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MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey held on the 11th day of February at 7:00 P.M Secaucus Municipal Government Center, 1203 Paterson Plank Road, Secaucus, NJ in Chamber II.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Adequate notice for this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, has been provided by the filing of the notice of Meetings with the Municipal Clerk, the posting of said notice on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and the delivery of same to the Jersey Journal on December 26, 2019.

This body wishes to advise you that in accordance with N.J.A.C.5:23-11.1, et seq. of the Indoor Air Quality Standards and Procedures for Buildings Occupied by Public Employees, smoking anywhere in this public building is prohibited by law.

Present: Councilmembers: Michael Gonnelli  
Robert Costantino  
William McKeever  
James Clancy  
John Gerbasio  
Orietta Tringali  
Absent: Mark Dehnert

Councilman Costantino thanked Nick Goldsack, former CFO of the Town for his work with the Town and introduced Pat DeBlasio as the new Chief Financial Officer.

Nick offered comments on his tenure at the Town.

Sheetal Nagpal was introduced as the new Director of Finance/Treasurer.

Town Administrator, Gary Jeffas, offered comments as well.

The parents of Eric Dougat and Johanna Ishmael Dulu were presented plaques in recognition of their children obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Cathy Wolf presented awards to several students for their work with different charities.

Mayor Gonnelli introduced Richard Fairman as the Senior Citizen of the Year.

First item on the agenda:

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2020-3

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS, CHAPTER A163  
SEWER RULES AND REGULATIONS

Councilman Costantino moved to accept the first reading of the foregoing ordinance, seconded by Councilman Clancy.

AYES: Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Dehnert Motion carried

Public hearing on the foregoing ordinance will be on March 10, 2020.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Mayor and Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

The following resolution was read: No. 2020-47

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS AUTHORIZING  
THE AWARD OF A SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE TOWN GENERATORS TO  
ENER-G RUDOX, LLC

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has numerous generators and needs to enter into a maintenance contract to be certain the generators continue to function properly and are properly maintained; and

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WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus Department of Public Works has obtained three (3) quotes for generator maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, ENER-G Rudox, LLC. located at 180 East Union Avenue, East Rutherford, New Jersey 07073 has submitted a Service Agreement dated January 9, 2020, that was presented to the Qualified Purchasing Agent, providing for the maintenance of the Town generators listed on the attached Agreement for an annual contract price of Ten Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and 00/100 (\$10,428.00); and

WHEREAS, ENER-G Rudox, LLC was the lowest responsible quote; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds to award this contract are available under line item 01-2010-00-11092-069.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey award the service contract for the Town generators to ENER-G Rudox, LLC at an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and 00/100 (\$10,428.00) for a one (1) year term beginning on February 11, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ENER-G Rudox, LLC shall provide any and all compliance information requested by the Town of Secaucus Office of Purchasing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Town Administrator, or their designee are hereby authorized to execute any documents regarding the awarding of the service contract with ENER-G Rudox, LLC for the Town generators as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Town Administrator or their designee are hereby authorized to take any action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-48

**A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS AUTHORIZING  
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR NFPA TESTING OF THE APPARATUS  
AND EQUIPMENT OF THE SECAUCUS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO FAIL SAFE TESTING**

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department has a need for annual NFPA testing for various fire apparatus and equipment including fire hose, aerial ladder, fire pump and ladder performance testing in the interest of safety; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus Fire Department has obtained three (3) quotes for these services; and

WHEREAS, Fail Safe Testing of 300 Craig Road, Suite 209, Manalapan, New Jersey has submitted a quote, that was presented to the Qualified Purchasing Agent, providing for the above-named services for a contract price of Eight Thousand Four Hundred Seventeen Dollars and 67/100 (\$8,417.67); and

WHEREAS, Fail Safe Testing was the lowest responsible quote; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds to award this contract are available under line item 01-2010-00-21302-27.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, award the contract for NFPA Testing of the Apparatus and Equipment of the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department to Fail Safe Testing at an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand Four Hundred Seventeen Dollars and 67/100 (\$8,417.67) for a one (1) year term, beginning on February 10, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Fail Safe Testing shall provide any and all compliance information requested by the Town of Secaucus Office of Purchasing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Town Administrator, or their designee are hereby authorized to execute any documents regarding the awarding of the contract with Fail Safe Testing for NFPA Testing of the Apparatus and Equipment of the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Town Administrator, or their designee are hereby authorized to take any action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-49

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS EXTENDING THE CONTRACT FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT LEASING SERVICES TO HUGERICH CONSTRUCTION, INC.

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Department of Public Works has a continuing need for the provision of Heavy Equipment Leasing Services; and

WHEREAS, Hugerich Construction, Inc. was awarded a contract for Heavy Equipment Leasing Services on February 13, 2018 per Resolution 2018-58 for a one (1) year period with two (2) one (1) year options to renew; and

WHEREAS, Hugerich Construction, Inc. was awarded a contract extension for a one (1) year period under Resolution 2019-30; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus wishes to extend the contract for an additional one (1) year term, in accordance with Year 3 pricing of their original proposal; Said extension is the second of two (2) one (1) year optional renewals for this contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, to award a contract extension to Hugerich Construction, Inc., to provide Heavy Equipment Leasing Services for a one (1) year period for an amount not to exceed Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the attached Bid Proposal and Resolution shall constitute the requisite contract in this matter for pricing per item, and will be kept on file with the Town Clerk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Hugerich Construction Inc. shall provide any and all updated compliance information requested by the Town of Secaucus' Office of Purchasing, which may include but is not limited to, proof of continued insurance coverage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and/or Town Administrator is hereby authorized to execute any other documents or take any other necessary action to effectuate the spirit and intent of this Resolution.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-50

TOWN OF SECAUCUS  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that pending the successfully completion of background checks and physical examinations, the below persons are hereby appointed as replacement regular part time Counselor positions for the remainder of the 2019 / 2020 school year in the After-Care Programs Department #81082 effective February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as follows:

| <u>Counselors</u>                      | <u>Rate</u>    |
|--|----------------|
| Suarez, Mia #5551rehire (start 2/5/20) | \$11.00 / Hour |
| Abdullah, Mohammad (start 2/3/20)      | \$11.00 / Hour |

The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-51

TOWN OF SECAUCUS  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of Lisa Snedeker, Director Senior and Social Services, the below persons are hereby appointed to the replacement part time positions in the Social Services Department (#74000) effective February 11, 2020 as follows:

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Tabasco, Janice (Cook) #5409 - start 2/18/20    | \$17.00 / Hour |
| Logan, James (Asst. Cook) - start 2/3/20        | \$12.00 / Hour |
| Phemsint, Nattirat (Clerk) - start 2/3/20       | \$11.00 / Hour |
| Logan, Sean (Clerk) rehire #5619 - start 2/3/20 | \$11.00 / Hour |

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-52

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE  
PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER (P.A.C.O.)

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Gary Jeffas, Esq. is hereby designated as the Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.) for the Town of Secaucus.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-53

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS  
FOR APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #3 TO A CONTRACT WITH 4 CLEAN-UP, INC. FOR RENOVATION FOR  
THE NEW MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT AT 1212 PATERSON PLANK ROAD, SECAUCUS

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has a contract with 4 Clean-Up, Inc. for the Renovation for the New Municipal Parking Lot at 1212 Paterson Plank Road, Secaucus under resolution 2019-74 in the amount of \$149,440.60; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #1 was approved under Resolution 2019-155, which increased the cost by Nine Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Dollars and 00/100 (\$9,380.00); and

WHEREAS, Change Order #2 was approved under Resolution 2019-163, which increased the cost by Six Thousand Two Hundred Forty Dollars and 54/100 (\$6,240.54); and

WHEREAS, it has also been determined that there is a reduction of costs, which will decrease the cost by One Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars 40/100 (\$1,450.40); and

WHEREAS, there is a need for a Change Order #3 to decrease the contract with 4 Clean-Up, Inc., in the amount of One Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars 40/100 (\$1,450.40), for the reduction of work set forth, which will decrease the overall contract amount to One Hundred Fifty-One Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars and 66/100 (\$151,129.66)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, that the above statements are incorporated herein and Change Order #3 for 4 Clean-Up, Inc. for the Renovation for the New Municipal Parking Lot at 1212 Paterson Plank Road, Secaucus in the amount of \$1,450.40 is hereby approved.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-54

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS  
APPROVING EXTENSION OF THE PROMOTIONAL LIST FOR SERGEANT  
AND LIEUTENANT FOR THE SECAUCUS POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Secaucus Police Department currently has a promotional list for Sergeant and Lieutenant positions ("List") within the Department pursuant to T.O. §28-14(E), which remains in effect for a three (3) year period; and

WHEREAS, the List has been in effect since April 25, 2017, when initial appointments from the list were made; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to extend the List for a one (1) year period pursuant to T.O. §28-14(E).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, in the State of New Jersey, approve the extension of the promotional list for Sergeant and Lieutenant for the Secaucus Police Department for one (1) additional year until April 25, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and/or the Town Administrator or their designee, is hereby authorized to take any action or execute any other documents deemed necessary to effectuate said purpose and intent of this resolution.

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-55

AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE 2020 TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, The Revised Statutes of New Jersey 40A:4-20 provides for the adoption of temporary appropriations in addition to temporary appropriations necessary for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the date of the adoption of the Local Budget for the Year 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, that the following amendments to the temporary appropriations be made in the amounts and for the purposes herein set forth for the period between January 1st, 2020 and the adoption of the Local Budget for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson and State of New Jersey for the fiscal Year 2020:

See attachment

The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-56

TOWN OF SECAUCUS  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that Vincent Massaro, Jr's annual salary will be increased to \$95,983.26, which reflects a \$2,500.00 increase to compensate for overtime and employee will not receive any additional overtime compensation for his salaried professional position, effective February 11, 2020.

Councilman McKeever moved to approve the foregoing resolutions on the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Tringali.

AYES: Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Dehnert Motion carried

BINGO/RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

R-1586 UNICO NATIONAL, SECAUCUS OFF PREMISE 50/50  
R-1587 BENEATH THE SEA OFF PREMISE DRAW RAFFLE

Councilman Costantino moved to approve the foregoing Raffle applications, seconded by Councilman Gerbasio.

AYES: Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Dehnert Motion carried

COMMUNICATION REQUIRING ACTION BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Request by Joseph Baccola to use Mill Ridge Field 3 upper field for men's softball for various dates from March thru July.

Request by Max Wang of Secaucus Chinese Soccer to use Shetik Field for Tuesday evenings, April thru August.

Request by Chris Loughlin of Meadowlands FC to use Kane Stadium and Shetik Field for various dates in March thru June.

Councilman Costantino moved to approve the foregoing requests, seconded by Councilman Clancy.

AYES: Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Dehnert Motion carried

Request by Captain J. Schoendorf to accept Isaiah Davis as a member of Rescue 1, Engine 2 of the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department.

Request by Captain J. Schoendorf to accept John Maurin as a member of Rescue 1, Engine 2 of the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department.

Request by Engine Co. 3 to accept Patrick Cavalcante as a member.

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Councilman Gerbasio moved to approve the foregoing requests, seconded by Councilwoman Tringali.

AYES: Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Gerbasio, Tringali,  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: Gonnelli  
ABSENT: Dehnert

Motion carried

Notification was received that Vittorio Macaro, of Rescue 1, Engine 2, has resigned as a member.

Notification was received that Jared Wetter of Rescue 1, Engine 2, has resigned as a member.

Notification was received that Thomas Thompson, of Rescue 1, Engine 2, has been terminated as a member.

Councilman Costantino moved to approve the foregoing requests, seconded by Councilman Clancy.

AYES: Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Gerbasio, Tringali,  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: Gonnelli  
ABSENT: Dehnert

Motion carried

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Gerbasio stated that at the next Council meeting there will be a police presentation.

Councilman Costantino stated that he will be looking forward to working with Pat DeBlasio.

Councilman Clancy spoke about the resignations and new members of the fire department.

Councilwoman Tringali explained that the Teen Center has moved to a new facility.

Councilman McKeever gave information on the Town wide ban on plastic bags. He also spoke about the possibility of homes that may have lead paint and a program to be held to help mediate.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Gerbasio gave details on upcoming events.

Councilman Costantino gave details on residential parking.

Councilman Clancy gave details on upcoming events. He also spoke about a program where residents can get rid of household furniture.

Councilwoman Tringali gave details on an upcoming event called Helping Hands and it will be held at 79 Metro Way. She added further details on an event at the Library.

Councilman McKeever gave details on two programs available to residents.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Gerbasio spoke about new programs at the Library.

Councilman Costantino spoke about an upcoming job fair for Harmony being held at the Community Center at 145 Front St. He added details on the Koala program, which is fund raising for the animals affected by the brush fires in Australia.

Councilman Clancy gave details on an upcoming fundraiser run by the Guma Foundation.

Councilman McKeever spoke about an upcoming event run by the Rotary Club.

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REMARKS OF CITIZENS

Don Evanson

Councilman McKeever moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm, seconded by Councilman Costantino.

AYES: Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Dehnert

Motion carried

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Michael Marra, Town Clerk