

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY

Regular Meeting
April 16, 2019

The regular meeting of the Township Committee was held on this date at the Washington Township Municipal Building, 211 Route 31 North, Washington, N.J. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Klingel.

SUNSHINE LAW COMPLIANCE – Mayor Klingel noted that this meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law of 1975 in as much as a notice had been published in the Star-Gazette and transmitted to the Express-Times, posted at the Municipal Building and a copy is on file in the Clerk’s office. This agenda is subject to change by order of the Washington Township Committee before and/or during the scheduled meeting.

ROLL CALL

Fiore, present; Kovacs, present; Rossi, present; Willan, absent; Klingel, present

STAFF PRESENT

Ann Kilduff, Township Clerk; Attorney Michael Lavery; Peter deBoer, Township Administrator; Chief Thomas Cicerelle; Andrew Hart, Assistant Superintendent of Public Works; Eileen Parks, Acting CFO; Kevin Smtih, Township Engineer; John Mooney, Township Auditor; Joseph Rossi, Construction Official; Lt. James Teter; members of the Washington Township Police Department

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Rossi, seconded by Fiore, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 19, 2019.

ROLL CALL: Rossi, yes; Fiore, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

A motion was made by Kovacs, seconded by Fiore, to approve the Executive Session minutes of the regular meeting of March 19, 2019.

ROLL CALL: Kovacs, yes; Fiore, yes; Rossi, yes; Klingel, yes

Chief Cicerelle spoke about (2) incidents in which Detectives Zaro, Hayes, and Casella, and Corporal Burdge performed meritorious duties in the Borough.

Mayor Klingel issued (2) proclamations. The first was issued to declare April 2019 as Warren County Community College Month. The second was a Proclamation Designating the Month of May 2019 as Older Americans Month.

***PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING
THE MONTH OF MAY 2019 AS
OLDER AMERICANS MONTH***

WHEREAS, the Month of May is traditionally designated Older Americans Month by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Older Americans Month 2019 is “**Connect, Create, Contribute**”, emphasizing the importance of contributing to your community. Everyone benefits when everyone can participate. We encourage you to connect, create and contribute for stronger and more diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington includes countless older Americans who enrich and strengthen our community; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington is committed to engaging and supporting older adults, their families, and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the importance of taking part in activities that promote physical, mental and emotional well-being – no matter your age; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington can enrich the lives of individuals of *every age* by:

- Promoting home and community-based services that support independent living
- Involving older adults in community planning, events, and other activities; and
- Providing opportunities for older adults to work, volunteer, learn, lead and mentor

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren does hereby proclaim May 2019 to be Older Americans Month. Residents are encouraged to take time during this month to acknowledge and recognize older adults as vital parts of our community.

David Dech presented information regarding support of extending the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway. A motion was made by Fiore, seconded by Rossi, to approve Resolution 2019-95.

ROLL CALL: Fiore, yes; Rossi, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-95
RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT EXTENDING THE WARREN HERITAGE
SCENIC BYWAY TO UNION SQUARE IN PHILLIPSBURG AND TO
WATERLOO VILLAGE IN BYRAM TOWNSHIP IN SUSSEX COUNTY**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the New Jersey Scenic Byways Program, Route 57 from MP 2.07 in Greenwich Township to MP 20.54 in Hackettstown was designated as a State Scenic Byway in 2009 based on the intrinsic beauty of the byway and the important cultural, historic, recreational and natural resource values of the scenic byway; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the New Jersey Scenic Byways Program is to recognize and preserve New Jersey’s unique historic, cultural and natural heritage; improve roadway safety and appearance; create and nurture partnerships among citizens and all levels of government; provide opportunities for commerce through heritage, cultural and nature-based tourism; enhance quality of life and instill pride in local communities; and

WHEREAS, the scenic byway can further benefit the community by fostering economic development consistent with the regions rural character, providing access to local parks, waterbodies and unique natural vistas; and

WHEREAS, the six municipalities that are located within the designated Warren Heritage Scenic Byway filed resolutions of support for the scenic byway designation and include the Township of Franklin, the Township of Greenwich, the Town of Hackettstown, the Township of Mansfield, the Township of Washington, and the Borough of Washington; and

WHEREAS, these six municipalities worked together with Warren County as the Route 57 Scenic Byway Committee and assisted in designating the byway in 2009 and completing a corridor management plan (CMP) in 2011; and

WHEREAS, public meeting opportunities were provided to obtain public input from the general public throughout the application and CMP process; and

WHEREAS, the byway name was revised from the Route 57 Scenic Byway to the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway (WHSB); and

WHEREAS, a formal organization referred to as the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway Committee (WHSB) consisting of members of the six municipalities, Warren County government agencies and committees, business improvement districts, and other interested non-profit organizations now meet quarterly to monitor implementation of the Corridor Management Plan and to assist the stakeholders, individually and collectively, in dealing with matters concerning the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway and its communities; and

WHEREAS, the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway Committee realizes that this important resource would benefit the public by being extended to the Delaware River in the west and to Waterloo Village in the east; and

WHEREAS, the route of the Scenic Byway, is recommended to be amended and lengthened through the acceptance of all municipalities and counties along this extended WHSB Route; and

WHEREAS, the southern extension of the byway begins at its western terminus at MP 2.07 at the Greenwich/Lopatcong Twp. border, and travels south on NJ 57 to County Route 519 south. Continuing on CR 519 south through Lopatcong, Greenwich, and Pohatcong Townships, the route proceeds to the intersection with NJ 122 (South Main Street) and turns right. Staying on South Main Street, (NJ 122, CR 678) the byway ends at Union Square in Phillipsburg.

WHEREAS, the northern extension of the byway begins at the eastern terminus at the intersection of NJ 57 and State Route 182 (Mountain Avenue), and continues north on Route 182, turns left onto Route 46 (Mill Street) for 1 block before turning onto County Route 604 (Willow Grove Street) Staying on CR 604 through Hackettstown and Allamuchy Township the byway route proceeds through Allamuchy Mountain State Park and then ends at Waterloo Village in Byram Township, Sussex County; and

WHEREAS, extension of the byway route involves a coordinated effort and support among the additional municipalities and counties through which it passes; and

WHEREAS, an application to extend the designated byway must be prepared and submitted to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for approval; and

WHEREAS, administration of the extended byway, once formally designated, further requires continuing commitment in the form of participation of the County of Warren as an active member of the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway Committee; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren supports the concept of extending the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway and commits to participating in the process necessary for its implementation including the development of the Application for Scenic Byway Designation and if approved by the NJDOT, the Addendum to the Corridor Management Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township of Washington, County of Warren will work with the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway Committee in the development of the Application for Scenic Byway Designation to the NJDOT and in the ongoing planning efforts that support the designation, recognition, and retention of the Byway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Warren Heritage Scenic Byway Committee.

ORDINANCES

A motion was made by Rossi, seconded by Fiore, to open to the public Ordinance 2019-03, An Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank – **2nd Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption**

ROLL CALL: Rossi, yes; Fiore, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

Seeing no one, a motion was made by Kovacs, seconded by Rossi, to close the public portion of Ordinance 2019-03. **All were in favor.** A motion was made by Fiore, seconded by Rossi, to adopt Ordinance 2019-03 on second reading.

ROLL CALL: Fiore, yes; Rossi, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-03
CALENDAR YEAR 2019
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Washington in the County of Warren finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2019 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$170,976.08 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, in the County of Warren, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2019 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Washington shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$170,976.08 and that the CY 2019 municipal budget for the Township of Washington be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

A motion was made by Rossi, seconded by Fiore, to open to the public Ordinance 19-04, An Ordinance to Amend and Supplement Chapter 71, Adding Article IV and Section 71-5, "Fees for Municipal Engineering Services" of the Code of the Township of Washington– **2nd Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption**

ROLL CALL: Rossi, yes; Fiore, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

Seeing no one, a motion was made by Rossi, seconded by Fiore, to close the public portion of Ordinance 19-04. **All were in favor.** A motion was made by Fiore, seconded by Rossi, to adopt Ordinance 19-04 on second reading.

ROLL CALL: Fiore, yes; Rossi, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-04
ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 71, ADDING ARTICLE IV AND SECTION 71-5, "FEES FOR
MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING SERVICES" OF THE
CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey desires to supplement and amend Chapter 71 of the Code of the Township of Washington in order to establish fees for Municipal Engineering Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that Chapter 71 of the Code of the Township of Washington be supplemented and amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV Municipal Engineering Services

Section 1

§71-5, Fees for Municipal Engineering Services.

A. The Fees for Municipal Engineering Services shall be set annually and/or as needed by Resolution.

Section 2:

REPEAL

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3:

SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance

A motion was made by Rossi, seconded by Fiore, to open to the public Ordinance 19-05, An Ordinance to Amend and Supplement Chapter 123, Section 123-32, "Conditional Uses; Special Requirements" of the Code of the Township of Washington – 2nd Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption

ROLL CALL: Rossi, yes; Fiore, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

Seeing no one, a motion was made by Kovacs, seconded by Rossi, to close the public portion of Ordinance 19-05. **All were in favor.** A motion was made by Fiore, seconded by Rossi, to adopt Ordinance 19-05 on second reading.

ROLL CALL: Fiore, yes; Rossi, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-05

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 123, SECTION 123-32, "CONDITIONAL USES; SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, desires to supplement and amend Chapter 123 of the Code of the Township of Washington in order to update the special restrictions for truck stops and travel centers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that Chapter 123 of the Code of the Township of Washington be supplemented and amended to read as follows:

§123-32, shall be amended as follows:

Section 1:

§123-32, subsection (2) (l) shall be amended as follows:

(l) Truck Stops and/or what is commonly referred to as travel centers (which usually include overnight parking, a diner/restaurant, showers and full-service over-the-road truck maintenance garage) shall be prohibited.

Section 2:

REPEAL

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3:

SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final publication as provided by law.

RESOLUTIONS

John Mooney informed the public that a few minor changes have been made to the 2019 Budget as recommended by that State following their review. The numbers remained the same as introduced last month. A motion was made by Rossi, seconded by Fiore to approve Resolution 19-82, Adoption of the 2019 Budget.

ROLL CALL: Rossi, yes; Fiore, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

A motion was made by Fiore, seconded by Rossi, to approve Resolutions 19-83 through 19-93. Mr. Kovacs asked for clarification regarding Resolution 19-93. Kevin Smith offered a brief explanation.
ROLL CALL: Fiore, yes; Rossi, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-83
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DONATION OF
ABANDONED BICYCLES TO A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION,
NAMELY "PEDALS FOR PROGRESS"**

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington, County of Warren periodically comes into possession of abandoned bicycles; and

WHEREAS, if no one comes forward to claim these bicycles they are deemed by law to be "abandoned" and must be disposed of by the Township; and

WHEREAS, the cost to auction the abandoned bicycles would exceed the amount received at auction; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee finds that it is in the public interest to donate the abandoned bicycles to the organization "Pedals for Progress".

WHEREAS, "Pedals for Progress" is a not-for-profit charitable organization recognized by the Internal Revenue Service which repair and utilize the bicycles for charitable purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren that the Township Administrator and the Police Department are hereby authorized to effectuate the donation of any abandoned bicycles which lawfully come into the possession of the Township of Washington, County of Warren. The donation shall be made to the organization "Pedals for Progress" for a used bicycle & sewing machine drive being held during the month of May 2019. This authorization shall apply until further notice.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-84
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY REDUCING
THE LIEN ON BLOCK 83, LOT 8**

WHEREAS, the owner of Block 83, Lot 8 contacted the Township Committee regarding a tax lien that has been levied against the property. The landowner inquired as to whether the Township could provide some relief as to on the lien as it far exceeded the value of the property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 54:4-96 provides that if the taxes levied against a property are in arrears, the landowner may make written application to the governing body for a “revision, adjustment and reduction” of the taxes. And, if the governing body determines that the sum of the taxes and interest due is greater than the value of the real property, it may fix and determine an amount to be accepted by the municipality in full satisfaction of the taxes and interest accrued; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Tax Collector’s Office confirmed that the redemption figure as of April 1, 2019 for Tax Sale Certificate 1973-113 is \$28,692.68. This amount includes principal, interest/penalties as well as lien costs and interest; and

WHEREAS, the current assessed value of the property is \$1,700; and

WHEREAS, the redemption amount on the lien is sixteen times the value of the property and therefore for it was highly unlikely that any landowner would ever redeem this lien and it would continue to accrue until it was foreclosed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee recently considered foreclosing on this lien however, the cost to search the title far exceed the annual taxes levied against this property; and

WHEREAS, each year the Township is required to pay County and School tax for this property and they must account for this property in the Township’s reserve for uncollected taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to negotiate the redemption amount and to resolve this lien; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has made an offer in the amount of \$15,000 to redeem this lien; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-96, this amount must be paid by the landowner within 30 days of the date of this Resolution in order to redeem the lien for less.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Washington shall hereby reduce the tax lien due and owing on this property to \$15,000 provided that the landowner pays \$15,000.00 within thirty (30) days from the date of this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon payment of \$15,000.00 by the landowner Tax Sale Certificate shall be deemed redeemed and cancelled as of record.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-85
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO
ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency " has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2019 the Governing Body of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

TITLE

This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Township of Washington.

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-86**

AMENDING RESOLUTION 2019-71 AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING OF BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) MASON DUMP TRUCK WITH RELATED EQUIPMENT TO THE ADVERTISING OF BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 4X4 DODGE TRADESMAN CHASSIS AND REGULAR CAB OR EQUIVALENT

WHEREAS, Resolution 2019-71 approved authorization for the advertising of bids for one mason dump truck with related equipment it is more advantageous to the Department of Public Works to advertise bids for one (1) Dodge Truck Tradesman Chassis and Regular Cab 4X4 (84" CA 168.5" WB) and to purchase the dump body, slat spreader, plow and related equipment separately through a Cooperative Pricing System; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2018-05 provides funds for various improvements or purposes authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Washington which included one (1) dump truck with salt spreader and plow; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, the Acting Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract and that the line items have been appropriated for this purpose in Account #30550071 with a reserve amount of \$108,773.65.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, does hereby authorize the Advertising of Bids in accordance with the respective specifications.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-87
RESOLUTION AMENDING VARIOUS FEES IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 71,
SECTION 71-5, "FEES FOR MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING SERVICES" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
WASHINGTON**

WHEREAS, from time to time, the Municipal Engineering Services Fees in the Township of Washington are amended or modified; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Township Administrator and Municipal Engineer have recommended the following fees for 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Municipal Engineering Services fees for 2019 are as follows:

Township Engineer.....	\$125.00/hr.
Township Planner.....	\$125.00/hr.
Land Use Board Engineer.....	\$125.00/hr.
Licensed Land Surveyor.....	\$95.00/hr.
Survey Crew (Two Person)	\$130.00/hr.
Construction Inspector.....	\$65.00/hr.
Administrative Assistant.....	\$35.00/hr.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-88
Redemption Resolution
Block 5, Lot 33**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector was paid \$11,941.65 which is the amount necessary for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2018-001 sold to US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank. The redemption is being done by the property owner.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 16th day of April by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren that since US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank's identification number is already on file it will be unnecessary to make provision for back up withholding, therefore the Acting CFO is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a check made payable to US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank in the amount of \$11,941.65. The check is to be returned to the tax collector who will mail it once the tax sale certificate endorsed for cancellation has been received by him.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 5, Lot 33 from the tax office records.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-89
Redemption Resolution
Block 38.01, Lot 2**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector was paid \$1,895.62 which is the amount necessary for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2018-007 sold to US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank. The redemption is being done by the property owner.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 16th day of April by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren that since US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank's identification number is already on file it will be unnecessary to make provision for back up withholding, therefore the Acting CFO is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a check made payable to US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank in the amount of \$1,895.62. The check is to be returned to the tax collector who will mail it once the tax sale certificate endorsed for cancellation has been received by him.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 38.01, Lot 2 from the tax office records.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-90
Redemption Resolution
Township Held Tax Sale Certificate - Block 67, Lot 63.01**

WHEREAS, tax sale certificate #2018-016 was sold to the township at the tax sale held on December 4, 2018 for delinquent 2017 taxes.

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has been paid \$19,696.85 which is the amount necessary to redeem this certificate as of April 16, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 16th day of April by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren the Township Committee authorizes the Mayor and Township Clerk to sign the authorization for cancellation for township tax sale certificate #2018-016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 67, Lot 63.01 from the tax office records.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-91
Redemption Resolution
Block 38, Lot 22 C0127**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector was paid \$1,907.47 which is the amount necessary for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2018-006 sold to US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank. The redemption is being done by the property owner.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 16th day of April by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren that since US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank's identification number is already on file it will be unnecessary to make provision for back up withholding, therefore the Acting CFO is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a check made payable to US Bankcust for PC7 Firstrust Bank in the amount of \$1907.47. The check is to be returned to the tax collector who will mail it once the tax sale certificate endorsed for cancellation has been received by him.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 38, Lot 22 C0127 from the tax office records.

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION #2019-92
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF VARIOUS
GRANT RECEIVABLES AND GRANT APPROPRIATIONS**

WHEREAS, there are outstanding receivables from prior years for grants that are completed or no longer valid; and

WHEREAS, there are corresponding appropriations for the grant receivables that cannot be utilized;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren that the following grant receivables and grant appropriations be cancelled:

GRANT RECEIVABLE

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE 3,420.00

GRANT APPROPRIATION

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE 3,420.00

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
 WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
 RESOLUTION #2019-93
 RESOLUTION OF AWARD
 CEMETERY HILL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – SECTION II**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren received NJDOT Local Aid Funding for Cemetery Hill Road Improvements – Section II in the amount of \$110,564.00; and

WHEREAS, as part of the NJDOT Grant, the construction of certain individual construction items will be furnished and performed through contracts awarded through the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council and it is necessary to award a contract for these specific construction items.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that on April 16, 2019, the Township of Washington adopted this resolution to award unit bid prices for individual construction items to perform the necessary construction for CEMETERY HILL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – SECTION II, a New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Aid funded project with a total project grant award in the amount of \$110,564.00;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Washington does hereby award unit prices for individual construction items based unit prices as awarded under the individual contracts awarded by the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council bidding process with a total cost of \$63,422.00. The award is made to the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council vendor, Tilcon New York, which included the following items and unit prices:

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL EXTENSION
1	2" Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) 12.5M64	851	TN	\$73.85	\$62,832.00
2	Milling 2" Thick	200	SY	\$2.95	\$590.00
TOTAL					\$63,422.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Washington does hereby award unit prices for individual construction items based unit prices as awarded under the individual contracts awarded by the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council bidding process with a total cost of \$3,582.00. The award is made to the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council vendor, Denville Line Painting, Inc, which included the following items and unit prices:

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL EXTENSION
3	Traffic Striping, 4" Yellow, EPOXY method	5970	LF	\$0.30	\$1,791.00
4	Traffic Striping, 4" White, EPOXY method	5970	LF	\$0.30	\$1,791.00
TOTAL					\$3,582.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Washington does hereby award unit prices for individual construction items based unit prices as awarded under the individual contracts awarded by the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council bidding process with a total cost of \$52,582.00. The award is made to the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council vendor, J. Fletcher Creamer & Son, Inc., which included the following items and unit prices:

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL EXTENSION
5	Galvanized Steel Beam Guide Rail	668	LF	\$39.00	\$26,052.00
6	Galvanized Steel Flared End Terminal	3	EA	\$2,000.00	\$6,000.00
7	Galvanized Steel Tangent Rail Terminal	3	EA	\$4,000.00	\$12,000.00
8	Removal of Existing Guide Rail	853	LF	\$10.00	\$8,350.00
TOTAL					\$52,402.00

STAFF ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Chief Cicerelle had previously submitted a report. He then inquired regarding the sally port. Mayor Klingel explained that such an installation would not be feasible at this time. Chief informed the Committee that he would have a contractual matter and two personnel matters to discuss in Executive Session.

Mr. Rossi reported that the solar project is going well and mentioned the usually full parking lot at Desiderio's Stone Tavern, a new restaurant in Washington Township.

Next to address the Committee was Mr. Hart who previously submitted a report. There were no questions for him regarding that report.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

Mayor Klingel opened the meeting to the public.

Seeing no one, Mayor Klingel closed the public portion of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Fiore stated that the Township will host an auction tomorrow, April 17th through Max Spann to sell foreclosed properties in Washington Township, Oxford, and Frelinghuysen. He then updated the Committee regarding the status of the next (2) sets of ten properties.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business at this meeting.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

There was nothing to report regarding Economic Development.

REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS

The Seniors' group continues to grow as reported by Mr. Fiore. He also mentioned that the Recreation Committee has been planning a fundraiser as well as discussing the installation of a map of Meadow Breeze Park. Reconstruction of the bridge on the Pohatcong Trail is underway through the efforts of Warren Hills students and staff with assistance from WTDPW and NJ American Water. The Environmental Commission met and reviewed the Stone Tavern project on Route 31.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Rossi, seconded by Fiore, to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$722,548.27.

ROLL CALL: Rossi, yes; Fiore, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Fiore, seconded by Rossi, to approve Resolution 19-94, Resolution Authorizing Executive Session for a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the NJ Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 at 8:10 pm.

ROLL CALL: Fiore, yes; Rossi, yes; Kovacs, yes; Klingel, yes

Attorney Lavery stated that the Committee would be discussing a contractual matter dealing with a potential land acquisition; (3) attorney-client privilege matters dealing with smoke detector inspections, construction inspector, and Clubhouse Drive; pending litigation dealing with affordable housing; (2) personnel matters dealing with the police; and a contractual matter dealing with the police.

RESOLUTION # 2019-94

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Washington, County of Warren, will be going in Executive Session; and

WHEREAS, the meeting is not open to the public in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Washington will give a brief summary of meeting upon coming out of Executive Session.

A motion was made by Rossi, seconded by Fiore, to come out of Executive Session at 9:26 pm. **All were in favor.** Attorney Lavery stated the Committee discussed a contractual matter dealing with a potential land acquisition; (3) attorney-client privilege matters dealing with smoke detector inspections, construction inspector, and Clubhouse Drive; pending litigation dealing with affordable housing; (2) personnel matters dealing with the police; a contractual matter dealing with the police; and a personnel matter dealing with the administrator. No official action was taken. Copies of these minutes will be available at such time the Committee determines there is no harm to the public interest.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Fiore, seconded by Rossi, to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 pm.

All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Kilduff, RMC
Township Clerk