

# Borough of Tenafly

## MAYOR AND COUNCIL

### MINUTES

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

PRESENT: Mayor Zinna and Councilmembers Lauren Dayton, Jeffrey Grossman, Venugopal Menon, Adam Michaels, Julie O' Connor and Daniel Park

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Administrator Jimmy Homsi  
Borough Clerk Omar Stovall  
Borough Attorney Wendy Rubinstein  
Chief Financial Officer Susan Corrado

At 11:10p.m. Mayor Zinna read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement: "IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, P.L. 1975, chapter 231, THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN SATISFIED. THE MEETING DATES FOR THE YEAR ARE CONFIRMED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, ARE POSTED ON THE PUBLIC BULLETIN BOARD IN THE LOBBY OF THE MUNICIPAL CENTER, AND PUBLISHED IN THE RECORD WITHIN THE FIRST 10 DAYS OF THE NEW YEAR."

The Salute to the Flag was led by Mayor Zinna

Motion by C. Menon, second by C. Michaels and all other members voting in favor,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the September 2, 2021 Regular Meeting and September 2, 2021 Closed Session are approved.

#### **REVISIONS TO AGENDA:**

Mrs. Rubinstein advised that **#R21-357/** Authorize Purchase of an Aerial Fire Truck for the Tenafly Fire Department has been pulled to be vote on separately from the Consent Agenda.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**#R21-355/** Approve Expenditures as of September 8, 2021

**#R21-356/** Approve Raffle Applications – RA1248 – RA 1250

**#R21-357/** Authorize Purchase of an Aerial Fire Truck for the Tenafly Fire Department

**#R21-358/** Declare September 2021 as Hunger Action Month

**#R21-359/** Rescind Resolution #R20-173

**#R21-360/** Authorize Tree Mitigation Escrow Refund – 76 Leroy Street

**#R21-361/** Approve Forfeit of Tree Mitigation Escrow – 10 Marcotte Lane

**#R21-362/** Authorize Tree Mitigation Escrow Refund – 9 Coppel Drive

**#R21-363/** Authorize Refunds – Recreation Department – Various

**#R21-364/** Authorize Professional Engineering Services – 2020 NJDOT Various Streets (Hudson Ave) Project

- #R21-365/ Award Contract - NJDOT Various Streets 2020 Project - American Asphalt & Trucking LLC
- #R21-366/Authorize Tax Overpayment Refund – Block 1603 Lot 3
- #R21-367/Authorize Emergency Down Payment – Road Improvement Project
- #R21-368/Approve Emergency Contract Award – Road and Sanitary Sewer Repair
- #R21-369/Award Contract – J. Fletcher Creamer & Sons, Inc. – Emergency Road Repairs
- #R21-370/Authorize Purchase of Furniture for the Finance Department Pursuant to State Contract
- #R21-371/Waive Building Permit Fees Related to Flood Damage from Tropical Storm Ida

Motion by C. Grossman second by C. Park that the Consent Agenda be approved.

On a roll call, the vote on the Consent Agenda was recorded as follows:

C. Dayton:	aye	C. Michaels:	aye
C. Grossman:	aye	C. O’Connor:	aye
C. Menon:	aye	C. Park:	aye

S. Corrado read #R21-357/ Authorize Purchase of an Aerial Fire Truck for the Tenafly Fire Department with amended changes into the record.

S. Corrado explained that the purchase of the Fire Truck is being through a national cooperative. She added that because the Fire Truck is being purchased through a national cooperative that an economic analysis would need to occur. She added that the resolution is contingent upon the analysis. C. Dayton questioned if the resolution is passed would it effect the timing of the analysis. Ms. Corrado expressed it would be done immediately and is a requirement of New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law.

C. Michaels expressed that he wants the Fire Truck but he would like the Fire Truck cost to be shared with a municipality through shared services. C. Michaels expressed that due to the amount being spent on the truck that there should be more documentation for review behind the resolution.

Mrs. Corrado explained that all the documentation is there with the exception of the economic analysis.

C. Michaels asked should Borough expect the Fire Truck within 425 days. Chief Philpot explained that it would from the signing of the contract. Chief Philpot added that he wondered if the Fire Truck was to be shared how would the Truck get to Dumont especially with the volunteers of the Borough’s Fire Department being overextended.

C. Michaels asked what happens if the truck is not delivered within 425 days. Chief Philpot explained that he never had an issue and is not aware of any delays. C. Michaels asked could be penalties be placed into the contract if the truck is not delivered on time.

Motion by C. Dayton second by C. Grossman that #R21-357/ Authorize Purchase of an Aerial Fire Truck for the Tenafly Fire Department be approved.

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

C. Dayton:	aye	C. Michaels:	nay
C. Grossman:	aye	C. O’Connor:	aye
C. Menon:	aye	C. Park:	nay

M. Zinna asked the Governing Body to make a motion to extend the Regular meeting.

Motion by C. Menon second by C. Dayton that the Regular Meeting be extended to 11:45pm.

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

C. Dayton:	aye	C. Michaels:	nay
C. Grossman:	nay	C. O'Connor:	nay
C. Menon:	aye	C. Park:	nay

**ADJOURNMENT**

As there was no further business to come before the Council, on a motion by C. O' Connor, second by C. Park and unanimously carried, to adjourn this meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Omar Stovall, MPA, RMC  
Borough Clerk