

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

PUBLIC PORTION/PUBLIC SESSION

September 26, 2016

The Township Council held a Public Portion/Public Session in the Municipal Building, 350 Pascack Road. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Council President Michael Ullman with the Clerk leading a salute to the flag. Members present: Robert Bruno, Peter Calamari, Steve Cascio, Thomas Sears, Michael Ullman. Also present: Janet Sobkowicz, Mayor; Ken Poller, Attorney; Mary Anne Groh, Administrator.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act this meeting was listed in the Township Council Annual Meeting List which was published in The Bergen Record, forwarded to the local newspapers, posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

GENERAL PUBLIC DISCUSSION

A motion was made by Dr. Cascio, seconded by Mr. Sears, to open the general public discussion.

Ayes: Councilmen Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.

Nays: None.

Diane Grimaldi, 441 Van Emburgh Avenue – Ms. Grimaldi spoke of Friends of Memorial Field Facebook page and postings with regard to Assemblyman Robert Auth and Senator Cardinale being referenced to “Vote Yes” for Memorial Park. She spoke of reaching out Senator Cardinale with regard to the post and her conversation with Senator Cardinale. She then read the Senator’s email response which indicated neither he nor Assemblyman Auth took position with regard to Township issues. She then spoke of allowing the turf group having a table at Town Day. She also stated the group who initiated the referendum does want improvements to the field, but they want children to play on natural green grass.

Mary Ann Ozment, 960 Adams Place – Mrs. Ozment spoke of an article in Community Life which referenced the flu vaccine being offered for children during the hours of 10:00 am to noon which would be during school time. She spoke of the five year plan for Westwood Regional High School and a middle school being planned. She spoke of the ACLU action with regard to political signs and the Township Ordinance being too restrictive. A conversation followed with regard to the tax collector, tax sale and Deputy Court Administrator. Street sweeping was discussed, two of which were completed. She spoke of the council going out for RFQ’s.

Toni Plantamura, 808 Robinwood Road – Ms. Plantamura read Ordinance 15-16 and put it into laymen’s terms. She asked that the Televising of Meetings be put on the electronic board to notify the public. She spoke of a surrounding town which spends \$54,000 per year for field maintenance of five fields. She spoke of the Friends of Memorial Field table at Town Day and her feeling that the permit should not have been granted from a legal standpoint, since she feels it was political. She spoke of borough funds being allocated for a political event on township property and the coaches in the Township being paid. She would like to know from a legal standpoint how this occurred.

Tim Ritter, 699 Jacquelyn Road – Mr. Ritter stated he is no longer a football coach, but does coordinate flag football. He stated he did coach football for 20 plus years and did receive stipend for maybe one or two years, coaches did not get paid. He stated he would like to now from each councilman where they stand on the referendum by a simple yes or no. He stated he would like to know from the Mayor also. Mayor Sobkowicz stated yes, she is in favor. Mr. Ullman stated he is in opposition of the referendum. Mr. Bruno stated he has been clear on how he feels with regard to spending that kind of money without the residents having a chance to vote on it. Mr. Calamari stated he is

in favor. Mr. Sears stated he is also in favor. Dr. Cascio stated he will not be voting on that issue in this General Election, he will leave it up to the residents.

David Mayo, 725 Pine Lake Drive – Mr. Mayo stated the field improvements are about creating a safe environment for people that use the field and also creating a sense of community. He spoke of making sound financial decisions with regard to the field, what was done in the past with this and the usage of the field. He spoke of people that are against the field putting fear in those that are in favor of the field.

Scott Spezial, 785 Washington Avenue – Mr. Spezial spoke of the current field condition. He spoke of what he feels are the three main numbers, that being the cost of the project, cost of maintenance and what the project will cost the taxpayers, which is eighty-one cents per month. He feels the taxpayers are not being told the truth. He stated all the costs are on the website. He spoke at length of the improvements that will be done once this project is complete. He spoke of accuracy being reported by the newspapers.

Cynthia Cannon, 804 Manhattan Avenue – Ms. Cannon addressed the health and safety concerns of the artificial turf with regard to crumb rubber. She posed several questions with regard to the short and long term effects of crumb rubber dust, along with the impact to players when a turf field reaches high temperatures. She also spoke of who will be determining the closure of a field when it gets too hot. She spoke of the sanitation of a turf field and the outbreak of the coxsackie virus at surrounding turf fields. She spoke of getting rid of the old artificial turf field when the time comes and the cost of that. She spoke of the equipment that will be needed for the turf field.

Eamonn Twomey, 187 Devon Road – Mr. Twomey stated with regard to the coxsackie virus it was a locker-room issue, not a turf field issue since some of those school do not have a turf field. He stated the cost of the equipment to maintain the field is part of the project. He spoke of the number of participants that use the field with regard to all sports, inclusive of the players on the opposing team and coaches/parents. He stated this project is for the future children that will use this field in the next 25 or 30 years. He spoke of the breakdown of cost with regard to the turf field and the current cost of the maintaining the field in its current condition.

A motion was made by Mr. Sears, seconded by Dr. Cascio, to close the general public discussion.

Ayes: Councilmen Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.

Nays: None.

#### PUBLIC HEARING 2016 BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Mr. Christopher P. Statile, Engineer, Township of Washington – Mr. Statile stated the county is broken up into sub-regions. The sub-region that the Township is in is inclusive of ten towns and the amount for the ten towns is \$113,000. The application that the Township is submitting is to resurface, recoat and restripe the existing basketball court at Gardner Park, inclusive of the replacement of the backboards.

A motion was made by Dr. Cascio, seconded by Mr. Calamari, to open the public hearing.

Ayes: Councilmen Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.

Nays: None.

Eamonn Twomey, 187 Devon Road – Mr. Twomey asked what the amount of \$13,500 would cover. Mayor Sobkowicz stated it is a matching grant; the estimate is \$27,000 for the cost of the project. Mr. Ullman explained the scope of the application and stated the estimate was given by Mr. Statile, our Township engineer.

A motion was made by Dr. Cascio, seconded by Mr. Calamari, to close the public hearing.

Ayes: Councilmen Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.

Nays: None.

### PRESENTATION

Storm Water Management Presentation by Mr. Christopher P. Statile, Engineer, Township of Washington

Mr. Statile – Mr. Statile stated the Township has a permit from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Tier A, General Permit to discharge storm water into the streams, rivers, etc. He spoke of the new rules promulgated by the NJDEP in 2004 regarding storm water management and with those new rules the State mandated that the municipalities adopt their own storm water management ordinance, which the Township did back in 2006. He stated part of the permit is that the Township provides public education on this subject not only to the council, but also to the audience and those at home. He spoke of the point system and the goals that are given by the State. He stated him being here tonight gives the Township 3 points towards the 10 points which is needed to meet the obligations under the permit. He stated so far the Township has provided a display on the bulletin board, which is 2 points, the recycling schedule which is published online is 3 points, NJDEP Brochure which is available online is 1 point, and a 3 x 4 foot poster, which was provided by the State and displayed at a recreational facility is 2 points, for a total of 11 points, with that the Township has met its requirements under the program. He spoke at length of protecting our service waters and the purposes of the regulations, which is to protect our drinking water. He also spoke of ground water discharge and how to control the quality of the run off. He stated in 2006 the Township adopted new rules which mirror the State rules and those rules are used in terms of anything that goes on Township. He stated the permit was renewed in 2009 and the next renewal will be in 2017. He stated the new permit will require more points, and it will be more difficult to get those points. He spoke at length of what the new permit would authorize and not authorize. He stated the Township sewers were installed in 1960 and most homes are connected to the sewer system. He stated the residents do have to be on the lookout for anyone discharging into the storm waters. He also spoke of the special heads that are put on the catch basins during paving and special tags that are put on them to alert the public. He also spoke of proper maintenance that needs to be followed by the DPW in conjunction with the ordinance. He stated the Township does have a map of all the storm drains as well as the outfalls. He spoke of street sweeping, the frequency after snow storms and leaf collection in the Fall with regard to the catch basins. He stated the purpose of the program is to protect the water systems of the State of New Jersey. A conversation followed on what occurs to those municipalities who do not meet the point requirement. As per Mr. Ullman's request, Mr. Statile explained the line item 1 and line item 6, mobilization with regard to Resolution No. 16-273. A discussion followed with regard to the \$27,000, which is an estimate.

### RESOLUTIONS

A motion was made by Mr. Sears, seconded by Dr. Cascio to approve Resolution No. 16- 273.

Ayes: Councilman Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman

Nays: None.

#### Resolution No. 16 – 273

##### Open Space Grant for Gardner Field

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund ("County Trust

Fund”), provides matching grants to municipal governments and to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the development or redevelopment of outdoor municipal recreation facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington desires to further the public interest by obtaining a matching grant of \$13,500 from the County Trust Fund to fund the following project: Gardner Park Improvements; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Council has reviewed the County Trust Fund Program Statement and the Trust Fund Municipal Program Park Improvement application and instructions, and desires to make an application for such a matching grant and provide application information and furnish such documents as may be required; and,

WHEREAS, as part of the application process, the Township Council held the required Public Hearing to receive public comments on the proposed park improvements in the application on September 26, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen shall determine whether the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the County Trust Fund; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the County Trust Fund in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the County of Bergen for the above-named project and ensure its completion on or about the project contract expiration date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council:

1. That it is hereby authorized to submit the above completed project application to the County by the deadline of October 13, 2016, as established by the County; and,

2. That, in the event of a County Trust Fund award less than the grant amount requested above, the Township Council will secure the balance of funding necessary to complete the project, or modify the project as necessary; and,

3. That the Township Council is committed to providing a dollar for dollar cash match for the project; and,

4. That only those park improvements identified and approved in the project application, its Trust Fund contract, or other documentation will be considered eligible for reimbursement.

5. That the Township Council agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and,

6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

A discussion followed on Resolution No. 16 -274 regarding the frequency of pick up, those being 24 times per year, which is the current frequency, 26 times per year and 52 times per year, and the bid terms, those being one year, 27 months and 39 months. Administrator Groh stated comparative cost is a 3 year contract and under that framework, the yearly amount increased each year, but in this scenario it is a flat rate for 3 years, which is a benefit to the Township if council decides to go a further period of time. Mr. Ullman stated 26 times at a minimum he feels is more appropriate along with the cost differential. Mr. Sears also agrees with the 26 times per year. Mr. Calamari asked regarding the 52 times per year, would the trucks be in the Township every day or 3 days per week to service different areas of the Township. Administrator Groh stated it would be on Fridays. Mr. Calamari stated he would like to discuss this in Closed Session. Mr. Bruno stated he is fine with either 24 or 26. A discussion followed on the pricing, locking in the rate and the various alternatives. Mayor Sobkowitz stated in 2015 from the scavenger \$45,466, if we match August to August the Township received \$30,031, this year we are at \$28,203 for the same time period, but months do vary. Administrator Groh stated the Township also receives a tonnage grant, which is an additional amount, which was approximately \$12,000, that the Township received based on how much is recycled in the Township, which is from the

State and is subject to adjustment. Dr. Cascio stated he is fine with either, 24 or 26 and also would like to lock it in for the rate. A discussion followed on the 52 week and the 26 week pick up. A conversation followed on what can be done with the resolution at this time. Council agreed to lock the 3 year rate. Mr. Ullman stated we are voting on the frequency at the term of the contract, it has not been awarded at this point.

A motion was made by Dr. Cascio, seconded by Mr. Sears, for Alternative F, which is the rate of 26 times per year for a term of 39 months.  
Ayes: Councilman Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.  
Nays: None.

### CONSENT AGENDA

The following resolutions were part of the Consent Agenda and were made available to the Governing Body and the Public prior to the meeting.

Mr. Calamari – Mr. Calamari asked if 16-280 and 16-281 are matching grants.

Administrator Groh – Administrator Groh replied they are not.

Dr. Cascio – Dr. Cascio stated he would like to pull Resolution 16- 277 for discussion at the next meeting.

Administrator Groh – Administrator Groh asked if this could be discussed tonight since it is time sensitive in nature since there is a requirement by JIF to have certain things done by a certain time period, including the adoption of the Civil Rights Resolution, which needs to be done before October 1<sup>st</sup> for a financial benefit. She stated that exact resolution was adopted by the council last year.

Dr. Cascio – Dr. Cascio asked why is he seeing this on September 26<sup>th</sup> if there is an October 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

Administrator Groh – Administrator Groh stated that she and Mr. Poller have been working towards this and it does need to be signed by his office.

Mr. Ullman – Mr. Ullman stated he would like to move forward on the Consent Agenda and address Dr. Casio's concerns with regard to Resolution No. 16-277 after the votes.

Resolutions No. 16- 275, 16-276, 16-278, 16-279, 16-280 and 16-281 was presented and adopted on a motion by Dr. Cascio, seconded by Mr. Calamari.

Ayes: Councilmen Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.

Nays: None.

### Resolution No. 16- 275

#### Acting Municipal Clerk

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy in the Office of the Municipal Clerk of the Township of Washington, and the Township requires an Acting Municipal Clerk to perform the duties of the Municipal (Township) Clerk of the Township of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has determined to appoint Cornelia Lisa as Acting Municipal (Township) Clerk to October 17, 2016;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Washington as follows:

The Township Council hereby appoints Cornelia Lisa as Acting Municipal (Township) Clerk until October 17, 2016.

### Resolution No. 16 – 276

#### Awarding Bid – ADA Compliant Curb Ramps

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2016, the Township of Washington, County of Bergen, New Jersey received bids for the construction of new ADA Compliant

Curb Ramps for various streets throughout the Township of Washington where ramps do not currently exist (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project is being funded through a year 2015, \$40,000 County Community Development Block Grant which uses Federal funds; and

WHEREAS, A.A. Berms, LLC, 106 Mill Street, Belleville, NJ 07109 was the lowest responsible bidder for the work to be performed in connection with the Project in the amount of \$29,674.70; and

WHEREAS, the contract amount of \$29,674.70 shall be chargeable at such time as a certification of available funds is made by the Chief Financial Officer upon receipt of a properly executed purchase order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Bergen, New Jersey that the bid of A.A. Berms, LLC, 106 Mill Street, Belleville, NJ 07109 be and is hereby accepted and is awarded to A.A. Berms, LLC for the construction of new ADA Compliant Curb Ramps for various streets throughout the Township of Washington where ramps do not currently exist in the final contract amount of \$29,674.70; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this expenditure shall be charged to such Ordinance or Account as may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee, and these funds shall be certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Contract with A.A. Berms, LLC for the above stated purpose consistent with said bid.

Resolution No. 16 -278

Recreation Refund

BE AND IT IS RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Washington that the Township Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the following recreation fees:

John Lynch  
440 Colonial Blvd.  
Township of Washington, NJ 07676

Refund for Pee Wee Football 2016	\$190.00
Administrative Fee Non-Refundable	<u>\$-25.00</u>
Refund for Pee Wee Football	\$165.00

Refund Amount: \$165.00

Resolution No. 16 - 279

Community Development Grant for 2016 - 2017 Senior Citizen Activities

WHEREAS a Bergen County Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$5,000 has been proposed by the Administration for Senior Citizen Activities at the Jack Woods Senior Center, 350 Hudson Ave., Township of Washington, NJ 07676; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Service Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Township of Washington; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that we hereby endorse the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Administrator is authorized to execute and submit the attached grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

Resolution No. 16 – 280

Community Block Grant – 2017 Senior Van Driver

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2016, the Township of Washington, County of Bergen, New Jersey received bids for the construction of new ADA Compliant Curb Ramps for various streets throughout the Township of Washington where ramps do not currently exist (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project is being funded through a year 2015, \$40,000 County Community Development Block Grant which uses Federal funds; and

WHEREAS, A.A. Berms, LLC, 106 Mill Street, Belleville, NJ 07109 was the lowest responsible bidder for the work to be performed in connection with the Project in the amount of \$29,674.70; and

WHEREAS, the contract amount of \$29,674.70 shall be chargeable at such time as a certification of available funds is made by the Chief Financial Officer upon receipt of a properly executed purchase order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Bergen, New Jersey that the bid of A.A. Berms, LLC, 106 Mill Street, Belleville, NJ 07109 be and is hereby accepted and is awarded to A.A. Berms, LLC for the construction of new ADA Compliant Curb Ramps for various streets throughout the Township of Washington where ramps do not currently exist in the final contract amount of \$29,674.70; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this expenditure shall be charged to such Ordinance or Account as may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee, and these funds shall be certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Contract with A.A. Berms, LLC for the above stated purpose consistent with said bid.

Resolution No. 16 – 281

Community Block Grant – 2017 Acquisition of Tables and Chairs for the Jack Woods Senior Center

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$43,500 has been proposed by the Administration for the acquisition of tables and chairs for the Jack Woods Senior Center located at 350 Hudson Ave., Township of Washington, NJ 07676; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Service Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Township of Washington; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that we hereby endorse the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Administrator is authorized to execute and submit the attached grant application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

A discussion followed on Resolution No. 16 - 277 with regard time sensitivity of the resolution and the limited review period. Administrator Groh asked specifically what are the concerns are. Mr. Sears stated this document holds volunteers responsible to a commitment that volunteers have no training in with regard to civil rights issues and to his knowledge there is nothing posted in any of the firehouses or community buildings. He feels the Township volunteers are being put in jeopardy if council votes for this. Administrator Groh spoke at length of meeting with the Director of the Fire Department and the concerns he raised. She spoke of the reason for the resolution. A conversation followed regarding who is protected under the Township umbrella. Comments were made with regard to video training that will be done and the current JIF monthly meetings in which fire department and ambulance personnel are present. Discussions were also had regarding who is covered, such as coaches, team moms and how far down it filters. Mr. Poller stated these are basic things that should not be done, such as discrimination, harassment and violating anyone's constitutional right. Mr. Bruno feels people should be trained in this program and he feels it is more than meets the eye with this resolution. Mr. Poller stated it is a resolution and there will be a program with a video and attendance in broad view. Administrator Groh spoke of paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 and the resolution needs to be done before the training begins. Mr. Ullman spoke of his concerns of the many other volunteers and if they are aware of this. Administrator Groh stated the updating of the manual has been her top priority and she has also attended training on this issue as few as the other department heads. She also spoke of 10 minute video and the education of the volunteers. Mr. Sears spoke at length of the monthly scheduled training with regard to the Fire Department. He stated the training should come first before the resolution is signed. Dr. Cascio spoke of the frequency of receiving documents at the last minute and the council being put in a bind. He asked that if there is a due date, he would like the document at least two meetings before the due date so as an informed decision can be made. A conversation followed on the penalty if this is not complete. Mr. Bruno asked that the written procedures be put before council and the volunteers. A conversation followed with regard to the employee manual, which also does address volunteers. Mr. Ullman asked if anyone wants to make a motion to pass Resolution No. 16 - 277. Mr. Calamari stated he will make a motion. Mr. Ullman asked do we have second. Mr. Calamari stated he would say we pass the resolution and keep it on current business to get updates. Mr. Ullman replied he will second the resolution.

A motion was made by Mr. Calamari, seconded by Mr. Ullman to pass Resolution No. 16 - 277.

Ayes: Councilman Calamari, Ullman.

Nays: Councilman Bruno, Cascio, Sears.

Mayor Sobkowicz - Mayor Sobkowicz spoke of the \$11,000 increase of going to 26 times per year pick-up and the confusion of the extra week.

Time Noted: 9:12 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Sears to go back into open session.

Ayes: Councilman Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.

Nays: None.

Time Noted: 10:03 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Calamari, seconded by Mr. Sears to approve Resolution No. 16-274.

Ayes: Councilman Bruno, Calamari, Cascio, Sears, Ullman.

Nays: None.

Awarding Bid for Curbside Collection of Recyclables

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2016, the Township of Washington, County of Bergen, New Jersey received bids for the curbside collection of recycling of aluminum, tin, glass, plastic, newspapers, magazines, junk mail, printer paper, writing paper and corrugated cardboard from Town Hall and certain residential households pursuant to the Advertisement for Bid#16-2 and the related Invitation to Bid including Bid Specifications (the "Bid"); and

WHEREAS, the Bid provided that the Township had the option of selecting the frequency of collection, as well as the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the bidders who submitted bids were Buldo Container & Disposal Inc. ("Buldo"), 234 River Vale Road, River Vale, New Jersey 07675 and Gaeta Recycling Co., Inc. ("Gaeta"), 278-282 West Railway Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07503, and such bids have been reviewed by the Township; and

WHEREAS, Gaeta did not submit a bid in conformity with the Bid and the instructions set forth therein regarding the required Consent of Surety, and its bid was nonresponsive; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to accept the lowest responsive bid for Alternate F for recycling collection at a rate of 26 times per household per year (hereafter the "Selected Frequency") for a term of thirty-nine (39) months (hereafter the "Contract Term"); and

WHEREAS, Buldo Container & Disposal Inc., 234 River Vale Road, River Vale, New Jersey 07675 was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Selected Frequency for said Contract Term at a cost of \$ 4.03 per household per month; and

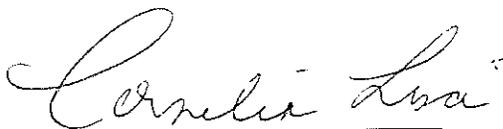
WHEREAS, sufficient funds were allocated in the Budget for 2016 for the months of October, November and December 2016;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Bergen, New Jersey that the bid of Buldo Container & Disposal Inc., 234 River Vale Road, River Vale, New Jersey 07675 be and is hereby accepted and is awarded to Buldo Container & Disposal Inc. for the curbside collection of recycling of aluminum, tin, glass, plastic, newspapers, magazines, junk mail, printer paper, writing paper and corrugated cardboard from Town Hall and certain residential households for the Selected Frequency of 26 times per household per month at the rate of \$4.03 per household per month for the Contract Term; and

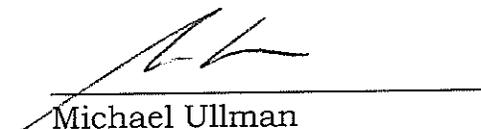
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this expenditure shall be charged to the Current Fund Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Contract with Buldo Container & Disposal Inc. in substantially the form attached to the Bid Specifications for the above-stated purpose consistent with said bid.

Time Noted: 10:07 p.m.



Cornelia Lisa  
Acting Township Clerk



Michael Ullman  
Council President

Approved: December 5, 2016

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
CONFERENCE PORTION/PUBLIC SESSION

September 26, 2016

Members present: Robert Bruno, Steve Cascio, Peter Calamari, Tom Sears, Michael Ullman. Also present: Janet Sobkowicz, Mayor; Mary Anne Groh, Administrator; Ken Poller, Attorney.

Time Noted: 9: 22 p.m.

CURRENT BUSINESS

Town Day – Mr. Ullman stated he would like to know what the process is in allowing informational vendors on Town Day. Administrator Groh clarified that she is not a member of the Town Day Committee. She stated she cannot speak as to the process other than what she was told by Dina Burke. A conversation followed as to how groups are admitted on Town Day, which is through an application process and then to the chairman of the committee for Town Day, Ms. Dina Burke. A conversation followed on why Friends of Memorial Field was granted a table, what is allowed and not allowed. Mr. Sears spoke of all of the vendors that were present. He stated the vendors were allowed to hand out information, but could not hand out information stating to vote yes or vote no. Mr. Ullman feels that this slipped through the cracks since political activity could be broadly defined. Mr. Sears stated the politicians that attended, who were running for office, were also told that they could not hand out anything.

Memorial Field – A conversation followed with regard to the irrigation of Memorial Field.

Pascack Road and Washington Avenue Intersection – Mayor Sobkowicz stated committee members will be notified of a meeting which will be occurring on Thursday. Captain Hackbarth did make some requests but he has not received any new information. She stated the Durablend was canceled on Friday night due to the rain, and Pascack Auto Body is no longer in existence. Mr. Bruno spoke of an email exchange he had with Marc Schrieks, the Deputy Chief of Staff of Bergen County Executive James Tedesco with regard to the intersection. Mr. Sears stated the bottom line is the County wants the Township to pay for everything and they will manage the job.

CFO Status – Administrator Groh stated we do have a person we are interested in, but are trying to structure the employment, that is trying to avoid a four year appointment. She spoke of the Salary Ordinance not having many different alternatives in that department as it is currently written. A conversation followed regarding the current Salary Ordinance and being able to tender an offer. She spoke of the current CFO, who is looking to move on and making an offer to someone for that position. Comments were made with regard to terminating an employee within the four year appointment if that person is not performing their duties. Administrator Groh stated it is an individual that is being considered, not a firm.

Clerk Status – Mr. Ullman stated 29 submissions have been received, 7 were identified to be interviewed, one was non-responsive to the invitation and one accepted a position at another municipality. He stated the remaining 5 were interviewed last week. He stated Mr. Calamari and himself will meet to narrow it down to 2 to 3 candidates. Council will then be notified who those individuals are and a special session will be scheduled so council can meet those individuals.

Salary Ordinance – Administrator Groh spoke of the staff's frustration working a full nine months without a raise and moving forward with sending a draft to council of the salary ordinance. A conversation followed regarding the current Acting Municipal's Clerk salary being brought up to date.

WHEREAS, the public is invited to attend all Meetings (whether denoted public or conference sessions) of the Township Council in accordance with its general practice and the Open Public Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of New Jersey declared that the public has a right to attend all meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting the public is discussed or acted upon in any way except as set forth in the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12), which provides for the exclusion of the public from the portion of a meeting at which certain enumerated matters are to be discussed; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has determined that, because of the nature of the subject matter to be discussed, the public should not be present at that portion of the meeting of the Township Council at which certain specific matters encompassed by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 are to be discussed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Washington that, pursuant to the express provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, the public be excluded from the meeting or portion of the meeting (denoted as an "executive" or "closed" session) in which the following matters are to be discussed:

1. Any matter which, by express provision of federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provision of subsection a. of this section.

2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.

3. Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendation, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance, and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

4. Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

6. Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law.

7. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than in subsection b. (4) herein in which the public body is, or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer. **PENDING OR ANTICIPATED LITIGATION INCLUDING COAH AND TAX APPEALS.**

8. Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed

by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.

9. Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act or omission for which the responding party bears responsibility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is not possible as yet to fix the time when or the circumstances under which the discussion conducted in Closed Session can be disclosed to the public. It is anticipated that the subject matter under discussion will be made public when finalized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice is hereby given that the Township Council may find it necessary to take action at the conclusion of the executive/closed session; that such action if taken, will occur in open session; that you are invited to stay in the Municipal Building during the executive/closed session; that the doors to the Council chambers will be opened and an announcement will be made if the Township Council will be going into open session; and you may be present during such open session.

  X   The Township Council anticipates that an open session will be necessary.

       The Township Council anticipates that an open session will not be necessary.

Motion		Seconded		Ayes	Nays	Abst.	Absent
Bruno		Bruno	X	X			
Calamari		Calamari		X			
Cascio	X	Cascio		X			
Sears		Sears		X			
Ullman		Ullman		X			

Time noted: 9:38 p.m.

  
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 Cornelia Lisa  
 Acting Township Clerk

  
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 Michael Ullman  
 Council President

Approved: January 3, 2017