

Borough of Garwood

Meeting of the Mayor and Council

MINUTES

April 26, 2016

Start Time: 7:35 p.m.

Moment of Silence, followed by a Salute to the Flag.

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Westfield Leader and Union County Local Source, advertised on January 7, 2016, notification was sent to the Star Ledger and prominently posted on the municipal public bulletin board and filed in the office of the municipal clerk informing the Public of the time and place according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Lombardo	<u>P</u>		
Councilwoman Cuccaro	<u>P</u>	Councilman Sarno	<u>P</u>
Councilman Martin	<u>P</u>	Councilwoman Todisco	<u>P</u>
Councilman Mathieu	<u>P</u>	Council President Petruzzelli	<u>P</u>

Also present: Borough Administrator/Clerk Christina M Ariemma, and Borough Attorney Robert F. Renaud, CFO/Treasurer/Assistant Administrator Sandy Bruns, Auditors Warren Korecky and Bill Swisher.

Motion Councilwoman Todisco, Second Councilman Sarno to suspend the regular order of business to hold public hearing on the **2016 Municipal Budget** as advertised in the Westfield Leader on April 14, 2016.

List of correspondence received concerning the 2016 Municipal Budget. None

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning 2016 Municipal Budget?

Bruce Paterson, 325 Willow Avenue mentioned the user friendly budget document. He asked questions about surplus, capital surplus, tax appeals, and pilot payments. Ms. Bruns answered his questions thoroughly. Mr. Renaud answered the tax appeal questions. Mr. Paterson thanked council for giving back the stipends. He asked about overtime costs. He commented on elected officials health benefits. He commented on the net debt. Ms. Bruns said it includes school debt and the Green Acres loan as part of that. He commended the council for doing a good job with the budget process.

Kathy Villaggio, 313 Fourth Avenue asked about tax appeal budget. Ms. Bruns answered as did Mr. Renaud. She talked about tax appeals. She suggested a revaluation be considered instead of paying for tax appeals. She commented further on what she considers to be fair to all residents. She asked about sanitation line item and commented further on the matter. She suggested that garbage pick-up be contracted out instead of being picked up by employees.

Bill Nierstedt, 320 Hickory Avenue mentioned he doesn't mind paying health care to elected officials. He also doesn't agree with giving up stipends.

Motion Councilwoman Todisco, Second Councilman Petruzzelli to close Public Hearing on the 2016 Municipal Budget.

Motion Councilwoman Todisco, Second Councilman Petruzzelli to adopt Resolution No. 16-190, for the 2016 Municipal Budget

Discussion:

Councilwoman Cuccaro commented that she feels she can't support the budget because it should be lower.

Councilman Mathieu thanked Councilman Sarno for his work on the budget. He agreed with Kathy Villaggio on revaluation and the garbage pickup being contracted out. He commented further on cutting certain areas that cuts were suggested but not done, including the 8th hire at the DPW.

Councilwoman Todisco mentioned the CAP Bank Ordinance and asked Mr. Korecky to explain the CAP Bank Ordinance. Mr. Korecky explained the tax levy cap and tax spending cap levy. Councilwoman Todisco mentioned the entire tax bill including school, county. She also mentioned she strived for a zero but it needed to be cut \$174,000 or revenue increased to achieve that.

Councilman Sarno said it was a good effort but can't support the budget and stated his reasons why.

Mayor Lombardo thanked the Finance Committee, auditors and council.
Mayor Lombardo called for roll call on Resolution No. 16-190, the 2016 Municipal Budget.

Councilwoman Cuccaro	NAY	Councilman Sarno	NAY
Councilman Martin	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman Mathieu	NAY	Council President Petruzzelli	AYE
Mayor Lombardo	AYE		

2016 Municipal Budget was adopted.

MINUTES:

Regular, Workshop and Executive I and Executive II Minutes of the Mayor and Council held on April 12, 2016.

A motion to accept meeting minutes was made by Councilman Petruzzelli, seconded by Councilwoman Cuccaro.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1) **NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES –**

a. Mayor's Advisory –

- i. 04/11/16, RE: Weekly Update
- ii. 04/15/16, RE: Daily Update
- iii. 04/15/16, RE: Weekly Policy Update
- iv. 04/20/16, RE: Daily Update
- v. 04/21/16, RE: Daily Update

All received and filed.

ORDINANCES:

Public Hearing on Ordinance 16-05, 16-06 and 16-07 as advertised on April 14, 2016.

ADOPTION:

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 16-05 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-05

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A RESTRICTED PARKING ZONE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6 IN FRONT OF 505 CENTER STREET, IN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6 permits a municipality to establish a restricted parking zone in front of a residence occupied by a handicapped person; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood has received a request from Audrey Kornicsak of 505 Center Street, Garwood, New Jersey, that a restricted parking zone be established on Center Street in front of her residence; and

WHEREAS, the resident qualifies for the establishment of such restricted parking zone by virtue of having been issued a windshield placard or wheelchair symbol license plate by the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council finds that parking is not otherwise prohibited and that the permitting of the establishment of a restricted parking zone would not interfere with the normal flow of traffic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood:

SECTION 1. A restricted parking zone pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6 is hereby established in front of premises located at 505 Center Street, Garwood, New Jersey, the residence of Audrey Kornicsak.

SECTION 2. The posting of an appropriate sign by or at the direction of the Chief of Police is hereby authorized and directed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be effective for so long as Audrey Kornicsak shall continue to reside in the premises and shall continue to be eligible for the restricted parking zone established herein under N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. If any portion of this ordinance shall be determined to be invalid, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 16-05. None

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 16-05? None

Motion Councilman Sarno, Second Councilwoman Todisco, to close Public Hearing on Ordinance 16-05

Motion Councilwoman Todisco, Second Councilman Petruzzelli to adopt Ordinance 16-05

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Martin	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman Mathieu	AYE	Council President Petruzzelli	AYE

Ordinance 16-05 was adopted

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 16-06 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-06

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A RESTRICTED PARKING ZONE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6 IN FRONT OF 207 SPRUCE AVENUE, IN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6 permits a municipality to establish a restricted parking zone in front of a residence occupied by a handicapped

person; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood has received a request from Debra Broski of 207 Spruce Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey, that a restricted parking zone be established on Spruce Avenue in front of her residence; and

WHEREAS, the resident qualifies for the establishment of such restricted parking zone by virtue of having been issued a windshield placard or wheelchair symbol license plate by the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council finds that parking is not otherwise prohibited and that the permitting of the establishment of a restricted parking zone would not interfere with the normal flow of traffic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood:

SECTION 1. A restricted parking zone pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6* is hereby established in front of premises located at 207 Spruce Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey, the residence of Debra Broski.

SECTION 2. The posting of an appropriate sign by or at the direction of the Chief of Police is hereby authorized and directed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be effective for so long as Debra Broski shall continue to reside in the premises and shall continue to be eligible for the restricted parking zone established herein under *N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6*.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. If any portion of this ordinance shall be determined to be invalid, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 16-06. None

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 16-06? None

Motion Councilwoman Todisco, Second Councilman Petruzzelli, to close Public Hearing on Ordinance 16-06

Motion Councilwoman Todisco, Second Councilman Petruzzelli to adopt Ordinance 16-06

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Martin	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman Mathieu	AYE	Council President Petruzzelli	AYE

Ordinance 16-06 was adopted

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 16-07 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-07

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A RESTRICTED PARKING ZONE PURSUANT TO *N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6* IN FRONT OF 54 THIRD AVENUE, IN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood:

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6* permits a municipality to establish a restricted parking zone in front of a residence occupied by a handicapped person; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood has received a request from John Graham of 547 Third Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey, that a restricted parking zone be established on Third Avenue in front of her residence; and

WHEREAS, the resident qualifies for the establishment of such restricted parking zone by virtue of having been issued a windshield placard or wheelchair symbol license plate by the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council finds that parking is not otherwise prohibited and that the permitting of the establishment of a restricted parking zone would not interfere with the normal flow of traffic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood:

SECTION 1. A restricted parking zone pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6* is hereby established in front of premises located at 54 Third Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey, the residence of John Graham.

SECTION 2. The posting of an appropriate sign by or at the direction of the Chief of Police is hereby authorized and directed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be effective for so long as John Graham shall continue to reside in the premises and shall continue to be eligible for the restricted parking zone established herein under *N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6*.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. If any portion of this ordinance shall be determined to be invalid, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 16-07. None

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 16-07? Bill Nierstedt, 320 Hickory Avenue asked if there is a period for the ordinances. Ms. Ariemma will follow up with Chief Underhill.

Motion Councilman Sarno, Second Councilwoman Todisco, to close Public Hearing on Ordinance 16-07

Motion Councilwoman Todisco, Second Councilman Sarno to adopt Ordinance 16-07

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Martin	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman Mathieu	AYE	Council President Petruzzelli	AYE

Ordinance 16-07 was adopted

INTRODUCTION:

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 16-08 by title only:

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 16-08

BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 4, 9, 10, 11 AND 14 OF THE BOND ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 15-15) ENTITLED: "BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$395,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE VARIOUS GRANTS, 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," ADOPTED ON AUGUST 11, 2015.

Motion Councilman Sarno, Second Councilwoman Todisco to introduce Ordinance 16-08

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Martin	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE

Councilman Mathieu **AYE**
Ordinance No. 16-08 was introduced.

Council President Petruzzelli **AYE**

COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS:

POLICE: Councilman Sarno, Chr.

On **Saturday April 30th** the Garwood Police Department will participate in "Operation Take Back". Residents may bring their Unused or expired prescription medication to Police Headquarters and drop them off to be safely disposed of. A specially marked drop box will be set up in the lobby fronting the Dispatch window for residents to use when dropping off their medications. No "sharps" such as syringes, will be accepted.

June 2nd is "National Gun Violence Day". This however, is not a day of celebration. Sadly, the Garwood Police understand that every year, at least 100 children aged 17 and under die in unintentional shootings, and over 400 die by suicide with a gun. Many of these deaths are entirely preventable with responsible gun storage and by taking some pro-active safety precautions.

Recognizing this, the Garwood Police Department is happy to host a "Be Smart For Kids" seminar on **Thursday June 9th**, at the Garwood Firehouse at 7pm. Be Smart For Kids is a **non-political** program put on by group of parents, that hold an open and honest conversation about kids, guns and safety. Chief Underhill has attended many of Be Smart's seminars and wants residents to know, their seminar is strictly about being safe around the home & not a pro or con second amendment presentation.

Be Smart For Kids will also have a booth at the Garwood Rocks street fair on June 5th and the Chief encourages you to stop by and visit with them before their seminar on the 9th. You can also learn more about Be Smart For Kids at Besmartforkids.org and the Police Departments web site at garwoodpd.org.

PUBLIC HEALTH: Councilwoman Cuccaro NO REPORT

STREETS AND ROADS/ECOLOGY: Councilman Petruzzelli, Chr.

Reoccurring Activities

- Perform residential household waste pickup twice weekly on the North and South side(s) of the Borough on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Dispose of all materials at the Covanta Incinerator in Rahway.
- Perform weekly residential brush and grass pickup every Wednesday.
- Fuel all vehicles and equipment at the Union County Public Works complex in Scotch Plains as needed throughout the week.
- Provide residential white good/appliance pickup at various times weekly throughout the Borough.
- Setup and take down the tables/chairs for the seniors events at the firehouse on the first (1st) and third (3rd) Thursday of the month.
- Check and treat reoccurring problem sewer lines for roots on a weekly basis.
- Perform maintenance on miscellaneous public works vehicle and equipment as needed.
- Send out the 1996 Volvo for garbage compactor welding (\$950).
- Remove miscellaneous road side debris along North and South Avenue(s).
- Clean up the litter and debris throughout the grounds at the Sports and Recreation Complex.
- Empty the recycling receptacles at the Sports/Recreation Complex and place in central location for weekly pickup.

Miscellaneous Activities

- Continue clearing the debris from the tops of all stormwater drainage inlets on the North and South side of the Borough.
- Pick up the debris and litter from both sides of the underpass sidewalks on Center Street and Kennedy Plaza.
- Mow, trim and maintain all municipal owned properties and parks on a weekly basis.
- Cut up and remove broken branches in various locations of the Borough.
- Prune/Elevate shade trees in miscellaneous locations of the Borough including but not limited to the following areas:
 - Maple Avenue
 - Spruce Avenue
 - Hickory Avenue
 - Chestnut Avenue
 - Center Street (including post office)
 - Sports and Recreation Complex
- Perform major repairs to the gate at the Recycling Center.
- Turn on the water at the Sports and Recreation Complex for the irrigation system. Water the infield at the little league field.
- Perform street sweeping operations in the following areas:
 - Sports complex parking lot
 - Center street from North to South Avenues and within the business district up to Willow Avenue.
- Continue to install the residential permit parking signs in various areas of the Borough. Replace all existing sign poles prior to installing signs to conform to the 7' minimum height requirement. All signs on the North side of the Borough have been completed. Sign installation on the South Side including Myrtle/Willow Aves (Oak to West), sections of Oak Street, West Street and Center Street will begin next week once the utility markouts are completed by NJ One Call.
- Complete the preventative maintenance on all department landscaping equipment including all chainsaws.
- Blow off and clean the municipal parking lot on Center Street.

The Borough of Fanwood provided the Borough with the following shared services:

Use of Fanwood's portable compressor for street sign post installation

FIRE: Councilwoman Cuccaro, Chr. No Report

FINANCE: Councilwoman Todisco, Chr. No Report

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Councilman Mathieu, Chr. No Report

LAWS AND LICENSES: Councilman Martin, Chr. No Report

RECREATION: Councilman Martin Chr. No Report

GARWOOD SENIOR CITIZEN LIAISON: Councilwoman Cuccaro

We had 2 speakers this past meeting, Toni and Walter Sosnosky, Toni is the president of the Kenilworth senior citizens club. She dropped off the April lunch schedule. All seniors are invited no matter what town you reside in. It is on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. The cost is \$1,75 or whatever someone can afford to pay. The food is supplied by the Meals on Wheels program. If interested please call 2 days ahead of time to reserve your lunch at 272-7743

Walter is a master organic Gardener for 25 years, and he gave lots of tips on inexpensive ways to Garden, pest control and anything botanical. He was extremely well versed on all aspects of the process, he brought literature to hand out a nice packet of how to's and how whats

St Annes rosary is having a bus trip to the Paper Mill playhouse to see West side story on June 11. Tickets are \$75 and include the bus and show.

Please call Shirley Swayze at 789-2062 if interested.

Carol Lombardo also attended reminding everyone of memorabilia for the Historical society as well as inviting everyone to the rededication of the field on June 12

She also said there will be a rededication of Hartman Park with the replacement of the missing sign. Thanks to Liz Mathieu who brought it to councilman Mathieu's attention. I sincerely apologize to the Hartman family for past administrations who did nothing to respond to their concerns for years. It is slated for sometime this fall.

Everyone welcomed new members

Joan Brogan, Jennie Russamano, and Sharon Perlman

Lunch was mini subs and cinnamon buns, very tasty and I won 5 bucks on the 50/50 now called fair share something or other.

That's all for my report Mayor

LIBRARY, MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE: Councilman Petruzzelli

On April 16th at 11:00am, the Library hosted a reception in honor of National Library Month. Over 30 people attended. The Library honored two of its friends during the festivities. Christine Guerriero was honored for her 15 years of service on the Library Board of Trustees. Karla Quinones Ruggiero was honored for providing ESL and Adult Education classes to Garwood Library Patrons through her non-profit organization Adelante Alliance. Visitors also enjoyed refreshments and a slide show highlighting fun Library activities over this past year.

On April 21st, **Leona Seufert**, a local resident, hosted an evening of poetry and discussed how poetry can uplift your life. Attendees also participated by reading their own poems or one of their favorites.

On Wednesday April 27th the Library will begin a Chess Club. Kids will gather to play after school at 3:30. Adults can play Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. All skill levels are welcome. Boards will be provided.

The Library is also gearing up for the Summer Reading Program. Program registration will begin June 13th. This year's theme is **ON YOUR MARK! GET SET! READ!** We will "kick off" registration week with the **Mad Science Physics Olympics**, an assembly in the Lincoln School cafeteria on June 14th funded by the Garwood Public Library. This interactive event is all about the *fun-damentals* of is moving science including Newton's 3 Laws of Motion. Children will have a chance to compete in wacky events, while the mad scientists prepare to unveil their top-secret motion machine. Library Staff will be on hand to promote the summer reading program.

As always, the library has many other ongoing programs including:

1. The Knitting Club – Monday / Thursday @10:30AM
2. Book Clubs – 1st Thursday and 3rd Monday
3. Adult Ed - Tuesday/Thursdays @ NOON
4. ESL - Tuesdays @2:00PM
5. Toddler Story Time - Wednesdays @10:30AM
6. Friday Morning Movies – Fridays @ 10:00AM
7. Lego Club – 2 Thursdays a month @ 3:00PM

The Garwood Library is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Fridays from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM, and Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (closed Saturdays in July and August).

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON: Councilman Sarno

The Board of Ed met April 19th and voted to extend its lease of Washington Elementary School to the Westfield Area Y for five years. The new contract begins Friday, July 1, and extends through June 20, 2021, to allow the Y to use the facility for early childhood care. It was also noted by Board Attorney John Geppert, that the Y has agreed to pay 50 percent of its net profit to the district on a quarterly basis.

Last Thursday was the annual EFG Dinner and while I was not in attendance, the feedback was that it was a successful night.

The public hearing on the school budget will be Tuesday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m., at the Lincoln School. The proposed total budget is \$8,975,399. The amount to be raised by local taxes is \$8,024,545. The next regular meeting of the board will be Tuesday, May 17, at 7:30 p.m., at Lincoln School.

That's all for my report

Comment:

Councilwoman Cuccaro asked about revenue. Councilman Sarno said he would find out. Councilman Mathieu said it was five figures each quarter. Councilwoman Todisco commented the EFG was good and well supported.

CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS AND HOLIDAYS LIAISON:

Councilwoman Todisco

Thank you, Mayor. The last meeting of the Celebrations Committee was canceled, but the Committee will be meeting next month on May 18th. The annual Memorial Day Event will take place on Memorial Day at Noon at the Columbian Club. Please mark your calendars. That's all for my report, Mayor.

UNION COUNTY AIR TRAFFIC NOISE ADVISORY BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:

Councilman Mathieu No Report

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Todisco No Report

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Todisco

Thank you, Mayor. I attended the meeting of the Historical Committee last night. The Committee continues to be busy preparing for the Re-dedication of the Recreation Complex on June 12th from 2 to 5pm. We are continuing to look for family members of those involved in the construction of the original complex. To update everyone on the new sign for Hartman Park, the Committee has reached out to the Hartman family with a design for the sign and price. That's all for my report, Mayor.

COMMENT: Mayor Lombardo asked people to volunteer for the committee.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Chief of Police Bruce Underhill: monthly reports for the month of March 2016

Motion Councilwoman Todisco, Second Councilman Sarno, to accept Officer's reports

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Is there anyone in the audience who wishes to address the mayor and council please step to the microphone, sign in and state your full name and address. Please limit your comments to three minutes.

Rich McCormick, 101 Fourth Avenue asked about property next to Gumpert's Field being messy. Ms. Ariemma was directed to write a letter to Westfield on the matter. He commented on commercial vehicles being parked on residential streets. Chief of Police Bruce Underhill answered and brief discussion followed.

Kathy Villaggio. 313 Fourth Avenue asked about Resolutions 16-192,193 and 194. Ms. Ariemma answered. She thanked the DPW for cleaning up an area that is vacant by her home. She commented on pot holes in her area. Councilman Petruzzelli will follow up on the matter.

Bill Nierstedt, 320 Hickory Avenue mentioned ordinances. He mentioned the field is a mess and renters should be held accountable. He mentioned Friday is Arbor Day and trees will be planted. He commented on trucks parking on streets.

Bruce Paterson, 325 Willow Avenue commented on the Complex not having signs. He mentioned the Planning Board meeting that took place last night.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA

(Adoption upon Roll Call)

"Consent agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted with a single motion; any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of funds; any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Consent Agenda items will be reflected in the full minutes."

RESOLUTION NO. 16-191

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the license to conduct an Off-Premise 50/50 Raffle on September 15, 2016, to be held at the Westwood. 438 North Avenue, Garwood, NJ from 6:30 – 10:30 p.m., is hereby granted to Mother Seton Regional High School, pursuant to Application Number RA #1082.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-192

BE IT RESOLVED that the ordinance entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTIONS 4, 9, 10, 11 AND 14 OF THE BOND ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 15-15) ENTITLED: 'BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$395,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE VARIOUS GRANTS, 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,' ADOPTED ON AUGUST 11, 2015."

heretofore introduced, does now pass on first reading, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 10th day of May, 2016, at 7:15 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at the regular meeting place of the Borough Council, and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, and that the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of the time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-193

WHEREAS by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey the Municipal Clerk was authorized to advertise on March 26, 2016, for a bid entitled "FOR THE RESURFACING OF MYRTLE AVENUE EAST OF OAK STREET; THIRD AVENUE FROM MAPLE STREET TO WALNUT STREET; RECONSTRUCTION OF A PORTION OF WILLOW AVENUE EAST OF NEW STREET IN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, UNION COUNTY, N.J."; and

WHEREAS on April 7, 2016, at the advertised time of 11:00 a.m., Midwest Construction, Inc., 23 Dead River Road, Warren, NJ 07059, submitted a bid amount of \$296,391.13, which is determined the lowest responsible bidder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood that the contract be hereby awarded to Midwest Construction, Inc., for \$296,391.13, pending New Jersey State Department of Transportation approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval from DOT, the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute an agreement in the form approved by the Borough Attorney.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-194

WHEREAS Local Public contract law requires that bids be awarded by the Governing Body within 60 days of receipt of bids, except that the proposals of any vendors who consent to it, may, at the request of the contracting unit, be held for consideration for a longer period as may be agreed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the Borough Administrator/Clerk to request an extension of award for the bids received on March 29, 2016 for the Replacement of Concrete Sidewalk at Various Locations throughout the Borough and hereby authorize her to request an extension in writing from the three lowest bidders for the purpose of amending Bond Ordinance 15-15 to include additional funding.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-195

WHEREAS, the Borough of Garwood is in need of a Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Lashonn T. Durant has met all requirements of Rules Governing the Courts of the State of New Jersey 1:34-3, "Hiring Process for Municipal Court Directors, Municipal Court Administrators and Deputy Municipal Court Administrators"; and

WHEREAS, Lashonn T. Durant has agreed to perform the duties of this position at a salary of \$49,500.00 per annum and in accordance with the Code of the Borough of Garwood.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood that Lashonn T. Durant, 909 E. 2nd Street, Plainfield, NJ be and is hereby appointed Court Administrator for the Garwood Municipal Court, effective May 2, 2016.

Motion Councilman Sarno, Second Councilwoman Todisco to adopt Consent Agenda.

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Martin	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman Mathieu	AYE	Council President Petruzzelli	AYE

Consent Agenda was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS DELETED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

PROCLAMATIONS:

Autism Awareness Month – May 2016

Appointment to Library Board of Trustees – Paul Tarantino unexpired term 4/26/16-12/31/18

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following claims as approved be and the same are hereby ordered paid when properly signed and verified; and the payment of payrolls as listed is hereby confirmed and ratified.

Motion Councilwoman Todisco Second Councilman Petruzzelli, to adopt Payment of Claims Resolution

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Martin	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman Mathieu	AYE	Council President Petruzzelli	AYE

ADJOURNMENT:

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on, **TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016**, in Council Chambers at 7:15 p.m. Workshop Session to start at 7:00 p.m.

THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC HEARING IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ON BOND ORDINANCE NO. 16-08, ON TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016, AT 7:15 P.M. OR SOON THERE AFTER.

ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M., THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL HOLD STUDENTS IN GOVERNMENT NIGHT. THE PUBIC IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THIS FUN EVENING WHEN STUDENTS TAKE OVER THE ROLES OF THE GOVERNING BODY. NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.

At 8:19 p.m. a motion was made by Councilwoman Cuccaro, second by Councilwoman Todisco to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:



CHRISTINA M. ARIEMMA, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Garwood