

September 25, 2018

The Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Union, convened in regular session at Municipal Headquarters, Friberger Park, Union, New Jersey, on the 25th day of September, 2018 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Suzette Cavadas, Chairwoman of the Township Committee.

The Clerk read the following statement:

"This is a regular meeting of the Township Committee. Public Notice of this meeting has been given, as required by the 'Open Public Meeting's Law'. A Resolution was adopted on January 1, 2018, designating this date, this hall and 7:30 P.M. as the time for this regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Union.

A notice of each and every regular meeting of the Township Committee was posted, in accordance with the aforesaid 'Open Public Meeting's Law', in one public place reserved for the posting of Ordinances and official notices of the Township of Union, namely, the bulletin board next to the Clerk's Office. In addition thereto, a copy of said Resolution was forwarded to The Local Source and the Star Ledger. A copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Township."

The opening prayer was led by Mayor Suzette Cavadas and the pledge to the flag was led by Committeeman Joseph Florio.

The Clerk called the roll. Those present and those absent, were as follows:

Present: SUZETTE CAVADAS, MAYOR
JOSEPH FLORIO, DEPUTY MAYOR
CLIFTON PEOPLE, JR.
MANUEL FIGUEIREDO
MICHELE DELISFORT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On motion of Mr. Figueiredo, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the Minutes of Meetings held on September 10, 2018, Conference Meeting and September 11, 2018, Conference and Regular Meetings as printed and distributed by the Clerk.

SECOND AND FINAL READING:

In pursuance to notice duly published, the Clerk presented for consideration, as to second and final reading, an ordinance amending Chapter 266-55 of the Municipal Code, "Parking Prohibited at all Times affecting a portion of Potter Avenue.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 266-55 ENTITLED
SCHEDULE XIV "PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES)
BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
UNION, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
(This ordinance affects a portion of Potter Avenue)

The Chairwoman announced public hearing on the said ordinance. There being no person present expressing the desire to be heard in this connection, it was

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee

RESOLVED, that the aforesaid ordinance be and the same is hereby passed on second and final reading.

Mr. Figueiredo, aye, Ms. Delisfort aye, Mr. People, aye, Mr. Florio aye, Ms. Cavadas, abstain.

RESOLUTIONS:

On motion of Mr. Figueiredo, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2018-301:**

WHEREAS, the Township of Union in the County of Union purchases automotive and light truck parts from Quality Automotive Co., 25 Summit Avenue, Summit, N.J. 07901, State Contract 86010; and
WHEREAS, the Township previously authorized Resolution No. 2018-75 for an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 and Resolution No. 2018-263 for a total amount not to exceed \$8,500.00 and it is necessary to increase that amount by an additional \$2,500.00 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$11,000.00; and
WHEREAS, the availability of funds has been certified by the Local Finance Officer in the amount of \$11,000.00 and will be charged to Police Account 8-01-25-240-226.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Union hereby authorizes said purchase.

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2018-302:**

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.9 provides for the establishment of open-end contracts; and
WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-1.2 provides that any local contracting unit purchasing, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-12, materials supplies or equipment under a contract entered into by the State Division of Purchase and Property shall authorize the award of such contract by resolution of the governing body; and
WHEREAS, the Township of Union in the County of Union previously authorized Resolution No. 2018-43 in the amount of \$45,000.00 and Resolution No. 2018-205 for an additional \$3,000.00 for the purchase of automotive and light truck parts from Samuels, Inc. t/a Buy Wise, 2091 Springfield Ave., Vauxhall, NJ 07088 through the State Contract #85992 and it is necessary to increase that amount by an additional \$2,500.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$50,500.00, and
WHEREAS, the availability of funds has been certified by the Local Finance Officer in the amount of \$50,500.00 and will be charged to Police Account 240-226 - \$15,500.00 and Public Works 290-226 - \$35,000.00; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, hereby amends Resolution No. 2018-205 to continue purchasing auto parts from State Contract Vendor, Samuels, Inc. t/a Buy Wise, 2091 Springfield Ave., Vauxhall, NJ 07088 State Contract Vendor 85992; pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.9, open-end contracts.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Union hereby authorizes said amendment.

On motion of Mr. People, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2018-303:**

WHEREAS, the Township of Union in the County of Union is in need of purchasing a pickup truck with plow for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, this can be purchased through State Contract No. 88727, Beyer Ford, 170 Ridgedale Ave., Morristown, NJ 07960; and

WHEREAS, the availability of funds in the 2018 Municipal Budget has been certified by the Local Finance Officer in the amount of \$29,874.50 and will be charged to C-04-55-543-399; and

WHEREAS, public bids are not required when the purchase is under state contract in accordance with 40A:11-12 of the Local Public Contracts Law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Union hereby authorizes said purchase.

On motion of Mr. Figueiredo, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2018-304**:

WHEREAS, Manna Group USA LLC, 965 Magie Ave., Union, NJ 07083, has filed an application for a person to person transfer of a Limited Retail Distribution License, State assigned number, 2019-43-051-008 formerly owned by Sanjana, LLC; and

WHEREAS, all matters for said Person to Person transfer have been satisfied, and that all necessary paperwork has been submitted and approved by the Township Committee; and

WHEREAS, no objections have been received against said renewal, and;

WHEREAS, a Tax Clearance Certificate has been issued by the State of N.J. for this applicant; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Union hereby approves said Person to Person transfer effective September 27, 2018 by the following vote:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Eileen Birch, Township Clerk, is hereby authorized to endorse said transfer on the current license.

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2018-305**:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Union formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2019-Union Township-00098 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Union.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Union and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

FINANCES:

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee authorized the payment of bills which are listed in the Permanent Claim's Register against the Township of Union, for the period September 25, 2018, approved by respective Departments as being correct.

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee,

The Clerk presented listing of "Adjustment of Taxes Receivable" submitted by the Collector of Taxes for remission, in pursuance to Revised Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee,

RESOLVED, that the said listing be received and that in pursuance of the Collector's recommendation, he be and is hereby authorized to cancel of record the taxes enumerated in the listing as follows:

BLOCK/ LOT	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT
3503-4	Kathe R. Becker	2018	\$
250.00			
905-12.206 C0206	Carlos Chavez	2018	\$ 250.00
1802-10	Remigio & Sonia Vidal	2018	\$ 250.00
5601-28	Alice Eurie	2018	\$ 250.00
3706-2	Donata Paglia	2018	\$ 250.00

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee,

RESOLVED, that refund of the following tax over-payments be approved and payment authorized:

BLOCK/ LOT	NAME	YEAR	AMOUNT	DEDUCTION
3202-15.508 C0508	Mera, Benito & Dagnery, Alina	2018	\$1752.15	Refund O/P

RESOLVED, that the said communication be received, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Treasurer be and is hereby authorized and directed to draw checks to cover overpayments.

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee authorized payment of Community Development Agency Bills in the amount of \$20,314.72

COMMUNICATIONS:

From: Terri Malanda, Tax Collector, Re: Requesting the Township Committee authorize checks issued to the following representing the redemption of tax sale certificates:

NAME	AMOUNT	CERT#	LOCATION
Christiana T. C/F	\$9,266.67	17-00108	1987 Ostwood
CE1 Firstrust	\$10,500.00		
US Bank Cust/ BV002 Trst&Crdts	\$2,809.32	17-00115	2167 Halsey St.
	\$1,000.00		

On motion of Mr. Figueiredo, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the request.

From: Sharon Hart, Harrison Research Laboratories, Inc. 2497 Vauxhall Road, Re: Requesting permission to continue to hang two banners, (1) 119" x 35" and (1) 118" x 34", on their fence advertising their business, for an additional 30 days.

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. People, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the request.

From: Robert Cowper, Superintendent of Recreation, Re: Requesting permission to hold the Annual Halloween Parade and to close off Stuyvesant Avenue from Axton Avenue to Roosevelt Avenue on

Sunday, October 28, 2018 from 1:15 PM to 2:00 PM.

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the request.

From: Joseph Venezia, Township Engineer, Re: Requesting the following payments:

A. Payment No. 3 to JTG Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$629,761.43, for work completed through September 14, 2018 in connection with the 2018 Road Improvement Program-Resurfacing, Phase I.

B. Payment No. 2 to Abraham General Construction in the amount of \$130,958.23 for work completed through September 14, 2018 in connection with the Springfield Avenue Streetscape Program.

C. Payment No. 2 to Abraham General Construction in the amount of \$298,799.36 for work completed through September 13, 2018 in connection with the James C. Conlon Soccer Field Improvements.

D. Payment No. 4 to S. Batata Construction Inc. in the amount of \$413,158.49 for work completed through September 14, 2018 in connection with the Stuyvesant Avenue Streetscape Program, Phase II.

E. Payment No. 5 to Black Rock Enterprises, LLC in the amount of \$272,093.75 for work completed through September 14, 2018 in connection with the 2018 Road Improvement Program, Phase II.

F. Payment No. 3 to TopLine Construction Corp. in the amount of \$79,380.00 for work completed through July 16, 2018 in connection with the 2018 Road Improvement Program-Resurfacing, Phase II.

G. Payment No. 1 to Stilo Excavation, Inc., in the amount of \$385,654.50 for work completed through September 14, 2018, in connection with 2018 Road Resurfacing Program, Phase I.

On motion of Mr. Figueiredo, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the payments.

From: Cheryl Burger, Director, Connecticut Farms Nursery School, Re: Requesting permission to hang two 4'x5' banners from October, 1 - 31, 2018 advertising Fall Registration.

On motion of Mr. Figueiredo, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the request.

From: Daniel Zieser, Police Director, Re: Recommending that Hudson Street be reinstated as a one-way street between Gelb Avenue and Route 22 West.

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee moved to refer this to the Township attorney to prepare the proper ordinance.

From: Kim Joseph, St. Vincent Academy Alumnae Association, Re: Requesting permission to park approximately forty (40) cars in the municipal lot on Jeanette Avenue, on Sunday October 14, 2018 from 10:00 AM to 6:30 PM for a bus trip to Phillipsburg.

On motion of Mr. Figueiredo, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried, the Township Committee moved to deny the use of the Jeanette Avenue lot but to allow the parking at the Caldwell Avenue lot across from Burnet School.

Ratifying a request from Joan Dellisanti to use the Stowe Street Parking Lot for five vehicles to park from September 24 – October 31, 2018.

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the ratification.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Police Department
Fire Department
Division of Accounts

On motion of Mr. People, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, the Township Committee directed the reports be received for filing

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MS. DELISFORT:

Applications for licenses were presented by Ms. Delisfort, and none of the Township Committee voicing any conflict, she moved that the Township Committee approve the applications, as follows:

License applications for approval:

Gas Station:

BP North America – 2195 Springfield Avenue
Lukoil – 2446 Route 22

The motion was seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried.

- Ms. Delisfort gave the Senior Citizen’s report.
- Ms. Delisfort announced a shredding event scheduled at McCracken Funeral Home. Call the funeral home for details.
- Ms. Delisfort announced the Memorial Day Parade Dance fundraiser

MR. FIGUERIEDO:

- Mr. Figueiredo gave the Fire Department report and reminded residents of the Open House scheduled for October 13th.
- Mr. Figueiredo announced the “Union’s Got Talent” competition to be held October 6th at Union High School.

MR. PEOPLE:

- Mr. People gave the Department of Public Works report.
- Mr. People announced a paper shredding event at U.C. Vo-Tech on October 6th.

MR. FLORIO:

- Mr. Florio gave the Police Department report.
- Mr. Florio announced that Union was recently named the 43rd best place to live in the country by Money magazine.

MS. CAVADAS:

- Ms. Cavadas stated how proud she is to serve as Mayor and live in a township named 43rd best in the country.
- Ms. Cavadas announced all the fall events to be held including the Fall Festival, Union’s Got Talent and the Hispanic celebration.

PUBLIC HEARING:

No one expressed a desire to be heard.

There being no further business presented, the Township Committee on motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Figueiredo, and carried, adjourned the meeting, the time being 7:56PM.

Dated: September 25, 2018

Suzette Cavadas, Chairwoman of the
Township Committee of the Township
of Union in the County of Union.

Eileen Birch, Township Clerk