HARDING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2020 EXECUTIVE SESSION at 6:30 PM VIA GoToMeeting REGULAR MEETING AGENDA at 7:30 PM VIA GoToMeeting – Registration Form on Township Website Kirby Hall, Blue Mill Road, New Vernon, New Jersey

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – Mayor Yates

ADEQUATE NOTICE of this Executive Session meeting of the Harding Township Committee was sent to the Observer Tribune on July 20, 2020 and published in the Observer Tribune on July 23, 2020.

ROLL CALL – Municipal Clerk

Ms. DiTosto, Mr. Jones, Mr. Modi, Mr. Platt, Mr. Yates

RESOLUTION TC 20-120 – Executive Session

RESOLUTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Harding Township Committee that it shall adjourn into executive session to discuss the following subject matter(s) without the presence of the public in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 10:4-12b; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the matter(s) discussed will be made known to the public at such time as appropriate action is taken on said matter(s), and when disclosure will not result in unwarranted invasion of individual privacy or prejudice to the best interests of the Township of Harding provided such disclosures will not violate Federal, State or local statutes and does not fall within the attorney-client privilege. The Township Committee will return to public session after this executive session.

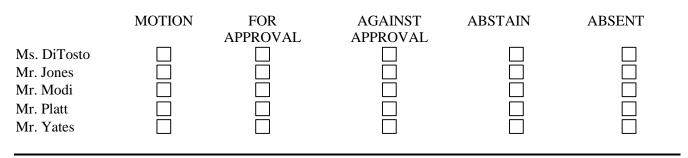
Personnel:

1. Replacement Hire - Chief Heller

Contracts:

- 1. Property Acquisitions T. Jones / M. Roselli
- 2. PBA R. Falzarano
- 3. The Farm M. Roselli

Vote on Resolution:



RECONVENE INTO PUBLIC SESSION – Mayor Yates

ROLL CALL – Municipal Clerk

Ms. DiTosto, Mr. Jones, Mr. Modi, Mr. Platt, Mr. Yates

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Yates

ADEQUATE NOTICE of this meeting of the Harding Township Committee was given as follows: Notice was sent to the *DAILY RECORD* and the *OBSERVER TRIBUNE* on January 7, 2020, and published in the OBSERVER TRIBUNE on January 9, 2020; Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board in the Township Municipal Building on Blue Mill Road in Harding, NJ on January 7, 2020, and Notice was filed with the Municipal Clerk on January 7, 2020.

RESOLUTION TC 20-121 -- RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding that the minutes from the following meetings are approved as prepared and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Municipal Clerk's office: **July 13, 2020.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding that the minutes from the following Executive Session meeting(s) are approved as prepared and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Municipal Clerk's office: **July 13, 2020**.

Mayor Yates asks for a motion to accept the Township Committee meeting minutes.

Seconded by Township Committee Member _____

Mayor Yates asks the Municipal Clerk for a Roll Call:

Vote on Resolution:

	MOTION	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		APPROVAL	APPROVAL		
Ms. DiTosto					
Mr. Jones					
Mr. Modi					
Mr. Platt					
Mr. Yates					

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE – Mayor Yates

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Religious Display – Rabbi Shalom Lubin – Chabad of SE Morris County

ADD-ON RESOLUTIONS: NONE

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT TIME LIMIT

Hearing of citizens during the Public Comment section of the Agenda is an opportunity for any member of the public to be heard about issues which are and are not topics scheduled for Public Hearing tonight. To help facilitate an orderly meeting, and to permit all to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to a reasonable length of time.

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE #08-2020 -- "CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$40,000 TO FUND THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM CAPITAL SURPLUS AND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP"

Mayor Yates asks Township Committee Member Jones to read Ordinance TC #08-2020.

Township Committee Member Jones reads Ordinance TC 08-2020 by title as follows

HARDING TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE #08-2020

"CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$40,000 TO FUND THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM CAPITAL SURPLUS AND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE TOWNSHIP"

Which said Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular Township Committee Meeting held on July 13, 2020.

Mayor Yates asks the Municipal Clerk to give a summary of the legal notice.

The Municipal Clerk States: A legal notice was sent for publication on July 13, 2020 to the Observer Tribune indicating that Ordinance #08-2020 was introduced and passed on first reading at the July 13, 2020 meeting and indicated that the second reading and public hearing were to be held on August 10, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. on or at any time thereafter for consideration of final adoption. Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the general public, posted on the Township website, and posted in accordance with the law.

Mayor Yates: The meeting is now open for public hearing on the Ordinance and any member of the public may be heard.

Mayor Yates: closes the public hearing.

Township Committee Member Jones: I offer Ordinance #08-2020 and move its adoption.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Ordinance was read by title on second reading, after the public hearing at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

Township Committee member______ seconds the motion.

Mayor Yates asks the Municipal Clerk for a Roll Call:

Vote on Adoption:

	MOTION	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ms. DiTosto Mr. Jones Mr. Modi Mr. Platt Mr. Yates		APPROVAL	APPROVAL		

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING:

ORDINANCE #09-2020 -- "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING, COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISTION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FROM NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION"

Mayor Yates asks Township Committee Member Jones to read Ordinance TC #09-2020.

Township Committee Member Jones reads Ordinance TC 09-2020 by title as follows

HARDING TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE #09-2020

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING, COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISTION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FROM NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION"

Which said Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular Township Committee Meeting held on July 13, 2020.

Mayor Yates asks the Municipal Clerk to give a summary of the legal notice.

The Municipal Clerk States: A legal notice was sent for publication on July 13, 2020 to the Observer Tribune indicating that Ordinance #09-2020 was introduced and passed on first reading at the July 13, 2020 meeting and indicated that the second reading and public hearing were to be held on August 10, H 08-05-2020

2020 at 7:30 p.m. on or at any time thereafter for consideration of final adoption. Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the general public, posted on the Township website, and posted in accordance with the law.

Mayor Yates: The meeting is now open for public hearing on the Ordinance and any member of the public may be heard.

Mayor Yates: closes the public hearing.

Township Committee Member Jones: I offer Ordinance #09-2020 and move its adoption.

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Ordinance was read by title on second reading, after the public hearing at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

Township Committee member______ seconds the motion.

Mayor Yates asks the Municipal Clerk for a Roll Call:

Vote on Adoption:

	MOTION	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		APPROVAL	APPROVAL		
Ms. DiTosto					
Mr. Jones					
Mr. Modi					
Mr. Platt					
Mr. Yates					

NON-CONSENT RESOLUTIONS – (NON-CONSENT – REQUIRING SEPARATE ACTION): NONE

RESOLUTIONS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION AND VOTE: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are considered to be routine by the Harding Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Township Committee Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

RESOLUTIONS TC 20-122 THROUGH RESOLUTION TC 20-129 HAVE BEEN PLACED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

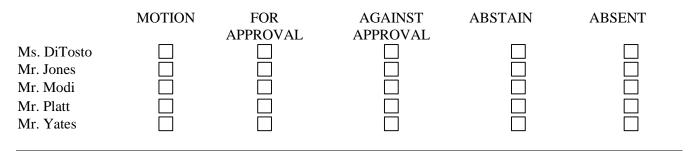
CONSENT AGENDA VOTE:

Mayor Yates asks Committee Member ______ to proceed with the Resolutions listed on the Consent agenda. Resolutions TC 20-122 through TC 20-129.

Committee Member _____: I would like to make a motion to approve the resolutions placed on this evening's Consent Agenda by consent of the Township Committee. Seconded by Township Committee Member _____.

Mayor Yates asks the Municipal Clerk for a Roll Call:

Vote on Resolution:



CONTRACTS:

Resolution TC 20-122 – Resolution Authorizing a Morris County Trail Construction Grant Application for Bayne Park – Municipal Campus Trail Extension

WHEREAS, the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders authorized the creation of the Trail Construction Grant Program (hereinafter "Program") to provide funding to any of its 39 municipalities for recreational trail construction projects; and

WHEREAS, the Program is funded through the Morris County Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund and requires a 20% match from applicants through a financial contribution or in-kind services; and

WHEREAS, Harding Township is submitting a grant to the Morris County Trail Construction Grant Program in the amount of \$30,000 for a project entitled Bayne Park – Municipal Campus Trail Extension.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Harding do hereby authorize the preparation and submission of a Morris County Trail Construction Grant Application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Harding authorize the expenditure of the required 20% match for this grant through Open Space Funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Harding acknowledge the grant program will operate on a reimbursement basis only and agree to provide full advance funding to complete the proposed project.

FINANCE:

Resolution TC 20-123– Bill List

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WHEREAS, vouchers for payment have been submitted to the Township Committee by various municipal departments.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding that all vouchers approved by the Finance Chairman be paid subject to the certification of the availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer.

Resolution TC 20-124 – Alcohol Beverage Control License

WHEREAS, the applicant for Alcoholic Beverage Control License set forth below has been duly investigated; and

WHEREAS, the Harding Township Committee is satisfied that all the rules and regulations of the Alcoholic Beverage Law, Title 33, Chapter 1 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey, 1937, as amended and supplemented, including P.L. 1970, Ch. 77, have been duly complied with.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the Harding Township Committee hereby agrees to issue to the following applicant, the following permanent license under the aforesaid State Statutes for the following annual fee, said license to commence *July 1, 2020*, and to expire at midnight on *June 30, 2021* upon clearance of the fee to the Harding Township Treasurer's Account.

CLUB LICENSES:

Applicant:	ADDRESS:	<u>FEE:</u>
<i>Mt. Kemble Lake Country Club</i> Club License No. 1413-31-003-001	3 Trails End Morristown, NJ	\$63.00
<i>New Vernon Volunteer</i> <i>Fire Department</i> Club License No. 1413-31-004-001	22 Village Road New Vernon, NJ	\$63.00

Resolution TC 20-125 – Resolution to Authorize an Increase to Professional Services Contract

WHEREAS, at the January 4, 2020 Township Committee meeting, the Township Committee authorized \$25,000.00 for the services of Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP, under their professional services contract; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the authorization for the services of Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP, under their professional services contract to perform redevelopment tasks; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Harding has certified that additional monies are available in the amount of \$85,000 from account number #05-5000-0000-0155-2-00000; and

WHEREAS, the total amount shall not exceed \$110,000.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the following contract is hereby awarded for a one year period:

Redevelopment Attorney	Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis LLP	1/1/2019 to 12/31/2019	
	75 Livingston Avenue, Suite 301	Not to Exceed \$110,000.00	
	Roseland, NJ 07068	05-5000-0000-0155-2-00000	

Resolution TC 20-126 – Resolution to Authorize the Maintenance Items for the Traphagen Tennis Court

WHERES, the Traphagen Tennis Courts require maintenance items that include resurfacing and crack repairs; and

WHEREAS, the Township secured quotes and explored options as to how to best provide for those items; and

WHEREAS, the quote submitted by Halecon, Inc. in the amount of \$28,500.00 with alternates totaling \$2,630.00 has been determined to be the best option by the Township Engineer and the Township Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated value of the work is not expected to exceed the Township's Public Bid Threshold; and

WHEREAS, Halecon, Inc., will perform complying with Prevailing Wage (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq.), the Pay-to-Play Law (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.), and Business Registration Certification (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44); and

WHEREAS, Halecon, Inc. has submitted all required paperwork and has performed work for Harding Township in the past; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Harding has certified that monies are available in the amount of \$31,130.00 from account number #05-5000-0000-0170-2-00000.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that the Traphagen Tennis Court maintenance materials and applications on the Traphagen Tennis Courts at Blue Mill Road is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all Township employees are hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

PERSONNEL:

Resolution TC 20-127 – Resolution Authorizing the Reappointment of Fernando Omar Atoche as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer

WHEREAS, the Township of Harding appointed Fernando Omar Atoche as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer for five consecutive one-year terms commencing on August 12, 2013, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:146.14 (a); and

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WHEREAS, Police Chief Erik Heller has recommended Mr. Atoche be reappointed as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer for an additional one-year term with the Harding Township Police Department commencing August 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Fernando Omar Atoche continues to meet the requirements for a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.10; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee believes that it is in the best interests of the Township to re-appoint Officer Atoche for an additional one-year term.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the recommendation of Police Chief Erik Heller be and hereby is accepted and that it does hereby re-appoint Fernando Omar Atoche as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer in the Township of Harding for an additional one-year term commencing on August 12, 2020 at the rate of \$31.21 per hour.

Resolution TC 20-128 – Resolution Authorizing the reappointment of Patrick Meade as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer

WHEREAS, the Township of Harding appointed Patrick Meade as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer for a one year term on September 16, 2019, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:146.14 (a); and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Erik Heller has recommended Mr. Meade be reappointed as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer for an additional one-year term with the Harding Township Police Department commencing September 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Meade continues to meet the requirements for a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.10; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee believes that it is in the best interests of the Township to re-appoint Officer Meade for an additional one-year term.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the recommendation of Police Chief Erik Heller be and hereby is accepted and that it does hereby re-appoint Patrick Meade as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Police Officer in the Township of Harding for an additional one-year term commencing on September 16, 2020 at the rate of \$32.64 per hour.

Resolution TC 20-129 – Resolution to Authorize an Increase to the Co-Op Contract Vendor Amounts

WHEREAS, the Township of Harding, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40 A: 11-12a and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program, the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council, Union County Cooperative Purchasing and the National Cooperative – WSCA-NASPO to purchase goods or services, the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System and the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission Cooperative Pricing System for any State or County contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury, the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council, the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System and the

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Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission Cooperative Pricing System as approved by TC Resolution #20-049; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Harding has the need to increase not to exceed amounts for certain vendors approved contract vendors, and

Morris Asphalt Co. – State Contract – Not to Exceed \$126,500.00 increased \$96,500 Beyer Ford / Fleet – State Contract – Not to Exceed \$112,000.00 increased \$82,000 (2 PD – 1 Const.)

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the Township of Harding authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from Union County Cooperative Purchasing and the National Cooperative – WSCA-NASPO pursuant to all conditions of the individual State, Morris County, Somerset County and Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission Cooperative Pricing System Cooperative contracts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Township of Harding pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Chief Financial Officer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duration of the contracts between the Township of Harding and the Union County Cooperative Purchasing and the National Cooperative – WSCA-NASPO Contract Vendors shall be from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING: NONE

ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Yates