WHITE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING AUGUST 12, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Herb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and stated 'Adequate Notice of this ZOOM meeting of August 12, 2020 has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by forwarding a notice of the date, time, and location of the meeting to the Express-Times Warren County Zone; and by posting a copy thereof on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and the township website. Formal action may be taken at this meeting. Public participation is encouraged. This agenda is subject to last minute additions and deletions by the White Township Committee'.

FLAG SALUTE

The Mayor asked everyone to stand for the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Herb, Committeewoman Collom, and Clerk Kathleen Reinalda. Committeeman Race and Attorney Tipton were absent.

RESOLUTIONS

Res. 2020-36: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Herb – yes, Collom – yes, Race – absent. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION #2020-36

RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE RENEWALS OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES FOR 2020-2021 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

WHEREAS, proper applications and appropriate fees have been received by the White Township Clerk;

WHEREAS, Clearance Certificates have been received from the New Jersey Division of Taxation, verifying compliance with Chapter 161, Laws of N. J., by the applicants.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that the following Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses in the Township of White, are hereby renewed for the 2020-2021 licensing year, said renewal effective July 1, 2020:

2123-33-002-006 Addie K LLC 2123-33-007-003 JB&J of New Jersey; T/A Luigi's Rancho **Res. 2020-37:** Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Herb – yes, Collom – yes, Race – absent. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2020-37

PUBLIC ALLIANCE INSURANCE COVERAGE FUND RESOLUTION FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

WHEREAS, White Township, hereinafter referred to as "**Public Entity**" is a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund, hereinafter referred to as "**Fund**"; and

WHEREAS, said renewal membership terminates as of January 1, 2021 at 12:01 a.m. standard time, unless earlier renewed by agreement between the **Public Entity** and the **Fund**; and

WHEREAS, the Public Entity is afforded the following types of coverages:

- Workers' Compensation
- Package Property, Boiler & Machinery, Crime, Auto & General Liability, including Police Professional
- Public Officials Liability
- Excess Liability
 - o Auto & General Liability (including Police Professional)
 - o Public Officials Liability
- Environmental Impairment Liability

WHEREAS, the Public Entity desires to renew said membership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1. The **Public Entity** agrees to renew its membership in the **Fund** for a period of three years beginning January 1, 2021, and ending January 1, 2024 at 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, and to be subject to the coverages, operating procedures, bylaws, and other organizational and operational documents of the **Fund** presently existing or as from time to time amended by the **Fund** and/or the Department of Banking and Insurance.
- 2. The **Public Entity** agrees that as a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund the **Public Entity** must purchase all types of coverages offered by the **Fund** which are applicable to the **Public Entity**.
- 3. The **Public Entity** hereby appoints Kathleen Reinalda as the **Public Entity's**Fund Commissioner and is authorized to execute the renewal Indemnity and Trust

Agreement thereby evidencing annexed hereto and made a part hereof and to deliver same to the **Fund** the **Public Entity's** renewal of its membership.

Res. 2020-38: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Herb – yes, Collom – yes, Race – absent. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2020-38 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AUTHORIZE ELECTRONIC TAX SALES FEES

WHEREAS, <u>NJSA 54:5-19.1</u> authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services; and,

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations require a municipality to send two (2) noticed of tax sale to all properties included in said sale; and,

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations allow said municipality to charge a fee of \$25.00 per notice for the creation, printing and mailing of said notice; and,

WHEREAS, in an effort to more fairly assign greater fiscal responsibility to delinquent taxpayers, the Township of White wishes to charge \$25.00 per notice mailed which will be assessed specifically to the delinquent accounts that are causing the need for a tax sale and not to the general tax base; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes that a fee of \$25.00 per notice be established and is hereby authorized and directed to be charged for each notice of tax sale that is sent in conjunction with the 2020 electronic tax sale.

Res. 2020-39: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to approve the following resolution. Herb – yes, Collom – yes, Race – absent. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION 2020-39

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AUTHORIZE ELECTRONIC TAX SALES FOR 2020

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved NJ Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct electronic tax sales; and,

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of White hereby authorizes to participate in an electronic tax sale and submit same to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services if necessary.

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

Ord. 2020-05: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to introduce the following ordinance on First Reading. Herb – yes, Collom – yes, Race – absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2020-05 AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING ANIMALS OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey ("Township"), regulates behavior in the Township through Ordinances set forth in Chapter 76 of the Township Code;

WHEREAS, the Township determined the need for additional regulation to control Cats in the Township, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Committee of the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section One: Animals. Shall be added to Chapter 76 and read as follows:

§ 76 – 1. Care and Control.

Any person who owns, keeps or harbors any cat located within the Township of White or permits a cat to enter the corporate limits of the Township of White shall exercise sufficient and proper care and control over such animal at all times so as to prevent the animal from becoming a public nuisance or otherwise violating this section.

§ 76 – 2. Responsibility of Owner.

No person owning, keeping or harboring any cat shall permit it to soil, defile, or commit any nuisance on anyother privately owned property. This provision shall apply to all privately owned property in the Town except the property of the owner or keeper of the cat and the property owned or controlled by persons who have invited or permitted the owner or keeper of a cat to bring such cat upon the premises.

§ 76 – 3. **Nuisance**.

No person owning or keeping a cat shall permit such cat to become a public nuisance as defined herein.

§ 76 – 4. Abandonment.

No person shall abandon any cat of any age or permit a cat to become a stray.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

Ord. 2020-06: Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to introduce the following ordinance on First Reading. Herb – yes, Collom – yes, Race – absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2020-06 WHITE TOWNSHIP WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND, REVISE AND CREATE CHAPTER 280 "TRAFFIC REGULATIONS IN SEMI-PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AREAS," SECTION 14, "VEHICLES OVER DESIGNATED WEIGHT EXCLUDED FROM CERTAIN STREETS," OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE TO LIMIT THE WEIGHT LIMIT ON RIDGE ROAD

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Township of White has determined to limit the weight limit on Ridge Road to keep large trucks off this local road for the safety of the residents and wear and tear on the road; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee agrees that Ridge Road is not appropriate for trucks over four (4) tons; and

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, has determined that Chapter 280 "Traffic Regulations in Semi-Public and Private Areas," of the Code of the Township of White shall be revised to create a weight limit on Ridge Road.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Committee of the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that Chapter 280 "Traffic Regulations in Semi-Public and Private Areas," of the Code of the Township of White shall be amended, revised and supplemented as follows:

Section 1:

§ 280-14

Vehicles over designated weight excluded from certain streets.

Vehicles over the gross vehicle weight (GVW) are hereby excluded from the streets or parts of streets described except for the pickup and delivery of materials on such streets:

Name of Street	<u>Tons</u>	Location
Ridge Road	4	From Belvidere Road to the boundary line with Harmony Township

Section 2:

<u>Severability.</u> The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder off this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3:

<u>Repealer.</u> Any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to their inconsistencies only.

Section 4:

<u>Effective Date.</u> This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote to appoint Brielle Whitmore as Construction Secretary. Herb – yes, Collom – yes, Race – absent. Kathleen Reinalda resigned the position effective August 1, 2020.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A few people spoke against having ZOOM meetings while the JAINDL application is being heard.

PRESENTATION OF VOUCHERS

On motion by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the Committee approved the following list of bills:

Check No.	<u>Amount</u>	Payee
16700	100.00	Fragrant Designs Florist
16701	1165.43	Griffith-Allied Trucking LLC
16702	2369.95	Arae Network Solutions
16703	2500.00	Borough of Washington
16704	1852.59	Browns Hunterdon International
16705	128.10	CenturyLink
16706	746.36	Comcast
16707	35,443.16	
	7572.00	County of Warren Treasurer
16708		CR Shotwell Landscape Mgmt.
16709	625.00	Delaware Valley Septic
16710	90.00	J.C. Ehrlich Co., Inc.
16711	115.45	Elizabethtown Gas
16712	76.38	Elizabethtown Gas
16713	2900.00	Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Cappelli
16714	7656.50	Gebhardt & Kiefer P.C.
16715	545.00	Gramco Business Communications
16716	4687.50	GTM Turf Mgmt.
16717	2019.37	JCP&L
16718	130.91	Kathleen Reinalda
16719	3359.11	Maser Consulting P.A.
16720	7850.00	Mitchell Humphrey & Co.
16721	257.52	Montage Enterprises Inc.
16722	667.51	North East Parts Group
16723	36.00	ReadyRefresh by Nestle
16724	36.00	NJ Division of ABC
16725	1058.00	NJ American Water Co.
16726	119.05	NJ Advance Media
16727	98.32	Office Concepts Group
16728	67.25	Quill Corp.
16729	648.10	RK Occupational
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16730 16731 16732 16733 16734 16735 16736 16737 16738 16739 16740 16741	120.74 180.28 1472.76 976,242.57 175.00 265.39 670.00 240.00 170.31 623,606.00 1090.07 315.10	S&L Equipment Rental Inc. Staples Credit Plan Tilcon New York Inc. Treasurer's Office Warren County Treasurer, State of NJ Verizon Wireless Vital Communications Warren Cty DPW Road Division Warren Materials White Twsp. Board of Education Xerox Corp. Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ		
TOTAL\$1,689,468.78				
CURRENT VALLEY	Y MANUAL			
2359	23,619.04	Payroll Account		
2360	14,614.10	Payroll Account		
DEVELOPER'S ESC 1224	54.70	Larry Skoog		
1225	19,560.03	Larry Skoog		
1226	36.12	Larry Skoog		
1227	35.06	Larry Skoog		
1228	3095.00	Suburban Consulting Engineers		
1229	2955.00	Suburban Consulting Engineers		
1230	75.00	Maser Consulting P.A.		
1231	37.50	Maser Consulting P.A.		
1232	1094.07	Maser Consulting P.A.		
1233	903.24	Maser Consulting P.A.		
1234	1353.00	Gebhardt & Kiefer P.C.		
1235	214.50	Gebhardt & Kiefer P.C.		
1236	115.50	Gebhardt & Kiefer P.C.		
1237	49.50	Gebhardt & Kiefer P.C.		
1238	390.00	Bright View Engineering		
GRAVEL PIT ESCROWS				
233	467.50	Maser Consulting P.A. (for HS&G)		
CAPITAL ACCOUNT				
1559	11,660.00	K&A Paving Contractors LLC		
1560	2477.40	Maser Consulting P.A.		
1561	2250.00	Precast Manufacturing Co.		

DOG ACCOUNT

1177 1.20 NJ Dept. of Health & Senior Services 1178 31.20 NJ Dept. of Health & Senior Services

TOTAL ALL FUNDS......\$1,774,557.44

On motion by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION - EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of White, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion, and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter, August 12, 2020, 6:26 pm:

Personnel Matters (DPW Supervisor)

2. It is anticipated at this time, the above-stated subjects will be made public at such time when the matters discussed are no longer sensitive. Motion passed.

On motion by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Herb, the meeting was re-opened to the public at 7:17p.m. Motion passed. No action was taken in Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18p.m. on motion by Mrs. Collom, seconded by Mayor Race and carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen R. Reinalda, RMC
Township Clerk