MINUTES OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MARCH 16, 2015 COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, convened in a regular session on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex, Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807.

Council President Norgalis read the following announcement:

Notice of Meeting

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 7, 2015 by sending written and electronic notice to the Courier News and the Star Ledger, posting on the Township website and on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filing with the Township Clerk.

On call of the roll, the following Council members were present:

Allen Kurdyla

Matthew C. Moench

Filipe Pedroso

Christine Henderson Rose Council President Norgalis

Also Present: James T. Naples, Township Administrator

William Savo, Township Attorney

Grace Karanja, Deputy Township Clerk

Council President Norgalis led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Reports

Councilwoman Rose had nothing new to report

Councilman Kurdyla had nothing new to report

Councilman Pedroso had nothing new to report

Councilman Moench had nothing new to report

Councilman Norgalis reported the Mayor has received a letter from the Regional Center Partnership stating that a challenge grant in the amount of \$15,000 was awarded to the Township to allow for designing and constructing ADA compliant handicap ramps at the intersection of Woodlawn Avenue and Rambler Drive.

Mayor's Report

Township Administrator Naples reported we are continuing to make progress on

filling potholes. Residents were urged to be patient as we aggressively handle this problem which is pandemic to the entire State.

Public Comment

On motion of Councilwoman Rose, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting was opened to the public for discussion.

Walter Hanna was present regarding item #10b on tonight's agenda. He was advised Council would be taking action tonight.

On motion of Councilwoman Rose, seconded by Councilman Pedroso, the public comment portion was closed.

Public Hearing & Final Action Ordinances

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR THE 2015 CALENDAR YEAR (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

On motion of Councilman Moench, second my Councilman Pedroso, the meeting was opened to the public

No one wished to speak.

On motion of Councilwoman Rose, second my Councilman Pedroso, the meeting was closed for public comment.

On motion of Councilman Moench, second my Councilman Pedroso, the foregoing Ordinance was proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Kurdyla Aye
Councilman Moench Aye
Councilman Pedroso Aye
Councilwoman Rose Aye
Council President Norgalis Aye

THE ORDINANCE WAS PASSED.

A copy of resolution **#15-03-16-071** is appended to the official minutes

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 206-29 ENTITLED "SCHEDULE I: NO PARKING" OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER SO AS TO PROHIBIT PARKING ALONG CERTAIN PORTIONS OF JACKSON STREET EXCEPT BY PERMIT

On motion of Councilman Moench, second my Councilman Pedroso, the meeting was opened to the public

Walter Hanna, along with residents of Jackson Street were present in support of this Ordinance.

On motion of Councilwoman Rose, second my Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting was closed for public comment.

On motion of Councilwoman Rose, seconded by Councilman Moench, the foregoing Ordinance was proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilwoman Rose	Aye
Council President Norgalis	Ave

THE ORDINANCE WAS PASSED.

A copy of resolution #15-03-16-072 is appended to the official minutes

Resolutions

COUNCIL PRESIDENT NORGALIS READ THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE AND ALLOWED FOR DISCUSSIONS/QUESTIONS. HE THEN CALLED FOR A CONSENT MOTION.

On motion of Councilman Kurdyla, seconded by Councilwoman Rose, the following resolutions were proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Moench	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilwoman Rose	Aye
Council President Norgalis	Aye

AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR APPROPRIATION RESERVE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000.00

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #15-03-16-073 is appended to the official minutes

AWARD OF AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE TO RJS ASSOCIATES LANDSCAPING, INC., OF BRIDGEWATER NEW JERSEY FOR SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000.00

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #15-03-16-074 is appended to the official minutes

2015 SOMERSET COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #15-03-16-075 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER AND THE BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR 2014-2015 HAZARDOUS BUSING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$242,699

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #15-03-16-076 is appended to the official minutes

Closed Session

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Bridgewater Township Council that this body will now hold a closed meeting to discuss litigation.

When and if the matters discussed become public record, this will be made known to the public at that time.

The public is excluded from said meeting and further notice thereof is dispensed with all in accordance with Sections 8 and 4a of the Open Public Meetings Act.

On the motion of Councilman Moench, seconded by Councilman Pedroso, Council convened in closed session at 7:40 p.m.

A copy of resolution #15-03-16-077 is appended to the official minutes.

On the motion of Councilwoman Rose, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting reconvened to open session at approximately 7:48 p.m.

On the motion of Councilwoman Rose, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda J. Doyle, RMC Municipal Clerk

Howard Norgalis Council President