

Borough of Garwood Meeting of the Mayor and Council

MINUTES

February 27, 2018

Start Time: 8:14 p.m.

Moment of Silence.....

Salute to the Flag.....

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Westfield Leader, advertised on January 4, 2018, 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	P		
Councilwoman Blumenstock	P	Councilman McCormack	P
Councilwoman Cuccaro	P	Councilman Sarno	P
Councilman Lazarow	P	Council President Todisco	P

MINUTES:

Regular, Workshop and Executive Minutes of the Mayor and Council held on February 13, 2018.

A motion was made by Councilman Lazarow, second by Councilwoman Todisco, to accept minutes as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1) NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES –

- a. Mayor's Advisory –
 - i. 02/09/18, RE: Weekly Update
 - ii. 02/14/18, RE: Daily Update
 - iii. 02/22/18, RE: Weekly Update
 - iv. 02/22/18, RE: Legislative Alert
 - v. 02/22/18, RE: Daily Update
 - vi. 02/23/18, RE: Weekly Update

2) RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY – 02/22/18, Minutes of the meetings held on January 11, 2018 and January 18, 2018

3) TOWNSHIP OF WESTFIELD, 02/21/18, RE: Ordinances 2093,2094,2095,2096

ALL RECEIVED AND FILED

ORDINANCES:

INTRODUCTION:

Municipal Clerk to read Bond Ordinance 18-03 by title only:

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 18-03

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE STRUCTURAL STABILIZATION PROJECT AT THE MICHAEL R. CRINCOLI RECREATION BUILDING IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$50,000 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.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cuccaro, second by Council President Blumenstock, to introduce Ordinance 18-03.

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Lazarow	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman McCormack	AYE	Council President Blumenstock	AYE

COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS:

POLICE: Councilman Sarno, Chr.

1. Regular Office hours for residents and commuters in need of parking permits have been established on Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 3 and 6 pm. To schedule an appointment with Parking Enforcement Officer Patterson email him at j-patterson@garwood.org.
2. The Inaugural session of the Garwood Police Department Youth Academy has been scheduled for the week of August 20-25th. The program is offered to youth in grades 6th through 8th of the 2018/2019 school year. Parents or guardians looking to enroll their children can contact Sgt John Wright or Sgt Philip Lewis for an application.
3. Signs are on order for the new residential permit areas. Once they are in and installed we will begin the phase in period for parking enforcement of the areas. In addition to no parking signs, the department is also in the process of auditing all signage to replace worn and faded signs. With help from the DPW we are also replacing the faded flashing stop signs at Spruce Ave and Center St and also at Pine Ave and East St with more visible LED flashing signs.

PUBLIC HEALTH: Councilman McCormack **NO REPORT**

STREETS AND ROADS/ECOLOGY: Council President Blumenstock, Chr.

In addition to regular garbage pickup, the DPW installed new basketball nets at the Sports Complex and performed sign maintenance/relocation in various areas of the Borough. They also installed the LED flashing stop sign at Pine and East (the other sign will be installed this week, weather permitting). The DPW also assisted the electrician with the new light installation along North Avenue that was damaged by a motor vehicle accident. Winter pothole repairs were performed at Spruce Avenue, Cedar St. and Hickory Ave. and shade tree pruning/elevating was done on the 200, 300 and 400 blocks of Beech Avenue. Public Works employees worked a total of 25.5 man hours of time and a half and 24.5 hours of double time for snow removal on February 17th and February 18th. That's all for my report, Mayor.

FIRE: Councilman McCormack, Chr.

He commented on the Testimonial Dinner in honor of former Fire Chief Len Spina.

FINANCE: Councilwoman Todisco, Chr.

Thank you, Mayor. The Finance Committee has met twice since our last Council meeting as it continues to work on compiling the 2018 budget. Even though there were two meetings, each went for 3 ½ hours or more. We will be meeting again twice this week. It's important to our Committee that we continue the practice of two special budget meetings to allow for ample time for feedback from the Mayor and rest of Council as well as to provide the public with a chance to see the process in action and to voice their thoughts. We have planned them to take place on Tuesday, March 6th and Tuesday, March 20th, both at 7pm here in Council Chambers. Also, we wanted to continue the concept of a "Breaking Down the Budget" meeting that was started last year. However, we thought we would try something new to make it a less formal meeting and to hopefully solicit even more public involvement. We would like to hold an informal session at Borough Hall on Thursday, March 15th as a Finance Committee, where will provide light refreshments and ask residents to come to speak to us. We hope to get their thoughts about what they feel should be prioritized and to try to answer any questions they may have. In a sense, this meeting will be in some ways like a Mayor's Saturday, but with the Finance Committee instead. That's all for my report, Mayor.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Councilman Lazarow

Hartman Park: I attended the Freeholders meeting on Thursday February 15th and was fortunate enough to be able to speak during public comment on passing the Level the Playing Field Ordinance. They unanimously passed this ordinance which should provide Garwood up to \$20,000 towards the cost of the Hartman Park project. If the council passes the Resolution to award the contract to MRC Gametime, I will provide a more detailed timeline for the completion of the project at the next council meeting. However, just to review, I would like to encourage the council to vote for this resolution as the county is most likely going to be paying for nearly 60% of the total costs when factoring in both grants and the benefits to our special needs children as well as the town would be tremendous. I asked our clerk to provide a 2D copy of the proposed plan which includes a sensory tunnel and other special needs equipment designed to encourage inclusion of all children. Also, the equipment includes ADA compliant pieces that allows those with physical handicaps to utilize many of the features of the playground. I had a resident ask about the general timeline of events that lead to this point. Initially we aimed for a \$110,000 total cost, but added the sensory tunnel after learning about the Level the Playing Field grant to get a grand total of 131,127.52. With the county matching \$55,000 and what looks to be about a \$20,000 Level the Playing Field grant, the Borough would

be paying about \$56,127.52 for the total project. Due to this investment I intend on holding a meeting with the Buildings and Grounds committee along with the Foreman and Superintendent of the DPW to design a plan for seasonal maintenance reports that will insure that the investment will last a very long time.

Rec complex building: Falcon Group, the Borough's hired architect and inspector determined that there was more damage to the recreation complex building when the door was removed by the hired contractor, Patagoni Roofing. Falcon found construction defects in which parts of the building were not sufficiently waterproofed leading to severe structural degradation. To restore the structural integrity of the building, Falcon was able to negotiate on the Borough's behalf from an original quote of \$81000 to \$69000. This would be in addition to the \$47000 the Borough already approved for repairing the defective door and areas where water could be seen infiltrating the building. The total cost paid to the contractor would be \$116000 and will require the council to amend the original rec complex bond for an additional \$50000 which would cover these costs as well as the monies required to pay for the oversight of Falcon to make sure everything is properly installed. As a result of the complex being closed for close to a year, the council unanimously voted to place an ordinance to amend the bond. Due to the time it takes to post a hearing for amending a bond as well as the time it takes to secure it, the likely timeline is for Patagoni to start construction in early April and a time frame of 45 days until completion. This would ideally make the reopening of the complex take place in mid to late May. Right now, due to these costs, the Council is considering the possibility of pursuing litigation to recoup the costs of the damages against the responsible parties involved in the original construction of the complex. While I am extremely frustrated by the length of time and cost this project has taken, I am committed as chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee to make sure that this repair is done correctly and am appreciative that the buildings closure and repair does not directly impact the use or rental of the fields themselves.

LAWS AND LICENSES: Councilwoman Cuccaro

Laws and license committee made a unanimous decision to bring forward 2 ordinances at the upcoming council meeting. We had another discussion with Bob just to confirm the wording to make sure we finally got it right.

Laws and license has been working on the Property maintenance code, and the fence ordinance for corner properties for almost 2 years.

The fence ordinance is to give back the rights to corner property owners for a 6-foot fence either open or closed, provided they meet the proper setbacks.

Everyone deserves the right to use their property as a taxpaying resident of the community, and not be penalized simply because they live on a corner.

This will amend subsection (H) in 106-118) (Fences and walls) in chapter 106 (Land Use) of the code of the borough of Garwood to amend restrictions on fences on corner lots.

The property maintenance code

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD REPEALING ARTICLE V (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) IN CHAPTER 67 (BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, AND ENACTING A NEW ARTICLE V (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) IN CHAPTER 67 (BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES) BY ADOPTING, WITH CERTAIN REVISIONS, THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES.

This basically updates the BOCA code with (the international property maintenance Code) with some modifications to the IPMC.

RECREATION: Councilman Lazarow **NO REPORT**

GARWOOD SENIOR CITIZEN LIAISON: Council President Blumenstock

Our last meeting was on February 15th. We had a guest speaker from Clear Captions. This is a federally funded program that will provide free closed-caption phones to those with hearing problems. You get an audio and visual cue that a call is coming in and the call is transcribed on the phone screen. Anyone with internet, a landline and a hearing deficiency is eligible.

I was also able to hand out Valentine's crafts and cards from Lincoln School's Mustangs' Works of Hearts Club. They were very much appreciated. Also, our baking experiment, where each table brought in some baked goods for our dessert, was hit! Our next meeting is March 1st. That's all for my report, Mayor.

LIBRARY, MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE: Councilman Lazarow

On February 15th the Garwood Public Library presented a performance of the oldies band, "Rewind". More than 40 people (most of them over 40) enjoyed a great night of music. There was even some dancing. Check out the pictures on our Facebook page.

Two new social studies databases have been added Library's website. The first is **PebbleGo** a database geared toward the needs of K-2 learners. It helps students learn foundational research skills plus provides critical early-reader supports like audio voice overs and text highlighting. The second is **PebbleGoNext** a comprehensive digital resource tailored to meet the needs and curriculum of grades 3-5 learners. Both **PebbleGo** and **PebbleGoNext** can be accessed 24/7 from home, school or on the go – anywhere there is an internet connection. Both offer straightforward navigation on an ad free website. Features like videos and games keep students engaged and learning. Students and teachers should contact the Garwood Public Library for Login and Password information.

The library's regular programs include:

Knitting Club – Every Monday and Thursday at 10:30am

Kids Chess – Mondays in March at 3:00 pm

Book Clubs – Monday, March 26th @ 1:00pm

Design It -STEM – Every Tuesday at 3:00 through March

Story Time - Every Wednesday at 10:30am,

Kid's Craft – Wednesday, March 21st @ 3:00pm

Lego – March 8th & 22nd @ 3:00 pm

Movie Time - Every Friday at 10:00 am

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. The Library will be **closed**, Friday and Saturday, March 30th and 31st.

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON: Councilman McCormack

- The Board of Education will begin discussing the budget process in the next few weeks and the public hearing will be held on May 1st.
 - 31 hard working students made the Honor Society for the 2nd Marking Period!
 - Students from the Pep Club were present to promote positive actions of their peers and are looking forward to continued success in the upcoming year.
 - There was approval for two school clubs– The Pay it Forward Club and The Backstage Club.
 - One teacher expressed their displeasure for the new healthcare carrier.
 - On Thursday, March 8th the 8th grade class will be hosting Bingo Night at the Polish Cultural Foundation located at 77 Broadway in Clark. This fundraiser is to assist with the Gettysburg trip. Tickets start at \$35 for 10 games. Doors open at 6:30pm with a 7:30pm start time.
 - Kindergarten parents are welcome on March 16th for Tea with the Superintendent.
 - Educator of the Year votes are due by March 1st. The winner will be celebrated at the EFG dinner in April.
 - Decisions still have not been made on Hartman park or the gym floor.
- Superintendent Quigley addressed an email she sent earlier in the day to parents about school safety

CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS AND HOLIDAYS LIAISON:

Councilwoman Cuccaro

Celebrations discussed the upcoming event for the Easter Egg Hunt. The Date is Saturday March 17, 2018 at Noon. Rain date is March 24. Set up for the committee starts at 10:00. Tina can you put the event on the marquee outside borough hall.

Also part of the discussions were how many gifts will be required for the different age groups, candy to fill the eggs, the DJ, and the raffles to be given out for a shot to win a gift.

They wanted me to remind the Mayor about his basket donation and making a statement.

The next meeting will be on March 14th at 7:00 for the committee to wrap the gifts.

Also getting a head start on the Memorial Day event on May 28th at the knights of Columbus. The mayor is working on getting a veteran to speak.

UNION COUNTY AIR TRAFFIC NOISE ADVISORY BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:

Councilman McCormack **NO REPORT**

SPECIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Todisco **NO REPORT**

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Todisco

Thank you, Mayor. The Historical Committee met last night and it was another very productive meeting. The Committee discussed the facade of the castle or gothic part of the Aeolian Building, also known as the Paperboard, and felt preserving it should be a top priority for Garwood. The first-ever Historical Committee newsletter has been printed and will be delivered by volunteers in the coming weeks to all the homes in town as a way of furthering the mission of the Committee to educate the public about Garwood's rich

history as well as to explain what the Historical Committee has been an active in. The group looks to make this a biannual publication. Thanks to its newest member, Chelsea Brandt, the Committee is preparing to launch a website this year, which will be a terrific online archive of Garwood's historical materials. Also, the Committee is continuing to plan its booth at the upcoming Garwood Rocks Street Fair in June. Lastly, other events and fundraising ideas were discussed and I will be happy to promote them at future Council meetings. That's all for my report, Mayor.

PARKING COMMITTEE: Councilman Sarno **NO REPORT**

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Municipal Court Administrator Lashonn Durant: monthly report for January 2018
Chief of Police James H. Wright: monthly report for January 2018
Treasurer/CFO Sandy Bruns: 2017 Fourth Quarter Reports

A motion was made by Councilman Sarno, second by Councilman Lazarow, 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, and state your full name and address. Please limit your comments to three minutes.

Jim Mathieu, 335 Hazel Avenue commented on Laws & Licenses no reporting on a county matter. Councilwoman Cuccaro responded as did Councilwoman Todisco.

Bruce Paterson, 325 Willow Avenue commented on the egg hunt and the county funding projects. He commented on the County Chair appointment matter. He commented on Mr. Renaud's position as representative of the County Democratic Committee. He commented on bad politics.

Al DelConte, 545 Locust Avenue mentioned the pot hole on Center Street. He commented on the Recreation Complex matter.

Bruce Paterson, 325 Willow Avenue commented on a January 9th agenda item. Mr. Renaud commented.

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. 18-077

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes the Municipal Clerk to sign a contract with:

Great Blue Lake and Pond Management
980 Old Foundry Road
Newton, NJ 07860

Contract: 2018 Vegetation Management Program

Cost of contract: \$1,100.00

The service includes:

- One Application
- All labor and materials

For vegetation control in the Garwood Brook

RESOLUTION NO. 18-078

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby approve the CFO/Treasurer to issue a check for the tax overpayment on the following properties:

PROPERTY OWNER/ADDRESS	BLK/LOT	REFUND	
PROPERTY OWNER	ADDRESS	BLOCK/LOT	AMOUNT
MARK & KAREN RUSIN	9 LIBERTY COURT	101/16	\$3,648.54
RUDOLPH & MARIAN CAPRARIO	460 SECOND AVE	107/21	\$2,058.65
SERGEI & MARINA ADAMOVICH	202 THIRD AVE	203/20	\$3,247.44
JOHN & BARBARA SULLIVAN	206 THIRD AVE	203/21	\$2,694.12
MELINDA PINTO	22 NORTH AVE	209/20	\$ 120.82
GLENN & ADELE LEWIS	605 MYRTLE AVE	306/12	\$ 416.05
MARTIN & DONNA RODEN	427 LOCUST AVE	411/5	\$2,759.36
SHARI COHEN	419 LOCUST AVE	411/7	\$2,727.95

GARY & DANA MAHER	313 BEECH AVE	603/10	\$2,297.86
LYNN VINEGRA	425 HAZEL AVE	608/2	\$3,870.84
ROBERT WATERS	263 HAZEL AVE	610/1	\$2,452.50
BRIAN & CLAUDIA McGLINN	355 HEMLOCK AVE	612/2	\$2,128.72
ROGER & CATHY KURLAN	343 HEMLOCK AVE	612/6.02	\$3,764.52

REFUND TO:

CORELOGIC CENTRALIZED REFUNDS

PO BOX 9202

COPPELL, TX 75019-9760

AMOUNT OF REFUND: \$32,187.37

EXPLANATION: 1Qtr 2018 taxes were paid by Corelogic Tax Services in addition to taxes paid by the homeowner at year end.

Refund is made to the tax servicer on behalf of the homeowner.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-079

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Garwood Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Garwood Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Garwood Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Union;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Garwood Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Garwood Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$ 14,202
Cash Match	\$ 3,550
In-Kind	\$ 10,652
2. The Garwood Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-081

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby hires Katelyn Christopher as Accounts Payable Clerk in the Office of the Borough Administrator and Chief Financial Officer/Tax Collector effective March 1, 2018, at an annual salary of \$35,100.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that she will be on probation for a period of one year.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Todisco, second by Council President Blumenstock, to adopt Consent Agenda as *AMENDED*.

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Lazarow	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman McCormack	AYE	Council President Blumenstock	AYE

RESOLUTIONS DELETED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTION NO. 18-076

WHEREAS, a proposal has been received from Marturano Recreation Company, Inc., PO Box 106, Spring Lake, NJ 07762, for the purchase of Playground Equipment, Site Furnishings, including installation and related services in accordance with quote #138159 attached hereto and made part hereof and for public use at Hartman Park, 412 Second Avenue, in the Borough of Garwood; and

WHEREAS, said supplier represents to the Borough of Garwood that it is in accordance with the Education Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Administration (ESC NJ), 1660 Stelton Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854, Co-OP #65MCESCCPS, Contract #ESC NJ 17/18-20 for the supplying of said equipment at the price offered to the Borough of Garwood, to wit; \$131,127.52 total; and

WHEREAS, the clerk of the Borough of Garwood has researched whether said supplier is a NJ State approved Co-OP under contract for such equipment with ESC NJ Cooperative Administration Co-OP #65MCESCCPS for said equipment as presented and her inquiry has resulted in verification; and

WHEREAS, said equipment is purchased under Bond Ordinance No. 17-27 for the amount of \$131,127.52.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood hereby authorize the purchase of the aforementioned, Playground Equipment, Site Furnishings, including installation and related services in accordance with quote #138159 from Marturano Recreation Company, Inc., PO Box 106, Spring Lake, NJ 07762, for \$131,127.52, attached hereto and that the Clerk be and is hereby authorized to enter such order on behalf of this 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.

A motion was made by Councilman Lazarow, second by Council President Blumenstock to adopt Resolution 18-076.

Discussion: Councilwoman Cuccaro commented on the project not having updates, basketball court.

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	NAY	Councilman Sarno	NAY
Councilman Lazarow	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman McCormack	NAY	Council President Blumenstock	AYE
Mayor Lombardo	AYE		

4-AYE, 3-NAY, Resolution 18-076 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-080

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes the following:

	Garwood Sports and Recreation Complex
	Turf Sports Field Maintenance
Vendor:	Elite Synthetic Surfaces
	486 Willis Avenue
	Williston Park, NY 11596
Cost of contract:	\$1,200.00
	The service includes:
	• Two visits, April and November
	• All labor and materials

A motion was made by Council President Blumenstock, second by Councilwoman Todisco, to adopt Resolution 18-080.

Discussion: Councilwoman Cuccaro said complex is self-sustaining. Discussion followed

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Lazarow	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman McCormack	AYE	Council President Blumenstock	AYE

6-AYE, Resolution 18-080 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-082

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby set the following dates for Special Budget Meetings.

Tuesday, March 6, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

1st Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council to discuss 2018 Budget
Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 403 South Avenue, Garwood

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

2nd Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council to discuss 2018 Budget
Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 403 South Avenue, Garwood

A motion was made by Councilwoman Todisco, second by Council President Blumenstock ,

Discussion: NONE

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	NAY
Councilman Lazarow	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman McCormack	AYE	Council President Blumenstock	AYE

5-AYE, 1-NAY, Resolution 18-082 was adopted.

NEW BUSINESS:

PROCLAMATIONS:

American Red Cross Month March 2018

Youth Art Month March 2018

APPOINTMENTS:

Recreation: Arlene Yanogacio

Celebrations: Krystal Zawoysky

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.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Todisco, second by Council President Blumenstock, to adopt Payment of Claims Resolution

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Lazarow	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman McCormack	AYE	Council President Blumenstock	AYE

At 8:59 p.m. Ms. Ariemma read Resolution No 18-083

RESOLUTION NO. 18-083

CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING TAX APPEAL MATTERS AND MATTERS OF ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE RELATING TO THE ABOVE AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A., 10:4-12, Closed session, Meetings open to public; exclusion of public; subject of matter.

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood to conduct an executive session closed to the public in order to discuss the above listed matters.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Garwood hereby move to go into executive session in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et. seq., for the purpose of discussing the subjects stated above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters discussed in and minutes of the closed session shall be disclosed to the public when the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cuccaro, second by Councilwoman Todisco, to enter into Executive Session.

Councilwoman Cuccaro	AYE	Councilman Sarno	AYE
Councilman Lazarow	AYE	Councilwoman Todisco	AYE
Councilman McCormack	AYE	Council President Blumenstock	AYE

The Regular meeting resumed at 9:40 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on, **TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018**, 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. 18-03, ON TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018, AT 7:15 P.M. OR SOON THERE AFTER

A motion was made by Councilman Lazarow, Second by Council President Blumenstock, to adjourn.
Time: 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



CHRISTINA M. ARIEMMA, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Garwood