

A Virtual Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne was held on the above date at 7:02pm via “GoTo Meeting”. Council President Matthews announced the meeting can be viewed live on Cable Channels Optimum Channel 77, Verizon FIOS Channel 28 and Live Streaming on Facebook: Borough Hawthorne NJ Group, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1135979460070290>. Questions/comments can be emailed Eric Maurer in advance of the meeting at emaurer@hawthornenj.org, or you may call into the meeting during public comments and public hearings by dialing (312)757-3121 using the access code 472-199-829, or you may join from your computer, Tablet or Smartphone by logging into: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/472199829>.

Once logged on, all members of the public must mute themselves and remain muted until the public comment portion of the meeting. Persons wishing to speak may do so by raising their hand or using the chat feature and will be called upon by the Council President. Speakers must identify themselves by name and address before speaking. Any person disrupting the meeting will be muted by the organizer and should such disruption continue, they may be removed from the meeting. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

The following were present via GoTo Meeting:

Mayor	Richard S. Goldberg
Council President	Frank E. Matthews
Council Vice President.....	John V. Lane
Councilman	Bruce A. Bennett
Councilman	Dominic Mele
Councilwoman.....	Rayna Laiosa
Councilman.....	Mike Sciarra
Councilman	Joseph Wojtecki
Borough Administrator	Eric Maurer
Borough Attorney	Michael J. Pasquale
Borough Engineer Representative.....	Peter Ten Kate
ABSENT: Borough Clerk	Lori Fernandez

FLAG SALUTE

Council President Matthews invited all present to join him in the flag salute.

STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Annual Schedule of Regular Meetings heretofore adopted and posted on the Public Bulletin Board at the Municipal Building, emailed to The Herald News, The Record, The Gazette and all persons who have requested the mailing of such schedule, and a copy of said schedule has remained on file in the office of the Borough Clerk from and since December 3, 2020. In accordance with Executive Orders issued by Governor Murphy relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this meeting will take place in a virtual setting on the GoTo Meeting platform.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the Minutes for the meeting of February 3, 2021 and Bid Minutes for Solid Waste, Recyclables & Yard Waste bids, motion by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Council Vice President Lane. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only) Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard for agenda items only, please call in at (312)757-3121 access code 472-199-829, email emaurer@hawthornenj.org or if logged on use the Chat feature.

Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion to close public comment, motion by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Sciarra. Carried on voice vote.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES None.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Wojtecki stated he has not received any information on the complaint regarding the Prospect Park street sweeper dumping sediment in the road. Administrator Maurer stated he would follow up on it.

Councilman Bennett asked Administrator Maurer for a follow up on the Pan Chemical site.

Council Vice President Lane asked Administrator Maurer for a follow up on the situation on Lafayette Avenue as the neighbors are very unhappy. Administrator Maurer stated he would call Council Vice President Lane with the details but stated there are things that are amiss there, according to an inspection. Notices have been sent to the property owner to get inside, if they can't get inside, a search warrant will be issued. Council Vice President Lane stated this has been going on since June.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilwoman Laiosa thanked Mayor Goldberg and Administrator Maurer for the follow up on the snow removals on Frederick Avenue, Diamond Bridge Avenue and Lincoln Avenue, residents were very happy.

Councilman Sciarra stated cars are not slowing down and blowing through the pedestrian sign on Lafayette and Van Winkle Avenue. Administrator Maurer stated it is an enforcement issue with the police.

Councilman Wojtecki thanked the DPW for the amazing job they did with the snow removal. He asked what the plan is for vehicles that were parked on the street during the storm and haven't been moved. Administrator Maurer stated if there are specific locations to let him know.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA PRESENTED BY MAYOR GOLDBERG

We are anticipating a snow event tomorrow into Friday. Please do not throw snow into the streets when shoveling or snow-blowing. Also, where restricted, please be aware of the 2" snow limit on parking. I would like to remind everyone to sign up for Nixle – the Borough's notification system. Details can be found in the Borough calendar and on the Borough website at www.hawthornenj.org. Congratulations to our police officers who received awards this week, thank you to all for a job well done. Please don't forget to sign up for COVID vaccinations. More and more places are becoming available. If you are a senior citizen with limited access to a computer, call Ellen in my office at 973-427-1168 for assistance. For those of you who are still having problems with unemployment benefits, again, call my assistant Ellen for assistance. Please continue to support our local businesses and restaurants as they continue to need our help. And finally, while I am saddened to hear that Nabisco in Fair Lawn is closing, unlike Mayor Peluso of Fair Lawn, I will continue to eat Oreos; however, if Hawthorne Chevy ever leaves Hawthorne, I will never buy another Chevy!

REPORTS

Borough Attorney Michael J. Pasquale

Affordable Housing – Attorney Pasquale had a long discussion with the Borough's Planner, John Szabo, and multiple discussions with Borough Clerk Lori Fernandez, the Borough's Affordable Housing Administrator/Liaison, about the status of our compliance plan. Work is under way to create a manual, and other needed documents, to establish a valid program. A windshield survey in connection with the rehabilitation component was to be undertaken. Ordinances will be presented to the Council in the coming weeks.

A-1571 – Attorney Pasquale spoke about the resolution on tonight’s agenda opposing A-1571, which would change the definition of Public Work to include purely private projects for which a tax abatement or PILOT had been granted. He noted the impact on affordable housing, downtown revitalization and inner-city rehabilitation. Organized labor is the only proponent of the bill, widely opposed by a coalition of builder’s groups, municipal groups, the State Chamber of Commerce, and affordable housing advocates. While organized labor is an important part of our State and national workforce, this rule change would adversely impact many other competing interests such as those in need of affordable housing.

Bandshell— Attorney Pasquale will be scheduling a meeting in the coming week.

Borough Engineer Representative Peter Ten Kate

2020 Road Improvement Program – Currently shut down for the winter months.

2020 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application-Parmelee Avenue – Waiting for the DOT to complete their final inspection and issue a surveillance report for the project.

Hawthorne Library Lighting Improvements – We will take direction from either the Library or Borough on whether we should go out to bid on any or all proposed Library lighting improvements. A second round of Library Construction Project awards is planned for 2021.

Municipal Building North Section Roof Replacement – Once the snow clears, we will inspect the cell tower roof equipment requiring movement for the roof installation in question, and try to determine ownership of these items. Hageman will expedite the roof replacement once the roof areas are clear.

UVC Equipment – Electrical inspections and equipment start-up of the UVC equipment and the electrical service connections were performed on Tuesday, February 9th. From the Construction Code Official, "the Municipal Building is good and the Library requires additional photos to pass inspection." Power still needs to be supplied to the second-floor unit at the Municipal Building. Post & Kelly hopes to accomplish that this week. Also, at the Library, the air handling unit on the children's building was not turned on due to no access to that section of the roof because of snow cover. Scott Sherwood will return, probably the week of February 22nd, to start these two (2) UVC units up. At the initial start-up, odors were present from the UVC equipment as they started disinfecting the AC coils and airstream.

Washington/Hawthorne Avenue Sanitary Sewer Improvements – Montana Construction Corp., Inc. is ok with performing the work with just a purchase order and not a contract. The Borough has issued a purchase order. We are scheduling a kick-off meeting and have requested a schedule from Montana.

Revised SP3 Plan (Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan) – Our office has been in touch with the DPW and is working on revising the Borough’s SP3 Plan.

MS4 Plan (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) – The 2020 information is being prepared.

Rea Avenue/North Watchung Avenue Intersection – A revised Conceptual Plan with proposed striping and channelizing guide posts was forwarded to the Administrator with an estimate. We spoke with Chuck Silverstein (Passaic County) and he indicated the Borough has the right to add striping to the County Road. He gave a verbal blessing to our Concept Plan. The Borough could complete the proposed improvements or add it to the 2021 Road Program.

2021 NJDOT Municipal Aid Project – Bamford Avenue – Plans are being prepared for Bamford Avenue. The Hudson Essex Passaic County Soil Conservation District Soil Erosion Application and Fee Requirements were sent to the Administrator for processing and a fee.

Borough Administrator Eric Maurer

Snow removal has been completed on 25 streets plus intersections and around all of the schools with more snow removal to follow. Major increases were expected for the next Garbage and Recycling contract, with the total cost being \$415,000 a year more. As a result of planning ahead for this increase, there will not be any significant impact on the tax rate because of it. The Council received a memo from an attorney challenging the award but the Council's position to award the contract is a strong one. There will be a couple of positions opening, a clerk in the Building Department and two part-time custodial positions, they will be listed on the website shortly.

Questions for Administration

Councilman Wojtecki reported it appears PSE&G has dug up more of the concrete streetscape near the movie theatre and replaced it with macadam. He asked if they can be reminded to replace it with the concrete as it took them a really long time to fix it the last time. Rid Junk on Wagaraw Road appears to have installed three large dumpsters. He asked if the Administration or Council President Matthews can make sure they are meeting what their Planning Board approval is for.

Councilman Sciarra asked if he can see the plans the engineer wrote up for striping the Rea Avenue Ext. and Watchung Drive intersection. Borough Engineer Representative Ten Kate stated he would take care of sending him a copy.

Councilwoman Laiosa asked Borough Engineer Representative Ten Kate if the Municipal Building UVC system is operational. He stated it still needs power to the second floor. Administrator Maurer stated everything that did not need additional electrical to be installed is up and running. She also asked if part of the municipal building is up and running, he stated that is correct. She asked when it will be up and running 100%, he stated it has to do with the weather and the snow.

Council Vice President Lane asked Borough Engineer Representative Ten Kate if the units are ready to be turned on at Rescue 5 and the ambulance building. Administrator Maurer stated they did not need additional electrical work so they should be up and running.

Councilman Mele asked Borough Attorney Pasquale if he was confident with the garbage contract, he stated that he is confident.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to record the Administrative Agenda, motion by Councilman Sciarra, seconded by Councilman Wojtecki. Carried on voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 2268-21

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE 2021 SALARIES, WAGES AND COMPENSATION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

The Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne in the County of Passaic and the State of New Jersey, do ordain as follows:

Section 1. The following shall be the maximum salaries of the employees of the Borough of Hawthorne and such salaries shall be paid bi-weekly. When an Employee has scheduled a vacation and during an earned period of such vacation a regular payday would occur, then such Employee may receive a pay check for the payday prior to the commencement of the vacation period, provided such advance payment is approved by the Director of the respective department. Upon any employee leaving the employ of the Borough of Hawthorne, salary will be adjusted to actual days worked.

SALARY ORDINANCE 2021

<u>Position/Title</u>	2021
Mayor.....	7,500.00
Council President.....	5,000.00
Council.....	4,000.00
Borough Clerk/Election Official.....	85,732.00
Deputy Borough Clerk.....	41,500.00
Business Administrator.....	167,175.00
Administrative Assistant/Confidential.....	68,390.00
Chief Financial Officer.....	105,978.00
Director of Finance and Revenue.....	8,573.00
Deputy Finance Officer.....	63,008.00
Tax Collector/Collector of Rents/Tax Search Officer.....	73,241.00
Tax Assessor.....	28,116.00
Construction Official/Bldg Subcode Official F/T.....	98,000.00
Building Inspector P/T.....	10,303.00
Sub-Code Official/Electrical P/T.....	13,377.00
Sub-Code Official/Fire P/T.....	15,828.00
Sub-Code Official/Plumbing P/T.....	42,193.00
Interim/Substitute Subcode Official.....	45.00
Expedited Inspection/Review (per hour).....	35.00
Extra Duty Inspection/Review (per hour).....	35.00
Municipal Housing Liaison.....	15,000.00
Zoning Officer.....	13,000.00
Zoning Inspector (per hour).....	22.00
Chief, Fire Prevention Bureau.....	71,593.00
Sanitary Inspector/Reporting Officer P/T.....	24,366.00
Public Health Nurse (per hour).....	37.48
Health Doctor.....	2,000.00
Fire Chief.....	14,000.00
Clerk, Board of Fire Commissioners (per hour).....	13.80
Chief of Police.....	184,658.00
Secretary – OEM Stipend.....	1,000.00
Deputy Coordinator - OEM Stipend.....	500.00
Special 2 Police Officer, per hour.....	19.78
Civilian Dispatcher Step 4.....	39,512.00
Civilian Dispatcher Step 3.....	37,096.00
Civilian Dispatcher Step 2.....	35,551.00
Civilian Dispatcher Step 1.....	34,006.00
Civilian Dispatcher Training Rate.....	27,591.00
Crossing Guards (per hour).....	17.76
Magistrate.....	46,341.00
Court Administrator.....	60,137.00
Prosecutor.....	29,274.00
Assistant Prosecutor (per session).....	300.00
Public Defender (per monthly session).....	300.00
Court Security P/T (per hour).....	16.65

Secretary - Planning Board.....	7,000.00
Secretary - Board of Adjustment.....	7,000.00
Secretary Special Meetings (per meeting).....	200.00
DPW Administrative Coordinator.....	50,192.00
Recycling Coordinator.....	2,000.00
Recycling Pick-up/Part-time (per hour).....	14.14
Recycling Center Attendant.....	13.60
Municipal Building Custodian (per hour).....	15.00
Director of Public Works.....	114,278.00
Superintendent – Public Works.....	101,043.00
Certified Public Works Manager.....	2,500.00
Maintenance Worker – Seasonal Fields/Leaves (per hour).....	15.00
Seasonal CDL Driver (per hour).....	18.00
Secretary Shade Tree (per hour).....	15.00
Compliance/Education/Training Manager.....	51,706.00
Municipal Alliance Coordinator.....	5,000.00
Director/Secretary Board of Recreation.....	13,744.00
Pool Manager.....	12,500.00
Assistant Pool Manager.....	9,000.00
Lifeguard (per hour 40 hours)	17.80
Swimming Pool Office Staff (per hour).....	13.80
Program Director – Recreation.....	4,000.00
Supervisor - Arts & Crafts (per week).....	300.00
Summer Assistant Program Director (per week).....	300.00
Summer Counselor (per hour).....	11.10
Dance Director (per session).....	32.50
Tennis Director (per hour).....	15.00
Tennis Assistant.....	11.10
Supervisor of Umpires (per week).....	166.75
Supervisor of Referees (per week).....	95.00
Referees/Basketball League (per game).....	35.00
Umpires Baseball (per game).....	50.00
Referees/Soccer (per game).....	55.00
Referees/Wrestling (per match).....	27.00
Director, Special Recreation Program (per session).....	53.75
Aerobics Instructor (per session).....	53.75
Temporary/Seasonal/Part-time Help - Miscellaneous	20.00

Section 2. There shall be paid to all Borough Volunteer Firefighters who are certified as having met annually the attendance standards established in the Fire Department Ordinance, \$517.00 annually as a clothing allowance. Qualified retired firemen may receive \$179.00. Firematic officers shall receive the following additional sums: Assistant Fire Chiefs an additional sum of \$818.00, Captains \$255.00, Lieutenants \$180.00, per annum for performing clerical duties and attending meetings in connection with their duties.

Section 3. There shall be paid to all William B. Mawhinney Memorial Ambulance Corps members who attend at least 52 calls for ambulance duty in the current year and who have been certified as having met the requirement hereof and approved by the Mayor \$350.00 annually as a clothing allowance.

Section 4. Salaries and other compensation for Police Officers represented by the Policemen's Benevolent Association and the Superior Officers' Association shall be as delineated in their respective Collective Negotiations Agreements that have been approved by the Borough Council.

Section 5. Salaries and other compensation for Department of Public Works employees represented by the UPSEU Blue Collar Unit shall be as delineated in their Collective Negotiations Agreement that have been approved by the Borough Council.

Section 6. All White-Collar Union employees shall be paid longevity and other non-salary compensation as delineated in their Collective Negotiations Agreement that have been approved by the Borough Council.

Section 7. Upon settlement of a Collective Negotiations Agreement with Teamsters Local 11 representing the Borough's Dispatchers and its approval by the Borough Council, all salaries and other compensation for Dispatchers shall be as delineated in the Agreement rather than as shown above.

Section 8. The Borough Administrator, after review of requests for expedited or extra duty uniform construction code inspections and reviews, may determine that any sub-code official or inspector may receive additional salary at the rate proscribed in Section 1 of the Salary Ordinance for this purpose.

Section 9. All ordinance and parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provision of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistencies.

Section 10. This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final passage, provided notice of the same has been duly published all as required by law.

BE IT RESOLVED, this Ordinance does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Governing Body in the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey, or by way of virtual platform, on March 3, 2021 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in The Record once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Sciarra.

Discussion

Administrator Maurer explained the changes in the salary ordinance are due to an increase in hours for the fire sub-code official and the plumbing sub-code official. Also being proposed is an increase in the clothing allowance for the ambulance corps. due to the fire department getting an increase in the clothing allowance last year.

Councilman Wojtecki stated he is not going to vote no, but would like to see any changes to an introduced ordinance sooner and also sent to his work email.

Council Vice President Lane noticed the building sub-code inspector position was removed but did not see where it was highlighted and also noted the interim substitute sub-code official should read interim substitute inspector. Administrator Maurer stated it was removed but felt it didn't need to be highlighted and the position should read sub-code official as discussed should there arise a vacancy or if someone is out for a long period of time.

On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2269-21

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 25 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ARTICLE II, POLICE DEPARTMENT, SECTION 25-3, TABLE OF ORGANIZATION, SUBSECTION C, SO AS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF LIEUTENANTS FROM FIVE TO SIX

BE IT ORDAINED by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, that:

Section 1. Chapter 25, Department of Public Safety, Article II, Police Department, Section 25-3, Table of Organization, Subsection C, is hereby amended so as to increase the number of Lieutenants from five to six, with the same to read as follows:

C. Six Lieutenants.

Section 2. Except to the extent amended hereunder, all other parts or sections of Chapter 25, Department of Public Safety, Article II, Police, shall remain in full force and effect. All parts and provisions of any ordinance which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance shall be repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after final adoption and publication as provided by law.

BE IT RESOLVED, this Ordinance does now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting of the Governing Body in the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey, or by way of virtual platform, on March 17, 2021 and at said time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance in The Record once, at least one week prior to said hearing, with a notice of its introduction and of the time and place, when and where said ordinance would be considered for final passage, motion by Council President Lane, seconded by Councilman Sciarra.

Discussion

Councilman Wojtecki stated he does not feel comfortable with adding a Lieutenant and was told there would not be another Lieutenant added, but will vote in favor of introduction. He asked Mayor Goldberg if he could speak to the Chief to get a better understanding of what his plan is.

On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

CONSENT AGENDA: R 35-21 through R 41-21

R 35-21 Introduced by Councilman Sciarra

Title: PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION – VETERAN

WHEREAS, the following property owner has applied to the Borough of Hawthorne for a Veteran Property Tax Deduction,

WHEREAS, the applicant has been found eligible and entitled to said deduction for the year 2021,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector be authorized to grant these deductions for the year 2021 and the Collector grant the deduction on their tax bill on the following property owners for the respective amount.

Block 144 Lot 14 \$250.00; Block 155 Lot 21 \$250.00; Block 293.03 Lot 2 \$250.00

R 36-21 Introduced by Councilman Sciarra

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne has designated the Hawthorne Fire Department, consisting of five volunteer companies, to provide fire-fighting services in the Borough of Hawthorne; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the Pumper Ladder truck maintained and utilized by Fire Company Number 4 has exceeded its useful life and is in need of replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Administration, in consultation with the Hawthorne Fire Department and the elected leadership of Company Number 4, undertook a search to identify replacement apparatus meeting the needs of the residents of the Borough while at the same time representing a fair and reasonable price; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department and Officers of Fire Company 4 identified apparatus manufactured by Spartan Motors USA, Inc., and available through the Houston-Galveston Area Council cooperative purchasing program, contract FS12-19, at a price of \$751,232, that would meet the needs of the Department; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law permits the use of a National Cooperative for purchasing and the Division of Local Government Services has published Local Finance Number 2012-10 setting forth the circumstances by which a governmental entity may purchase goods through a National Cooperative; and

WHEREAS, the Houston Galveston Area Council is a National Cooperative and followed a process satisfying Pay to Play laws of the State of New Jersey in terms of advertising and award so as to make the procurement of a purchase agreement through Fire & Safety Services, a fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Administration is satisfied, given all that stated above, that the equipment and price thereof available through the national cooperative, is a fair and reasonable price and is satisfied that a cost savings is realized by the citizens of the Borough with a purchase through the national cooperative; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has rendered an opinion indicating that the process followed by the Administration in procuring a quotation from the vendor through the national cooperative satisfies the Local Public Contract Law and the Local Finance Notice referenced above; and

WHEREAS, the vendor provided to the Borough proof of compliance with Affirmative Action, Business Registration, Non-Collusion, and Pay to Play requirements applicable to an award of purchase order; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has complied with applicable guidelines including publication of notice in print and on the Borough Website, and through written correspondence, providing prospective vendors notice of an intent to purchase through a national cooperative; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds pursuant to Bond Ordinance 2259-20, adopted November 16, 2020, so as to allow for an issuance of a purchase order and remit payment in total certified amount of \$751,232;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that it does award a contract to:

Spartan Motors USA, Inc.
907 Seventh Avenue No.
Brandon, South Dakota 57005

pursuant to Houston Galveston Area Council purchasing cooperative contract FS12-19, for delivery to the Borough of Hawthorne, Volunteer Fire Company Number 4, of a new, custom made Pumper, in accordance with its proposal for the same, incorporated herein by reference, at a price of \$751,232, and does authorize the issuance of a purchase order and payment in conformance with this resolution.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

As required by NJSA 40A:4-57, NJAC 5:30-14.5 and any other applicable requirement of law, I Laurie A. Foley, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Hawthorne, have determined that there are available, sufficient funds, not committed to any other purpose, provided by the Bond Ordinance 2259-20, adopted November 16, 2020, so as to allow for an issuance of a purchase order and remit payment in total certified amount of \$751,232, to Spartan Motors USA, Inc., for the purchase of a Pumper.

R 37-21 Introduced by Councilman Sciarra

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne solicited bids for the Collection of Solid Waste, Type 10 and 13 Recyclables, and Yard Waste and Bagged Leaves for a term commencing on April 1, 2021 and ending on March 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, bidders were asked to bid on a five-year contract with four options: Solid Waste only, Recyclables only, Yard Waste and Bagged Leaves only, or all three, with separate options within the same, other than Yard Waste and Leaves, for collection at schools from September through June, collection at schools for July and August, and a second weekly Solid Waste pick-up Borough-wide in July and August; and

WHEREAS, two bids were received, one from Recycle Track Systems NJ, LLC (RTS) of New York and the other from Gaeta Recycling Co, Inc., (Gaeta) of Paterson, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid for all three aspects of the work was submitted by RTS at a total aggregate price of \$6,422,885, without consideration of bid alternates related to schools and second summer collection, with the bid of Gaeta for the same work being \$6,472,974; and

WHEREAS, the bids submitted for the individual components of the aggregate bid yielded different results with the low bid for solid waste submitted by RTS at \$3,280,560 as to base versus Gaeta at \$3,440,320.20; the price to collect at schools during the school year at \$50,000 by RTS versus \$87,500 by Gaeta; the bid of RTS for collection of recyclable materials at \$1,786,706 versus \$2,484,675.60 by Gaeta, as to base; and the bid of Gaeta for yard waste and bagged leaves, as to base contract at \$683,285.85 compared to RTS at \$1,454,952; and

WHEREAS, the bid specification permitted the Borough to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder for each of the three separate components of the bid or award a single contract for the lowest aggregate bid of any one bidder; and

WHEREAS, the combined value of the lowest bid for each component of the contract, as to base only, yields a combined price of \$5,750,551.80, or roughly \$700,000 lower than either of the aggregate bids submitted, representing a significant savings to the taxpayers of the Borough of Hawthorne; and

WHEREAS, the bids were reviewed by the Borough Attorney who found that both bids were compliant with the bid specifications and that as a result a contract could be awarded to each of the respective bidders based upon the same; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the opening of the bids, objection to the bid of RTS was filed by Gaeta, alleging infirmities in the bid that render the same non-responsive; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney reviewed the bids again, finding that any defect in any bid submitted would not render the same non-responsive or represent a fatal defect precluding an award of contract; and

WHEREAS, it is specifically noted that RTS is a licensed Broker in the State of New Jersey, as the term is defined at law, and has presented a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, RTS has indicated in its submission that it has contracted with B & B Disposals, LLC, a holder of an A-901 License, to perform the collection services under any contract that may be awarded; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney is of the opinion, despite objection from Gaeta, that such arrangement is consistent with law and as such an award of contract can be made under such circumstance; and

WHEREAS, RTS also indicated, as part of the completed questionnaire it submitted, that equipment sufficient to perform all work was owned by B & B and available for inspection at its place of business all set forth on an attached listing, however such list was not included with the bid submission; and

WHEREAS, RTS subsequently provided the omitted list of equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney is of the opinion that such oversight does not render the bid fatally defective as the same is not listed among the fatal defects set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law, the Questionnaire was in fact completed and submitted, and B & B is Hawthorne's current vendor of such services and brings sufficient equipment to the Borough four days per week in order to perform under its current contract; and

WHEREAS, it is also apparent that RTS submitted a mistaken price quote as to the pick-up of solid waste and recycling at public schools in July and August, while school is not in session, setting forth a monthly charge, presumably, and not a per pick-up charge; and

WHEREAS, the same is not deemed material as the Borough has elected not to award that rather insignificant aspect of the contract in any event; and

WHEREAS, the Administration notes that the amount of each bid submitted is substantially higher than the current contract for such services and exceeds the estimate for such work anticipated in preliminary budget reports, particularly when considered as to the two aggregate bids submitted, and the Administration would not be able to recommend an award of an aggregate contract to either bidder due to the value of such contract over the estimate prepared; and

WHEREAS, the Administration, while still noting that each component bid submitted also exceeds the estimate for such work, can recommend an award of contract for the three component contract bids and does recommend an award for Solid Waste Collection Services, for a period running from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2026, to RTS; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends the award to include the first option presented in the bid, collection at the schools during the school year, from September through June, but no other option; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds under the Municipal Budget, Garbage and Trash O/E, Line Item 01-2010-26-3062-020 so as to allow for the award of contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that it does award a contract to:

Recycle Track Systems NJ, LLC
477 Madison, Suite 600
New York, New York, 10022

Visit us at: www.hawthornenj.org

in accordance with its bid, as to a base bid and bid alternate one, pick-up at public schools during the school year, and does authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to execute and deliver a contract to the said entity upon approval as to form by the Borough Attorney.

R 38-21 Introduced by Councilman Sciarra

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne solicited bids for the Collection of Solid Waste, Type 10 and 13 Recyclables, and Yard Waste and Bagged Leaves for a term commencing on April 1, 2021 and ending on March 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, bidders were asked to bid on a five-year contract with four options: Solid Waste only, Recyclables only, Yard Waste and Bagged Leaves only, or all three, with separate options within the same, other than Yard Waste and Leaves, for collection at schools from September through June, collection at schools for July and August, and a second weekly Solid Waste pick-up Borough-wide in July and August; and

WHEREAS, two bids were received, one from Recycle Track Systems NJ, LLC (RTS) of New York and the other from Gaeta Recycling Co, Inc., (Gaeta) of Paterson, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid for all three aspects of the work was submitted by RTS at a total aggregate price of \$6,422,885, without consideration of bid alternates related to schools and second summer collection, with the bid of Gaeta for the same work being \$6,472,974; and

WHEREAS, the bids submitted for the individual components of the aggregate bid yielded different results with the low bid for solid waste submitted by RTS at \$3,280,560 as to base versus Gaeta at \$3,440,320.20; the price to collect at schools during the school year at \$50,000 by RTS versus \$87,500 by Gaeta; the bid of RTS for collection of recyclable materials at \$1,786,706 versus \$2,484,675.60 by Gaeta, as to base; and the bid of Gaeta for yard waste and bagged leaves, as to base contract at \$683,285.85 compared to RTS at \$1,454,952; and

WHEREAS, the bid specification permitted the Borough to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder for each of the three separate components of the bid or award a single contract for the lowest aggregate bid of any one bidder; and

WHEREAS, the combined value of the lowest bid for each component of the contract, as to base only, yields a combined price of \$5,750,551.80, or roughly \$700,000 lower than either of the aggregate bids submitted, representing a significant savings to the taxpayers of the Borough of Hawthorne; and

WHEREAS, the bids were reviewed by the Borough Attorney who found that both bids were compliant with the bid specifications and that as a result a contract could be awarded to each of the respective bidders based upon the same; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the opening of the bids, objection to the bid of RTS was filed by Gaeta, alleging infirmities in the bid that render the same non-responsive; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney reviewed the bids again, finding that any defect in any bid submitted would not render the same non-responsive or represent a fatal defect precluding an award of contract; and

WHEREAS, it is specifically noted that RTS is a licensed Broker in the State of New Jersey, as the term is defined at law, and has presented a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, RTS has indicated in its submission that it has contracted with B & B Disposals, LLC, a holder of an A-901 License, to perform the collection services under any contract that may be awarded; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney is of the opinion, despite objection from Gaeta, that such arrangement is consistent with law and as such an award of contract can be made under such circumstance; and

WHEREAS, RTS also indicated, as part of the completed questionnaire it submitted, that equipment sufficient to perform all work was owned by B & B and available for inspection at its place of business all set forth on an attached listing, however such list was not included with the bid submission; and

WHEREAS, RTS subsequently provided the omitted list of equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney is of the opinion that such oversight does not render the bid fatally defective as the same is not listed among the fatal defects set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law, the Questionnaire was in fact completed and submitted, and B & B is Hawthorne's current vendor of such services and brings sufficient equipment to the Borough four days per week in order to perform under its current contract; and

WHEREAS, it is also apparent that RTS submitted a mistaken price quote as to the pick-up of solid waste and recycling at public schools in July and August, while school is not in session, setting forth a monthly charge, presumably, and not a per pick-up charge; and

WHEREAS, the same is not deemed material as the Borough has elected not to award that rather insignificant aspect of the contract in any event; and

WHEREAS, the Administration notes that the amount of each bid submitted is substantially higher than the current contract for such services and exceeds the estimate for such work anticipated in preliminary budget reports, particularly when considered as to the two aggregate bids submitted, and the Administration would not be able to recommend an award of an aggregate contract to either bidder due to the value of such contract over the estimate prepared; and

WHEREAS, the Administration, while still noting that each component bid submitted also exceeds the estimate for such work, can recommend an award of contract for the three component contract bids and does recommend an award for Collection of Type 10 and Type 13 Recyclables, for a period running from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2026, to RTS; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends the award to include the first option presented in the bid, collection at the schools during the school year, from September through June, but no other option; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds under the Municipal Budget, Recycling Pro O/E, Line Item 01-2010-26-3052-004 so as to allow for the award of contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that it does award a contract to:

Recycle Track Systems NJ, LLC
477 Madison, Suite 600
New York, New York, 10022

in accordance with its bid, as to a base bid and bid alternate one, pick-up at public schools during the school year, and does authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to execute and deliver a contract to the said entity upon approval as to form by the Borough Attorney.

R 39-21 Introduced by Councilman Sciarra

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne solicited bids for the Collection of Solid Waste, Type 10 and 13 Recyclables, and Yard Waste and Bagged Leaves for a term commencing on April 1, 2021 and ending on March 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, bidders were asked to bid on a five-year contract with four options: Solid Waste only, Recyclables only, Yard Waste and Bagged Leaves only, or all three, with separate options within the same, other than Yard Waste and Leaves, for collection at schools from September through June, collection at schools for July and August, and a second weekly Solid Waste pick-up Borough-wide in July and August; and

WHEREAS, two bids were received, one from Recycle Track Systems NJ, LLC (RTS) of New York and the other from Gaeta Recycling Co, Inc., (Gaeta) of Paterson, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid for all three aspects of the work was submitted by RTS at a total aggregate price of \$6,422,885, without consideration of bid alternates related to schools and second summer collection, with the bid of Gaeta for the same work being \$6,472,974; and

WHEREAS, the bids submitted for the individual components of the aggregate bid yielded different results with the low bid for solid waste submitted by RTS at \$3,280,560 as to base versus Gaeta at \$3,440,320.20; the price to collect at schools during the school year at \$50,000 by RTS versus \$87,500 by Gaeta; the bid of RTS for collection of recyclable materials at \$1,786,706 versus \$2,484,675.60 by Gaeta, as to base; and the bid of Gaeta for yard waste and bagged leaves, as to base contract at \$683,285.85 compared to RTS at \$1,454,952; and

WHEREAS, the bid specification permitted the Borough to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder for each of the three separate components of the bid or award a single contract for the lowest aggregate bid of any one bidder; and

WHEREAS, the combined value of the lowest bid for each component of the contract, as to base only, yields a combined price of \$5,750,551.80, or roughly \$700,000 lower than either of the aggregate bids submitted, representing a significant savings to the taxpayers of the Borough of Hawthorne; and

WHEREAS, the bids were reviewed by the Borough Attorney who found that both bids were compliant with the bid specifications and that as a result a contract could be awarded to each of the respective bidders based upon the same; and

WHEREAS, the Administration notes that the amount of each bid submitted is substantially higher than the current contract for such services and exceeds the estimate for such work anticipated in preliminary budget reports, particularly when considered as to the two aggregate bids submitted, and the Administration would not be able to recommend an award of an aggregate contract to either bidder due to the value of such contract over the estimate prepared; and

WHEREAS, the Administration, while still noting that each component bid submitted also exceeds the estimate for such work, can recommend an award of contract for the three component contract bids and does recommend an award for Collection of Yard Waste and Bagged Leaves, for a period running from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2026, to Gaeta; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds under the Municipal Budget, Recycling Pro O/E, Line Item 01-2010-26-3052-006 so as to allow for the award of contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that it does award a contract to:

Gaeta Recycling Co., Inc.
278-282 West Railway Avenue
Paterson, New Jersey 07503

in accordance with its bid, and does authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to execute and deliver a contract to the said entity upon approval as to form by the Borough Attorney.

R 40-21 Introduced by Councilman Sciarra

WHEREAS, the Generally Assembly of the State of New Jersey and the Senate of the State of New Jersey are each considering legislation that would change the definition of “public work” as set forth at NJSA 34:11-56.26, so as to include within that definition all properties for which a municipality has granted a tax abatement or exemption, other than those owned by identified non-profit groups; and

WHEREAS, the sole proponent of the bills is organized labor as such developments would now be subject to payment of prevailing wage; and

WHEREAS, the bills are opposed by a broad coalition of parties infrequently lined-up together including the New Jersey League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Builder’s Association, the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce, and advocates for affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the net effect of such legislation would render most projects benefitting from tax reductions, incentives or abatements cost prohibitive, impacting urban redevelopment, the revitalization of suburban downtown areas and the ability to provide affordable housing to residents of this State; and

WHEREAS, the obligation to provide affordable housing to residents of this State is a Constitutional obligation and municipalities throughout this State have worked diligently to create compliance plans and enter into settlement agreements with developers and housing advocacy groups like Fair Share Housing Center which often include tax abatements such as PILOT agreements to ensure that such housing will in fact be built; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne recently entered into settlement agreements with a private developer and Fair Share Housing Center, under the auspices of a Court-appointed Special Master and the Presiding Judge of the Civil Part in Passaic County, which would provide substantial housing to persons of low and moderate income in the State of New Jersey and includes as part thereof a PILOT agreement which makes the project economically feasible; and

WHEREAS, the impact of the proposed legislation threatens such settlement agreements, depriving persons of low and moderate income of their Constitutional right to affordable housing, costing taxpayers untold sums in additional litigation costs, and undermining carefully considered settlement agreements that have been years in the making; and

WHEREAS, the term “prevailing wage” is too often confused with terms like “minimum wage” or “living wage” which are both preserved by legislation currently in place; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne recognizes the important role of organized labor in the history of this country but feels this needs to be counterbalanced, at least in this instance, against the importance of tools authorized under the Local Lands and Redevelopment Law, like PILOT agreements, which serve to help revitalize communities, both urban and suburban, and help provide needed housing to persons so much in need of the same; and

WHEREAS, our Senator and Assembly persons are called upon to recognize the make-up of this coalition in opposition to this legislation and consider the tremendous negative impact this legislation will have on so many and the positive impact it will have upon so few;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of Borough of Hawthorne expresses its opposition to A-1571 and A-1576 and S-1956 as being contrary to the best interest of the residents of the State

of New Jersey, a threat to the Constitutional mandate to ensure the development of affordable housing in this State, and a burden upon taxpayers who will continue to see properties in need of redevelopment remain in states of disrepair and underutilization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Assemblywoman Lisa Swain, Assemblyman P. Christopher Tully, and Senator Joseph A. Lagana.

R 41-21 Introduced by Councilman Sciarra

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne submitted a request to the County of Passaic for a grant for the construction of ADA curb ramps at various intersections in the Borough as part of the County's Community Development Block Grant; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the above-mentioned request, the County of Passaic has offered to the Borough of Hawthorne a grant in the amount of \$80,000.00 for the aforementioned purpose; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Hawthorne to accept these grant funds;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hawthorne that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement accepting \$80,000.00 in Community Development Block Grant funds from the County of Passaic for to be used for the construction of ADA curb ramps.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve Consent Agenda Resolutions R 35-21 through R 41-21, motion by Councilman Sciarra, seconded by Councilman Mele.

Discussion

Council Vice President Lane advised to sent the notification for R 40-21 to the proper assembly and senate committees as well as the local senator and assemblymen.

Councilman Wojtecki stated he has raised concerns for the last four years regarding the award of contract to B&B Disposal and will be voting no to R 37-21 and R 38-21. Council President Matthews explained the good part about RTS is if B&B does not perform, then RTS is responsible and would have to find a new hauler for the Borough.

Administrator Maurer commented this past year there has been as many complaints with Gaeta collecting the yard waste and the difference is about 1% higher or \$140,000 to go with Gaeta.

Borough Attorney Pasquale stated the difference to the taxpayers would be \$700,000 between RTS and Gaeta. The bid was proper, in order to reject a bid there has to be a deficiency in the bid to be able to reject it. He doesn't believe the bid could have been disqualified and if you can't disqualify a bid, you have to award it to the lowest bidder.

On roll call, all voted yes, with the exception of Council Vice President Lane who abstained on R 36-21 and Councilman Wojtecki who abstained on R 36-21 and no on R 37-21 and R 38-21, motion carried.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Councilman Sciarra reported the next Library Board meeting is on Wednesday, March 10th at 4:30pm at the Library and the last meeting of the Board of Education was on February 9th. The referendum projects that have been completed will all come in under budget. The preliminary budget for this year will be 2%. The PCTI enrollment from Hawthorne will be 146 students. Enrollment seven years ago was at 60, when he left it was at 103 and now it is up to 146. The cost to the Board of Education is now up to \$2 million. There is a Board of

Education Ethics meeting tonight at 7:00pm, and a special meeting on February 24th for board candidate replacements for board member Tania Sanford. The next regular meeting will be held on March 16th at 7:00pm and will be a virtual meeting.

Councilman Mele spoke to the Superintendent of Public Works and was informed that all roads were brined and they received a shipment of salt yesterday and are expecting another one on Monday.

Council Vice President Lane reported there was an ordinance meeting where contractors for PSE&G doing road openings were discussed and also the Lieutenant’s position. It was concluded that anyone wishing to get a free newspaper would have to opt-in and discussions are taking place for revising the street cleaning ordinance hopefully by the middle of March. The stop sign at the corner of Lafayette Avenue and Van Winkle is being studied for a different type of stop sign/warning sign due to accidents.

Council President Matthews reported the Planning Board met last night and reviewed the plans for the County’s proposed overhaul of the Rea Avenue softball field and soccer field in the spring. Discussions took place about the new building in the movie theatre parking lot, the second floor was intended for doctor’s offices, now there is a request to make them five apartments. More information to follow.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

BILLS

Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check Id
A-VAN ELECTRICAL	ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES	42.65	29190
ACORN TERMITE & PEST CONTROL	YRLY CONTRACT FOR PEST CONTROL	100.00	29187
ACTION DATA SERVICES	Y/E RUN TAX SERVICE SET UP	100.00	29188
ACTION DATA SERVICES	Y/E RUN TAX SERVICE SET UP	25.00	12875
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PR #3 1/29/21	431.60	29188
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PR #3 1/29/21	107.90	12875
ALL TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS, LLC	MOBILE MESSAGE BOARDS R129-20	78,635.10	5729
ALLEGIANT WIRELESS, LLC	ANALYSIS OF PD COMMUNICATIONS	7,500.00	29189
AP CERTIFIED TESTING, LLC	PERMIT RENEW 2021	304.50	12876
ASLAN & COMPANY, INC.	AMBULANCE BUILDING CLEANING	4,200.00	5730
BELMAR SPRING WATER COMPANY	RECYCLING CENTER WATER COOLER	13.76	29191
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	2018 ROAD PROGRAM RESO75-18	271.50	3807
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	LSRP SERVICES RESO 171-18	2,399.75	1234
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	LSRP SERVICES RESO 198-18	4,721.45	1234
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	LSRP SERVICES RESO 198-18	2,096.55	1234
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	ADDED DID NOT MATCH RESO 90-19	86.50	3807
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	2019 ROAD PROGRAM RESO 90-19	271.50	3807
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	2019 LOCAL AID RD PROG. 91-19	86.50	3807
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	RESO51-20 2020 ROAD PROGRAM	519.00	3807
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	INDOOR AIR STUDY RESO 113-20	15,382.00	5731
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	PROF SERVICES	605.50	29192
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	72 MAZUR PLACE ACCT 8001721964	424.00	5578
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	VREELAND, LYNN ACCT 8002012544	783.00	5579
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	293 LAFAYETTE AVE #8001134076	424.00	5580
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	ROYAL REALTY LLC ACCT 42111980	1,267.00	5581
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	LYNN MCVEY ACCT 8002012544	243.75	5583
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	PROF SVC	1,623.00	29192
BROWN'S JANITORIAL SUPPLY	DPW GARAGE	235.50	29193
BROWN'S JANITORIAL SUPPLY	FOAM HAND SANITIZER	423.25	5732

BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC	MASTER PLAN EXAMINATION R14919	35.00	29194
BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC	REDEVELOPMENT STUDY GOFFLE RD	665.00	2036
BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC	EVALUATE ENGINEER	105.00	29194
BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC	204 WAGARAW RD ACCT 42111900	35.00	5582
CABLEVISION/OPTIMUM	CABLEVISION (OPTIMUM) SERVICES	605.53	29195
CABLEVISION/OPTIMUM	CABLEVISION (OPTIMUM) SERVICES	111.71	12877
CABLEVISION/OPTIMUM	CABLEVISION (OPTIMUM) SERVICES	75.44	29195
CANON FINANCIAL SVCS INC	LEASE 12/25/20	43.00	29196
CANON FINANCIAL SVCS INC	LEASE 12/25/20	43.00	12878
CAROL CHAMBERLIN	EYE EXAM & GLASSES CAROL	220.00	29197
CINTAS CORP	BORO HALL RUG SRV. DOOR MATS	225.67	29198
CINTAS CORP	BORO HALL RUG SRV. DOOR MATS	145.88	29198
CINTAS CORP	DPW GARAGE BI-WKLY DOOR MATS	51.26	12879
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CLEAN AIR COMPANY, INC.	UPGRADE EXHAUST SYSTEM	3,534.24	3808
DIRECT ENERGY MARKETING, INC	GAS SERVICE	10.40	29199
DOWNES TREE SERVICE, INC.	TREE REMOVAL - 33 OUTLOOK	2,000.00	29200
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	TELEPHONE SYSTEM	2,000.00	29201
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	TELEPHONE SYSTEM	3,500.00	12880
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	TELEPHONE SYSTEM	29,988.00	29201
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	CABLING FOR BUILDING AND PD	900.00	29201
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	CABLING FOR BUILDING AND PD	1,000.00	12880
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	CABLING FOR BUILDING AND PD	6,541.00	29201
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	CABLING FOR BUILDING AND PD	900.00	29201
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	CABLING FOR BUILDING AND PD	1,000.00	12880
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	CABLING FOR BUILDING AND PD	6,541.00	29201
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	SERVICE ORDER IN COURT	175.00	29201
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	INSTALL PRI CARD SVC CALL	1,500.00	29201
EXTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC	INSTALL PRI CARD SVC CALL	507.02	29201
FDR HITCHES LLC	RESCUE 5 7 WIRE	24.30	29202
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	EMERGENCY TOWER 2 SAW REPAIR	50.00	29203
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	STIHL SAW/SPARE CHAINS	575.95	29203
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	STIHL SAW/SPARE CHAINS	32.00	29203
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	STIHL PREMIX 50:1	560.00	29203
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	VP 4 CYCLE FUEL 5 GALLON	160.00	29203
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP SUPPLIES INV 32397 33937	17.00	29203
FREMGEN POWER EQUIPMENT INC	EQUIP SUPPLIES INV 32397 33937	20.00	29203
GARDEN STATE HGWY PROD, INC	CROWD CONTROL BARRIERS	26,400.00	5733
GARDEN STATE HGWY PROD, INC	FREIGHT	150.00	5733
GRAINGER, INC	CONDOR ABSORBENT BINOCULARS	594.79	29204
HAWTHORNE AUTO BODY, INC	DECAL REMOVAL FROM VEHICLE 301	241.50	29205
HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL COURT	JAN 2021 CCS	20.18	29206
INTERACTIVE DATA, LLC	ID CHECKING BOOKS	100.00	29239
JERSEY ELEVATOR INC	BORO HALL ELEVATOR	170.13	29207
LAURIE FOLEY	INK REIMBURSEMENT	43.49	29208
LAURIE FOLEY	INK REIMBURSEMENT	43.49	12881
LAURIE FOLEY	ERIN FOLEY GLASSES	178.00	29208
LIFE STORAGE	NEW STORAGE UNIT3079 2/18-3/18	282.28	29233
LIFE STORAGE	MTHLY STORAGE 3/1-4/1/21 #3019	211.00	29233

LogMeIn COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	GO TO MEETING PLUS	236.23	5734
MCMANIMON,SCOTLAND & BAUMANN	FINAL BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES	1,013.07	3809
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MCMANIMON,SCOTLAND & BAUMANN	FINAL BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES	1,013.07	3809
MCMANIMON,SCOTLAND & BAUMANN	FINAL BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES	1,013.06	3809
MCMANIMON,SCOTLAND & BAUMANN	FINAL BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES	1,013.06	1235
MICHAEL J. PASQUALE, ESQ	EMERGENCY COVID ATTORNEY	350.00	5735
MICHAEL J. PASQUALE, ESQ	AFFORDABLE HOUSING	131.25	29209
MICHAEL J. PASQUALE, ESQ	MISCELLANEOUS	262.50	29209
MICHAEL J. PASQUALE, ESQ	TAX APPEALS	236.25	29209
NJ ASSOC OF CHIEFS OF POLICE	2021 STATE CHIEFS DUES	90.00	29210
NJ DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	LICENSE NUMBERS 1-498	697.80	6266
NJ MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION	NEW REGIS 2019 FORD F-350 POLI	60.00	29211
NJWA	NJ WATER DUES	550.00	12882
NORA C. ADAMS	JAN INTERPRETING	150.00	29212
NORA KHOURY	2021 EYE GLASS	210.00	29213
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	2021 MEETINGS	24.70	29214
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	CONTRACTS AWARDED	28.50	29214
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	NOTICES	31.95	29214
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	NOTICES	14.85	29214
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	NOTICES WASTE	27.00	29214
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	NOTICES	41.63	29214
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	NOTICES	19.78	29214
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	NOTICES	17.63	29214
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	2/1-2/28 IT SERVICES	1,912.50	29215
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	2/1-2/28 IT SERVICES	1,912.50	12883
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	IT SERVICE 3/1-3/31	1,912.50	29215
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	IT SERVICE 3/1-3/31	1,912.50	12883
PASSAIC CTY POLICE CHIEFS ASSN	2021 PC Chiefs Dues	200.00	29216
PASSAIC VALLEY SEWER COM	USER CHARGES 1ST QTR 2021	567.00	29217
POST & KELLY ELECTRIC CO, INC	U-V LIGHT FOR AIR HANDLER	6,250.00	5736
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	ELEC THRU JAN	14,252.97	29218
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	ELEC THRU JAN	3,450.96	29218
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	ELEC THRU JAN	13,848.89	29218
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	ELEC THRU JAN	24,495.90	12884
REDICARE LLC	FIRST AID FOR BLDG. AND POLICE	272.08	29219
REDICARE LLC	FIRST AID FOR WATER	116.17	12885
REDICARE LLC	FIRST AID FOR ROAD	116.16	29219
REGISTRAR'S ASSOCIATION OF NJ	2021 DUES CHAMBERLIN&WOOLDRIDG	50.00	29220
RIDGEWOOD PRESS	PRIDE ALLIANCE LOGO COST	150.00	29221
ROUTE 23 AUTO MALL	FORD F350 TRUCK QUOTE	45,755.00	5737
RT OFFICE PRODUCTS	PRINTER REPAIR	274.95	29222
RUTGERS - CENTER FOR GOV'T SER	ADVANCED DUTIES	653.00	29223
SHOTMEYER BROS FUEL CO	DISEAL FUEL- DRAW DOWN	223.76	12886
SHOTMEYER BROS FUEL CO	DIESEAL FUEL- FOR BORO VEHICLE	2,389.94	29224
SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.	LICENSING AND SUPPORT	3,100.00	12887
SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.	LICENSING AND SUPPORT	6,200.00	29225
SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.	LICENSING AND SUPPORT	6,200.00	29225
SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.	MOBILE ACCESS	700.00	29225

SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.	MOBILE ACCESS	1,300.00	29225
SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.	TRAINING	1,000.00	29225
SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.	TRAINING	1,000.00	29225
SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.	TRAINING	500.00	12887
STRATEGIC SAFETY DYNAMICS LLC	TURNOUT GEAR	8,296.28	29226
STRATEGIC SAFETY DYNAMICS LLC	BOOTS LT WALKER	337.49	29226
STRATEGIC SAFETY DYNAMICS LLC	M2 RESPONSE TURNOUT GEAR	2,074.07	29226
TANIS HARDWARE	HARDWARE PARTS & SUPPLIES-	216.99	12888
TANIS HARDWARE	HARDWARE PARTS & SUPPLIES	245.77	29227
TANIS HARDWARE	HARDWARE PARTS & SUPPLIES	128.22	29227
TANIS HARDWARE	HARDWARE PARTS & SUPPLIES	96.38	29227
THE ROGERS GROUP, LLC	PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS PD	2,908.33	29228
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TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	MARRIAGE LICENCES	825.00	29229
TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	STATE TRAIN FEES QTR 4	2,872.00	29230
TRIMBOLI & PRUSINOWSKI LLC	LEGAL SVC THROUGH 01/25/21	2,700.00	29231
TYCO ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES	JANUARY 2021	2,380.00	29232
TYREX RESOURCES, LLC	PASSENGER TIRES	187.00	5738
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	MNTHLY POST MACH 1/28-2/28/21	322.00	29234
V.E. RALPH & SON, INC	SAFETY GLASSES	119.70	5739
VERIZON	2/1-2/28 201V62134818034Y	175.30	29236
VERIZON	1/16-2/15 150716970000104	334.60	29236
VERIZON	2/1-2/28 250787716000194	2,924.55	29236
VERIZON	2/1-2/28 250787716000194	1,253.40	12890
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	1/16-2/15 742284815-00001	343.06	29235
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	12/24-1/23/21 387268254-00001	500.21	29235
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	12/26-1/25 282699838-00001	222.14	29235
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	12/26-1/25 282699838-00001	222.13	29235
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	12/26-1/25 282699838-00001	78.40	12889
W.B. MASON CO INC	TOUCH FREE DISPENSER	323.12	5740
W.B. MASON CO INC	DISPENSER REFILLS	1,903.20	5740
W.B. MASON CO INC	GLOVES MEDIUM	62.45	5740
W.B. MASON CO INC	GLOVES LARGE	49.95	5740
W.B. MASON CO INC	GLOVES X-LARGE	19.98	5740
W.B. MASON CO INC	MASKS 50/BOX	1,549.50	5740
W.B. MASON CO INC	BLUE FACE MASKS	96.95	29237
W.B. MASON CO INC	DPW OFFICE SUPPLIES	10.99	29237
W.B. MASON CO INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,011.84	29237
W.B. MASON CO INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	55.30	29237
W.B. MASON CO INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	10.56	29237
W.B. MASON CO INC	SUPPLIES	261.14	29237
	TOTAL	\$402,696.29	

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve the bills and forward them to the Treasurer for payment, moved by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Mele. On roll call, all voted yes with the exception of Councilman Wojtecki who abstained on bills pertaining to the Fire Department, Council Vice President Lane who abstained on bills pertaining to the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps., Councilwoman Laiosa who abstained from bills pertaining to Direct Energy Marketing, PSE&G and North Jersey Media Group (Environmental Commission bill), motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard, please call in now at (312)757-3121 access code 472-199-829, email the Borough Administrator Eric Maurer at emaurer@hawthornenj.org or those logged on can use the Chat feature.

Monica A. Smith, 169 Carson Court, Somerset, NJ

Ms. Smith thanked Councilman Wojtecki for the follow-up on the street sweeper. She stated it would be helpful and appreciated if residents were reminded not to park in the library parking lot during a snow storm. The Library staff is ready to help any residents with scheduling vaccines in whatever way they can.

Craig Cayetano , 59 Pasadena Place, Hawthorne, NJ

Mr. Cayetano asked if there is a way the school parking lots could be opened up for parking during the upcoming snowstorm. Administrator Maurer stated he remains in communication with the schools and if the opportunity arises, he will let people know. He asked for an update on body cameras for the police department. Administrator Maurer stated not at this time. He asked for consideration on passing an ordinance to restrict third party delivery apps from charging exorbitant fees on local business owners as other municipalities have done so.

Robert Frei, 337 Beverly Lane, Hawthorne, NJ

Mr. Frei stated his road is a private easement which has three houses on it and he is the owner of the easement. He asked why, after the town has plowed for 39 years, why they won't plow the road anymore. He asked in March of 2019, if the road could be paved through the road program and they would pay the Borough back, but the Borough declined. Administrator Maurer stated it goes back to before his time but explained someone in the DPW who owned a private road decided to start plowing it and that it was never a policy of the Borough to do so. Mr. Frei offered to hold the town harmless if there was any damage done to his road by plowing it. Attorney Pasquale suggested to Council President Matthews to have an internal conversation.

Fire Chief Speranza thanked the Safety Committee, Mayor, Administrator Maurer, Council and the Engine 4 Truck Committee for the new apparatus for Engine 4.

Council President entertained a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Mele. Carried on voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:21pm Council President Matthews entertained a motion to adjourn the virtual meeting, motion by Councilman Sciarra, seconded by Council Vice President Lane. Carried on voice vote.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL IS A VIRTUAL MEETING ON

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021 at 7:00 PM