

STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
AGENDA MEETING/REDEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2019
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Keenan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Keenan led the Pledge and said an opening prayer.

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT: The Mayor read the following statement:

Notice of this meeting has been provided to the Courier Post and The Retrospect and is posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR JOSH KEENAN – PRESENT
COUNCIL PRESIDENT TINA LOMANNO – PRESENT
TOM COLLINS, COUNCILMAN – PRESENT
PATRICK GILLIGAN, COUNCILMAN – PRESENT
PATRICK GREEN, COUNCILMAN – PRESENT
LINDA HALL, COUNCILWOMAN – PRESENT
FRANK HARTMAN, COUNCILMAN – ABSENT
ALEN ARNAUTOVIC, BOROUGH SOLICITOR – PRESENT
STEVEN BACH, BOROUGH ENGINEER – PRESENT
RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF – PRESENT
CHRIS CONROY, BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR – PRESENT
MICHAELA BOSLER, ACTING BOROUGH CLERK – PRESENT

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Green motioned to open the public portion on agenda items only. Lomanno seconded the motion, which passed with all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

- Diana Gonzalez – Buttonwood Rd. – Asked for explanation of the Community Development Block Grant.
- Joe Hahn – Buttonwood Rd. – Asked for explanation of Ordinance 2019:17 and 2019:18.

Gilligan motioned to close the public portion for agenda items. Lomanno seconded the motion, which passed with all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Morello gave the following report:

- 7/3 During the afternoon hours, a resident of Wykagyl Avenue had a very serious household accident where as he lost his footing while mowing the lawn, resulting and serious wound to his foot after running his foot over with the mower.
- 7/8 During the evening, officers responded to a report of an armed person barricaded in the home, with a Taser in hand. The situation was discovered to be a heated domestic dispute. After some crafty police work, (blanket) the female was disarmed and taken into custody on domestic assault and weapons charges.
- 7/9 During the early morning officer, officers responded to a home on Rolling Rd for an unconscious 30 year old male in the bathroom. This was another overdoes, Narcan was deployed, and the subject was revived and transported.
- 7/13 Same thing, 32-year-old female at Brookview Manor Apartments

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- 7/15 Server CYBER attach resulting in some corruption, no data was compromised but our server was partially out of service for about a week.
- 7/19 During the morning, we were called to the Aldi for a report of a carjacking and child abduction. Investigation found the incident did not occur.
- 7/19 The same day, we were called to the car wash, for a discovery by the Oil Lube staff who found suspicious photographs of children wallpapered inside the interior of a man's vehicle. These crimes were determined to have occurred in Cherry Hill. The man, his vehicles and photos were ultimately turned over to the Prosecutors Office.
- 7/20 During the evening hours, we were called to a home on Green Valley Road for the report of an unconscious man, clad only in underwear in the attic. The home was being rehabilitated by a flipper and a laborer had been staying in the home. This was during the height of the heat wave and the home had no AC. The death was later to be of natural causes, compounded by the heat. The man was likely in the attic sleeping where there was some cross breeze and an attic phone blowing on him. He was 60 years old and from South Florida,
- 7/23 Overdose, 32 year old Williamstown female in the Diner bathroom. She was revived.
- 7/23 A massive sinkhole opened up for a second straight year, WHP 7 Laurel. NJ DOT responded and worked on the repairs for about 3 days straight. The road was undermined to the point a school bus could have fit in the cavern.
- 7/28 Suicidal 17 year old in high a tree behind 54 Saratoga. The incident was resolved when we were able to convince the youth not to jump from the very high limb.
- 8/5 During the afternoon, two 8 year old children from Hi-Nella were caught breaking into and damaging a contract school bus that was parked behind the 600bld of Cornell Manor Apts, unbelievably the children caused over 4K in damage inside the bus. Because of their ages, the children were not charged, and the parents made restitution.
- 8/8 Officer Small was involved in a rear end accident on Laurel Rd near Pennsylvania. A distracted driver rear-ended the officer. He was shook up, but not injured. The other motorist was issued a few traffic summonses and the patrol car is still in the auto body shop being repaired. No out of pocket costs to the borough since we filed the claim with the other driver's insurance company.
- 8/12 Once again we arrested a man on cyber-harassment charges where as an ex-boyfriend posted videos on the Facebook of his ex-fiancé engaging in recorded sexual acts. This same suspect was arrested a few months ago for the same harassment and the victim had failed to pursue the charges from the first incident.
- 8/18 A male was charged with a domestic violence strangulation after a late night domestic violence incident on Laureba. The suspect choked the victim resulting in a temporary loss of consciousness. The suspect remains on the run and has not yet been arrested.
- 8/20 During the afternoon, a drug impaired driver caused a rear end motor vehicle crash on Route 30 @ Vassar. Minor injuries were sustained by the victim struck. 32 year old Lindenwold female was arrested and charged with DWI.
- 8/22 Over a few day period, a resident on Vassar Avenue had his home entered by a family member, and his coveted watch collection was stolen to the tune of several thousand dollars. Detectives made the arrest in the case after conducting a search of the suspect's garbage cans. Some of the watches were recovered pawn locations in Southern NJ.
- 8/25 Overnight, an outraged would-be patient at the Jefferson Emergency room was quite upset with the wait time in the emergency room. Leaving the ER unhappy, the subject proceeded to down the ramp and smashed out the front windows of Jefferson buildings located at 101 Laurel and 205 Laurel. The suspect was captured on video throwing landscape rocks threw the windows. He was later identified and arrested on criminal mischief charges.

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8/26 A 51-year visitor at a residence on Swarthmore overdoses on heroin during the afternoon hours. CPR and Narra was administered. The double doe brought the subject back.

Update, our patrol vehicles ordered from Winner are still being assembled in Detroit, expected deliver date is 11/1/2019.

Two traffic safety grants were applied for and received totaling about \$25k to be used for education and enforcement over the next 12 months.

ENGINEER REPORT: Steven Bach gave the following report:

Buttonwood Road Stormwater Outfall Structure Repair

Previously Reported:

- Our office is completing the existing base survey and will proceed with preparation of bid documents, plans, and specifications for public bidding of this project in 2020

FY 2020 NJDOT Municipal Aid Funding – Evergreen Road – Phase II

Previously Reported:

- The NJDOT announced the department has revised the solicitation and notification schedule for accepting applications for the NJDOT FY 2020 Municipal Aid program with a deadline of July 19, 2019. NJDOT has indicated grant awards are expected to be announced in November.
- A resolution for authorization for our office to submit the application was approved at the July Council Meeting.
- Our office submitted the application on July 18, 2019, for resurfacing the remaining of Evergreen Road from the end of Phase I to Winding Way Road as well as Homestead Road from west of Winding Way Road to Longwood Drive.

FY 2019 NJDOT Municipal Aid Funding – Evergreen Road – Phase I

Update:

- This project was publicly advertised on Friday, August 30th and the bid opening is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10th. The contract may be awarded at the September 10th Council Meeting on contingent upon favorable review by the Borough Solicitor and certification of availability of funds by the Borough CFO. Our office will issue a recommendation letter the afternoon of Tuesday, September 10th.
- A resolution of award would be needed for this project.

Previously Reported:

- NJDOT has announced the department would be accepting applications for the NJDOT FY 2019 Municipal Aid program with a deadline of October 18, 2018. A resolution for authorizing our office to submit the application was passed at the September 11th Council Meeting.
- Our office submitted an application for resurfacing of Evergreen Road from Longwood Drive to Winding Way Road.
- The Borough has been informed that it will be receiving a NJDOT Local Aid grant of \$225,000 towards the construction and inspection of this project.
- It is estimated the grant amount will allow for the resurfacing of Evergreen Road from Longwood Drive to approximately midblock between Meadowlark Road and Green Valley Road.
- Our office has revised and submitted the Capital Cost Estimate Memorandum incorporating the NJDOT grant award.

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- Our office has forwarded a proposal to the Borough for the estimated cost of survey, design, and construction administration associated with the NJDOT FY 2019 Municipal Aid grant.
- Our office has completed the existing base survey and will proceed with preparation of bid documents, plans, and specifications for public bidding of this project.

FY 2018 NJDOT Municipal Aid Funding - Sunnybrook Road and Sunnybrook Court

Previously Reported:

- Our office has submitted for a NJDOT FY 2018 Municipal Aid application for the improvements.
- Application (MA-2018-Resurfacing of Sunnybrook Road & Sun-00413) including the cost estimate, location map, and scope of work description to reflect up to date unit costs was submitted on October 6, 2017 and three (3) certified resolutions were forwarded to NJDOT Local Aid.
- Improvements for these roadways include milling the existing roadway 2" deep with isolated areas of base repair as needed. The entire roadway will be overlaid with 2" Hot Mix Asphalt 9.5M64 Surface Course. Existing concrete curb, driveway aprons, and handicap ramps will be replaced, as needed.
- The Borough has been informed by the NJDOT that it will be receiving \$270,000 for construction and inspection of this project. The Borough is moving forward with this project and is supplementing the NJDOT grant award with \$84,220 from the 2017 Borough Bond. Our office has submitted a April 4, 2018 correspondence delineating the costs for the required inspection and construction management. Our office anticipates construction for spring / summer of 2018.
- The project was publicly advertised for bids.
- The bid opening for this project was held on April 25, 2018. Six (6) bids were received with Arawak Paving Co. with the low bid in the amount of \$221,000.00 for the Base Bid and Add Alternate Bid #1.
- The contract was awarded to Arawak Paving Co. for the Base Bid and Add Alternate Bid #1 contingent upon favorable review by the Borough Solicitor and certification of availability of funds by the Borough CFO.
- A preconstruction meeting was held on Monday, June 4, 2018, at the Borough Municipal Building between Arawak Paving, our office, Stratford Police Chief, Ben Angeli, and a representative of the Stratford Arms Apartments.
- The Notice to Proceed was issued for July 5, 2018.
- Construction is substantially complete.
- Our office has processed Payment Application #1 and submitted to Borough for approval and payment.
- Our office has issued a punchlist to the Contractor.
- The Contractor lowered the speed humps to reflect the construction plans.
- Our office is coordinating with the Contractor regarding Payment Application #2 and Change Order #1.
- The Contractor has addressed all punchlist items.

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- Our office is coordinating with the contractor regarding final quantities, final payment, Change Order #1 (final) and closeout documents.

FY 2017 Road Program – Resurfacing of Rolling Road, and Sleepy Hollow Road (STRAT2017-3)

Previously Reported:

- The project consists of resurfacing Rolling Road and Sleepy Hollow Road with select replacement of concrete curb and driveway aprons in addition to traffic striping of Longwood Drive.
- It is our understanding; the Borough has allocated \$354,220 for roadway improvements for this project.
- The Bid Opening was held on August 31, 2017. There were three (3) bidders, with the low bidder being Landberg Construction, LLC, P.O. Box 280, Mays Landing, New Jersey, in the amount of \$179,889.30 for the Base Bid and Add Alternate Bid #1.
- The contract was awarded for the Base Bid and Add Alternate Bid #1 in the amount of \$179,889.30 to Landberg Construction, LLC, and a preconstruction meeting was held on October 26th. South Jersey Gas is currently replacing their main within this project area and are expected to be completed the week of November 6th. Roadway resurfacing will commence once South Jersey Gas has finished the main replacement.
- Construction has been substantially complete with only punchlist items remaining to be completed. Our office has prepared a punchlist and is coordinating with the Contractor to address all outstanding items.
- Payment Application #2 and Change Order #1 have been processed by the Borough. Change Order #1 incorporated additional quantities and supplemental items previously approved by Resolutions 2017:218 and 2018:81.
- Change Order #2 (Final) has been forwarded to the Borough for approval by resolution. The final contract value is \$202,477.80.
- Our office has issued a punchlist to the Contractor and is coordinating schedule to complete outstanding items.
- All punchlist items have been addressed. Our office is processing closeout documents.
- Our office is processing closeout documents and will submit to the Borough.

FY 2018 Road Program – Resurfacing of Winding Way & Coolidge Avenue (STRAT2018-1)

Previously Reported:

- The Borough is moving forward with this project and has allocated \$250,000 for the roadway improvements.
- Our office has submitted an April 4, 2018 correspondence delineating the costs of the required survey, design, and inspection / construction management.
- Our office has completed the survey of and anticipates public bid and construction for late summer of 2018.
- It the understanding of our office the Borough is considering reallocating the remaining funds (\$92,842.20) from the 2017 Borough Bond towards this project. It is noted that the remaining funds were previously allocated to the Sunnybrook Road and Sunnybrook Court project.
- Our office has submitted a May 8, 2018 correspondence delineating the costs of the required survey, design, and inspection / construction management for included the resurfacing of a section of Coolidge Avenue with this project.

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- Our office met with New Jersey American Water (NJAW) regarding pavement restoration repairs along Winding Way from Longwood Drive to Green Valley Road and Winding Way from Hillside Road to Longwood Drive (inclusive of this project limits). We will continue to coordinate with NJAW regarding a solution pavement restoration for all NJAW trenched areas of Winding Way.
- New Jersey American Water (NJAW) requested the Borough provide correspondence regarding the Borough's intention to resurface Winding Way from Hillside Road to Buttonwood Drive and waive NJAW from any further pavement restoration in this section of Winding Way. As part of this agreement, NJAW would provide trench restoration and repave (curb to curb) on Winding Way from Longwood Drive to Green Valley Road.
- The Bid Opening was held on September 6, 2018. There were two (2) bidders, with the low bidder being Charles Marandino, LLC, P.O. Box 20, Milmay, New Jersey, in the amount of \$279,538.82 for the Base Bid.
- Our office has submitted a recommendation letter (see attached) including the Bid Tabulation and Memorandum.
- Our office has prepared contracts and forwarded to the Contractor and the Borough.
- A preconstruction meeting was held on October 26th. Notice to Proceed was issued the week of November 12th.
- Performance Bond and Insurance Certificate have been forwarded to the Borough Solicitor for review.
- Construction has commenced with all concrete work, including aprons and curb, complete. Our office is coordinating with the Contractor regarding scheduling of asphalt paving as weather permits.
- Our office is also coordinating with the Contractor regarding additional concrete work, including aprons and curb along the section of Winding Way from Longwood Drive to Green Valley Road prior to NJAW resurfacing this section of Winding Way.
- Our office has processed Payment Application #1 and submitted to the Borough for approval and payment.
- A resolution was approved at the March Council meeting for the additional concrete apron and curb work associated with the NJ American Water paving to be included in this contract not to exceed 20% of the original contract value.
- The contractor (Charles Marandino, LLC) has completed additional concrete improvements along the area to be paved by New Jersey American Water.
- The paving subcontractor for New Jersey American Water (NJAW) has completed paving of Winding Way between Longwood Drive and Green Valley Road. Our office is preparing a punchlist of remaining items in need of being addressed as a result of paving operations by the NJAW paving subcontractor. Our office will coordinate with NJAW until all punchlist items have been addressed.
- The paving for the section of Winding Way under this contract has commenced and is anticipated to be completed the week of June 10th.
- The paving for the section of Winding Way under this contract has been completed.
- Our office has submitted Payment Application #2 to the Borough for approval and payment.
- Our office has prepared a punchlist of all outstanding items to be completed for this project and will coordinate with

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- The Plumbing Subcode Official had notified the office he would be leaving, and has left since the last meeting. The Borough Administrator and Clerk anticipate having another shared service with Voorhees for this position, as there are two agreements currently in place with Voorhees involving Construction Subcode Officials (building and fire).

REPORT #3 – FIRE MARSHALL/CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY PROGRAM

- The state has been in control of Stratford's Fire Safety/Certificate of Occupancy inspections for a little less than five years. The state would like Stratford to be off of their list. The Borough Administrator has reached out to see if other municipalities are interested in participating in a Shared Service Agreement. Barrington has a regional fire safety alliance. They handle these inspections for about five towns. Participating in this alliance would involve the adoption of the same fee structure and regulations as Barrington, as well as a resolution to enter into a Shared Service with Barrington. The entire operation will be handled by Barrington – scheduling, fee collection, record keeping – and the Borough will receive reports of what is being handled. If there is an excess of fees collected by the alliance, Barrington will distribute the surplus evenly to all municipalities in the alliance. If there is a deficit of fees collected, each town in the alliance will be expected to contribute to make up for the deficit. Barrington has reported that since they have begun this alliance, there has never been a deficit.

REPORT #4 – BID OPENING FOR EVERGREEN ROAD – TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

- There will be a bid opening for the Evergreen Road project for Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at Borough Hall at 10:00 am.

REPORT #5 – CHIPPING AND GREEN WASTE COLLECTION ENDING IN OCTOBER/LEAF SEASON BEGINS IN NOVEMBER

- The last green waste collection will be Monday, October 28th. The chipping dates listed on the calendar during the month of October are not correct. Corrected dates will be sent out via e-blast, and announced on the Borough website. Residents may also contact Borough Hall for that information too. Leaf pick up begins in November. Residents leave their leaves curbside for pick up starting Monday, November 4th.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTIONS 2019:180 THROUGH 2019:198 WILL BE DONE AS A CONSENT AGENDA

The Clerk stated that Council can at this time request to remove any of the resolutions from the consent agenda and they can be voted on separately. There were no requests to remove any of the resolutions from the consent agenda and the Clerk read the resolutions by title.

- **RES. 2019:180 – CHAPTER 159 – 2019 NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT (\$225,000.00)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Two hundred and twenty five thousand dollars and no cents (\$225,000.00) 2019 New Jersey Department of Transportation Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars and no cents (\$225,000.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

2019 NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

- **RES. 2019:181 – CHAPTER 159 – ALCOHOL EDUCATION AND REHAB GRANT (\$5,224.35)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Five thousand two hundred and twenty four dollars and thirty five cents (\$5,224.35) Alcohol Education and Rehab Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Five thousand two hundred and twenty four dollars and thirty five cents (\$5,224.35) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

ALCOHOL EDUCATION AND REHAB GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

- **RES. 2019:182 – CHAPTER 159 – CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT (\$14,734.50)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Fourteen thousand seven hundred and thirty four dollars and fifty cents (\$14,734.50) Clean Communities Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Fourteen thousand seven hundred and thirty four dollars and fifty cents (\$14,734.50) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

- **RES. 2019:183 – CHAPTER 159 – CLICK IT OR TICKET GRANT (\$5,500.00)**

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WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of five thousand and five hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,500.00) Click It or Ticket Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Five thousand and five hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,500.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

CLICK IT OR TICKET GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

- **RES. 2019:184 – CHAPTER 159 – DISTRACTED DRIVER GRANT (\$5,500.00)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of five thousand and five hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,500.00) Distracted Driver Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Five thousand and five hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,500.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

DISTRACTED DRIVER GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

- **RES. 2019:185 – CHAPTER 159 – DWI CHECK POINT GRANT (\$2,640.00)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Two thousand six hundred and forty dollars and no cents (\$2,640.00) DWI Check Point Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Two thousand six hundred and forty dollars and no cents (\$2,640.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

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DWI CHECK POINT GRANT

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- **RES. 2019:186 – CHAPTER 159 – DWI TASK FORCE GRANT (\$70,200.00)**

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WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Seventy thousand and two hundred dollars and no cents (\$70,200.00) DWI Task Force Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Seventy thousand and two hundred dollars and no cents (\$70,200.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

DWI TASK FORCE GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

- **RES. 2019:187 – CHAPTER 159 – PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT (\$11,225.00)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Eleven thousand two hundred and twenty five dollars and no cents (\$11,225.00) Pedestrian Traffic Safety Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Eleven thousand two hundred and twenty five dollars and no cents (\$11,225.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

- **RES. 2019:188 – CHAPTER 159 – SAFE AND SECURE GRANT (\$30,000.00)**

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Thirty thousand dollars and no cents (\$30,000.00) Safe and Secure Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Thirty thousand dollars and no cents (\$30,000.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

SAFE AND SECURE GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

● **RES. 2019:189 – CHAPTER 159 – MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT (\$31,746.16)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Thirty one thousand seven hundred and forty six dollars and sixteen cents (\$31,746.16) Municipal Alliance Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a match of Seven thousand nine hundred thirty-six dollars and fifty four cents (\$7,936.54) will be made from the Trust Account; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Thirty one thousand seven hundred and forty six dollars and sixteen cents (\$31,746.16) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

● **RES. 2019:190 – CHAPTER 159 – LABOR DAY CRACKDOWN GRANT (\$5,500.00)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of five thousand and five hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,500.00) Distracted Driver Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Five thousand and five hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,500.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

LABOR DAY CRACKDOWN GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

● **RES. 2019:191 – GOVERNING BODY CERIFICATION OF ANNUAL MUNICIPAL AUDIT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018**

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 2018 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Borough of Stratford pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and,

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

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, 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 "Findings and Questioned Costs" or "Findings and Recommendations"; 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 "Findings and Questioned Cost" or "Findings and Recommendations", as evidence by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; 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, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; 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 regulations 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/her office.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

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- **RES. 2019:192 – APPROVING APPLICATION FOR DWI FUNDING GRANT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AND SAFETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,980.63**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford Police Department will apply for a DWI Funding Grant in the amount of \$14,980.63 with the New Jersey Department of Highway and Traffic Safety; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council is supportive of the Stratford Police Department's application for a DWI Funding Grant in the amount of \$14,980.63 with the New Jersey Department of Highway and Traffic Safety.

- **RES. 2019:193 – AWARD SEWER ROOT CONTROL BID TO DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL, INC. FOR \$10,886.98**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford advertised to solicit bids for, and sent direct emails soliciting quotes for root control services, and received in response one bid for the annual sewer treatment for root control of various sections of the sewer main; and

WHEREAS, the bid was received from Duke's Root Control, Inc. of Syracuse, NY in the amount of \$10,886.98 which is \$1.69 per linear foot for 6,442 linear feet; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to award the bid to Duke's Root Control, Inc. for \$1.69 per linear foot for a total of \$10,886.98.

- **RES. 2019:194 – AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT YEAR 41 AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, a cooperative agreement was heretofore entered into between the Borough of Stratford and the County of Camden for the establishment of a cooperative means of conducting certain community development activities; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act (N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 et seq.) permit local units such as counties and municipalities to enter into agreements for the provision of joint services; and

WHEREAS, the County has achieved "Urban County" status in accordance with the requirements set forth in Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended and the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983; and

WHEREAS, the County has entered into a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act, as amended, for an Entitlement Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Grant is administered for the County by the County's Community Development Office; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has proposed certain activities to be carried out under the 41st year Program; and

WHEREAS, the County has approved funding for eligible project (s) of the Borough of Stratford from said grant and desires the Borough of Stratford to undertake said project(s)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, that the Year 41 Municipal CDBG Grant Agreement be adopted between the Borough of Stratford and the County of Camden, a copy of the Agreement which is attached thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its enactment as provided by law.

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- RES. 2019:195 – A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NJSA 10:4-12

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the Item or items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b and designated below:

_____ (1) Matters required by Law to be Confidential: Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

_____ (2) Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds: Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.

_____ (3) Matters Involving Individual Privacy: Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including, but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

_____ (4) Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements: Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

_____ (5) Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds: Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

_____ (6) Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property: Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations of possible violations of the law.

_____ (7) Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege: The topic of discussion is related to Attorney/Client Privilege. These items are for #7 of the Executive Session Resolution for matter relating to litigation, negotiations, and the Attorney-Client Privilege.

 X (8) Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship: Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.

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_____ (9) Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty: Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party bears responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford, assembled in public session on September 5, 2019 that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on September 5, 2019 at approximately 7:00 p.m. in the Justice Facility, 315 Union Avenue, Stratford, NJ for the discussion of matters relating to the specified items designated above. It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in Closed Session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Governing Body that public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

- **RES. 2019:196 – MAINTENANCE LIENS**

WHEREAS, there exists vacant property in the Borough of Stratford; and

WHEREAS, the last known record owner has been duly notified to maintain the property; and

WHEREAS, Stratford Contracted Services/Stratford employees to be utilized to maintain the property; and

WHEREAS, the following amount is due for services rendered for August 2019:

Address	Block/lot	description of svc	date of svc	cost of svc	Total to be liened
109 CORNELL AVE	18/11	Board up		66.35	66.35
109 E. LAUREL RD	40/8	Lawn maintenance	8/31/2019	45.00	45.00
124 STRATFORD AVE	55/1	Lawn maintenance	8/31/2019	45.00	45.00
115 WELLINGTON AVE	55/2	Lawn maintenance	8/31/2019	45.00	45.00
TOTAL					201.35

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council to authorize a lien on the above noted properties for the work completed by the Borough on behalf of the property owner.

- **RES. 2019:197 – REFUND OVERPAYMENT OF DOG LICENSE**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford received an overpayment in the amount of \$5.00 for dog license #644A from Colleen Knopka of 14 Bryn Mawr Ave.;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to authorize a refund of \$5.00 to Colleen Knopka of 14 Bryn Mawr Ave. for the overpayment of dog license #644A.

- **RES. 2019:198 – CHAPTER 159 – DRUNK DRIVING ENFORCEMENT FUND GRANT (\$14,980.63)**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2019 in the amount of Fourteen thousand nine hundred dollars and eighty dollars and sixty three cents (\$14,980.63) Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Fourteen thousand nine hundred dollars and eighty dollars and sixty three cents (\$14,980.63) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

DRUNK DRIVING ENFORCEMENT FUND GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

Hall motioned to approve the consent agenda. Lomanno seconded the motion and all members present voted in favor in a Roll Call Vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Councilwoman Lomanno – None
- Councilwoman Hall – None
- Councilman Collins – Expressed excitement for the awarded \$250,000.00 CDBG grant. Thanked two residents who live along those streets for bringing the bad condition of Bishop Terrace, Hunt Ave., and Coolidge Ave. to his attention. Thanked Councilman Gilligan for vision of budgeting. Thanked Steve Bach for preparing the grant application.
- Councilman Green – None
- Councilman Gilligan – Gave dates of upcoming county Hazardous Waste events.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Lomanno motioned to open the meeting to the public for Good and Welfare. Hall seconded the motion, which passed with all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

- Joe Hahn – Buttonwood Rd. – Questioned if there will be an association for the Laurel Mills site. Questioned specifications of the Laurel Mills JLUB application.
- Tom Speer – 8 College Circle – Questioned why there is not a list of businesses on the Borough website. Mentioned Haddon Heights has a new leaf machine that looks more efficient. Questioned when the redevelopment plan was approved. Asked if redevelopment information could have its own page on the website. Asked general question regarding homeowner's associations and open space. Questioned the current capacity of the sewer plant for the area of Laurel Mills.
- Diana Gonzalez – 36 Buttonwood Rd. – Questioned how residents who are against the Laurel Mills redevelopment could hold up or stop progress of the site's development.
- Jack Brennan – Bucknell Ave. – Questioned the Borough's security measures for cyber-attacks and physical attacks of office employees. Questioned progress of the Colby Ave., Christian Academy, and Stratford Square (old Bradlees site).

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Lomanno motioned to close the Good and Welfare portion of the meeting. Hall seconded the motion and all members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Gilligan motioned to go into executive session. Lomanno seconded the motion and all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

Lomanno motioned to close executive session. Collins seconded the motion and all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

No action was taken in Executive session.

All Council members that were present before the executive session were present upon return to open session.

No members of the public were in attendance after the executive session.

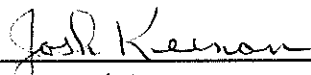
ADJOURN:

Hall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.. Lomanno seconded the motion and all members present voted in favor in a voice vote.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:



Michaela Bosler, Acting Borough Clerk



Mayor Josh Keenan