

MINUTES
CAUCUS WORK MEETING
October 13, 2020 AT 6:00 PM

Mayor Melissa Dabal calls the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

Flag Salute and Invocation

Mayor Dabal read the Public Meeting Notice pursuant to the Sunshine Law

Mayor Dabal – Present
Councilman Rachelski – Here
Councilwoman Preinfalk – Here
Councilman Orzechowski – Here
Councilman Sadecki - Here
Councilwoman Ivanicki – Present
Councilman Androwis – Present

Borough Attorney Richard Malagiere – Present
Borough Administrator Hector Olmo –6:26P

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Motion to Open the Meeting to the Hearing of Citizens by Rachelski, Seconded by Androwis,
Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis
AYE.

Catherine Sinisi 10 Lilac Lane: Distributed copies of a letter for her mom who is a resident at 8 Lilac Lane.

Chris Sinisi 10 Lilac Lane: Concerned that everyone is not wearing masks inside a public building.

Motion to Close the Meeting to the Hearing of Citizens by Rachelski, Seconded by Orzechowski,
Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis
AYE.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Caucus/ Work Session Meeting September 8,2020

Motion by Orzechowski, Seconded by Sadecki,

Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

COMMUNICATIONS

From: Wallington Truck Company No. 1

Re: Notice that member Shawn Ivanicki is celebrating his 25th year of service at the Fire Dept.

From: Wallington Building Department

Re: September 2020 Cash Receipts Audit report

From: Neglia Engineering

Re: October 2020 Report

Re: Main Ave & Midland Ave and Main Ave & Paterson Ave Improvements

From: NJ DOT

Re: FY 2019 Municipal Aid Question and response

Re: FY 2021 Local Freight Impact Fund Grant

From: Andrea Luberto

Re: Resignation as a School Crossing Guard

From: Bergen County Utilities Authority

Re: Recycling Update

From: Wallington Board of Health

Re: Request to use the DPW garage for the Annual Rabies Clinic on Saturday Nov 7, 2020.

From: City of Garfield

Re: Notice of a Public Hearing on Oct 13, 2020

From: Division of Local Government Services

Re: LFN 2020-23 2021 Municipal & County Budget CAP Info

From: Bergen County Division of Community Transportation
Re: Annual Public Hearing on Transportation Funding for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities

From: NJ Dept. of Treasury Taxation Division
Re: 2020 Table of Equalized Valuation

From: NJ Dept. of Health
Re: Halloween 2020 Celebration Guidance

From: US Census Bureau
Re: 2020 Census Update

From: Auxiliary Organization of Volunteer Fireman and EMS of Wallington
Re: 2020 Clothing Allowance

Motion to refer the previous Communications to the proper Agencies

By Androwis, Seconded by Sadecki,

Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

ENGINEERS REPORT

Provided a summary of existing projects and what is left outstanding prior to closing them out. Bid documents for watermain and sewer projects are out. Provided update on Chestnut Street regarding concrete work and tree remediation. Updated Solid Waste bid specifications; Bid opening will be December 15, 2020. Advised the status of the Crescent Street drainage improvements. A discussion took place on the various issues and financing of the Midland Ave. and Main Ave. Intersection Project. Briefly spoke about bid package for latex Property Lease; Borough Attorney requested this discussion to be tabled for closed session under deliberative process OPRA exception. Councilman Androwis asked questions regarding the end of Mt. Pleasant and the clean up of the 4H property. Brough Administrator provided a summary of the DPW findings; It is not a quick fix and to be modified properly is a major project. Various short-term options were discussed. Lastly, a discussion took place on fixing 54 Union Boulevard and what options are available to prevent further deterioration.

RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions can be approved “En Mass” by Consent Agenda. These items are either routine in nature (i.e. raffle license, payment of bills, etc.) or discussed and unanimously approved in the Work Session meeting.

BOROUGH OF WALLINGTON RESOLUTION NO. 2020-161

WHEREAS, The Borough of Wallington purchased property at 350 Mount Pleasant Avenue, Wallington, New Jersey 07057 Block 70.01 Lot 80 prior to 2010 making said property exempt from property taxes, and,

WHEREAS, said property was found to have property taxes due in the first and second quarters of 2014 that should have been adjusted off the Borough’s account as it is a Tax-Exempt property.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and of the Borough of Wallington, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the first and second quarter 2014 property taxes are hereby adjusted off to show that this property has tax exempt status. The amount adjusted off is \$57,825.34 and the Wallington Tax Collector shall adjust the books accordingly.

BOROUGH OF WALLINGTON RESOLUTION NO. 2020-162

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wallington (“Wallington”) requested a proposal from Borough Engineer Neglia Engineering (“Neglia”) for Engineering & Construction Management Services for the Water Main Improvement for Azalea Dr., Geranium Pl. and Narcissus Dr. in the Borough of Wallington, Bergen County, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Neglia submitted a proposal to Wallington which it has deemed satisfactory which is attached to this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the attached proposal, the Borough of Wallington approves the following:

1. On a lump sum basis for a cost of **Twenty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars and Zero Cents (\$29,768.00)** representing Professional Services for surveying, engineering design, bidding and contract preparation.
2. One a **time and material basis** in accordance with our attached schedule of fees representing Construction Management services.
3. On a **material basis** for a cost of **One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00)** for Reimbursable Expenses (See Conditions and Exclusions).

**BOROUGH OF WALLINGTON
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-163**

RESOLUTION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wallington, Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of the Borough Engineer, Michael J. Neglia, that the plans and specifications for:

**HATHAWAY STREET SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT
FROM LOCUST AVENUE TO MAIN AVENUE**

**BOROUGH OF WALLINGTON
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Are hereby approved and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for bids. This Resolution to take effect immediately.

**BOROUGH OF WALLINGTON
BERGEN COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-164**

FORM OF EMERGENCY RESOLUTION REQUIRING APPROVAL OF THE
DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES –
NJS 40A:4-49 (Over 3% limitation)

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen in the Borough of Wallington with respect to: General Capital Project Hathaway Street sewer replacement- capital ordinance down payment (Capital Improvement Fund) in the amount of \$50,000, and Water Utility Capital Project Water Main Replacement, Water pump equipment & Water Dept vehicles. - capital ordinance down payment (Capital Improvement Fund) in the amount of 35,800, and, no adequate provisions were made in the 2020 budget for the aforesaid purpose, and NJS40: A:4-46 provides for the creation of an emergency appropriation for the purpose mentioned above, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the emergency appropriation created, including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is \$ 470,800 and three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget for 2019 is \$354,422 and

WHEREAS, the forgoing appropriation together with prior appropriations exceeds three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations (including utility appropriations) in the budget for 2020,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, (by not less than 2/3 of all governing body members affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with NJS 40A:4-49, petition be made to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for permission to exceed the statutory limitation of 3 percent for the creation of an appropriation for the purpose set forth in the preamble in accordance with the following:

1. An emergency appropriation is hereby made for General Fund Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$50,000 and Water Utility Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$35,800.
2. That said emergency appropriation shall be provided for in full in the 2021 budget, within CAPS, pursuant to NJS 40A:4-53.3c (1).
3. That an Emergency Note, not in excess of the above amount, be authorized pursuant to NJS 40A:4-51.
4. That such note shall be executed by Judith Tutela, CMFO and by Hector Olmo, Business Administrator.
5. That such note shall be dated before December 31, 2020 and shall be payable on or before December 31, 2021.
6. That two (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION- 3% CALCULATION

<u>Current Fund</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Total Operations including		
Contingent (BS 17)	\$ 9,191,626	\$ 8,373,400
Statutory Expenditures		
(BS 19)	1,170,828	1,137,169
Total Operations Excluded		
From CAPS (BS 25)	<u>1,451,627</u>	<u>1,574,622</u>
Totals	\$11,814,081	\$11,085,191

<u>Utility Fund</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Total Operating Expenditures		\$ 1,928,878

Statutory Expenditures	<u>90,000</u>
Totals	\$ 2,018,878

For CAP Purposes:

For Current Fund Emergency Appropriations: Use **prior** year appropriations of **current** fund only: \$11,814,081 X 3% = \$354,422

For Expenditure Purposes:

For Utility Fund Emergency Appropriation: Use **current** year total budget for both **Current Fund and Utility Fund**

\$11,085,191 + \$ 2,018,878 = \$ 13,104,069 X 3% = \$393,122

Motion to approve Resolutions “En Mass” by Rachelski, Seconded by Androwis,
Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

ORDINANCES

2020-015 1st Reading by Title Only: BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE REPLACEMENT OF THE HATHAWAY STREET SANITARY SEWER MAIN (FROM MAIN STREET TO LOCUST AVENUE) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WALLINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,040,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Motion to Introduce Ordinance 2020-015 by Rachelski, Seconded by Androwis,
Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

2020-016 1st Reading by Title Only: BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE BOROUGH OF WALLINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$750,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE

ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Motion to Introduce Ordinance 2020-016 by Rachelski, Seconded by Orzechowski,

Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Androwis requested to look at the garbage tonnage report. In addition, he outlined a discrepancy with Carlstadt's recycling program and Wallington on how the numbers do not make common sense. Despite Wallington having approximately three times the residential we are receiving a third of the benefit. He also asked questions regarding construction waste. Borough Administrator provided a background on the existing garbage contract and recycling scenario. Borough Attorney also provided insight into possible issues regarding construction and recycling waste. A discussion took place on various categorical tonnage numbers and the various inconsistencies comparing Carlstadt's numbers to Wallington's. Councilman Rachelski advised that hiring additional people to monitor this will likely cost more even with the additional revenue potentially generated. A discussion took place on recycling, trash cans, recycling cans, and reimbursements for recycling.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to enter the Meeting into EXECUTIVE session by Preinfalk, Seconded by Rachelski,

Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

Borough Attorney framed the discussion: Deliberative Process for Latex, Update on Litigation

Motion to exit Executive Session & resume meeting by Orzechowski, Seconded by Sadecki,

Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

LIST OF BILLS AND SUPPLEMENTAL LIST OF BILLS

<u>Bill List October 13, 2020</u>			
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>PO #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Borough of Carlstadt	20-00050	\$ 3,600.00	
Borough of Carlstadt	20-00149	\$ 1,800.00	
Garbarini & CO	20-00136	\$ 10,000.00	
Home Depot	20-00135	\$ 206.93	
McKesson Medical	20-00138	\$ 416.25	
Neglia Engineering	20-00062	\$ 3,282.00	
North Jersey Media Group	20-00153	\$ 110.20	
North Jersey Media Group	20-00154	\$ 33.55	
North Jersey Media Group	20-00155	\$ 683.60	
North Jersey Media Group	20-00156	\$ 275.15	
PSE&G	20-00137	\$ 50.00	
Passaic Valley Sewage Commission	20-00146	\$ 177,885.83	
PayFlex Systems USA, INC	20-00141	\$ 9,270.00	
Treasurer, State of NJ	20-00144	\$ 258.00	
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Verizon	20-00140	\$ 77.16	
Verizon	20-00148	\$ 573.78	
Verizon	20-00150	\$ 1,159.53	
Verizon	20-00151	\$ 305.18	
Verizon Wireless	20-00139	\$ 143.00	
W.B. Mason	20-00125	\$ 540.73	
W.B. Mason	20-00126	\$ 69.74	
W.B. Mason	20-00130	\$ 530.30	
Wallington Board of Education	20-00147	\$ 109.00	
<u>Total Bill List</u>		<u>\$ 211,637.93</u>	

Councilwoman Ivanicki asked questions regarding Elevator inspection costs.

Motion to Pay List of Bills provided funds are available by Preinfalk, Seconded by Rachelski,

Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:58PM by Orzechowski, Seconded by Preinfalk,

Roll Call: Rachelski AYE, Preinfalk AYE, Orzechowski AYE, Sadecki AYE, Ivanicki AYE, Androwis AYE.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Greg Zagaja

Acting Deputy Clerk