

# Borough of Garwood

## Meeting of the Mayor and Council

### AGENDA

October 23, 2018

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	_____		
Councilwoman Bianco	_____	Councilman McCormack	_____
Councilwoman Cuccaro	_____	Councilwoman Todisco	_____
Councilman Lazarow	_____	Council President Blumenstock	_____

#### **MINUTES:**

Regular and Workshop Minutes of the Mayor and Council held on October 9, 2018.

A motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to accept minutes as presented.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1) **NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES** –
  - a. Mayor's Advisory –
    - i. 10/09/18, RE: Weekly Round-Up
    - ii. 10/12/18: RE: Weekly Round-Up
    - iii. 10/18/18, RE: Daily Update
    - iv. 10/19/18, RE: Weekly Round-up
- 2) **UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS** – 10/15/18, RE: Adoption of Ordinance 798-2018 & Ordinance 799-2018
- 3) **RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY** – 10/11/18, RE: Meeting Notice
- 4) **TOWNSHIP OF WESTFIELD** - 10/16/18, RE: General Ordinance No. 2113

#### **ORDINANCES:**

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 18-26 by title only:

**ORDINANCE NO. 18-26**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND § 67-17 (NOTICE AND REGISTRATION REQUIRED) IN ARTICLE VII (MAINTENANCE, REGISTRATION AND REPAIR OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES SUBJECT TO FORECLOSURE) IN CHAPTER 67 (BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD TO REVISE A REFERENCE TO THE REGISTRATION OR RENEWAL FEE**

A motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to introduce Ordinance 18-26.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Bianco</b>	_____	<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	_____
<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	_____	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	_____
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	_____	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	_____
<b>Mayor Lombardo</b>	_____		

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

**POLICE:** Councilwoman Bianco, Chr.

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** Councilwoman Cuccaro

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

**FIRE:** Councilman McCormack, Chr.

**FINANCE:** Councilwoman Todisco, Chr.

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:** Councilman Lazarow

**LAWS AND LICENSES:** Councilwoman Cuccaro

**RECREATION:** Councilman Lazarow

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

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

**SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON:** Councilman McCormack

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

Councilwoman Cuccaro

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

Councilman McCormack

**UNION COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY REPRESENTATIVE:** Councilwoman Bianco

**HISTORICAL COMMITTEE:** Councilwoman Todisco

**PARKING COMMITTEE:** Councilwoman Bianco

**OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

Sandra Bruns, Tax Collector – Third Quarter Tax Collection, Revenue and Expenditure Reports  
A motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, 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.

**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. 18-198**

**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 a check to refund the tax overpayment on the following property:

<b><u>PROPERTY OWNER/ADDRESS</u></b>	<b><u>BLK/LOT</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b>
Robert & Carole Williams 436 Pine Avenue Garwood, NJ 07027	602/20	\$555.16

**REFUND TO:**

Robert & Carole Williams  
436 Pine Avenue  
Garwood, NJ 07027

Amount of refund: \$555.16

EXPLANATION: Tax Assessor granted a Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption on September 22, 2018. 2018 Final taxes have been prorated to date of exemption resulting in an overpayment.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-199**

**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 2018/19 AND 2019/20 license term to:

License #2006-33-005-008  
Quick Copper Holdings LLC  
No Premises – Pocket License  
Mailing Address:  
345 South Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Garwood, NJ 07027

**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 #2006-33-005-008  
License Period: Effective July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-200**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood hereby set the fixed asset threshold at \$5,000.00, in accordance with the threshold for "nonexpendable, tangible personal property," as defined in Technical Accounting Directive Number 85-2, "Accounting for Governmental Fixed Assets," revised from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for both municipalities and counties, effective January 1, 1997, established by the federal government.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-201**

**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 Request for Proposals for professional services as listed for year 2019 in the Borough of Garwood.

- Professional Legal Services – Borough Attorney
- Professional Legal Service – Labor Attorney
- Professional Legal Service – Tax Appeals Attorney
- Professional Engineering Services – Contractual Engineering
- Professional Auditing Services - Auditor
- Municipal Prosecutor
- Municipal Public Defender

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Municipal Clerk be and is hereby authorized to solicit proposals for the above services in accordance with law.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-202**

**WHEREAS**, James H. Wright, Chief of Police has recommended that Patrolman Gregory L. Sanchez, 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 Gregory L. Sanchez be upgraded from a Step 1 Patrolman, to a Step 2 Patrolman in the Garwood Police Department, effective November 6, 2018, at an annual salary of \$49,980.00 in accordance with the existing P.B.A. Contract.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-203**

**WHEREAS**, on October 18, 2018, the Borough Administrator/Clerk received correspondence from Peter Picarelli, Property Maintenance Officer dated October 16, 2018, advising that he is resigning from his employment with the Borough of Garwood; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Picarelli has advised that his resignation shall be effective on October 31, 2018; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Garwood as follows:

- 1) The Borough of Garwood hereby accepts and relies upon the October 16, 2018 notice of resignation from Peter Picarelli.
- 2) Effective October 31, 2018, Peter Picarelli shall have resigned from his position as Property Maintenance Officer with the Borough of Garwood.
- 3) This resolution puts the Chief of Police on notice to immediately process this resignation and to commence a search for a candidate to fill the position of Property Maintenance Officer.
- 4) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-204**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to sign the Facility Use Agreement between the Borough of Garwood and Quick Cooper Holdings, LLC, for the Garwood Fire Department to conduct training on the property at 484 Fourth Avenue that is schedule for demolition by the owner.

A motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to adopt Consent Agenda.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Bianco</b>	_____	<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	_____
<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	_____	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	_____
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	_____	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	_____

**RESOLUTIONS DELETED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

A motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_.

Discussion:

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Bianco</b>	_____	<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	_____
<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	_____	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	_____
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	_____	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	_____
<b>Mayor Lombardo</b>	_____		

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**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 \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to adopt Payment of Claims Resolution.

Roll Call:

<b>Councilwoman Bianco</b>	_____	<b>Councilman McCormack</b>	_____
<b>Councilwoman Cuccaro</b>	_____	<b>Councilwoman Todisco</b>	_____
<b>Councilman Lazarow</b>	_____	<b>Council President Blumenstock</b>	_____

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on, **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 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 ORDINANCE NO. 18-26, ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2018, AT 7:15 P.M. OR SOON THERE AFTER**

**THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC HEARING IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND ON THE UNION COUNTY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT YEAR 45 PROPOSALS ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2018, AT 7:15 P.M. OR SOON THERE AFTER.**

A motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_ Second by \_\_\_\_\_, to adjourn. Time: \_\_\_\_\_