

April 25, 2023

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 April at 7:31 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Manuel Figueiredo, Chairman 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, 2023, designating this date, this hall and 7:30P.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 Star Ledger. A copy of said Resolution is on file with the Clerk of the Township."

The opening prayer was led by Committeewoman Cavadas and the pledge to the flag was led by Committeeman Bowser.

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

Present: Manuel Figueiredo, Mayor  
Suzette Cavadas, Deputy Mayor  
Joseph Florio  
Michele Delisfort  
James Bowser, Jr.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the Conference and Regular Session Minutes of April 11, 2023.

**ORDINANCE:**

**DRAFT AND FIRST READING:**

In pursuance to notice duly published, the Clerk presented for consideration a draft of an ordinance establishing a CAP Bank for the 2023 Calendar Year.

CALENDAR YEAR 2023 ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK AUTHORIZING THAT ANY AMOUNT 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  
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

On motion of Ms. Cavadas, seconded by Mr. Bowser, and carried on roll call, the Township Committee, resolved, that the aforesaid ordinance be and the same is hereby passed on first reading, Mr. Florio, aye, Ms. Delisfort, aye, Mr. Bowser, aye, Ms. Cavadas, aye, Mr. Figueiredo, aye. FURTHER RESOLVED, that the aforesaid ordinance be considered as to second and final reading, at a meeting to be held on May

**APPROVING INTRODUCTION OF THE 2023 MUNICIPAL OPERATING BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the 2023 Municipal Budget for the year 2023;

**2023 Municipal Budget**

In pursuance to notice duly published, the Clerk presented for consideration a draft of an ordinance providing for various improvements in the Township of Union.

of the **TOWNSHIP** of **UNION** County of **UNION** for the fiscal year 2023.

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2023 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$7,255,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$6,892,250 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE**

**SUMMARY OF REVENUES**

	Summary of Revenues	Anticipated	
		2023	2022
1. Surplus	On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried on	7,000,000.00	10,715,300.00
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	for call, the Township Committee, resolved, that the aforesaid ordinance	30,196,154.38	27,395,276.49
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	be and the same is hereby passed on first reading, Mr. Florio, aye, Ms.	2,117,525.03	2,350,000.00
4. a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	Delisfort, aye, Mr. Bowser, aye, Ms. Cavadas, aye, Mr. Figueredo, aye.	78,900,361.54	76,659,607.92
b) Addition to Local School District Tax	FURTHER RESOLVED, that the aforesaid ordinance be considered as to		
c) Minimum Library Tax	second and final reading, at a meeting to be held on May 9, 2023. Mr.	3,250,628.00	2,746,674.43
Tot Amt	Delisfort, aye, Ms. Delisfort, aye, Mr. Bowser, aye, Ms. Cavadas, aye, Mr.	81,250,889.54	79,406,282.35
Figueredo, aye		120,594,669.55	119,866,858.84

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Summary of Appropriations	2023 Budget	Final 2022 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	43,678,450.00	43,678,450.00
175: Other Expenses	45,973,846.80	46,157,873.10
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	14,184,249.00	15,817,535.74
3. Capital Improvements	385,000.00	2,000,000.00
4. Debt Service (Include for School Purposes)	9,233,978.83	8,018,000.00
5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	4,195,000.00	4,195,000.00
Total General Appropriations	120,594,669.55	119,866,858.84
Total Number of Employees	586	581

**2023**

**Dedicated**

**Sewer**

**Utility Budget**

Summary of Revenues		Anticipated	
		2023	2022
1. Surplus		2,450,000.00	450,000.00
2. Miscellaneous Revenues		8,501,000.00	8,297,500.00
3. Deficit (General Budget)			
Total Revenues		10,951,000.00	8,747,500.00
Summary of Appropriations		2023 Budget	Final 2022 Budget
1. Operating Expenses:	Salaries & Wages	1,184,000.00	902,000.00
	Other Expenses	5,287,000.00	5,180,500.00
2. Capital Improvements		500,000.00	395,000.00
3. Debt Service		230,000.00	230,000.00
4. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations		350,000.00	290,000.00
5. Surplus (General Budget)		3,400,000.00	1,750,000.00
Total Appropriations		10,951,000.00	8,747,500.00
Total Number of Employees		5	2

**Balance of Outstanding Debt**

General	Sewer

Interest		8,800,000.00		151,275.00		
Principal		61,515,000.00		1,085,000.00		
Outstanding Balance		70,315,000.00		1,236,275.00		

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-176:**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78b has authorized the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination, and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-7 was adopted by the Local Finance Board on February 11, 1997, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.2 thru 7.5 the Township of Union been declared eligible to participate in the program by the Division of Local Government Services, and the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the Township meets the necessary conditions to participate in the program for the 2023 budget year, so now therefore BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Union that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.6a & b and based upon the Chief Financial Officers certification. The governing body has found the budget has met the following requirements:

1. That with reference to the following items, the amounts have been calculated pursuant to law and appropriated as such in the budget:
    - a. Payment of interest and debt redemption charges
    - b. Deferred charges and statutory expenditures
    - c. Cash deficit of preceding year
    - d. Reserve for uncollected taxes
    - e. Other reserves and non-disbursement items
    - f. Any inclusions of amounts required for school purposes
  2. That the provisions relating to limitation on increases of appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2 and appropriations for exceptions to limits on appropriations found at 40A:4-45.3 et seq. are fully met. (Complies with the "CAP" law.)
  3. That the budget is in such form arrangement, and content as required by the Local Budget Law and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4 and 5:30-5.
  4. That pursuant to the Local Budget Law:
    - a. All estimates of revenue are reasonable, accurate, and correctly stated
    - b. Items of appropriation are properly set forth
    - c. In itemization, form, arrangement, and content the budget will permit the exercise of the comptroller function within the municipality.
  5. The budget and associated amendments have been introduced, publicly advertised, and adopted in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Local Budget Law, except that failure to meet the deadlines of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 shall not prevent such certification.
  6. That all other applicable statutory requirements have been fulfilled.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

On motion of Ms. Cavadas, seconded by Mr. Bowser, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-177:**

WHEREAS, the Township is preparing to hold a Fourth of July celebration with a fireworks display; and

WHEREAS, the Township solicited quotes for these services; and

WHEREAS, Garden State Fireworks, PO Box 403, Millington, NJ 07946, provided the sole responsive quote; and  
 WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Recreation has recommended issuing a contract to them; and  
 WHEREAS the Purchasing Agent shall obtain a Certificate of Availability of Funds for purchases, not to exceed a total amount of \$20,000.00 and shall be encumbered to 3-01-30-420-278.  
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, hereby authorizes a contract with Garden State Fireworks to provide fireworks for the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration.

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-178:**

WHEREAS, the Township of Union is in need of purchasing safety footwear (boots) for the Department of Public Works according to the Council 8 Employee Contract; and  
 WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. al. quotes were solicited and Red Wing Shoes was the sole quote in the amount of \$200.00 per pair not to exceed \$15,000.00; and  
 WHEREAS, the Executive Assistant at Public Works has reviewed the quotes and issued a recommendation of award letter dated April 14, 2023 recommending that the Township purchase the boots from Red Wing Shoes, 2264-B Route 22 East, Union, N.J. 07083; and  
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, hereby authorizes the purchase; and  
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Purchasing Agent shall obtain a Certificate of Availability of Funds for purchases, not to exceed a total amount of \$15,000.00 and shall be encumbered to 3-01-26-290-222.

On motion of Mr. Bowser, seconded by Ms. Cavadas, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-179.**

WHEREAS, The Township has received the vouchers listed below which have been properly documented and checked, and  
 WHEREAS, said vouchers were submitted in accordance with the verification procedure designed by Suplee, Clooney and Company, which assures accurate calculation of charges for disposal and all applicable taxes, and  
 WHEREAS, The Township of Union continues to protect the interim rate of \$75.09 per ton for household waste and \$107.12 for bulky waste, this resolution is authorized subject to a possible retroactive rate adjustment by the Department of Environmental Protection, Board of Public Utilities, in which case the Township will demand a refund, and  
 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, New Jersey, in a meeting assembled this 25th day of April 2023 hereby authorizes for payment the following vouchers, which are now owed, in accordance with the exceptions hereinbefore expressed.

March	Voucher	Amount
Contract Service	210878	191,666.67
Bulky Waste Service	210882	16,666.67
Condo/Apartments Service	210880	11,666.67
Recycling Contract	210881	79,166.67
Schools	210896	7,500.00
Vegetative Waste	210897	80,000.00
Totals: 3/1/23 – 3/31/23		\$386,666.68

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the

Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-180.**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Union is hereby responsible for authorizing and supervising the activities of Primepoint, LLC. 2 Springside Road, Westhampton, N.J. 08060 including submitting all Federal and State Taxes as required by law for the Township of Union and the reconciliation and analysis of all general ledger accounts affected by the activities of ADP.

On motion of Ms. Cavadas, seconded by Mr. Bowser, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-181:**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for appraisal services for the Township; and  
WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.), such services are considered "Professional Services" as within the scope of a licensed and regulated profession, and same may be awarded without competitive bidding; and  
WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or her designee has certified to the availability of funds for this purpose, to be charged to Account No.:3-01-20-150-148.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION that a contract for Professional Services be and hereby is awarded to Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC. 7 Hutton Avenue, West Orange, N.J. 07052, at a fee not to exceed \$17,500.00 in accordance with their proposal; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is expressly contingent upon the negotiation and execution of the necessary contract agreements between Hendricks Appraisal Company and the Township of Union; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk be and hereby are empowered and directed to execute a contract with Hendricks Appraisal Company to effectuate the foregoing; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be published according to law.

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-182:**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Union that:  
MANUEL FIGUEIREDO, Mayor of the Township of Union, Union County, State of New Jersey, be and is hereby designated as its authorized representative to execute the Agreement of Sale to the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Union in connection with Parcels UE43B and EA43D for the sum of \$62,000.00 and Parcels UE43C, E43E, E43F and 2R43A in the amount of \$45,000.00.

On motion of Mr. Bowser, seconded by Ms. Cavadas, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-183:**

WHEREAS, the Township of Union awarded an agreement to Colliers Engineering and Design for professional planning services in association with a proposed redevelopment area within the Township located at 1490 Burnet Avenue to include Block 5711, Lot 1 with the overall property consisting of approximately 1.9 acres currently zoned NC (Neighborhood Core) by Resolution No. 2023-113 for a fee not-to-exceed \$40,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the actual address is 1508 Burnet Avenue; and  
WHEREAS, it wasn't specified that Colliers Engineering will be doing a Non-Condensation Area in Need of Redevelopment study.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee in the Township of Union in the County of Union hereby amends Resolution 2023-113 to correct the address to 1508 Burnet Avenue and to reflect the Non-Condensation AIN Redevelopment study.

On motion of Mr. Florio, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-184:**

WHEREAS, the Union County New Jersey seal depicts the heinous murder of Hannah Caldwell, a beloved resident of the county, at the hands of British soldiers during the Revolutionary War; and  
WHEREAS, the Union County, New Jersey seal serves as a powerful reminder of the sacrifices made by our ancestors in the struggle for American Independence and the importance of preserving our rich historical heritage; and  
WHEREAS, attempts have been made to remove or alter the seal in recent years, erasing a significant part of Union County's history and undermining the educational value of the seal for future generations; and  
WHEREAS, the preservation of the Union County, New Jersey seal is vital to maintaining the integrity of our history and honoring the memory of those who fought for our freedom.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Union, New Jersey, stand in strong support of preserving the historic Union County, New Jersey seal and call on all parties involved to respect the importance of this symbol of our shared heritage; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we believe that removing or altering the seal would be a disservice to our community and future generations, as it would erase an essential part of our history and deprive us of a valuable tool for educating our citizens about the sacrifices made by our ancestors; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call on all citizens and leaders of Union County to join us in supporting the preservation of the historic Union County, New Jersey seal and in upholding the values of American independence and historic preservation.

On motion of Ms. Cavadas, seconded by Mr. Bowser, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-185:**

WHEREAS, the Township of Union awarded an agreement to Colliers Engineering and Design for professional planning services in association with a proposed redevelopment area within the Township located at 700 Liberty Avenue Block 3503, Lot 1.01, 650 Liberty Avenue Block 3702, Lot 2, 685 Liberty Avenue Block 3702, Lot 1 and 200 Springfield Road Block 3401, Lot 10, with the overall property consisting of approximately 36.65 acres currently zoned C/I (Commercial Industrial) by Resolution No. 2023-172 for a fee not-to-exceed \$46,000.00; and  
WHEREAS, it wasn't specified that Colliers Engineering will be doing a Non-Condensation Area in Need of Redevelopment study.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee in the Township of Union in the County of Union hereby amends Resolution 2023-172 to reflect the Non-Condensation AIN Redevelopment study.

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-186:**

WHEREAS, the Township of Union entered into an agreement with the County of Union for the HOME Investment Partnerships Consortium; and

WHEREAS, there is a stipulation in paragraph seven of said agreement stating that it may be automatically renewed for an additional three year period after being notified in writing of the Township's right not to participate; and

WHEREAS, the Township has agreed to continue the partnership with the County of Union for the Federal Fiscal Years 2024, 2025 and 2026; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Union, State of New Jersey that the HOME Investment Partnerships Program for the Federal Fiscal Years 2024, 2025 and 2026 is hereby renewed with the County of Union.

On motion of Mr. Bowser, seconded by Ms. Cavadas, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-187:**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40a:4-20 provides that, in addition to temporary appropriations necessary for the period prior to the adoption of the budget and regular appropriations, the governing body may make emergency temporary appropriations for any purpose for which appropriations may lawfully be made for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the date of the adoption of the budget for the current fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the amount of such emergency temporary appropriations shall be included under corresponding headings in the budget as adopted or, if such appropriations are adopted after the introduction and approval of the budget and were not included in the budget as approved such appropriation shall be included by amendment in the budget as adopted without public advertisement or public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Township has deemed certain emergency temporary appropriations to be necessary and such appropriations are conforming to the provisions of N.J.S.A 40A-20;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 an emergency temporary appropriation be and the same is hereby made for:

Current Fund: \$ 2,487,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for the 2023 Budget under the title of same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to file a certified copy of the resolution with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Florio aye, Ms. Delisfort aye, Mr. Bowser aye, Ms. Cavadas aye, Mr. Figueiredo aye

On motion of Ms. Cavadas, seconded by Ms. Delisfort, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-188:**

WHEREAS, Governor Philip Murphy and the New Jersey State Legislature created RevolutionNJ in 2018 to plan, encourage, develop and coordinate the commemoration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the United States, New Jersey's pivotal role in the American Revolution and the contributions of its diverse peoples to the nation's past present and future; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Historical Commission, under the leadership of Secretary of State Tahesha Way, with its non-profit partner Crossroads of the American Revolution, established RevolutionNJ to advance the role that history plays in public discourse, community engagement, education, tourism and scholarship in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will engage New Jerseyans in all 21 counties and 564 municipalities through its officially recognized programs,

initiatives and events over the next ten years; and  
WHEREAS, it is fitting and desirable that we commemorate the beginning of the Nation and the role New Jersey played over the past 250 years as well as its present and future role as part of the United States, with particular focus on the individuals, ideas and events that shaped our Country, State and Township; and  
WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will consider the role New Jersey played during the American Revolution when it saw more battles and skirmishes than any other state and was truly the crossroads of the American Revolution; and  
WHEREAS, RevolutionNJ will highlight the role New Jerseyans played beyond the battlefield during the American Revolution when people of diverse backgrounds contributed to the development of the State and the Nation in various ways and fought for the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and  
WHEREAS, preserving, studying and enjoying state history strengthens communities and builds bonds between New Jersey residents as we work together towards the goals of justice and equality embedded in the United States Constitution.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Union, New Jersey, commemorates the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the United States as an independent Nation; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Township Committee authorizes the appointment of a committee to develop plans for this commemoration that will promote the maximum involvement of our residents, neighborhoods, businesses, schools, civic organizations and institutions in the commemorations; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Committee further urges all its residents to reflect upon the significance of this event and the role that our State and its diverse people have played in the history and development of our Nation and to participate in this important commemoration, endeavoring to include the stories of all those whose lives are part of the history of what we now know as New Jersey and understanding that the revolution continues today as we uphold the revolutionary ideals articulated in our founding documents.

On motion of Ms. Cavadas, seconded by Mr. Bowser, and carried, the Township Committee moved the adoption of **Resolution No. 2023-189**:

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Union, County of Union, State of New Jersey, has received a request from NJDOT to support certain Bus Stop Locations along State Highway Route 22.  
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Township of Union, County of Union, does hereby support the Commissioner of Transportation to adopt a regulation to effect the following Bus Stop Locations and in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. Title 39:4-198 permission is hereby granted to erect appropriate signs at the following Bus Stops:

Bus Stops:

Along Route NJ 22, eastbound, on the southerly side at:

- A. Between the Union Township/Springfield Township corporate line and Jefferson Avenue – (mid-block) (NJ Transit ID# 29817)  
Beginning at a point 575 feet east of the Union Township/Springfield Township corporate line (Rahway River and extending 135 feet easterly therefrom).
- B. Between Springfield Road South and Michigan Avenue (CR 617) – (mid-block) (NJ Transit ID# 29818)  
Beginning at a point 452 feet east of the easterly curb line of Springfield Road and extending 135 feet easterly therefrom.
- C. Between Michigan Avenue (CR 617) and Ball Avenue – (mid-block) (NJ Transit ID# 29819)



Beginning at a point 800 feet east of the easterly curb line of Michigan Avenue and extending 135 feet easterly therefrom.

D. Between Route NJ 82 and Vauxhall Road (CR 630) – (mid-block) (NJ Transit ID# 29821)

Beginning at a point 1480 feet east of the centerline bridge over the Route NJ 82 and extending 150 feet easterly therefrom.

Along Route NJ 22, westbound, on the northerly side at:

A. Gary Avenue – (far side) (NJ Transit ID # 29823)

Beginning at the westerly curb line of Gary Avenue (entrance ramp) and extending 100 feet westerly therefrom, within the physical gore area between the entrance and exit ramps.

B. Wewanna Avenue – (near side) (NJ Transit ID# 29824)

Beginning at the easterly curb line of Wewanna Avenue and extending 105 feet easterly therefrom.

C. Hudson Street – (near side) (NJ Transit ID# 29825)

Beginning at the easterly curb line of Hudson Street and extending 105 feet easterly therefrom.

D. Between Gelb Avenue and Springfield Road North (CR 637) – (mid-block) (NJ Transit ID# 29826)

Beginning at a point 1480 feet west of the westerly curb line of Gelb Avenue and extending 135 feet westerly therefrom.

E. North Greeley Avenue – (far side) (NJ Transit ID# 29827)

Beginning at the westerly curb line of North Greeley Avenue and extending 100 feet westerly therefrom.

F. Between Monroe Street North and Union Township/Springfield Township corporate line – (mid-block) (NJ Transit ID# 29828)

Beginning at a point 2080 feet west of the westerly curb line of Monroe Street North and extending 135 feet westerly therefrom.

Repealer Clause:

The Township of Union concurs that any approved bus stop locations or traffic regulations in conflict with or inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution be rescinded upon approval of the Traffic regulation Order.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Union, hereby concurs with the NJDOT for all the aforementioned bus stops along Route 22.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution, duly certified by the Clerk of the Township be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

**FINANCES:**

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, 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 April 25, 2023, approved by respective Departments as being correct

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried, the Township Committee, RESOLVED, that refund of the following tax over-payments be approved and payment authorized:

<u>BLOCK/ LOT</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DEDUCTION</u>
<u>PAYABLE TO: Janice Marie Jackson</u>				
2703-21	Janice Marie Jackson	2023-1	\$1,939.96	D/V

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 Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried 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:

<u>LOT/BLOCK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DEDUCTION</u>
2703-21	Janice Marie Jackson	2023-1	\$1,939.96	D/V

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried, the

Township Committee authorized payment of Community Development Agency Bills in the amount of \$6,565.80 and Covid-19 Round 3 in the amount of \$6,054.99.

**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 Trust as Cust GSRAN-Z,LLC	\$42,194.00	21-00010	1334 Marcella Ave
Deposit Acct	\$87,000.00		
Realty Solutions JV, LLC	\$2456.72	22-00027	552 Robinson Ter
	\$27,000.00		

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

From: Kim D. Eason, First Baptist Church of Vauxhall, Re: Requesting permission to close Hilton Avenue from Burkley Place to Laurel Avenue, on Sunday July 16, 2023 from 8:00AM-5:00PM for a 117<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary Celebration. Also requesting permission to utilize the municipal parking lot on Hilton Avenue at Burkley Place for parking.

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

From: Debbie Ivins, TNT Fireworks, Re: Requesting permission to hold a tent sale in the parking lot located at 1701 Morris Avenue from June 15, 2023 - July 6, 2023, utilizing a 20'x40' tent, banners and flags. Also requesting permission for a 10'x20' container for storage and a small generator to operate the lights.

On motion of Ms. Cavadas, seconded by Mr. Bowser, and carried, the Township Committee moved to approve the event subject to Fire and Building Department recommendations.

On motion of Ms. Delisfort, seconded by Mr. Florio, and carried, the Township Committee moved to receive and file the following department reports:

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

Municipal Court  
Fire Department

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Ms. Delisfort:

- Ms. Delisfort presented the DPW report.

Mr. Florio:

- Mr. Florio presented the report from the Police Department.

Mr. Bowser:

- Mr. Bowser presented the Recreation report.
- Mr. Bowser presented the Senior report.

Ms. Cavadas:

- Ms. Cavadas moved to appoint Erica Bradshaw to the Cultural Arts Board. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bowser, and carried.
- Ms. Cavadas moved the approval of the following licenses:
- Outdoor Café
- Van Gogh's Ear Café 1017 Stuyvesant Avenue
- Blue Ribbon Bakery - 988 Stuyvesant Avenue  
The motion was seconded by Mr. Bowser, and carried.
- Ms. Cavadas presented the Fire Department report.

Mr. Figueiredo:

- Mr. Figueiredo congratulated The Boys Distance Medley Relay of Guzman, Lokko, Momoh-Oare, and Rodriguez on 1<sup>st</sup> place and a new school record. Mr. Figueiredo also congratulated the girls team of Baez, Latonnel, Portuondo and Taylor for earning 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 4x200 relay.
- Mr. Figueiredo announced the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual AAPI Food and Musical Festival on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 12pm in Union Center.
- Mr. Figueiredo announced the Township of Union Special Improvement District and the Rotary Club of Union networking event on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-9pm at Lagar Restaurant.
- Mr. Figueiredo announced that the Township of Union is bringing back The Moving Wall: Vietnam Veterans Memorial from May 17-22 at Biertuempfel Park with a candlelight ceremony on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.
- Mr. Figueiredo announced a save the date for the Township's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Bike Rodeo/Ciclovia on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Mr. Figueiredo encouraged residents to sign up for Everbridge notifications for emergency and general notifications.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

Traci Yazici, 1027 Bertram Terrace, inquired on an update to her questions on keeping chickens. Don Travisano informed Ms. Yazici that the town is looking at the issue and will most likely have an answer for her by the next meeting.

Mike Giamo, 680 Fairway Drive, spoke about the exit from Route 22 east onto Fairway Drive. He suggested getting the DOT to fix the issue. Police Director Donnelly explained that several new signs have been installed and a blinking sign has been ordered and will be installed at bottom of the ramp to encourage people to slow down. Mr. Travisano stated he would contact the DOT, but requested Mr. Giamo be specific on exactly what he would like to be addressed. Mr. Figueiredo advised Mr. Giamo to call administration to set up a meeting to have that discussion.

There being no further business presented, the Township Committee on motion of Mr. Bowser, seconded by Ms. Cavadas, and carried, adjourned the meeting, the time being 8:04pm.

Dated: April 25, 2023

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Manuel Figueiredo, Chairman of the  
Township Committee of the Township  
of Union in the County of Union

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Eileen Birch, Township Clerk