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 July 6, 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 7:00 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, and Jeffrey Fedorchak of Remington, Vernick & Vena Engineers, Borough Engineers.

Mayor Altomonte announced the June 20, 2017 Council meeting minutes will be held as they are currently under review by Council; Resolution 17-07-11 will be held, and Resolution 17-07-16 will be added to tonight's Agenda.

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 – Agenda Items Only

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

There were no comments.

Mayor Altomonte 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.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2017 Council Meeting. Councilman Urbano made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed.

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2017 Council Meeting. Councilwoman Salvatore made a motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Council agreed. Motion passed.

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2017 Council Meeting. Councilwoman Salvatore made a motion, seconded by Councilman Reeve. Council agreed. Motion passed.

Old Business

Mayor Altomonte read by title Ordinance 17-10: Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Matawan – Chapter IV – Licensing, Section 4-7 – Games of Chance; Bingo and Raffles, Section 4-7.2(c) – Issuance of License – Designating the Municipal Clerk as the

Issuing Authority. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to open the public hearing. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. 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 Councilman Cannon. Council agreed. Motion passed. Mayor Altomonte read by title Ordinance 17-10: Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Matawan – Chapter IV – Licensing, Section 4-7 – Games of Chance; Bingo and Raffles, Section 4-7.2(c) – Issuance of License – Designating the Municipal Clerk as the Issuing Authority, requesting a motion to adopt. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. 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 17-10

AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN – CHAPTER IV – LICENSING SECTION 4-7 – GAMES OF CHANCE; BINGO AND RAFFLES SECTION 4-7.2(C) – ISSUANCE OF LICENSE DESIGNATING THE MUNICIPAL CLERK AS THE ISSUING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the NJAC Title 13 Chapter 47 Rules of Legalized Games of Chance, Section 13:47-4.1(c) Findings and Determinations states "shall be signed by a member of the Governing Body or the Municipal Clerk."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, to streamline and effectuate the processing of Games of Chance; Bingo and Raffles, upon the Municipal Clerk's receipt of approval of Games of Chance; Bingo and Raffles by the Matawan Police Department, the Council of the Borough of Matawan hereby delegates the Municipal Clerk the authority to act as the issuing authority for the purpose of approving the granting of games of chance; bingo and raffle licenses.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, Chapter IV, Section 4-7.2 be amended and supplemented as follows:

4-7 GAMES OF CHANGE; BINGO AND RAFFLES.

4-7.2 Regulations

c. Issuance of License. Upon the Borough Clerk's receipt of approval from the Matawan Police Department, the Council of the Borough of Matawan hereby delegates the Borough Clerk the authority to act as the issuing authority for the purpose of approving the granting of the issuance of license.

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, any Ordinance or portions thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolutions 17-07-02 through and including 17-07-05, requesting a motion to approve en masse. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Urbano. Mayor Altomonte requested a voice vote. Council agreed. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 17-07-02 REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE CHRISTIANA TRUST AS CUST GSRAN-Z, LLC DEPOSIT ACCT CERTIFICATE #16-00008

WHEREAS, the Borough of Matawan Tax Collector has reported that Tax Sale Certificate #16-00008 was sold to Christiana Trust as Cust GSRAN-Z, LLC Deposit Acct, PO Box 71276, Philadelphia, PA 19176; and

WHEREAS, Certificate #16-00008 has been paid and fully redeemed for the property owner, Block 9, Lot 18.01, otherwise known as Main Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan, that they hereby authorize payment in the amount of \$21,911.42, and a Premium of \$29,900.00, to the above for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #16-00008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified true copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Borough's Tax Collector and Treasurer.

RESOLUTION 17-07-03 REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE US BANK CUST FOR PROCAP4, CRDTR CERTIFICATE #16-00025

WHEREAS, the Borough of Matawan Tax Collector has reported that Tax Sale Certificate #16-00025 was sold to US Bank Cust for Procap4, CRDTR, 50 S. 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102; and

WHEREAS, Certificate #16-00025 has been paid and fully redeemed for the property owner, Block 33, Lot 7, otherwise known as 163 Broad St.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan, that they hereby authorize payment in the amount of \$2,304.28, and a Premium of \$1,400.00, to the above for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #16-00025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified true copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Borough's Tax Collector and Treasurer.

RESOLUTION 17-07-04 REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE J&A NEW YORK, INC. CERTIFICATE #16-00040

WHEREAS, the Borough of Matawan Tax Collector has reported that Tax Sale Certificate #16-00040 which was sold to J&A New York, Inc., 144-90 41st Avenue, Apt. 515, Flushing, New York, 11355; and

WHEREAS, Certificate #16-00040 has been paid and fully redeemed for the property owner, Block 47.02, Lot 19, otherwise known as 1 Ziegler Pl.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of The Borough of Matawan, that they hereby authorize payment in the amount of \$1,032.03, and a Premium of \$1,400.00, to the above for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #16-00040.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified true copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Borough's Tax Collector and Treasurer.

RESOLUTION 17-07-05 REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE PC4, LLC, US BANK CUST FOR PROCAP4, CRDTR CERTIFICATE #16-00069

WHEREAS, the Borough of Matawan Tax Collector has reported that Tax Sale Certificate #16-00069 was sold to PC4, LLC, US Bank Cust for Procap4, Crdtr, 50 S. 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102; and

WHEREAS, Certificate #16-00069 has been paid and fully redeemed for the property owner, Block 105, Lot 15.01, otherwise known as 797 Highway 34.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan, that they hereby authorize payment in the amount of \$1,900.58, and a Premium of \$1,400.00, to the above for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #16-00069.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified true copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Borough's Tax Collector and Treasurer.

New Business

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-06: Resolution Correcting Assessor Error/Added Assessment for 2016 – 96 Onyx Place – Block 123, Lot 3. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. 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 17-07-06 CORRECTING ASSESSOR ERROR/ADDED ASSESSMENT FOR 2016 96 ONYX PLACE – BLOCK 123, LOT 3

WHEREAS, the Borough Tax Assessor has advised that there was a mathematical error that resulted in the assessment on 96 Onyx Place, also known as Block 123, Lot 3, being increased from \$389,400.00 to \$400,500.00 for 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Tax Assessor has certified that the error was effectuated and recommends that the assessment be reduced to \$389,400.00; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has adopted the Assessor's request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby authorize the Borough Tax Assessor to adjust the assessment on the above property and further authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to refund the sum of \$152.96 to the property owner constituting the overpayment made on the added assessment for 2016.

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, Tax Assessor as well as the Property Owner.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-07: Renewal of 2017-2018 ABC Liquor Licenses. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. 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 17-07-07 RENEWAL OF 2017-2018 ABC LIQUOR LICENSES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Matawan that the following liquor licenses be renewed, subject however to the rules, regulations, receipt of Tax Clearance Certificates, statutes and ordinances affecting the same, said licenses to expire June 30, 2017.

<u>LICENSE # NAME</u> <u>ADDRESS</u> <u>Plenary Retail Distribution License</u> \$950.00					
1329-44-002-010	Soma Liquor, Inc. (Wine Nation)	1016 Hwy 34 Suites 6, 7 & 8	Matawan, NJ 07747		

<u>Club License</u> \$188.00

1329-30-020-001

Washington Engine Co.

176-178 Jackson

Matawan, NJ 07747

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-08: Accepting Board of Public Utilities Approval of Borough of Matawan Clean Energy Savings Plan Application. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Urbano. 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 17-07-08 ACCEPTING BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES APPROVAL OF BOROUGH OF MATAWAN CLEAN ENERGY SAVINGS PLAN APPLICATION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that they hereby accept the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) approval of the Borough of Matawan's Clean Energy Savings Plan Application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized as signatory on behalf of the Borough of Matawan.

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, as well as T&M Associates and the BPU.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-09: Resolution Directing Clerk to Advertise for New RFP Proposals for 2017 Redevelopment Attorney Services. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call. Councilman Urbano asked if the borough already appointed a redevelopment attorney and Mr. Menna replied that we did but explained that Mr. Bauman resigned, due to scheduling difficulties. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes:

Councilman Urbano Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 17-07-09 RESOLUTION DIRECTING CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR NEW RFP PROPOSALS FOR 2017 REDEVELOPMENT ATTORNEY SERVICES

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2017, the Borough's designated Redevelopment Attorney for the Borough of Matawan tendered his resignation; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Council to advertise a new RFP for proposals for Matawan Redevelopment Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that the Clerk is directed to immediately advertise and post a new RFP for 2017 Redevelopment Attorney Services for the Borough.

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

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-10: Release of Performance Bond and Balance of Escrow; Waiver of Maintenance Bond – JSM @ Matawan, LLC – Walgreens – Block 40, Lots 2 & 3. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. 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 Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 17-07-10 RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND AND BALANCE OF ESCROW; WAIVER OF MAINTENANCE BOND JSM AT MATAWAN, LLC WALGREENS – BLOCK 40, LOTS 2 & 3

WHEREAS, on July 9, 2003, JSM @ Matawan, LLC posted Performance Bond #0364618 in the amount of \$1,214,270.989 with Bond Rider Dated June 8, 2004 reducing the Performance Bond to \$497,723.72; and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2003 a Cash Performance Bond of \$134,918.99 was deposited and reduced in 2004 and again in 2005, leaving a balance with earned interest to date of \$41,052.78; and

WHEREAS, Robert Keady of T&M Associates has certified all bonded items have been completed and has no objection to the release of the Performance Bond, and, as this project has been completed for many years, the Borough may wish to waive the two (2) year maintenance guarantee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Matawan hereby waives the posting of a two years maintenance guarantee, approves the release of Performance Bond #0364618 and the release of remaining escrow monies with earned interest to date in the amount of \$41,052.78.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-12: Authorizing the Borough Administrator to Advertise for Hiring of a Part-Time Property Maintenance Officer – Construction Department. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Urbano. 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 17-07-12 AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR HIRING OF A PART-TIME PROPERTY MAINTENANCE OFFICER CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, there is a need for a Part-Time Property Maintenance Officer 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 Property Maintenance Officer 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, Finance and Construction.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-13: Authorizing the Hiring of Part-Time Seasonal Personnel – 2017 Summer Recreation Program – Counselors. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Urbano. 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 17-07-13 AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF PART-TIME SEASONAL PERSONNEL 2017 SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM COUNSELORS

WHEREAS, the Council has been advised that there is a need for part-time personnel for the Summer Recreation Program for the year 2017 within the Borough of Matawan; and

WHEREAS, the rate of pay will be as follows:

Apprentice Summer Counselors Junior Summer Counselors Senior Summer Counselors \$7.50 per hour \$8.00 per hour \$8.50 per hour

WHEREAS, the number of Summer Counselors will be determined by the Recreation Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that the Matawan Borough authorizes the hiring of part-time personnel for the Summer Recreation Program for the year 2017, as per the attached Exhibit A.

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 and Recreation.

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 Part-Time Seasonal Personnel – Summer Recreation Program for the Borough of Matawan.

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: July 6, 2017

EXHIBIT A

Apprentice Counselors \$7.50	Junior Counselors \$8.00	Senior Counselors \$8.50
Melanie Batson		
Gabrielle Manzella		

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-14: Authorizing the Tax Collector to Prepare and Submit an Application to Participate in the Electronic Tax Sale Program. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. 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 Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 17-07-14 AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTRONIC TAX SALE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has promulgated rules and regulations for pilot programs; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved NJ Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct pilot programs; and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations authorize a municipality to submit an application for participation in the pilot program for an electronic tax sale; and

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Matawan wishes to participate in the pilot program for an electronic tax sale.

NOW, THERFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan, New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to complete an application to participate in the electronic tax sale program and submit same to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Administration, Finance, Clerk, Tax Collector as well as the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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 introduce. 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 Cannon Councilman Reeve 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 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.

The Clerk announced the Public Hearing will be held at 7:00 PM on Thursday, August 3, 2017 as the first Tuesday of August is National Night Out.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-15: Payment of Bills. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. 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 Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 17-07-15 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	\$2,391,176.27
Water & Sewer	\$224,473.76
Borough Capital	\$58,579.16
Borough Trust	\$103,443.32
Developers Escrow Account	\$2,412.22
Railroad Parking Trust	\$11,740.00
Recreation Trust	\$196.04

Total

\$2,792,020.77

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.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-07-16: Authorizing an Extension of Grace Period tor the Third Quarter 2017 Taxes. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion. 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 Cannon

Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 17-07-16 AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION OF GRACE PERIOD FOR THE THIRD QUARTER 2017 TAXES

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has not released all information needed for striking a rate timely; and

WHEREAS, this information is needed to produce the Final 2017/Preliminary 2018 tax bills; and

WHEREAS, as a result, the County of Monmouth could not release the tax rate; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector must allow 25 calendar days for payment from the date of mailing pursuant to NJSA 54:4-66.3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that the Tax Collector be authorized to extend the grace period for the third quarter 2017 up to and including the 25th day after the actual bills are mailed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that any payments received after that date, for the third quarter 2017 will be charged interest from the original due date of August 1, 2017 by the guidelines set by NJSA 54:4-67 and by Resolution by the Council of the Borough of Matawan on January 1, 2017.

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

Interpretive Statement: Extension of the grace period is needed to allow the mandated 25 days prior to payment due date if the tax rate is not received timely. If payment for the third quarter 2017 is not received by the 25th calendar day after the delivery of the tax bills to the post office, interest will be charged back to the August 1,2017 due date.

Peggy Warren, Tax Collector

Councilman Urbano made a motion to introduce a Resolution Requesting the Township of Aberdeen to Review and Reconsider the Pilot Programs for Regarding Several Development Projects in the Township of Aberdeen. He made a motion and asked for a second. Councilman Caldon seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes:	Councilman	Urbano
	Councilman	Caldon

No: Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion failed.

Councilman Cannon stated the Resolution was only distributed to Council at 6:30 PM tonight with no time for review. He made a motion to table the Resolution until the next meeting. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion. Councilwoman Salvatore seconded. Councilman Cannon then withdrew his request to make a motion since the motion failed. Councilman Urbano asked if this could be brought up again at the next meeting, and Councilman Cannon said that he couldn't vote on this without a proper review. A discussion ensued regarding whether the resolution could be addressed at the next meeting.

Mr. Ferrara reported the floating barge used for the fireworks display this year was well built by the barge's sponsor. He presented conceptual renderings completed by the Borough Engineer suggesting such alternate use of the barge such as a water feature for children to play, and maybe an area where

the parents can lay in the sun or eat. If Council agrees, he will obtain estimates on the cost to get the barge certified for capacity by an architect or an engineer, as well as the cost of safety railings. Currently, the barge is moored at the boat ramp where residents are using the area for fishing. He asked Council if they wished to leave the barge there for now until it's decided what will be done with it. Councilman Urbano asked if was safe for people to get onto the barge, noting that the pictures misrepresented the access. Mr. Ferrara replied people aren't having difficulty getting onto the barge, but said that it would probably be better to have it up against the railing, by the road, where it was located prior to the fireworks display. Councilman Caldon stated the Borough has the space to maintain the barge in that area. Councilman Urbano said he'd like to see it chained with a decent lock. Council expressed interest in Mr. Ferrara's suggestion, and Mr. Ferrara said he would get some price quotes to present to Council.

Privilege of the Floor

Mayor Altomonte opened the Privilege of the Floor.

Fran Bucco, 79 Freneau Avenue, Matawan. Mrs. Bucco asked instead of doing the thing with the lake and spending more money on the waterfront that the Borough repair potholes in the roads. She asked if there was any road project currently going on in the Borough for road repair such as Main Street. Mayor Altomonte informed there was a 2017 Road Program. Councilman Caldon mentioned the bid was accepted and awarded, and Mr. Ferrara concurred. Mrs. Bucco asked if Route 34 and Main Street were included in the Road Program. Mr. Ferrara informed Main Street is a County Road. Mrs. Bucco asked if Mr. Ferrara was going to speak to the County on the condition of the road. Mr. Ferrara said he has, stating the County has informed it is in their budget, but they also promised us a year ago that they were going to pave it this year. He said he has continued to push them. Mrs. Bucco said the squeakiest wheel gets the most grease. She noted that instead of spending money on the lake or on murals and water parks and things like that, perhaps they should fix the town. Councilman Vergaretti exclaimed 'Restore Matawan' and Mrs. Bucco noted that he was funny. Then she admonished him, telling him not to be disrespectful. Councilman Cannon answered, stating she was comparing apples and oranges.

Frank Whalen, 24 Sunset Avenue, Matawan. Mr. Whalen thanked the Mayor and Council for the spectacular 4th of July fireworks display. He also asked for a status of the old 'C-Town' construction occurring on Main Street. Mayor Altomonte related a meeting on June 30, 2017 with the developer. He read a prepared statement which mentioned some of the obstacles the developer ran into. He then said that the new drawings will be submitted by the end of the week. Mr. Ferrara informed they should be submitted tomorrow. Councilman Cannon further explained there was privileged information that was discussed at the June 30 meeting which could not be disclosed, but noted that he is pushing hard to have the construction begin. Mr. Whalen asked about the plans Mayor Altomonte referred to in his statement, wondering if they were revised plans. Mayor Altomonte explained that when they hit water, they determined that they needed to revise the plans. Mr. Menna further explained that the plans are proprietary use, and the Borough's professionals are fully aware and are working with the developer to try to solve the physical issues. It is his believe that it is premature to discuss the technical details of the plan. Mr. Whalen asked if there were building permits for this construction yet, and Mr. Ferrara said that they were operating on the demolition permit. Mr. Whalen asked if the original plans, before they hit water, were ever submitted. Mr. Menna said that the Borough Engineer as well as the Borough Planning Board Engineer are working with the developer on some revisions to the plans, which were mandated by the appropriate State officials. He mentioned that the escrows are in place and the revised plans have been submitted to our professionals.

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

Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

(Signature on File)

Karen Wynne, RMC Municipal Clerk