

Borough of Garwood

Meeting of the Mayor and Council

MINUTES

December 26, 2019

Start Time: 7:38 p.m.

Moment of Silence.....

Salute to the Flag.....

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Westfield Leader, advertised on January 3, 2019, 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 Todisco	P		
Councilman Benoit	P	Councilman Ince	P
Councilwoman Blumenstock	P	Councilman McCormack	Excused
Councilman Graham	Excused	Council President Lazarow	Excused

MINUTES:

Regular and Workshop Minutes of the Mayor and Council held on December 12, 2019.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilman Ince to accept minutes as presented. All in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) **NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES –**
 - a. Mayor's Advisory –
 - i. 12/10/19, RE: NJLM Post Conference Survey
 - ii. 12/11/19, RE: Register Now for these Upcoming Seminars, Daily Update, December 11
 - iii. 12/12/19, RE: League of Municipalities Executive Transition, December 11
 - iv. 12/12/19, RE: Daily Update, December 12
 - v. 12/13/19, RE: Weekly Round-Up, December 13
 - vi. 12/17/19, RE: Daily Update, December 17
 - vii. 12/20/19, RE: Weekly Round-Up, December 20, Lame Duck Action
- 2) **RAHWAY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY-12/20/19, RE: Minutes of the meetings held on November 14, 2019 and November 17, 2019**
- 3) **UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS – 12/23/19, RE: Ordinances 810-2019, 811-2019 and 812-2019.**
- 4) **TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD – 12/12/19, RE: Ordinance 2019-12**
- 5) **TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD – 12/16/19, RE: Ordinance 2019-12**

ALL RECEIVED AND FILED

ORDINANCES:

Public Hearing on Ordinances 19-20, 19-21, 19-22 and 19-23 as advertised in the Westfield Leader

ADOPTION:

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 19-20 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 19-20

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE VIII A (OTHER OFFICES AND POSITIONS) IN CHAPTER 5 (ADMINISTRATION) IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION IN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD AND PRESCRIBE THE DUTIES THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 5 (Administration) of the Code of the Borough of Garwood is hereby amended by enacting §5-51.19.13 through §5-51.19.19 to read as follows:

§ 5-51.19.13. Office of Public Information

There is hereby created in the Borough of Garwood an office to be known as the "Office of Public Information."

§ 5-51.19.14. Composition

The Office of Public Information shall consist of the Public Information Officer and such other contractor(s), vendors or consultants as may be approved by Mayor and Borough Council.

§ 5-51.19.15. Appointment; Other Duties or Positions

a. The Public Information Officer shall hereafter be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Borough Council and shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and Council;

b. The Public Information Officer may hold, concurrently, one or more other positions within the Borough of Garwood with the approval of the Council provided that such duties can be performed efficiently and without neglecting the duties of any one office or position.

§ 5-51.19.16. Qualifications of Public Information Officer

The Public Information Officer shall be qualified by education, training and experience to discharge the duties and responsibilities of the position.

§ 5-51.19.17. Duties of Public Information Officer

The Public Information Officer shall have the duty and responsibility to:

a. Keep residents and visitors informed in an immediate, current and on-going basis of borough related matters, events, emergencies, weather-related issues or other issues as directed by the Administrator, Mayor or Borough Council;

b. Provide public information and public relations services for various Borough Departments and assist wherever needed with public information as requested;

c. Provide public service announcements of community interest to keep the public fully informed of on-going and upcoming events of community interest;

d. Maintain the Borough's official website, social media outlets, and publish news of the Borough, including news items pertaining to the Mayor, Borough Council, Borough Departments, the Planning/Zoning Board; and importantly, issues involving public safety, health and welfare; and other similar activities;

e. Write and issue Borough press releases, and prepare Power Point or similar presentations on behalf of Mayor, Council, or Borough departments as requested;

f. Attend Borough special event functions and activities as directed by Mayor or Borough Council;

g. Provide or coordinate photography and video services on behalf of the Borough for events or any other matter as requested by the Administrator, Mayor or Borough Council;

h. Such other duties and responsibilities as may be directed by the Administrator, Mayor or Borough Council.

§ 5-51-19.18. Salaries

The Public Information Officer in the Office of Public Information shall be paid a salary as set forth in the Salary Ordinance in the Borough of Garwood.

§ 5-51-19.19. Office space; hours

The governing body shall designate office space to be utilized by the Office of Public Information. Said space shall be maintained by the Borough of Garwood. Hours of said office shall be determined by the Mayor and Borough Council.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any portion of this ordinance shall be determined to be invalid, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 19-20. NONE

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 19-20. NONE

A motion was made by Councilman Benoit, second by Councilman Ince to close Public Hearing on Ordinance 19-20.

A motion was made by Councilman Benoit, second by Councilman Ince to adopt Ordinance 19-20.

Discussion: NONE

Roll Call:

Councilman Benoit	AYE	Councilman Ince	AYE
Councilwoman Blumenstock	AYE	Councilman McCormack	ABSENT
Councilman Graham	ABSENT	Council President Lazarow	ABSENT

3-AYE, 3-ABSENT, Ordinance 19-20 was adopted.

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 19-21 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 19-21

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARY AND WAGE FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION (OFFICER) OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARY AND WAGE FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION (OFFICER) OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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

SECTION 1. The following named official and employee of the Borough of Garwood shall be entitled to an annual salary or wages hereinafter set forth opposite the respective classification:

POSITION	SALARY		RANGE	
	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER	2500	5000		

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith shall be and they are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 19-21. NONE.

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 19-21. NONE

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilman Ince to close Public Hearing on Ordinance 19-21.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilman Ince to adopt Ordinance 19-21.

Discussion: NONE

Roll Call:

Councilman Benoit	AYE	Councilman Ince	AYE
Councilwoman Blumenstock	AYE	Councilman McCormack	ABSENT
Councilman Graham	ABSENT	Council President Lazarow	ABSENT

3-AYE, 3-ABSENT, Ordinance 19-21 was adopted.

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 19-22 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 19-22

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY REGARDING AND REGULATING LAWFUL PUBLIC ASSEMBLY

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Garwood (the "**Borough**") recognizes the public's right of assembly and free speech, and the use of public areas for such purposes, and

WHEREAS, demonstrations, marches, parades, processions, and rallies are often conducted on the Borough's streets, sidewalks, parks, and other public areas; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have a responsibility to protect its citizens, along with provide for their comfort and convenience while using streets, sidewalks, parks, and other public property; regulating competing uses of public fora; maintaining public property in an attractive and intact condition; preventing unreasonable interferences with residential properties and lawful businesses; and defraying the cost of certain departmental services provided for public assemblies; and

WHEREAS, the interests of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Borough require regulations, licensing, and control of assemblages of large numbers of people in excess of those normally drawing upon the health, sanitation, fire, police, transportation, utility, and other public services regularly provided in the Borough.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, New Jersey that:

Section 1. Article I ("Reserved") of Chapter 15 ("Miscellaneous Offenses") of the Borough Code shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

Article I Public Assembly

Section 15-1 Definitions

The term "Public Assembly" is defined to include demonstrations, exhibitions, temporary structures and/or displays, picketing, speechmaking, marching holding vigils or religious services, meetings, or gatherings, and all other like forms of conduct which involve the communication or expression of views or grievances.

Section 15-2 Rules of General Applicability

- A.** The Borough shall allow public assemblies and other public expressions of views conducted under the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey within the Borough and in accordance with this Chapter, provided that a permit for groups of 20 or more persons has been issued by the Borough's Chief of Police as described herein.
- B.** Permits shall not be required for the sale and/or distribution of printed matter under this ordinance, or for groups of fewer than 20 persons. However, the rules governing public assembly shall apply equally to all persons and/or organizations that exercise protected First Amendment communication.
- C.** To insure public safety and the protection of the residents of the Borough, the Borough's Chief of Police may regulate the time, location, number of participants, use of facilities, and quantity and type of equipment to be used for a public assembly to the extent reasonable under law, but may not regulate the content of such assembly.
- D.** The Borough may have Borough staff on duty at an area in which a public assembly is occurring. Borough personnel and/or representatives shall be neutral toward the activity and may be present for the protection of the participants, spectators, and both private and public property. Borough personnel may not participate in a public assembly while on-duty during working hours. Borough personnel exercising their rights to engage in such a public assembly while off-duty shall not represent any official Borough endorsement of the activity.
- E.** For groups of 20 or more seeking to obtain a permit, the permit may contain such conditions as are reasonably consistent with the protection and use of the Borough's buildings, grounds, roads, and facilities for the purposes for which they are established. Such permit may also contain reasonable limitations on the equipment used and the time and area within which the public assembly is permitted.
- F.** Additionally, no public assembly, special event, demonstration, or exercise of protected Constitutional rights shall obstruct pedestrians or vehicular traffic or obstruct the free ingress or egress to and from any building, grounds, improvement, or property.
- G.** Sound amplification may be used but shall not be permitted to amplify such sound to above 85 decibels and must be operated in accordance with Section 115-1.

Section 15-3 Permit Application

To the extent required under Section 15-2, permit applications may be obtained at the Garwood Police Department or if made otherwise available on the Borough's website. Applicants shall submit completed permit applications and must be received by the Borough's Chief of Police at least three (3) working days in advance of any proposed public assembly. If the permit is to be denied, or conditions attached thereto pursuant to Section 15-2(C), the Borough's Chief of Police shall promptly notify the applicant in writing.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with any part of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are in conflict or inconsistent.

Section 3. If any section, provision, or part of provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be unenforceable or invalid by any court, such holding shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance, or any part thereof, other than the part so held unenforceable or invalid.

Section 4. A copy of this Ordinance shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Borough Clerk during regular business hours for the required statutory period.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with all applicable laws.

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 19-22. NONE

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 19-22.

John Bartolick, 231 Hemlock Avenue commented on the language of the ordinance.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilman Benoit to close Public Hearing on Ordinance 19-22.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilman Ince to adopt Ordinance 19-22.

Discussion:

Council discussed the language and agreed the ordinance is acceptable as presented.

Roll Call:

Councilman Benoit	AYE	Councilman Ince	AYE
Councilwoman Blumenstock	AYE	Councilman McCormack	ABSENT
Councilman Graham	ABSENT	Council President Lazarow	ABSENT

3-AYE, 3-ABSENT, Ordinance 19-22 was adopted.

Municipal Clerk to read Ordinance 19-23 by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 19-23

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A RESTRICTED PARKING ZONE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6 IN FRONT OF 119 WILLOW AVENUE, IN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD.

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

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood has received a request from Betty McComb of 119 Willow Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey, that a restricted parking zone be established in front of her residence; and

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

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

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

SECTION 1. A restricted parking zone pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.6 is hereby established in front of premises located at 119 Willow Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey, the residence of Betty McComb.

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

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

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

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

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

List correspondence concerning Ordinance 19-23. NONE

Does anyone present wish to be heard concerning Ordinance 19-23. NONE

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilman Ince to close Public Hearing on Ordinance 19-23.

A motion was made by Councilman Benoit, second by Councilwoman Blumenstock to adopt Ordinance 19-23.

Discussion: NONE

Roll Call:

Councilman Benoit	AYE	Councilman Ince	AYE
Councilwoman Blumenstock	AYE	Councilman McCormack	ABSENT
Councilman Graham	ABSENT	Council President Lazarow	ABSENT

3-AYE, 3-ABSENT, Ordinance 19-23 was adopted.

COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS:

POLICE: Councilman Ince, Chr.

Reported that Police Dispatcher is resigning.

STREETS AND ROADS/ECOLOGY: Councilwoman Blumenstock Chr.

Reported she supports Resolution 19-310 for Teamsters Contract.

FIRE: Councilman McCormack, Chr. ABSENT

FINANCE: Council President Lazarow, Chr. ABSENT

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Councilman Graham ABSENT

LAWS AND LICENSES: Councilman Benoit NO REPORT

RECREATION: Councilman Benoit NO REPORT

GARWOOD SENIOR CITIZEN LIAISON: Councilwoman Blumenstock NO REPORT

LIBRARY, MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE: Council President Lazarow ABSENT

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON: Councilwoman Blumenstock NO REPORT

CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS AND HOLIDAYS LIAISON: Councilman Benoit

I wanted to commend Celebrations on a great year! Jennyfer Guerrero has done an amazing job. She, along with everyone on Celebrations, has just been amazing. I also wanted to thank Monica Shevitz for putting together the 2nd annual menorah lighting. It was a great event and she did a great job organizing it.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: Councilman Graham ABSENT

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Jim Wright, Chief of Police: monthly report for November 2019

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilman Ince to accept Officer's reports. All in favor.

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 five minutes.

Bruce Paterson, 325 Willow Avenue asked for an explanation for a quorum.

Mayor Todisco answered.

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. 19-308

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD CANCELLING GRANT BALANCES

WHEREAS, there exists various Grant Receivable and Grant Reserves on the Balance Sheet; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel the receivable balances and their offsetting appropriation balances from the balance sheet;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey that the following grant receivables and appropriation balances be cancelled:

Grant Receivables

2017/2018 CDBG Handyman Grant	\$ 1,373.25
2018/2019 CDBG Handyman Grant	\$ 2,463.75
Grant Appropriated Reserves	
2017/2018 CDBG Handyman Grant	\$ 1,373.25
2018/2019 CDBG Handyman Grant	\$ 2,463.75

RESOLUTION NO. 19-309

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD CANCELLING GRANT BALANCES

WHEREAS, there exists various Grant Receivable and Grant Reserves on the Balance Sheet; and
WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel the receivable balances and their offsetting appropriation balances from the balance sheet;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey that the following grant receivables and appropriation balances be cancelled:

Grant Receivables

2019 UC Kids Recreation Trust	\$ 2,309.56
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Grant Appropriated Reserves

2019 UC Kids Recreation Trust	\$ 2,309.56
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RESOLUTION NO. 19-310

WHEREAS, the collective negotiations agreement between the Borough of Garwood ("Borough") and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 11 (hereinafter referred to as "Teamsters") expires on December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and the Teamsters have been negotiating the terms to a successor collective negotiations agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and the Teamsters have negotiated and agreed upon the terms to a successor collective negotiations agreement set forth in the Memorandum of Agreement executed on December 26, 2019 attached hereto as exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement was ratified by the members of the Teamsters on December 11, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Garwood is desirous of ratifying the agreed upon terms to the successor collective negotiations agreement set forth in the Memorandum of Agreement executed on December 26, 2019; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1) The Borough hereby ratifies that the Memorandum of Agreement executed on December 26, 2019 with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 11 for the period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-311

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby directs the transfers of 2019 budget appropriations be and they are hereby made:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to make necessary transfers prior to year-end and that these be ratified at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Governing Body.

2019 Budget Transfer #4

Resolution #19-311

FROM:	Department	Account Name	Account Number	Amount
	Group Insurance	Employer Active	9-01-23-220-200-1000	250.00
				250.00
TO:	Streets & Roads	New Equipment	9-01-26-290-200-0350	250.00
			Total	250.00

RESOLUTION NO. 19-312

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2019, the Borough Administrator/Clerk received correspondence dated December 11, 2019, from Raymond J. Prato advising that he is resigning from his employment with the Borough of Garwood; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Prato has advised that his resignation shall be effective on January 19, 2020; and

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

- 1) The Borough of Garwood hereby accepts and relies upon the December 11, 2019 letter of resignation from Raymond J. Prato.
- 2) Effective January 19, 2020, Raymond J. Prato shall have resigned from his position as Police Dispatcher with the Borough of Garwood.
- 3) This resolution puts the Police Chief on notice to immediately process this resignation and to commence a search for a candidate to fill the position of Police Dispatcher.
- 4) This resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-313

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby awards the Borough's 2020 Insurance Package to Acrisure, LLC, 1460 Route US 9 North, Suite 310, Woodbridge, New Jersey, 07095.

RESOLUTION NO 19-314

RESOLUTION APPOINTING RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Garwood (hereinafter "Local Unit") has joined the Statewide Insurance Fund (hereinafter "Fund"), a joint insurance fund as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws require participating members to appoint a Risk Management Consultant, as those positions are defined in the Bylaws, if requested to do so by the "Fund"; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit has complied with relevant law with regard to the appointment of a Risk management Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the "Fund" has requested its members to appoint individuals or entities to that position; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of "Local Unit", in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Borough Council hereby appoints Acrisure, LLC, as local Risk Management Consultant.

2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk be and Risk Management Consultant are hereby authorized to execute the Risk Management Consultant's Agreement for the year 2020 in the form attached hereto.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-315

WHEREAS, the Borough of Garwood is a member of the Statewide Insurance Fund, a joint insurance fund as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A: 10-36 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Fund's Bylaws require participating members to appoint a Fund Commissioner; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Garwood that Christina M. Ariemma, Borough Administrator/Clerk be and is hereby appointed as the Fund Commissioner for the Local Unit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Sandy Bruns, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer/Assistant Administrator/Tax Collector be and is hereby appointed as the Alternate Fund Commissioner for the Local Unit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Local Unit's Fund Commissioner is authorized and directed to execute all such documents as required by the Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-316

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council that Christina M. Ariemma, Borough Administrator/ Clerk be and is hereby appointed as the Safety and Loss Prevention Representative for 2020 for the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, in accordance with the requirements set forth by the Statewide Insurance Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-317

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood that the Municipal Clerk be and is hereby authorize to renew the agreement with UNUM for 2020 at the same rate as 2019.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-318

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE 2020 CENSUS

WHEREAS the U.S. Census Bureau is required by the U.S. Constitution to conduct a count of the population and provides a historic opportunity to help shape the foundation of our society and play an active role in American democracy; and

WHEREAS the Borough of Garwood is committed to ensuring every resident is counted; and

WHEREAS federal and state funding is allocated to communities, and decisions are made on matters of national and local importance based, in part, on census data and housing; and

WHEREAS census data helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is necessary for an accurate and fair redistricting of state legislative seats, county and municipal councils, and voting districts; and

WHEREAS information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey are vital tools for economic development and increased employment; and

WHEREAS the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law; and

WHEREAS a united voice from business, government, community-based and faith-based organizations, educators, media and others will enable the 2020 Census message to reach more of our citizens.

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

That the Borough of Garwood is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau and the State of New Jersey and will:

1. Support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and will disseminate 2020 Census information.
2. Encourage all Garwood residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation.
3. Provide Census advocates to speak to Garwood and Community Organizations. Support census takers as they help our Garwood complete an accurate count.
4. Strive to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons within our borders

RESOLUTION NO. 19-319

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 2020.

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, 2020, or as indicated and in accordance with law.

Name	TITLE / STEP	Salary
Stoffer, Douglas	CAPTAIN	\$113,482
Rocco, Samuel	LIEUTENANT	\$108,348
Perrotta, David	LIEUTENANT	\$108,348
Wright, John	SERGEANT	\$104,071
Lewis, Philip J	SERGEANT	\$104,071
Herz, Todd	STEP 10	\$96,124
Kleinsorgen, Jeffery	STEP 10	\$96,124
Eriksen, Scott	STEP 10	\$96,124
Suggs, George	STEP 10	\$96,124
Czachorowski, Christopher	STEP 10	\$96,124
Pridy, Jonathan	STEP 6	\$74,019
Camporeale, Roberto	STEP 5	\$66,856
Sanchez, Gregory L.	STEP 3	\$56,244
Mironski, Edward	STEP 1	\$46,693
Rivera, Ian	PROBATIONARY	\$43,244

RESOLUTION NO. 19-320

WHEREAS, Borough Administrator/Clerk Christina M. Ariemma be and is hereby authorized and directed to fill the position of Recreation Director; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ariemma is hereby recommending Mr. Ralph Bernardo for the position of Recreation Director for the Borough of Garwood.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby hires Mr. Ralph Bernardo as Recreation Director in the Borough of Garwood effective January 2, 2020 at an annual salary of \$10,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that he shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and Council, under the direction of the Borough Administrator and will be on probation for a period of one year.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilwoman Blumenstock to adopt Consent Agenda.

Roll Call:

Councilman Benoit	AYE	Councilman Ince	AYE
Councilwoman Blumenstock	AYE	Councilman McCormack	ABSENT
Councilman Graham	ABSENT	Council President Lazarow	ABSENT

RESOLUTIONS DELETED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

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 Councilman Benoit, second by Councilwoman Blumenstock to adopt Payment of Claims Resolution.

Roll Call:

Councilman Benoit	AYE	Councilman Ince	AYE
Councilwoman Blumenstock	AYE	Councilman McCormack	ABSENT
Councilman Graham	ABSENT	Council President Lazarow	ABSENT

ADJOURNMENT:

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on, **THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020**, in Council Chambers at 7:15 p.m. Workshop Session to start at 7:00 p.m.

The Re-organization Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on, **MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020**, in Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Blumenstock, second by Councilman Benoit to adjourn.
Time: 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



CHRISTINA M. ARIEMMA, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Garwood