

The regular meeting of the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne was held on the above date at 7:00pm, in the Council Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, 445 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey, with the following present:

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

FLAG SALUTE

Council President Matthews invited all present to join him in the flag salute. He announced that today is the anniversary of D Day.

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 since December 7, 2022.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes for the regular meetings of May 3rd and 17th, 2023, the Bid Minutes for Large Trucks Maintenance, Tree Services Re-Bid, Animal Control Services and Roller Hockey Rink Improvements, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Wojtecki. 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, please raise their hand to be recognized and come forward to the microphone. Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, motion by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Sciarra. Carried on voice vote.

PRESENTATION

Peer Leadership Team, Teen Summit Video

Nancy Agnello, Municipal Alliance Chairperson, stated the Municipal Alliance consists of educators, parents, religious groups, local government, and police. Approximately 25 people help to bring awareness to the dangers of drug and alcohol use especially to the youths of our community. We do so by partnering with our schools, local Boys & Girls Club, and our police department to get the message out through various programs that we help to sponsor. One very special program that we are going to be talking about and honoring this evening is the Hawthorne High School Peer Leadership Program. The peer leadership team is comprised of high school students who are very effective in getting out their messages to their peers about the harmful effects of drug and alcohol abuse, bullying, and other topics of concern. Recently, peer leaders and their advisors, Kelly Clifford and Matt

Corvo, attended the annual Passaic County Teen Summit Conference. Approximately 25 different high schools participate in leadership training and team building workshops which include creating community-level public service announcements, PSAs. Each year there is a competition between the high schools for the most effective and creative PSAs. The first-place winner will have their PSA shown in local area movie theaters. In 2020 their PSA came in fourth place, 2021 was skipped due to COVID, in 2022 they won second place and this year they won first place.

Kelly Clifford, Peer Leaders Advisor, spoke about the peer leaders who are a group of Hawthorne High School students grades 10 through 12.

Matt Corvo, Peer Leaders Advisor, thanked everyone for inviting them, and stated they participate in a couple of events throughout the year. This year they invited a team building activities company to the Diamond Bridge Park to teach the kids how to turnkey some team building activities and good decision making. They also participate in the Teen Summit which is hosted at William Paterson by United for Prevention for Passaic County. It gets the entire club involved which consists of 40 members. The entire project was created by the kids. The video was shown and the peer leaders introduced themselves.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2018 ROAD PROGRAM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard regarding the 2018 Road Program Special Assessments, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address for the record. Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion that the public hearing on the 2018 Road Program Special Assessments be closed and that it be resolved that copies of said notice were made available to the general public in the Clerk’s Office, motion by Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilwoman Laiosa. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 2317-23

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND 2312-23, FIXING THE 2023 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. Ordinance No. 2317-23 of the Borough of Hawthorne, an Ordinance to Fix the Salaries, Wages and Compensation of the Employees of the Borough of Hawthorne, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey, is hereby amended as follows:

SALARY ORDINANCE 2023

<u>Position/Title</u>	2023
Pool Certification Instructor	350.00
Magistrate	48,806.00

Section 2. Except as herein amended, Ordinance No. 2312-23 remains in full force and effect.

Section 3. 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 4. 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.

Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard regarding this Ordinance, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address. Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion that the public hearing on this Ordinance be closed and that it be resolved that this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board on which public notices are customarily posted, published in The Record and made available on the borough website. Copies of said ordinance were made available to the general public. Now, therefore, be it resolved that this ordinance be adopted and the Clerk is authorized to advertise the same according to law, motion by Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Sciarra. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2318-23

AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 153, BUSHES, HEDGES, TREES AND OTHER PLANT LIFE, SO AS TO CREATE ARTICLE II THEREUNDER, NOXIOUS WEEDS AND PLANTS.

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 153, Bushes, Hedges, Trees and Other Plant Life, is hereby amended so as create two Articles thereunder, Article I being Bushes, Hedges, Shrubs and Trees and Article II being Noxious Weeds and Plants, the entire Code Section as revised and amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 153
BUSHES, HEDGES, TREES AND OTHER PLANT LIFE

ARTICLE I
BUSHES, HEDGES, SHRUBS AND TREES

- § 153-1 Owner’s responsibilities; notice from Borough
- § 153-2 Noncompliance; action by Property Maintenance Officer
- § 153-3 Violations and Penalties

ARTICLE II
NOXIOUS WEEDS AND PLANTS

- § 153-5 Definitions
- § 153-6 Control of Growth
- § 153-7 Inspections
- § 153-8 Violations and Penalties

ARTICLE I
BUSHES, HEDGES, SHRUBS AND TREES

Section 153-1 Owner’s responsibilities; notice from Borough

The owner or tenant of lands lying within the limits of the Borough of Hawthorne shall keep all brush, hedges, shrubs, trees and other plant life within 10 feet of any roadway and within 25 feet of the intersection of two roadways cut to a height of not more than 2 ½ feet, where it shall be necessary and expedient for the preservation of the public safety, within 10 days after notice to cut the same from the Borough.

Section 153-2 Noncompliance; action by the Property Maintenance Officer.

- A. In case the owner or the tenant of such lands shall neglect or refuse to cut the same in the manner and within the time provided in § 153-1, the same may be cut under the direction of the Property Maintenance

Officer. This shall be in addition to any other remedy including, but not limited to, the issuance of a summons and complaint by the Property Maintenance Officer under this section.

- B. In case such brush, hedges, shrubs, trees or other plant life is cut under the direction of the Property Maintenance Officer, upon the neglect or refusal of said owner or tenant of such lands as aforesaid, said officer shall certify the cost thereof to the governing body, which shall examine the certificate and, if found correct, shall cause the cost as shown thereon to be charged against said lands or, in the event that such cost is excessive, to cause the reasonable cost thereof to be charged against said lands. The amount so charged shall forthwith become a lien upon such lands and shall be added to and become and form a part of the taxes necessary to be assessed and levied upon such lands, the same to bear interest at the same rate as other taxes and shall be collected and enforced by the same officers and in the same manner as taxes.

Section 153-3 Violations and penalties

Any owner or tenant as aforesaid violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be liable for a fine not to exceed \$2,500 or imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days or a requirement to perform community service for a period not to exceed 90 days.

ARTICLE II
NOXIOUS WEEDS AND PLANTS

Section 153-4 Purpose

The purpose of this Article is to protect and promote the public health through the control of the growth of noxious weeds and plants. To the extent the same may be contrary to any provision of the Property Maintenance Code of the Borough of Hawthorne, this section shall govern.

Section 153-5 Definitions.

Noxious weeds and plants are perennial weeds and plants, such as those not only reproduced by seed but also spread by underground roots, stems and other highly reproductive parts, and which when well-established, are highly destructive and difficult to control by ordinary good cultural practices.

Examples include but are not limited to bamboo (spreading or running type), ragweed, multi flora rose, kudzu-vine and poison ivy or oak.

Section 153-6 Control of Growth

All persons must control the growth of noxious weeds and plants within their property. Failure to control the spread of such vegetation beyond the boundaries of a residential, commercial or industrial property is a violation of this Article.

Section 153-7 Inspections

All places and premises within the Borough shall be subject to inspection by the Property Maintenance Officer of the Borough of Hawthorne upon a complaint of a violation of this Article.

Section 153-8 Violations and Penalties

- A. Whenever a noxious weed or plant, as defined by this Article, is found to have grown or spread to another plot of land, lot or any other premises or place, a violation shall be given, in writing, to the owner of the property where the noxious weed or plant originated to remove or abate the same within such time as shall be specified therein.
- B. The cost of abatement shall be borne by the property owner of where the noxious weed or plant originated.

- C. In addition to abatement of the condition, the owner of the property from where the noxious weed or plant originated shall be responsible to restore the lands or any improvements thereon of the adjoining land owner at their sole cost and expense.
- D. If the property owner fails to comply with such notice, a complaint alleging a violation of this Article shall be filed with the Municipal Court and, upon conviction, the violator shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$100 and no more than \$1,000 for each day the violation continues.

Section 2. If any section, subsection or part of this ordinance is adjudged by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not impair or invalidate the remainder of this ordinance.

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

Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard regarding this Ordinance, please raise your hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state your name and address.

Councilman Matthews stated he received a couple of emails that he will share once the resident speaks.

Resident Thomas Giacchetti

He asked if the ordinance was related to bamboo as well. Council President Matthews stated yes, that is considered a noxious weed as well. He stated he lives next to a property that is infested with bamboo and spends a lot of time cutting it down, he is glad to see that something is being done.

Council President Matthews explained they are trying to assign the responsibility to the person that has it.

Resident, 93 May Street

Mr. Semler stated he has spent years chopping and digging up the bamboo from his neighbor. Councilman Wojtecki asked if it is the neighbor directly behind him, he stated yes. He asked a couple of landscapers who came by and the only answer he received was soak it in gasoline and burn it down. Council President Matthews stated the responsibility will be on the property owner, if the house sells, then the new property owner will be responsible. Property maintenance will come by and issue summonses to tell them to remove the infringement. He advised him if it's getting back into his yard, he can call property maintenance and they will address the neighbor.

Council President Matthews stated he received some questions from people via email regarding 153-1 which references distances and line of sight, and who is going to determine what is safe for public safety. Borough Attorney Pasquale stated this is not something that is new and it is going to be up to the police department to take care of that. The other question was, if it's on a neighbor's property and spreads to your own property, how do they determine who's it is. Borough Attorney Pasquale stated if it is unclear, the owner would remove the bamboo from his or her property and then if it grows back, we know it's coming from the other property. Property maintenance is going to have to determine that.

Seeing no one, Council President Matthews entertained a motion that the public hearing on this Ordinance be closed and that it be resolved that this ordinance was posted on the bulletin board on which public notices are customarily posted, published in The Record and made available on the borough website. Copies of said ordinance were made available to the general public. Now, therefore, be it resolved that this ordinance be adopted and the Clerk is authorized to advertise the same according to law, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Wojtecki.

Councilman Wojtecki asked if the bamboo is coming from multiple neighbors, how do you determine where it originated from? Borough Attorney Pasquale stated he really doesn't know the answer to that but would probably take an arborist or horticulturist to make that determination.

On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Wojtecki asked if anyone has assessed the sidewalks on Diamond Bridge Avenue that he pointed out during the parade. Mayor Lane stated they were assessed but he has not received a report back yet. He requested a table of organization on May 3rd and asked for an update. Administrator Maurer stated he is waiting for one department then he will get back to him.

Councilwoman Sasso asked for an update on the non-working light fixture on Peach Tree Court. Councilman Wojtecki stated he spoke to Kelly today and was told that Jose from engineering is supposed to come out and look at the light. Mayor Lane stated they were called, he sent an email and spoke to Paul Drake, he turns it over to the engineering department and it goes through the channels. Councilwoman Sasso stated the concern is, if you touch the poll, you get shocked. Mayor Lane stated they have been made aware of that as well. She stated the freight container located on a residential property that she was told was moved is still there and the residents are upset. Mayor Lane stated he was told it was moved but will go out himself and take a look at it. Councilwoman Sasso stated she has a picture and that it is not within our ordinance.

Council President Matthews reported on social media there was some talk about the left-hand turn signal being removed from the traffic light on the east bound side of Wagaraw Road to Lafayette Avenue. He stated going back to the Planning Board it was never presented to us that way. It was buried in a traffic report that the applicant submitted but apparently the County engineer agreed to eliminate it so it is not a borough issue and the mayor will be addressing it.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilwoman Sasso asked if there is an ordinance addressing security cameras pointing into a neighbor's private property and into their residence. Mayor Lane stated not that he knows of but the Borough Attorney could explain better. Borough Attorney Pasquale stated it is potentially a violation of law and a police issue. It's not necessarily an ordinance but there is state statute and they need to call the police. She stated they have and were told they can't enter the person's residence to see if it's recording but it is causing a great amount of distress for this resident. She asked what the parameters are for resident-to-resident protection. Borough Attorney Pasquale stated there would have to be a search warrant and probable cause to get that, unfortunately preventing neighbors from being bad neighbors like this individual is difficult. There are a number of people in town, one on Diamond Bridge Avenue, and a few others who are simply bad for our community and bad neighbors. He stated he will speak to the police department tomorrow and see what he can find out.

Councilwoman Laiosa asked Administrator Maurer how many people took advantage of the discounted pricing for the early pool registration before the May 1 increase. He stated there were quite a few but not as many as he had hoped, he will get a report on that. She asked if there was a line to get badges on Memorial Day Weekend when the pool opened. Councilman Wojtecki stated there was not, he just went and picked his up but his was a presale one.

Councilman Wojtecki asked if there should be a safe area where truckers could park in town instead of in the empty parking lots or in residential areas who are coming from out-of-state to make deliveries, especially for Kohler. Mayor Lane stated maybe they can talk to the people at Kohler and see where they are coming from and maybe get some ideas as to where they can park.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA PRESENTED BY MAYOR LANE

Because of the Canadian wildfires, we have poor air quality in our area. We are monitoring the situation through our Emergency Management team. Please keep your windows closed if possible. If it is necessary to be outdoors, please wear a mask (preferably an N95). We anticipate that we will celebrate our 125th Anniversary on Saturday, but we will make a final decision early on Friday afternoon if it will happen or be cancelled. With that being said, the event, which includes food trucks, music entertainment and fireworks at dusk, will be held at the Hawthorne High School track and field complex, doors open at 5pm. Entertainment begins at 5:30. This event is free for all residents. Handicapped parking will be available behind the high school on Bamford Avenue, and there will be shuttle transportation down to the field. Handicap vans will be permitted to be parked down on the athletic complex grounds. No coolers, no alcohol, no smoking or vaping allowed. I received an email from PSE&G that they will begin milling and paving throughout the town in mid-June where new gas mains were installed. I will have the full schedule and will send it out with my Friday letter. It has come to my attention that there is a problem with the left turn lane at Wagaraw Road and Lafayette Avenue. I have been on the phone with the County Engineer, the Developer's Engineer, and our own in-house Engineer working to get this problem resolved. The left turn lane has been removed, and we want it reinstated to make a left turn onto Lafayette from Wagaraw. There was a decision made by the Developer's Engineer's Traffic Division that the left turn was to be removed. We were not given an opportunity to review plans, and this just came to my attention yesterday in speaking to the superintendent of the project. I reviewed all the engineer's reports today; we never received any communication from the developer's engineer that they were removing the left turn lane. I am working to get this corrected ASAP. Please bear with us we are working diligently on this for the safety of everyone who goes through that section of town. In speaking with Langdon Engineering who is the developer's engineer, and the project superintendent today, we did possibly come to a resolution with either a left lane arrow, delayed green or a left turn lane. He will follow up on this tomorrow. Council President Matthews suggested a lead green going in both directions that would include turning into the Wagaraw development.

REPORTS

Borough Attorney Michael J. Pasquale

Tax Appeals - County Tax Board appeals will be heard on June 15th. There will be both in person and virtual options for participation. Tim Henderson and Borough Attorney Pasquale are working with property owners in the hope that some matters may be resolved before that date.

Bid Openings – There are several resolutions on the agenda awarding tree services, heavy vehicle repair and animal control services to current vendors however, R 91 recommends rejection of all bids, there being only one, for installation of the new roller hockey rink dasher system. The one quote substantially exceeded funds allocated for the project and the engineer's estimate.

Resolution R 95-23 - Senate Bill 3906, sponsored in part by our new, as of next year, Senator, Kristin Corrado, calls for the release of \$4.32 billion in funds earmarked for reduction of debt associated with capital projects. Since the bill calls for the funds to be divided on a per capita basis, every municipality, not just a few, would get the funds in proportion to population. Hawthorne would receive \$6.3 million. We thank Senator Corrado, who is a municipal attorney in Totowa for her efforts.

PFAS Litigation - The litigation instituted by the Borough against those responsible for introducing PFAS into the world is moving rapidly. Global settlements with several of the largest players are taking shape. More will follow but thus far the news has been positive.

Borough Bandshell - Thanks to the Committee and thanks to the donors who make this possible. Opening night is Sunday, June 25, 2023 with Joe Zisa and Friends. We have some returning acts, like Big Hix on August 6th and the great Captain Jack on July 30th. We have some new acts like Super Trans Am on July 23rd and two young

artists, Harper Lovey, an Indie-garage rock singer and Sivan Arbel, who gave a beautiful jazz performance last year. There will be movies and other events. Stay tuned.

Borough Engineer Representative Peter Ten Kate

Lead Service Line Replacement – Phase 1 – Project has been completed. The consent agenda includes a close-out resolution.

Lead Service Line Replacement – Phase 2 – NJIB comments have been addressed.

Lead Service Line Replacement – Phase 3 – Information for NJIB has been prepared.

Louis Bay 2nd Library Lighting Improvements – Project has been completed. A final inspection will be performed during the evening hours.

Hockey Rink – Our office recommended the Borough reject the only bid and re-bid the project.

Recreational Field/Facilities Upgrades – A pre-construction meeting was held and shop drawings are being submitted. Fox Fence is expected to begin in a few weeks with construction per the scheduling restrictions and requirements noted in the bid specifications.

2022 Road Improvement Program – All work has been completed. Close-out documents are being prepared.

Depe Voll Brook Water Main – Two more quotes were solicited and we were able to save \$36,000 with one of the quotes. Award to Colonnelli Brothers was recommended.

Water Department PFC Treatment System – Pipe installation is being performed. Tank delivery is expected to be delivered the end of September.

Recycling Center Compliance – We are awaiting direction from the Borough.

2023 Municipal Aid Project, 5th Avenue and Central Avenue – We are still waiting on comments from the DOT. The railroad stated they were all good with the project, but the DOT still needs to go through an internal railroad review.

2023 Road Program – A pre-construction meeting was held, mobilization is expected within about two weeks by 4 Clean-Up, Inc.

Borough Administrator Eric Maurer

Many of the resolutions and ordinances on tonight's agenda deal with the expenditure of money. Administrator Maurer clarified bond ordinance #2320-23 is for appropriations for the third and final portion of the money needed for the complete upgrade of our public safety radio communication system supplementing money appropriated in the 2022 and 2023 budgets. Resolution R 92-23 which relates to the ordinance mentioned authorizes the purchase of the equipment that will serve as the backbone of the fire radio system and the fire and ambulance paging system using coop contracts. Future purchases from appropriated funds will include the mobile and portable radios these two entities need. Resolution R 86-23 authorizes the purchase of another component of our emergency communication system fixing a dead spot for police communications that ironically exist in the municipal building. We have not one but two different emergencies, one with the water system, the other with the sewer system. In order to award contracts for this work, emergency appropriations are needed to fund them. R 74-23 is to fund the Deep Voll work along with R 87-23 for inspection services by the engineer and R 77-23 for the actual contractor. R 75-23 is for the Fifth Avenue sewer repair which will be approved before awarding and not to exceed a contract for those repairs which is R 88-23. The emergency appropriation for the sewer work will

need to be funded in the 2024 budget. For the Depe Voll water main work, the \$250,000 cost is too great to fund next year's water utility budget, therefore we are also proposing introduction of water utility bond ordinance #2319-23 to authorize borrowing money to fund that emergency appropriation. Because the budget has passed, resolutions authorizing the purchase of goods and services specifically funded in the 2023 budget, can now be awarded. These include the conversion of two DPW trucks into ones that will help the DPW work more efficiently. R 81-23 will convert a truck to a hook lift truck in order to easily swap out bodies when the truck moves from one task to another. R 82-23 is to make an asphalt patching truck to make asphalt repairs much more efficient. Both of these were based on recommendations made by Public Works Director Bill Haffler after we challenged him upon his being hired, with finding more efficient ways for our workforce to work. R 80-23 authorizes the purchase of 500 water meters to continue our aggressive water meter replacement program, something essential to funding our upcoming increase in debt service due to our PFAS and water service line replacement program. Through the end of May, we have replaced 311 meters in 2023 and we need to replenish our stock of new meters to continue the program. R 79-23 is to purchase gear lockers for the fire department and R 78-23 is to contract for clearing the Borough's storm drainage line from Charwalt to Highview Terrace. Union negotiations began with the blue-collar unit and the NPP ARP grant application that Council authorized at the previous meeting was completed and submitted. We hope to hear positive news on this application by the end of this month. Administrator Maurer requested a finance committee meeting in the upcoming week or two to discuss a number of items.

Mayor Lane added he sent a letter to the Governor, Speaker of the House and Senate President regarding the bill that Senator Corrado introduced so that this way we can get our name out there and hopefully get this to pass.

Questions for the Administration

Councilman Mele asked Borough Engineer Representative Pete Ten Kate if he knows if the water line is being attached to the bridge or being sunk in the brook. Administrator Maurer stated it is going in the brook. He asked if we have a price yet, Administrator Maurer stated yes, it's the one being awarded for \$221,000. Mayor Lane added there are two valves that need to be installed and they cost \$80,000.

Councilman Wojtecki asked if the covers can now be taken off all the signs at May Street and Wagaraw Road, their left turn and right turn. Mayor Lane stated yes, that can be done now. He stated to the Administration that he loves the new no parking striping on the roadways. He also mentioned the South and Lafayette curbs have still not been painted yellow. Mayor Lane stated they were told the day after the last meeting to paint them and he will follow up tomorrow.

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

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

WATER UTILITY BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2319-23

WATER UTILITY BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR WATER SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS INCLUDING SPECIFICALLY REPAIR OF THE DEPE VOLL WATER MAIN ALL IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$250,000) DOLLARS THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$237,500) DOLLARS FOR FINANCING THE SAME.

The Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), do hereby ORDAIN as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this Water Utility Bond Ordinance is hereby authorized as a local improvement to be made or acquired by the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County

of Passaic, New Jersey. For the said improvement or purpose stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$250,000 said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and including the sum of \$12,500 as the down payment for said improvement or purpose required by law and now available therefor in the Water Utility Capital Improvement Fund of the Borough by virtue of provision in a budget or budgets of the Borough previously adopted.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvement or purpose and to meet the part of said \$250,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$237,500 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvement or purpose, negotiable notes of the Borough in a principal amount not exceeding \$237,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued by the Borough of Hawthorne is for the making of the following specified improvements:

Water system infrastructure improvements including specifically emergency repair or replacement of water main at Depe Voll.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said purpose is \$237,500.00.

(c) The estimated cost of said purpose is \$250,000.00, with the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes being the amount of the said \$12,500 down payment.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purpose described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense and is a property or improvement which the Borough may lawfully acquire or make as a local improvement, the cost of which shall be specially assessed in the manner provided herein.

(b) The period of usefulness of said purpose within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, and according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance is 40 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Finance in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in said Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this Bond Ordinance by \$237,500 and that the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$30,000 for items of expense mentioned in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Law may be included in the foregoing estimate of the cost of said improvement or purpose.

Section 5. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitations of rate or amount.

Section 6. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(a). The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of

the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate, and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 7. The Water Utility Capital Budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. Resolutions in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Borough Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. This Bond Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond 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, on July 12, 2023 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 Councilwoman Sasso. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2320-23

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR INSTALLATION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR USE IN PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS UPGRADES AT THE HAWTHORNE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND OTHER LOCATIONS AS DESCRIBED HEREIN, IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE IN THE COUNTY OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING ONE MILLION, FIFTY THOUSAND (\$1,050,000) DOLLARS THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF NINE HUNDRED NINETY SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (\$997,500) DOLLARS OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING THE SAME

The Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), do hereby ORDAIN as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is hereby authorized as a general improvement to be made or acquired by the Borough of Hawthorne, in the County of Passaic, New Jersey. For the said improvement or purpose stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$1,050,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor and including the sum of \$52,500 as the down payment for said improvement or purpose required by law and now available therefor in the Capital Improvement Fund of the Borough by virtue of provision in a budget or budgets of the Borough previously adopted. The amount of be financed by way of bond or note of the Borough of Hawthorne is \$997,500.

Section 2. For the financing of said improvement or purpose and to meet the part of said \$1,050,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$997,500 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvement or purpose, negotiable notes of the Borough in a principal amount not exceeding \$997,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued is the purchase and installation of communication system improvements including related fixtures and equipment, together with all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with plans therefor prepared by Boswell Engineering, P.E., now on file or about to be filed in the office of the Borough Clerk, and hereby approved.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said purpose is \$997,500.

(c) The estimated cost of said purpose is \$1,050,000, the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes being the amount of the down payment provided for herein.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The said purpose described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense and is a property or improvement which the Borough may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement.

(b) The period of usefulness of said purpose within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, and according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance is 10 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by said Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Finance in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in said Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this Bond Ordinance by \$997,500 and that the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$50,000 for items of expense mentioned in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Law may be included in the foregoing estimate of the cost of said improvement or purpose.

Section 5. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitations of rate or amount.

Section 6. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(a). The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate, and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 7. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. Resolutions in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Borough Clerk and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. This Bond Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by said Local Bond 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, on July 12, 2023 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 Mele, seconded by Council Vice President Laiosa.

Discussion

Councilman Mele asked Administrator Maurer for clarification that this is not the final price, it's just a partial price. He explained this is for the appropriation, so this is not the price per se. This is the third piece of the

appropriations. We appropriated money as part of the 2022 budget. We appropriated money as part of the 2023 budget and this is the final appropriation. There will be several more resolutions to buy the equipment, there are two on tonight, one big one and one small one. We will have at least a couple larger ones moving forward and probably a number of smaller ones.

Council Vice President Laiosa explained this is for the communications for our whole police, fire and ambulance which we desperately need and have been upgrading the last two years. This concludes the bond we're financing and executing and have been purchasing the equipment the last year or two. This is what we have been talking about the last two years regarding communications.

On roll call, all voted yes with the exception of Councilman Wojtecki who abstained, motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

OFF-CONSENT

R 74-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to Depe Volle Water Main and, no adequate provision was made in the 2023 budget for the aforesaid purpose, and NJS 40A:4-46 provides for the creation on an emergency appropriation for the purpose mentioned above, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the emergency appropriations created, including the appropriation to be created by the resolution is \$250,000.00 and three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget for 2023 is \$917,269.36 and

WHEREAS, the foregoing appropriation together with prior appropriations does not exceed three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations (including utility operation appropriations) in the budget for 2023,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne (by not less than 2/3 of all governing body members affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with NJS 40A:4-48:

1. An emergency appropriation is hereby made for Water Utility O/E main replacement in the amount of \$250,000.00.
2. That said emergency appropriation shall be provided for in full in the 2024 budget, and is requested to be excluded from CAPS, pursuant to NJS 40A:4-53.3c(1).
3. That two (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

R 75-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to Fifth Avenue Sewer Repair and, no adequate provision was made in the 2023 budget for the aforesaid purpose, and NJS 40A:4-46 provides for the creation on an emergency appropriation for the purpose mentioned above, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the emergency appropriations created, including the appropriation to be created by the resolution is \$ 50,000.00 and three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations in the budget for 2023 is \$917,269.36 and

WHEREAS, the foregoing appropriation together with prior appropriations does not exceed three (3) percent of the total operating appropriations (including utility operation appropriations) in the budget for 2023,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, By the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne (by not less than 2/3 of all governing body members affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with NJS 40A:4-48:

1. An emergency appropriation is hereby made for sewer system repair in the amount of \$ 50,000.00.
2. That said emergency appropriation shall be provided for in full in the 2024 budget, and is requested to be excluded from CAPS, pursuant to NJS 40A:4-53.3c(1).
3. That two (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to adopt off-consent agenda resolutions R 74-23 and R 75-23, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilwoman Sasso. On roll call, all voted yes, motion carried.

CONSENT: R 76-23 to R 95-23

R 76-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount.

SECTION 1

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that the Borough of Hawthorne hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2023 in the sum of \$ 41,211.94 for the Clean Communities Grant.

SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE OFF-SET WITH APPROPRIATIONS

Clean Communities Grant Program	\$ 41,211.94
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pursuant to the provision of the statute; and

SECTION 2

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$ 41,211.94 be and is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM “CAPS” PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES

Clean Communities Grant Program	\$ 41,211.94
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SECTION 3

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds due to the Borough of Hawthorne from the State of New Jersey that were not available at the time of the adoption of the 2023 budget and are now available by law.

R 77-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne Water Department operates a water distribution system throughout the Borough and has water infrastructure at various locations including a water main at Depe Voll; and

WHEREAS, the water main has catastrophically failed and is in need of immediate repair or replacement in order to ensure adequate water supply to the customers of the Water Department, the same being an urgent matter of public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Borough, through its Engineer, solicited quotations from contractors who can make repair on an emergency basis and received two quotations, the lowest being from Colonnelli Brothers, Inc., dated June 6, 2023, at total cost of \$221,000; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer is of the opinion that the price is fair and reasonable and that the work urgently needs to be undertaken on an emergency basis so as to eliminate risk to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the contractor is familiar with the Hawthorne water system and has a long and positive work history with the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the total sum to be awarded is above the threshold set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law for contracts where public bidding is required and in excess of the New Jersey Pay to Play Law; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has advised that a purchase order may nevertheless be issued as the work to be performed is emergency in nature, the quotation is deemed a fair and reasonable price, the entity has a positive work history with the Borough and is familiar with its water system, and the vendor has certified in writing to the Municipal Clerk that it is in compliance with the Pay to Play Law by submitting an entity disclosure; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds pursuant to the Water Utility Budget by way of emergency appropriation Water Capital Outlay 3-05-2010-55-5120-090, so as to allow for the issuance of a purchase order in total certified amount not to exceed \$221,000;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that it finds an emergency to exist, and that it authorizes the issuance of a purchase order or contract not to exceed \$221,000, to Colonnelli Brothers, Inc., 409 South River Street, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601

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 the Water Utility Budget by way of emergency appropriation, Water Capital Outlay 3-05-2010-55-5120-090, so as to allow for the issuance of a purchase order in total certified amount not to exceed \$221,000 for emergency water main repair or replacement.

R 78-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne is the beneficial owner of a drainage easement between Charwalt Place and Highview Terrace; and

WHEREAS, a significant drainage issue has arisen on Charwalt which traces to the need to clear and improve the drainage easement between Charwalt and Highview in order to make it functional again; and

WHEREAS, Downes Tree Service, Inc., a contractor having a long and very positive work history with the Borough, has submitted a proposal to undertake the work in question, providing a quotation, dated June 28, 2022, in total sum of \$31,675; and

WHEREAS, while the proposal is below the threshold set forth in the Local Public Contract Law it is above the threshold set forth in the New Jersey Pay to Play laws applicable to such contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has nevertheless advised that an award of contract may be made as the contractor has submitted a Certification that it has not made any reportable contributions in contravention of the Pay to Play Law; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through the Municipal Budget, Stormwater Mandate, O/E, 01-2010-30-4002-023, so as to award a contract in total certified amount not to exceed \$31,675;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does approve the award of a contract to Downes Tree Service, Inc., 65 Royal Avenue, Hawthorne, New Jersey 07506, in an amount not to exceed \$31,675 for drainage easement improvements.

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, through the Municipal Budget, Stormwater Mandate, O/E, 01-2010-30-4002-023, so as to award a contract in total certified amount not to exceed \$31,675.

R 79-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne Volunteer Fire Department requires lockers for use by its volunteer members in the various fire houses; and

WHEREAS, the Borough through the Fire Department solicited quotations from three vendors capable of supplying the lockers as specified with the lowest price submitted by Strategic Safety Dynamics, in accordance with its quotation of April 6, 2023, in total sum of \$22,809.60; and

WHEREAS, the purchase price is below the threshold set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law but above the threshold set forth in the New Jersey Pay to Play laws applicable to such purchases; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has advised that an award may nevertheless be made as the vendor has submitted a Certification that it has not made reportable contributions under that law; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through the Municipal Budget, Fire Department, O/E, 01-2010-25-2652-090, for the purchase of lockers for a total certified expenditure of \$22,809.60;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does approve the issuance of a purchase order and remittance of payment by way of check in the sum of \$22,809.60 to

Strategic Safety Dynamics
P.O. Box 1022
Smithtown, New York 11787

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, through the Municipal Budget, Fire Department, O/E, 01-2010-25-2652-090, for the purchase of lockers for a total certified expenditure of \$22,809.60.

R 80-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne requires water meters and related equipment for use by its Water Department in connection with daily operations; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has identified the availability of 500 additional water meters and other related equipment through the Morris County Cooperative Pricing System under Contract No. 47, with total price of \$148,168, all in accordance with a quotation dated May 16, 2023 provided by Rio Supply, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the purchase through a Municipal Cooperative Pricing System satisfies the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law and the New Jersey Pay to Play laws applicable to such purchases; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through the Municipal Budget, Water Utility, O/E, 05-2010-55-5120-098, for the purchase of 500 water meters and related equipment, for a total certified expenditure of \$148,168;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does approve the issuance of a purchase order and remittance of payment by way of check in the sum of \$148,168 to

Rio Supply, Inc.
100 Allied Parkway
Sicklerville, New Jersey 08081

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, through Municipal Budget, Water Utility, O/E, 05-2010-55-5120-098, for the purchase of 500 water meters and related equipment, for a total certified expenditure of \$148,168.

R 81-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne Department of Public Works requires vehicles and equipment in order to perform its daily operations; and

WHEREAS, the Department determined there to be a need to convert one of its vehicles for use as a hook truck and received a quotation from Henderson Products, Inc., through a contract with the Sourcewell Cooperative, in total sum of \$65,266, for performance of such work; and

WHEREAS, the purchase through a cooperative such as Sourcewell satisfies the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law and the New Jersey Pay to Play laws applicable to such purchases; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through the Municipal Budget, Department of Public Works, Streets and Roads, O/E Equipment and Supplies, 01-2010-26-2902-050, for the conversion of a DPW vehicle and outfitting as a hook truck for a total certified expenditure of \$65,266;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does approve the issuance of a purchase order and remittance of payment by way of check in the sum of \$65,266 to

Henderson Products, Inc.
94 North Dell Avenue
Kenvil, New Jersey 07847

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, through the Municipal Budget, Department of Public Works, Streets and

Roads, O/E Equipment and Supplies, 01-2010-26-2902-050, for the conversion of a DPW vehicle and outfitting as a hook truck for a total certified expenditure of \$65,266.

R 82-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne Department of Public Works requires vehicles and equipment in order to perform its daily operations; and

WHEREAS, the Department determined there to be a need to convert one of its vehicles for use as a pothole repair vehicle and received a quotation from Falcon Road Maintenance Equipment through its vendor, McGrath Municipal Equipment, LLC, and made available through a contract with the NJESC Cooperative under contract ESCNJ 22/23-12, in total sum of \$84,610.20, for performance of such work; and

WHEREAS, the purchase through a cooperative such as NJESC satisfies the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law and the New Jersey Pay to Play laws applicable to such purchases; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through the Municipal Budget, Department of Public Works, Streets and Roads, O/E Equipment and Supplies, 01-2010-26-2902-050, for the conversion of a DPW vehicle and outfitting as a pothole filling truck for a total certified expenditure of \$84,610.20;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does approve the issuance of a purchase order and remittance of payment by way of check in the sum of \$84,610.20 to

McGrath Municipal Equipment, LLC
P.O. Box 422
Springfield, New Jersey 07081

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, through the Municipal Budget, Department of Public Works, Streets and Roads, O/E Equipment and Supplies, 01-2010-26-2902-050, for the conversion of a DPW vehicle and outfitting as a pothole filling truck for a total certified expenditure of \$84,610.20.

R 83-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne solicited bids for animal control services for the period from July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024, with an option in favor of the Borough for one additional year, and opened such bids on May 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, one bid was received, that being a bid from the current vendor of such services, Tyco Animal Control at a price of \$28,200 for each year and a rate of \$60 per hour for nights, weekends and holidays; and

WHEREAS, the bid was reviewed by the Borough Attorney, who found that same was responsive to the bid solicitation and compliant with the Local Public Contracts Law, and by the Administration which found that the amount of the bid was within the expectation of the solicitation; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds under the Municipal Budget of the Borough under Animal Control O/E, line item 01-2010-27-3402-020 as to \$9,500 with the balance provided under the Dog Dedicated Trust, account T-14-1100-10-8514-010 so as to allow for the award of contract in total certified amount of \$28,200 per year;

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

Tyco Animal Control
1 Stouts Lane
Ho-Ho-Kus, New Jersey 07423

in accordance with its bid, incorporated herein by reference, 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.

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 Foley, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Hawthorne, have determined that there are available, sufficient funds, not committed to any other purpose, under the Municipal Budget of the Borough, Animal Control O/E, line item 01-2010-27-3402-020as to \$9,500 with the balance provided under the Dog Dedicated Trust, account T-14-1100-10-8514-010 so as to allow for the award of contract in total certified amount of \$28,200 per year to Tyco Animal Control.

R 84-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne solicited quotations for the 2023-24 Large Vehicle Repair contract, with the Borough reserving the right to extend the contract for one additional year, and received and opened such bids on May 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the bid solicitation required a quotation for vehicle repair on an hourly basis and for emergency repair on off-hours, together with any percentage discount for parts; and

WHEREAS, one bid was received, that being from the current vendor Elvin Automotive, at an hourly rate of \$120 per hour, an emergency rate of \$375 per hour, and no discount on parts; and

WHEREAS, the bid was reviewed by the Borough Attorney, who found the same responsive to the bid solicitation and compliant with the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the bid was within the expectation of the solicitation and the Borough has a long and positive work history with the vendor; and

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

Elvin Automotive Services, Inc.
23 East 24th Street
Paterson, New Jersey 07514

in accordance with its bid, incorporated herein by reference, 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 85-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne received bids on April 27, 2023 for 2023-2024 Tree Services for the period May 1, 2023-April 30, 2024, with a one-year option in favor of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the bids were rejected by the Council pursuant to R 64-23 as there was determined by the Borough Attorney an infirmity in the bid process, not allowing bids to properly be compared one to the other; and

WHEREAS, a revised bid was issued and opened on May 31, 2023 with one bid received by the Borough that being a bid from the Borough's current vendor, Downes Tree Service, with prices in various categories set forth in its submittal; and

WHEREAS, the bid was reviewed by the Borough Attorney, who found that the same was compliant and took no exception to an award of contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds in the Municipal Budget, Shade Tree Commission, Operations, 01-2010-26-3032-026, so as to allow for an award of contract to Downes Tree Service in accordance with its proposal;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does award a contract for 2023-2024 Tree Services to:

Downes Tree Service, Co., Inc.
65 Royal Avenue
Hawthorne, New Jersey 07506

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, Acting Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Hawthorne, have determined that there are available, sufficient funds, not committed to any other purpose, provided by Municipal Budget, Shade Tree Commission, Operations, 01-2010-26-3032-026 to award a contract to Downes Tree Service, Co., Inc., for 2023-2024 Tree Services in accordance the schedule of services to be provided in its bid, with certified funds available for payment of such contract work in the aforesaid budget line item.

R 86-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne is in the process of completing an overhaul of its public safety communications systems and equipment and retained Richard Toornajian of Allegient Wireless, LLC, as the Borough's consultant in connection with the same; and

WHEREAS, as part of the system upgrade, there is a need to install a Distributive Antenna System upgrade at the municipal building to overcome a detected system deficit and Mr. Toornajian solicited quotes from three suppliers capable of performing such work and awarded State Contracts or COOP contracts for such work; and

WHEREAS, in comparing the product offered by PMC Wireless meets all of the requirements of the system at a price below the price of the other vendors, making it the recommendation of the Borough's Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the components for the system upgrade are available in part through New Jersey State Contract 83900, at a price of \$20,250, and in part through the Hunterdon County Cooperative Pricing System, at a price of \$17,678.02 and a total price of \$37,928.02, all set forth in a quote dated May 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the purchase through a State Contract and through a Municipal Cooperative Pricing System satisfies the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law and the New Jersey Pay to Play laws applicable to such purchases, it being the case that the price offered by PMC was the lowest price for a product meeting the needs of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through the Municipal Budget, Capital Outlay, Public Safety/Cameras, C-04-2150-55-9000-004, for a total certified expenditure of \$37,928.02;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does approve the issuance of a purchase order and remittance of payment by way of check in the sum of \$37,928.02 to PMC Wireless, 8 Crown Plaza, Hazlet, New Jersey 07730.

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, through Municipal Budget, Capital Outlay, Public Safety/Cameras, C-04-2150-55-9000-004, for a total certified expenditure of \$37,928.02.

R 87-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne has awarded a contract for Professional Engineering Services to the firm of Boswell Engineering for the year 2023; and

WHEREAS, Boswell Engineering has submitted a proposal for engineering services, specifically inspection services, in connection with the emergency water main repairs at the Depe Voll Water Main, dated May 25, 2023, a copy of the proposal being on file or about to be on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the services are based upon the hourly rate approved for such services and to be billed on an hourly basis at a cost not to exceed \$24,500; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 permits a contract for professional services to be awarded without the need for competitive bids but requires that the award of such contract for professional services be publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends an award of contract to Boswell Engineering relative to the within project based upon its experience in the field, familiarity with the Borough of Hawthorne and the submission of a proposal consistent with the funding available and anticipated for such work; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through an Emergency Appropriation in the Water Utility Budget, Water Capital Outlay 3-05-2010-55-5120-099 so as to allow for the award of contract in total certified amount not to exceed \$24,500; and

WHEREAS, Boswell Engineering has submitted to the Borough of Hawthorne a duly completed Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that it has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Hawthorne in the previous one year and that it would be prohibited from making any reportable contributions during the term of the contract;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and the Clerk of the Borough of Hawthorne are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Boswell Engineering for Professional Engineering Services/Inspection Services in connection with the emergency repairs to the Depe Voll Water Main, in accordance with its proposal, in a sum not to exceed \$24,500.
2. The contract is entered into without competitive bidding as “Professional Service,” pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law as this is a professional service within the meaning of the law.
3. Funding for the award of this contract has been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

4. Notice of this award or a copy of the Resolution shall be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Hawthorne within ten (10) days of passage as required.

5. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification shall remain on file with a true copy of 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, available pursuant to an Emergency Appropriation in the Water Utility Budget, Water Capital Outlay 3-05-2010-55-5120-099 so as to allow for the award of contract in total certified amount not to exceed \$24,500.

R 88-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Department of Public Works is responsible for roadways and infrastructure therein including sanitary sewer lines; and

WHEREAS, the road surface on Fifth Avenue collapsed in part indicative of a significant subsurface condition warranting immediate investigation; and

WHEREAS, the DPW Director contacted Montana Construction, Inc., a contractor with a long, positive work history with the Borough, to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine the source of the collapse and

WHEREAS, the contractor determined that a sewer main had collapsed, the same representing an emergency condition affecting public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, Montana provided a quotation to the Borough for completion of the work, inclusive of the investigative work already undertaken, with a total cost not to exceed \$45,000; and

WHEREAS, the DPW Director determined that the price, largely dependent upon conditions found when the road excavation is undertaken, is nevertheless fair and reasonable, and also determined that the work urgently needs to be undertaken on an emergency basis so as to eliminate risk to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the total sum to be awarded is right at or slightly above the threshold set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law for contracts where public bidding is required and in excess of the New Jersey Pay to Play Law; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has advised that a purchase order may nevertheless be issued as the work to be performed is emergency in nature, the quotation is deemed a fair and reasonable price, the entity has a positive work history with the Borough and is familiar with its sanitary sewer system, and the vendor has certified in writing to the Municipal Clerk that it is in compliance with the Pay to Play Law by submitting an entity disclosure; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds pursuant to the Municipal Budget by way of emergency appropriation Sewer Repair 3-01-2010-26-3042-092, so as to allow for the issuance of a purchase order in total certified amount not to exceed \$45,000;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that it finds an emergency to exist, and that it authorizes the issuance of a purchase order or contract not to exceed \$45,000, to Montana Construction, Inc., 80 Contant Avenue, Lodi, New Jersey 07644.

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 in the Municipal Budget by way of emergency appropriation Sewer Repair 3-01-2010-26-3042-092, so as to allow for the issuance of a purchase order in total certified amount not to exceed \$45,000 for emergency sewer line repair.

R 89-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, The Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne has heretofore adopted Bond Ordinance 2203-18 providing for the reconstruction or replacement of sidewalks and driveway aprons on various streets as part of the 2018 Road Improvement Program which Ordinance provided for the Assessment of the costs of said improvements on property specially benefitted thereby in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:56-14 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, upon completion of said project the Borough Engineer certified the cost of the same to the Council which held a hearing on the special assessment of the costs, on notice to all affected property owners, on June 7, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that no adjustments, corrections and modifications should be made in the report of the Borough Engineer certifying such costs; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Schedule of Assessments, as filed by the Borough Engineer with the Municipal Clerk, as attached to this Resolution in summary form, shall be and hereby is approved, fixing and allocating the total assessments set forth thereon; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of the Schedule of Assessments be delivered to the Tax Collector for billing and collection of the assessments, as provided by law; and, each assessment shall be repaid in the manner provided in the Ordinance, at an interest rate set forth in the notice of hearing delivered to the affected owners, payable over a term of five (5) years, subject to the penalty rate for delinquent payments in the same manner as delinquent payments of taxes and other municipal charges.

R 90-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne solicited bids for Lead Service Line Replacement, Phase I, and awarded a contract to Roman E&G Corp. in total sum of \$1,284,507; and

WHEREAS, the work has now been completed and Roman has submitted a final invoice for services, along with Change Order No. 1, reducing the contract sum by \$88,257.39 based upon actual field conditions; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the reduction, the contract awarded to Roman has been reduced from \$1,284,507 to \$1,196,249.61 and Roman has therefore submitted to the Borough a proposed Maintenance Bond in the sum of \$179,437.50 representing 15% of the final contract sum; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has reviewed the submission and has found all to be in order and further has advised that all work to be performed under the contract has been completed;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does approve the close out of the project, issuance of final payment and release of the Performance Bond previously posted by Roman, subject to receipt of the Maintenance Bond described above.

R 91-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne has solicited bids for the installation of a dasher system at the Roller Hockey Rink located at the Hawthorne High School Athletic Field and received the same on May 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, bidders were asked to bid a lump sum for two phases, removal of the existing dasher system and installation of a new system separately purchased by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, there was only one bid submitted, that being by Dakota Excavating Contractors, Inc., in total sum of \$430,800; and

WHEREAS, the bid itself was deemed to be compliant with the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law however the contractor did not indicate any experience in performing the work specified, its only related work being installation of tennis courts, fields and fences; and

WHEREAS, the more significant issue is that the bid, at \$430,000, was substantially in excess of the estimate for such work prepared by the Borough Engineer and in excess of funding available for the work by a wide margin, making an award of contract impossible;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that it does reject all bids received in connection with installation of roller hockey rink improvements, finding that the amount of the bid was far in excess of both the Engineer's estimate for such work and available funding for the project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk is authorized to issue a new bid solicitation for the work in question.

R 92-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne is in the process of completing an overhaul of its public safety communications systems and equipment and retained Richard Toornajian of Allegient Wireless, LLC, as the Borough's consultant in connection with the same; and

WHEREAS, as part of the system upgrade, there is a need to upgrade the Borough's UHF IP and Simulcast Systems, largely for use in Fire Department and Ambulance Corps, and Mr. Toornajian solicited quotes from two manufacturers awarded State Contracts for such work, PMC Wireless, a purveyor of Tait equipment, and Motorola; and

WHEREAS, in comparing the two the Tait product, available through PMC, meets all of the requirements of the system at a price far below the price of Motorola, making it the recommendation of the Borough's Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the components for the system upgrade are available in part through New Jersey State Contract 83900, at a price of \$392,914.80, and in part through the Hunterdon County Cooperative Pricing System, at a price of \$152,479.22 and a total price of \$545,394.01, all set forth in a quote dated May 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the purchase through a State Contract and through a Municipal Cooperative Pricing System satisfies the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law and the New Jersey Pay to Play laws applicable to such purchases, it being the case that the price offered by PMC was the lowest price for a product meeting the needs of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified availability of funds through the Municipal Budget, Capital Outlay, Public Safety/Cameras, C-04-2150-55-9000-004, for a total certified expenditure of \$545,394.01;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne does approve the issuance of a purchase order and remittance of payment by way of check in the sum of \$545,394.01 to PMC Wireless, 8 Crown Plaza, Hazlet, New Jersey 07730.

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, through Municipal Budget, Capital Outlay, Public Safety/Cameras, C-04-2150-55-9000-004, for a total certified expenditure of \$545,394.01.

R 93-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount.

SECTION 1

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, that the Borough of Hawthorne hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2023 in the sum of \$ 26,000.00 for the Clean Communities Grant.

SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE OFF-SET WITH APPROPRIATIONS

American Rescue Plan Fire Fighter Grant	\$ 26,000.00
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pursuant to the provision of the statute; and

SECTION 2

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$ 26,000.00 be and is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

OPERATIONS EXCLUDED FROM “CAPS” PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES

American Rescue Plan Fire Fighter Grant	\$ 26,000.00
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SECTION 3

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds due to the Borough of Hawthorne from the State of New Jersey that were not available at the time of the adoption of the 2023 budget and are now available by law.

R 94-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne is the owner of certain surplus property which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council are desirous of selling said surplus property **in “as is” condition** without express or implied warranties.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council in the Borough of Hawthorne in the County of Passaic, as follows:

- (1) The Borough Administrator is authorized to sell the itemized surplus property via either a traditional auction or through GovDeals pursuant to State Contract A-70967/T2581 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the State Contract. The terms and conditions of the agreement entered into with GovDeals are available online at govdeals.com and also available from the Borough Clerk’s Office; If using Govdeals, the following shall apply:
 - a. The sale shall be conducted online and the address of the auction site is **govdeals.com**;
 - b. The fee charged by GovDeals shall be seven and one-half (7 ½%) percent of the gross sale receipt with no listing charge or advertising charge;
 - c. The sale shall be conducted pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2008-9.
- (2) A list of the surplus property to be sold is as follows:

<u>VEHICLES</u>
2009 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor VIN # 2FAHP71V99X135189
2012 Ford Explorer / non police package VIN # 1FMHK8B8XCGA57179
2014 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor VIN# 1FM5K8AR4EGC60701
2010 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor VIN# 2FABP7BV3AX122740

- (3) The surplus property as identified shall be sold in an “as-is” condition without express or implied warranties with the successful bidder required to execute a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement concerning use of said surplus property.
- (4) The Borough Administrator is authorized to set minimum bids, set reserves below which bids will be rejected, set bidding increments, group items for sale by lots, and the right to accept or reject any bids submitted.
- (5) The Borough Administrator sets the auction date.

R 95-23 Introduced by Councilman Bennett

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Debt Defeasance and Prevention Fund was created for the purpose of repaying or defeasing taxpayer-funded debt and funding capital projects that would otherwise be paid for with new debt; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Debt Defeasance and Prevention Fund is expected to have an unallocated balance of at least \$4.32 billion; and

WHEREAS, members of the New Jersey Senate Republican caucus, including Senator Kristin M. Corrado, have introduced Senate Bill 3906 (S-3906), which would allocate \$4.32 billion from the New Jersey Debt Defeasance

and Prevention Fund to towns and counties to repay local government debt, advance capital projects of their choosing, and provide property tax relief to residents; and

WHEREAS, funds would be allocated by S-3906 on a per capita basis, meaning every town and county would get a fair share of funding based on population; and

WHEREAS, S-3906 provides that \$3 billion would be allocated to New Jersey municipalities on a per capita basis, and \$1.32 billion would be allocated to New Jersey counties on a per capita basis; and

WHEREAS, prior allocations from the New Jersey Debt Defeasance and Prevention fund have not been determined in a fair, equitable, or transparent manner; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hawthorne would receive an estimated allocation of \$6.3 million under S-3906 based on 2020 United States Census data; and

WHEREAS, S-3906 requires funds to be disbursed within 30 days of the legislation's enactment; and

WHEREAS, S-3906 is not expected to have a fiscal impact on the proposed State Budget for Fiscal Year 2024; and

WHEREAS, local and county governments are contending with soaring health care premiums, rising pension costs, and inflationary pressures that have impacted their budgets; and

WHEREAS, the significant allocations to towns and counties across New Jersey that have been proposed under S-3906 would help to lower and stabilize property taxes for years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Borough of Hawthorne, with endorsement from its Mayor and Administration, wholeheartedly supports this welcome relief and urges its elected officials to join with Senator Corrado and others in seeing to the passage of S-3906.

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to adopt consent agenda resolutions R 76-23 through R 95-23, motion by Councilman Bennett, seconded by Councilman Sciarra.

Discussion

Council Vice President Laiosa explained for some of these items like the purchase of the fire department gear locker, the DPW converting the truck to the hook lift as well as the pothole repair truck were all budgeted items like Eric said and are being awarded for less than what was put in the budget. So we do have a cost savings for us and the Borough. She thanked Downes, the only bidder for tree services, for "sharpening their pencil" with their prices being less than what they originally provided.

On roll call, all voted yes with the exception of Councilman Wojtecki who abstained on R 79-23, 86-23, 92-23 and 93-23 and no on R 83-23, motion carried.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Councilman Wojtecki reported the Shade Tree Commission met last night and a member of the organization, Al, gave out 250 seedlings to the 3rd graders throughout Washington, Jefferson, Roosevelt, and St. Anthony's Schools for the State Arbor Day celebration. They are seeking a grant for trees for our schools which was initiated by Mayor Lane for Washington and Hawthorne High School for the lack of trees in those areas. He announced Asplundh is coming back to town to do their trimming around the PSE&G lines. They are hoping to have a meeting with them, the mayor, and our arborist to lay out the groundwork so that they don't come and butcher our trees.

Councilman Sciarra reported the next Board of Education meeting will take place on June 27th at 7:00pm in the board meeting room.

Councilwoman Sasso reported the Ambulance Corps. give back week was a great success and several of our local restaurants were generous enough to give back more than what was asked of them as they normally do which is great. Their next fundraising events are a cigar night on June 22nd at 1086 Cigar at 1086 Goffle Road. Anyone interested in going can contact any corps. member or fundraising@hawthorneems.org. There will also be a tricky tray in October which will be held at the Hawthorne Boys & Girls Club. Total calls for the ambulance corps. going back 12 months were approximately 1,275 which is amazing for our volunteer ambulance corps. A reminder to everyone providing the air quality is safe, the 125th Anniversary celebration will take place at the high school field on Saturday, everything is free.

Councilman Mele thanked Michael Pasquale for the band shell, his committee does a great job.

Council President Matthews reported the Chamber of Commerce wants to announce the Farmers’ Market will start June 25th and runs through October 29th from 10:00am to 1:30pm rain or shine. He went over the schedule which included the Annual Fishing Derby. There were five certificates of compliance applications at last night’s Planning Board meeting. Four were heard, one was deferred to the Zoning Board because they didn’t have jurisdiction for the type of use they wanted to do in that location. Someone wanted to put a convenience store at the corner of Rea and Lafayette but there was no parking plan.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

BILLS

Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check Id
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PAYROLL PROC PR#8 4/21/23	\$ 445.78	33004
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PAYROLL PROC PR#8 4/21/23	111.45	43088
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PAYROLL PROC #PR#7 4/7/23	360.08	33004
ACTION DATA SERVICES	PAYROLL PROC #PR#7 4/7/23	90.02	43088
AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRO OF NJ	AHPNJ MEMBERSHIP DUES	115.00	2045
AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL SVC	MONTHLY WATER TESTING	480.00	43089
AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL SVC	MONTHLY WATER TESTING	582.00	43089
AGRA ENVIRONMENTAL SVC	MONTHLY WATER TESTING	617.50	43089
ALBERTA TREE SERVICE, LLC	DRAWDOWN-SHADE TREE FIELD WORK	4,290.00	33005
ALERT GRAPHICS	WELCOME TO HAWTHORNE BAGS	595.00	33006
ALERT GRAPHICS	WELCOME TO HAWTHORNE BAGS	270.50	33006
ALL AMERICAN FORD	REPAIRS TO MARKED VEHICLE 313	2,318.26	33007
ALLEGIAN WIRELESS, LLC	ANALYSIS SAFETY COMMUNICATION	5,512.50	33008
AQUARIUS IRRIGATION SUPPLY, INC	MISC DPW PARTS & EQUIP-FIELD	49.11	33009
BOB'S TIRES & WHEELS INC	DRAW DOWN-TIRE REPAIRS	1,126.00	43090
BOB'S TIRES & WHEELS INC	DRAW DOWN-TIRE REPAIRS	285.00	43090
BOB'S TIRES & WHEELS INC	2023 TIRE REPAIRS	50.00	33010
BOROUGH OF FAIR LAWN	LIGHT OCT-DEC 2022 JAN-MAR 23	112.00	33011
BOROUGH OF FAIR LAWN	LIGHT OCT-DEC 2022 JAN-MAR 23	128.17	33011
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	PFOA/PFOS SYSTEM	25,652.00	1299
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	R19322 SOIL STUDY RECYCLE	5,996.95	33012
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	ENGINEERING 2023 RD PROGRAM	2,079.00	3927
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	ENGINEERING 2023 RD PROGRAM	4,686.00	3927

BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	ENGINEERING 2023 RD PROGRAM	378.00	3927
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	ENGINEERING 2023 RD PROGRAM	94.50	3927
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	ENGINEERING 2023 RD PROGRAM	1,890.00	3927
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	AKKC REALTY, LLC	444.00	5743
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	AKKC REALTY, LLC	462.00	5743
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	89 ETHEL AVE	283.75	5744
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	JVC LAND, LLC 1060 GOFFLE RD	340.50	5745
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	JVC LAND, LLC 1060 GOFFLE RD	184.50	5745
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	JVC LAND, LLC 1060 GOFFLE RD	388.50	5745
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	JVC LAND, LLC 1060 GOFFLE RD	56.75	5745
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	MECHANICAL ASSOCIATES	1,021.75	5747
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	BIANCO/18 BUENA VISTA	111.00	5748
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	CAROL PITACCIO 50 6TH AVE	444.00	5749
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	CAROL PITACCIO 50 6TH AVE	222.00	5749
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	CAROL PITACCIO 50 6TH AVE	111.00	5749
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	MITAT KOKONOZI 89 8TH AVE	55.50	5750
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BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	MITAT KOKONOZI 89 8TH AVE	451.50	5751
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BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	MITAT KOKONOZI 89 8TH AVE	222.00	5751
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING	1,611.75	33012
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	PRO ENGIN SERVICES	7,295.00	33012
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	204 WAGARAW ROAD	470.50	5753
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	89 ETHEL AVE	363.25	5754
BOSWELL ENGINEERING, INC	R55-23 RD 23 PROGRAM SP ASSESS	555.00	3927
BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC	JVC LAND, LLC 1060 GOFFLE RD	507.50	5746
CABLEVISION LIGHTPATH NJ, LLC	ACT 105117	3,993.29	33014
CABLEVISION LIGHTPATH NJ, LLC	ACT 105117	1,258.16	33014
CABLEVISION LIGHTPATH NJ, LLC	ACT 105117	218.81	43091
CITY WIDE TOWING	TOWED FORD 10/25 1/25 GMC 1/13	351.00	33015
CITY WIDE TOWING	TOWED FORD 10/25 1/25 GMC 1/13	325.00	33015
CITY WIDE TOWING	TOWED FORD 10/25 1/25 GMC 1/13	200.00	33015
COASTAL DISTRIBUTION PATERSON	DRAW DOWN-TRANSFER STATION FEE	676.50	33016
COMMUNICATION SPECIALISTS	SUPPLIES FIRE	61.95	33017
COMMUNICATION SPECIALISTS	SUPPLIES FIRE	1,808.05	33017
COMPTIME, INC.	PRINT/POSTAGE WATER LTR/MAILER	180.00	43092
COMPTIME, INC.	PRINT/POSTAGE WATER LTR/MAILER	2,057.50	43092
CRAZY CAR VINYL LLC	UPDATED RE LETTERING UNIT 58	933.00	33018
CRESTON HYDRAULICS, INC.	POLY BLADE FOR SNOW RATOR	162.06	33019
CRESTON HYDRAULICS, INC.	POLY BLADE FOR SNOW RATOR	75.04	33019
DARRYL W. SISS	AKKC APPLICATION PLANNING BD	595.00	5742
DOWNES TREE SERVICE, INC.	TREE REMOVALS - OCTOBER	9,225.00	33020
DOWNES TREE SERVICE, INC.	TREE REMOVALS FOR DECEMBER	0.00	33020
DOWNES TREE SERVICE, INC.	TREE REMOVALS FOR DECEMBER	5,500.00	33020
DOWNES TREE SERVICE, INC.	TRUCK REPAIRS VARIOUS VEHICLES	166.40	33020
DOWNES TREE SERVICE, INC.	PRUNING JANUARY	500.00	33020
EASTERN COMMUNICATIONS, LTD	MULTI-KEY ENCRYPTION UPGRADES	36,666.85	33021
ELLIOTT LEWIS CORP	DRAW DOWN AC/HEAT SERVICE	343.00	33022

ELLIOTT LEWIS CORP	HV/AC MAINTENANCE CONTRACT	1,426.50	33022
ELLIOTT LEWIS CORP	HV/AC MAINTENANCE CONTRACT	515.00	33022
ELLIOTT LEWIS CORP	HV/AC MAINTENANCE CONTRACT	458.25	33022
FIREFIGHTER ONE LLC	HELMET SHIELDS/SHIPPING	109.78	33023
FIREFIGHTER ONE LLC	SHIPPING	15.00	33023
GILL ID SYSTEMS	PC LICENSE, SINGLE USER	265.00	33024
GILL ID SYSTEMS	TRANSFER DESIGN / DATABASE	150.00	33024
GILL ID SYSTEMS	HD CAMERA W/TRIPOD	65.00	33024
GILL ID SYSTEMS	FREIGHT	16.00	33024
GILL ID SYSTEMS	MAGIC CARD 300 CLEANING KIT	0.00	33024
GILL ID SYSTEMS	ADDITIONAL FREIGHT CHARGE	0.00	33024
GOTO COMMUNICATIONS USA, INC.	GO TO MEETING PLUS 4/1-4/30	128.88	33025
HAWTHORNE AUTO BODY, INC	REPAIRS TO MARKED VEHICLE 402	265.20	33026
HAWTHORNE AUTO LAB	VEHICLE LABOR FOR REPAIRS/PART	528.55	43093
HAWTHORNE AUTO LAB	VEHICLE LABOR FOR REPAIRS/PART	553.80	33027
HAWTHORNE PROJECT GRADUATION C	MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE SPONSORSHIP	1,000.00	5947
HENDERSON TRUCK EQUIPMENT	DATA PLAN	500.00	33028
IIMC	ANNMEMB TO 6/30/24 L FERNANDEZ	185.00	33029
INTERACTIVE DATA, LLC	IDI YEARLY MAINTENANCE	600.00	33031
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL	NFPA 72, NATIONAL FIRE ALARM	231.00	33030
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL	NFPA 13, AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER	247.00	33030
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL	NFPA 72, NATIONAL FIRE ALARM	9.95	33030
JAMES BUSHOVEN	FLYERS MAYORS WELL CAMP MAY 7	182.00	33033
JAMES SCHNAIDT	DECALS	240.00	43100
JAMES SCHNAIDT	DECALS	30.00	33063
JAMES SODER	EYE GLASS & EXAM SELF	250.00	33032
JAMES SODER	EYE GLASS & EXAM SELF	115.00	33032
JOANN CAROSOTTO	EYE GLASS EXAM AND GLASS	12.00	33034
JOHN GARCIA CONSTRUCTION CO	ON-CALL LEAD SERVICE LINE	173,384.12	1301
KEY TECH INC	HW-856 CONCRETE CORING ANALYSI	1,515.00	3928
KONICA/MINOLTA	COPY MAINT C5501 55 PPM	101.98	33035
LAWYER'S DIARY & MANUAL	2023 LAWYERS DIARY	129.00	33036
LEEGWATER ELECTRIC, INC.	ELECTRICAL WORK SECOND FLOOR	2,810.00	3929
LIFE STORAGE	MONTHLY RENTAL 5/17-6/17 #3016	402.00	33066
LIFESAVERS INC	AED	1,050.00	43094
LINCOLN LANDSCAPING INC.	SPRING CLEAN LIBRARY	1,224.00	33037
LINCOLN LANDSCAPING INC.	BOROUGH HALL 4/7/23	1,224.00	33037
LOWES HOME IMPRV BUSINESS ACCT	SUPPLIES	379.41	33038
LOWES HOME IMPRV BUSINESS ACCT	SUPPLIES	471.70	43095
LOWES HOME IMPRV BUSINESS ACCT	SUPPLIES	44.64	33038
LUSCHER'S AUTO INC	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	175.73	33039
MARK MICHALSKI	REIMB SUPPLIES WELL CAMP	72.43	33040
METLIFE	TM05001743 0001 MAY 2023	305.48	33041
MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	3,500 PURCHASE ORDERS	673.75	43096
MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	3,500 PURCHASE ORDERS	673.75	33042
MICHAEL J. PASQUALE, ESQ	204 WAGARAW ROAD LLC	612.50	5752
MICHAEL J. PASQUALE, ESQ	ORDINANACES	175.00	3930
MICHAEL J. PASQUALE, ESQ	AFFORDABLE HOUSING	2,975.00	33043
MONTONE REMOD & CONS CO, INC	BORO HALL FRONT REPAIRS	2,950.00	33044

MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.	PD RADIO CHARGERS, CABLES, BAT	340.80	33045
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.	PD RADIO CHARGERS, CABLES, BAT	841.30	33045
NJ ASSOC OF CHIEFS OF POLICE	2023 STATE CHIEFS CONFERENCE	1,315.00	33046
NJ SHADE TREE FEDERATION	2023 SHADE TREE MEMBERSHIP	95.00	33047
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	TREE SVC 23-24 BO2307-23 RD IM	63.36	33048
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	TREE SVC 23-24 BO2307-23 RD IM	116.16	33048
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	TREE SVC 23-24 BO2307-23 RD IM	188.32	3931
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	TREE SVC 23-24 BO2307-23 RD IM	90.64	33048
NY SUSQUEHANA & WESTERN RAILWA	ANN FEE 6/1-5/31/24	1,545.04	33049
OAKLAND MARINE & EQUIPMENT INC	DRAW DOWN OUTDOOR POWER EQUIP	144.80	43097
OAKLAND MARINE & EQUIPMENT INC	DRAW DOWN OUTDOOR POWER EQUIP	389.00	43097
OAKLAND MARINE & EQUIPMENT INC	DRAW DOWN OUTDOOR POWER EQUIP	389.00	43097
PACT TWO, LLC	WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT R174	183,260.00	1300
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	OPTIPLEX 3000	1,283.76	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	SET UP	375.00	43098
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	OPTIPLEX 300	2,567.50	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	SET UP	750.00	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	OPTIPLEX 3000	2,567.52	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	SET UP	750.00	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	OPTIPLEX 7000 SMALL FORM	5,098.10	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	SET UP CHARGE	750.00	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	CONFIGURE LAURIE TO MAUREEN TC	188.00	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	DELL ULTRA SHARP MONITOR	1,515.16	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	DELL ULTRA SHARP MONITOR	2,549.05	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	DELL SHARP MONITOR	1,763.32	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	ONE YEAR RENEW GTWY SECURITY	250.22	33050
PASCACK DATA SERVICES	ONE YEAR RENEW GTWY SECURITY	250.21	43098
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	15,260.57	33051
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	816.83	33051
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	13,857.91	33051
PUBLIC SERV ELEC & GAS	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	23,039.52	43099
PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION OF NJ	APWA SHOW	100.00	33052
PUZO'S RESTAURANT	PIZZA FOR VOLUNTEERS	90.76	33053
ROBERT BERGER	ESTABLISH CHANGE FUND MUN POOL	150.00	33054
RT OFFICE PRODUCTS	OFFICE SUPPLIES	282.72	33055
SIRCHIE FINGERPRINT LABS	EVIDENCE GUN BOX & BLOOD KITS	110.37	33056
SIRCHIE FINGERPRINT LABS	EVIDENCE GUN BOX & BLOOD KITS	98.99	33056
SNAKES-N-SCALES, LLC	CEL-EARTH-BRATION 2 SHOWS	700.00	33057
SPECTROTEL HOLDING COMPANY LLC	INTERNET BODY CAM ACT 434514	393.88	33058
STATE OF NJ-STATE TOXICOLOGY L	POLICE RANDON DRUG TESTING	180.00	33059
STEPHEN ZUKOFSKY	JR POLICE ACADEMY	109.18	5948
STONE INDUSTRIES, INC	DRAW DOWN-STONE SUPPLIES	170.88	33013
STONE INDUSTRIES, INC	DRAW DOWN-STONE SUPPLIES	567.77	33013
STORR TRACTOR CO	DUEL GRADE LASER PACKAGE	2,740.00	33060
STORR TRACTOR CO	DUEL GRADE LASER PACKAGE	385.00	33060
STORR TRACTOR CO	DUEL GRADE LASER PACKAGE	100.00	33060
STRATEGIC SAFETY DYNAMICS LLC	E4 X2 BOOTS MENS LEATHER 10.5	368.99	33061
STRATEGIC SAFETY DYNAMICS LLC	SHIPPING	28.00	33061
TANIS HARDWARE	MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	16.99	33062

TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	HAWTHORNE COMPOST WAGARAW RD	1,015.00	5949
TRUVIEW BSI, LLC	FIRE DEPT BACKGROUND	94.00	33064
TRUVIEW BSI, LLC	AMBULANCE MEMBERS BACKGROUND	86.00	33064
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	785.23	33065
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	119.92	43101
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	418.93	33065
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	1,229.13	33065
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	357.62	33065
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	0.88	43101
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	124.20	43101
UGI ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	ELEC THRU MARCH 2023	186.74	43101
VERIZON	4/16-5/15 150-716-970-0001-04	543.72	33067
VERIZON	FIOS4/6-5/6ACT156-624-94400031	60.00	33069
VERIZON	FIOS4/6-5/6ACT156-624-94400031	59.99	33069
VERIZON	ACT250787716-0001-94 4/1-4/30	2,910.72	33067
VERIZON	ACT250787716-0001-94 4/1-4/30	1,303.31	43102
VERIZON	ACT250787716-0001-94 4/1-4/30	130.33	33067
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	ACT 9420173411-00001 4/3-5/2	142.20	43103
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	ACT 9420173411-00001 4/3-5/2	118.50	33068
VERIZON WIRELESS (N)	ACT 9420173411-00001 4/3-5/2	213.29	33068
W & E BAUM	BRASS NAMEPLATES - CHIEF PIX	275.00	33071
W & E BAUM	SHIPPING	15.28	33071
W.B. MASON CO INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES (PAPER)	130.88	33070
W.B. MASON CO INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES (PAPER)	34.08	33070
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GRP, INC	T2 GEMTOR CLASS II HARNESS	249.00	33072
WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GRP, INC	SHIPPING	14.00	33072
	TOTAL	\$618,450.65	

Council President Matthews entertained a motion to approve the bills, as amended, and forward them to the Treasurer for payment, motion by Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Sciarra. On roll call, all voted yes with the exception of Councilman Wojtecki who abstained on bills pertaining to the Fire Department, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council President Matthews opened the meeting to the public. He stated if anyone desired to be heard, to please raise their hand to be recognized, come forward to the microphone and state their name.

Alan Tenhoeve

Mr. Tenhoeve spoke again about the extremely dangerous crosswalk on Lincoln and Kingston Avenues where there are currently yellow flashing lights, and asked for something to be done. Council President Matthews stated they have requested a second set of lights there as well as Van Winkle and Lincoln. We are working with Glen Rock, that might be why it is going slower than normal. Mayor Lane stated since Mr. Tenhoeve was at the meeting the last time, he has contacted the Mayor of Glen Rock and she is 100% in favor of it. We received an application for a grant and highlighted there are seven different locations in town, three of them on Lincoln Avenue and the rest were throughout the town, but we did not receive the grant. He stated he will speak to the Finance Committee and maybe appropriate some funds to see if they can get some lights.

Seeing no one else, Council President Matthews entertained a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, motion by Councilman Mele, seconded by Councilman Bennett. Carried on voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:19pm, Council President Matthews entertained a motion to adjourn, motion by Councilman Wojtecki, seconded by Councilman Bennett. Carried on voice vote.

**THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING IS
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023 AT 7 PM**