

# Borough of Garwood Meeting of the Mayor and Council

## MINUTES

March 27, 2018

Start Time: 7:51 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:

Special Budget Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on March 6, 2018.  
Regular, Workshop and Executive Minutes of the Mayor and Council held on March 13, 2018.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Todisco, second by Council President Blumenstock, to accept minutes as presented.

### COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) **NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES** –
  - a. Mayor's Advisory –
    - i. 03/12/17, RE: Weekly Update
    - ii. 03/19/18, RE: Weekly Update
    - iii. 03/19/18, RE: Daily Update - Legislative Alert
    - iv. 03/23/18, RE: Weekly Round-Up
- 2) **UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS** – 03/13/18, RE: Ordinance 793-2018
- 3) **RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY** – 03/16/18, RE: Minutes of the meetings held on February 8, 2018 and February 15, 2018
- 4) **GARWOOD RECREATION COMMISSION** – 03/20/18, RE: Minutes of the meeting held on March 19, 2018

**ALL RECEIVED AND FILED**

### ORDINANCES:

#### INTRODUCTION:

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 18-04 by title only:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 18-04

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR A REVISED RATE SCHEDULE FOR 2018 PURSUANT TO §134-16 (RATE SCHEDULE) IN ARTICLE V (INDUSTRIAL WASTE & FEES) IN CHAPTER 134 (SEWERS) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, FOR THE INDUSTRIAL USER CHARGE PROVIDED FOR IN §134-15.**

A motion was made by Council President Blumenstock, second by Councilwoman Cuccaro, to introduce Ordinance 18-04.

Roll Call:

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

6-AYE, 0-NAY, Ordinance 18-04 was introduced

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 18-05 by title only:

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-05**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE XIV (AFFORDABLE HOUSING) IN CHAPTER 106 (LAND USE) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD TO FURTHER ADDRESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FAIR HOUSING ACT AND THE UNIFORM HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CONTROLS (UHAC) REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE BOROUGH'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cuccaro, second by Council President Blumenstock, to introduce Ordinance 18-05.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>Councilman Sarno</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	<b>AYE</b>

4-AYE, 2-NAY, Ordinance 18-05 was introduced

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 18-06 by title only:

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-06**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$140,000 FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN APPROVED TAX MAP AND A PROGRAM OF REVALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH.**

A motion was made by Councilman Lazarow, second by Councilwoman Todisco, to introduce Ordinance 18-06.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilman Sarno</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	<b>AYE</b>

6-AYE, 0-NAY, Ordinance 18-06 was introduced

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 18-07 by title only:

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-07**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2018**

**ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK  
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Todisco, second by Council President Blumenstock, to introduce Ordinance 18-07.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>Councilman Sarno</b>	<b>NAY</b>
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Mayor Lombardo</b>	<b>AYE</b>		

4-AYE, 3-NAY, Ordinance 18-07 was introduced

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 18-08 by title only:

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-08**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBSECTION (H) IN §106-118 (FENCES AND WALLS) IN ARTICLE VIII (ZONE REGULATIONS) IN CHAPTER 106 (LAND USE) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD TO AMEND RESTRICTIONS ON FENCES ON CORNER LOTS.**

A motion was made by Councilman Lazarow, second by Council President Blumenstock, to **TABLE** Ordinance 18-08 and refer to the Planning Board.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilman Sarno</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	<b>AYE</b>

6-AYE, 0-NAY, Ordinance 18-08 was **TABLED**.

**COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS:**

**POLICE:** Councilman Sarno, Chr.

The Division of Highway Traffic Safety is asking all police agencies in the state to join with them in the Distracted Driving 2018 Statewide Crackdown. This is part of a nationwide enforcement effort, with the slogan UDrive, UText, UPay!

The purpose of the campaign is to undertake visible, targeted enforcement during April, which is National Distracted Driving Month. Enforcement activities will focus on driver behaviors that distract from the task of driving, such as talking on a hand-held cell phone or sending text messages. The campaign will run from April 1 - 21, 2018.

The Garwood Police Department will support the initiative with random enforcement patrols throughout the month. This is a reminder to put the phone down when operating your vehicle.

Officer Mironski is halfway through his training period and is progressing well. We expect him to be completed with his training by mid spring.

There is still space available for the inaugural youth academy. The academy is open to children entering 6th through 8th grade of the upcoming year. Applications are available at the police desk in headquarters and also online at [www.garwoodpd.org](http://www.garwoodpd.org)

As the days get longer and the weather gets warmer when you are on the roadway please watch out for children at play.

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** Councilman McCormack

The meeting was canceled due to the snow storm and is rescheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>.

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

With another Nor'easter last week, our DPW was busy once again. They deiced all Borough streets and parking lots before the storm as well as all Borough sidewalks and school crossings. They also plowed all Borough streets, parking lots and Borough owned sidewalks and plowed roads overnight keeping them clear for us. Public Works employees worked a total of 106 hours of time and a half during the March 21-22<sup>nd</sup> storm. The DPW also continued to chip brush placed curbside along Borough streets from the previous storm. That's all for my report, Mayor.

**FIRE:** Councilman McCormack, Chr. **NO REPORT**

**FINANCE:** Councilwoman Todisco, Chr.

Thank you, Mayor. The Finance Committee unanimously supports the budget that is on tonight's agenda for introduction and hopes the rest of the Council will support it as well. That's all for my report, Mayor.

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:** Councilman Lazarow

I am pleased to report that on March 9<sup>th</sup>, we received notice that Garwood received from the Union County Freeholders a Level the Playing Field grant in the amount of 25,470\$. This was a grant that we applied for back in November of 2017 to add the sensory tunnel project that is designed for special needs children. With this grant along with our matching grant from the county in the amount of \$55,000, the county grants will be covering \$80,470 of the \$131,127.52. total cost of the Hartman Park Project. As a result, Garwood residents will only pay a little more than \$50,000 for the entire project. This is a big win for all of Garwood children and families and taxpayers. A special thanks goes to Councilwoman Todisco for encouraging our rotating visits to the Freeholder meeting which allowed me to lobby for Garwood when they voted on passing the Level the Playing Field Grants. A contract was sent to MRC today, and we will have a more definitive schedule for the completion of the park come next meeting.

As far as the Rec Complex remediation, Padovanni, the contractor for the project, is set to be awarded the contract for fixing the complex on April 10<sup>th</sup>. The Council voted for the bond ordinance at our last meeting and an award for a contract can't take place until a 20 day period has ended on the bond ordinance which will be April 3<sup>rd</sup>. A contract will go out to them for signature on April 11<sup>th</sup> and once it is signed they can resume the project. Falcon and Padovanni have been advised and will provide a work schedule soon.

**LAWS AND LICENSES:** Councilwoman Cuccaro

There are two applications for a raffle licenses. The Laws & License Committee recommends the following: The adoption of Resolution No. 18-191, for the application of an **on premise merchandise and on-premise 50/50** raffle license to be held May 10, 2018, at The Westwood, 438 North Avenue, Garwood, NJ, by Westfield Daycare Center, NJ, also the adoption of Resolution No. 18-092, for the AMENDED application of an **on premise merchandise** raffle license to be held March 28, 2018, at The Westwood,

438 North Avenue, Garwood, NJ, by Union High School PTA. The original event was postponed due to a Nor'Easter that occurred on the scheduled day.

**RECREATION: Councilman Lazarow**

The Recreation Commission met last Monday. The Summer Recreation program is well on its way in its preparations and Dana Parkhill has been asked to run the program again. Camp will be held at the recreation complex. There was 110 kids in last year's program and Scott Kessler, Recreation Director is expecting an increase for this year. The backup location is Hartmann Park. If both the complex and Hartmann Park are not ready by 6/25, then Summer Rec will be held at Lincoln School. Suggestion of an 8 week program instead of a 6 week program is currently being considered. There would be a need for 20 counselors due to the potential increase of participants. The program would like to host 2 trips per week. Suggested trips are movies, bowling, pump it up, and mini golf.

A discussion was had in regards to the Board of Ed charging the Rec Commission for use of their facilities even though the Rec Commission has offered usage of their facilities free of charge. I intend to have a conversation about these fees with Dr. Quigley. Currently the Rec Complex has an active list of groups who are scheduled in the use of the field. The Commission discussed if the Bocci Court can be replaced with a Metal Gazebo to promote more event usage. Bocci Court has not been minimally used and some argued that a Gazebo would attract more residents to the park.

Finally, the Commission has expressed a desire to purchase vending machines that would be housed inside the rec complex building. The Recreation Director and Commission would be responsible for the collection of money and refilling and stocking of the machines and would set up a schedule to make sure it would be adequately completed.

One major issue discussed was Chapter 126 which is the code that governs the Recreation Commission. This code may need some clarifications and amendments to make it clear what responsibilities fall to the Commission and what falls on the Borough in terms of expenditures as there is a lot of gray area that has created some conflict.

**GARWOOD SENIOR CITIZEN LIAISON: Council President Blumenstock**

At our meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup>, we were treated with a guest from Barnabas Health Home Care and Hospice. They spoke to the group about advanced life planning options. They delivered an extensive presentation about the various documents you may like to have such a will, power of attorney and then really delved into 2 particular documents: the FIVE WISHES Document and the POLST Medical Order, or Practitioner Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment. The Five Wishes document is a more in depth booklet about what your wishes would be if you could not speak for yourself, from practical matters such who makes the decisions for you to the more personal decisions such as having music played or pictures nearby. The POLST form is more strictly medical and lets doctors or EMTs know precisely what measures you want taken and how far to go with medical interventions. I have both forms with me if anyone would like to take a look. And of course we finished out the club meeting with a few games of bingo. Our next meeting is April 5<sup>th</sup>. That's all for my report, Mayor.

**LIBRARY, MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE: Councilman Lazarow**

The Garwood Library's programs for March/April include:

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

**Kids Chess** – Mondays in March/April at 3:00 pm

**Book Clubs** – Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> @1, Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

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

**Story Time** - Every Wednesday at 10:30am,

**Kid's Craft** – Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00pm

**Lego** – Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 pm

**Movie Time** - Every Friday at 10:00 am

**Paws to Read** – Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 10: am.

In addition, Johnathon Barrett, a Certified Financial Planner from AXA Advisors will discuss recent tax reform changes, social security planning and other financial topics on Monday, **April 9<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30pm.

*Local author*, Laura Sassi, will visit Storytime on **April 11<sup>th</sup>** with her puppets and her new book, *Diva Delores and the Opera House Mouse*. (She was snowed out on the 21<sup>st</sup>)

In honor of National Library week (**April 9<sup>th</sup> to April 14<sup>th</sup>**) the Garwood Public Library is granting Amnesty on fines. During this week, there will be no fines collected for any overdue items returned during this week, no matter how long the items are overdue.

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 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

**SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON:** Councilman McCormack

Reported he attended the Board of Education meeting. He said the sound system was very poor. Councilwoman Todisco commented.

**CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS AND HOLIDAYS LIAISON:**

Councilwoman Cuccaro

Mentioned the Easter Egg Hunt

**UNION COUNTY AIR TRAFFIC NOISE ADVISORY BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:**

Councilman McCormack

Commented on the next meeting

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

**HISTORICAL COMMITTEE:** Councilwoman Todisco

Thank you, Mayor. The Historical Committee met last night and held elections for officers. The new Chair of the Committee is Carol Lombardo, new Vice Chair is Bruce Paterson, Secretary is Chelsea Brandt, and Treasurer is Adele Lewis. Bruce Paterson served as the Chair of the Historical for the last few years--to my knowledge, he has since I was appointed the first-ever Council liaison back in early 2015--and we thank him for all the time and energy he has devoted to the job. I'm sure Bruce will continue to do a lot for the Committee. The Committee is confident that Carol Lombardo will keep the group an active force in our community as she has been a valuable member, who served as Secretary and Treasurer. Also, the Committee wants to thank the Finance Committee for including a line item of \$500 in the budget in recognition of its efforts and importance. The inaugural edition of the Historical Committee newsletter has been distributed throughout town and extra copies are available in Borough Hall. We are excited to put out this biannual newsletter in the spirit of one of the Committee's missions, which is to educate the public about our Borough's rich history. Thank you to the volunteers on the Committee who walked door to door delivering the newsletter and to the Garwood girl scout troop for helping as well. Additionally, the Committee is continuing to plan for its booth at the upcoming Garwood Rocks Street Fair in June, which includes writing 5 new articles and getting pictures of more Garwood sites and items of significance to add to the 20 features last year. That's all for my report, Mayor.

**PARKING COMMITTEE:** Councilman Sarno

The parking committee convened this past Friday night with Police Chief James Wright, OEM Director Ken Capobianco, Mayor Lombardo, and resident member Kathy Villaggio. The goals at the meeting were to discuss:

- Street parking during snowstorms and the future impact development will have on it
- The progress and current state of our parking enforcement
- The status of marking out the latest parking enforcement zones

Regarding street parking and snowstorms Chief Wright is investigating the possibility of utilizing alternate side parking, increasing the threshold to have cars off the street to 4 inches, and naming emergency streets. Each of these ideas are to help ease the burden on our residents when adhering to our 3-inch snow rule.

Our parking enforcement has been supplemented quite nicely with the addition of our parking enforcement officer John Patterson. So far, he has embraced the community policing initiative being brought forth by our Police Chief and is in the process of educating residents that permits are needed in certain areas and then further explaining to get the permits when he has office hours which are on Tuesday & Thursday from 3-6pm. In the upcoming weeks the education period will end and enforcement will begin ultimately resulting in summons for those found to be in violation of our parking rules.

Lastly, the signs necessary to point out the expansion of our parking enforcement area still need to be marked out by our DPW and then they'll need to be placed into the ground. There are 52 signs that need to be furnished and we expect these signs to be in place by the end of the spring.

Our next meeting is on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 to further discuss our ideas.

**OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

Chief of Police James H. Wright monthly reports for February 2018

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

Bruce Paterson, 325 Willow Avenue commented on parking matters. He commented on RVSA would be present at the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. He commented on county matters.

**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. 18-088**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides that the governing body may, and if any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the adoption of the Budget, shall, by resolution adopted prior to January 31, of the fiscal year, make appropriations to provide for the period between the beginning of the fiscal year and the adoption of the budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the list of temporary appropriations be made for the year 2018.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-089**

**WHEREAS**, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c:102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling program; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is promulgating recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Mayor and Council to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Garwood that the Borough of Garwood hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environment Protection and designates Clint Dickson to ensure that the application is properly filed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-090**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Garwood has heretofore adopted Ordinance No. 18-01.

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-01**

**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 2018.

**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, 2018, or as indicated and in accordance with law.

Name	TITLE / STEP	Salary
Stoffer, Douglas	CAPTAIN	\$109,076
Rocco, Samuel	LIEUTENANT	\$104,141
Perrotta, David	SERGEANT	\$100,029
Wright, John	SERGEANT	\$100,029
Lewis, Philip J	SERGEANT	\$100,029
Herz, Todd	STEP 10	\$92,392
Kleinsorgen, Jeffery	STEP 10	\$92,392
Eriksen, Scott	STEP 10	\$92,392
Ostrander, Joseph	STEP 10	\$92,392
Suggs, George	STEP 9	\$85,680
Czachorowski, Christopher	STEP 9	\$85,680
Pridy, Jonathan	STEP 5	\$64,260
Camporeale, Roberto	STEP 4	\$58,611
Sanchez, Gregory L.	STEP 1	\$44,880
Mironski, Edward	PROBATIONARY	\$41,565

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-191**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the license to conduct an On-Premise Merchandise Raffle and an On-Premise 50/50 on May 10, 2018, to be held at the Westwood, 438

North Avenue, Garwood, NJ at 6:00 p.m., is hereby granted to Westfield Daycare Center Inc., pursuant to Application Number RA #1142 and RA #1143.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-092**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes the amendment of on premise merchandise raffle license #1140 rescheduling event due to a Nor' Easter. New date is March 28, 2018, to be held at the Westwood, 438 North Avenue, Garwood, NJ at 6:00 p.m.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-094**

BE IT RESOLVED that the ordinance entitled:

**"ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$140,000 FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN APPROVED TAX MAP AND A PROGRAM OF REVALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH."**

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 April, 2018, 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. 18-095**

*RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM (LOSAP)  
 IN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD*

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey on July 11, 2000 adopted Ordinance No. 00-10, a Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP Program) to enhance the ability of the Garwood Fire Department and Garwood First Aid Squad to retain and recruit volunteers for their respective agencies and;

**WHEREAS**, in the General Election of the State of New Jersey on November 7, 2000, the legal voters of the Borough of Garwood overwhelmingly approved the establishment of a LOSAP Program with a vote count of 1083 YES and 242 NO; and;

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 14-190 on April 2, 2014 increasing the LOSAP contribution amount from \$1,150 to \$1,589, the maximum amount allowed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 15-172 on March 24, 2015 increasing the LOSAP contribution amount from \$1,589 to \$1,614, the maximum amount allowed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body adopted Resolution No. 17-084 on March 28, 2017 increasing the LOSAP contribution amount from \$1,614 to \$1,635, the maximum amount allowed; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the Governing Body desires to amend the LOSAP Eligibility Document in order to further enhance eligibility and the effectiveness of the LOSAP Program; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey that:

1. The maximum LOSAP contribution amount shall be increased by 0.8% from \$1,635 to \$1,648 in accordance with the annual CPI adjustments for CY 2017 as authorized by the Department of Community Affairs Division of Local Government Services in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.9, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-185(f) and LFN 2018-02.
2. Amendments to the LOSAP Eligibility Document are hereby made in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:30-14 and shall be submitted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the New Jersey State Department of Community Affairs along with a certified copy of this resolution.
3. These amendments shall be effective retroactively to the start of the LOSAP benefit year, 01/01/17 to 12/31/17.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-096**

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Public Works solicited quotes from vendors for the disposal of Type 23 Vegetative Yard Waste which is Brush, Grass and Mixed Yard Waste combined. Quotes were received as follows:

Vendor	Description	Price
Natures Choice Corp.	Per cubic yard	\$15.95
Rotundi & Sons	Failed to submit a quote	---
Plainfield Municipal Utilities Authority	Failed to submit a quote	---

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby awards the quote to the vendor as follows:

CONTRACTOR: NATURES CHOICE CORPORATION  
 398 LINCOLN BOULEVARD  
 MIDDLESEX, NJ

PRICE & DESCRIPTION: **Type 23 Vegetative Waste**  
 \$15.95 per cy mixed delivered to transfer station  
 TERM: April 1, 2018 to April 1, 2019

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

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilman Sarno</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	<b>AYE</b>

**RESOLUTIONS DELETED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-093**

**RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE SIDEBAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD AND TEAMSTERS UNION LOCAL 11 REGARDING THE FOREMAN HOURLY RATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the foreman is a title within the Teamsters Union Local 11 (hereinafter "the Union") bargaining unit; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Garwood has determined pursuant to Article 6, Section 3(a) of the collective negotiations agreement to increase the hourly rate for the position of foreman; and

**WHEREAS**, the parties' have negotiated a sidebar agreement setting forth the an increase in the hourly rate for the position of foreman which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

**WHEREAS**, the Union ratified and executed the sidebar agreement on March 20, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Garwood is desirous of ratifying and executing the sidebar agreement; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough Council of the Borough of Garwood hereby ratifies the sidebar agreement between the Borough of Garwood and Teamsters Union Local 11 which increases the hourly rate for the position of foreman and further authorizes the Mayor to execute the sidebar agreement on behalf of the Borough.

A motion was made by Council President Blumenstock, second by Councilman Lazarow to adopt Resolution 18-093

Discussion: Councilman Sarno asked what was the rate on the resolution for the Foreman salary.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilman Sarno</b>	<b>NAY</b>
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	<b>AYE</b>

5-AYE, 1-NAY, Resolution 18-093 was adopted

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-097**

**The 2018 Municipal Budget Resolution is attached hereto and made part hereof.**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Todisco, second by Council President Blumenstock to adopt Resolution 18-097

Discussion: Councilman Sarno doesn't support the budget as it stands. He commented further.

Councilwoman Todisco commented that Councilman Sarno's history reflected he used one time revenues in the past. Councilman Sarno responded that he didn't support the budget. Councilwoman Cuccaro commented on the budget.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilman Sarno</b>	<b>NAY</b>
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	<b>AYE</b>

4-AYE, 2-NAY, Resolution 18-097 was adopted

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

Recreation Commission: Kathy Villaggio / Term---03/27/2018 to 12/31/2020

Celebrations Committee: Kathy Villaggio and Debbie McCarthy

**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 Councilwoman Cuccaro, to adopt Payment of Claims Resolution.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilman Sarno</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	<b>AYE</b>

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on, **TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 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 ORDINANCES NO. 18-04, 18-05, 18-06 AND 18-07, ON TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018, AT 7:15 P.M. OR SOON THERE AFTER**

Councilman Sarno asked for an update on the Paperboard property. Councilwoman Todisco responded.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cuccaro, Second by Council President Blumenstock, to adjourn.

Time: 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



**CHRISTINA M. ARIEMMA, Municipal Clerk**  
Borough of Garwood