BOROUGH OF FOLSOM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES February 11, 2020

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:35PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG LED BY Mayor Greg Schenker

OPENING STATEMENT: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the directives of the "Open Public Meetings Act", pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice of this meeting has been advertised in the Hammonton Gazette and has been posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board showing the time and place of said meeting.

ROLL CALL: Councilpersons: Conway, Jantz, Arena, Hoffman and Blazer

Also present: Attorney John Carr and Jen Heller (Vince Poistina & Assoc.)

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES FROM December 10, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Jantz

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the exception of Councilman Porretta and Councilman Blazer's abstention.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM December 10, 2019

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Jantz.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all with the exception of Councilman Porretta and Councilman Blazer's abstention.

APPROVAL OF THE RE-ORG COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM January 7, 2020

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Conway

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC: No Comments

CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:

Borough Hall Offices will be closed on Monday, February 17, 2020 in observance of Presidents Day.

Next E-Waste Day is March 14, 2020 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM at the Borough Garage

Free Rabies Clinic will be held on March 21, 2020 at Borough Garage from 9:00am until 11:00am. We will be renewing dog/cat licenses at the Clinic.

Reminder: The Clerk's office is opened until 7:00PM on Monday evenings.

ORDINANCES:

(Adoption/Second Reading)

ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY BOROUGH OF FOLSOM ORDINANCE 01-2020

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF FOSLOM ESTABLISHING A VETERANS' ADVISORY BOARD

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey as follows:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom hereby establishes a Veterans' Advisory Board for the purpose of keeping the Borough Council informed of developments regarding veterans; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans' Advisory Board is established to consist of no more than twelve (12) members who are appointed by a majority of the Borough Council; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body for the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that a Veterans' Advisory Board is hereby established as follows:

- A. **Establishment**: There shall be established within the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, a Veterans' Advisory Board, which shall serve as an ad hoc advisory board to the Borough Council for the purpose of keeping the Borough Council informed of developments regarding veterans, and which may respond to any ordinances introduced by the Borough Council that may have an impact upon veterans, and which shall otherwise advise the Borough Council with respect to pending legislation at the County or State level which may impact veterans.
- B. **Meetings:** The Veterans' Advisory Board shall meet no less than 12 occasions per year to discuss matters of interest to veterans, current and pending Borough ordinances, county or state laws affecting veterans and other issues of interest to veterans which may have an impact upon the Borough as a whole. The Advisory Board shall report to the Borough Council at least two times per year, or as often as the Advisory Board believes it is necessary, on activities and discussions and provide the Council with a summary of the issues it has discussed and the positions it believes should be advanced on behalf of veterans. The Advisory Board shall be strictly advisory, and its recommendations, decisions, comments or other observations shall not be binding in any way on the Borough Council or any other municipal body, board or agency.

- C. **Membership and Terms**. The Veterans' Advisory Board shall consist of no more than twelve members who shall be appointed by a majority of the Borough Council in the following manner and for the following terms:
 - (1) Each member shall be appointed to a three-year term. All terms shall expire on December 31 of the appropriate year and shall begin on January 1 of the appropriate year. The members of the Veterans' Advisory board shall be residents of Folsom.
 - (2) Two appointments shall serve a three-year; three appointments shall serve for the remainder of the current year and for the following full year to establish the staggered terms.
 - (3) All interim appointments shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.
 - (4) The members shall choose a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary for the Board. The chairperson shall be appointed by the Council at the first Council meeting of the year and shall be for a term of one year.

The Chairman shall serve as a liaison between the Board and the Borough Committee. The Secretary shall keep notes of the meeting which notes shall be deemed to the property of the Borough. The Chairman shall serve as the spokesperson for the Board in discussions with the Borough Council. The Chairman shall vote on all issues before the Advisory Board, and his/her vote shall be equal to all other members of the Advisory Board.

D. **Intent**: It is the intent of this chapter that the Veterans' Advisory Board shall be solely an advisory board consisting of volunteers appointed by the Borough Council.

E. Limitation of Power: It is expressly intended that the Veterans' Advisory Board is an ad hoc group to assist the Borough Council in addressing issues and problems facing veterans. The Board shall be permitted to communicate with other agencies in order to render suggestions, opinions and recommendations with regard to veterans, but all such communication should be first directed to the Borough Council for approval.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

Section One. Repealer. All former Ordinances of the Borough of Folsom which are in conflict with the provisions contained in this Ordinance are hereby repealed upon the adoption of this Ordinance.

Section Two. Severability. If any part or parts of this Ordinance are held to be invalid for any reason such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section Three. This Ordinance shall take effect after final approval and publication as required by law.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion to approve Ordinance#1-2020 was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Porretta.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

(Introduction/First Reading)

BOROUGH OF FOLSOM ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE 02-2020

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE AND AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SALE OF SAME PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A: 12-13 ET SEQ.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that the attached parcels of real property set forth in the annexed Exhibit A (attached hereto and hereby incorporated herein by reference) are no longer needed for public use and that the same shall be placed for sale to the highest bidder;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that such sale shall be subject to reasonable conditions set forth by the Borough Council, sale to be subject to confirmation at the next succeeding Borough of Folsom Council Meeting following the sale, sales shall be "as is and where is" and bidders shall be instructed and strongly recommended to by way of illustration and not limitation, "undertake due diligence with regard to the subject properties including confirmation of the suitability of the subject properties for a Buyer's particular use, zoning, survey and title issues". The Borough of Folsom Council shall reserve the right to reject all bids if the highest bid is not accepted;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that no representation is made by the Borough as to the potential use of any property or as to the condition of any property to include any and all environmental constraints and/or title. A successful bidder shall be required to deposit 10% of

the purchase price in either cash or certified funds on the date of sale and the balance of the purchase shall be paid in cash or certified funds within 30 days of the Borough Council's acceptance of the bid.

Section One. Repealer. All former Ordinances of the Borough of Folsom which are in conflict with the provisions contained in this Ordinance are hereby repealed upon the adoption of this Ordinance.

Section Two. Severability. If any part or parts of this Ordinance are held to be invalid for any reason such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section Three. This Ordinance shall take effect after final approval and publication as required by law.

Block	Lot	Location	Minimum Price
2202	11	4 th Road	\$1,300.00

LIST OF PROPERTIES AVAILABLE FOR SALE

A motion to approve Ordinance#2-2020 was made by Councilman Blazer and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

BOROUGH OF FOLSOM ORDINANCE 03-2020

CALENDAR YEAR 2020 AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the

3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom in the County of Atlantic finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2020 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$10,378.25 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized herein above that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, in the County of Atlantic, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2020 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Folsom shall, in accordance with this ordinance and <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$1,074,195 and that the CY 2020 municipal budget for the Borough of Folsom be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

A motion to approve Ordinance#3-2020 was made by Councilman Jantz and seconded by Councilman Arena.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

BOROUGH OF FOLSOM ORDINANCE 04--2020

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND FIXING SALARIES FOR VARIOUS OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOLSOM, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The annual salaries and compensation for the various Borough officials, officers, and employees of the Borough of Folsom, listed below, shall be as follows for calendar year 2020:

Salaried Positions			
Borough Clerk	\$25,000	-	\$50,000
Chief Financial Officer	\$4,000	-	\$17,000
Council Member	\$1,700	-	\$3,000
Code Enforcement	\$1,800	-	\$5,000
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	\$300	-	\$1,500
Deputy Borough Clerk	\$15,000	-	\$35,000
Emergency Management Coordinator	\$500	-	\$1,500
Mayor	\$2,200	-	\$3,900
Municipal Administrative Assistant	\$15,000	-	\$50,000
Social Media Manager	\$100	-	\$500
Tax Assessor	\$6,500	-	\$17,000
Tax Collector	\$6,500	-	\$18,000
Zoning Official	\$1,800	-	\$5,000
Hourly Positions:		-	
Part-time Laborer	\$9.00	-	\$15.00
Public Works Laborer	\$9.00	-	\$20.00
Superintendent of Public Works	\$10.00	-	\$30.00

SECTION II. The salaries and wages hereby established shall be on a bi-weekly basis with the exception of Mayor and Council, which shall be quarterly, unless otherwise specified.

SECTION III. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be retroactive to January 1, 2020, and shall apply to employees continually employed since January 1, 2020.

SECTION IV. Any Ordinance or part of an Ordinance inconsistent with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION V. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

A motion to approve Ordinance#4-2020 was made by Councilman Conway and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTIONS:

BOROUGH OF FOLSOM RESOLUTION 2020-32

A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE MUNICIPAL AERIAL MOSQUITO SPRAYING

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Folsom has determined that aerial mosquito spraying should be instituted with Atlantic County.

WHEREAS, to be in compliance with section 9.10 of the New Jersey Pesticide Control Code (N.J.A.C. Title 7, Chapter 30). The Atlantic County Dept. of Public Works, Office of Mosquito Control will be applying pesticides for the control of adult populations on an area-wide basis, as needed, throughout Atlantic County during the period of April 2020 through November 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, by the Council of the Borough of Folsom that the mosquito is declared to be a public nuisance and can act as a vector or transmitter of diseases to humans and animals this application will be authorized.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-32 was made by Councilman Blazer and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all

RESOLUTION 2020-33 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ATLANTIC COUNTY CONCERNING ROAD SALT AND BRINING MATERIALS

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom is statutorily authorized by N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 to enter into

Shared Services Agreements with the State, County, as well as Local Governments; and

WHEREAS, Atlantic County is further authorized to enter into such Shared Service Agreements by and pursuant to the authority under N.J.S.A. 40:41A-27(g); and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom and Atlantic County, through the Atlantic County

Department of Public Works, have agreed to enter into a Shared Services Agreement concerning the road salt and brining materials program; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services and amenities is in the best interests of the Borough of Folsom residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The Borough Council does hereby approve the execution of the attached Shared Service Agreement between the Borough of Folsom and Atlantic County forthwith after the adoption hereof, subject, however, to the acceptance of the final revisions and modifications approved by the Borough Solicitor.
- 2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the finalized Agreement approved by the Borough Solicitor on behalf of the Borough.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-33 made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Conway.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTION 2020-34 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A RAFFLE AND BINGO LICENSE TO FOLSOM EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION TO BENEFIT THE SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Folsom Educational Foundation has applied for a license to conduct an on premise raffle and Bingo to be held on March 20, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Folsom, that

- 1. The following facts are hereby found and determined:
 - a) The Applicant is qualified.
 - b) The members designed to conduct the games are active members.
 - c) The members designated to conduct the games are of good moral character and have never been convicted of a crime.
 - d) The raffle will be conducted according to the Raffle Licensing Law and the Rules of Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.
 - e) The entire proceeds are to be disposed of for a purpose permitted by the Raffles Licensing Law.
 - f) There is satisfactory proof that no payment will be made for conducting the raffle or assisting therein except to the extent allowed by the law.
 - g) There is satisfactory proof that the prizes are of the nature and amount allowed by the Raffles Licensing Law.
 - h) The rental to be paid for equipment does conform to the schedule of authorized rental prescribed by the Rules of the Control Commission.
- 2. The Council is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the proper certificates of the aforesaid Findings and Determinations in the Form prescribed and specified by the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-34 made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Conway

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTION 2020-35 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Borough Council that payment has been made in excess on the 2020 first quarter taxes to the property listed; and

WHEREAS, said payments have resulted in overpayment of property taxes in the amounts listed below;

BLOCK/LOT	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>OWNER</u>
2620/559	\$94.32	Patricia Miller

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that the following overpayments be refunded.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-35 made by Councilman Porretta and seconded by Councilman Blazer

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTION 2020-36 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CREDIT OF AN OVERPAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Borough Council that payment has been made in excess in 2019 to the below listed properties; and

WHEREAS, said payments have resulted in overpayment for 2019 property taxes in the amounts listed below as certified by the Borough Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom that the following overpayments be credited to 2020 property taxes;

Block	Lot	Amount
301	15 Q Farm	\$66.17
2501	71	\$13.12
2501	342	\$2,052.72
2501	343	\$34.77
2602	606	\$59.67
2603	607	\$58.67
2604	272	\$98.60

\$56.73
\$116.28
\$105.00
\$1,893.75
\$59.85
\$44.95
\$44.95

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-36 made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Porretta

RESOLUTION 2020-37 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE FY 2018 MUNICIPAL AID ROAD PROGRAM-RESURFACING OF 14TH, 15th STREET AND BACKLINE RD

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40a:1-1 et seq, previously awarded and entered into a contract for the 2018 Road Program with Arawak Paving Co.for the resurfacing of 14th, 15th Street and Backline Rd. in the Borough of Folsom; and

WHEREAS, supplemental items were necessary to repair and existing drainage inlet that was discovered to need work after removal of the grate in the amount of \$2,309.75; and

WHEREAS, the adjustment of the quantities of the 2018 Road Program project does not substantially change the quality or character of the work to be provided by the Contractor; and

WHEREAS, the net increase in the Contract is \$2,309.75 and the execution of a change order will not cause the originally awarded contract price to be exceeded by more than twenty percent (20%); and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, in the County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that:

- A change order is approved for the NJDOT Portion 2018 Road Program project to include additional work & materials with a total increase of \$2,309.75 resulting in a total base bid contract amount of \$221,209.75;
- The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an execute on behalf of the Borough and amendatory contract covering the approved changed order, such amendatory contract to be in a form satisfactory to the Borough Attorney.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-37 made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTION 2020-38 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE FY 2018 FOLSOM ROAD PROGRAM -ALTERNATE A-BOROUGH PARKING LOT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Folsom in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40a:1-1 et seq, previously awarded and entered into a contract for the 2018 Road Program with Arawak Paving Co.for the resurfacing of Municipal Building Parking Lot –Alternate A; and

WHEREAS, the Alternate A Parking Lot Paving change order reflects the as-built quantities and includes credit for electrical repairs due to damage by the contractor in the amount of \$168.38;

WHEREAS, the adjustment of the quantities of the 2018 Road Program – Alternate A project does not substantially change the quality or character of the work to be provided by the Contractor; and

WHEREAS, the net increase in the Contract is \$168.38 and the execution of a change order will not cause the originally awarded contract price to be exceeded by more than twenty percent (20%); and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Folsom, in the County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that:

- A change order is approved for the 2018 Road Program-Alternate A-Borough Parking Lot project to include additional work & materials with a total increase of \$168.38 resulting in a total base bid contract amount of \$74,968.38;
- The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an execute on behalf of the Borough and amendatory contract covering the approved changed order, such amendatory contract to be in a form satisfactory to the Borough Attorney.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-38 made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Porretta

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTION 2020-39 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Borough Council that payment has been made in excess on the 2020 first quarter taxes to the property listed; and

WHEREAS, said payments have resulted in overpayment of property taxes in the amounts listed below;

BLOCK/LOT	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TO</u>
2613/430	\$754.01	Corelogic

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Folsom, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that the following overpayments be refunded.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-39 made by Councilman Porretta and seconded by Councilman Arena

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTION 2020-40 BOROUGH OF FOLSOM

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZATION AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF BASIC LIFE SUPPORT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) RESPONSE AND TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Agreement between the Borough of Folsom with AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center Emergency Medical Services was heretofore accepted and approved by the Borough Council to provide basic life support ("EMS") services.

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to renew and extend such agreement for a term retroactively commencing January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached Agreement with AtlantiCare is hereby approved and authorized for execution by the appropriate Borough Officials, forthwith after the adoption hereof for a term retroactively commencing January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

A motion to approve Resolution #2020-40 made by Councilman Porretta and seconded by Councilman Hoffman

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

RESOLUTION 2020-41

A RESOLUTION TO DEFER LOCAL SCHOOL TAX

WHEREAS, by statute, when a municipality raises school taxes on a school year basis, an amount of not more than 50% of the levy may be deferred to the following year; and

WHEREAS, 50% of the 2019-2020 school tax levy of the Folsom Borough School District is \$1,903,804, and;

WHEREAS, The Council of the Borough of Folsom wishes to defer \$1,903,804 of the school tax levy of the Folsom Borough School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Borough of Folsom that \$1,903,804 of the school tax levy of the Folsom Borough School District be deferred. **A motion to approve Resolution #2020-41 made by Councilman Arena and seconded by Councilman Porretta**

There was a roll call vote with ayes all

Mayor Schenker asked for a motion to approve the Landsale Committee (**Jake Blazer, Greg Conway and Jake Blazer**) Councilman Hoffman made a motion to approve the Committee and Council Porretta seconded that motion.

There was a roll call vote with ayes all.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: John Carr reviewed his report that he sent Council earlier in the week.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Councilman Jantz read the Fire Chief's report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: (Jen Heller)

NJDOT FY2019 Municipal Aid Project:

Construction to replace the existing drainage pipes and inlets on Backline Road is anticipated to begin soon. The contractor has provided our office with submittals, the required permit from Conrail and a proposed traffic control plan. Once the drainage improvements are constructed, the contractor will allow for the minimum 30 days for the settlement period and once the weather is ideal, the roadway can be paved. We anticipate that the construction will be completed by the late spring/early summer.

NJDOT FY2020 Municipal Aid Project:

We have submitted a proposal for the design and construction management of the FY2020 Municipal Aid project for the resurfacing of Lake Drive and North Pinewood. We anticipate beginning the survey in the next few weeks. We will be working with the DOT to effectively design traffic calming devices in the area along Lake Drive by Penny Pot Park.

CDBG/ACIA Penny Pot Park Senior Exercise Equipment:

We are working on plans and specifications for the project, and met with the Parks and Recreation Committee last week. We are also waiting on reimbursement from the ACIA for the exercise equipment purchased in 2019.

2018 TAP Grant - Bike Path Project:

The NJDOT has finalized their approved list of consultants for the 2018 TAP Grant Design Assistance Program. The NJDOT will be contacting the Borough soon to set up a kick off meeting with the selected consultant, the Borough and officials from the NJDOT. Following the meeting, the selected consultant will provide the Borough with a proposal for the first phase of the design services. Once the Borough accepts the proposal and it is approved by the NJDOT, the consultant can begin the NEPA document and the preliminary design. The NJDOT did indicate that as long as progress is being made to move the project forward, the deadline for completion of the project can be extended.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Schenker reported on the Annual \$1,000.00 Louis Bay, II Scholarship

Essay Competition. He stated he will be reaching out to the high school. Greg reported on the various meetings he attended this past month.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORTS:

Councilman Conway: Greg reported that if anyone has a question about mosquito spraying to call Borough Hall. Greg also reminded residents that the school raffle and bingo will be held on March 20, 2020.

Councilman Jantz: Ken reported that two lights were out and were reported to the Electric Company.

Councilman Porretta: no report

Councilman Arena: no report

Councilman Hoffman: Jim reported that the DPW has now fenced in the trash dumpsters in the Borough parking lot due to an incident with an employee car last month. Jim thanked the DPW for the nice painting they did at Borough Hall and the repair in the men's restroom. Jim reported the John Lapollo received grant money for lights at Borough Hall, Garage, and the new Pole Barn. Jim reported on a letter the Borough received from ACUA on what is acceptable recycling and what is not. Jim also discussed e-waste recycling.

Councilman Blazer: Jake reported that John LaPollo (DPW) picked up 27 tons of infield mix for the fields that was arranged through a sponsorship with Dun-Rite Gravel and the FAA.

A discussion on Facebook ensued.

PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ON COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS ONLY:

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Ron Esposito (2102 Laurel Lane) asked Council when the road work begins on Lake Avenue to consider finding options to slow traffic down. A discussion ensued.

Mayor Schenker asked Ron Esposito about a letter he received about Penny Pot Park.

PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF: \$631,015.40

A motion to approve payment was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Conway.

Mayor Greg Schenker reminded the public that all other monthly reports are on file in the minute book.

The next regular meeting of Mayor and Council will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 starting at 6:00 pm in Borough Hall, 1700 12th Street, Folsom, NJ

With no other discussion the meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Gatto Municipal Clerk