

April 14, 2020

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 14th day of April at 7:00 at the Secaucus Municipal Government Center, Secaucus, NJ
Invocation by Father Victor Kennedy.

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 28, 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
William McKeever
James Clancy
Mark Dehnert
John Gerbasio
Orietta Tringali
Absent: Robert Costantino

Note: Meeting being held via telephone due to social distancing.

First item on the agenda:

ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

The following ordinance read for public hearing: No.2020-6

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 127 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS ENTITLED
"VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" TO UPDATE TRAFFIC SIGNAL LOCATIONS

WHEREAS, the Town enacted §127-1 et seq. to assist in alleviating dangerous situations and also to address parking, intersections and street locations and prohibitions to accommodate town services and safety as needed; and

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the Secaucus Police Department Traffic Division, the Mayor and Council have determined that updates to traffic signal locations contained in §127-46 are needed to reflect the current traffic signal system maintained by the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, NJDOT and other entities within the boundaries of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The following changes shall be made to "Article XI Traffic Control Signals," and "§127-46 Designation of locations." of the Code of the Town of Secaucus be, and is hereby amended and supplemented to read as follows: (deletions are indicated by crossouts; additions are indicated in bold):

§ 127-46. Designation of locations.

Traffic signals shall be installed at the following inter-sections:

NAME OF STREET	INTERSECTION WITH
Enterprise Avenue North	American Way
American Way	Hartz Way
County Avenue	Dorigo Lane
County Avenue	Meadowview Complex
County Avenue	UPS Drive
County Avenue	Secaucus Road

County Avenue	Jefferson Avenue
Harmon Meadow Blvd.	Plaza Drive (corner near 455 Harmon Meadow Blvd.)
Harmon Meadow Blvd.	Plaza Drive (corner near 700 Plaza Drive)
Harmon Meadow Blvd.	Park Plaza Drive
Meadowlands Parkway	American Way
Meadowlands Parkway	Panasonic/Hospital Drives
Meadowlands Parkway	Route 3 Eastbound Ramps
Meadowlands Parkway	Hotel/Office Drives (10th Street) North Driveway
Meadowlands Parkway	Wood Avenue
Meadowlands Parkway	Cove Court
Meadowlands Parkway	Harmon Plaza/ Tenth Street West
Meadowlands Parkway	Harmon Cove Drive
Meadowlands Parkway	Seaview Drive
Mill Creek Drive	Lighting Way
New County Road	Seaview Drive
New County Road	Castle Road
Park Plaza Drive	Mill Creek Drive
Paterson Plank Road	Plaza Center Road
Paterson Plank Road	N.J. Turnpike Exit Ramp
Paterson Plank Road	Maple Street and the Route 3 Westbound Exit Ramp
Paterson Plank Road	Park Plaza Drive
Paterson Plank Road	First Street
Paterson Plank Road	Huber Street
Paterson Plank Road	County Avenue
Paterson Plank Road	Roosevelt Avenue
Paterson Plank Road	Old Route 153 Flanagan Way
Seaview Drive	Frank R. Lautenberg Rail Station North Road
Seaview Drive	Frank R. Lautenberg Rail Station South Road
Secaucus Road	Enterprise Avenue
Secaucus Road	Henry Street
Secaucus Road	Penhorn Avenue
Secaucus Road	Old Secaucus Road

2. There are no other changes to this Chapter of the Code of the Town of Secaucus.
3. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
4. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to that section, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be valid and effective.
5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication in accordance with law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of this Chapter 127 of the Code of the Town of Secaucus shall remain in full force and effect.

Mayor Gonnelli asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance. There being no one requesting the floor, Councilman McKeever moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilman Dehnert.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Costantino

Motion carried

Councilman McKeever moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Clancy.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Costantino

Motion carried

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. 2020-84

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS
FOR APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #1 TO A CONTRACT WITH NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has a contract with Norfolk Southern Railway Company for Preliminary Engineering Services under resolution 2015-397 in the amount of \$12,443.00; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that additional work is needed, which will increase the total cost by Eight Thousand Twenty-Four Dollars and 95/100 (\$8,024.95); and

WHEREAS, there is a need for a Change Order #1 to increase the contract with Norfolk Southern Railway Company in the amount of Eight Thousand Twenty-Four Dollars and 95/100 (\$8,024.95) for the work set forth, which will increase the overall contract amount to Twenty Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Seven Dollar and 95/100 (\$20,467.95); and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certifies that there are sufficient funds under account 80-3000-00-92300-020 for said contract.

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 #1 for Norfolk Southern Railway Company in the amount of Eight Thousand Twenty-Four Dollars and 95/100 (\$8,024.95) is hereby approved.

Financial officers
Certification attached.

The following resolution was read:

No.2020-85

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS AUTHORIZING
THE PURCHASE OF A 2020 POLICE INTERCEPTOR UTILITY VEHICLE FROM WINNER FORD

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus Construction Department has the need to purchase a 2020 Police Interceptor Utility Vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus Construction Department has obtained a quote from Winner Ford located in Cherry Hill, NJ in the amount of Forty-Four Thousand Fifty-One Dollars and 00/100 (\$44,051.00); and

WHEREAS; Winner Ford holds New Jersey State Contract #88728; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds to award this contract are available under line item 01-1610

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey award the purchase of a 2020 Police Interceptor Utility Vehicle from Winner Ford at an amount not to exceed Forty-Four Thousand Fifty-One Dollars and 00/100 (\$44,051.00); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Winner Ford 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 this contract, or take any action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

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.

Financial officers
Certification attached.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-86

RESOLUTION 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 1, 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 the attached listing. Available for review.

The following resolution was read:

No.2020-87

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR THE DEDICATION BY RIDER FOR A STORM RECOVERY TRUST FUND REQUIRED BY ((PL2013, c.271 and NJS 40A: 4-62.1)

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonably accurate estimates in advance; and

WHEREAS, PL2013, c.271 and NJS 40A: 4-62.1 provides for receipt of Storm Recovery Trust Funds by the municipality to provide for the operating costs to administer this act; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the insert Storm Recovery Trust Funds are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, New Jersey as follows:

1. The Governing Body does hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to pay expenditures of the Storm Recovery Trust Fund and statutory authority. ((PL2013, c.271 and NJS 40A: 4-62.1)

2. The Clerk of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this Resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

The following resolution was read:

No.2020-88

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
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 Municipal Court Judge Karen Boylan and Dennis Miller Police Chief that the below person is hereby appointed to the regular part time position of Court Attendant (#33000) effective when the Municipal Court reopens as follows:

Pein, Damon

\$113.00/ Session

** Appointment is subject to psychological examination and clearance by the Secaucus Police Department.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2020-89

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
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 Town Administrator Gary Jeffas, that Ruth Moench, Payroll Supervisor is hereby reclassified to a salaried employee with a salary of \$46,250.36 inclusive of overtime, effective as of 4/14/2020.

Councilman McKeever moved to adopt the Consent Agenda resolutions 2020-75 to 2020-78, Seconded by Councilman Clancy.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Costantino

Motion carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

REMARKS OF CITIZENS

None

Councilman McKeever moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm, seconded by Councilwoman Clancy.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Costantino

Motion carried

Michael Marra, Town Clerk