

JANUARY 30, 2018

A Regular Meeting of the Piscataway Township Council was held on January 30, 2017 at the Piscataway Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by the Council President, Chanelle McCullum, at 7:31 pm.

Mrs. McCullum made the following Statement, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, specifying the time, date, location and, to the extent known, the agenda by posting a copy of the notice on the Municipal Building, Municipal Court and the two Municipal Library Bulletin Boards, providing a copy to the official newspapers of the Township and by filing a copy in the office of the Township Clerk in accordance with a certification by the Clerk which will be entered in the minutes.

On roll call, there were present: Messrs. Bullard, Cahill, Cahn, Lombardi, Shah, Uhrin and McCullum. Mrs. McCullum led the salute to the flag.

There were no comments from Administration and Council.

Mrs. McCullum opened the meeting to the Public for comments regarding the Consent Agenda Items.

There being no comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

The Clerk read for SECOND READING the following ORDINANCE: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO ZIRKEL AVENUE IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$3,400,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,230,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Piscataway, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Township") as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a), there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$3,400,000, including the sum of \$170,000 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or 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 application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$3,230,000 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 hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is improvements to Zirkel Avenue, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor.

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 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 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 from their dates to the date 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 or delivery of the bond anticipation notes 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 Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

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

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the Township may lawfully undertake as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 10 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in 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 Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$3,230,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$150,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement.

Section 7. The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3(a) hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to

comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Township 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 Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Mrs. McCullum opened the Meeting to the Public for Comments on an BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO ZIRKEL AVENUE IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$3,400,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,230,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

There being no comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Lombardi, seconded by Mr. Bullard, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that: AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO ZIRKEL AVENUE IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$3,400,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,230,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF was introduced on the 9th day of January, 2018 and had passed the first reading and was published on the 13th day of January, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforesaid Ordinance, having had a second reading on January 30, 2018, be adopted, passed, and after passage, be published, together with a notice of the date of passage or approval, in the official newspaper.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Ordinance shall be assigned No. 18-01.

On roll call vote, Messrs. Bullard, Cahill, Cahn, Lombardi, Shah, Uhrin and McCullum answered yes.

The Clerk read for FIRST READING the following ORDINANCE: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER III (3), POLICE REGULATIONS OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. 3-26 - IDLING OF VEHICLES.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Cahill, seconded by Mr. Cahn, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that: AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER III (3), POLICE REGULATIONS OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. 3-26 - IDLING OF VEHICLES be and is hereby adopted on the first reading, that it be published in the official newspaper, and that a second reading and public hearing be held at 7:30 p.m., prevailing time at the Piscataway Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey on the 13th day of February, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Ordinance shall be posted in at least two public places within the Township prior to the day of the second reading and final passage, and a copy of this Ordinance shall be made available at the Office of the Township Clerk for any interested member of the public.

On roll call vote, Messrs. Bullard, Cahill, Cahn, Lombardi, Shah, Uhrin and McCullum answered yes.

The Clerk read for FIRST READING the following ORDINANCE: ORDINANCE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN LANDS FOR THE EXPANSION OF POSSUMTOWN PARK IN PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. 122 POSSUMTOWN ROAD - BLOCK 3802, LOT 121.04.

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Lombardi, seconded by Mr. Shah, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that: AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: ORDINANCE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN LANDS FOR THE EXPANSION OF POSSUMTOWN PARK IN PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY. 122 POSSUMTOWN ROAD - BLOCK 3802, LOT 121.04 be and is hereby adopted on the first reading, that it be published in the official newspaper, and that a second reading and public hearing be held at 7:30 p.m., prevailing time at the Piscataway Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey on the 13th day of February, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Ordinance shall be posted in at least two public places within the Township prior to the day of the second reading and final passage, and a copy of this Ordinance shall be made available at the Office of the Township Clerk for any interested member of the public.

On roll call vote, Messrs. Bullard, Cahill, Cahn, Lombardi, Shah, Uhrin and McCullum answered yes.

RESOLUTION #18-61

RESOLUTION offered by Mrs. Lombardi, seconded by Mr. Bullard, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Piscataway permit the adoption of Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway as part of the Consent Agenda, upon certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, each of the following Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations to be presented before the Township Council at its January 30, 2018 Regular Meeting appear to have the unanimous approval of all members of the Township Council:

- a. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Award of Bid – 2018/2019 Turf Treatments and Vegetation Control – Natural Green Lawn Care – Not to Exceed \$35,210.00 Per Year.
- b. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Change Order #3 – Brookside Road Improvements – Jads Construction – Not to Exceed \$74,103.13.
- c. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Re-Bid – July 4th Fireworks.
- d. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Award of Bid – Recreation Uniforms and Equipment – Metuchen Center, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$65,751.47.
- e. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Project Acceptance and Release of Retainage – Columbus Park New Floating Dock and Existing Deck Rehabilitation – EZ Docks Unlimited, LLC.
- f. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Budget Transfers.
- g. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Taxes Due to Prepayment Over Estimate 2016 – Block 7306, Lot 5.02.
- h. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Taxes Due to Veteran & Senior Deductions – Various Blocks and Lots.
- i. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Taxes Due to Tax Court Judgment – Block 4701, Lot 5.06 – 10 Colonial Drive.
- j. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Professional Appraisal Services – Improvements to Old New Brunswick Road Intersection – Sterling DiSanto & Associates – Not to Exceed \$1,500.00.
- k. MOTION – Accept Minutes – Regular & Agenda Meetings – November 21, 2017.
- l. MOTION – Accept Minutes – Regular & Agenda Meetings – November 28, 2017.
- m. MOTION – Accept Report of Clerk’s Account – December 2017.
- n. MOTION – Accept Report of the Division of Revenue – December 2017.
- o. MOTION – Receive and Enter into Minutes Disbursements for the Month of December 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway that each of the above-listed Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations be approved and adopted by the Township Council, with the same legal effect as through each was read in its entirety at the January 30, 2018 Regular meeting and adopted by separate vote.

On roll call vote, Messrs. Bullard, Cahill, Cahn, Lombardi, Shah, Uhrin and McCullum answered yes.

The following are the Resolutions, typed in full, which were adopted by the foregoing consent agenda resolution:

RESOLUTION #18-62

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2018, the Township of Piscataway advertised bids for Turf Treatments and Vegetation Control; and

WHEREAS, the Township Landscape Architect has reviewed the bids and is recommending an award of a two (2) year contract for calendar years 2018 and 2019 to Natural Green Lawn Care, Bridgewater, NJ, who is the lowest qualifying bidder, in the amount of \$35,210.00 per year; and

WHEREAS, funding is available pursuant to certification #B-2018-03;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to award a two (2) year contract for calendar years 2018 and 2019 to Natural Green Lawn Care, Bridgewater, NJ for Turf Treatments and Vegetation Control in the amount of \$35,210.00 per year, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents.

RESOLUTION #18-63

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") awarded a contract to Jads Construction, South River, NJ, for the 2017 Brookside Avenue Improvements Project ("Project") in the amount of \$1,373,827.50; and

WHEREAS, additional work was required that was not included in the original scope of work outlined by the Township of Piscataway and not anticipated in Jads Construction's proposal to the Township for the Project; and

WHEREAS, there was a previous change order of a \$6,400.00 increase in the project for a previous total of \$1,380,227.50, a 0.47% increase; and

WHEREAS, there was an additional previous change order of a \$22,500.00 increase in the project for a previous total of \$1,402,727.50, a 1.63% increase; and

WHEREAS, a third change order is required which amounts to a \$74,103.13 increase in the project for a total of \$1,476,830.63

WHEREAS, the total change in work amounts to a \$103,003.13 increase from the original contract amount for a final total not to exceed \$1,476,830.60, a total increase of 7%; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.3 authorizes a municipality to approve change orders up to twenty (20) percent of the originally awarded contract; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Professionals have reviewed the Contract Change Order #3, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and recommend approving same; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to amend the total contract amount for the Project with Jads Construction, South River, NJ from \$1,402,727.50 to \$1,476,830.60 and execute the enclosed Contract Change Order in the amount of \$74,103.13 due to increased work required for 2017 Brookside Avenue Improvements Project, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents.

RESOLUTION #18-64

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2018, the Township of Piscataway received no bids for the 2018 Fourth of July Fireworks; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to re-advertise a bid request for 2018 Fourth of July Fireworks.

RESOLUTION #18-65

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2018, the Township of Piscataway received bids for Recreation Uniforms and Equipment for 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Piscataway Recreation Department reviewed the bids and recommended awarding a contract to Metuchen Center, Inc., Sayreville, NJ, who is the lowest qualifying bidder, in the amount not to exceed \$65,751.47; and

WHEREAS, funds are available pursuant to certification # B-2018-001;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to award a contract for Recreation Uniforms and Equipment to Metuchen Center, Inc., Sayreville, NJ, for a total cost not to exceed \$67,751.47, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents.

RESOLUTION #18-66

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, EZ Docks Unlimited, LLC, Middletown, NJ (“EZ Docks”) was previously awarded a contract for the Columbus Park New Floating Dock and Deck Rehabilitation Project (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a memorandum dated January 8, 2018 from the Township Landscape Architect, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, all the work has been completed on said Project, the required one (1) year maintenance bond in the amount of \$34,580.00 has been submitted, and said Township Landscape Architect recommends the acceptance of the Project and, that the retainage, in the amount of \$6,666.00, be released EZ Docks; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the Township hereby accepts the Project and that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release retainage funds in regard to the Columbus Park New Floating Dock and Deck Rehabilitation Project to EZ Docks Unlimited, LLC, Middletown, NJ in the amount of \$6,666.00.

RESOLUTION #18-67

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59 provides for appropriation transfers during the first (3) months of the succeeding year from those accounts where there is an excess over the amount deemed necessary to those appropriations deemed to be insufficient.

CURRENT FUND

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the following transfers are hereby authorized:

ACCOUNT #	FROM DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	ACCOUNT #	TO DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
01-2017-200-100-1	General Administration - SW	\$46,085.77	01-2017-200-155	Legal Services - OE	\$ 20,000.00
01-2017-200-105-1	Human Resources - SW	1,393.72	01-2017-310-440	Severance - OE	407,755.39
01-2017-200-115-1	Purchasing - SW	1,381.28			
01-2017-200-120-1	Municipal Clerk - SW	11,980.88			
01-2017-200-125-1	Computer Center – SW	34,344.46			
01-2017-200-130-1	Finance - SW	21,913.13			
01-2017-200-145-1	Tax Collection - SW	8,929.22			
01-2017-200-150-1	Tax Assessment - SW	14,276.15			
01-2017-200-165-1	Engineering - SW	33,499.10			
01-2017-200-175-1	Cable TV - SW	2,990.12			
01-2017-210-320-1	Division of Planning - SW	10,967.49			

01-2017-210-321-1	Zoning Enforcement - SW	4,465.89		
01-2017-220-195-1	Uniform Construction Code - SW	77,210.08		
01-2017-250-242-1	Police Administration – SW	21,735.75		
01-2017-250-245-1	Crossing Guards - SW	3,482.40		
01-2017-250-265-1	Uniform Fire Safety - SW	16,482.57		
01-2017-270-340-1	Animal Control - SW	18,521.81		
01-2017-280-365-1	Parks & Maintenance - SW	35,338.65		
01-2017-280-375-1	Office On Aging - SW	33,943.56		
01-2017-280-370-1	Recreation - SW	11,346.69		
01-2017-430-490-1	Municipal Court - SW	6,151.48		
01-2017-260-270-2	Traffic/Property Maintenance SW	11,315.19		
	TOTAL	\$427,755.39	TOTAL	\$427,755.39

RESOLUTION #18-68

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the following party overpaid taxes and is requesting a refund of same for the year and amount as listed below.

BLOCK	LOT	QUAL	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	REASON
7306	5.02		Sherri Booker	2017	192.60	Prepayment over estimated in 2016

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the overpayment of taxes to the record owner and the Collector is hereby authorized to adjust the records accordingly.

RESOLUTION #18-69

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the following party overpaid taxes and is requesting a refund of same for the year and amount as listed below.

BLOCK	LOT	QUAL	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	REASON
910	39.01		Mark McMasters 446 Valmere Ave	2017	250.00	Veterans deduction 2017
7307	8		Gwendolyn Sanders 333 Perrine Ave	2017	250.00	Senior Deduction 2017
8004	28		Harding McMichael Jr 3 Wood Lake Dr	2017	250.00	Veterans deduction 2017

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the overpayment of taxes to the record owner and the Collector is hereby authorized to adjust the records accordingly.

RESOLUTION #18-70

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the following party overpaid taxes and is requesting a ½ refund and ½ application of this amount as listed below.

BLOCK	LOT	QUAL	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	REASON
4701	5.06		Robertet Flavors Inc 10 Colonial Dr	2011	64012.26	Tax Court Judgment
4701	5.06		Robertet Flavors Inc	2012	38188.69	Tax Court Judgment

		10 Colonial Dr				
4701	5.06	Robertet Flavors Inc	2013	33329.90		Tax Court Judgment
		10 Colonial Dr				
4701	5.06	Robertet Flavors Inc	2014	0		Tax Court Judgment
		10 Colonial Dr				
4701	5.06	Robertet Flavors Inc	2015	20726.91		Tax Court Judgment
		10 Colonial Dr				
4701	5.06	Robertet Flavors Inc	2016	44593.82		Tax Court Judgment
		10 Colonial Dr				
4701	5.06	Robertet Flavors Inc	2017	45205.93		Tax Court Judgment
		10 Colonial Dr				

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the overpayment of taxes to the record owner and the Collector is hereby authorized to adjust the records accordingly.

RESOLUTION #18-71

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway requires professional realty appraisal services in regard to the acquisition of 5 Old New Brunswick Road, Block 2101, Lot 10.03 for improvements to the Old New Brunswick Road Intersection (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, Sterling Disanto & Associates, Somerville, NJ, has submitted a proposal dated January 12, 2018, for realty appraisal services related to said Project, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof ("Proposal"), with a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00; and

WHEREAS, Sterling Disanto & Associates was previously qualified under the Fair and Open Process to provide professional services for Professional Appraisal Services - Various Projects by the Township of Piscataway for 2018; and

WHEREAS, there is funding available pursuant to certification # R-2018-0012;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway that the Township Council does hereby authorize Sterling Disanto & Associates, Somerville, NJ, to provide realty appraisal services in regard to the acquisition of 5 Old New Brunswick Road, Block 2101, Lot 10.03 for improvements to the Old New Brunswick Road Intersection, at the rates set forth in said Proposal, with such services not to exceed \$1,500.00 in cost.

The following are the Disbursements for the Month of December 2017.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMENTS FROM OFFICIALS:

Jim Bullard commented about a Historic presentation based on the first African American born in Metuchen. It was an excellent presentation.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

David Akins, 39 Ambrose Valley Lane, asked about item #7, who is footing the bill.

Mayor Wahler responded the ordinance is the Township's share; the county is responsible for the remainder.

Mr. Akins asked for the total cost be included for clarity, including the amount the county is paying.

Township Attorney Rajvir Goomer responded the Township only includes the amount being bonded for. This is not approval for the entire project.

Mr. Akins asked if this could come up again.

Mrs. McCullum responded once a project is started things could potentially come up.

Steve Cahn commented that Zirkel is a really old street that does not have an appropriate sub structure.

Mayor Wahler explained the culvert replacement will be handled by the county and they will also be paying for the construction management of the project.

Mr. Cahn commented that the county will probably be paying close to \$2M.

Gabrielle Cahill commented that Mr. Akins, as a resident, is trying to see what kind of money the Township is getting help with.

Mr. Akins asked about item 10b, this is the third change, why can't the initial cost be listed.

Mr. Goomer explained the agenda is a notice of the resolution and the amounts are included in the resolution. If all information is included on the agenda each one listed will be a paragraph.

Mr. Akins advised he will stop by the office.

Mr. Akins asked about item 10i, the judgments, how do you know who did the appraisal.

Mr. Cahn responded this on is a corporation who filed a tax appeal and the judge found in their favor. Commercial properties are taxed differently than residential.

Mr. Akins commented about home depreciation, he explained the appraisers put that he remodeled two of his bathrooms. He feels he should have to appeal something that didn't happen.

Mrs. McCullum commented that she just received her assessment card and he should look at his when he receives it. She suggested he talk to Lisa Stephens, the assessor, with any questions about it.

Mr. Akins explained he spoke with Lisa about his neighbor who has a finished basement and baseboard heat which is evaluated higher and she advised she can do what she wants.

Mr. Cahn explained what you pay in property taxes may not go up if the rate goes down.

Anthony Weil, 2250 Plainfield Avenue North, thanked the Council for the truck no idling ordinance. He heard there is a meeting coming up with the developer to discuss turning the bays around. He knows there is also a proposal to keep trucks off River Road. Overall there are trucks being added to the Township roads. There are particulates that are added to the air with diesel fumes from the trucks.

Mr. Cahn advised the objective is to keep trucks away from residential areas as much as possible. He also mentioned the intention to have Plainfield Avenue and Plainfield Avenue North, from the entrance, to be light traffic streets.

Linda Kettrick, 65 Bristol Road, commented about her concern about the traffic. She feels the roads weren't built to accommodate this kind of traffic. She is concerned about students walking to school; it isn't safe and also the pollution.

Mr. Cahn commented that the Baekeland Avenue reconstruction should alleviate the truck traffic when complete.

Bob Weil, 2250 Plainfield Avenue North, commented about the Piscataway website which he feels is antiquated. He asked why the minutes, master plan, etc aren't posted. He would like to see more of his neighbors here communicating with the council. The more information passed along, the more involved people can be.

Curtis Grubbs, 1750 West 3rd Street, commented about a letter he received from Mr. Walker regarding cleaning up his property, he cleaned it up but feels he was being picked on. One of his neighbor's yards is not cleaned up. Mr. Grubbs asked when the property on Second Street will be filled in where the house was torn down.

Mayor Wahler responded the bank owns the property.

Mr. Grubbs asked who is going to cut the grass on the other side of the park.

Mayor Wahler advised that is private property and the owner has to take care of it.

Mrs. McCullum advised if they don't take care of it, it will become a public nuisance and the Township will take care of it and put a lien on the property.

Mr. Grubbs asked about the Township property on the corner of Second and Hazelwood that was contracted with M & A for clean up.

Mayor Wahler advised they have not done everything yet. He will check with Mr. Gaspari about the status.

Tim Dacey responded he can ask Guy Gaspari the DPW Director.

Mr. Grubbs asked when the fence is going up.

Mayor Wahler advised the fence will be put up; it just will not be right now.

Mr. Grubbs commented about an issue they have over there, it has become a cut through on his neighbor's property.

Mayor Wahler advised the fence will be put up.

Mrs. McCullum advised the fence will not be put up until the Spring. His neighbor should contact the Police if people are on her property.

Mr. Grubbs asked about the sewer being cleaned, what is the status of this.

Mayor Wahler advised he will check with the sewer division.

Mr. Dacey responded he doesn't have to wait until a meeting; there hasn't been one in a couple weeks, he can call the office.

Mr. Grubbs advised he prefers to discuss issues at a meeting.

Camilla Tillman, 229 Ellis Parkway, asked about the GE Healthcare, Bestbuy, etc. will the school budget be affected by any of the development projects that are currently in progress.

Mr. Goomer responded the PILOT programs and agreements; they still pay taxes on the land. The agreement is essentially for improvements on the property and it is usually close to the amount they would have paid. The advantage is for their financing purposes, to help redevelopment, to help them get funding.

Ms. Tillman asked about how to find out the percentage.

Mayor Wahler advised the usual breakdown is used for the taxes collected that goes to the county, school board, etc.

Mr. Goomer advised the improvements portion goes to the Township. The land is split as would be the rest of the property taxes as their normal ratios. Your overall taxes should not be changed. The Council doesn't look to take money away from the school to raise your taxes. The Township is looking to bring in ratables. Without these fixed payment agreements it is harder for these corporations to get financing. If properties remain vacant, the taxes will go up. Vacant property owners file tax appeals and pay low to no taxes.

Ms. Tillman asked when the development is finished, is there a way to see what the percentage would be.

Mayor Wahler advised there are currently no taxes being collected.

Mr. Cahn commented about a PILOT being an economic development tool. When the PILOT expires they are taxed based on their assessed value.

Gabrielle Cahill commented about the amount being delineated on how much the township, county and schools are receiving; there is usually a pie chart in the tax bills.

There being no further comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm on motion of Mrs. Lombardi, seconded by Mr. Bullard, carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa A. Seader, Township Clerk

Accepted: April 10, 2018

Chanelle McCullum
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