

BOROUGH of GARWOOD

Regular MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING

July 28, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in Council Chambers and called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Mayor Lombardo. He asked all present to participate in a moment of silence, followed by a salute to the flag.

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Cranford Chronicle, advertised on January 16, 2015, 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:

Present: Mayor Lombardo, Councilman Mathieu, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco and Council President Nierstedt.

Also Present: Borough Administrator/Clerk Christina M Ariemma and Borough Attorney Robert Renaud.

Councilman Martin and Councilwoman Tarantino were excused.

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on July 14, 2015. (Deferred)

Executive Session of the Mayor and Council on July 14, 2015. (Deferred)

Workshop Session of the Mayor and Council held on July 14, 2015. (Deferred)

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) **NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES –**
 - a. Mayor's Advisory –
 - i. 06/22/15, RE: A. Weekly Policy Update B. Regional Coastal Resiliency Grants Program
 - ii. 06/23/15, RE: Federal Update.
 - 2) **BRUCE PATERSON – 07/10/15, RE: Concerns with the DPW shared service agreement.**
 - 3) **ANTHONY CORTESE – 07/13/15, RE: Letter in Support of Proposed DPW Shared Services Agreement with Fanwood**
 - 4) **MRS. MARY STAWASZ and MRS. & MRS. PATRICK MOONEY – 07/15/15, RE: Letter urging Council to reconsider change in the DPW**
- ALL WERE RECEIVED AND FILED**

ORDINANCES:

Public Hearing on Ordinance 15-14, and 15-15, as advertised in the Westfield Leader on July 16, 2015

Municipal Clerk read Ordinance 15-14 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 15-14

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION OF REGULAR POLICE OFFICERS OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey:

SECTION 1. The following named positions in the Police Department of the Borough of Garwood shall be entitled to annual salary as hereinafter set forth:

STEP	1/1/2015	1/1/2016	1/1/2017
Probation	40,750	40,750	40,750
1	44,000	44,000	44,000
2	49,000	49,000	49,000
3	53,000	53,000	53,000
4	57,462	57,462	57,462
5	63,000	63,000	63,000
6	69,750	69,750	69,750
7	72,566	72,566	72,566
8	78,000	78,000	78,000
9	84,000	84,000	84,000
10	87,922	89,241	90,580
Detective	90,876	92,239	93,623
Sergeant	95,191	96,619	98,068
Lieutenant	99,104	100,590	102,099
Captain	103,800	105,357	106,937

SECTION 3.

Salaries and wages shall be paid bi-weekly unless otherwise directed by Resolution by the Council.

SECTION 4. The within salaries shall be retroactive and/or take effect as of January 1, of the years designated.

SECTION 5. The longevity benefits provided for under the provision of this ordinance shall be:

A. The following shall be the longevity schedule for those officers hired prior to January 1, 1998:

<u>YEARS COMPLETED</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
4 YEARS	3% over base pay
8 YEARS	4% over base pay
12 YEARS	5% over base pay
15 YEARS	6% over base pay
20 YEARS	7% over base pay

Additionally, as to officers employed as of January 1, 2005 (and not as to those hired after January 1, 2005), an additional one percent (1.0%) over base pay after 23 years completed as a police officer of the Borough of Garwood, or after 20 years as a police officer of the Borough of Garwood with 23 years of creditable service in the police and firemen's retirement system, or after completion of 24 years in the police and firemen's retirement system.

B. The following shall be the longevity schedule for those officers hired on or after January 1, 1998.

<u>YEARS COMPLETED</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
5 YEARS	3% over base pay
10 YEARS	4% over base pay
15 YEARS	5% over base pay
20 YEARS	6% over base pay

Additionally, as to officers employed as of January 1, 2005 (and not as to those hired after January 1, 2005), an additional one percent (1.0%) over base pay after 23 years completed as a police officer of the Borough of Garwood, or after 20 years as a police officer of the Borough of Garwood with 23 years of creditable service in the police and firemen's retirement system, or after completion of 24 years in the police and firemen's retirement system.

Effective January 1, 2015, the ten (10) year longevity step shall be eliminated. Officers covered by paragraph B who currently do not receive longevity, shall receive 3% longevity at the completion of five (5) years).

C. The following shall be the longevity schedule for those officers hired on or after January 1, 2012:

<u>YEARS COMPLETED</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
5 YEARS	\$2145.00
10 YEARS	\$3414.00
15 YEARS	\$4267.00
20 YEARS	\$5121.00

The foregoing amounts shall not be compounded by any wage increases received by unit members.

D. Longevity is eliminated for any officer hired on or after January 1, 2015.

SECTION 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith shall be and they are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 15-14. NONE

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 15-14? NONE

Motion: Action: Close Public hearing, **Moved by** Councilwoman Todisco, **Seconded by** Council President Nierstedt

Motion: Action: ADOPT ORDINANCE 15-14, **Moved by** Councilwoman Todisco, **Seconded by** Councilman Petruzzelli

Discussion: NONE.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4)

Yes: Councilman Mathieu, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco and Council President Nierstedt. Ordinance No. 15-14 was adopted.

Municipal Clerk read Ordinance 15-15 by title only:

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 15-15

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.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Garwood, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of Garwood, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements in, by and for said Borough, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the various grants and the down payment appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Borough.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the various grants hereinafter appropriated, and (3) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (5) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Undertaking of the following improvements in the Borough as the 2015 Road and Drainage Improvement Project:

Road Resurfacing (including drainage, sidewalk, curb
and driveway apron improvements, where necessary)
Third Avenue (from Maple Street to Walnut Street)
Willow Avenue (from New Street east to dead end)
Drainage
Myrtle Avenue (from Oak Street east to dead end)

Depending upon the contract price and other exigent circumstances, and upon approval by the Borough Council, there may be additions to or deletions from the aforesaid list. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$290,000
State Grant Appropriated	\$215,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,600
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 71,400
Period of Usefulness	10 years

B. Undertaking of the 2015 Sidewalk Repair/ Replacement and Tree Removal/Replacement Program at various locations.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$105,000
Aggregate County Grants Appropriated	\$ 32,500

Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 69,000
Period of Usefulness	10 years
Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$395,000
Aggregate Grants Appropriated	\$247,500
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 7,100
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$140,400

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$49,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. The sum of \$215,000 received or to be received as a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvements authorized in Section 4.A hereof.

Section 7. The sum of \$30,000 received or to be received as a grant from the Union County Infrastructure Grant Program is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvements authorized in Section 4.B hereof.

Section 8. The sum of \$2,500 received or to be received as a grant from the Greening Union County Grant Program is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvements authorized in Section 4.B hereof.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$7,100, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$7,100 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 10. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$140,400 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 11. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$140,400 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 12. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Municipal Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 13. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 10 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 14. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$140,400 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 15. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Union, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes (other than the various grants hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purposes, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 16. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 17. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 18. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Municipal Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 19. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 15-15. NONE.

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 15-15?

Bruce Paterson 325 Willow Avenue mentioned the numbers seem high in this ordinance. He went over the matter in detail.

Motion: Action: Close Public hearing, **Moved by** Council President Nierstedt, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Todisco

Motion: Action: Table ORDINANCE 15-15, **Moved by** Councilwoman Todisco, **Seconded by** Councilman Petruzzelli

Discussion: NONE.

Vote: Motion carried by roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 3)

Yes: Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco and Council President Nierstedt.

No: Councilman Mathieu

Ordinance No. 15-15 was tabled.

COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS:

POLICE: Councilwoman Tarantino, Chr. - absent

PUBLIC HEALTH: Council President Nierstedt NO REPORT

STREETS AND ROADS/ECOLOGY: Councilwoman Todisco, Chr. NO REPORT

FIRE: Council President Nierstedt, Chr.

Fire Division – last week I was quite surprised when my phone went off and I saw that the Garwood Fire Department was called to a fire in North Brunswick. Wow, I said, I wonder why; that’s pretty far away. Well, I am sure by now that everyone has read that there was a fire that destroyed a million square foot warehouse and all its interior goods – everything from clothing to tires. Well over 100 fire units responded. Five firefighters from Garwood took Engine # 3 and represented our Boro for over 8 hours, coming back to Garwood in the wee hours of the morning when most of us were still sleeping. I want to thank our firefighters who participated in the emergency, and those who supported them at home. I stopped by the fire house on Sunday, and our volunteers were there once again rolling up hoses and making certain that everything was organized properly. I make certain that I speak about the fire department every week because of their volunteer time and commitment. I thank them once again.

FINANCE: Councilman Petruzzelli, Chr.

Clerk was directed to prepare a bond ordinance \$35,000 for next meeting for replacement of a section of the sanitary sewer at Center and Willow.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Councilman Mathieu, Chr. NO REPORT

LAWS AND LICENSES: Councilman Martin, Chr. NO REPORT

RECREATION: Councilwoman Todisco Chr.

Thank you, Mayor. Two quick updates: Summer Recreation is continuing to go well with over 100 children signed up. Also, the annual Senior Citizen Dinner will be Saturday, August 15th from 12 noon to 4pm at the Knights of Columbus. The theme will be Senior Game Day and the flyer is up on the Borough website. That’s all for my report, Mayor.

COMMITTEE ON AGING: Councilwoman Tarantino - absent

LIBRARY, MAYOR’S REPRESENTATIVE: Councilman Petruzzelli

The 21st annual Summer Reading Club “Every Hero has a Story” is coming to a close. The last day for participants to log in their reading time is August 7th. The “make your own sundae” party is scheduled for August 13th at 3pm where all participants will receive prizes and enjoy some “hero themed” photo-ops. The top reader will win 4 tickets to Great Adventure Amusement Park.

Kid’s crafts and movies will continue through the first week of August. On the 5th of August at 10:30am, we will visited by one of Garwood’s finest and his police vehicle at a local “hero themed” Story Time. On August 11th at 10:30, a local author, Laura Sassi, will read her new book “*Goodnight Ark*” accompanied by her skunk puppets.

On August 10th at 2pm, the wolves are coming. Representatives from Howling Woods Farm, an animal shelter that rescues wolves and wolfdog hybrids, will present a slideshow about wolves and wolf conservation. It will be followed by a meet and greet with two wolves from the farm.

The library is continuing to collect items for the Plainfield Area Humane Society including cat and dog food and toys, cleaning supplies and old towels and blankets. At a recent craft, the children even made shelter cage cushions for the animals in the shelter.

The library will be having a small book sale the last two weeks of August. Fill up a bag of books for \$5.

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 beginning September 12th, the library will resume its Saturday hours of 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The Toddler Story Time will resume on Wednesday, September 16th at 10:30 AM. The Friday morning Movie Time will resume on Friday, September 18th. The Thursday book club will continue to meet through the summer on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. There is no registration required for either of these programs.

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON: Councilman Mathieu NO REPORT

CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS AND HOLIDAYS LIAISON: Council President Nierstedt

Under the Stars is set for September 18, 2015.

UNION COUNTY AIR TRAFFIC NOISE ADVISORY BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:

Councilman Mathieu NO REPORT

PARKING COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Tarantino - absent

POLICE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Tarantino - absent

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Tarantino - absent

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Todisco NO REPORT

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Bruce Underhill, Chief of Police monthly reports for the months of May & June 2015.

Len Di Stefano, Zoning Code Enforcement Officer monthly report for June 2015.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by**, Councilwoman Todisco **Seconded by** Council President Nierstedt

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Judy Spera 633 Myrtle Avenue mentioned council previously said that Garwood and Fanwood are similar in character and therefore asked why Garwood has not sent dispatch to the County. Councilwoman Todisco said that the investigation realized that it would cost capital funds to outfit the borough equipment to be compatible with other agencies. Councilman Mathieu added that the dispatchers in Garwood due other clerical duties and that having to replace them in that capacity was not cost effective. Councilman Mathieu further stated that he did not recall hearing about any capital cost, however Chief Underhill did concur that it would cost capital funds to use borough communication equipment elsewhere. Councilman Petruzzelli explained another deterrent is that the building would be unoccupied during evening hours causing people to call the county for police assistance in their own community. He expressed that option was not acceptable to the committee. Chief Underhill added that the County cost would continue to rise.

Rich Bonfanti 340 Second Avenue mentioned the overflow parking concerning the Village at Garwood. He mentioned conversation that took place during the Planning Board meeting. Mayor Lombardo clarified the matter. Mr. Renaud provided information on the subject.

Councilman Mathieu said that council voted for the tax-exempt status and council caused the parking problem. Council President Nierstedt explained there are parking standards in the State of New Jersey and those standards were applied to this project.

Mr. Bonfanti mentioned the increase in recycling costs. Discussion followed.

Jean McComb 119 Willow Avenue mentioned the dumpster that is on her street that she brought up last time. Brief discussion followed and it was concluded that Laws and License revisit the ordinance to address the matter. She asked who is responsible for the Sports complex. Ms. Ariemma responded the Borough is. Ms. McComb asked how the borough deals with accidents on the turf field. Councilman Petruzzelli explained there are designated hoses to wash the turf field.

Joe Sarno 651 Willow Avenue asked if the hoses actually work since the water fountain doesn't. Councilman Petruzzelli said the hoses work.

John Lies 229 Third Avenue suggested it was not a good idea to allow a tax-exempt project to be developed in Garwood. Lengthy discussion followed. Mr. Renaud explained the process that was before the council several years ago.

Bruce Paterson 325 Willow Avenue asked why some municipalities have a higher bid threshold. Mr. Renaud explained they employ a Certified QPA.

Rich Bonfanti 340 Second Avenue said the AM flag at Kennedy Plaza is lowered and the State flag should be lowered as well.

Betty Maloney 451 Pine Avenue mentioned the shared service arrangement and recycling. She said the town looks messy and should be cleaned up. She said weeds downtown need to be addressed. Councilwoman Todisco responded about recycling and Fanwood's position. Mrs. Maloney asked who is responsible for these areas and Councilwoman Todisco responded the Department of Public Works.

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. 15-236

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 prepare specifications and to advertise for 2015 Sidewalk Repair/Replacement Program for the tree removal provision in the Borough of Garwood; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Council of the by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare specifications and for the Borough Administrator/Clerk to advertise for the 2015 Sidewalk Repair/Replacement Program for the sidewalk provision in the Borough of Garwood.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-237

WHEREAS the Council of the Borough of Garwood adopted Resolution No. 15-193 on April 28, 2015, authorizing the Mayor and Borough Administrator/Clerk to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Garwood PBA Local #117 and the Borough of Garwood; and
WHEREAS the (MOA) captured and adopted the contract amendments between the Garwood PBA Local #117 and the Borough of Garwood; and
WHEREAS the Council adopted Ordinance No. 15-14 on July 28, 2015, setting the salaries for members of the Garwood PBA Local #117 for a three year term.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby authorize the Mayor and Borough Administrator/Clerk to sign the Contract document between the Garwood PBA Local #117 and the Borough of Garwood.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Contract and MOA is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-238

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Garwood has heretofore adopted Ordinance No. 15-14.

ORDINANCE NO. 15-14

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION OF REGULAR POLICE OFFICERS OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD.

WHEREAS, said ordinance reflects changes of salaries and/or hourly rates to be paid to said employees of the Borough of Garwood for the year 2015.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Garwood that the CFO/Treasurer of the Borough be and is hereby authorized and directed to payrolls on Borough funds for the purpose of paying the annual base salaries and or hourly rates to the employees of the Garwood Police Department in the Borough of Garwood as set forth opposite each job classification. Said salaries to be paid bi-weekly less such deductions as in such cases made. The schedule of salaries hereafter set forth shall be effective as of January 1, 2015, or as indicated and in accordance with law.

Name	Title/Class/Effective Dates	Salary
Stoffer, Douglas	CAPTAIN: 1/1/15-12/31/15	\$103,800
Rocco, Samuel	LIEUTENANT: 1/1/15-12/31/15	\$99,104
Wright, James	LIEUTENANT: 1/1/15-12/31/15	\$99,104
Perrotta, David	SERGEANT: 1/1/15-12/31/15	\$95,191
Wright, John	STEP 10: 1/1/15-1/31/15	\$87,922
Wright, John	SERGEANT: 2/1/15-12/31/15	\$95,191
Herz, Todd	STEP 10: 1/1/15-12/31/15	\$87,922
Kleinsorgen, Jeffery	STEP 10: 1/1/15-12/31/15	\$87,922
Eriksen, Scott	STEP 10: 1/1/15-12/31/15	\$87,922
Ostrander, Joseph	STEP 10: 1/1/15-12/31/15	\$87,922
Lewis, Phillip J	STEP 7: 1/1/15-12/14/15	\$72,566
Lewis, Phillip J	STEP 8: 12/15/15-12/31/15	\$78,000
Suggs, George	STEP 6: 1/1/15-7/17/15	\$69,750
Suggs, George	STEP 7: 7/18/15-12/31/15	\$72,566
Czachorowski, Christopher	STEP 6: 1/1/15-4/14/15	\$69,750
Czachorowski, Christopher	STEP 7: 4/15/15-12/31/15	\$72,566
Horan, Andrew	STEP 4: 1/1/15-4/14/15	\$57,462
Horan, Andrew	STEP 5: 4/15/15-12/31/15	\$63,000
Dylan Cosgrove	STEP 1: 1/1/15-7/31/15	\$44,000
Dylan Cosgrove	STEP 2: 8/1/15-12/31/15	\$49,000
Valerio Zuena	PROBATION: 2/16/15-12/31/15	\$40,750

RESOLUTION NO. 15-239

WHEREAS, Bruce D. Underhill, Chief of Police has recommended that Patrolman Andrew Horan, Police Officer in the Garwood Police Department be upgraded to Step 5 Patrolman, pending approval from Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby authorize that Andrew Horan be upgraded from a Step 4 Patrolman, to a Step 5 Patrolman in the Garwood Police Department, effective April 15, 2015, at an annual salary of \$63,000.00 in accordance with the existing P.B.A. Contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-240

WHEREAS, Bruce D. Underhill, Chief of Police has recommended that Patrolman Christopher Czachorowski, Police Officer in the Garwood Police Department be upgraded to Step 7 Patrolman, pending approval from Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby authorize that Christopher Czachorowski be upgraded from a Step 6 Patrolman, to a Step 7 Patrolman in the Garwood Police Department, effective April 15, 2015, at an annual salary of \$72,566.00 in accordance with the existing P.B.A. Contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-241

WHEREAS, Bruce D. Underhill, Chief of Police has recommended that Patrolman George Suggs, Police Officer in the Garwood Police Department be upgraded to Step 7 Patrolman, pending approval from Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby authorize that George Suggs be upgraded from a Step 6 Patrolman, to a Step 7 Patrolman in the Garwood Police Department, effective July 18, 2015, at an annual salary of \$72,566.00 in accordance with the existing P.B.A. Contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-242

WHEREAS, Bruce D. Underhill, Chief of Police has recommended that Patrolman Dylan Cosgrove, Police Officer in the Garwood Police Department be upgraded to Step 2 Patrolman, pending approval from Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby authorize that Dylan Cosgrove be upgraded from a Step 1 Patrolman, to a Step 2 Patrolman in the Garwood Police Department, effective August 1, 2015, at an annual salary of \$49,000.00 in accordance with the existing P.B.A. Contract.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-243

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood have hereto adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 15-12

AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES AND WAGES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

WHEREAS, said Ordinance reflects changes of salaries and/or hourly rates to be paid to said employees of the Borough of Garwood for the year 2015.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Garwood be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute checks on Borough funds for the purpose of paying the annual salaries and/or hourly rates to the employees of the Borough of Garwood as set forth below and in the amount set forth opposite each job classification. Said salaries to be paid bi-weekly less such deductions as in such cases made. The schedule of salaries hereafter set forth shall be effective as of January 1, 2015 or pro-rated as the case may be.

Name	Title	2015
Bruce D. Underhill	Chief of Police	\$ 128,704.00
Christina M. Ariemma	Borough Administrator/Clerk	\$ 97,038.00
Sandra D. Bruns	CFO/Treasurer/Assistant Administrator	\$ 79,973.00
Agnes M. Kurzweil	Tax Collector	\$ 55,180.00
Annmarie Switzer	Tax Assessor	\$ 13,058.00
Kathleen J. Wierzbinski	Clerk/Stenographer	\$ 39,646.00
Allison A. Maguire	Accounts Payable Clerk	\$ 38,309.00
Charles Lombardo	Mayor	\$ 1,800.00
Michael Martin	Councilman	\$ 1,500.00
James Mathieu	Councilman	\$ 1,500.00
William Nierstedt	Councilman	\$ 1,500.00
Ann Tarantino	Councilwoman	\$ 1,500.00
Louis Petruzzelli	Councilman	\$ 1,500.00

Sara Todisco	Councilwoman	\$ 1,500.00
Donald R. Guarriello	Municipal Engineer	\$ 14,495.00
Victor Vinegra	Zoning Officer - Review	\$ 10,000.00
Victor Vinegra	Planning/Zoning Board Planner	\$ 3,000.00
Len DiStefano	Zoning Officer - Enforcement	\$ 6,000.00
Adele Lewis	Planning/Zoning Board Secretary	\$ 11,601.00
John Drone	Network Administrator/ Police Department	\$ 2,550.00
Paulette Drogon	Senior Citizen Director	\$ 5,384.42
Albert DelConte, III	Senior Citizen Handyman	\$ 18.00
Gary Bundy	Municipal Court Judge	\$ 19,080.00
Martha Marino	Municipal Court Administrator	\$ 47,304.00
Catherine Franks	Dep. Court Adm/Violations Clerk	\$ 15.66
Len Spina	Superintendent Fire Apparatus	\$ 1,000.00
Scott Kessler	Recreation Director	\$ 7,302.00
	Recreation Director/Summer	\$ 23.50
	Recreation Aides Level 1	\$ 8.38
	Recreation Aides Level 2	\$ 8.38
	Recreation Aides Level 3	\$ 9.00
John Drone	Civilian Police Dispatcher	\$ 44,595.00
Diane R. Petraccoro	Civilian Police Dispatcher	\$ 33,822.00
Cassandra Crooks	Civilian Police Dispatcher 1/1/15 -11/4/15	\$ 30,309.00
Cassandra Crooks	Civilian Police Dispatcher 11/5/15 -12/31/15	\$ 31,793.00
Susana Dos Santos	Civilian Police Dispatcher 1/1/15 - 4/30/15	\$ 27,341.00
Susana Dos Santos	Civilian Police Dispatcher 5/1/15 - 12/31/15	\$ 28,825.00
Jean McComb	Civilian Police Matron	\$ 15.00
Cheryl DiStefano	Senior Citizen Bus Driver	\$ 19.00
Nina Kramkowski	Senior Citizen Bus Driver	\$ 19.00
Ed Syers	Senior Citizen Bus Driver	\$ 19.00
First Year	Seasonal Help DPW	\$ 9.00
Second Year	Seasonal Help DPW	\$ 9.50
Third Year	Seasonal Help DPW	\$ 10.00
Fourth Year	Seasonal Help DPW	\$ 10.50
Fifth Year	Seasonal Help DPW	\$ 11.00
	School Crossing Guards	\$ 13.25
	Alternate School Crossing Guards	\$ 17.00
Albert Toth	Fire Safety Inspector	\$ 19.00
Len Spina	Fire Safety Inspector	\$ 19.00
Tom Spera	Fire Safety Inspector	\$ 19.00
Edward Syers	Fire Safety Inspector	\$ 19.00
	Clerical	\$ 8.50
Christina M. Ariemma	BOH Licensing Official	\$ 1,800.00
Christina M. Ariemma	Shade Tree Officer	\$ 4,000.00
Kathleen J. Wierzbinski	Registrar of Vital Statistics	\$ 4,700.00
Kathleen J. Wierzbinski	BOH Secretary	\$ 1,000.00
Kathleen J. Wierzbinski	OEM Secretary	\$ 300.00
Ken Capobianco	OEM Director	\$ 1,200.00
Barbara Tweedle	Municipal Alliance Coordinator	\$ 5,659.00

[RESOLUTION NO. 15-244](#)
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be and are hereby authorized to sign the 2015 Infrastructure and Municipal Aid Grant Agreement with the County of Union for a grant amount of \$30,000.

[RESOLUTION NO. 15-245](#)
WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Division of ABC, has granted a special ruling pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39; for the 2015/16 license term to:

License #2006-33-005-007
Polyak, Joseph M
No Premises
Mailing Address:
17 Ginesi Drive
Clark, NJ 07066

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby renews the Plenary Retail Consumption License for:

License #2006-33-005-007
License Period: Effective July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk be and she is hereby directed to comply with the special ruling.

[RESOLUTION NO. 15-246](#)
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that renewal of Plenary Retail Distribution License be granted to the following, said License to be effective July 1, 2015 and to terminate June 30, 2016.
2006-44-002-004 L & J Wine & Liquors, Inc., a Business Corporation, t/a L & J Wines & Liquors, for premises at 109 Center Street, Garwood, New Jersey.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk be and she is hereby directed to issue said license.

[RESOLUTION NO. 15-247](#)
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, that renewal Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses be granted to the following, said Licenses to be effective July 1, 2015 and to terminate June 30, 2016.
2006-33-001-006 BPC RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT, LLC, a Limited Liability Co., t/a The Station Bar & Grill, for the premises at 95-99 Center Street, Garwood, New Jersey.
2006-33-004-003 THE GARWOOD REST, INC., a Business Corporation of New Jersey, t/a Garwood Restaurant, for premises at 259 South Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey.
2006-32-006-005 LAXMEE, LLC, a Limited Liability Co., t/a Dittrick's Wines and Liquors, for premises at 2 North Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey. (Broad Package Privilege)
2006-33-007-004 B & D RECREATION, INC., a Business Corporation of New Jersey, t/a Garwood Lanes, for premises at 346 North Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey.

2006-33-011-006 RUDY'S OF GARWOOD, LLC, a Limited Liability Co., t/a Rudy's Ristorante & Pizzeria, for premises at 300 South Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey.

2006-33-013-011 ROSEWINE, LLC, a Limited Liability Co., t/a Rosie's Wine Bar, for premises at 514 North Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey.

2006-33-009-007 WGAFFZ, INC., a Business Corporation of New Jersey, t/a The Crossroads, for premises at 78 North Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk be and she is hereby directed to issue said licenses.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-248

WHEREAS, a proposal has been received from Beyer Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960, for the purchase of one (1) 2016 Ford Explorer 4WD Fire Prevention Vehicle in accordance with the specifications attached hereto and made part hereof; and

WHEREAS, said supplier represents to the Borough of Garwood that it is under contract with the State of New Jersey, Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury, State Contract #A83013 for the supplying of said equipment at the price offered to the Borough of Garwood, to wit; \$25,165.50; and

WHEREAS, the vehicle is purchased under the Ford Credit Municipal Finance Program, paid in installments, annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood hereby authorize the purchase of the aforementioned in accordance with the quote for \$25,165.50, attached hereto and that the Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to enter such order on behalf of the Borough and to sign such documents as may be required to consummate this transaction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this quote be subject to the Borough Treasurer executing the appropriate Certification of Funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-249

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby approve the CFO/Treasurer to issue separate checks for the redemption of Lien Certificate Cert #2015-01 for the following property.

LIEN REDEMPTION:

BLOCK	LOT	NAME & ADDRESS		AMOUNT
Block 107	Lot 5	Garnet & Rae Clevenger 445 Third Ave Garwood, NJ 07027	Lien Redemption Premium HI Trust	\$ 9,695.92 \$13,000.00

REFUND TO: US BANK CUST FOR PHOENIX FUNDING
Attn: Tax Lien Services Group
2 Liberty Place
50 South 16th Street – Suite 2050
Philadelphia, PA 19102

EXPLANATION: Tax Sale Certificate redeemed by Wells Fargo for owner, Garnet & Rae Clevenger.

ROLL CALL

Motion: Action: Adopt consent agenda, **Moved by** Council President Nierstedt, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Todisco

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4)

Yes: Councilman Mathieu, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco and Council President Nierstedt. Consent agenda was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS DELETED OR REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

NEW BUSINESS:

Any new business the Mayor and Council may have:

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.

Trust Acct: \$13,000.00

Garwood Sports & Recreation Complex Trust: \$889.78

Unemployment Trust Acct: \$4,445.43 Current Acct: \$71,760.83

Motion: Action: Adopt, **Moved by** Councilwoman Todisco, **Seconded by** Councilman Petruzzelli

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4)

Yes: Councilman Mathieu, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco and Council President Nierstedt. Payment of Claims was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on, **TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2015**, in Council Chambers at 7:15 p.m. Workshop Session to start at 7:00 p.m.

Motion: Action: At 8:28 p.m., adjourn, **Moved by** Council President Nierstedt, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Todisco.

CHRISTINA M. ARIEMMA, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Garwood