A

regular 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 October 17, 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 made 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 7:13 PM, requesting a roll call.

On roll call the following members responded present:

Yes: 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, Borough Attorney, Jeffrey Fedorchak, Borough Engineer, and Detective Joseph Lovallo, MPD.

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

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

#### <u>Public Hearing - Denial of Solicitor/Canvasser Permit - Carlos Gordo</u>

Mr. Menna asked Mr. Gordo to identify himself and give his current address.

Carlos Gordo, 3 Burlew Place, Parlin, NJ.

Mr. Menna explained briefly that this was an administrative hearing regarding Mr. Gordo's application for a solicitor's permit, which the Chief of Police recommended be rejected. He further explained the procedure of the Public Hearing, noting that Mr. Gordo had the right to have counsel to represent him at the hearing. He asked Mr. Gordo if he wanted to have counsel present at the hearing and Mr. Gordo said he did not. Mr. Menna mentioned that they had a copy of Mr. Gordo's application, a review of Chapter 4 of the Borough Code, and they also had a report that was submitted by the Matawan Police Department. Mr. Menna asked if Mr. Gordo had an opportunity to review the report prior to the hearing. Mr. Gordo indicated that he had not. Mr. Menna asked Mr. Gordo if he would like the opportunity to see the report prior to proceeding with the Public Hearing. Mr. Gordo said that he would. Mr. Menna said that Detective Lovallo, of the Matawan Police Department could make arrangements for Mr. Gordo to review the report, as long as Mr. Gordo authorizes the detective to release the report to him. Mr. Gordo said that he would do so and he asked for an adjournment until he reviews the report.

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing – Denial of Solicitor/Canvasser Permit – Carlos Gordo. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed.

#### **2017 Best Practices Inventory**

Mr. Ferrara explained each year the Borough is required, by the State of New Jersey, to perform a Best Practices Inventory. He noted it is a financial document in which a municipality must score at least 20 'yes' answers in order to maintain State aid. The Borough scored 22 or 88%,

noting that the Borough was well above the state standard. He requested Council approval of tonight's Resolution to ensure timely admission to the NJ Department of Community Affairs.

Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to accept the 2017 Best Practices Inventory. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed.

#### Privilege of the Floor for 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 October 3, 2017 Council Meeting. Councilman Vergaretti made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Council agreed. Motion passed.

#### **Old Business**

Mayor Altomonte read by title Ordinance 17-15: Bond Ordinance Supplementing Bond Ordinance 16-09 Finally Adopted on October 18, 2016, Providing for Various Road Improvements by the Borough of Matawan, by Appropriating an Additional \$900,000 Therefor and by Authorizing the Issuance of an Additional \$857,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance the Cost Thereof. Mayor Altomonte requested a motion to open the public hearing. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Cannon. 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 17-15: Bond Ordinance Supplementing Bond Ordinance 16-09 Finally Adopted on October 18, 2016, Providing for Various Road Improvements by the Borough of Matawan, by Appropriating an Additional \$900,000 Therefor and by Authorizing the Issuance of an Additional \$857,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance the Cost Thereof, 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 Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

#### ORDINANCE 17-15

BOND ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING BOND ORDINANCE 16-09 FINALLY ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 18, 2016, PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS BY THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN, BY APPROPRIATING AN ADDITIONAL \$900,000 THEREFOR AND BY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN

## ADDITIONAL \$857,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

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

- Section 1. The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by of the Borough of Matawan, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey (the "Borough") as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$900,000 (such sum being in addition to the \$1,860,000 appropriated in Section 1 of Bond Ordinance No. 16-09 finally adopted on October 18, 2016), including the sum of \$43,000 as the additional down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of the provision for a down payment for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.
- Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$857,000 (such sum being in addition to the \$1,746,040 authorized in Section 2 of Bond Ordinance No. 16-09 finally adopted on October 18, 2016) pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.
- Section 3. (a) The improvement or purpose hereby authorized for which bonds or notes are to be issued is various road improvements to Stillwell Street and Middlesex Road Phase II, including traffic striping, ADA improvements, drainage and curbing, and all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto in accordance with the plans and specificates on file in the Borough Clerk's Office.
- (b) The estimated maximum amount of additional bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 of this bond ordinance.
- (c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the additional appropriation stated in Section 1 of this bond ordinance.
- Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell a part, or all, of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale, and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest, if any, from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale of bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.
- Section 5. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith.
- Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:
- (a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the Borough may lawfully undertake as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, computed on the basis of the amount of obligations authorized for the improvement or purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 20 years.
- (c) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$60,000 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.

(d) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and submitted to the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough is increased by \$857,000 (the amount of the authorization of the obligations provided for in this bond ordinance). The obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 7. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 8. 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 17-16: Bond Ordinance Providing for the Construction of a Recycling Center by the Borough of Matawan, Appropriating \$230,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$219,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof. 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 17-16: Bond Ordinance Providing for the Construction of a Recycling Center by the Borough of Matawan, Appropriating \$230,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$219,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof, requesting a motion to adopt. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilman Reeve. 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 17-16

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RECYCLING CENTER BY THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN, APPROPRIATING \$230,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$219,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

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. The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of Matawan, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey (the "Borough") as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$230,000, including the sum of \$11,000 as the down payment for the improvement or purpose required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of the provision for a down payment for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by the application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$219,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement or purpose hereby authorized for which bonds or notes are to be issued is the construction of a recycling center including, the purchase and installation of a security system, and all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

- (b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 of this bond ordinance.
- (c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation stated in Section 1 of this bond ordinance.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell a part, or all, of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale, and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest, if any, from their dates to the dates of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale of bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith.

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

- (a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the Borough may lawfully undertake as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, computed on the basis of the amount of obligations authorized for the improvement or purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 7 years.
- (c) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$30,000 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.
- (d) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and submitted to the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough is increased by \$219,000 (the amount of the authorization of the obligations provided for in this bond ordinance). The obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.
- Section 7. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.
- Section 8. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

#### Clerk's Report

Ms. Wynne reported the Clerk's Office welcomed Matawan-Aberdeen Regional High School volunteer interns, Autumn Scarcella and Michael Wroblewski. The interns are assisting with the ongoing records inventory and destruction project. The internship program is going well

and the Borough has almost cleared out one entire classroom worth of documents. Councilman Reeve asked how many classrooms were full of documents. Ms. Wynne informed, three. Ms. Wynne also informed she will be out of the office the week of October 23, 2017, returning to the office on October 30, 2017. In her absence, she asked Council contact Robin Klinger, Deputy Clerk.

#### Mayor's Report

No report.

#### **Administrator's Report**

Mr. Ferrara informed the Administrator's report was previously distributed to Council.

#### **Attorney's Report**

No report.

#### Engineer's Report

Mr. Fedorchak reported his attendance of an October 2, 2017 NJ DOT meeting for their presentation on a waterway project to replace bridge fenders on two bridges over Matawan and Cheesequake Creeks. Area marinas have been notified. This is a year-long project with very little traffic impact, and none of the work being done in the summer months. The DOT anticipates a late winter/early spring public hearing.

Mayor Altomonte asked if Mr. Fedorchak heard back from the County regarding the sidewalks on Route 34. Mr. Fedorchak said the County is looking to incorporate that into a current project currently in its design phase. Mr. Ferrara informed the Borough has been included in the recommendation in the report, and Mr. Fedorchak concurred.

#### Personnel, Environmental

Councilman Urbano asked the Mayor for the status on appointees to the Environmental Commission informing of a resident email stating there were four or five individuals who were interested in serving on the Commission. Mayor Altomonte replied he received that email as well and that he has around 11 individuals who would like to be a part of the Commission. Councilman Urbano related a news report on a carbon monoxide issue with Ford Explorers expressing his concern over those Police vehicles. He asked Mr. Ferrara to work with the Police Department and Ford on the issue. Mr. Ferrara said he will text them immediately. Mayor Altomonte asked if the Police Officers have vest carbon monoxide detectors; Mr. Ferrara replied, yes. Mr. Ferrara said the Police Department informed the Ford Explorers were already brought back to the dealership for review upon a notice received in August from the manufacturer.

Councilman Urbano presented an Aberdeen ordinance to Mr. Menna for his review. The ordinance states Aberdeen has the power to acquire real estate through eminent Domain. The ordinance states there are four lots in Matawan pertaining to the sewer line. Mr. Menna explained the ordinance talks about a water/sewer easement, not eminent domain, on affected properties. He said he will further review and inform of his findings.

#### **Animal Welfare Advisory Board, Shade Tree**

Councilman Caldon reported Shade Tree met with Grace Rainforth, Borough Systems Coordinator, to establish a portion on the Borough's website specifically for Shade Tree in an effort to get more information out to the community. He asked the Shade Tree Commission be consulted with respect to what types of trees be planted in the Main Street Streetscape project.

#### Construction, Fire, First Aid, Sanitation & Recycling

Councilman Vergaretti reported his receipt of a rough-draft of the recycling calendar for 2018, informed it reflects Council's decision to have newspaper be collected with mixed paper, alternating with comingled.

#### DPW, Planning/Zoning, Main Street Development, Property Maintenance

Councilman Cannon mentioned that the DPW was looking to expand the Department stating he believes the Personnel Commission has settled on someone. Construction at 126 Main Street has resumed as they revamped the plans for the design, with anticipated completion of construction in summer 2018.

#### **Finance, Historic Sites**

No report.

#### Police, ADA, Railroad Parking, Recreation

No report.

#### **Consent Agenda**

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolutions 17-10-10 through and including 17-10-13, requesting a motion to approve en masse. Councilman Reeve made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Council agreed. Motion passed.

# RESOLUTION 17-10-10 REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE TOWER FUND SERVICES/CUST EBURY TOWER AS CST FOR EBURY FUND 1, NJ, LLC CERTIFICATE #16-00049

WHEREAS, the Borough of Matawan Tax Collector has reported that Tax Sale Certificate #16-00049 was sold to Tower Fund Services/Cust Ebury, TWR as Cst for Ebury Fund 1 NJ, LLC, PO Box 37695, Baltimore, MD 21297; and

WHEREAS, Certificate #16-00049 has been paid and fully redeemed for the property owner, Block 61, Lot 4.60, otherwise known as 60 Oak Knoll Drive.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan, that they hereby authorize payment in the amount of \$16,911.48, and a Premium of \$9,600.00, to the above for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #16-00049.

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

#### RESOLUTION 17-10-11 APPROVAL OF TAXI DRIVER LICENSE RENEWAL MARIA MICHEL ACOSTA BATISTA

**WHEREAS**, the Clerk's Office received the required background checks from the Matawan Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Maria Michel Acosta Batista, 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: Maria Michel Acosta Batista 200 South Feltus Street, Apt. 24 South Amboy, NJ 08879

**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 17-10-12 RELEASE OF ESCROW FOR OMNIPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. MIDDLESEX ROAD CELL TOWER- BLOCK 71, LOT 16

WHEREAS, Edge Point and T-Mobile US, Inc. of Virginia on behalf of Omnipoint Communications has requested the release of the balance in the escrow account for Middlesex Road Cell Tower – Block 71, Lot 16–Matawan, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, all professional fees have been paid and conditions as set forth in the Joint Planning Board/Zoning Board of Adjustment Resolution dated July 6, 2009 have been met; and

WHEREAS, as reflected on the Summary of Escrow Deposits Statement received from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, the remaining escrow balance as of September 15, 2017 is One-Thousand, Four-Hundred Twenty Dollars and Sixty-Three Cents (\$1,420.63).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Borough of Matawan hereby approves the release of the escrow balance of One-Thousand, Four-Hundred Twenty Dollars and Sixty-Three Cents (\$1,420.63) posted by and check made payable to Omnipoint Communications, Inc. to be forwarded to T-Mobile US, Inc. and Affiliated Entities, Attention: Mr. Darold Stroud, 3625 132<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98006

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Clerk, Finance as well as T-Mobile US, Inc. and Affiliated Entities.

# RESOLUTION 17-10-13 RELEASE OF ESCROW FOR OMNIPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. WILSON AVENUE CELL TOWER - BLOCK 119, LOTS 1 & 62

WHEREAS, Edge Point and T-Mobile US, Inc. of Virginia on behalf of Omnipoint Communications has requested the release of the balance in the escrow account for Wilson Avenue Cell Tower – Block 119, Lots 1 and 62 – Matawan, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, all professional fees have been paid and conditions as set forth in the Joint Planning Board/Zoning Board of Adjustment Resolution dated February 3, 2003 have been met; and

**WHEREAS**, as reflected on the Summary of Escrow Deposits Statement received from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, the remaining escrow balance as of September 15, 2017 is Four-Thousand, Seven-Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$4,732.50).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Borough of Matawan hereby approves the release of the escrow balance of Four-Thousand, Seven-Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$4,732.50) posted by and check made payable to Omnipoint Communications, Inc. to be forwarded to T-Mobile US, Inc. and Affiliated Entities, Attention: Mr. Darold Stroud, 3625 132<sup>nd</sup> Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98006

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a true certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Clerk, Finance as well as T-Mobile US, Inc. and Affiliated Entities.

#### **New Business**

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-10-14: Authorization to Connect to the Borough of Matawan Sanitary Sewer System – Lombardo & Co., LLC – 147 Broad Street – Block 34, Lot 7.01. Councilman Reeve made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call vote. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 17-10-14
AUTHORIZATION TO CONNECT TO THE
BOROUGH OF MATAWAN SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM
LOMBARDO & CO., LLC
147 BROAD STREET – BLOCK 34, LOT 7.01

WHEREAS, Joseph Lombardo of Lombardo & Co., LLC, for the property located at 147 Broad Street, also known as Block 34, Lot 7.01, is requesting to connect the property to the Borough of Matawan's sanitary sewer system; and

**WHEREAS**, the John Applegate, Superintendent for the Department of Public Works has reviewed the Application and plans provided by Lombardo & Co. LLC, and has no objection to the connection; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Lombardo of Lombardo & Co., LLC, posted \$250.00 for the water meter fee and \$1,750.00 for water sewer fees as specified by John Applegate, Superintendent for the Department of Public Works, and has received approval from the Bayshore Regional Sewerage Authority for said property; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that it hereby grants permission for 147 Broad Street, also known as Block 34, Lot 7.01 to connect into the Borough's sanitary sewer system.

**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, Public Works, as well as the Borough Engineer and Joseph Lombardo of Lombardo & Co., LLC.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-10-15: Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract With the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Fierro Avenue and Vermont Court Project. Councilman Reeve made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call vote. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

#### BOROUGH OF MATAWAN RESOLUTION 17-10-15

Resolution: Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract With the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Fierro Avenue and Vermont Court Project

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Council of the Borough of Matawan formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application, identified as MA-2018-Fierro Avenue and Vermont Court-00558 for Matawan Borough to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Matawan.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Matawan, and their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Certified as a true copy of the Resolution, adopted by the Council of the Borough of Matawan on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-10-16: Authorizing Accelerated Electronic Tax Sale for 2017. Councilman Vergaretti made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Salvatore. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call vote. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

### RESOLUTION 17-10-16 AUTHORIZING ACCELERATED ELECTRONIC TAX SALE FOR 2017

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Matawan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Borough Tax Collector hold an accelerated tax sale for the year 2017 by means of an electronic sale.

Regular Mailing
Regular Mailing
Regular Mailing
Regular Mailing
December 4, 2017
Regular Mailing
December 11, 2017
TAX SALE
December 18, 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, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer, Tax Collector as well as the Borough Auditor.

Mayor Altomonte read by title Resolution 17-10-17: Prepaid Bill List. Councilman Reeve made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call vote. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

#### RESOLUTION 17-10-17 PREPAID BILL LIST

**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
 \$35,868.08

 Water & Sewer
 \$70.63

Total \$35,938.71

**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 17-10-18: Payment of Bills. Councilman Reeve made the motion, seconded by Councilman Vergaretti. Mayor Altomonte requested a roll call vote. A roll call vote was taken.

Yes: Councilman Urbano

Councilman Caldon Councilman Vergaretti Councilman Cannon Councilman Reeve Councilwoman Salvatore

Motion passed.

#### RESOLUTION 17-10-18 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	\$1,037,607.48
Water & Sewer	\$342,302.39
Borough Capital	\$142,325.28
Grant	\$300.00
Borough Trust	\$33,026.57
Developers Escrow Account	\$2,083.33
Dog Tax Trust	\$10.80
Railroad Parking Trust	\$665.00
Recreation Trust	\$325.00

Total \$1,558,645.85

**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.

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

Mayor Altomonte opened the Privilege of the Floor.

Tim Collins, 202 Villanova Place, Matawan. Mr. Collins asked about the work being done at Gravelly Brook Park. He asked if the Borough planned on replanting the trees taken down during construction. Mr. Ferrara informed Mr. Collins he is welcome to stop into Borough Hall tomorrow to review the plans. Mr. Collins informed he has lived next to the Park for 42 years and is concerned about the traffic and parking at the Park, and his opposition to any overflow parking on the local streets. He asked for Council assurance that parking be restricted to the Park and not the neighboring streets. Mayor Altomonte replied the Borough will now allow that stating the Borough is looking to expand Gravelly Brook's parking lot, and is waiting to hear back from the utility companies on this possibility. There are no plans to make the streets local to the Park 'no parking' streets as it is the hope the newly constructed parking lot will be expanded enough to accommodate Park visitors. Mr. Collins asked if out-of-town teams will be allowed to utilize the Park. Mr. Ferrara answered if an out-of-town team was playing an intown team, they would be allowed to use the Park. He then assured Mr. Collins there is no plan in place to rent the fields as local soccer, baseball and basketball team use will tend to dominate use of the Park fields. There was a false rumor the field is leased to an out-of-town soccer club. Mr. Collins then commented Gravelly Brook was a Park, not just a sports field, explaining that the improvements included removing the children's area and the benches, and asked when they will be replaced. Mayor Altomonte and Mr. Ferrara both said that should occur in Phase II of the project as well as a possible "sprinkler park." Mayor Altomonte related the Borough's filing for a Phase II grant. Mr. Ferrara elaborated, stating the Borough applied for funding for a toddler park, a basketball court, and a picnic area in the beginning of September 2017. Mr. Collins asked who makes the determinations as to what gets done in the development of the Park. Mayor Altomonte replied, everybody. Mr. Collins asked if there will be public hearings

to discuss the priorities for Park amenities. Mr. Menna then explained the requirement and process of public hearings. Mr. Ferrara informed public hearings are required and were done for the Phase I, and will be done for Phase II. Ms. Wynne commented that the public hearings are posted on the website, posted on bulletin boards at the Borough, and advertised in either the <u>Asbury Park Press</u> or the <u>Independent</u>.

Mr. Collins then asked about Villanova Place road repair. Mayor Altomonte noted his visit to Mr. Collins's home and explained to him that it was going to cost \$256K for the last part of the road to be completed. As the Borough does not have that funding in 2017, Villanova Place will be completed in 2018. This was confirmed by Mr. Ferrara, who then explained the process of the Borough road programs. Councilman Cannon said that the goal was to have that whole neighborhood done by 2018.

Mr. Collins asked about the lighting in Gravelly Brook Park. Mr. Ferrara stated that wasn't going to occur in Phase I; and Mayor Altomonte said that was a possibility of happening in Phase II, and this Phase hasn't been approved yet, but lighting will be done at some point. Mr. Collins said the community will not be excited by that. Mayor Altomonte explained today's lighting technology is very different and less intrusive. Mr. Fedorchak agreed with that statement.

John Chertok, 201 Villanova Place, Matawan. Mr. Chertok informs his house is next door to Gravelly Brook Park and expressed opposition to the proposed lighting for the Park citing Borough Ordinances of park closures at dusk. Mr. Ferrara advised Mr. Chertok to come to the public hearing for Phase II and voice his opinion.

Mr. Chertok informed there are large steel pipes near his fence and asked what they were. Mr. Ferrara explained the Park was originally designed incorrectly with 'home plate' on the baseball field facing the sun and this used to blind the players. The angle of the field was corrected in the new design but that there was a concern about ball being hit towards a house. Mr. Ferrara explained the steel pipes near Mr. Chertok's fence will be for a safety net. Mr. Chertok asked if the plans for this construction are public so he could see what was being constructed next to his house. Mr. Ferrara stated that the plans are available to for inspection through the Clerk's office.

Tim Collins, 202 Villanova Place, Matawan. Mr. Collins asked whether the plans were definite or if they could be changed. Mr. Ferrara said he didn't know, and that he would find out.

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.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

(Signature on File)	
Karen Wynne, RMC	
Municipal Clerk	