

A Virtual Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne was held on the above date at 7:00pm via “GoTo Meeting”. Council President Matthews announced the meeting can be viewed live on Cable Channels Optimum Channel 77, Verizon FIOS Channel 28 and Live Streaming on Facebook: Borough Hawthorne NJ Group, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1135979460070290>. Questions/comments can be emailed to the Borough Clerk in advance of the meeting at lfernandez@hawthornenj.org, you may call into the meeting during public comments and public hearings to be heard in person by dialing (312)757-3121 using the access code 472-199-829, or you may join from your computer, Tablet or Smartphone by logging into: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/472199829>.

Once logged on, all members of the public must mute themselves and remain muted until the public comment portion of the meeting. Persons wishing to speak may do so by raising their hand or using the chat feature and will be called upon by the Council President. Speakers must identify themselves by name and address before speaking. Any person disrupting the meeting will be muted by the organizer and should such disruption continue, they may be removed from the meeting. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

The following were present via GoTo Meeting:

- Mayor Richard S. Goldberg
- Council President Frank E. Matthews
- Council Vice President.....John V. Lane
- CouncilmanBruce A. Bennett
- CouncilmanDominic Mele
- Councilwoman.....Rayna Laiosa
- Councilman..... Mike Sciarra
- CouncilmanJoseph Wojtecki
- Borough Administrator Eric Maurer
- Borough Attorney Michael J. Pasquale
- Borough EngineerDr. Stephen T. Boswell
- Borough ClerkLori Fernandez

FLAG SALUTE

Council President Matthews invited all present to join him in the flag salute.

STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Annual Schedule of Regular Meetings heretofore adopted and posted on the Public Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building, emailed to The Herald News, The Record, The Gazette and all persons who have requested the mailing of such schedule, and a copy of said schedule has remained on file in the office of the Borough Clerk from and since December 3, 2020. In accordance with Executive Orders issued by Governor Murphy relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting will take place in a virtual setting on the GoTo Meeting platform.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes for the meeting of January 20, 2021, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Wojtecki. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(Agenda Items Only) Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard for agenda items only, please call in at (312)757-3121 access code 472-199-829, email the Borough Clerk at lfernandez@hawthornenj.org or if logged on use the Chat feature.

Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion to close public comment, motion by Council Vice President Lane, seconded by Councilman Wojtecki. Carried on voice vote.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES None.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Wojtecki asked for the status of the oil separator at the old China Buffet restaurant. Administrator Maurer reported it will be addressed shortly now that the inspectors are coming back, Councilman Wojtecki added that the new tenant, The Dollar Store will be having their Grand Opening tomorrow.

Councilman Sciarra asked Mayor Goldberg if, as information comes in regarding the COVID vaccine, that information can be updated on the social media platforms, website, Channel 28 and 77 and also the Passaic County Para Transit for seniors who don't drive. Mayor Goldberg stated all information has been getting updated as it is received on the website. Council Vice President Lane reported he asked Borough Clerk Fernandez to post on Channels 28 and 77, all the information regarding COVID, and to have the slides stay on longer so residents can copy down the information.

Council Vice President Lane asked Administrator Maurer when they will be receiving their 4th quarter financial statements. Administrator Maurer stated he will check with the Director of Revenue & Finance but it should be soon. He thanked Administrator Maurer for getting back to him via email in a timely manner on some matters.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Bennett thanked the Public Works Department for clearing the streets during the recent snowstorm. He asked if there is a way to get the plow operators to be a little more conscientious with burying fire hydrants.

Councilwoman Laiosa reported the NJEDA announced a Small Business Emergency Assistance Loan Program, it is not for home businesses or real estate holdings. The pre-application starts on February 10th at 9:00am until February 22nd at 5:00pm. Once that is done, they will send an email and the application process will begin on February 24th at 9:00am and is on a first come, first served basis. This is a \$10 million loan program. The New Jersey Redevelopment Authority is offering a Small Business Lease Grant Program with no payback. You can receive up to \$10,000 for lease/rent payments for commercial space and mixed use. The requirement is 5,000 square feet of space or less. The application process begins on February 22nd at 9:00am and is also on a first come, first served basis. The is a \$5 million program and is offered throughout the state of New Jersey. The requirements are the business has to have been in operation since February 2020.

Councilman Wojtecki asked Administrator Maurer if he can follow-up on the Prospect Park street sweeper hitting the bump on the corner of North 8th Street and Prescott that causes it to dump their load. He stated he did send the Mayor of Prospect Park a text about it. He thanked the DPW for doing an amazing job with the snow from the snowstorm. He is concerned about residents who are not following the rules and dumping the snow in the streets. Administrator Maurer stated it is hard to enforce unless the police see someone doing it. He asked if a Nixle can be sent out telling residents not to put furniture out to save parking spaces.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA PRESENTED BY MAYOR GOLDBERG

Mayor Goldberg thanked the Borough DPW, contracted snow plows, and the County DPW, for a great job in snow removal. He asked residents' help in removing snow around the fire hydrants near their homes for their safety as well as their neighbors' safety should there be an emergency. The Police have identified areas in town which require additional attention, and the DPW will be working on this tomorrow. Just a reminder that quarterly taxes are due. The Municipal Building is open daily from 9am to 12noon for payments in person. You can use the drop-box in the parking lot or you can also mail payments through the United States Post Office. He urged residents to try different websites when looking for vaccine information. For seniors, if you are having difficulty since you don't have a computer, call my office at 973-427-1168 for assistance. The NJ COVID 19

Vaccine Call Center's hotline number for vaccination signup questions is 855-568-0545 and is available daily from 8:00am until 8:00pm for assistance.

REPORTS

Borough Attorney Michael J. Pasquale

Attorney Pasquale announced the Governor just issued an executive order raising indoor seating capacity from 25% to 35% in restaurants and lifting the 10:00pm curfew effective Friday.

Affordable Housing – Work continues on the implementation of the Borough's Affordable Housing compliance plan. The Borough Attorney and the Borough Clerk, who is the Liaison and Administrator, have been working with various individuals to try to get everything in place. Details to follow. He also commented on R 29-21 on the Agenda, authorizing the execution of a TWA for the 204 Wagaraw Road Project. This will allow for an extension of the Borough's sanitary sewer system to service the site.

Tax Appeals – Mr. Pasquale advised noted that the Director's Ratio for the past year has been published. While a revaluation has just been concluded, meaning properties in Hawthorne should be valued at 100% assessed to actual value, the strong one and two-family home market has pushed up prices and therefore depressed the ratio to 97.8%. While the drop is not substantial, it bears watching.

Bandshell— Mr. Pasquale reported that there is work behind the scenes to get a Bandshell season together. Some exciting stuff is on the horizon. Stay tuned.

Borough Engineer Dr. Stephen T. Boswell

2020 Road Improvement Program – Currently shut down for the winter months, however resolution R 28-21, a change order for that project, will credit the Borough \$162,505.90.

2020 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application-Parmelee Avenue – Still waiting on the DOT to do their surveillance report.

Hawthorne Library Lighting Improvements – Plans are ready for bid whenever the Library Board and or the Mayor and Council give the go-ahead.

Municipal Building North Section Roof Replacement – The equipment is on the roof but is covered in snow, once the snow is gone, work will start.

Indoor Air Quality Study – All of the UVC equipment has been installed with an electrical inspection to be scheduled.

Washington/Hawthorne Avenue Sanitary Sewer Improvements – It was suggested that resolution R 30-21 be approved as it is a good price.

Revised SP3 Plan (Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan) – Work is continuing with the DPW and will be submitted on time.

MS4 Plan – Work is continuing with the Borough, 2019 has been submitted and 2020 has been prepared, the deadline is May.

Rea Avenue/North Watchung Avenue Intersection - The guide rail is necessary as previously reported. A new plan will change the striping at North Watchung and Rea Avenue, that will hopefully keep people from cutting across, and the guide rail will be replaced but will be a separate project. A mailbox and utility pole will have to be removed.

2021 Road Improvement Program - Ordinance 2265-21 is for 10th Avenue, Emeline Drive, Cheryl Hills Drive and North 4th Street. Ordinance 2266-21 is for the assessments for 10th Avenue and Cheryl Hills. Ordinance

2267-21 is the Local Aid Project for Bamford Avenue. As per Borough policy, the Borough pays for the curb and the residents pay for the sidewalk and the aprons if they need to be replaced.

Borough Administrator Eric Maurer

Administrator Maurer reported due to the storm, garbage and recycling collection was a bit behind, he advised residents to leave it out and it will get picked up by the weekend. Atlantic Coast Fibers, which is where the Borough's recyclables get taken, had a fire. They are working with some other recycling facilities and intend to honor their contract. Bids were received for Garbage, Recycling, Yard Waste and Leaf Collection for the next five years beginning on April 1st. Unfortunately, the increase was quite substantial, roughly \$405,000 a year more. The good news is, based on the information we have received, this increase was projected in the budget projections for the past couple of years making the increase only an additional \$23,000 more this year and \$28,000 more annually thereafter. The Finance Committee will meet on Monday to start work on the 2021 budget. Borough dispatchers formed a union last summer, an initial negotiation session with them will take place tomorrow. Early March is the due date for this years' CDBG application to the County which will include handicapped ramps. A resolution to award a contract for the purchase of a new Fire Engine for Company #4 will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Questions for the Administration

Council Vice President Lane asked Dr. Boswell if the broken piece of guide rail on North Watchung would be replaced along with the installation of the curb. Dr. Boswell stated the guide rail would have to be repaired up to specifications no matter what. He asked if the island was necessary, Dr. Boswell stated it was not necessary, the striping will be done first and the island can be added later if necessary. He stated the island might make it more difficult for people to make the turn coming down the hill. The preliminary plan is to move the guide rail, fix the curb and restripe.

Councilman Sciarra does not believe the restriping will work. He would like them to reconsider their plan and take a look again at the pictures he took. Dr. Boswell stated he thinks their plan is a good start.

Councilwoman Laiosa asked Dr. Boswell if the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan will be reviewed by the DPW, finalized and then posted on the website, Dr. Boswell stated that was correct. She asked if the MS4 was the annual certification that gets filed, Dr. Boswell stated it has been submitted for 2019, 2020 is due by May but it will be submitted well before that.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to record the Administrative Agenda, motion by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Sciarra, carried on voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

BOND ORDINANCE 2265-21

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROAD RECONSTRUCTION, INCLUDING MILLING, PAVING AND RESURFACING, AS WELL AS CURBING, HANDICAPPED RAMPS AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS ON VARIOUS STREETS AND PROPERTIES DESCRIBED HEREIN OR HEREAFTER IDENTIFIED, ALL IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING NINE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND (\$940,000) DOLLARS THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING THE SAME.

The Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), do hereby ORDAIN as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is hereby authorized as a general improvement to be made or acquired by the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of

Passaic, New Jersey. For the said improvement or purpose stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$940,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and including the sum of \$43,000 as the down payment for said improvement or purpose required by law and now available therefor in the Capital Improvement Fund of the Borough by virtue of provision in a budget or budgets of the Borough previously adopted. A portion of the funding, in total sum of \$80,000, is to be provided through a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG Grant).

Section 2. For the financing of said improvement or purpose and to meet the part of said \$940,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment, and subject to receipt of the CDBG Grant, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$817,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvement or purpose, negotiable notes of the Borough in a principal amount not exceeding \$817,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued is the resurfacing or reconstruction of parts or portions of roads, curbing, handicapped ramps and the construction or reconstruction of related facilities, on various streets or properties located in the Borough of Hawthorne, together with all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with plans therefor prepared by Boswell Engineering, P.E., now on file in the office of the Borough Clerk, and hereby approved. The following locations are identified as being subject to the terms of this Ordinance: Tenth Avenue, Emeline Drive, Cheryl Hills Drive and North 4th Street and such other locations as may be later identified in the place of or in addition to the foregoing, as well as handicapped accessible ramps at various locations. The CDBG Grant pertains to handicapped ramps.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said purpose is \$817,000.

(c) The estimated cost of said purpose is \$940,000, the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes being the amount of the said \$43,000 down payment and is subject to the \$80,000 CDBG Grant.

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 note shall mature later than one year from its date. The 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 notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(a). The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the 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 notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate, and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purpose described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense and is a property or improvement which the Borough may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement.

(b) The period of usefulness of said purpose within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, and according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance is 20 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Finance in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in said Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this Bond Ordinance by \$817,000 and that the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$225,000 for items of expense mentioned in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Law may be included in the foregoing estimate of the cost of said improvement or purpose.

Section 6. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitations of rate or amount.

Section 7. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. Resolutions in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Borough Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. This Bond Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption as provided for in said local bond law.

BE IT RESOLVED, this Ordinance does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Governing Body in the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey, or by way of virtual platform, on March 3, 2021 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in The Record once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Sciarra.

BOND ORDINANCE 2266-21

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR RECONSTRUCTION OR REPLACEMENT OF SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAY APRONS ON VARIOUS STREETS AS IDENTIFIED ON THE SCHEDULE MADE A PART HEREOF AS DESCRIBED SPECIFICALLY HEREIN, IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THREE HUNDRED (\$300,000) THOUSAND DOLLARS THEREFOR, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES FOR FINANCING PART OF THE COST THEREOF AND DIRECTING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT OF THE COST THEREOF.

The Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), do hereby ORDAIN as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is hereby authorized as a local improvement to be made or acquired by the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey. For the said improvement or purpose stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$300,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and including the sum of \$15,000 as the down payment for said improvement or purpose required by law and now available therefor in the Capital Improvement Fund of the Borough by virtue of provision in a budget or budgets of the Borough previously adopted.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvement or purpose and to meet the part of said

\$285,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$285,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvement or purpose, negotiable notes of the Borough in a principal amount not exceeding \$285,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued is in conjunction the re construction or replacement of sidewalks and driveway aprons, including the restoration of grounds adjacent thereto, grading, seeding or planting of trees or other materials along Tenth Avenue, Cheryl Hills Drive and Bamford Avenue together with all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with plans therefor prepared by Boswell Engineering, P.E., now on file in the office of the Borough Clerk, and hereby approved. The affected property owners, listed by block and lot as well as street address and name of record owner of each said lot are set forth on a list filed in the office of the Clerk, which list is hereby approved and made a part hereof.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said purpose is \$285,000.

(c) The estimated cost of said purpose is \$300,000, the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes being the amount of the said \$15,000 down payment.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purpose described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense and is a property or improvement which the Borough may lawfully acquire or make as a local improvement, the cost of which shall be specially assessed in the manner provided herein.

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

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Finance in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in said Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this Bond Ordinance by \$285,000 and that the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$70,000 for items of expense mentioned in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Law may be included in the foregoing estimate of the cost of said improvement or purpose.

(e) The number of annual installments within which the special assessments are to be levied on the lots and parcels of real estate affected by the improvement is five (5) years.

(f) The estimated maximum aggregate amount of the special assessment is \$285,000.

Section 5. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitations of rate or amount.

Section 6. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The 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 notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(a). The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the 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 notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate, and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 7. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. Resolutions in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Borough Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. The improvement described in Section 3 of this ordinance shall be undertaken as a sidewalk and driveway apron improvement and the cost thereof shall be assessed in the manner set forth in this paragraph. An accurate account of the cost of construction of the sidewalk and driveway apron, and improvements incidental thereto as described herein, shall be kept, and such cost shall be assessed upon the several properties fronting on the improvement, as nearly as may be in proportion to the particular benefit, advantage or increase in value which the respective parcels of land or real estate shall be deemed to receive by reason of said improvement and in no case shall any assessment on any parcel of land exceed the amount of such peculiar benefit, advantage or increase in value, and if benefit so assessed shall not equal the cost, the balance shall be paid by the Borough.

Section 9. Unless notice of the pendency of this ordinance is given in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:65-6, the Borough Clerk shall cause Notice of the proposed improvement to be given to the owner or owners of real estate affected thereby prior to the making of the improvement described in Section 3 hereof or the awarding of any contract for such improvement. The Notice shall contain a description of the property affected sufficient to identify it, a description of the improvement and a statement that unless the owner or owners complete the improvement within 30 days after service thereof, the Borough will make the improvement at the expense of the owner or owners. Such Notice shall be served in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:65-2 to N.J.S.A. 40:65-5, and the proof of service shall be filed with the officer of the Borough in charge of the records of tax liens of the Borough within ten days after service thereof.

Section 10. The owner of any land upon which any assessment for the local improvement shall have been made may pay such assessment in the number of equal yearly installments herein determined, with legal interest on the unpaid balance of the assessment. The first of the installments shall be due and payable two months after the confirmation of the assessment, and such subsequent annual installment and interest shall be payable in each successive year thereafter at such time as the governing body shall by resolution determine, provided that any owner of land so assessed shall have the privilege of paying the whole of any assessment or of any balance of installments with accrued interest thereon at any time. Whenever any such installment shall remain unpaid for thirty (30) days from and after the time it shall become due and payable, the whole assessment or balance thereof shall become and be immediately due and payable and shall draw interest at the rate imposed upon the arrearage of taxes in the Borough and shall be collected in the same manner as provided by law for other past-due assessments. Such assessment shall remain a lien upon the land described herein until the assessment with all installments and accrued interest thereon shall be paid and satisfied. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Borough shall have the right to waive default as may be permitted by law.

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

**2021 Road Program: Resident Assessment Worksheet
Tenth Avenue**

Block	Lot	Property Address	Sidewalk (S.Y.)	Driveway (S.Y.)	Estimate	Tree Removals
224	5	199 Tenth Ave	3.78	4.47	\$ 800.00	
224	3	187 Tenth Ave	12.67	9.58	\$ 2,100.00	
224	2	181 Tenth Ave	4.44		\$ 400.00	
211	5	175 Tenth Ave	2.22	4.67	\$ 700.00	
211	4	171 Tenth Ave	4.44	4.86	\$ 900.00	
211	3	163 Tenth Ave	11.11	5.83	\$ 1,600.00	1
211	2	159 Tenth Ave	8.44	9.17	\$ 1,700.00	

211	1	153 Tenth Ave				\$	-	1
203	3	1139 Tenth Ave		2.22		9.72	\$	1,200.00
203	1	1121 Tenth Ave				3.89	\$	400.00
203	14	1323 Rea Ave		15.33		8.89	\$	2,100.00
190	1	109 Tenth Ave		11.11			\$	1,000.00
191	3	101 Tenth Ave		2.22		1.78	\$	400.00
191	1	171 Tenth Ave		10.89		2.07	\$	1,300.00
183	3	197 / 01 Tenth Ave		10.22		6.39	\$	1,000.00
184	6	133 Tenth Ave		25.83			\$	2,200.00
184	6	123 Tenth Ave		2.44			\$	300.00
184	4	121 Tenth Ave		4.89		3.07	\$	300.00
180	27	117 Tenth Ave		6.07		2.81	\$	1,300.00
181.01	16.01	4 Tenth Ave		1.78			\$	200.00
181	23	24 Tenth Ave		5.33		17.61	\$	2,300.00
181	25	36 Tenth Ave		14.67		3.67	\$	1,700.00
182	28	62 Tenth Ave		4.44			\$	400.00
192	4	84 Tenth Ave		15.56			\$	1,400.00
193	3	396 Rea Ave		9.33			\$	900.00
202	18	126 Tenth Ave		14.22			\$	1,300.00
93	4	27 Bamford Ave		6.89		7.22	\$	1,400.00
93	3	23 Bamford Ave		2.22		4.72	\$	700.00
93	2	19 Bamford Ave		16.89		7.58	\$	2,300.00
93	1	15 Bamford Ave		16.44		9.17	\$	2,400.00
93	38	81 Diamond Bridge Ave		20.44		3.06	\$	2,200.00
92	31	2 Bamford Ave		10.67			\$	1,000.00
92	30.01	10 Bamford Ave		4.00		4.19	\$	800.00
92	30	14 Bamford Ave		12.00		8.83	\$	2,000.00
92	29	18 Bamford Ave		3.56		7.94	\$	1,200.00
92	28	22 Bamford Ave		4.22		2.92	\$	700.00
92	27	28 Bamford Ave		18.67		3.33	\$	2,100.00
92	26	32 Bamford Ave				7.22	\$	800.00

Cheryl Hills Drive

Block	Lot	Property Address	Sidewalk (S.Y.)	Driveway (S.Y.)	Estimate	Tree Removals
290.03	7.01	282 Goffle Hill Rd	15.11		\$ 1,400.00	1
290.03	7.02	24 Cheryl Hills Dr	5.33		\$ 500.00	
290.03	7.03	36 Cheryl Hills Dr	19.78		\$ 1,800.00	

290.03	7.04	62 Cheryl Hills Dr		13.86	\$	1,400.00	
290.03	7.06	53 Cheryl Hills Dr	8.22	5.33	\$	1,300.00	
290.03	8.01	45 Cheryl Hills Dr	2.44		\$	300.00	
290.03	8.02	39 Cheryl Hills Dr	3.11	11.06	\$	1,400.00	
290.03	8.03	29 Cheryl Hills Dr	4.22	17.44	\$	2,200.00	
290.03	8.04	17 Cheryl Hills Dr	7.11	15.69	\$	2,300.00	
290.03	8.05	7 Cheryl Hills Dr	24.00	9.81	\$	3,200.00	

BE IT RESOLVED, this Ordinance does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Governing Body in the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey, or by way of virtual platform, on March 3, 2021 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in The Record once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage, motion by Councilman Sciarra, seconded by Council Vice President Lane. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

BOND ORDINANCE 2267-21

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROAD RECONSTRUCTION, RESURFACING, DRAINAGE, CURB, SIDEWALK AND HANDICAPPED RAMP IMPROVEMENTS ON BAMFORD AVENUE AS DESCRIBED SPECIFICALLY HEREIN, IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$700,000) DOLLARS THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND (\$152,000) DOLLARS OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING THE SAME.

The Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), do hereby ORDAIN as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is hereby authorized as a general improvement to be made or acquired by the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey. For the said improvement or purpose stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$700,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and including the sum of \$8,000 as the down payment for said improvement or purpose required by law and now available therefor in the Capital Improvement Fund of the Borough by virtue of provision in a budget or budgets of the Borough previously adopted. An additional portion of the down payment for such work is provided through grants applied for and received by the Borough of Hawthorne in excess of the amount required by law for such purpose in total sum of \$540,000. The amount of be financed by way of bond or note of the Borough of Hawthorne is \$152,000.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvement or purpose and to meet the part of said \$700,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$152,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvement or purpose, negotiable notes of the Borough in a principal amount not exceeding \$152,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Law. Said improvement is to be paid for in part by virtue of a grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation in the amount of \$540,000, which sums beyond the amount utilized as down payment hereunder have been applied against or otherwise deducted from the amount to be financed hereunder.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued is the resurfacing or reconstruction of parts or portions of road, the construction or reconstruction of drainage facilities, and the reconstruction and installation of, curbs, sidewalks

and handicapped ramps on Bamford Avenue, together with all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with plans therefor prepared by Boswell Engineering, P.E., now on file in the office of the Borough Clerk, and hereby approved.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said purpose is \$152,000.

(c) The estimated cost of said purpose is \$700,000, the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes being the amount of the down payment provided for by way of Department of Transportation Funds and down payment hereunder, as set forth herein.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purpose described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense and is a property or improvement which the Borough may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement.

(b) The period of usefulness of said purpose within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, and according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance is 20 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Finance in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in said Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this Bond Ordinance by \$152,000 and that the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$175,000 for items of expense mentioned in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Law may be included in the foregoing estimate of the cost of said improvement or purpose.

Section 5. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitations of rate or amount.

Section 6. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The 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 notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(a). The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the 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 notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate, and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 7. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. Resolutions in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Borough Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. This Bond Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond Law.

BE IT RESOLVED, this Ordinance does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Governing Body in the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue,

Hawthorne, New Jersey, or by way of virtual platform, on March 3, 2021 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in The Record once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Sciarra. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

OFF-CONSENT

R 26-21 Introduced by Council Vice President Lane

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to the amounts allocated in the 2021 Temporary Operating Budget and/or the 2021 Temporary Water Operating Budget; salary and wages and other expenses due to the permanent budget not yet being adopted, and the 2020 temporary appropriations are inadequate to provide for these expenses for the aforesaid reason, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of emergency temporary appropriations, and

WHEREAS, the said temporary appropriations are limited to 26.25% of the total appropriation in the 2020 budget, exclusive of any appropriations for Debt Service, Public Assistance and Capital Improvement Fund in the said 2020 budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne (not less than two-thirds of the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Treasurer for her records.

Emergency Temporary Budget

Current O/E	Department	Amount
1.01.2010.23.2102.091	Municipal Insurance O/E	\$ 18,000.00
1.01.2010.26.3042.050	Sewer O/E	\$ 23,000.00
1.01.2010.30.4002.023	Stormwater Mandate O/E	\$ 33,500.00
	Total	\$ 74,500.00

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve Off-Consent Agenda Resolution R 26-21, motion by Council Vice President Lane, seconded by Councilman Sciarra. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: R 27-21 through R 34-21

R 27-21 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2005, the Department of Veteran Affairs granted Mr. Stephen Farber 100% Permanently disabled,

WHEREAS, the assessor approved the exemption as of August 1, 2020,

WHEREAS, the mortgage company paid for the 1st quarter of 2021 in error,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the treasurer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check to refund the homeowner the amount of the 1st quarter 2021 taxes,

Mr. Stephen Farber \$2,822.00, 299 Fourth Ave, Hawthorne, NJ 07506

R 28-21 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne solicited bids for its 2020 Road Program and the 2020 Local Improvement Program, and awarded a contract to DLS Contracting, Inc., in total sum of \$1,051,821.50; and

WHEREAS, the contractor has submitted to the Borough Change Order Number One, reducing the scope of work of the project and also reducing the amount of the contract based upon actual quantities in the field, resulting in a decrease in the total contract value from \$1,051,821.50 to \$889,514.60, a reduction of \$162,505.90; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has reviewed the submission of the contractor and recommends approval of the Change Order, finding the amount of the credit to be fair and reasonable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that it does approve Change Order Number One, reducing the scope of the contract and total contract value by \$162,505.90.

R 29-21 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of the Borough of Hawthorne granted Preliminary and Final Site Plan Approval to the owner of property located at 204 Wagaraw Road, Block 12, Lot 8, on the Tax Map of the Borough of Hawthorne; and

WHEREAS, as part of the plan for development, the owner is required to extend sanitary sewer service at the site and has prepared for submission to the New Jersey DEP a Treatment Works Approval (TWA) application, which requires, among other things, endorsement by the Borough of Hawthorne as owner of the sanitary sewer system;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does hereby authorize the Borough Administrator to execute and deliver the endorsement of the Borough of Hawthorne and does consent to the submission of such application by the aforesaid property owner.

R 30-21 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne, through its Engineer, solicited proposals for storm sewer improvements on Washington Avenue, in accordance with a request for proposals prepared by the Engineer; and

WHEREAS, three contractors known to the Borough and to the Engineer, all capable of performing the work, were asked to provide a quotation however only one such contractor, Montana Construction, provided a quotation, dated January 6, 2021, in total sum of \$27,400; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer has concluded that notwithstanding the fact that only one response to the request was received, it could recommend an award of contract to Montana based upon positive work history with the Borough and pricing below the estimate prepared by the Engineer in the amount of \$30,000; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through a temporary budget appropriation under Stormwater Mandate O/E 01.2010.30.4002.023 so as to allow for the award of a contract in the total certified amount of \$27,400; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the purchase order is below the threshold set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law but above the New Jersey Pay to Play Statute however the Municipal Attorney has advised that an award may nevertheless be made as the vendor has submitted to the Municipal Clerk certification attesting to the fact that it has not made any reportable contributions as defined by such law;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne that it does award a contract to Montana Construction Corp., Inc., 80 Contant Avenue, Lodi, New Jersey 07644, for storm sewer improvements on Washington Avenue in total sum of \$27,400.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

As required by NJSA 40A:4-57, NJAC 5:30-14.5 and any other applicable requirement of law, I Laurie A. Foley, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Hawthorne, have determined that there are available, sufficient funds, not committed to any other purpose, through the temporary budget under Stormwater Mandate O/E 01.2010.30.4002.023, so as to allow for the award of a contract in the total certified amount of \$27,400 to Montana Construction Corp., Inc., for storm sewer improvements on Washington Avenue.

R 31-21 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne relies upon two Muffin Monster sewerage grinders to break-down waste materials received at its main sewer station; however, one of the two units has failed, leaving only one unit functioning, thereby creating vulnerability to failure in the system unless emergency repairs are made; and

WHEREAS, the Borough solicited quotations from contractors who can provide such repair, receiving a quotation from Franklin Muller, Inc., dated January 20, 2021, in total sum of \$19,367; and

WHEREAS, the price submitted is in line with the expectation of the solicitation and the contractor is deemed capable of making the repair on an emergent basis, resulting in a recommendation by the DPW Director to issue a purchase order; and

WHEREAS, the total sum to be awarded is below the threshold set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law but marginally in excess of the New Jersey Pay to Play Law, however the Borough Attorney has advised that a purchase order may nevertheless be issued as the work to be performed is emergency work in nature, the quotation is deemed a fair and reasonable price, and the vendor has certified in writing to the Municipal Clerk that it is in compliance with the Pay to Play Law by submitting an entity disclosure; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds pursuant to a temporary budget appropriation, Sewer System, O/E, Equipment and Supplies, Line Item 01-2010-26-3042-050 so as to allow for the issuance of a purchase order in total certified amount of \$19,367;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne that it does authorize issuance of a purchase order, and payment by issuance of a check, on an emergency basis, in the sum of \$19,367 to Franklin Muller, Inc., 60 Okner Place, Livingston, New Jersey 07039.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

As required by NJSA 40A:4-57, NJAC 5:30-14.5 and any other applicable requirement of law, I Laurie A. Foley, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Hawthorne, have determined that there are available, sufficient funds, not committed to any other purpose, provided in a temporary budget appropriation, Sewer System, O/E, Equipment and Supplies, Line Item 01-2010-26-3042-050 so as to allow for the issuance of a purchase order in total certified amount of \$19,367 to Franklin Muller, Inc., for Muffin Monster repair.

R 32-21 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, that:

1. The words and phrases used herein shall have the same meaning respectively ascribed to them in Subtitle 1 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey.
2. Pursuant to the Authority granted under N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6, the following location is hereby designated as a restricted parking space for use by persons who have been issued special vehicle identification cards by the Division of Motor Vehicles. No other person shall be permitted to park in this space.
3. The parking space will be located on the easterly side of Cornell Avenue. Reference point for measurements will be utility pole #HE61559 located south of 27 Cornell Avenue on the easterly curb line. The handicap parking space will start forty-four feet (44') north of the reference point, extending

twenty-two feet (22') north to end at sixty-six feet (66'), located directly in front of the dwelling known as 27 Cornell Avenue.

4. The property, 27 Cornell Avenue, is identified as Block 186 Lot 9 on the Borough Tax Map.
5. The handicap parking stall shall be in compliance with the American Disability Act (28 CFR Part 36) with proper signage and a painted blue curb.
6. The Police Department is hereby directed to have proper signs calling attention to the provisions of the resolution erected or placed upon said street.
7. Attached to this resolution is the diagram, pictures of site for proposed handicap parking space.

This resolution shall take effect on adoption and posting of the signs required above.

R 33-21 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, that:

1. The words and phrases used herein shall have the same meaning respectively ascribed to them in Subtitle 1 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey.
2. Pursuant to the Authority granted under N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6, the following location was previously designated as a restricted parking space for use by persons who have been issued special vehicle identification cards by the Division of Motor Vehicles.
3. The parking space located on the west side of Union Street, beginning forty-five feet (45') south of the southwest corner of Woodside Avenue continuing north along the curb for twenty feet (20'), leaving the appropriate twenty-five feet (25') from the intersection, located in front of 37 Union Street, also known as Block 277 Lot 7 as shown on the Borough Tax Map, is no longer needed.

Street Address	Original Resolution Date
37 Union Street	June 6, 2018

4. The Police Department is hereby directed to have the sign calling attention to the provisions of this resolution removed.
5. This resolution shall take effect on adoption.

R 34-21 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, that:

1. The words and phrases used herein shall have the same meaning respectively ascribed to them in Subtitle 1 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey.
2. Pursuant to the Authority granted under N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6, the following location was previously designated as a restricted parking space for use by persons who have been issued special vehicle identification cards by the Division of Motor Vehicles.
3. The parking space located on the east side of Second Avenue, beginning seventy feet (70') from the storm drain located at the northeast corner of Rea Avenue and Second Avenue extending twenty feet (20') north on Second Avenue thus being located on the west side of the residence known as 81 Rea Avenue, shown as Block 158 Lot 4 on the Borough Tax Map, is no longer needed.

Street Address	Original Resolution Date
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4. The Police Department is hereby directed to have the sign calling attention to the provisions of this resolution removed.
5. This resolution shall take effect on adoption.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve Consent Agenda Resolutions R 27-21 through R 34-21, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Wojtecki.

Discussion

Councilwoman Laiosa asked Administrator Maurer if residents get notified when handicapped parking signs are going to be removed. He stated when the people either move or pass away, that is when the sign is taken down. Borough Clerk Fernandez added the Mayor's assistant Ellen, sends a letter to them to confirm if a handicapped spot is still needed.

On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Councilman Wojtecki reported Shade Tree Committee did not have a quorum, there was no meeting due to the snowstorm.

Councilman Sciarra reported the next Library Board meeting is February 10th at 4:30pm. The next Board of Education meeting will be February 9th at 7:00pm and will be a virtual meeting.

Councilwoman Laiosa thanked Councilman Wojtecki and Councilman Sciarra for their participation in the Virtual Green Fairs. She stated Dria of the Shade Tree Commission did a fabulous job. She will be putting the Green Lectures on YouTube because they are too big to put up on Facebook or the Borough's website. The Green Fair next week is about composting and container gardening. February 24th is Birding 101, March 2nd is Hawthorne History, March 9th is the Bears Resource Management, March 16th is the Plug-In station, March 23rd is the Hawthorne Recycling Program, March 30th is Lyme Disease and April 6 is a virtual bird walk. She thanked Councilman Sciarra for putting a public service announcement together highlighting the Green Fair and its purpose. It was suggested by Councilman Wojtecki to post the links to the Virtual Green Fairs on the Borough Website Calendar.

Councilman Mele reported the Project Pride Committee met to discuss the landscaping contract and will have some suggestions for the administration. He asked if anyone has spoken to Lt. Michalski regarding the Watchung Avenue/Rea Avenue situation. Council Vice President Lane stated he has spoken to him a couple of times.

Council Vice President Lane reported the Food Pantry is well stocked and up and running. He thanked everyone who donated food and supplies and also Carol and Phyllis for doing a great job handling the pantry. He urged anyone in need to call the office at 973-427-4011. The Borough purchased \$50 gift certificates from Borough restaurants and have been given them out to residents in need. There will be an ordinance meeting next Tuesday. Councilman Wojtecki asked when restaurant inspections will be taking place. Mayor Goldberg reported the Borough is going into negotiations with the County of Passaic to take over the position of the health officer to try and get better service, if the switch is made, inspections will be one of the duties of the new officer. Mayor Goldberg stated they will find out from the sanitarian if she is no longer doing inspections and if so, why not.

Council President Matthews reported the Planning Board met last night, there aren't many applications at this time. He reported the DCA has required one additional step for open public meetings remotely, they require

those that attend to be visible and heard as far as the GoToMeeting platform, anyone who phones in is not allowed as far as applications go.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to accept C-1 - Zoning Board of Adjustments 2020 Annual Report, motion by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Sciarra. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

BILLS			
Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check Id
10-75 EMERGENCY LIGHTING, LLC	ENGINE 1 DOG HOUSE 6 BK CHARGE	\$ 1,648.50	29119
ACORN TERMITE & PEST CONTROL	MONTHLY PEST CONTROL BORO HALL	100.00	29120
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PAYROLL END YEAR ADJ	180.00	29121
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PAYROLL END YEAR ADJ	45.00	12861
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PAYROLL #2	490.33	29121
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PAYROLL #2	122.58	12861
AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL SVC	MONTHLY WATER LAB TESTING	1,927.00	12862
AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL SVC	MONTHLY - AGRA LICENSE FEES	840.00	12862
AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL SVC	FEE FOR EACH MONTH. \$840	840.00	12862
AMERICAN HOSE & HYDRAULICS CO	R-7 EMERGENCY TARP REPAIRS	894.42	29122
ASLAN & COMPANY, INC.	RESO 74-20 CLEANING COVID	6,891.00	5726
ASLAN & COMPANY, INC.	BORO HALL JAN 2021 CLEANING	1,450.00	29123
B AND B DISPOSAL, LLC	FEB 2021 SERVICES	33,000.00	29124
B AND B DISPOSAL, LLC	FEB 2021 SERVICES	20,191.66	29124
BEYOND THE BASICS FIRE	THRU-THE-LOCK TRAINING	600.00	29125
BEYOND THE BASICS FIRE	COMMANDING THE 1ST 30 MIN	300.00	29125
BOB'S TIRES & WHEELS INC	TIRE REPAIRS DPW VEHICLES	60.00	29126
BOB'S TIRES & WHEELS INC	TIRE REPAIRS/TIRES	66.00	29126
BOB'S TIRES & WHEELS INC	TIRE REPAIRS/TIRES	20.00	29126
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	RESO51-20 2020 ROAD PROGRAM	5,501.50	3806
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	RESO52-20 20 LOCAL AID PROJECT	2,759.50	3806
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	JAN 2021 ENGINEERING	477.00	29127
BRAEN STONE INDUSTRIES, INC	ROAD DEPT- STONE SUPPLIES	991.90	29128
BRAEN STONE INDUSTRIES, INC	ROAD DEPT- STONE SUPPLIES	250.00	29128
CANON FINANCIAL SVCS INC	DPW YARD COPIER LEASE	43.00	29130
CANON FINANCIAL SVCS INC	DPW YARD COPIER LEASE	43.00	12864
CANON SOLUTIONS AMERICA INC	COPIER MAINTENANCE - WATER	18.48	12863
CANON SOLUTIONS AMERICA INC	ROAD	18.49	29129
CHEMICAL EQUIPMENT LABS	ROADWAY SALT	11,635.98	29131
CHEMICAL EQUIPMENT LABS	ROADWAY SALT	9,934.09	29131
CHEMICAL EQUIPMENT LABS OF DE	ROADWAY SALT	9,158.05	29132
CINTAS CORP	DPW GARAGE BI-WKLY DOOR MATS	221.84	12865
CJ'S EXPRESS CAR WASH LLC	CAR WASH - DRAW DOWN	222.00	29133
COASTAL DISTRIBUTION PATERSON	CONST. & DEBRIS TRANSFER FEES	718.79	29134
COMMUNICATION SPECIALISTS	RADIO MAINTENANCE JAN-MAR 2021	96.72	29135
COMMUNICATION SPECIALISTS	RADIO MAINTENANCE JAN-MAR 2021	636.96	29135
COMMUNICATION SPECIALISTS	RADIO MAINTENANCE JAN-MAR 2021	675.36	29135
COMMUNICATION SPECIALISTS	RADIO MAINTENANCE JAN-MAR 2021	14.64	29135
COMMUNICATION SPECIALISTS	RADIO MAINTENANCE JAN-MAR 2021	10.98	12866

COMMUNITY SERVICE GARAGE	REPAIRS/CLEANING OF VEHICLES	432.80	29136
DAVID HUGHES	4TH QTR 2020	30.00	29137
DEVIN HUGHES	4TH QTR 2020 TELEPHONE	30.00	29138
DOWNES TREE SERVICE, INC.	R-11 SWEEPER MIRROR INSTALL	92.00	29139
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	PoE PORT SWITCHES	1,800.00	29140
FASTENAL COMPANY	WATER DEPT SUPPLIES	1,825.87	12867
FASTENAL COMPANY	DPW GLOVE SUPPLIES	555.10	29141
FASTENAL COMPANY	DPW GLOVE SUPPLIES	554.45	12867
FDR HITCHES LLC	SNOW PLOW PARTS	325.51	29142
FDR HITCHES LLC	SNOW PLOW EDGE R-9	208.80	29142
FDR HITCHES LLC	TRUCK REPAIRS FOR DPW -ROAD	57.58	29142
FIREFIGHTER ONE LLC	HOSE 1.75"/2.5IN	861.30	29143
FIREFIGHTER ONE LLC	ENG 4 DBL JACKET HOSE	3,880.80	29143
FIRST PRIORITY EMERGENCY VEHIC	EMERGENCY REPAIRS ENGINE 3	552.00	29144
FIRST PRIORITY EMERGENCY VEHIC	EMERGENCY REPAIRS ENGINE 3	302.00	29144
FIRST PRIORITY EMERGENCY VEHIC	EMERGENCY REPAIRS ENGINE 3	317.00	29144
FIRST PRIORITY EMERGENCY VEHIC	EMERGENCY REPAIRS ADDITIONAL	387.28	29144
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	BUCKET CHAIN SAW SCABBARD	155.00	29145
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIPMENT PARTS-FUEL CAPS	60.00	29145
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIPMENT PARTS-FILTER	18.00	29145
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	CHAIN SAW BLADES SUPPLIES	166.80	29145
GOLD TYPE BUSINESS MACHINES,	Ticket - Drawdown	887.20	29146
HAWTHORNE AUTO LAB	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DRAWDOWN	1,442.58	29147
HAWTHORNE BOARD OF EDUCATION	DEC 2020 SCHOOL SECURITY	3,912.50	29148
HFD #1	2nd-4th QTR PHONE CHARGES	45.00	29149
HFD #1	2ND-4TH QTR RENT	1,870.00	29149
HFD #2	2ND-4TH QTR PHONE CHARGES	45.00	29150
HFD #2	2ND-4TH QTR RENT	1,870.00	29150
HFD #2	SNOW STAND BY 12/16/2020	60.00	29150
HFD #3	2ND-4TH QTR PHONE CHARGES	45.00	29151
HFD #3	2ND-4TH QTR RENT	1,870.00	29151
HFD #3	12/16/2020 STAND BY	97.99	29151
HFD #3	ENGINE 3 SUPER FRESH 12162020	78.09	29151
HFD #4	2ND-4TH QTR PHONE CHARGES	135.00	29152
HFD #4	2nd-4th QTR RENT ENGINE 4	1,870.00	29152
HFD #5 RESCUE	2ND-4TH QTR PHONE CHARGES	45.00	29153
HOME SUPPLY & LUMBER CO., INC.	MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	12.06	29154
HOME SUPPLY & LUMBER CO., INC.	RAMP RECYCLING SHED	98.49	102
JERSEY ELEVATOR INC	BORO HALL ELEVATOR	170.13	29155
JOHN TRIPICCHIO	4TH QTR 2020 TELEPHONE	30.00	29156
JOSEPH LONGO	4TH QTR 2020 TELEPHONE	30.00	29157
LIFE-ASSIST, INC.	AMBU SPUR #2 ADULT W/HEPA FIL	1,020.00	5727
LIFE-ASSIST, INC.	AMBU SPUR #2 PEDI W/HEPA FIL	612.00	5727
LIFE-ASSIST, INC.	AMBU SPUR #2 ADULT	624.00	5727
LIFE-ASSIST, INC.	AMBU SPUR #2 PEDI	864.00	5727
LIFE-ASSIST, INC.	HEPA LIGHT LARGE	217.75	5727
M & B SEPTIC SERVICE, LLC	PORTA POTT SRV	84.00	29158
METLIFE	BOROUGH EMPLOYEE GROUP	317.88	29159

MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOC OF NJ	2021 CLERK'S CONFERENCE	125.00	29160
NJ DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	COVER LICENSE 948	1.20	6265
NJ MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION	ABANDON VEH REGIST	3.00	29162
NJ TRANSIT	MAIN LINE PERMIT JAN 21-22	802.00	29163
NJCM	2021 MEMBERSHIP DUES MAYOR	510.00	29161
NORTH JERSEY FIRE PROTECTION	ANNUAL SPRINKLER INSPECTIONS	500.00	29164
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NORTH JERSEY PUMP & CONTROLS	REBUILD MAIN SEWER PUMP	9,715.00	29165
NSI NEAL SYSTEMS	NEW RADIO COMMUNICATIONS	1,918.00	12868
P & A AUTO PARTS, INC	WINDSHILED WASHER FLUID	20.94	29166
P.M. CONSULTANTS, LLC	VARIOUS FINANCIAL MATTERS	1,500.00	29170
P.M. CONSULTANTS, LLC	VARIOUS FINANCIAL MATTERS	1,800.00	12869
PAINO ROOFING COMPANY INC	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT LIBRARY	966.67	29167
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	COMPUTER TABLETS KEYBOARDS	16,147.94	29168
PERRY'S FLORIST	FLOWERS KEVIN DUFFY	192.99	29169
POST & KELLY ELECTRIC CO, INC	RECEPTACLE COURT ROOM	400.00	29171
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	DECEMBER 2020	15,236.04	29172
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	DECEMBER 2020	910.72	29172
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	DECEMBER 2020	18,250.29	29172
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	DECEMBER 2020	32,692.48	12870
RICOH AMERICAS CORPORATION	COPIES B/W AND COPIES	106.87	29173
RONALD WALKER	4TH QTR 2020 TELEPHONE	30.00	29174
RT OFFICE PRODUCTS	24/7 DISPATCH CHAIR	899.00	29175
RT OFFICE PRODUCTS	24/7 DISPATCHER CHAIR	1,572.00	29175
RT OFFICE PRODUCTS	RECORDS OFFICE SUPP	363.31	29175
RT OFFICE PRODUCTS	GLUE STICKS FOR FINANCE OFFICE	40.26	29175
SERVPRO OF TEANECK/ENGLEWOOD	BOARD UP 26 BROOKSIDE AVE	2,300.00	29176
ST JOSEPH'S REG MED CENTER	CPR CARD PROCESSING FEE	340.00	29178
STEPHEN J. FARBER	TAX REFUND BK 250 LT 13	2,822.00	29177
SUPERIOR DISTRIBUTORS	12/24 VOLT BOOSTER PACKS	465.00	29179
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SUPERIOR DISTRIBUTORS	MISC. EQUIPMENT- DPW ROAD	284.84	29179
SUSTEEN INC.	DATAPILOT HARWARE & SOFTWARE	3,385.00	29180
TANIS HARDWARE	VARIOUS SUPPLIES 2020	25.99	29181
TANIS HARDWARE	VARIOUS SUPPLIES 2020	182.91	29181
TANIS HARDWARE	MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	321.61	29181
TOWNSHIP OF RANDOLPH	MCCPS MEMBERSHIP FEE 2021	550.00	29182
TOWNSHIP OF RANDOLPH	MCCPS MEMBERSHIP FEE 2021	550.00	12872
TRAFFIC SAFETY & EQUIP, INC	28" CONE REFLECTIVE LIME GREEN	998.00	29183
TRAFFIC SAFETY & EQUIP, INC	28" CONE REFLECTIVE LIME GREEN	50.00	29183
USA BLUE BOOK INC	COVID SANITIZER SPRAYERS	2,358.00	5728
VOZZA AGENCY, INC	2021 RISK MANAGEMENT FEE INS 1	17,450.00	29184
VOZZA AGENCY, INC	2021 VOLUNTEER ACCIDENT POL	500.00	29184
W.B. MASON CO INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	533.61	29185
WINDSTREAM	2020 DECEMBER PHONE CHARGES	1,756.11	12873
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GRP, INC	PER QUOTE 668739 11/9/2020	3,109.00	29186
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GRP, INC	PER QUOTE 668739 11/9/2020	389.00	29186

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve the bills and forward them to the Treasurer for payment, moved by Councilman Sciarra, seconded by Councilman Mele. On roll call, all voted yes with the exception of Councilwoman Laiosa who abstained from bills pertaining to PSE&G, Council Vice President Lane who abstained on bills pertaining to the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps., Councilman Sciarra who abstained on bills pertaining to First Priority Emergency Vehicle, and Councilman Wojtecki who abstained on bills pertaining to the Fire Department, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard, please call in now at (312)757-3121 access code 472-199-829, email the Borough Clerk at lfernandez@hawthornenj.org or those logged on can use the Chat feature.

Craig Cayetano , 59 Pasadena Place, Hawthorne, NJ

Mr. Cayetano asked if there is a heavy snow fall, is the snow removed from the area. Administrator Maurer stated with every heavy snowstorm the snow does get hauled away and dumped in the Municipal Pool parking lot. He stated he believes an island should be installed at the Watchung Avenue and Rea Avenue area of discussion. He asked if there are any updates on the Carlos Bagels shop. Mayor Goldberg reported he spoke to the building inspector and a relative of the owner and the only thing missing is the location of some coffee pots so the plumbing inspector can finish his inspections. He was not sure of the health inspection.

Jeff King, 24 Elizabeth Parkway, Eatontown, NJ

Mr. King urged the Council to reconsider the ban on medical cannabis dispensaries. He asked for the Council’s support on home growing.

Edward Grimes

Mr. Grimes commended the Council for letting them be seen and heard regarding medical marijuana..

Marini Redmond, 3 Borough Square, Parlin, NJ

Ms. Parlin stated you need a prescription for medical marijuana. She commended the Council for having handicapped accessible areas. She asked the Council to reconsider the medical marijuana ban.

Seeing no one else, Council President Matthews entertained a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, moved by Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Wojtecki. Carried on voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:19pm Council President Matthews entertained a motion to adjourn the virtual meeting, moved by Councilman Sciarra, seconded by Councilman Wojtecki. Carried on voice vote.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL IS
A VIRTUAL MEETING ON**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021 at 7:00 PM