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- (X) b. (4) A collective bargaining agreement including negotiations.
 - Negotiations – AFSCME 3301
 - () b. (5) Purchase, lease or acquisition of real property, setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if disclosed.
 - () b. (6) Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, if disclosure could impair such protection. Investigation of violations of the law.
 - (X) b. (7) Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations other than in subsection b. (4) herein or matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.
 - Contracts - MUA
 - () b. (8) Personnel matters.
 - () b. (9) Deliberations after a public hearing that may result in penalties.
2. The time when the matter(s) discussed pursuant to Paragraph 1 hereof can be disclosed to the public is as soon as practicable after final resolution of the aforesaid matter(s).

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Moved: Signorino Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Unanimous voice vote
Voted Nay: None
Motion carried.

The Governing Body went into executive session at 6:33 p.m.
Councilman Hensley arrived in executive session at 6:45 p.m.
The Governing Body returned to the public meeting at 6:52 p.m. with all present as before.

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Proclamations

None

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Presentations

Friends of Wallisch – Accomplishments/Goals

Sandy Hefferon, 510 Ridge Road, West Milford – Thanked the Governing Body for having them at the meeting. She said that there are three main goals for the Friends of Wallisch property and they will continue to stabilize and preserve the property. She noted that the property has three structures. Their main goal is to use the barn for events and educational activities. They plan to use the creamery as a learning center; the building has a main room with three adjacent rooms. She said that the third building is the main house and their goal is to use it as an administrative building. She spoke about all the community events that they hold and the successful turnouts for outside yoga and the art program. They plan on holding all the same events in 2018, and she noted that they have a new slogan, “If it’s Wednesday it’s at Wallisch. On Wednesdays, they will continue the events. She said they will continue to preserve Open Space, and she encouraged people to visit the property because they need help and support.

Dave Ofshinsky, 47 Morris Avenue, West Milford – Said in the past three years they gained almost \$80,000 in grant funding; \$65,000 was from Passaic County Open Space Trust and \$1,600 from Passaic County Cultural and Heritage Council. He noted that they try to use local contractors for all the work. He said they received \$4,000 from the Highlands Coalition and \$8,300 from New Jersey Historic Trust. He noted that they are all volunteers and they don’t have many organizational expenses. He mentioned that in the past three years, they spent \$1,900 for tick control and \$1,200 for portable toilets for visitors. The money is funded through donations and contributions. In the future, he suggested that some of the costs be shared with Community Services and Recreation and the Board of Education.

Councilman Signorino asked Mr. Ofshinsky for the amount of money they raised aside from the County contributions. Mr. Ofshinsky explained that they need to do some more work regarding the fundraising aspect. Councilman Signorino asked if they resolved the issues with the committees. Mr. Ofshinsky said it’s a work in progress and there will be expansions and changes in the upcoming months and also revisions to some bylaws. Councilman Signorino thanked them for all their time and work. Mayor Bieri noted that donations can be made on the Friends of Wallisch website and their Facebook page. Councilman Wagner asked Mr. Ofshinsky to talk about the history, and Mr. Ofshinsky read a page from the handout they provided to the Governing Body.

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Ron Perez, 9 Eisenhower Drive, West Milford – Noted that he lives around the corner from the property and his interest is in preserving and restoring the property. He explained the construction process and prioritizing what has to be done first; they prepare a scope of work, a budget and RFP. When they receive the bids they evaluate them, choose a contractor and they forward all the prepared documentation to the owners of the property for approval. He said in 2017 they had five capital projects with a value of \$70,000, which was all funded through grants, and he spoke about all the repairs and construction that was completed. He mentioned that there are raised areas in the floor in the barn, so their goal is to replace the entire floor in the spring for hazardous and safety reasons. He noted that there was a new roof installed in the creamery that cost \$9,000, and, in closing, he believes that they prepared and delivered a cost effective and improvement stabilization project.

Dave Watson-Hallowell, 50 Linwood Road, Hewitt – Mentioned he is with Sustainable West Milford and provided an update on the garden. They had 25 gardeners, very successful crops and they held teaching classes for the Association for Special Families and Children. He noted in 2017 they received another grant from City Green, so they expanded the garden to another 12 plots totaling 25. They had a really good turnout for the special events and welcomed everyone to join. He mentioned that the plots sell for \$40 each and \$70 for a double, and there will be an announcement in the paper in March for signing up. Mayor Bieri commended them for the work that they have done.

Administrator Battaglia said the Friends of Wallisch have been terrific and every time they go through with the projects they are very communicative with Administration; it's a very positive, collaborative effort.

Agenda No. VIII

Unfinished Business, Final Passage Of Ordinances

Agenda No. VIII 1

~ Ordinance 2017 - 014 ~

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY GRANTING A FRANCHISE EXPANSION AND PERMISSION FOR SUEZ WATER NEW JERSEY INC. TO LAY ITS WATER AND SEWER PIPES BENEATH SUCH PUBLIC ROADS, STREETS AND ALLEYS AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR ITS CORPORATE PURPOSES AND TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN WATER AND SEWER PIPES ON AND ALONG PUBLIC STREETS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD

WHEREAS, SUEZ Water New Jersey Inc., a New Jersey public utility corporation having its principal offices at 461 From Road, Suite 400, Paramus, New Jersey, (the "Water Company"), in connection with its purchase of the assets of the West Milford Municipal Utilities Authority from the Township of West Milford, desires to expand its water and sewer franchise area and lay and otherwise own and maintain water and sewer pipes beneath such public roads, streets, alleys and places as it may deem necessary for its purposes and to construct and maintain water and sewer pipes in and along such roads, streets, alleys and places, and desires to obtain the consent of the Township of West Milford for the same pursuant to N.J.S.A. §48:19-17, N.J.S.A. §40:67-1 and such pertinent statutes of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Water Company owns and operates a water and sewer franchise system in the State of New Jersey (the "System") granted by various municipalities and approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("BPU"); and

WHEREAS, the Water Company is in the process of purchasing the West Milford Municipal Utilities Authority water and sewer system (the "System"), said sale having been approved by a referendum vote of the voters of West Milford and to be approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("BPU"), located in the Township of West Milford, Passaic County, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to expand the water and sewer franchise area to include the geographic region of West Milford described further in Section 1 hereof; and

WHEREAS, granting consent for said purpose is necessary and proper for the public convenience and properly serves the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the Water Company is a public utility created and organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey to operate and maintain facilities for the provision and transmission of water and sewer for residential and commercial use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

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Section 1. SUEZ Water New Jersey Inc., is hereby given the consent and permission of the Township of West Milford to expand its water and sewer franchise area, subject to BPU approval, and to own, install/lay, maintain and relay pipes beneath such public roads, streets, alleys and places as it may deem necessary for its corporate purposes, subject to such additional approvals or consents as the law may require, and to construct and maintain water and sewer mains in and along such roads, streets, alleys and places within the lands and premises hereinafter designated and under all public roads, streets, alleys and places abutting same;

Those tracts or parcels of land formerly served by the West Milford Municipal Utilities Authority.

Section 2. The consent and permission granted by this Ordinance is made expressly subject to the following conditions: in the event of any disturbance of pavement, sidewalk, driveway or other surfacing of any public street, road, highway or other public place caused by the Water Company, the Water Company shall, at its own cost and expense, replace and restore all paving, sidewalks, driveway and other surface of any street, road, highway or other public place disturbed, in as good a condition as before said work was commenced, and shall maintain the restoration for a period of six months.

Section 3. The Water Company shall accept this Ordinance in writing within thirty (30) days after the final passage hereof.

Section 4. The consent and permission granted herein is unlimited in time and subject to the specific condition that the Water Company completes the purchase transaction to acquire the water and sewer system assets of the West Milford Township Municipal Utilities Authority.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication according to law subject only to the approval of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities as required by law.

Section 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions that are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent necessary.

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Dave Ofshinsky, 47 Morris Avenue, West Milford – Said he is really glad to see this moving along and it passed at the election. This is the most viable solution and soon it will not be his problem any longer.

There being no one else wishing to be heard, Councilman Signorino made a motion, seconded by Councilman McGuinness and carried by unanimous voice vote to close the public comment period.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-014.

Moved: Signorino Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, McGuinness, Signorino, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: None
Abstained:

Agenda No. VIII 2

~ Ordinance 2017 - 016 ~

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 15, ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT, ARTICLE XXV, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, §15-116 POWERS AND DUTIES, OF THE CODE TO ELIMINATE A PROVISION MANDATING THAT THE EDC OBTAIN NON-PROFIT STATUS

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, that §15-116 A of the Township code be amended to eliminate language requiring that the Economic Development Commission seek to obtain non-profit status:

SECTION 1. §15-116. Powers and duties.

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A. It is the intention of the Township Council that the Commission shall support its activities through solicitation of donations and acquisition of grant monies. The Township shall not make an annual appropriation for the budgetary needs of the Commission.

SECTION 2. All ordinances of the Township of West Milford which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance may be renumbered for purposes of codification.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

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Dave Ofshinsky, 47 Morris Avenue, West Milford – Thanked the Governing Body for eliminating the clause.

There being no one else wishing to be heard, Councilman Signorino made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Lichtenberg and carried by unanimous voice vote to close the public comment period.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-016.

Moved: Signorino Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, McGuinness, Signorino, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: None
Abstained:

Agenda No. VIII 3

~ Ordinance 2017 – 017 ~

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER §470, “SUBDIVISION OF LAND AND SITE PLAN REVIEW,” SECTION §470-15.1, “WATER SUPPLY AND WATER QUALITY REQUIREMENTS,” PART B, “DEFINITIONS,” PART D “AQUIFER TEST AND HYDROGEOLOGIC EVALUATION,” AND PART E, “WATER QUALITY EVALUATION”

WHEREAS, Township Ordinance Section §470-15.1, entitled “Water Supply and Water Quality Requirements,” (hereinafter referred to as the “Ordinance”) requires aquifer testing in connection with certain residential and non-residential development applications; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s consulting hydrogeologist has recommended certain amendments to the Ordinance to clarify its requirements and procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. Ordinance Part B, “Definitions,” shall be amended by deleting the current definition of “Drawdown” and substituting the following new definition of “Drawdown:”

DRAWDOWN - The lowering of the water table of an unconfined aquifer or the potentiometric surface of a semiconfined or confined aquifer caused by pumping of the groundwater from a well or wells. Drawdown is determined by calculating the difference between the depth to water during pumping and the static water level determined prior to the start of pumping.

SECTION 2. Ordinance Part B, “Definitions,” shall be amended by deleting the current definition of “Recovery” and substituting the following new definition of “Recovery:”

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RECOVERY - The percentage rise of the water table of an unconfined aquifer or the potentiometric surface of a semiconfined or confined aquifer, as compared to the drawdown, measured at the end of a recovery phase duration from the cessation of pumping, wherein the recovery phase duration is equal to the pumping phase duration. Recovery is determined by calculating the difference between the depth to water at the end of the recovery phase and the static water level determined prior to the start of pumping, then subtracting that difference from the drawdown as measured at the end of the pumping phase, and dividing the result by the drawdown as measured at the end of the pumping phase, and then multiplying by 100 to determine percent.

SECTION 3. Ordinance Part B, "Definitions," shall be amended and supplemented by the addition of a new definition of "Residual Drawdown," as follows:

RESIDUAL DRAWDOWN - The difference between the depth to water as measured during the recovery phase and the static water level as measured prior to the start of pumping.

SECTION 4. Ordinance Part D, "Aquifer Test and Hydrogeologic Evaluations," Subsection D(3)(e) shall be amended to read as follows:

(e) Prepare and submit hydrogeologic report to Planning Board simultaneously with application for preliminary site plan and/or subdivision approval.

SECTION 5. Ordinance Part D, "Aquifer Test and Hydrogeologic Evaluations," shall be amended by deleting Subsection D(3)(f).

SECTION 6. Ordinance Part D, "Aquifer Test and Hydrogeologic Evaluations," Subsection D(5)(a)[5] shall be amended to read as follows:

[5] A detailed evaluation of the water-supply demand for an average and peak day. This demand must be supported with information on anticipated population, expected unit density, size of units including number of bedrooms and bathrooms, lawn and garden irrigation demands, pool filling requirements, and other anticipated water uses. If the calculated demands do not include water use for irrigation, pool filling, or other non-public purposes, the Applicant must agree to deed restrict the lots from using the well for these purposes.

SECTION 7. Ordinance Part D, "Aquifer Test and Hydrogeologic Evaluation," Subsection D(5)(b)[3][a] shall be amended to read as follows:

- [a] If during the pumping phase, the pumping rate, in gallons-per-minute, cannot be maintained at a rate equal to 120 percent of the rate calculated by dividing the average daily demand in gallons by 1440 minutes, or the peak-day demand cannot be withdrawn from the aquifer within a single 24-hour period, the aquifer beneath the lot in question is deemed insufficient to meet the anticipated demands, and the Applicant shall review and adjust the proposed demand and/or extent of the development proposed. The following alternatives shall be evaluated in the following priority:
- [i] Decreasing the number of proposed lots/dwelling units or amount of non-residential development to reduce amount of groundwater that must be withdrawn to meet demands.
 - [ii] Rearranging the development layout to better utilize available groundwater resources.
 - [iii] Conduct two or more aquifer tests at discrete locations within the lot in question. The total volume of water withdrawn from the aquifer during the two or more aquifer tests must equal or exceed the peak-day demand. This last alternative may be used, with the approval of the municipality's consulting hydrogeologist, where large withdrawals are proposed for areas underlain by low-yielding aquifer systems. Each test must be conducted individually and at no time should two wells be pumped simultaneously.

SECTION 8. Ordinance Part D, "Aquifer Test and Hydrogeologic Evaluation," Subsection D(5)(b)[4][b] shall be amended to read as follows:

[b] If recovery is less than 90% at the end of the recovery phase, the Applicant must adjust the proposed demand and/or extent of development as provided in Subsection D(5)(b)[3][a][i] and/or [ii] above.

SECTION 9. Ordinance Part E "Water Quality Evaluation," Subsection E(3) shall be amended to read as follows:

(3) A water quality analyses report shall be completed and included in the hydrogeologic report submitted with the development application. The water quality laboratory report shall be submitted to the Board's consulting hydrogeologist, with one copy to the Board.

SECTION 10. All ordinances of the Township of West Milford which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 11. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

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SECTION 12. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and approval in accordance with law.

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There being no one wishing to be heard, Councilman Signorino made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Lichtenberg and carried by unanimous voice vote to close the public comment period.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-017.

Moved: Signorino Seconded: Lichtenberg
Voted Aye: Erik, Hensley, Wagner, McGuinness, Signorino, Lichtenberg
Voted Nay: None
Abstained:

Agenda No. VIII 4

~ Ordinance 2017 - 018 ~

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER §500, ZONING, ARTICLE VI, ENTITLED “LIMITED MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIAL”, SECTION §500-45, ENTITLED “PURPOSE” TO INCLUDE DEFINITIONS AND ESTABLISHING SECTION §500-47.1 ENTITLED “CONDITIONAL USES PERMITTED IN THE LIMITED MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIAL ZONE”

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford has a diverse group of various industrial and commercial uses; and

WHEREAS, there are various recycling, composting and topsoil operations, all within that diverse group and such operations are prevalent throughout the Township; and

WHEREAS, while the Township seeks to encourage such operations, it also understands the significance of ensuring that such operations are conducted with certain guidelines, regulations and land use controls in order to encourage operations that do not interfere with the use and enjoyment of neighborhoods and adjoining property owners; and

WHEREAS, the governing body seeks to establish a conditional use in the Limited Manufacturing and Industrial (LMI) Zone so that all similarly situated recycling, composting and topsoil operations will operate with the same Land Use guidelines and controls.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 500, Zoning, Article VI, Limited Manufacturing and Industrial, §500-45, Purpose, is amended to include the following definitions:

§500-45.1 Definitions.

ORGANIC RECYCLING - Any organic material that, when accumulated, will become active compost.

CLASS B RECYCLING FACILITY – A recycling center that receives, stores, processes and/or transfers Class B recyclable “material”. Class B recyclable “material” means a source separated recyclable material which is subject to DEP approval prior to receipt, storage, processing or transfer at a recycling center in accordance with N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.34b, and which includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- (a) Source separated, non-putrescible, waste concrete, asphalt, brick, block, asphalt-based roofing scrap and wood waste;
- (b) Source separated, non-putrescible, waste materials other than metal, glass, paper, plastic containers, corrugated and other cardboard resulting from construction, remodeling, repair and demolition operations on houses, commercial buildings, pavements and other structures;
- (c) Source separated whole trees, tree trunks, tree parts, tree stumps, brush and leaves provided that they are not composted;
- (d) Source separated scrap tires; and
- (e) Source separated petroleum contaminated soil.

COMPOSTING – The controlled biological degradation of organic matter to make compost.

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MULCH MANUFACTURE – The manufacture of horticultural mulch from wood, wood products or similar materials. This term does not include the production of mulch as a by-product of on-site farming

SECTION 2. Section 500-47, Accessory Uses Permitted, is amended to establish Section 500-47.1 entitled “Conditional Uses Permitted in the Limited Manufacturing and Industrial Zone” (“LMI”) as follows:

§500-47.1 Conditional Uses Permitted

- A. The following conditional uses shall be permitted in the LMI Zone:
1. Organic Recycling;
 2. Class B Recycling Facility;
 3. Class B Recycling Facility exempt classification pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:26A-1.4.
- B. The following are permitted accessory uses as to a conditional use in the LMI Zone:
1. Composting;
 2. Topsoil production and Mulch manufacturing.
- C. The following are the conditional use standards in the LMI Zone:
1. Minimum lot/tract area of five (5) acres.
 2. Topsoil and/or mulch operations shall not exceed thirty (30) percent of the total lot/tract area.
 3. Any area in which materials are stored or sold shall be at least three hundred feet (300') from any residential structure and twenty-five feet (25') from any property line, with said distances being measured in a straight line between the material storage/sale area and the closest residential structure or property line. This requirement may be reduced up to fifty percent (50%) when there is sufficient year-round visual screening as determined by the Township Engineer.
 4. No material stockpile shall exceed twenty-five feet (25') in height except upon favorable recommendation in that it does not jeopardize the public health, safety or aesthetics of the Township by the Township Engineer and the Hudson/Essex/Passaic Soil Conservation District (HEPSCD).
 5. No piece of equipment, such as trucks, screeners, backhoes, loaders, etc. and any activity relating to the storage, sale or use of said products shall be located outside the setbacks set forth in Section 500-47.1.3.C.
 6. The approving authority, at its discretion, may require the visual screening of material storage and sales areas, driveways, roads, parking areas, and equipment work areas for the protection of the general public and neighboring properties. Visual screening may include, but shall not be limited to, fences, vegetation, earth berms, or any combination of these features.
 7. The applicant shall provide adequate protection of adjacent and neighboring properties from any airborne materials and Stormwater runoff that may be created by or result from the activities carried out on the property.
 8. All driveways, access roads and parking areas shall be constructed of asphalt, concrete or compacted stone. All compacted stone surfaces must be maintained in such a way as to prohibit dust or dirt from becoming airborne.
 9. All equipment repairs shall be performed inside a building. The building shall be sited to comply with the setback requirements specified above. Repair of equipment shall be limited to equipment owned by the applicant and used for the conduct of the specified activities.
 10. For the protection of the general public and neighboring properties, this use may be operated between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturdays and no Sunday or holiday operations, unless otherwise approved by the approving authority.
 11. The operator of a Class B Recycling Facility must provide a valid and current Class B General Approval or Notification of Exempt Recycling Activity issued by New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and proof of full compliance with the standards set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:26a-1.1 et seq., including but not limited to County and NJDEP approval, or Class B Exempt status upon request by Township Officials. Only one DEP Class B exempt status will be permitted.
 12. The operator of the facility must file with the Township's Zoning Officer a valid and current Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan Certification issued by the Hudson/Essex/Passaic Soil Conservation District. All amendments and updates to the approved plan must be filed with the Zoning Officer within 5-days of approval by the Hudson/Essex/Passaic Soil Conservation District.
 13. The operator of the facility must file with the Township's Zoning Officer documentation certifying that this site is included in the Passaic County Solid Waste Management Plan within 15-days of such approval.
 14. The operator of the facility must file with the Township's Health, Fire and Zoning Officers a current operational manual specifying methods and schedules for noise and dust control and off-tract street cleaning, and on-site fire suppression facilities and ensure that all related updates are filed with said Township officials within seven days of any amendments thereto.

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Council Comments

Mayor Bieri – Mentioned that they will look into the light at the entrance of Town Hall. She thanked Councilwoman Lichtenberg and Councilwoman Erik for their lifetime of volunteer work and all of their efforts.

Councilman Signorino – Thanked Councilwoman Lichtenberg and Councilwoman Erik for their time.

Administrator Battaglia – Said the littering is an important issue and in the past residents in West Milford had to pay for their own garbage collection. The dumping in town was a problem, and having home garbage collection has helped minimize that. She noted that when they see dumping in town, they pursue it legally.

Agenda No. XI

New Business, Introduction Of Ordinances, Resolutions

Mayor Bieri asked to move Resolutions 2017-378 through 2017-403 with the exception of Resolution 2017-401 and Resolution 2017-402.

Councilman Wagner noted that Resolution 2017-378 is requesting compensation for Greenwood Lake similar to the Lake Hopatcong funding that was approved by Senator Pennacchio.

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~ Resolution 2017 - 378 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY URGING SENATOR JOSEPH PENNACCHIO, SENATOR STEVEN V. OROHO AND SENATOR ANTHONY R. BUCCO TO SPONSOR LEGISLATION ESTABLISHING A FUND FOR THE DEDICATION OF ANNUAL FUNDING FOR GREENWOOD LAKE WHICH FUNDING WOULD BE DERIVED FROM POWER VESSEL OPERATOR LICENSE FEES

WHEREAS, Senators Pennacchio, Oroho and Bucco sponsored Senate Bill 2389 in the 2016 and 2017 Senate; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2017 the members of the Senate Environment Committee unanimously voted in favor of this legislation; and

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2017 the State Senate, with 37 affirmative votes and no votes in opposition, adopted S-2389 in the New Jersey State Senate; and

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2017, S-2389 was received by the State Assembly and referred to the Assembly Environmental and Solid Waste Committee; and

WHEREAS, S-2389 would establish the “Lake Hopatcong Fund” and dedicate to the fund \$500,000 annually from license fees required to operate power boats on non-tidal waters. The moneys would be used by the Lake Hopatcong Commission for the protection, preservation, restoration, maintenance, management and enhancement of the lake pursuant to P.L.2000, c.175 (C.58:4B-1 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the fees being dedicated to the Lake Hopatcong Commission are derived from the 48-month power vessel operator’s license that is required in accordance with P.L. 1995, c.401; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (NJMVC) administers the issuance of the aforementioned operator licenses and collects the funds for same; and

WHEREAS, S-2389 would legislate that the remaining revenue collected by the NJMVC shall be deposited into the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, Greenwood Lake is located in West Milford, Passaic County, New Jersey and Orange County, New York; and

WHEREAS, Greenwood Lake is one of the largest lakes in the New Jersey Highlands Preservation Area and is the headwaters of the Wanaque River which drains to the Monksville and Wanaque Reservoirs and which supply drinking water to approximately 3 million New Jersey residents and thousands of businesses; and

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WHEREAS, maintenance of water quality within Greenwood Lake is critical to the health of these public water supplies; and

WHEREAS, each sponsor of S-2389 has identified the compelling need for dedicated funding for the protection, preservation, restoration, maintenance, management and enhancement of critical lakes each vocalizing his in-depth understanding of the issues; and

WHEREAS, some of the benefits they have identified can be recognized in the statements made by the sponsors of S-2389 namely:

“Our economy will suffer if we don’t find a stable way to pay for annual weed harvesting and Stormwater management. We shouldn’t have to scramble every year to find the money we need to keep boaters and swimmers safe. I believe that our bill is a fiscally-responsible solution to this problem.” Sen. Anthony R. Bucco

“We fought hard to ensure the Fiscal Year 2018 budget included funding to protect Lake Hopatcong, but a one-time payment is not enough. The lake has become overrun with invasive weeds and the problem seems to get worse every year. Setting up a permanent, dedicated funding source for preservation and maintenance is the best way to ensure future generations can enjoy this treasured natural resource.” Sen. Steven V. Oroho

“This is not just a local issue. Tourists come from all over the country to visit Lake Hopatcong. This is a tried and true economic resource for the entire region and it deserves our support. The cost of maintaining the lake shouldn’t fall on the backs of local residents and business owners alone. Our bill will ensure everyone can enjoy the lake for years to come.” Sen. Joseph Pennacchio

and:

WHEREAS, while Lake Hopatcong is located in the Borough of Hopatcong, Morris County primarily in the Highlands Protection Area, Greenwood Lake is partially located in West Milford, Passaic County which is located entirely in the Highlands Preservation Area which designation indicates the critical sensitivity of this body of water; and

WHEREAS, every Senator who voted in favor of S-2389 on December 7, 2017 is to be commended for his or her vote and by using that vote to disclose their understanding of the value of these public lakes to the State of New Jersey and the challenges that come with protecting, preserving and maintaining these valuable resources; and

WHEREAS, the residents of West Milford along with the over 3 million residents and thousands of businesses whose drinking water is directly affected by the quality of the water in Greenwood Lake appreciate and recognize that the State Senate is cognizant of the compelling need to provide funding to protect and maintain our lakes; and

WHEREAS, the standards that are applied to understanding the needs of the Lake Hopatcong Commission are the minimal standards that should be applied to the Commissioners who daily protect the waters of Greenwood Lake and the residual effect these efforts have on a municipality located entirely in the New Jersey Highlands Preservation Area; and

WHEREAS, the residents of West Milford, the users of Greenwood Lake and the tourists who visit Greenwood Lake deserve equity and comparable consideration to those residents, users and tourists of Lake Hopatcong.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Council urge the sponsors of S-2389 to establish a “Greenwood Lake Fund” as a non-lapsing, revolving fund in the Department of the Treasury.
2. The Fund shall be administered by the Greenwood Lake Commission.
3. The Fund shall be credited with monies received and dedicated to the Fund by virtue of the fees collected by the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission for power vessel operator licenses.

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~ Resolution 2017- 379 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A 2017 ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION “ANNIVERSARY GRANT” AND A WEST MILFORD ELKS LODGE #2236 DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,500

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WHEREAS, the Director of Community Services and Recreation has provided a recommendation to purchase this through The Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative Pricing System #65MCESCCPS (Bid #MRESC 14/15-62) to Nickerson Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the purchase shall not exceed \$42,456.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township Council hereby authorizes the purchase and installation of four hussy Maxam Bank 26', 3-tier seating systems in an amount not to exceed \$42,456.00 through The Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative Pricing System #65MCESCCPS (Bid #MRESC 14/15-62) to Nickerson Corporation 515 Union Avenue, Union Beach, NJ 07735
2. The Township Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same in account # 01-201-28-374-802 in the amount of \$42,456.00
3. This resolution shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

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~ Resolution 2017 - 382 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AUTOMOTIVE GASOLINE THROUGH STATE CONTRACT NO. T0083 TO ALLIED OIL COMPANY, LLC.

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has awarded Contract No. T0083 for Automotive Gasoline to Allied Oil, LLC and said contract was awarded through the open competitive bidding process and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40a:11 et seq., Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford anticipates a need for Automotive Gasoline for a Two (2) month period from January 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has submitted a written recommendation that the Township of West Milford purchase Automotive Gasoline through State Contract No. T0083 for a period of two (2) months from January 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018 in a total amount not to exceed \$43,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds for these purchases based upon the passage of the 2018 Municipal budget said funds to be encumbered from account numbers 01-201-31-460-315 and 01-201-31-460-240.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, the following:

1. The Township Council hereby authorizes the Director of Public Works to purchase Automotive Gasoline, for a two (2) month period from January 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018 in a total amount not to exceed \$43,000.00, through State of New Jersey Contract No. T0083 awarded to Allied Oil Company, LLC.
2. The Township's Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same.
3. This resolution shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

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~ Resolution 2017 - 383 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ULTRA LOW SULFUR DIESEL (DIESEL FUEL) THROUGH STATE CONTRACT NO. T1845 TO ALLIED OIL COMPANY, LLC.

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has awarded Contract No. T1845 for Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel (Diesel Fuel) to Allied Oil, LLC and said contract was awarded through the open competitive bidding process and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40a:11 et seq., Local Public Contracts Law; and

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WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford anticipates a need for Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel for a two (2) month period from January 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has submitted a written recommendation that the Township of West Milford purchase Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel through State Contract No. T1845 for a period of two (2) months from January 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018 in a total amount not to exceed \$30,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds for these purchases based upon the passage of the 2018 Municipal budget, said funds to be encumbered from account number 01-201-31-460-316.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, the following:

1. The Township Council hereby authorizes the Director of Public Works to purchase Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel, for a two (2) month period from January 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018 in a total amount not to exceed \$30,000.00, through State of New Jersey Contract No. T1845 awarded to Allied Oil Company, LLC.
2. The Township's Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same.
3. This resolution shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

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~ Resolution 2017 – 384 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE 2018 TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2018 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided, and

WHEREAS, said temporary appropriations are extended and now limited to 26.25% of the total appropriation in the 2018 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, public assistance, and capital improvement fund in said 2017 budget, effective January 1, 2018; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford that the following temporary budget appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for their records:

APPROPRIATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	2017 BUDGET AS ADOPTED	2018 TEMPORARY BUDGET
Administrator S&W	01-201-20-100-100	\$181,116	\$47,543
Administrator O.E.	01-201-20-100-200	\$92,965	\$24,403
TOTAL		\$274,081	\$71,946
Township Mayor & Council S&W	01-201-20-105-100	\$34,000	\$8,925
Township Mayor & Council O.E.	01-201-20-105-200	\$2,400	\$630
TOTAL		\$36,400	\$9,555
Information Technology S&W	01-201-20-140-100	\$126,162	\$33,118
Information Technology O.E.	01-201-20-140-200	\$65,725	\$17,253
TOTAL		\$191,887	\$50,370
Legal O.E.	01-201-20-155-200	\$329,000	\$154,081
TOTAL		\$329,000	\$154,081
General Services S&W	01-201-20-161-100	\$4,000	\$1050
General Services O.E.	01-201-20-161-200	\$214,500	\$56,306
TOTAL		\$218,500	\$57,356
Insurance, Other	01-201-23-210-200	\$999,000	\$500,000
Insurance, Group	01-201-23-220-200	\$3,260,131	\$855,784
Health Benefit Waiver	01-201-23-230-200	\$80,668	\$21,175

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TOTAL			
Clerk S&W	01-201-20-120-100	\$268,923	\$70,592
Clerk O.E.	01-201-20-120-200	\$19,350	\$5,079
TOTAL		\$288,273	\$75,672
Elections S&W	01-201-20-146-100	\$1,500	\$394
Elections O.E.	01-201-20-146-200	\$13,800	\$3,623
TOTAL		\$15,300	\$4,016
Treasurer S&W	01-201-20-130-100	\$245,453	\$64,431
Treasurer O.E.	01-201-20-130-200	\$11,983	\$9,146
TOTAL		\$257,436	\$73,577
Annual Audit	01-201-20-135-200	\$40,000	\$40,000
Annual Audit Additional Services	01-201-20-135-200	\$25,000	\$25,000
TOTAL		\$65,000	\$65,000
Tax Collector S&W	01-201-20-145-100	\$179,589	\$47,142
Tax Collector O.E.	01-201-20-145-200	\$46,250	\$12,141
TOTAL		\$225,839	\$59,283
Tax Assessor S&W	01-201-20-150-100	\$241,250	\$63,328
Tax Assessor O.E.	01-201-20-150-200	\$20,965	\$5,503
TOTAL		\$262,215	\$68,831
Planning Board O.E.	01-201-21-180-200	\$20,025	\$20,025
Planning, Comp. S&W	01-201-21-181-100	\$131,526	\$34,526
Planning, Comp. O.E.	01-201-21-181-200	\$18,575	\$4,876
TOTAL		\$150,101	\$39,402
Zoning Administration S&W	01-201-21-185-100	\$80,463	\$21,122
Board of Adjustment O.E.	01-201-21-186-200	\$28,250	\$28,250
Historic Preservation S&W	01-201-20-175-100	\$1,560	\$410
Historic Preservation O.E.	01-201-20-175-200	\$500	\$131
TOTAL		\$110,773	\$49,913
Autumn Lights Festival	01-201-20-171-471	\$0	\$-
Building S&W	01-201-22-195-100	\$352,230	\$92,460
Building O.E.	01-201-22-195-200	\$8,600	\$2,258
TOTAL		\$360,830	\$94,718
Environmental Commission S&W	01-201-22-196-100	\$1,600	\$420
Environmental Commission O.E.	01-201-22-196-200	\$890	\$890
TOTAL		\$2,490	\$1,310
Police Patrol S&W	01-201-25-240-100	\$4,589,044	\$1,204,624
Police Patrol O.E.	01-201-25-240-200	\$148,349	\$38,942
Police Patrol-Purchase of Police Vehicles	01-201-25-240-900	\$165,871	\$-
Police Detective S&W	01-201-25-241-100	\$684,334	\$179,638
Police Administration S&W	01-201-25-242-100	\$491,326	\$128,973
Police Communication S&W	01-201-25-243-100	\$331,889	\$87,121
Police Comm. O.E.	01-201-25-243-200	\$12,500	\$3,281
Police Specials S&W	01-201-25-244-100	\$35,000	\$9,188
Police Specials O.E.	01-201-25-244-200	\$8,975	\$2,356
TOTAL		\$6,467,288	\$1,654,122
Emergency Management S&W	01-201-25-252-100	\$5,000	\$1,313
Emergency Management O.E.	01-201-25-252-200	\$32,500	\$8,531
TOTAL		\$37,500	\$9,844
First Aid - WMFAS Contributions	01-201-25-260-200	\$103,500	\$27,169
First Aid-UGL 1st Aid Squad Contributions	01-201-25-260-200	\$45,750	\$12,009

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TOTAL		\$149,250	\$39,178
Aid To Vol. Fire Co.	01-201-25-255-200	\$90,000	\$23,625
Fire Prevention Bureau S&W	01-201-25-265-100	\$148,279	\$38,923
Fire Prevention Bureau O.E.	01-201-25-265-200	\$11,600	\$3,045
Fire Co. Admin. S&W	01-201-25-266-100	\$9,090	\$2,386
Fire Co. Admin. O.E.	01-201-25-266-200	\$255,650	\$67,108
LOSAP	01-201-25-267-200	\$125,000	\$0.00
TOTAL		\$639,619	\$135,087
Engineering S&W	01-201-20-165-100	\$275,911	\$72,427
Engineering O.E.	01-201-20-165-200	\$64,912	\$17,039
TOTAL		\$340,823	\$89,466
DPW Streets & Roads S&W	01-201-26-290-100	\$1,720,000	\$451,500
DPW Streets & Roads O.E.	01-201-26-290-200	\$441,800	\$115,973
DPW Buildings & Grounds S&W	01-201-26-291-100	\$55,430	\$14,550
DPW Buildings & Grounds O.E.	01-201-26-291-200	\$106,028	\$27,832
DPW Snow Removal S&W	01-201-26-294-100	\$250,000	\$250,000
DPW Snow Removal O.E.	01-201-26-294-200	\$1,030,000	\$990,000
DPW Vehicle Maintenance S&W	01-201-26-315-100	\$352,277	\$92,473
DPW Vehicle Maintenance O.E.	01-201-26-315-200	\$265,500	\$90,000
TOTAL		\$4,221,035	\$2,032,328
Public Health S&W	01-201-27-330-100	\$265,964	\$69,816
Public Health O.E.	01-201-27-330-200	\$37,637	\$9,880
Vital Statistics S&W	01-201-27-331-100	\$8,790	\$2,307
Vital Statistics O.E.	01-201-27-331-200	\$2,200	\$578
Housing Standard Bureau O.E.	01-201-27-332-441	\$8,000	\$2,100
Environmental Health S&W	01-201-27-335-100	\$211,016	\$55,392
Environmental Health O.E.	01-201-27-335-200	\$56,526	\$14,838
Animal Control S&W	01-201-27-340-100	\$101,325	\$26,598
Animal Control O.E.	01-201-55-500-200	\$0	-
TOTAL		\$691,458	\$181,508
Recreation Programs S&W	01-201-28-370-100	\$283,494	\$74,417
Recreation Programs O.E.	01-201-28-370-200	\$116,000	\$30,450
Recreation.-Bubbling Springs S&W	01-201-28-371-100	\$208,594	\$-
Recreation.-Bubbling Springs O.E.	01-201-28-370-200	\$66,000	\$30,000
Recreation.-Admin. S&W	01-201-28-372-100	\$145,160	\$38,105
Recreation.-Admin. O.E.	01-201-28-372-200	\$13,355	\$3,506
Recreation.-Hillcrest S&W	01-201-28-374-100	\$113,675	\$29,840
Recreation.-Hillcrest O.E.	01-201-28-374-200	\$41,250	\$10,828
Recreation.-Parks Maintenance S&W	01-201-28-375-100	\$297,017	\$77,967
Recreation.-Parks Maintenance O.E.	01-201-28-375-200	\$106,400	\$106,400
Senior Citizen Services S&W	01-201-28-376-100	\$50,000	\$13,125
Senior Citizen Services O.E.	01-201-28-376-200	\$9,750	\$2,559
TOTAL		\$1,450,695	\$417,194
Veteran's Bureau S&W	01-201-20-172-100	\$1,250	\$328
Veteran's Bureau O.E.	01-201-20-172-200	\$150	\$39
TOTAL		\$1,400	\$368

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Celebration of Public Events O.E.	01-201-30-420-200	\$11,000	\$-
Mass Transportation	01-201-30-432-200	\$78,120	\$20,507
Library S&W	01-201-29-390-100	\$500,000	\$131,250
Library O.E.	01-201-29-390-200	\$503,057	\$132,052
TOTAL		\$1,092,177	\$283,809
Municipal Court S&W	01-201-43-490-100	\$269,614	\$70,774
Municipal Court O.E.	01-201-43-490-200	\$19,950	\$5,237
Municipal Court Prosecutor S&W	01-201-43-491-100	\$38,000	\$9,975
Municipal Court Public Defender Fees	01-201-43-491-200	\$1,000	\$263
TOTAL		\$328,564	\$86,248
Utilities-Electricity	01-201-31-430-200	\$187,150	\$49,127
Utilities-Street Lights	01-201-31-435-200	\$58,500	\$15,356
Utilities-Telephone	01-201-31-440-200	\$137,500	\$36,094
Utilities-Natural Gas	01-201-31-446-200	\$58,900	\$15,461
Utilities-Fuel	01-201-31-460-200	\$420,000	\$110,250
TOTAL		\$862,050	\$226,288
PERS	01-201-36-471-532	\$868,846	\$-
Social Security	01-201-36-472-533	\$675,000	\$177,188
Defined Contributions Retirement Prog	01-201-36-475-536	\$7,200	\$1,890
PFRS	01-201-36-473-534	\$1,331,100	\$-
TOTAL		\$2,882,146	\$179,078
Salaries & Wages Adjustment Account	01-201-37-480-501	\$140,000	\$-
Compensated Absences	01-201-38-485-110	\$110,000	
Interlocal Agreement - Registrar	01-201-47-400-130	\$18,996	\$4,986
TOTAL		\$268,996	\$4,986
Judgements		\$0	
Deficit in 2004 Assessment Bonds	01-201-46-886-596	\$0	
Emergency Authorization	01-201-46-887-528	\$30,000	
Reserve for Tax Appeals	01-201-46-886-667	\$100,000	
Def Charges - Ord 07-06 Various Rd. Impr	01-201-46-886-510	\$30,000	
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	01-201-50-899-200	\$2,125,000	
TOTAL		\$2,285,000	\$-
GRANTS	G-02-41	\$130,319	
SUBTOTAL		\$28,996,269	\$7,611,520.89
CAPITAL BUDGET			
CURRENT YEAR CAPITAL			
Capital Improvements Fund	01-201-44-900-200	\$175,000	\$-
Cap Improvements Fund Down Payments			\$-
Cap. Improv. Fund-Fire Emer Equip.	01-201-44-900-230	\$292,739	
TOTAL		\$467,739	\$-
DEBT SERVICE TOTAL		\$3,691,280	\$1,634,722.75
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		\$33,155,288	\$9,246,294
SOLID WASTE DISTRICT BUDGET			
Solid Waste S&W	26-201-55-500-100	\$113,719	\$29,851
Solid Waste O.E. All Other	26-201-55-500-200	\$223,350	\$58,629

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Contractual Services	26-201-55-500-514	\$960,000	\$252,000
Disposal Fees	26-201-55-500-548	\$680,000	\$178,500
Grants - Recycling County of Passaic		\$0	\$-
Prior Year's Bills		\$0	\$-
Commercial Pick Up		\$0	\$-
TOTAL		\$1,977,069	\$518,981

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~ Resolution 2017 - 385 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO TRANSFER ITEMS OF CURRENT FUND APPROPRIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISION OF N.J.S.A. 40:4 - 58

WHEREAS, there appears to be a surplus in the 2017 appropriation over and above the demand deemed to be necessary for the balance of the year:

APPROPRIATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	TRANSFER PROPOSAL
Public Works S&W	26-290-100	\$96,000
Gasoline/Diesel	31-460-200	70,000
PERS	36-472-532	60,000
Bubbling Springs, S&W	28-371-100	15,000
Social Security	36-472-533	60,000
TOTAL TRANSFERS OUT		\$301,000

WHEREAS, there appears to be insufficient funds in the following appropriations to meet the demands thereon for the balance of the 2017 budget year:

Tax Collector, S&W	20-145-101	\$1,000
Tax Assessor, O.E.	20-150-200	300,000
TOTAL TRANSFERS IN		\$301,000

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Township of West Milford in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, part of the 2017 appropriation heretofore mentioned be and the same are hereby transferred to the appropriations mentioned as being insufficient to meet prior demands, and

A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk to the Township Treasurer.

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~ Resolution 2017 - 386 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE CANCELLATION OF APPROPRIATED EMERGENCY FUNDS ASSOCIATED WITH TAX APPEALS

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford received approval from the Division of Local Government Services for an Emergency Application – N.J.S.A.40A:4-46 in the amount of \$300,000.00 for Tax Appeals settled as requested per Resolution 2017-349; and

WHEREAS, unexpended budget items have been identified and transfers have been made to the Tax Assessor OE budget to cover said tax appeals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford in the County of Passaic (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that the emergency appropriation for Tax Appeals be canceled; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that two certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF THE 2013 NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH STUART B. KLEPESCH TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD (TAX FORECLOSURE LIST #32)

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford wishes to continue the award of a professional services contract by virtue of Resolution 2015-395 adopted December 16, 2015 for the 2017 year to represent the Township in foreclosure matters as outlined in foreclosure list # 32; and

WHEREAS, Stuart B. Klepesch, has worked on these matters on behalf of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds for these services, said funds have been encumbered to account number 01-203-20-145-503 in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Stuart B. Klepesch, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that this firm has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of West Milford with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the firm of Stuart B. Klepesch from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Township Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Stuart B. Klepesch for the continuation of professional services to assist the Township with legal matters pertaining to those tax foreclosures outlined in tax foreclosure list #32.
2. By virtue of Resolution 2015-395, \$29,000 was appropriated for list #32 and to date \$5,236.20 has been expended. Therefore, there is a remaining balance of \$23,763.80 for the completion of foreclosure list #32.
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as Professional Services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20 et seq. and the local public contracts law.
4. This contract shall expire on completion of foreclosure list #32 or December 31, 2018 whichever comes first.
5. That a notice of this action shall be published in accordance with law, and said notice to provide that the contract awarded and this resolution authorizing same are available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.
6. This resolution approves and serves as the continuation of the contract dated November 12, 2014 extending the contract through December 31, 2018.

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF THE 2016 NON-FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH STUART B. KLEPESCH TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD (TAX FORECLOSURE LIST #33)

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford wishes to continue the award of a professional services contract by virtue of Resolution 2017-047 adopted January 4, 2017 for the 2016 year to represent the Township in foreclosure matters as outlined in foreclosure list # 33; and

WHEREAS, Stuart B. Klepesch, has worked on these matters on behalf of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds for these services, said funds have been encumbered to account number 01-201-20-145-503 in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Stuart B. Klepesch, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that this firm has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of West Milford with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the firm of Stuart B. Klepesch from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:5-104.29 et seq., the Tax Collector has certified to the Township Council for the Township of West Milford, in the County of Passaic, a municipality of the State of New Jersey, is the holder of certain Tax Sale Certificates covering the lands and premises situated in the Township of West Milford for the amounts, including subsequent liens as shown on the Tax Foreclosure List, Schedules 1 through 25 hereto annexed and made a part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Members of the Township Council of the Township of West Milford as follows:

1. That it is hereby determined to foreclose, In Rem, those tax sale certificates appearing on the attached Tax Foreclosure List.
2. That the tax collector or its designee is hereby authorized and directed to foreclose the tax sale certificates appearing on the attached tax foreclosure list by summary proceedings provided by statute.
3. That the Township Clerk shall certify a true and accurate copy of this resolution to be made a part of such action instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the aforesaid tax sale certificates.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REINSTATEMENT OF TAXES

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records receipt of payment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes recommends the reinstatement of taxes due to reasons stated below.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to reinstate as listed below:

REASON: 1. INSUFFICIENT FUNDS

BLOCK/LOT	NAME	AMOUNT	YEAR
5901-14	J. & F. McClellan	\$2,583.00	2017
13102-34	Christopher Gianetti	\$2,897.00	2017
3503-12	Lend More, LLC	\$6,982.75	2017
3503-12	Lend More, LLC	\$6,952.00	2018
15903-001	William J. Hamilton	\$1,231.00	2017
TOTAL		\$20,645.75	

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF TAXES

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records balances as listed below; and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes recommends the cancellation of taxes due to reasons listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cancel as hereafter listed below:

REASON: 1. 100% DISABLED VETERAN

Block & Lot	Name and Address	Amount	Year	Reason
02409-005	Harry Rodgers 18 Dunham Rd Hewitt, NJ 07421	\$660.50	2017	1
		\$2,382.00	2018	
05304-006	Daniel Torres 44 Alpine Rd West Milford, NJ 07480	\$8,598.36	2017	1
		\$8,614.00	2018	
TOTAL		\$20,254.86		

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF TAXES

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records balances as listed below; and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes recommends the cancellation of taxes due to reasons listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cancel as hereafter listed below:

REASON: TAX EXEMPT

BLOCK/LOT	NAME	AMOUNT	YEAR
6902-1	Land Conservancy of New Jersey	\$3,796.00	2018 1 st Half
TOTAL		\$3,796.00	

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENTS – SENIORS/VETERANS

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records overpayment as shown below and the Collector of Taxes recommends the refund of such overpayment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue checks refunding such overpayment as shown below:

- REASON:**
- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Incorrect Payment | 5. Homestead Rebate |
| 2. Duplicate Payment | 6. Tax Appeal CB |
| 3. Senior Citizen | 7. State Court Tax Appeal |
| 4. Veteran | 8. 100% Disabled Veteran |

Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Year	Reason
00604-006	Virginia Rees 75 Witte Rd Hewitt, NJ 07421	\$250.00	2017	3
2201-005.01	Robert Haff 85 Longhouse Dr Hewitt, NJ 07421	\$250.00	2017	4
03009-019	Janna Bedford 457 Lakeside Rd Hewitt, NJ 07421	\$250.00	2017	3
03602-003	Edward Kessler 15 Stainsby Rd Hewitt, NJ 07421	\$250.00	2017	4
05311-001.19	Margaret Kidd 2 Richmond Rd Suite 119 West Milford, NJ 07480	\$250.00	2017	4
05311-003.12	Barbara Symes 2 Richmond Rd Suite 312 West Milford, NJ 07480	\$250.00	2017	4
05708-023	Scott Peat 53 Belleau Gateway West Milford, NJ 07480	\$250.00	2017	4
07801-006.06	Thomas Clark 6f New Bedford Rd West Milford, NJ 07480	\$250.00	2017	4
08602-032	Adam Courtney 52 Cherbourg Dr West Milford, NJ 07480	\$250.00	2017	4

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Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Year	Reason
09901-022	Frank Zitzman 22 Oakdale Ave Aberdeen, Maryland 21001	\$250.00	2017	4
10808-005	Matthew Paz 4 Seymour Dr West Milford , NJ 07480	\$250.00	2017	4
14501-013	Shirley Fitzpatrick 53 Blakely Lane Newfoundland, NJ 07435	\$250.00	2017	3
14902-005	Bruce Rufner 48 Timber Lane E Newfoundland, NJ 07435	\$250.00	2017	4
15504-011	Jerzy Suchocki 8 Mark Terr Newfoundland, NJ 07435	\$250.00	2017	3
02409-005	Harry Rodgers 18 Dunham Rd Hewitt, NJ 07421	\$660.50	2017	8
TOTAL		\$4,160.50		

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENTS – DUPLICATES/APPEALS

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records overpayment as shown below and the Collector of Taxes recommends the refund of such overpayment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue checks refunding such overpayment as shown below:

- REASON:**
- | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Incorrect Payment | 4. Homestead Rebate |
| 2. Duplicate Payment | 5. State Tax Appeal |
| 3. Senior Citizen/Veteran Deduction | 6. 100% Disabled Veteran |

Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Year	Reason
201-9	Tailored Title, LLC 96 Pompton Avenue Verona, NJ 07044	\$1,678.00	2017	2
3605-2	CoreLogic Centralized Refunds PO Box 9202 Coppell, TX 75019-9978	\$1,916.00	2017	2
5311-3.10	CoreLogic Centralized Refunds PO Box 9202 Coppell, TX 75019-9978	\$543.00	2017	2
5320-16.01	Lakeland Bank Mortgage Escrow Department 250 Oak Ridge Road Oak Ridge, NJ 07438	\$2,183.00	2017	2
5505-2.03	CoreLogic Centralized Refunds PO Box 9202 Coppell, TX 75019-9978	\$813.15	2017	2
6401-1	Greer, Scocca & Lau LLC S & R Holdings, LLC 525 Route 73 N. Suite 309 Marlton, NJ 08053	\$19,151.92	2017	5
7101-11	Jerome & Joanne Blanchfield 4 Shady Lane West Milford, NJ 07480	\$1,799.00	2017	2
8802-25	Town Title Agency, LLC East 40 Midland Avenue	\$2,541.00	2017	2

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Block/Lot	Name	Amount	Year	Reason
	Paramus, NJ 07652			
9408-1	Anthony & Diane Melione 9 Evelyn Drive West Milford, NJ 07480	\$1,715.71	2017	2
10502-27.01	Alexander & Patricia Roiz 9 Hancock Drive West Milford, NJ 07480	\$2,031.00	2017	2
11302-10	Wells Fargo R.E. Tax Service LLC Att: Financial Support Unit MAC X2301-02-C 1 Home Campus Des Moines, IA 50328-0001	\$2,160.00	2017	2
15501-4	Kenworth Title LLC 5A Franklin Place Morristown, NJ 07960	\$1,868.00	2017	2
16202-7	Thomas Raymond & Lisa D'Andrea 23 Albertine Place Oak Ridge, NJ 07438	\$2,313.00	2017	2
TOTAL		\$40,712.78		

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF RECREATION FEES

BE IT RESOLVED that the following recreational fees upon the report of the Director of Community Services and Recreation be refunded:

Rec Basketball		
Ryan	\$55.00	Brianne Bauer 13 Sussex Drive West Milford, NJ 07480
Senior Holiday Luncheon		
Marlene	\$25.00	Marlene Terhune 3 Glencross Road West Milford, NJ 07480

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING REFUND OF ESCROW MONIES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Milford that, based upon the report and request of the Planning Department the following Escrow monies be refunded:

Name & Address	Application No.	Amount of Escrow	Amount of Refund
Jennifer Hubinger 308 High Crest West Milford, NJ 07480	ZB05-14-04 16-288-56-705-060	\$950.00	\$410.50

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF OTHER LIENS

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes has reported receiving the amounts shown below for the redemption of the respective lien.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of West Milford that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized and directed to pay the indicated amount to the holder of the lien certificate as hereinafter shown below:

Certificate No.	Certificate Date	Block/Lot/Qual	Reimbursement Amount	Pay to Lien Holder
14-0084	10/14/2014	16602-006	\$38,280.41	PC5 LLC USB CUST FOR PC5 STER. NAT. 50 SOUTH 16TH STREET SUITE 2050 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102
16-0036	10/11/2016	03603-007	\$192,930.84	CHRISTIANA TRUST AS CUSTODIAN GSRAN-Z; LLC DEPOSIT ACCOUNT PO BOX 71276
16-0054	10/11/2016	06716-005	\$5,655.75	FWDSL & ASSOCIATES LP 17 WEST CLIFF STREET SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876
16-0070	10/11/2016	09706-012	\$5,833.49	FWDSL & ASSOCIATES LP 17 WEST CLIFF STREET SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876
16-0072	10/11/2016	10202-001	\$43,396.95	US BANK CUST BV002 TRST & CRDTRS 50 SOUTH 16TH ST SUITE 2050 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102
17-0002	10/10/2017	00303-013.01	\$22,038.65	FIG CAPITAL MANAGEMENT MTAG CST FIG CAP INV NJ13 8323 RAMONA BLVD W STE 2 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32221
17-0007	10/10/2017	01802-010	\$20,008.24	US BANK CUST FOR PC7 FIRSTRUST BANK 50 SOUTH 16 TH STREET SUITE 2050 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102
17-0039	10/10/2017	07801-028.04	\$2,685.60	SHLISH BKARKA TR 115 WALLABOUT ST APT 4 BROOKLYN, NY 11206
Grand Total:			\$330,829.93	

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~ Resolution 2017 – 399 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF VARIOUS LICENSES FOR THE LICENSE YEAR 2018

WHEREAS, applications have been made for the new licenses and the renewal of various Licenses for the 2018 license year; and

WHEREAS, reports of recommendation have been received from applicable Township Departments recommending the issuance of said licenses as listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford does hereby approve the issuance of 2018 Licenses as listed below:

License No.	2018 POOL TABLE LICENSES
2018-07	Pioneer Bar & Grill t/a Pioneer Bar & Grill
2018-08	Bearfort Plaza t/a Valley View Pub & Liquors
License No.	2018 CLOTHING BIN LICENSES
2018-23	Synergy In-Kind Donations Mgt. Inc. – WM Boy Scouts of America
License No.	2018 LIMOUSINE OWNER LICENSES
2018-03	S&J Limousine Inc. – John Karwoski
License No.	2018 LIMOUSINE DRIVER LICENSES
2018-03	S&J Limousine Inc. – John Karwoski

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A COMPETITIVE BIDDING REMEDIATION CONTRACT TO G ENVIRONMENTAL FOR THE TOWN HALL SOIL REMEDIATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford advertised for the receipt of sealed competitive bids to be received on December 19, 2017 at 10:00 am for the necessary remediation of petroleum contaminated soil at Town Hall, as per the bid specifications; and

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford received fifteen (15) bids for this contract; and

WHEREAS, said bids have been duly reviewed and analyzed by the West Milford Township Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the bid received from the low bidder GECP Inc. dba as G Environmental has been found to be in proper form and in compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.5 and the specifications as written; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that encumbrances for these services shall come from the following accounts: \$90,855.00 from 01-201-20-161-452 and \$4,145.00 from 01-201-20-161-450; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township Council hereby awards a contract to G Environmental Inc., 52 South Hillside Avenue, Succasunna, NJ 07876 for Remediation of Petroleum Contaminated Soil at West Milford Town Hall subject to the review and approval of the Township Attorney in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00.
2. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with G Environmental, Inc. in accordance with its bid for said Remediation of Petroleum Contaminated Soil at West Milford Town Hall, in the Township of West Milford.
3. The Township's Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for same.
4. This resolution and contract shall be available for public inspection in the office of the Township Clerk.

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~ Resolution No. 2017 – 403 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE TERMS OF A SUCCESSOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH AFSCME LOCAL 3301 FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019

WHEREAS, the Township of West Milford ("Township") and the AFSCME, Local 3301 have been conducting negotiations for successor Collective Bargaining Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desires to approve the terms of the agreement as recommended by the Township Administrator in accordance with the memorandum of agreement signed on December 12, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of West Milford as follows:

1. The Parties have reached a tentative Agreement; and
2. AFSCME, Local 3301 has ratified the terms of the Agreement; and
3. The Township desires to ratify the terms of the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, ratifies the terms contained in the Agreement with AFSCME, Local 3301 as recommended by the Township Administrator for inclusion in successor Collective Bargaining Agreements and directs the Township Administrator to incorporate said terms into the parties' Collective Bargaining Agreement and authorize the Township Administrator to execute said Collective Bargaining Agreement when completed.

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Councilman Wagner – Provided an update on the Community Services and Recreation Committee. He reminded everyone that Nonsenzo Field is coming along and he looks forward to the completion. He provided an update on the Snow Subcommittee and the brine use. He said the Menorah Lighting was a great turnout and thanked the Councilmembers that attended. He thanked Councilwoman Lichtenberg and Councilwoman Erik for their service. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah.

Councilman McGuinness – Noted that his first year as a Councilmember was over and it was a big learning experience. He thanked the Governing Body for supporting the new gym floor and said they accomplished so much. He thanked Councilwoman Lichtenberg and Councilwoman Erik and said he looks forward to working with Councilwoman-Elect Gerst and Councilwoman-Elect Pegel. He mentioned that the tree lighting and menorah lighting is important to the Township and he looks forward to serving as a Councilman next year. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Councilman Signorino – Said it was a good year and he is looking forward to next year. He feels very positive with the incoming councilmembers and he is ready for a new year. He thanked his family and the residents and he wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year; be safe and enjoy the holidays. He requested that the RFP for insurance coordinator be separated from the risk manager and he looks forward to getting the RFP's. He provided an update on the museum and noted the event dates and times. He mentioned that the volunteers at the museum are on the Heritage Committee. He said if anyone has historic artifacts from West Milford and they want them displayed, they can visit the museum on Saturdays between 1pm and 4pm.

Councilwoman Lichtenberg – Mentioned that there will be a parent workshop on substance abuse and mental health issues on January 10th at Westbrook Elementary School and its open to all Township parents. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and enjoyable holiday season. She wished everyone a wonderful 2018.

Councilwoman Erik – Commended WM77TV and said they chose to film the Board of Education meetings for the public. She noted that the cameraman has his own film company, Highlander Productions. At the Board of Education meeting they chose to stipend him, so he is being paid as a private contractor.

Mayor Bieri – Announced an upcoming fundraiser for the High School baseball team; Flapjack Breakfast Fundraiser sponsored by Applebee's. She provided an update on the library and thanked everyone for their support. She thanked Councilwoman Lichtenberg and Councilwoman Erik for their services as elected officials. She welcomed Councilwoman-Elect Pegel and Councilwoman-Elect Gerst and said she looks forward to working with them. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Administrator Battaglia – Said she asked the CFO to be prepared to address the Governing Body at the regular meeting on January 17th to have a preliminary budget discussion including; library funding, Community Services and Recreation registration fees, and preliminary capital discussions. Mayor Bieri noted that the library project came in under budget, so there are surplus funds that need to be discussed. Administrator Battaglia said it has been a privilege working with Councilwoman Lichtenberg and Councilwoman Erik and she thanked them for their service.

Discussion:

Councilman Wagner asked when the cost efficient audit could be placed back on the League of Municipalities website. Mayor Bieri noted the follow-up response is on the cloud. Administrator Battaglia asked the Governing Body if it would be okay to re-advertise and extend the deadline date. The Governing Body gave consensus to re-advertise. Councilman Wagner requested that the health insurance coordinator and risk manager RFP's get re-advertised. Councilman Signorino said he can't believe that the only resource they have is the League of Municipalities and he recommended finding other resources. Administrator Battaglia said that she reached out to the BAR Association of New Jersey and asked if they would be interested in advertising the request for the labor and bond counsel. The advertisement cost is over \$400.00 for each ad and the ads would be advertised for one month. She explained that the response from the BAR was based on the advertisement; it is not something that their members would have a great interest in.

Councilman Signorino requested reaching out to the Passaic and Sussex County BAR. Mayor Bieri noted that the League of Municipalities is the place where municipal professionals go if they are searching for a job. She explained that the average Certified Public Accountant (CPA) doesn't have municipality and government accounting experience and knowledge; it's a completely different set of record keeping and rules. Councilman Signorino said that he will try to help as best as he can to try and find candidates and other resources. He said that one response is not sufficient enough for him. Councilman Hensley explained that the League of Municipalities services the entire state, and that's where the professionals go to look for a job. He believes its beneficial to try and broaden the search but he doesn't want this discussion to continue on for a long period of time. Administrator Battaglia noted that they received five responses for planner and that was advertised on the League of Municipalities website.

