

**TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE  
ESSEX COUNTY NEW JERSEY**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**AUGUST 10, 2015**

**1. ROLL CALL, INVOCATION AND FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Chiusolo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo  
Also Present: Township Manager Tucci, Attorney Zielinski for Township Attorney Scrivo, and Township Clerk Stutz

The invocation was given by Rev. Slobodan Petkovski of the Macedonian Church followed by the flag salute by Mayor Chiusolo.

Mayor Chiusolo made the required announcement concerning the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Adequate notice of this meeting was duly provided to the Verona-Cedar Grove Times and the Star Ledger on July 22, 2015 filed with the Township Clerk, and posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building Lobby in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

**2. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

(a) To consider resolution accepting resignation of Township Attorney

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

**In the Matter of:  
Accepting Resignation of Township Attorney**

**WHEREAS**, Thomas P. Scrivo, Esq. of the firm McElroy, Duetsch, Mulvaney & Carpenter, LLP has been the Township Attorney for the Township of Cedar Grove for the year 2015 and prior years since 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, Thomas P. Scrivo, Esq. has publicly resigned from the position of Township Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, Thomas P. Scrivo, Esq. has tendered a letter of resignation dated July 30, 2015, effective as of July 31, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council agrees to accept the resignation of Thomas P. Scrivo, Esq. as Township Attorney.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council hereby accepts the resignation of Thomas P. Scrivo, Esq. as Township Attorney of the Township of Cedar Grove effective immediately.

Deputy Mayor Zunic moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Tanella, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

(b) To consider resolution appointing Acting Township Attorney

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

**In the Matter of:**

**Appointment of Acting Township Attorney**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has accepted the resignation of Thomas P. Scrivo, Esq., as the Township Attorney of the Township of Cedar Grove, effective July 31, 2015.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council desires to appoint an Acting Township Attorney pending the appointment of a full-time Township Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council has decided to appoint Josh Zielinski, Esq. of the firm McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney & Carpenter, LLP as Acting Township Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 provides for the awarding of a Professional Service Contract upon resolution without public bidding;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Council hereby appoints Josh Zielinski, Esq. of the firm McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney & Carpenter, LLP as Acting Township Attorney to the Township of Cedar Grove until such time as a full-time Township Attorney is appointed

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the compensation terms will remain the same as under the previous agreement.

Deputy Mayor Zunic moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Kumburis, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

(a) To consider approval of Reorganization meeting minutes of July 1, 2015

Councilman Tanella moved approval of the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Kumburis, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

#### **4. MEETING OPEN TO RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP WISHING TO BE HEARD ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA**

Mayor Chiusolo opened this portion of the meeting to anyone wishing to be heard on any item on the agenda. There being no one present wishing to be heard, Mayor Chiusolo closed this portion of the meeting.

#### **5. REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS**

(a) Township Manager – The Manager advised that the Township is submitting a Municipal Aid application to the State for repaving of Cedar St. from Ridge Rd. to Tiffany Court. The Manager also noted submission of the Historical Society’s annual report for informational purposes. The Manager announced new additions to the Township staff; Laurie Besofsky, Assistant to Township Clerk and Sasha Perez, part-time Violations Clerk. Mr. Tucci noted block party requests, to which the governing body agreed.

(b) Township Clerk – No report

(c) Township Attorney – Attorney Zielinski provided a memo regarding the feasibility of requiring employment of resident contractors (local hire program) on multi-unit development projects, specifically the redevelopment of the Hilltop property. Attorney Zielinski advised that the Township may enact a local hire program by ordinance. Mayor Chiusolo stated that his intention in raising the issue was to require developers to hire qualified resident contractors first on development projects within the Township greater than four (4) units. Councilman Kumburis stated that the program should also give priority to the hiring of local union members on any construction projects. Following further discussion, there was consensus to review enacted local hire ordinances from other municipalities to be provided by the Township Attorney.

(d) Other Reports

Mayor Chiusolo noted that Cedar Grove was rated as the safest community in Essex County and thanked the Police Dept. Mayor Chiusolo also noted that a video was posted on you-tube capturing a Cedar Grove police officer rendering roadside assistance to a senior citizen motorist by changing a tire. Mayor Chiusolo referred to the increased practice of consumer buying over the internet and suggested the possibility of establishing a “safe zone” in which transactions could take place for the protection particularly of senior citizens, rather than a personal home. Councilman Tanella questioned if there would be liability issues for the Township should the “safe zone” be on public property. Mayor Chiusolo announced that previously scheduled “Evening with Sinatra” concert hosted by the Chamber of Commerce was rescheduled for Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Councilman Tanella advised that there will be an upcoming mailing to residents of an informational flyer regarding solid waste and recycling collection procedures and schedules.

Councilman Kumburis noted that he has schedule conflicts with two of his liaison appointments; Advisory Health Council and Senior Citizen Club. Mayor Chiusolo requested that the Clerk provide the list of liaison appointments for discussion at the next meeting.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

(a) To consider resolution concerning approval of raffle application – Macedonian Church

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

**WHEREAS**, application for raffle license has been received from:

**APPLICANTS**

**EVENTS, DATES TIMES & PLACE**

Sts. Kiril and Metodij Macedonian Orthodox Church  
1050 Pompton Ave.  
Cedar Grove NJ 07009

On-Premise merchandise raffle  
to be held October 24, 2015 at 7 – 9:00 pm  
1050 Pompton Ave., Cedar Grove NJ 07009

**WHEREAS**, the fees have been paid, and the application has been reviewed by the Township Clerk and found acceptable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove that it does hereby approve said application.

Councilman Tanella moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Deputy Mayor Zunic, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

(b) To consider resolution concerning approval of raffle application – Memorial Middle School FSA

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

**WHEREAS**, application for raffle license has been received from:

**APPLICANTS**

**EVENTS, DATES TIMES & PLACE**

Memorial Middle School FSA  
500 Ridge Rd.  
Cedar Grove NJ 07009

Off-Premise 50/50 raffle  
to be held September 17, 2015 at 7:30 pm  
500 Ridge Rd., Cedar Grove NJ 07009

**WHEREAS**, the fees have been paid, and the application has been reviewed by the Township Clerk and found acceptable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove that it does hereby approve said application.

Councilman Tanella moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Deputy Mayor Zunic, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

- (a) To consider introduction of Pending Ordinance No. 15-786 – Salary Grades and Ranges, Wages and Fees for DPW employees

The clerk read the Ordinance by title only:

**PENDING ORDINANCE NO. 15-786**

AN ORDINANCE TO FIXING SALARY GRADES AND RANGES, WAGES AND FEES OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 & 2019.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Unless heretofore created and established in the Township of Cedar Grove; the salary grades and the ranges, wages and fees of certain employees with the Department of Public Works of the Township of Cedar Grove shall be as follows:

FISCAL YEAR 2015

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>POSITION CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
3	Maintenance Worker	\$34,591.	\$53,545.
4	Equipment Operator	\$40,000.	\$55,846.
5	Sewer Plant Operator	\$42,000.	\$57,846.
6	Mechanic Auto/Sewer/Water	\$45,000.	\$67,300.
7	Engineering Aide	\$47,000.	\$68,100.
8	Road Department Foreman Parks/Grounds Dept. Foreman Water Department Foreman Sewer Department Foreman Senior Engineering Aide	\$57,246.	\$82,330.
9	Superintendent	\$81,906.	\$106,214.

FISCAL YEAR 2016

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>POSITION CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
3	Maintenance Worker	\$34,591.	\$54,616.
4	Equipment Operator	\$40,000.	\$56,963.
5	Sewer Plant Operator	\$42,000.	\$59,002.
6	Mechanic Auto/Sewer/Water	\$45,000.	\$68,646.
7	Engineering Aide	\$47,000.	\$69,100.
8	Road Department Foreman Parks/Grounds Dept. Foreman Water Department Foreman Sewer Department Foreman Senior Engineering Aide	\$57,246.	\$83,977.
9	Superintendent	\$81,906.	\$106,214.

FISCAL YEAR 2017

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>POSITION CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
3	Maintenance Worker	\$34,591.	\$55,708.
4	Equipment Operator	\$40,000.	\$58,102.
5	Sewer Plant Operator	\$42,000.	\$60,182.
6	Mechanic Auto/Sewer/Water	\$45,000.	\$70,019.
7	Engineering Aide	\$47,000.	\$70,482.
8	Road Department Foreman Parks/Grounds Dept. Foreman Water Department Foreman Sewer Department Foreman Senior Engineering Aide	\$57,246.	\$85,977.
9	Superintendent	\$81,906.	\$106,214.

FISCAL YEAR 2018

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>POSITION CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
3	Maintenance Worker	\$34,591.	\$56,822.
4	Equipment Operator	\$40,000.	\$59,264.
5	Sewer Plant Operator	\$42,000.	\$61,386.
6	Mechanic Auto/Sewer/Water	\$45,000.	\$71,419.
7	Engineering Aide	\$47,000.	\$71,812.
8	Road Department Foreman Parks/Grounds Dept. Foreman Water Department Foreman Sewer Department Foreman Senior Engineering Aide	\$57,246.	\$87,697.
9	Superintendent	\$81,906	\$106,214.

FISCAL YEAR 2019

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>POSITION CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
3	Maintenance Worker	\$34,591.	\$57,958.
4	Equipment Operator	\$40,000.	\$60,449.
5	Sewer Plant Operator	\$42,000.	\$62,614.
6	Mechanic Auto/Sewer/Water	\$45,000.	\$72,847.
7	Engineering Aide	\$47,000.	\$73,248.
8	Road Department Foreman Parks/Grounds Dept. Foreman Water Department Foreman Sewer Department Foreman Senior Engineering Aide	\$57,246.	\$89,451.
9	Superintendent	\$81,906.	\$106,214.

<u>GROUP II</u>	<u>FIXED SALARIES AND FEES</u>
Township Clerk	\$ 83,395.
Township Manager	\$178,994.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect as prescribed by law.

Councilman Tanella moved that Pending Ordinance #15-786 be passed at first reading, published in the Verona-Cedar Grove Times as a pending ordinance with a public hearing of September 14, 2015, seconded by Deputy Mayor Zunic, and passed by the following vote:  
 AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo  
 NO: None  
 ABSENT: Councilman Longo

(b) To consider resolution concerning adoption of Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

**WHEREAS**, the use existence of a employee personnel manual was an issue addressed in the CY2014/SFY2015 Best Practices Inventory set forth by the State of New Jersey Division of Local Government Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township's insurance carrier (NJLIF) has recommended adoption of a personnel manual; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Manager has prepared a Personnel Policies and Procedure Manual (hereinafter referred to as "the Manual") for the Township of Cedar Grove; and

**WHEREAS**, the Manual contains guidelines to be followed by the Township of Cedar Grove as the employer, and its employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Manual sets forth and addresses policies relating to employee rights and obligations, workplace policies, paid and unpaid time-off policies, and compensation and employee benefits policies; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Township of Cedar Grove and its employees to establish a personnel manual to serve as a valuable tool to convey the Township's policies, procedures, and benefits.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove does hereby approve and adopt the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual as prepared and submitted by the Township Manager.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Manual replaces any prior written and/or oral communications pertaining to the subject matters contained herein.



Deputy Mayor Zunic moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Tanella, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

(c) To consider resolution concerning cancellation of sewer charges

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined upon investigation of the Township Manger that the sewer charges assessed to the account listed herein should be cancelled:

<u>Name &amp; Address</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Total Cancelled</u>
Michael Duffy 64 Brunswick Road Cedar Grove, NJ 07009 Acct. No. 2-2001200	<u>\$376.30</u>	<u>\$376.30</u>

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to cancel the sewer charges for the above account.

Deputy Mayor Zunic moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Tanella, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

(d) To consider resolution concerning purchase through Morris County Coop – Utility Truck

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Cedar Grove utilizes the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council Contract #15-C for utility trucks; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract amount for one utility truck will not exceed \$23,956.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds are available to satisfy our obligations under this contract through Bond Ordinance No. 14-773.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove authorize the Township of Cedar Grove to purchase from the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council Contract #15-C for one utility truck from Route 23 Automall, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$23,956.00.

Deputy Mayor Zunic moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Kumburis, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

(e) To consider resolution concerning renewal of ABC licenses

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

WHEREAS, the following individuals and corporations have applied for the renewal of their Alcoholic Beverage Licenses for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, namely:

<u>LICENSE NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>TRADENAME</u>	<u>FEE</u>
0704-31-012-001	Cedar Grove Lodge #2237 of B.P.O Elks 405 Bowden Road	Cedar Grove Elks Club	\$ 150.00
0704-44-001-008	Shree Nath, Inc. 597 Pompton Avenue	Cedar Grove Liquors	\$1,174.00
0704-44-009-008	Cedar Grove Wine Cellar LLC 420 Pompton Ave.	Cedar Grove Wine Cellar	\$1,174.00
0704-33-002-004	Pompton Restaurant Assoc. 1131 Pompton Avenue	Il Tulipano	\$2,002.00
0704-33-003-004	Second Gen Catering Inc. 691 Pompton Ave.	The Grove	\$2,002.00
0704-33-006-001	Seeger Restaurant Ent. 134 E. Lindsley Road	LuNello's	\$2,002.00
0704-33-007-005	Edward Fitzpatrick, Inc. 292 Grove Avenue	The Grasshopper	\$2,002.00
0704-33-008-007	Down Neck LLC 599 Pompton Ave.	Lombardi's Bar & Restaurant	\$2,002.00
0704-33-011-006	The Gourmet Group LLC 505 Pompton Ave.	DelMonico's	\$2,002.00

WHEREAS, the above individuals and corporations have submitted their municipal fee for renewal to the Township Clerk, and received the required tax clearance certificate; and

WHEREAS, said applications comply with the State Laws regulating the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove that the applications for renewal of existing alcoholic beverage license from the above mentioned individuals and corporations be approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue said licenses to the applicants for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

Deputy Mayor Zunic moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Kumburis, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSTAIN: Councilman Tanella

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

(f) To consider resolution concerning renewal of inactive ABC licenses

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

WHEREAS, the following corporations have applied for the renewal of their Alcoholic Beverage Licenses for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, namely:

<u>LICENSE NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>TRADENAME</u>	<u>FEE</u>
0704-33-005-009	Ramven, Inc. 30 Pompton Ave.	N/A	\$2,002.
0704-33-010-003	Shu Box, Inc. 256 Pompton Ave.	N/A	\$2,002.

WHEREAS, the above corporations have submitted their application for renewal to the Township Clerk, and said application complies with the State Laws regulating the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, the licensees filed a verified petition to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control of the State of New Jersey requesting authorization for the local issuing authority to consider its renewal application for the 2015-2016 license term pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control of the State of New Jersey has authorized the Mayor and Council of the Township of Cedar Grove to consider the application of Ramven, Inc. and Shu Box, Inc. for renewal of its license for the 2015-2016 license term as an inactive license and to grant or deny said application in the reasonable exercise of their discretion and;

WHEREAS, the licensee must file an amendment to said license application pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:2-2.4 to activate the license during the 2015-2016 term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove that the application for renewal of existing alcoholic beverage license from Ramven, Inc. and Shu Box, Inc. be approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue said licenses to the applicants for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

Deputy Mayor Zunic moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Kumburis, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

(g) To consider resolution concerning property tax exemption

The following resolution had been posted on the bulletin board, and a brief synopsis was given by the Township Clerk:

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30, a veteran who has been discharged or released under honorable circumstances and is 100% permanently disabled as a result of a service connected disability declared by the United States Veterans Administration shall be exempt from property taxation; and

**WHEREAS**, Johnny Miller of 58 Elmwood Road, Block – 27 Lot – 29, has filed a claim with the tax assessor certifying his right of property tax exemption in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.31;and

**WHEREAS**, the claim filed by Johnny Miller of 58 Elmwood Road, Block – 27 Lot – 29 for the property tax exemption has been allowed by the tax assessor; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2015 property taxes subject to tax exemption totals \$7,734.36.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove that the required 2015 tax cancellation be made:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Owner &amp; Location</u>	<u>Tax Cancellation</u>
27	29	Johnny Miller 58 Elwood Road Cedar Grove, NJ 07009	<u>\$7,734.36</u>

Deputy Mayor Zunic moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Councilman Kumburis, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

**8. APPROVAL OF BILLS**

The Bill Resolution was read by title and amount as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove, County of Essex, New Jersey, that the attached summary of bills having been duly audited and found correct be and they are thereby ordered paid and that warrants be drawn on the Treasurer in the aggregate amount of \$ 743,388.81

Councilman Tanella moved adoption of the resolution, seconded by Deputy Mayor Zunic , and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Longo, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

**9. MEETING OPEN TO RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP WISHING TO BE HEARD ON ANY ITEM ON OR OFF THE AGENDA CONCERNING TOWNSHIP BUSINESS**

Robert O'Toole; 3 Old Orchard Ct. – Mr. O'Toole congratulated the Police Dept. for the Township being recognized as the safest community in Essex County. Mr. O'Toole supported the concept of a local hire program. Mr. O'Toole commented that quality of work is based on an individual's personal integrity not whether he is a union or non-union laborer/contractor.

John Martinelli; 30 Hillside Ave. – Mr. Martinelli inquired the status of the VFW property. The Manager advised that the property is for sale by the VFW. The Manager explained that the Township effected the demolition of the building for safety concerns because the VFW lacked the funds and has placed a lien on the property for building demolition costs.

Nicholas Kumburis; 41 The Glen – Mr. Kumburis concurred with Mr. O'Toole's comments regarding workmanship quality. Mr. Kumburis referred to the demolition of the VFW building and inquired if there are any plans to relocate the veterans. Mr. Tucci advised that the municipal building has been made accessible to the VFW members for meetings. Mr. Kumburis suggested the possibility of the Township donating money to the VFW to provide for a new location. The Manager advised that he has been in contact with national commander and head of the VFW to discuss a viable solution for all parties.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Councilman Tanella moved adjournment of the public council meeting, seconded by Deputy Mayor Zunic, and passed by the following vote:

AYE: Councilman Kumburis, Tanella, Deputy Mayor Zunic, Mayor Chiusolo

NO: None

ABSENT: Councilman Longo

The regular public meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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JOSEPH CHIUSOLO      MAYOR

ATTEST:

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KATHLEEN R. STUTZ      MUNICIPAL CLERK