Workshop meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Matawan, New Jersey, was held at the Matawan Municipal Community Center, 201 Broad Street, Matawan, New Jersey on August 3, 2017 with Mayor Altomonte presiding. Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by publishing notification in *The Independent* on January 11, 2017, by sending notice to the *Asbury Park Press*, and by posting. A copy of said Notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk. A copy of said Notice has also been sent to such members of the public as have requested such information in accordance with the Statute. Mayor Altomonte called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM requesting a roll call.

On roll call the following members responded present:

Present: Councilman Joseph Urbano

Councilman Michael Caldon Councilman Michael Vergaretti Councilman Brett Cannon Councilman Nicolas Reeve Councilwoman Josi Salvatore

Also, present were Louis C. Ferrara, Borough Administrator, Pasquale Menna, Esq., Borough Attorney.

Mayor Altomonte announced that they would be adding Resolution 17-08-16 and Ordinance 17-13.

Mayor Altomonte asked everyone to stand for a Salute to the Flag.

Mayor Altomonte asked everyone to stand for a Moment of Silence.

#### **Privilege of the Floor for Agenda Items Only**

Mayor Altomonte opened the Privilege of the Floor for Agenda Items Only.

Councilman Caldon requested to speak and left the dais at 7:09 PM.

Michael Caldon, 88 Freneau Avenue, Matawan. Councilman Caldon asked about Resolution 17-08-13 concerning the statewide review of the PILOT Legislation. Councilman Caldon said he wanted to give a little history on this because he basically thought that it's gotten a little silly. He proposed to all that he walked across the aisle and spoke to Mayor Altomonte, Councilmen Cannon and Reeve, indicating that Councilman Vergaretti wasn't present to speak with, and that he didn't speak with Councilwoman Salvatore. He said that he asked about a resolution defending the tax payers of Matawan in regard to the PILOT programs that are occurring in Aberdeen. He asked if someone could explain to him where in this resolution any of that is addressed. Councilman Cannon replied that when they spoke, he mentioned to Councilman Caldon that the Council was going to take a look at the resolution because they didn't have time to review it the night that it was dropped to them. He noted that the Council does agree with the general point of Councilman Caldon's resolution, which is to address the school funding in the PILOT programs and how it's allocated amongst the regionalized school district. Councilman Cannon said the Council looked around the State, noting that there are multiple regionalized school districts that are currently dealing with the allocation of funding, causing a problem for some towns to be underfunded. He noted that many Northern counties deal with this issue more than us. He said that they read Councilman Caldon's resolution and related that addressing Aberdeen virtually doesn't solve anything because they have no ability to back out of PILOT, as of this moment. He remarked that Councilman Caldon himself admitted that the resolution he proposed was a feel-good resolution. Councilman Caldon intervened, stating that he said he was standing up for the taxpayers of Matawan. Councilman Cannon agreed and reiterated that Councilman Caldon also said it was a feel-good resolution, knowing that there was no teeth behind it. Councilman Caldon said that he wanted to know from Councilman Cannon where he was

standing up for the taxpayers of Matawan in this resolution. He asked if Councilman Cannon even had the courtesy to come to him when he drew up this resolution, as he did with him. Councilman Cannon said he wasn't consulted regarding Councilman Caldon's resolution, to which Councilman Caldon replied that he did indeed consult Councilman Cannon, explaining that he walked over to Councilman Cannon and asked him to come to an agreement for the taxpayers of Matawan. Councilman Cannon disagreed, recalling that it was at the end of the Council meeting. Councilman Caldon said that he reached across the party lines, to the Mayor and to Councilmen Cannon and Reeve. He pointed out that the Mayor just sent a letter, castigating the school board tax. He then asked if there was one Councilmember present who would say that our taxes aren't going to adversely affected by these PILOT programs. Councilman Cannon agreed, stating that they absolutely were. Councilman Reeve interceded and said that Councilman Caldon didn't provide enough detail with his resolution. Councilman Caldon said that was not what he was asking. He again asked if the Council believed that the PILOT programs initiated in Aberdeen are going to have an adverse effect on the Matawan taxpayer. Councilman Reeve said that he didn't think they would, but also stated that he didn't have enough details from Councilman Caldon's resolution, observing that he didn't provide enough details. Councilman Caldon interupted and thanked Councilman Reeve for his response, indicating that he just wanted an answer. Councilman Cannon noted that Councilman Caldon asked him three questions and that he wasn't allowed to answer one. Councilman Caldon said that it was okay and thanked Councilman Cannon for his input. Councilman Caldon then asked Mayor Altomonte if he believed that the PILOT programs, instituted by Aberdeen, are going to adversely affect the Matawan taxpayers. Mayor Altomonte said that he didn't. Councilman Caldon replied that that was the taxpayers' answer. He began by stating that 250 kids and then abruptly denied that to be accused of this being political with this was absolutely ridiculous. He continued that this was brought to the entire Council in July, indicating that he said to all of them that would listen to him that they needed to get in front of this because this is going to be something that affects us all. He stated that for the Matawan Democrats to come out in a Facebook page, indicating that his phone was blowing up about what was posted out there, that he was being political. He then asked if they reached across the aisle and ask him about this, and he answered that they did not. He said there was no conversation about it and accused the Matawan Democrats of being the only ones being political about this. Councilman Caldon said that he was standing up for Matawan, where he was elected. Not in Aberdeen. He said he didn't care what kind of trouble Aberdeen gets into by voicing his opinion. He reiterated that 240 some odd kids will be coming into the school district, at \$14K a pop, and they're all going to have to pay for it. Councilman Vergaretti began to state something and Councilman Caldon acknowledged that he wasn't present at the meeting. Councilman Vergaretti then stated that he wasn't getting excited, that he wanted to talk rationally. He asked Councilman Caldon to restate how much it would cost per kid. Councilman Caldon told him to do the math: \$14K per year, 240 kids. Councilman Vergaretti asked where the figure of \$14K came from and Councilman Caldon said that it was the cost to educate a child in Matawan. Councilman Vergaretti said he was speaking logically, based on math, stating the issue with coming up with \$14K. Councilman Caldon interjected, noting that he wasn't going to get in the mud with them. He said he would leave that to them. Councilman Cannon accused Councilman Caldon of not wanting to hear a response. Councilman Vergaretti then accused Councilman Caldon of misleading people and Councilman Caldon challenged that he wasn't. Councilman Vergaretti disagreed with Councilman Caldon and said that he would tell him why, about the amount of \$14K. Councilman Caldon admonished Councilman Vergaretti that he could talk to him in a civil voice or Councilman Caldon will not speak with him. Councilman Cannon spoke at the same time, accusing Councilman Caldon of not letting anyone speak. Councilman Vergaretti said that he started off being Councilman Caldon said that he was happy to talk to Councilman Vergaretti, but if Councilman Vergaretti was going to sit there and yell at him, that would not go well for either one of them. Councilman Cannon observed that Councilman Caldon won't let anyone else speak and then asked if he really wanted a civil conversation. Councilman Cannon accused Councilman Caldon of putting on a show. Councilman Caldon disagreed, stating that there was no show. Councilman Urbano agreed with Councilman Caldon, reiterating that there was no show, declaring there's the truth. Councilman Caldon accused one individual who was present who was not trying to play politics and he said that it was himself. Councilman Cannon asked what Councilman Caldon what he was doing right now. Councilman Caldon replied that he was standing up, that the Restore Matawan

team posts that he is being political for standing up for the taxpayers of Matawan, because they are going to be faced with increased costs. Councilman Cannon asked if Councilman Caldon wanted to look at the Matawan First posts. Councilman Cannon then announced that Councilman Cannon had his own groundbreaking for Gravelly Brook Park. Councilman Urbano urged that they stay on topic. Councilman Caldon said that he explained that he was president of the baseball league and that people ask him all the time what was going on with Gravelly Brook. So he informed the residents. He accused that it was apparent that only certain people can inform the residents on what they want to do, but when it comes to other people, there's rules and regulations. Councilman Cannon retorted that some people stay quiet for nine years and now all of sudden want to speak up. Councilman Caldon said that they would speak about this some more. Councilman Vergaretti noted that he wouldn't get excited and Councilman Caldon encouraged him to try again. Councilman Vergaretti asked if Councilman Caldon had any idea where the \$14K comes from. Councilman Caldon said it came from the school board. He then asked if Councilman Vergaretti had been to a school board meeting. Councilman Vergaretti acknowledged that he hadn't recently. Councilman Caldon said that he was at the school board meeting, heard the information and brought it forward to everyone on the Council and asked if the Council wanted to address the issue in any way. He charged that he was first accused of trying to go after another Councilman's brother, and Councilman Cannon interrupted, asking if this was the route Councilman Caldon wanted choose. Councilman Vergaretti said that he wasn't accusing Councilman Caldon of anything. Councilman Vergaretti then said that he is good at math and Councilman Caldon noted that he was glad Councilman Vergaretti is good at math. Councilman Vergaretti continued, stating that the figure was probably based on teachers' salaries, probably based on custodians' salaries and Councilman Caldon said he wasn't going to delve into the minutiae of it all, stating that the simple fact of the matter was that he brought across the aisle, trying to come to a resolution that all could agree upon in a bipartisan manner. Councilman Vergaretti asked why Councilman Caldon didn't want to talk to him and Councilman Caldon said it was because he didn't want to talk to him about it. Councilman Cannon said that he wants to rant and do his political thing. Councilman Caldon countered if he wanted to rant he'd stay up at the podium. He said he came here to make a point – that there was a time that he spoke to Council, stating that what's good for Matawan is good for him: No matter what it was, Republicans or Democrats. Councilman Cannon said, "Us too, Mike." Councilman Urbano suggested that they revise this resolution and mix it in with the one Councilman Caldon proposed, asking Aberdeen to pay their share of the school board. Councilman Vergaretti accused that they were manipulating numbers. Councilman Caldon said that he didn't want to sit up there and take all night to talk about this. He suggested that everyone got the grief of what he had here. He announced that he is not somebody who goes out, declaring that none of them were going to become governors or congressmen. He noted that they were all out there to represent the people of Matawan, observing that this is an issue that is going to affect the taxpayer. He reiterated that the Mayor sent a letter castigating the school tax because all of our taxes went up. Councilman Cannon agreed. Councilman Caldon continued that he proposed a resolution, reaching across the lines and then asked what he got for it. He said he got a Facebook post saying to him that Councilman Caldon is being political in his statement of wanting a resolution to defend the taxpayers of Matawan. Councilman Cannon declared that he 100% believe that. Councilman Caldon said that if that was the way they all feel, then that's good. Councilman Cannon said to Mayor Altomonte that he would respond to that. Councilman Cannon suggested that Councilman Caldon may not have read the proposed resolution, even though he said that he did. Councilman Cannon then clarified that they completely agree with Councilman Caldon, stating that there is a funding issue within PILOT programs within the State of New Jersey. Aberdeen and Matawan share a school district, noting that Matawan's tax bill has 60% going towards the school board. He continued, stating that with PILOT programs, there's an incentive given to developers to take over abandoned properties or areas that are in need of redevelopment. A tax incentive, a payment in lieu of taxes, so they pay the township a payment instead of paying a tax bill. Said tax bill was automatically required to be broken down along the 61% / 29% / 10% split, with the largest percentage going to the school board, 29% going to the Borough, and 10% going to the County. Within that PILOT breakdown, Aberdeen residents make off like bandits, he's 100% correct they are in agreement with Councilman Caldon and Councilman Cannon wondered why he was trying to argue with them. Councilman Caldon then asked where in their resolution they stand up for the Matawan taxpayers. Councilman Cannon said he was getting to that. He said that the argument is

who this disparity is addressed to, with Councilman Caldon's resolution addressing Aberdeen Township. Councilman Caldon stated that the resolution asked Aberdeen to relook their programs to see if they can do something. He said that he has friends on the Aberdeen Council and that they are doing what is good for Aberdeen. He then noted that he was doing what was good for Matawan. Councilman Caldon then said that he didn't know if he could say the same of the other Council members present at the meeting. Councilman Cannon continued, stating that Councilman Caldon introduced a resolution asking Aberdeen Township to rescind their PILOT programs. Councilman Cannon said that was legally not feasible. Councilman Caldon countered that he asked that they review their PILOT programs. Again, Councilman Cannon said that was legally not possible without Aberdeen Township probably getting sued by the developer. Councilman Caldon interjected, stating that was not Matawan's problem. Kevin Mendes interjected from the floor, requesting more structure at the dais as it was a Council meeting. He noted the outbursts that were occurring and Councilman Caldon pointed out that what Mr. Mendes just said was an outburst. Councilman Cannon thanked Mr. Mendes and then so did Councilman Caldon. Councilman Cannon acknowledged former Councilman Mendes again, and said it was nice to see him at the meeting. Councilman Cannon then continued addressing Councilman Caldon's resolution, noting that Councilman Caldon's resolution addressed Aberdeen Township. He indicated that Councilman Caldon's own words to the Council at its last meeting were that his was a 'feel-good' resolution, stating that the Councilman knew there was no teeth behind it and that Aberdeen couldn't enforce it if they wanted to. Councilman Caldon disagreed and stated that he didn't say anything of the sort and Councilman Cannon was putting words in his mouth. Councilman Urbano urged the Council to revise the resolution to do what they feel that Aberdeen can do. He said that once Aberdeen gets the money, they choose how to spend it, elaborating that they can give it to the school. Councilman Cannon asked for one more minute because both Councilman Caldon and Councilman Urbano took to the podium, noting that he never saw that before. Councilman Caldon urged Councilman Cannon to take the podium. Altomonte banged the gavel and Councilman Cannon continued addressing the group. He stated that they didn't feel that addressing the Aberdeen Township Council, saying how awful they are for redeveloping their town and handing out PILOT agreements that they can't get out of, would do anything. He explained how they were looking out for the taxpayers of Matawan, stating if they read the resolution, it clearly states that the PILOT funding needs to be reviewed in Trenton, where PILOT programs were created. Councilman Caldon said he didn't have a problem with that. Councilman Cannon reported that he teaches 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Civics and that there were things called levels of government – Federal, State and Local. He indicated that this was not a local issue but a State issue, and the PILOT program could be modified in Trenton. He said that they were asking the State Legislature, including Councilman Caldon's buddy, Assemblyman Clifton, and Councilman Caldon concurred. Councilman Urbano interceded and said that he thought Councilman Caldon said more than what Councilman Cannon said. Mayor Altomonte used the gavel to request that the Councilmembers should speak one-at-a-time. Councilman Urbano asked where Hanlon, Kyrillos, and Scanlon on this issue. Councilman Cannon replied that Aberdeen will have to take the action to go to theirs. Councilman Caldon declared that we won't send it to them. Mayor Altomonte used the gavel again as Councilman Cannon continued to speak. He noted to Councilman Caldon that he would give him a chance to respond to Councilman Cannon. Councilman Cannon continued by stating that they asked the state assembly, while looking out for the tax payers of Matawan, to review how PILOT funds are allocated in regionalized school districts. He restated that they agree with Councilman Caldon, saying that we are getting screwed compared to Aberdeen. He announced that by telling Aberdeen how awful they are, our sister town who we should work with, instead of addressing the correct people who could change the law, is not the right way to go. Councilman Caldon said that he didn't have a problem with that. Councilman Cannon continued by stating that the mayor introduced a resolution and we will find out if we have council support on it, again reiterating that the State legislature is the one that needs to be addressed and not throw in Aberdeen Township and tell them how awful they are. He then noted that when we go for our Shared Services Agreement, they won't pick up our phone calls. Councilman Caldon interjected stating that he would happily share the resolution that he proposed. Councilman Cannon continued and said that he knew that Matawan Republicans policy for 20 years has been to tell Aberdeen, "Stay on your side of the grass." Councilman Urbano interjected, declaring if the deal is not good for Matawan then we're not going to enter it. Mayor Altomonte used the gavel to again ask that council speak one-at-a-time.

Councilman Caldon continued and again said that he would be happy to share the resolution with all on social media and they can see where he demands, where he insults. He maintained that all he does is ask. Councilman Cannon asked who said and then said that they would love for Councilman Caldon to post it. He said that he hears from Frank all the time and that he would love to hear from Councilman Caldon. Councilman Caldon replied, no, you wouldn't. Councilman Caldon said that he was going back to being specific and announced that Councilman Cannon would not like to hear from him. Councilman Urbano began by stating in Councilman Cannon's words and Councilman Cannon interrupted and said that no one had heard from Councilman Urbano for nine years. Mayor Altomonte once again banged the gavel. Councilman Urbano said he used Councilman Cannon's words by stating that Matawan taxpayers are getting screwed. He asked that they go to Aberdeen because they are the one who has the money. Once again Mayor Altomonte used the gavel and admonished that council speak one-at-a-time. Councilman Urbano continued and said that they should ask them to allocate the money to the school district. Councilman Cannon said that Aberdeen Township has a Council meeting going on right now and Councilman Urbano interjected and said that Councilman Cannon is a school teacher, asking why he wouldn't want Aberdeen to pay that. Councilman Cannon continued and asked why Councilman Urbano didn't go down the street to Aberdeen Township Town Hall, once again explaining that they had a council meeting going on right now. He said that Councilman Urbano could take Privilege of the Floor. Councilman Urbano spoke and said that they should pass the resolution and announced that he would bring that resolution to them, asking them to pay their share. Councilman Caldon reported that he wanted it on the record tonight that he stands, wearing the badge that they put on him as defending Matawan taxpayers, proclaiming that he wore it with honor. He then thanked everyone very much. Councilman Cannon said that they were looking out for you, too and Councilman Caldon remarked that they sure were, agreeing that they were looking out for them, baby. Councilman Reeve then asked the Administrator the last time Matawan did a PILOT program. Mr. Ferrara replied that he had no record of Matawan ever doing a PILOT program and Councilman Caldon shouted no. Mr. Menna revealed that he didn't believe the borough had, in the past as far as he knew, done a PILOT program as Councilman Caldon again shouted no. Councilman Reeve chided that the question wasn't directed to him. Councilman Caldon agreed that it wasn't. Councilman Caldon began to speak when Councilman Vergaretti shouted that Councilman Caldon should let them finish. Councilman Caldon reprimanded if Councilman Vergaretti continued to scream, and once again Mayor Altomonte banged the gavel. Councilman Vergaretti accused Councilman Caldon of talking over everybody, which makes him have to scream. Councilman Urbano said that Councilman Vergaretti didn't need to scream and Councilman Caldon wondered if they needed to get a cop there to restrain him, suggesting that Councilman Vergaretti should calm down. Councilman Cannon countered that Councilman Caldon put on a show to start a Council meeting. Councilman Vergaretti urged that they stop talking over everyone and suggested that they go ahead. Mayor Altomonte banged the gavel again and announced enough on all sides. Councilman Cannon accused Councilman Urbano of running the town into the ground, declaring that they were trying to fix it. Councilman Caldon announced that there was \$2.5M in the bank as Councilman Urbano declared that the Broad Street project that's probably going to bring in \$7,500.00 in tax dollars and they're going to get their 60%. Mayor Altomonte banged the gavel again as Councilman Cannon admonished that it worked out well for Councilman Urbano for the last two years. Councilman Urbano replied, "Alright, Brett." Councilman Reeve announced that he wouldn't continue as this is such a diversive issue and thanked all.

Councilman Caldon returned to the dais at 7:19 PM.

Mayor Altomonte asked if anyone else had anything to say during Privilege of the Floor. Seeing no one, he requested a motion to close the Privilege of the Floor for Agenda Items Only. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. Council agreed. Motion passed.

#### **Appointment in Mid-Year to Fill Delegate Vacancies on the Recreation Commission**

Mayor Altomonte nominated Jennifer Vergari as delegate to the Recreation Commission, to fill an unexpired 5-year term, said term to expire December 31, 2018. He asked for a motion. Councilwoman Salvatore made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Council agreed.

Motion passed.

Mayor Altomonte nominated Toni Severance as delegate to the Recreation Commission, to fill an unexpired 5-year term, said term to expire December 31, 2019. He asked for a motion. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. Council agreed.

#### Public Hearing – Resolution 17-08-02: Denial of Taxi Driver License – Joseph Oquendo

Mr. Menna explained the next item on the agenda, noting that it would be handled as per Borough ordinance. He then explained the Borough code and how it related to this instance. He then asked if there was a Joseph Oquendo present at the meeting. Mr. Oquendo acknowledged Mr. Menna. Mr. Menna asked him to approach the dais and sit in the vacant seat, normally assigned to the Engineer, so he could be more comfortable. He then said he would review some practical matters as Mr. Oquendo made his way toward the dais.

Once seated, Mr. Menna asked Mr. Oquendo if he could hear him and Mr. Oquendo replied in the affirmative. Mr. Menna then explained to Mr. Oquendo that the Clerk was adjusting his microphone and informed him that everything was being recorded. The hearing began and Mr. Menna explained the incidentals to Mr. Oquendo and those gathered at the hearing. After his explanation, Mr. Menna asked Mr. Oquendo if he wished to carry the hearing to another date so that Mr. Oquendo could more appropriately respond or provide any other information. Mr. Oquendo said that he was ready to begin. Mr. Menna then swore in Mr. Oquendo under oath. Mr. Menna reviewed the items included as part of the record for the hearing. He then offered that Mr. Oquendo was entitled to present any facts he thought pertinent to the hearing. Mr. Oquendo said he had no facts, just a plea. He elaborated why he was present at the Council meeting and stated why he thought he should receive a taxi driver license within the Borough. Mr. Menna continued to question Mr. Oquendo, asking him to explain the charges brought against him and what the results of said charges were. Mr. Oquendo offered some more information and Mr. Menna asked if there was anything else he wanted to add. Mr. Oquendo said that he did not. Mr. Menna then addressed Mayor Altomonte, asking if he or members of the Council had any questions for Mr. Oquendo. Mayor Altomonte asked Mr. Oquendo a question about the taxi license applications in other towns and Mr. Oquendo replied. Mr. Menna asked if there was anyone else Mr. Oquendo wished to acknowledge on his behalf. Mr. Oquendo motioned to his daughter, sitting in the back. Mr. Menna then recommended to Mayor and Council, barring any objection, that the hearing be closed. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed.

Mr. Menna explained that instead of adopting a resolution, he advised that he thought the preferable way is for the Council to review what Mr. Oquendo said and go through the documents presented and come to a decision, which will be issued as a written recommendation by the Council by the next Council meeting, with a resolution attached. He informed Resolution 17-08-02 on the agenda was not going to be adopted tonight and he invited Mr. Oquendo to attend the next Council meeting on August 15, 2017. Mr. Oquendo thanked everyone.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2017 Council Meeting. Councilman Reeve made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed.

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2017 Council Meeting. Councilman Reeve made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed.

#### **Old Business**

Mayor Altomonte read by title Ordinance 17-11: Bond Ordinance Amending Section 6(c) of Bond

Ordinance 17-04 Finally Adopted on April 18, 2017 to Provide for Estimated Section 20 Expenses in the Amount of \$80,000. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to open the public hearing. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Reeve. Council agreed. Motion passed. Mayor Altomonte requested comments.

Kevin Mendes, 165 Broad Street, Matawan. Mr. Mendes greeted Council and acknowledged the enthusiasm expressed tonight. He then proceeded to speak about Borough taxes. Mr. Menna interrupted and asked Mr. Mendes if he was going to speak to the Bond Ordinance. Mr. Mendes said he thought the floor was open to New Business. Mr. Menna clarified that this was just to speak about the Bond Ordinance. Mr. Mendes apologized and left the podium.

There were no comments. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed. Mayor Altomonte read by title Ordinance 17-11: Bond Ordinance Amending Section 6(c) of Bond Ordinance 17-04 Finally Adopted on April 18, 2017 to Provide for Estimated Section 20 Expenses in the Amount of \$80,000, requesting a motion to adopt. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Reeve Councilman Cannon Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

### ORDINANCE 17-11 BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6(C) OF BOND ORDINANCE 17-04 FINALLY ADOPTED ON APRIL 18 2017 TO PROVIDE FOR ESTIMATED

FINALLY ADOPTED ON APRIL 18, 2017 TO PROVIDE FOR ESTIMATED SECTION 20 EXPENSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,000

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 6(c) of Bond Ordinance No. 17-04 finally adopted on April 18, 2017 by the Borough of Matawan, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey (the "Borough"), is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

- (c) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$80,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost of the improvement or purpose set forth in Section 3 of this bond ordinance."
- Section 2. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this amending bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith.
- Section 3. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Ordinance 17-12: Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Matawan – Chapter VII – Traffic, Section 7-21 et seq. – Multi-Way Stop Intersections – Schenck Avenue and Monroe Street. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to open the public hearing. Councilman Cannon made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Council agreed. Motion passed. Mayor Altomonte requested comments. There were no comments. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to close the public hearing. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed. Mayor Altomonte read by title Ordinance 17 12: Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Matawan – Chapter VII – Traffic, Section 7-21 et seq. – Multi-Way

Stop Intersections – Schenck Avenue and Monroe Street, requesting a motion to adopt. Councilman Cannon made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Reeve Councilman Cannon Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

ORDINANCE 17-12
AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF
THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN
CHAPTER VII – TRAFFIC, SECTION 7-21 ET SEQ.
MULTI-WAY STOP INTERSECTIONS - SCHENCK AVENUE AND MONROE STREET

WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Police Commission it is necessary to install traffic control signals, such as stop and/or yield signs for the health, safety and well being of the residents and visitors of the Borough of Matawan to control traffic, and to reduce incidents of traffic accidents; and

WHEREAS, the Traffic Safety Unit of the Matawan Police Department has recommended the adoption of this within Ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that it herewith amends Chapter VII – Traffic Regulations, Section 7-21 – Multi-Way Stop Intersections, to include the intersections described are hereby designated as Stop Intersections. Stop signs shall be installed as provided therein.

IntersectionDirectionStop Sign(s) On:Schenck Avenue and Monroe StreetEast and West BoundSchenck Avenue and Monroe Street

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** any Ordinances or portions thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** if any provisions of this Ordinance, or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance is declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance, which can be given effect, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon following the passage, adoption and publication pursuant to law.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that a true certified copy of this Ordinance shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Police, Public Works, Clerk as well as the New Jersey State Department of Transportation.

#### **Consent Agenda**

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolutions 17-08-03 through and including 17-08-12, plus Resolution 17-08-15, requesting a motion to approve en masse. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. Mayor Altomonte requested a voice vote. Council agreed. Motion passed.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-03 APPROVAL OF NEW TAXI DRIVER LICENSE PAUL L. MASCOLINO

WHEREAS, Paul L. Mascolino, has passed the required Police Department background checks; and

WHEREAS, Paul L. Mascolino, has filed the proper documentation with the Borough Clerk's office.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby approve the following new taxi driver license:

Applicant: Paul L. Mascolino 8 Henry Street Freehold, NJ 07728

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following: Clerk, Police as well as Applicant.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-04 APPROVAL OF NEW TAXI DRIVER LICENSE WILLIAM H. PRICE, JR.

WHEREAS, William H. Price, Jr., has passed the required Police Department background checks; and

WHEREAS, William H. Price, Jr., has filed the proper documentation with the Borough Clerk's office.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby approve the following new taxi driver license:

Applicant: William H. Price, Jr.

1880 Woodbridge Avenue

Apt. 1A

Edison, NJ 08817

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following: Clerk, Police as well as Applicant.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-05 APPROVAL OF TAXI DRIVER LICENSE RENEWAL GALAL S. SHEHATA

WHEREAS, Galal S. Shehata, has passed the required Police Department background checks; and

WHEREAS, Galal S. Shehata, has filed the proper documentation with the Borough Clerk's office.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby approve the following taxi driver license renewal:

Applicant: Galal S. Shehata

1250 Route 34, Building 3-A7 Matawan, NJ 07747

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following: Clerk, Police as well as Applicant.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-06 APPROVAL OF SOLICITORS PERMIT ALLIED ENERGY EXPERTS

WHEREAS, Allied Energy Experts, has passed the required Police Department background checks; and

WHEREAS, Allied Energy Experts, has read Chapter 3-2.11 Handbills of the Borough of Matawan Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby approve the following solicitors permit:

Business: Allied Energy Experts

100 Dobbs Lane Suite 102

Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034

Applicants:

Victor J. Hunter Ricky Kowal
5243 N. Cottage Street 51 German Avenue
Apt. C3 Newtown, PA 18940

Philadelphia, PA 19124

Cristian Mosquera John Storz

27 E. Washington Street, Apt B2 61 Pancoast Boulevard Riverside, NJ 08075 Delran, NJ 08075

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Clerk, Police, as well as Allied Energy Experts.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-07 APPROVAL OF SOLICITORS PERMIT POWER HOME REMODELING

WHEREAS, Power Home Remodeling, has passed the required Police Department background checks; and

WHEREAS, Power Home Remodeling, has read Chapter 3-2.11 Handbills of the Borough of Matawan Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby approve the following solicitors permit:

Business: Power Home Remodeling

485 Route 1 South

Iselin, New Jersey 08830

Applicants:

Lon Belvin, Jr. Eric Lasoski
16 Winthrop Drive 200 Kelley Court
Branchburg, NJ 08876 Mullica Hill, NJ 08062

Sebastian Moreno Thomas O'Connor 80 Gateway Boulevard, Apt 107 322 Oak Lane

Hillsborough, NJ 08844 West Windsor, NJ 08550

Frank Russi Michael Winters
27 Fox Avenue 68 Pilot Drive
Keansburg, NJ 07734 Brick, NJ 08723

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Clerk, Police, as well as Power Home Remodeling.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-08 APPROVAL OF SOLICITORS PERMIT RENEWAL TRADEMARK MANAGEMENT

**WHEREAS, Trademark Management**, (windows, siding, and roofing estimates) has passed the required Police Department background checks; and

 $\textbf{WHEREAS}, \textbf{Trademark Management}, \ has \ read\ Chapter\ 3-2.11\ Handbills\ of\ the\ Borough\ of\ Matawan\ Code.$ 

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby approve the following solicitors permit renewal:

Business: Trademark Management

4810 Belmar Boulevard

Wall, NJ 07719

Applicants:

1) Aaron Eckhaus 176B Amberly Drive Manalapan, NJ 07726

2) Michael S. Geiger 171 Black Oak Court Toms River, NJ 08753

3) Marc Pierre 4) Robert Riccio 311 West Sylvania Ave. 7 Basswood Drive Neptune, NJ 07753 Howell, NJ 07731

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Clerk, Police, as well as Trademark Management.

RESOLUTION 17-08-09
ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION
PAM PENNIPLEDE
PART-TIME RECORDING SECRETARY
HISTORIC SITES COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Pam Penniplede has submitted her resignation as Part-Time Recording Secretary for the Historic Sites Commission.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan accepts the resignation of Pam Penniplede as Part-Time Recording Secretary, dated April 24, 2017.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Clerk, Finance, Historic Sites, Payroll as well as Pam Penniplede.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-10 AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR HIRING OF A PART-TIME RECORDING SECRETARY HISTORIC SITES COMMISSION

WHEREAS, there is a need for a Part-Time Recording Secretary for the Historic Sites Commission within the Borough of Matawan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that the Borough Administrator of the Borough of Matawan, is hereby authorized to advertise (in print or electronic media), interview, and make recommendations for the position of Part-Time Recording Secretary for the Historic Sites Commission to the Mayor and Council, for authorization by Mayor and Council and subject to a Certification as to Available Funding from the Chief Financial Officer.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Clerk and Finance.

## RESOLUTION 17-08-11 AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF PART-TIME SUBSITUTE SEASONAL PERSONNEL 2017 SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM CANOE RENTALS BRIANNA GRIFFIN

WHEREAS, the Council has been advised that there is a need part-time personnel for the Summer Recreation Canoe Rentals for the year 2017 within the Borough of Matawan, effective May 26 through and including September 4, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Daria Dieterle, Recreation Director, has recommended to Council the hiring of Brianna Griffin at a rate of \$8.00 per hour for the Summer Recreation Canoe Rentals for the year 2017 within the Borough of Matawan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan, based upon the recommendation of Daria Dieterle, hereby authorizes the hiring of part-time personnel Brianna Griffin at a rate of \$8.00 per hour for the 2017 Summer Recreation Canoe Rentals effective August 4, 2017. The last day of rentals will be on September 4, 2017.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Clerk, Finance, Payroll, Recreation and Brianna Griffin.

#### CERTIFICATION AS TO AVAILABLE FUNDING

I, Monica Antista, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Matawan do hereby certify that as of the date of this certification funds are available from the T-14-56-850-801 Borough of Matawan to Canoe Renters - Recreation for the Borough of Matawan in an amount not to exceed Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$4,500.00).

This certification is based solely on the information encumbered into the financial records of the Borough by the appropriate using division as of this date and relies on the completeness of financial records.

Chief Financial Officer

(Signature on File)

Monica Antista, CMFO
Dated: May 2, 2017

RESOLUTION 17-08-12 AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF PART-TIME ANNUAL FIRE PREVENTION INSPECTOR JOSE E. PUJOLS

WHEREAS, under Council authorization, the Borough Administrator did advertise, post the position and interviewed applicants for the position of Part-Time Annual Fire Prevention Inspector; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Borough Administrator and the Fire Official to hire Jose E. Pujols, a qualified and experienced applicant, for the position of Part-Time Annual Fire Prevention Inspector.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Council of the Borough of Matawan approves the recommendation and authorizes the hiring of Jose E. Pujols for the position of Part-Time Annual Fire Prevention Inspector effective August 15, 2017 in an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars and No Cents (\$8,320.00) per annum.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Clerk, Construction, Finance, Fire Prevention, Payroll as well as Jose E. Pujols.

#### CERTIFICATION AS TO AVAILABLE FUNDING

I, Monica Antista, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Matawan do hereby certify that as of the date of this certification funds are available from the 7-01-22-195-100 Budget of the Borough of Matawan to Jose E. Pujols for Part-Time Annual Fire Prevention Inspector for the Borough of Matawan in an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars and No Cents (\$8,320.00) per annum effective August 15, 2017.

This certification is based solely on the information encumbered into the financial records of the borough by the appropriate using division as of this date and relies on the completeness of financial records.

Chief Financial Officer

(Signature on File)

Monica Antista, CMFO

Dated: August 3, 2017

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-15 APPROVAL OF NEW TAXI DRIVER LICENSE JUANA REYES CARMONA

WHEREAS, Juana Reyes Carmona, has passed the required Police Department background checks; and

WHEREAS, Juana Reyes Carmona, has filed the proper documentation with the Borough Clerk's office.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby approve the following new taxi driver license:

Applicant: Juana Reyes Carmona

33 Pinewood Avenue Hazlet, NJ 07730

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following: Clerk, Police as well as Applicant.

#### **New Business**

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-08-13: Resolution of the Borough of Matawan Concerning Statewide Review of PILOT Legislation. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. Councilman Urbano requested that the names of the politicians mentioned earlier be added to the Resolution, specifically Senator Kyrillos, Assemblywoman Handlin. Councilman Cannon indicated that he was okay with making the changes suggested by Councilman Urbano. Mr. Menna stated that he thought the entire state legislative body for Monmouth should be included. Councilman Cannon explained that the Resolution would be addressed to State Senator Thompson, Assemblyman Clifton, Assemblyman Dancer, State Senator Kyrillos, and Assemblywoman Handlin. Councilman Caldon said he would like one sent over to Aberdeen, too. Councilman Cannon said it sounded good. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-13 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN CONCERNING STATEWIDE REVIEW OF PILOT LEGISLATION

WHEREAS, under New Jersey Law, tax exemptions are authorized under the New Jersey State Constitution, which states that certain properties and blighted areas may be exempted from taxation, in whole or in part, for limited periods of time and during which the profits and dividends payable by any private corporation in drawing such tax exemptions shall be limited by law; and

WHEREAS, in 1991 the state enacted the Five (5) Year Exemption Law under NJSA 40A:21-1 et. seq. and the Long Term Tax Exemption Law, NJSA 40A:20-1 et seq. which statutes currently govern the abatement process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Long Term Tax Exemption law as well as the five (5) year exemption abatement law are currently referred to as PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes); and

WHEREAS, various PILOT agreements and programs authorize lower tax payments for projects involving the rehabilitation of particular buildings and structures; and

WHEREAS, PILOT programs and agreements entered into by developers and municipalities have been useful tools in creating an economic benefit for the residents of the State of New Jersey, especially in areas that have not been subject to development due to environmental impacts, neighborhood characteristics as well as demographic characteristics of respective neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the State Controller on August 18, 2010, called upon the New Jersey Legislature to review certain issues in the New Jersey Municipal Tax Abatement program as authorized under existing law to undertake amendments to same to provide for a greater participation and/or sharing of PILOT revenue between municipalities and regional as well as local school districts; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial for the State of New Jersey to continue to permit various PILOT agreements and programs for the economic revitalization of the state; but it is also incumbent for the legislation to review the PILOT legislation in light of the Comptrollers' report of August 18, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the PILOT Agreement Legislation since it emanates from the State, may only be helpful if it is provided with a mechanism to address the issues of funding allocations for regional and local school districts as identified as a statewide issue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Matawan urge our State Senator and the State Assembly persons in our district to undertake a review of the issue of amendments of the legislative authority for PILOT programs to study the impact of PILOT agreements on Local and Regional Boards of Education in an effort to attempt to continue the economic vitality of the state as well as address any issues that have arisen that my impact municipalities as well as Boards of Education.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of the within resolution shall be forwarded to the Speaker of the General Assembly, and Monmouth County State Legislators of Districts 11, 12 and 13, immediately upon issuance.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-08-14: Payment of Bills. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Reeve made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon
Councilman Vergaretti
Councilman Cannon
Councilman Reeve
Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-14 PAYMENT OF BILLS

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Matawan, New Jersey. That the following numbered vouchers be paid to the persons therein respectively and hereinafter named, for the amounts set opposite their respective names, and endorsed and approved on said vouchers and that warrants be issued therefore, directed to the Borough Collector signed by the Mayor and attested by the Borough Clerk as required by law.

Current	\$638,477.23
Water & Sewer	\$242,419.56
Borough Capital	\$38,039.04
Borough Trust	\$34,481.33
Developers Escrow Account	\$2,211.50
Dog Tax Trust	\$3.60
Railroad Parking Trust	\$261,500.00
Recreation Trust	\$18,909.05
Unemployment	\$169.50

Total \$1,236,210.81

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Finance as well as the Borough Auditor

Councilman Cannon asked Mayor Altomonte if he could make a motion regarding Ordinance 17-09: Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Matawan – Chapter VII – Traffic, Section 7-14 – Parking Prohibited at All Times on Certain Streets – Clinton Street. He then explained the Ordinance to the assembled. He then asked if he could introduce Ordinance 17-09: Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Matawan – Chapter VII – Traffic, Section 7-14 – Parking Prohibited at All Times on Certain Streets – Clinton Street. Councilman Caldon seconded the motion. Councilman Urbano mentioned that he was aware that they spoke to some of the residents on Clinton Street, he mentioned that since this was the first reading of the resolution he asked that a copy be sent to all the residents of Clinton Street, making them all aware that they are going to lose their street parking, so they can come to the next hearing. Councilman Cannon approved. Mr. Menna concurred, stating there was plenty of time to do so prior to the next meeting.

# ORDINANCE 17-09 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN CHAPTER VII – TRAFFIC, SECTION 7-14 PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS CLINTON STREET

**WHEREAS**, the Traffic Safety Unit of the Matawan Police Department, after a traffic and parking study, has recommended the adoption of this revision to Chapter VII – Traffic Section, Section 7-14, Parking Prohibited at All Times on Certain Streets.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that it herewith amends and supplements Chapter VII – Traffic Regulations, Section 7-14 Parking Prohibited at All Times on Certain Streets as follows:

#### 7-14 PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS.

No person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any streets or parts thereof described, except where other parking regulations have been provided for.

Name of Street or Area Sides Location

Clinton Street Both Broad Street (CR#516) to Borough boundary at railroad crossing (Henry Hudson Trail)

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** any Ordinance or portions thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-08-16: A Resolution of the Borough of Matawan, New Jersey Approving the Form and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Letter of Representation and a Continuing Disclosure Agreement in Connection With the Issuance and Delivery of the Monmouth County Improvement Authority's Capital Equipment Pooled Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 and Authorizing an Authorized Municipal Representative to do All Other Things Deemed Necessary or Advisable in Connection With the Issuance, Sale and Delivery of Such Bonds. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Reeve made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Councilman Urbano questioned whether this was for the MCIA money and Mr. Ferrara replied that it was. Councilman Urbano asked if an amount was needed to be included in the Resolution. Mr. Ferrara stated that the amount wasn't in the Resolution but in the Ordinance. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

#### RESOLUTION 17-08-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN, NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LETTER OF REPRESENTATION AND A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF THE MONMOUTH COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY'S CAPITAL EQUIPMENT POOLED LEASE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2017 AND AUTHORIZING AN AUTHORIZED MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVE TO DO ALL OTHER THINGS DEEMED NECESSARY OR ADVISABLE IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF SUCH BONDS

WHEREAS, the Borough of Matawan, New Jersey (the "Municipality") desires to lease and permanently finance the cost of acquisition of certain capital equipment (the "Equipment") from The Monmouth County Improvement Authority (the "Authority"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority will provide for the financing of the cost of the acquisition of the Equipment by the issuance of its Capital Equipment Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 (Matawan Project) (the "Bonds") payable from rentals by the Municipality pursuant to a Lease and Agreement by and between the Municipality and the Authority (the "Lease"); and

WHEREAS, in order to induce the Authority to issue and deliver the Bonds and its Capital Equipment Pooled Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2017, there has been prepared and submitted to the Municipality a Letter of Representative in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, there has been prepared and submitted to the Municipality a Continuing Disclosure Agreement in the form appended hereto as Exhibit B for execution by the Municipality if the Authority shall determine that the Municipality is or will be an "obligated person" with respect to the Authority's Capital Equipment Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (an "Obligated Person"):

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Matawan as follows:

- Section 1. That the Letter of Representation, in the form presented to this meeting, be and the same is hereby approved, and any Authorized Municipal Representative (as that term is defined in the Lease) is hereby authorized to, and one of such officers shall execute the Letter of Representation, with such additions, deletions or modifications as such officer shall approve, and to deliver the same to the addressees designated on such Letter of Representation, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof.
- Section 2. That the Continuing Disclosure Agreement in the form presented to this meeting, be and the same is hereby approved, and any Authorized Municipal Representative is hereby authorized to, and one of such officers shall execute the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, with such additions, deletions or modifications as such officer shall

approve, and to deliver the same upon the determination by the Authority that the Municipality is or will be an Obligated Person, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof.

Section 3. That any Authorized Municipal Representative is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents and instruments and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or property for carrying out the sale, issuance and delivery of the Bonds, the Authority's Capital Equipment Pooled Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 and all related transactions contemplated by this resolution.

Section 4. All resolutions or proceedings or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this resolution are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

Section 5. This resolution shall become effective immediately.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Ordinance 17-13: Ordinance Authorizing the Leasing of Certain Capital Equipment by the Borough of Matawan, New Jersey From the Monmouth County Improvement Authority and the Execution of a Lease and Agreement Relating Thereto. Mr. Ferrara stated that the list was on the back page was reduced from \$2.2M down to \$1.2M. He also noted that items can be removed but that the Borough couldn't add. Councilman Urbano asked if the Council could discuss what was on the list, noting that the discussion hasn't occurred yet. Mr. Menna pointed out that the proper way to do it would be to let the Pdinance be introduced first, then discussion could take place. He asked Ms. Wynne if the Ordinance had been introduced and she said it hadn't yet. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to introduce. Councilman Reeve made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. Councilman Urbano then proceeded to ask about a Vac truck listed. He questioned the cost listed, at \$200K. He asked how often the vehicle is used and Mr. Ferrara replied that it's used continually. He then noted that a problem that they have now is that they have no backup and if there's an issue, they have to call outside vendor, KKD Enterprises. Each time they call them, it could cost the Borough \$3-\$4K just to clean the sewer line. This will avoid having to do that. He noted that the DPW doesn't have the equipment to clean a clogged sewer line. Councilman Urbano asked if the Borough recently purchased a trailer tow-behind and Mr. Ferrara noted that it doesn't work. He said it just wasn't powerful enough to do the job for certain clogs. Councilman Urbano asked if there was a shared services that could be done with this, asking if the County or Union Beach would do this. Mr. Ferrara replied that we needed to have a back-up. Councilman Urbano asked if the Borough had the individuals to run this equipment and Mr. Ferrara replied that we did, noting that as a matter of fact the reason the Borough went for the smaller unit was we didn't have the staff to run the regular tractor truck. He noted that a regular tractor truck is something we probably should have, but they are extremely expensive, at a cost of \$700K. He said that most municipalities have that to keep their system clear and clean. Councilman Urbano then asked about the listing of Tablets & Security for Wireless Council. He asked what we are paying now for paper. Mr. Ferrara replied that the intention was to help Council, so that paper doesn't need to be passed out every meeting. Noting that they would have an electronic meeting rather than a paper meeting. Councilman Urbano noted that there was a \$60K cost compared to what are they spending on paper, the upkeep of the computers and then five years later they would need new laptops. Mr. Ferrara concurred, but he noted that it was why they would use tablets versus laptops, as they are a lot cheaper than laptop computers. He then said it was a complete package and that they received an estimate. Councilman Urbano then asked about the large dump truck. Mr. Ferrara replied that the Borough has one truck and Councilman Urbano noted that we had three. Mr. Ferrara said that Jake Applegate's (the DPW Supervisor) argument was that if one truck was lost in a storm we would be in trouble. He said that it will put another plow and salter on the street. Mr. Ferrara said that the DPW has been asking for this for a long time and that they were trying to answer this request. Councilman Urbano asked if it was possible to have Mr. Applegate at a meeting to defend some of the items on this list. He then noted that he was down at DPW today and he pointed out that the Borough has three trucks (one has 5K miles, one has 17K miles, and one has 20K miles). He noted that the Borough plows and collect leaves. He asked how many leaf suckers the Borough ha, and replied that there were three. He then observed that the list included a Police pickup truck and Mr. Ferrara said that was for when they do street closures. Councilman Urbano said that the DPW has the pickup trucks and Mr. Ferrara replied that it could always be taken off but it couldn't be added, acknowledging that his gives the Borough the opportunity to debate it with the Department Head. If the item needs to come off it can come off. Councilman Caldon said that he was hoping to see a fire

truck for Washington Engine on this list. Councilman Cannon agreed and Councilman Caldon explained that the truck used by Washington Engine currently leaks. He noted that there have been quite a few fires in town and Councilman Cannon said that he was in full support. Councilman Caldon said he would like to do some horse trading and he said he didn't have a problem with the number as long as Cuncil was open to making some switches. He said that he spoke to some of the gentlemen at DPW and he said that there is a question to some of the items listed. Mr. Ferrara said that the items were removed from the initial list because three Fire Department Chiefs said they didn't need a new fire truck. He said that the three Chiefs told him that they have a pumper that's not being used that could be moved to the Washington Engine house. He said he was also told by the current Chief that they recommended buying a used truck, the way they bought the truck from Cheesequake. Councilman Caldon said he was open to fill some of the voids and to take care of the needs. Councilman Urbano asked if they were voting on the items on the list but that they were voting for the dollar amount and Mr. Ferrara said they had to technically put items on the list but they could be changed. Councilman Urbano wondered when the final list was due and Mr. Ferrara noted that it was due tonight. Mr. Menna asked what the question was and explained that this was just the introduction of the Ordinance, not the final product. He noted that the public hearing would be on August 15 and it could be further changed then. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

#### ORDINANCE 17-13

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEASING OF CERTAIN CAPITAL EQUIPMENT BY THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN, NEW JERSEY FROM THE MONMOUTH COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AND THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AND AGREEMENT RELATING THERETO

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 78 of the County Improvement Authorities Law, NJSA 40:37A-44, et seq., the Borough of Matawan (the "Municipality) is hereby authorized to unconditionally and irrevocably lease certain items of capital equipment from The Monmouth County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") pursuant to a Lease and Agreement, substantially in the form submitted to this meeting (the "Lease"), a copy of which is on file in the office of the Clerk to the Municipality. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Lease on behalf of the Municipality in substantially such form as submitted to this meeting and with such changes as may be approved by the Mayor, which approval shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution thereof, and the Clerk to the Municipality is hereby authorized to affix and attest the seal of the Municipality.

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

- (a) In recognition of the fact that the lease payment of the Municipality under the Lease will be based, in part, on the amount of bonds issued by the Authority to finance the acquisition of the leased equipment and the interest thereon, the maximum amount of bonds which the Authority shall issue to finance the acquisition of the equipment to be leased to the Municipality shall not exceed \$1,500,000 and the interest rate on said bonds shall not exceed five and fifty hundredths percent (5.50%) per annum;
- (b) The items to be leased from the Authority shall be as set forth in Schedule A hereto; provided that the Mayor or any authorized municipal representative (as defined in the Lease) may substitute or add items of equipment in accordance with the provisions of the Lease; and
- (c) The lease term applicable to a particular item of leased equipment shall not exceed the useful life of such item.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption as provided by law.

#### SCHEDULE A - EQUIPMENT LIST

	Borough of Matawan			
	Useful	Life	Lease	Term
<u>Equipment</u>	(Years)		(Years)	Estimated Cost
Fire Chief Vehicle–Vehicle Replacement	5		5	30,000
Fire Equipment	5		5	27,000
Construction Records Scanning & Retention	5		5	20,000
Fire Prevention Official Vehicle	5		5	35,000
Administration Computers & Security	5		5	15,000
Tablets & Security for Wireless Council	5		5	60,000
Replace or Refurbish DPW Dump Truck Beds	5		5	52,000
DPW 11' Plow	15		10	14,000
Water Meters	15		10	125,000
DPW Equipment Trailer	15		10	5,000
DPW Vacuum Equipment Storm/Sanitary Sewer	15		10	200,000
DPW Pickup Truck	5		5	31,000
DPW Dump Truck	5		5	53,000
DPW Lawn Mower Purchase	15		10	8,000
DPW Street Sweeper	15		10	270,000
Water Dept Small Excavator	15		10	29,000
DPW Large Dump Truck	5		5	166,000
Police & Public Bldgs Message Boards/Marquee	10		10	40,000
Recreation Park Benches	15		10	10,000
Police Pickup Truck	5		5	35,000
Water Dept Portable Pump Acquisition	15		10	4,000
DPW Road Plate Purchase	15		10	2,600
DPW Pickup Truck	5		5	35,000
DPW Field Groomer	15		10	<u> 15,000</u>
				\$1,281,600

#### **Privilege of the Floor**

Mayor Altomonte opened the Privilege of the Floor.

Kevin Mendes, 165 Broad Street, Matawan. Mr. Mendes asked Council to consider absentee owners within the town. He explained his frustrations by stating again how the structures are not kept up, the owners take their rent, and the taxpayer is forced to live in and amongst the conditions of these buildings. He expressed that he works hard to take care of his property, as do many other individuals in the town. He said it isn't fair for absentee owners to continually allow their structures to fall apart. He asked for Mayor and Council to come up with an idea to solve this problem. Mayor Altomonte addressed Mr. Mendes and his concerns. He said that the Property Maintenance Officer is resigning and the Borough is looking for another one. He said that the Borough was getting a new Redevelopment Attorney, which will set the code and will give us the leverage that we need. Councilman Urbano noted that Borough is bound by State regulations and this is something that has been discussed with Mr. Menna in the past. He explained that we are limited in what we can do. Mr. Mendes then said it was more than just grass, that there were stairs that were falling down. He said this becomes a safety issue. He said there are a lot of structures that could use a coat of paint and he

noted that this could become a liability to have to deal with. He asked also why residents leave their garbage cans out two-to-four days after garbage pickup. Councilman Caldon acknowledged that Ken Marr did a great job as Property Maintenance Officer. Mr. Mendes said that he spoke with Mr. Marr a few times and he did get a couple of things done. Mr. Mendes would like to see a warning mailed out. Councilman Cannon offered a recommendation that the Borough increase the hours for the next code enforcement official because he believes that 10 hours is not enough time to enforce the code of the Borough. He said in order to solve the issues Mr. Mendes spoke of, the Borough needs a code enforcement officer more than 10 hours-a-week. Mayor Altomonte addressed the issue of the stair issue Mr. Mendes mentioned. He said if it's a building with more than two families, then it becomes the jurisdiction of the Fire Inspector. Mr. Ferrara said that he wrote Mr. Menna one week ago addressing John Quinn's concerns that the Universal Construction Code doesn't allow him to force someone to paint their building. He asked Mr. Menna to craft some language that would give Mr. Quinn the right fine someone for not painting a building. Councilman Cannon said that getting a new Redevelopment Attorney and increasing the hours for the Code Enforcement Official should definitely help remedy some of these issues. Mr. Mendes said that he appreciated the time to speak and he appreciated the job the Council was doing. He said he did see where the municipal taxes come down and he saw the school district taxes are rocketing up again, noting that it was shame that they go up so high. He noted that he sees some changes in the town and that the construction is for the best.

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to close the Privilege of the Floor. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. Council agreed. Motion passed.

#### **Adjournment**

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to adjourn. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Caldon. Council agreed. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

(Signature on File)	
Karen Wynne, RMC	
Municipal Clerk	