DRIVE AT THE INTERSECTION OF MAIN STREET AND UNION AVENUE ON FRIDAY MAY 6, 2022 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 4:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. AND SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2022 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 P.M. AND 4:00 P.M. WITH RAIN DATES OF MAY 13, 2022 AND MAY 14, 2022.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO ISSUE A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,468.78 REPRESENTING TAX REFUNDS ON SEVERAL PROPERTIES DUE TO OVERPAYMENTS [A]

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION TO THE PASSAIC COUNTY OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION TRUST FUND FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO WILMORE ROAD PARK [B]

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO PASSAIC COUNTY CDBG PROGRAM FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO CHERRY STREET [C]

LITTLE FALLS FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION [D]

BILL LIST [E]

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT - GENERAL MATTERS

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RESOLUTION [A] 22-02-28 # _____

WHEREAS, the following properties in the Township of Little Falls, New Jersey have overpaid real estate taxes in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is requesting that the Township Council direct the Treasurer to refund said amounts overpaid listed below;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Little Falls, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that the following listed tax refunds be made by the Township Treasurer:

<u>Tax Year & Qtr.</u>	<u>Block Lot/Q</u>	<u>Taxpayer/ Location</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2022/1	94/7	Est of Josephine Sykes 44 Walnut St	Est of Josephine Sykes c/o Diane Duran 49 Devonshire Rd Cedar Grove NJ 07009	O/P	\$ 1,986.63
2022/1	96/8 C102	Patel, Milankumar K & Hiral M 102 Abbe Rd	Corelogic Centralized Refunds PO Box 9202 Coppell TX 75019-9760	O/P	112.73
2022/1	114/16	Cestone, James Jr & V 1 First Av	Accumatch 2711 LBJ Frwy, Ste 1065 Dallas TX 75234	O/P	2,797.66
2022/1	184.01/19	Mueller, Austin & A 25 Birch Rd	Austin & Anna Mueller 25 Birch Rd Little Falls NJ 07424	O/P	208.78
2022/1	218/8.03	Handel Contractors Inc 60 Sindle Av	Accumatch 2711 LBJ Frwy, Ste 1065 Dallas TX 75234	O/P	<u>6,362.98</u>
Total Refunds					\$11,468.78

APPROVED: _____

cc: Finance Dept.
Tax Collector

RESOLUTION [B] 22-02-28 - # _____

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Little Falls are requesting funding through the Passaic County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund for improvements to Wilmore Road Park (also referred to as Wilmore Park); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Shared Services Act, such funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the Township of Little Falls; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Mayor and Council of the Township of Little Falls do hereby confirm endorsement of the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council certify the resolution for the application to be presented to the Passaic County Department of Planning.

APPROVED:

James Damiano, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I Hereby Certify That The Above Resolution Is A True Copy Of The Resolution Adopted By The Mayor And Council At Their Regular Meeting Held on February 28, 2022 at The Township of Little Falls Municipal Building, 225 Main St., Little Falls, New Jersey 07424.

Cynthia Kraus
Township Clerk

RESOLUTION [C] 22-02-28 - #_____

At a meeting held on February 28, 2022, the Municipal Council of the Township of Little Falls adopted the following resolution:

The Municipal Council authorizes an application to the Passaic County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for Improvements to Cherry Street described in the proposal. If awarded CDBG funds, the Municipality shall implement the activities in a manner to ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

Printed Name of Authorized Representative

Telephone Number

LITTLE FALLS FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

The Township of Little Falls supports Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination. It is the policy of the Township of Little Falls to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, nationality, familial status, marital or domestic partnership status, affectional or sexual orientation, atypical hereditary cellular or blood trait, genetic information, liability for military service, mental or physical disability, perceived disability, AIDS/HIV status and Lawful Income or Source of Lawful Rent Payment (Section 8). The Township of Little Falls further objects to discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability as prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination. Therefore, the Municipal Council of the Township of Little Falls do hereby approve the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources, the Township of Little Falls will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against under one of the aforementioned categories, to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the New Jersey Division on Civil Rights and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township of Little Falls shall publicize this resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, and any local laws or ordinances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the municipality will at a minimum include, but not be limited to: (1) the printing and publicizing of this resolution, a fair housing public notice and other applicable fair housing information through local media, community contacts and placement on the Municipal website and in other social media; (2) distribution of posters, flyers, and any other means which will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing.

Approved this 28th day of February 2022

ATTEST:

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

Printed Name of Authorized Representative

Telephone Number