Township of Mount Laurel Regular Council Meeting October 5, 2020 Via Zoom

Mayor Edelson called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance & Traditional Moment of Silence

ROLL CALL

Councilman Kurt Folcher – present, Councilman Kareem Pritchett – present, Councilman Stephen Steglik – present, Deputy Mayor Linda Bobo - present, Mayor Irwin Edelson - present, George Morris, Township Solicitor – present, Meredith Tomczyk, Township Manager/Township Clerk - present

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

The Public Announcement, which is required by the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey and read at every meeting of the Township Council was read by the Municipal Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Move: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Councilman Pritchett; Deputy Mayor Bobo abstained. Roll Call 4 yes votes

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$953,792.80 Motion to Move: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #139-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1004.01, LOT 16

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #139-2020: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #140-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1603.03, LOT 19

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled. Motion to Move Resolution #140-2020: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Pritchett Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #141-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZATION REAPPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL TAX COLLECTOR

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #141-2020: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Folcher Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #142-2020: MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF SOIL EROSION/RESTORATION PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE FOR MOUNT LAUREL VETERINARY R.E. HOLDINGS, LLC, BLOCK 508, LOT 2, SP#4807B

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #142-2020: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Folcher Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #143-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASES TO BE MADE UNDER STATE CONTRACT

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #143-2020: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Folcher Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #144-2020: AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A DECK WITHIN A 20 FOOT WIDE STORM SEWER EASEMENT AREA FOR BLOCK 100.09, LOT 2, 1 OVERLOOK DRIVE

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #144-2020: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #145-2020: APPROVING NJDOT CHANGE ORDER #2, 2019 LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM, PHASE II, CONTRACT 2019-2.

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #145-2020: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #146-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LEGALIZED GAMES OF CHANCE FOR THE FALLS GROUP, LLC, T/A THE FUNPLEX

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #146-2020: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #147-2020: ESTABLISHMENT OF CURFEW FOR MISCHIEF NIGHT AND HOURS FOR TRICK-OR-TREATING ON HALLOWEEN

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #147-2020: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #148-2020: AMENDING 20-R-32 SETTING MEETING LOCATIONS BECAUSE OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #148-2020: Councilman Pritchett, 2nd Councilman Folcher Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #149-2020: RESOLUTION ADOPTING REMOTE PUBLIC MEETING PROCEDURES DURING A DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #149-2020: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Folcher Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #150-2020: AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP IN A MUTUAL AID AND ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT WITH PARTICIPATING UNITS

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #150-2020: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo Roll Call 5 yes votes

RESOLUTION #151-2020: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF A MEMORANDUM BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL AND BURLINGTON COUNTY PROFESSIONAL FIRE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, I.A.F.F. LOCAL 3091

Township Clerk read Resolution as entitled.

Motion to Move Resolution #151-2020: Deputy Mayor Bobo, 2nd Councilman Pritchett Roll Call 5 yes votes

NEW BUSINESS

A. Best Practices 2020

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Alan Kramer, 68 Southgate Road – Questioned when road improvements on Union Mill Road would be done.

Kim Muchowski, Tax Collector – Thanked Mayor and Council for reappointment.

Cynthia Astrom, 165 Memorial Lane – Impressive article regarding Mt. Laurel Township.

Karen Cohen, 15 Winterbury Court – Impressed with article. Questioned traffic light or sign at Union Mill?

Ruth, 138 Sandhurst Drive – Mayor Edelson has her permission to put signs on her property. Questioned when towns houses on Route 38 and Fostertown Road are expected to start.

Sean Murphy – 13 Devonshire Road – Questioned if traffic study been done on Marne Highway. Councilman Folcher said trying to get state funding.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

Manager Tomczyk – Acknowledged EMS and Chief Joseph Stringfellow and Deputy Chief John Hamilton. Police raised money for breast cancer.

Attorney Morris – Aware that a couple of firms have picked up RFP's for PAWS Farm.

Councilman Pritchett – Thanked residents for speaking. Everyone is working together. Stay safe.

Councilman Steglik – Technical difficulty. Thanked residents for speaking out today. Have a good week.

Councilman Folcher – Baseball coaches social distance opportunity sports. Softball Public Worker employers great job. Mt. Laurel #1 in New Jersey. Needs recreational building built in Ethel Lawrence.

Deputy Mayor Bobo – Magazine hit nail on head regarding Mt. Laurel. Thanked volunteers, Chief Stringfellow and dedicated residents.

Mayor Edelson – Thanked first responders. #1 town in New Jersey Motion to adjourn: Councilman Folcher, 2nd Deputy Mayor Bobo All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Township Clerk