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REGULAR MEETING, THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2026 AT 7:02P.M. OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AT BOROUGH HALL

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ROLL CALL:
COUNCIL MEMBERS: Councilman Fitzhenry, Councilwoman DeCicco, Councilman Karcic, Councilwoman Sheedy, Councilman Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Daniel H. Pronti, Borough Clerk, Kathleen Moore, Borough Administrator, Stephen Lo Iacono, Borough Attorney, Randy Pearce

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT
RESOLUTION NUMBER 40-26 THROUGH AND INCLUDING RESOLUTION NUMBER 49-26 DETAILED BY TITLE BELOW, ARE LISTED ON A CONSENT AGENDA, ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS. IF A COUNCIL MEMBER DESIRES DISCUSSION ON A SPECIFIC RESOLUTION, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

R-40-26 RESO RE: AUTHORIZATION TO PAY CLAIMS
R-41-26 RESO RE: TAX OFFICE – REFUND OF MONIES
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R-43-26 RESO RE: APPOINTMENT OF RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION COORDINATOR
R-44-26 RESO RE: TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE #0239-33-007-004
R-45-26 RESO RE: APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF ACCUMULATED TIME OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN MICHAEL SAGGAU
R-46-26 RESO RE: TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
R-47-26 RESO RE: CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN AND POLICY 2026
R-48-26 RESO RE: APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE LOADER BUCKET WITH ACCESSORIES FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

R-49-26 RESO RE: APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF, RADIOS, LIGHTS, SIRENS AND ACCESSORIES FOR ONE CREW CAB PICKUP TRUCK FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

MOTION TO APPROVE
INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Del Russo
SECONDED BY: Councilman Karcic
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry*, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino
*Abstains from all Fire Department matters

COUNCIL REPORTS

COUNCILWOMAN SHEEDY: The Board of Health held their reorganization meeting on January 7, 2026. George McDermott was elected as the President and Kathryn Stanak was elected Vice President. Dr. Saliba is the physician appointed for the 2026 year. Please note that dog & cat licenses will expire January 31, 2026. In an effort to avert a $25 late fee which will go into effect on April 1, 2026 The Board of Health is reminding everyone to renew as soon as possible. Please note that NJ State Law prohibits the issuance of a license if your pet(s) rabies shot expires November 1, 2026. The fee for a spayed/neutered pet is $10; for a non-spayed/non-neutered pet, it is $13.The annual rabies clinic will be held at the end of March. Please watch the Borough website for more information. A representative from SNAP will be available at the Senior Center on Tuesday, February 10th at 10:00am. Please call the Board of Health for an appointment. Our Board of Health Director Colleen Doherty is conducting immunization audits in schools and day cares this month. The library board held their reorganization meeting on January 13, 2026. Genevieve Kairys was elected as the President and Eileen Tita was elected Vice President. On January 27 at 4:00 pm there will be a Winter Stuffed Animal Workshop where you can create your very own stuffed at the library. Registration is required. Please call at (201) 991-6060 ext. 7 or email Ms. Alyssa at alyssa.bayer@northarlington.bccls.org to register. Space is limited.

COUNCILWOMAN DECICCO: On January 31st at 7pm we will be having a beefsteak dinner for our softball team at the Elks, the tickets are $60 we would love to see the community come out and support our softball program. I attended the recreation meeting this past Tuesday and they are reinforcing that students are attending school, they have been suspended from sports. If you don't go to practice then you cannot go to the games or practice. I also like to announce that on April 11th we will be having our softball parade.

COUNCILMAN FITZHENRY: Happy New Year, congratulations to Amanda and Kirk on being sworn in on January 6th. We are going to have a break this year, gap guarantee in 2026. It's not going to be easier with towns, boroughs and cities getting pounded once again with a huge increase in our health costs for our employees. Clifton, NJ for instance has a $19 million halt in their budget to absorb and many other towns are experiencing the same issue especially in our area, as a result of just simply medical benefits for our fulltime employees. The state plan is just out of control. Mario has been telling us for the last three years, get ready and hold on to our seats, it's going to

be a difficult decision for every budget in the state of New Jersey, we will do our best. On the fire department side they were very busy and the EMS department between Christmas and New Years Eve on Christmas day they responded to four working structure fires, one was in North Arlington it was someone smoking in the garage. We have to really hope for a much safer 2026. It was a busy year on the fire and police department. I want to congratulate our new fire Chief Fellrath, Deputy Chief Piscal and Brian Marshall they are so dedicated, I have nothing but great expectations for the three of them, they are wonderful and dedicated people. We also recently put into service our new Seagrave pumper who took 25 pumper, we attended that the Mayor and Council. The old pumper will be a reserve and the new pumping service as a full time line unit, we received it two months ago, but we had to train on it and it takes time and now the old pumper goes in reserve status for us, which is a very nice thing. I officially retired from the fire department, I figure 61 is old enough, I served every level of the rank and service of the fire department from department chaplain, lieutenant rank the chief. I did it twice which was detrimental to my family, I had a fun time and made some lifelong friends and my children's best friends are fireman. Happy new year to all of our residents.

Mayor Pronti: You did it very well, thank you.

COUNCILMAN DEL RUSSO: Happy New Year to all of or residents. I would like to thank the residents of North Arlington for having faith in me and for reelecting me for another term, I am honored to serve the residents and Council for three more years. I'd like to publicly thank our volunteer fire department as Councilman Fitzhenry was saying their quick response to a garage fire at a family member's house, they took care of it immediately, they acted quickly, professionally, I was told of the situation and I wanted to thank them publicly. With regards to our DPW so far we have had five snow events our roads have been cleaned quickly in each storm and our streets have been kept safe, which is very important. We are fully stocked with materials for the next event and future events, so we are ready for any storm that may come, we may have one this weekend. The department has removed all the Christmas decorations and it's properly stored until next year; it's stored down in our DPW. Municipal parking lot guardrails have been cleaned and debris has been removed this past month, that was part of their job as well. Our municipal lot on Ridge Road has all new handicapped parking spots. The crew has removed a damaged tree from 14 Abbot Place, after a high windstorm for safety concerns, all went well and there were no issues reported. This is just a scope of the couple of things that they do, they take plows, they clean the streets, they pick up litter, they take care of a lot of different things. When you see them out there they are generally busy and they do a great job. I want to commend them for that. With regards to our senior group the Mayor and I went to our seniors Christmas party at the senior center, it was well attended as always, the food was fantastic, the desserts were homemade and it was fantastic. They look forward to that, they get insulted if we don't try what they make. The President of the club Dotty Ford had mentioned how happy they were with the parking situation and they wanted to thank the Chief. She tells me every time how thrilled they are because they are able to park, some seniors would get to the meetings and had to go back home because they had nowhere to park, they can't walk 200 feet. I wanted to thank the Chief for correcting that situation for our seniors.

COUNCILMAN KARCIC: First off I want to say congratulations to Brian. When I first met you, you were very young man on the fire department, so congratulations and as we said thank you for

your purpose of the community I really appreciate it, people don't realize how much work actually goes in when you volunteer those organizations. So with that being said I have some interesting information regarding our volunteer emergency services, our EMS squad and our police department. I asked each department head to provide me with a 2025 overview, each month I present an overview stat. So starting with our volunteer emergency service and our EMS squad, NAVES volunteered 4,951 hours this year. They had seven new members, we have two new EMT'S, we have one in high school to become an EMT and one next semester, so it's starting to grow which is nice to see that. The squad responded to 2,337 calls, they put over 26,000 miles on our ambulance driving around, we did retire one ambulance and we do have a replacement coming soon. They did want to highlight and thank the Council for the new power stair chair that was recently purchased. I think it's absolutely amazing new, through the efforts of one of their members, they have received a number of free Roth ID child tag kits, the Roth ID tag identification system is an information tag that can be affixed to a child's car seat in the event of an emergency, the tag pulls from the car seat and becomes an emergency identification wristband, please go to our website for more information at www.naves1972.org. Now I am going to give the police department report, during the past year we had two retirements we wish Captain Riley and officer Robert Evans well in their retirement, I think I see now more Bobby Evans than when he was a police officer. We added four new police officers to the squad, when we talk about training I am not going to read all theses, but during the year some of these are required and some are non-mandate training. But our officer have attended active shooter training, CPR, bloodborne pathogen, first aid training, criminal justice information systems, criminal justice reform, de-escalation training, domestic violence, firearms training, hazardous material awareness, vehicular pursuit training, computer crimes, defensive attack fix, Opra and records management and ten others more. This is what we've promised once our police department was up and staffed, the Chief has done an amazing job of ensuring that they are up to date on all the current regulations. We now have a specialize units, we have a special operations unit, a firearm and training unit a motorcycle unit you probably have seen them around town my favorite one bicycle unit, the municipal Humane Law Enforcement officer's unit, there is a lot going on with our police officers. They also handled a number of community events in town, coffee with a cop, national night out, the reorganization meeting, reading across America, the annual St. Patrick's Parade in Rutherford, Alice lemonade stand and many more, I'm not going to read them all. What I find really interesting they provided me a long list and every time a call comes into the police department an event gets logged and they sent me seven pages long list of events. But I want to highlight some of them in 2025, there was 82 fraud cases, 329 noise complaints, 232 disputes between people, 104 harassment cases, 209 cases of a suspicious automobile, 433 cases of suspicious activity and 199 cases of a suspicious person. What do we say constantly if you see something say something or call the police dispatcher don't put if on social media first, it's ok to put it on social media after you call, because people are aware of what's going on your block and around town, let the police handle it. There were 141 motor vehicle accidents in town, 3,367 traffic enforcement stops, so over 3,000 vehicles were pulled over. Going back to Facebook now when somebody gets on Facebook and says, those cars were going to fast down my street these cops never do anything, well they did something 3,367 times. You will see it on Facebook all the time, people park on the corners nobody ever does anything 1,948 parking enforcement this is my favorite one, 207 impounded or towed cars during the year, 12,776 property checks that's a lot, 189 welfare checks, 19,520 summonses were issued in 2025.

Mayor Pronti: My daughter two days ago got a parking ticket street sweeper, she came in complaining, saying I got a street sweeper ticket, so I said go pay it, what do you want me to do? I told her you didn't move your car.

Councilman Karcic continues: My daughter also got a ticket, but she came to me, I didn't move my car and I got a ticket. I was like really? What did you do? She was like, "I paid it before I even told you". I was like, 'alright'. So, there is a lot of work that goes on with our emergency services in town, you know that's not to say that they can be everywhere, that they can see everything, but they are out there working diligently for our community. So if you see something say something and don't go on Facebook. I have one more thing unfortunately Councilwoman Bocchino can't be here tonight, so did ask me to read this. The military banner program will open for orders starting February 1st through April 10th they will be displayed on Ridge Road, Shuyler Ave, River Road and Canterbury Ave for Memorial Day through Veteran's Day, more information has been posted on the Borough website. If anyone has any questions you can email Councilwoman Bocchino.

COUNCILWOMAN BOCCHINO: EXCUSED

MAYOR PRONTI: I have a few things that I wanted to touch on since our last meeting. I want to bring up a few great things that happened throughout the town. We had our 12 days of Christmas that was reported on and I want to let everyone that Councilwoman Sheedy did an excellent job and it's always a good time. If you don't know what that is next year pay better attention because it's a great thing. We have 12 events that Allison goes out and finds within the town and we showcase them and we do our very best to make all of them and it's a good time we have lots fun. They range from like ice skate, roller skating, fundraiser in a bar or a karaoke. There's always something and it's always lots of fun, we had our Christmas event our Christmas tree lighting, everything was fantastic we had a great time, if you noticed we upgraded our lights and our decorations this year, we try every year to do one type of upgrade somewhere along to line we did a lot more this year than we usually do. This past week we christened the new big blue fire engine Brian forgot and I am going to pick on that. There are now two big blue fire trucks down on River Road and the newest one that we just had is down there and they are both side by side, the old engine is now engine six because they are both in there. It's really nice and I uploaded a video of it, I recorded the christening and it was put on social media if anyone wants to look at it. We did a soft opening for a new business in town JJ's Playtime Café, it's a nice concept , it's a local family that lives in town, they had a dream of opening a business with their small child, it's an indoor PlayStation, it's got the safety mats, it's a real climbing and it's lots of fun. You go there and there's no video games it's nothing like that, you go there and these kids are in like a jungle gym, there's bars on the walls and the kids are climbing up the walls, this is great. I know mothers are all going to like this right now. We also stopped in at a new business in town called Charcoal Crepes, if you haven't that place is phenomenal, it's right next to the hot dog guy, so it's on the other side of the driveway, they did a really nice job they redid the entire place, it's got a white leather seats inside it's a chic looking place. On January 6th we had our reorganization meeting if you missed it you may want to see the speech that I gave, it's on our website we are also going to have the speeches for Councilwoman DeCicco and Councilman Del Russo uploaded there as well, because all of our meetings are recorded visually and audio they are on our website. The reorganization meeting was at the high school, we took individual videos that day we will be putting them up if you missed it and you can go back and review it, you can listen to the words

that I gave. Our website updates for the year, we have our new professionals on there, we have our employees working on this and we try to do our best to update the website as much as we can year to year because things change. If anything is on there that you notice, please reach out and let somebody know because we will fix it within seconds, it's just a matter of making a phone call to the people that handle this. A couple of numbers may have changed or little things like that, if you noticed something let us know you can bring it up to Councilwoman Sheedy she loves doing that stuff. This past month Governor Murphy signed into law the cell phone ban in schools. I don't know if anyone is aware of that. Here in North Arlington I spoke to Dr. Yurchak and he told me that we already have an adopted policy for cell phones use, each individual district is going to be responsible for adopting their own policy a cell phone use and it's going to have to be followed by what the Governor put in. Dr. Yurchak is not worried about this new change, he said that what they have in place seems to be working. I spoke to a couple of the kids from the high school and they said, no we don't use our cell phones in the classroom , they use it in between classes, when they walk in the hallways they are allowed to use them and after school and on free period, that's fair enough for me. I think that there's not a problem with that and as far as I know, it's been working well. Last week I met with Bergen County officials I had commissioner Steve Tanelli and Mr. Lo Iacono up in my office, if you saw me run out a little while ago, I picked this up (the Mayor holds up a picture) this is the diagram of the upgrades in County Park that they have been doing for 14 years and I keep asking and hounding them for upgrades, from what I am hearing it's not the fault of anyone in particular. So what they are doing it's actually nice they are finally going to fix those guardrails that are in front when you make a left on Jauncey Ave, the wood is broken it looks terrible those guardrails they are actually going to put a gate there, I believe it's going to be a gated entry, there's going to be a panic pavilion, a fitness station on top of the new playground area, they are going to be taking our continuation of the river walk that we've been working on for the last few years and they are going to continue the river walk from Arlington Dinner all the way through North Arlington County Park they want to continue it, which is kind of cool at the tennis court they want to continue that all the way to Lyndhurst. Steve Tanelli told me that you could almost run a marathon through there it's almost long enough it's kind of cool what they want to do there. I hope they can get everything put together and it gets done; they are going to be starting in June. We are to try and do a festival for the 4th of July for the 250th year celebration, so I encouraged him to wait until after that to make any mess in the park. I actually spoke to Mayor Giangeruso from Lyndhurst and we are going to try to work on something as a team like the two towns together to do something nice for the 250th year anniversary, so we will be reporting on that later on. I wonder up here who can help me with that?

Councilwoman Sheedy: He already called me on this.

Mayor Pronti continues: The last thing I wanted to report on is I announced this at our reorganization meeting, but I did put together a new committee and it's the parking advisory committee. What we're going to do is, I know there's a lot of questions and a lot of people want to see different types of parking restrictions and parking regulations changed in different areas of the town. I made Councilman Fitzhenry the liaison to the parking advisory committee, I am going to have a representative from the police department, the fire department, the DPW department, a home owner, one renter, one business owner, as well as a chair person and a co-chair person on this committee. So we should have everyone represented on this committee and anytime something comes up, whether it's a request for permit parking, whether it's a request. Some people brought

up about the individualized handicapped placards, where if you have a handicapped placard in front of your house and Mrs. Jones from around the corner who isn't as handicapped as u are and she may have used your spot there's nothing the police department can do about that, unless we adopt something that they do in other towns. But were told that they out lawed this years ago, but there maybe a way to do it on an individual basis so we are going to be looking into that and Councilman Fitzhenry is going to have his hands full on this. It's going to give a lot of people the opportunity to give their opinions and their input on certain things which is good, because everybody needs a voice in the community and you know we want to listen to an extent.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT – STEVE LO IACONO: Thank you Mayor, I'll be brief I want to expand a little bit on what Councilman Fitzhenry was speaking about, we started the budget process for 2026 and in my 11 years here we have never been in a more challenging environment than we're in right now. We're in for a rough ride with this budget, we've been very fortunate as you know, tax increase has been minimal to none for many of the last 11 years, but this year with the health insurance situation and a number of other problems that we've had, there's a lot of budgetary pressure and it's not going to be easy to get through, but we are going to get there.

Mayor Pronti: Is that just our town Steve?

Steve Lo Iacono continues: No, not at all, it's throughout the whole State, however no matter what the budget pressure may be, don't be fooled, we are extremely strong financially, we are in a better situation than other towns in New Jersey. Just earlier tonight, I was not going to mention this but since you brought it up earlier tonight in the resolutions, one resolution was to purchase a bucket for our bucket loader and it's a State contract item and we would go to through the normal process. We were confronted the supplier had one that he was willing to sell to us, if we were able to purchase it within two days, which dealing with municipalities that's unheard of, but we were able to do it because we were strong enough in terms of the way our budget is structured. We turned that around in two days and save $12,000 by doing so, we are in a very strong position but they are real challenges and we are going to meet them. The health insurance situation we have been talking about this since last year, we tried a few things to lower but we did a very modest success we didn't do as well as I was hoping, so we still have another battle on our health insurance which the increases are just astronomical, we are going to have some fun with the unions as the year progresses. I also want to mention the Mayor spoke about the bunch of things for Christmas celebration, we had a very active Christmas season again more than most towns. One of the things that the town took part in was the Christmas tree decoration this was hosted by the County they give the opportunity to decorate a Christmas tree at the Van Housen Wonderland park and Councilwoman DeCicco took charge of that project, she put a committee together and decorated a tree in the park as many other towns did. By most accounts we had the prettiest and most lovely tree of all, we want to thank her for putting this together. The tree was given back to us and the decorations as well we picked it up and it will be planted here in town; it was planted yesterday.
Councilman Karcic: Mayor, if I could just interject I want to add on to what Steve just said and for people to understand what's going on with health benefits in the State. As of January 1st any municipality who participates in the health benefit plan like we do it took a 32% increase on their health benefit. Imagine your homeowner's insurance going up 32% anything going up 32% is astronomical.

Mayor Pronti: We had our taxes go up 33% one year in town.

Councilman Karcic continues: We did, I remember that clearly. But that's a combined, the prescription portion of that went up 58% and the problem is that 32% for 2026, the State has already said due to a number of mitigating factors for 2027 we are looking at 35% and in 2028 another 50%. Something needs to be done on the State level; it's gotten unsustainable the way it currently is. I do know that Governor Murphy proposed a number of things and changes, he is getting some resistance on it. This isn't a New Jesey problem this is everybody who's in the State Health Benefit Plan. This also impacts our schools, there's a separate thing called the school employee health benefit plan, they took a 32% increase this year they are in the same boat. So the tax payers don't want to be taking on the brunt of this all across the State unless something is don on the State level.

REDEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT – ROBERT CEBERIO: We have started to undertake another examination of parking on Ridge Road specifically looking at opportunities whether it be at some of the parking spaces at Riverview Gardens whether those can be somehow taken under control, we are going to discuss again with NJ Transit. I know some of you have indicated that there might be an alternative to their turn around, so I will be happy to hear what that might be so that we can offer that, we are going from the Belleville Turnpike all the way down. After we do our analysis we are going to have a series of recommendations for the Mayor and Council and to make the determination what is the best alternative with consultation with the Borough Attorney. We have started working on looking at the next phases of environmental cleanup on the properties on River Road, we have all the numbers of what the costs will be for the cleanup. The next phase is the submission to the NJEDA/ DEP cleanup costs for that next phase, what we are going to need in order to get that money from the NJDEP is in fact we talked about the riverwalk all the time. They would like to know where through those properties the riverwalk is going to go through, because that give the DEP a level of comfort of how it's going to be remediated and more importantly the fact that they would even consider looking at other opportunities to help finance the riverwalk and the acquisitions to get the parts from Belleville Turnpike all the way out, they will be putting in an application they will also provide to us the test results from the costs for the remediation, they indicated that there might be some costs in terms of interim costs to put in the work for the application to NJDEP. They made it very clear that some of those costs can be folded into the grant as it moves forward, so we started working with them in August and we had a very good meeting with them, the only thing that we will have to discuss is whether we can show DEP some kind of schematic as to where the riverwalk is going to go.

Mayor Pronti: We have a lot of that sketched out through Neglia already, I am sure you are going to be reporting on the comcast property, drawing and we have that sketched out on there as well, Daniel Morris Park, Columbus and Rusignola Park.

Robert Ceberio: That would be great, especially on these two properties it makes a lot easier to get to DEP money. It doesn't sound like they're that bad, so some of them being used for parking your asphalt is going to end up being the cat. The question would be is do you need to remove any of the soil and make the final determination on Golomb whether the oil tank is still there or is it broken up or conditioning that property? It seems like Golomb is the worst out of all the sites that have been tested.

Mayor Pronti: Do we have the results on the junkyard properties?

Robert Ceberio: Yes, we do its primarily hydrocarbon soils, which is gasoline types of leaks on that property, but it's something is not detrimental. There's nothing along those contaminations level.

Mayor Pronti: What else do you need to get us the continuation on that to get this, a whole layout plan on this? Because I want to see this developed throughout this year and I also want to see when we do the comcast property and we make that parking for Rip Collins. I want to have an entrance for Rip Collins and I did speak to the Board of Education about this and I want to see the walkway going on the river side so that the people who park can walk along the river to enter the field and you don't have to come out to River Road at any time.

Robert Ceberio: These properties are the way I would present it is in fact; these properties are key elements to the river walk parking is fine. Parking is an end result of cleaning the site.

Mayor Pronti: Let's work on putting this together, we'll get together with the engineers and I'll make that work.

Robert Ceberio: We've been getting a lot of calls about the site Ewing Place properties in terms of the potential of changing that particular site, they wanted to change the redevelopment plan. I went over with them what would be required to do a redevelopment plan, modification which you don't do those over. That's something that I made it very clear to them.

Mayor Pronti: Does anybody have an idea of what they're looking to do there? They have to give us their interpretation of what they envision there? I had a couple of people reach out and say, what can we put there? Get creative let me know what you can put there and I'll tell you if it's good.

Robert Ceberio: What they were asking then is, what would the town let them do in terms of parking requirements? So those are the kind of questions you get all the time when there's a potential developer interested in a property and they want to know what the town allows. Lastly we keep reaching out to the Melrays, right now what I am hearing from the staff is just potential of opening up the retail on the first floor. I made it very clear to them any ideas of the second floor which they have brought in a whole new question as it relates to the parking.

Mayor Pronti: We made it very clear to them what they can do and what they cannot do over there. I'd appreciate it if they just listen to what we told them that they can do and can't do and they are not going to make us change because we're not, we're not going to give away our parking that we have there. The only thing we're going to do is make them create more parking because that will increase the use it will make it more valuable to the surrounding areas and it will help the industry on Ridge Road in that location, se we have to do what's best for the entire community, not what's best for Procida, that's the way we have to do it.

ENGINEERS REPORT – AUGUST MATARAZZO: I am going to start with 2025 roadway improvements; we anticipate moving construction this upcoming spring. We're rescheduling the

preconstruction meeting towards the end of the winter sometime in February and a walkthrough from that same month to get that project started. That will include Pulaski Dr, Ridge Pak Dr, Gold Street, Locust Ave, West Street and Schuyler Engine Company #2 parking lot. The Leonard Place roadway improvements which CDBG funded doing the paving and concrete construction has been completed. Our office is in the process of closing out with CDBG and getting grant money reimbursed. Our office has all the necessary stormwater infrastructure mapping as well as the watershed inventory reports for NJDP for our permit. We submitted all data information prior to January 1st the deadline and that information and report is available on the Borough website. The Macaluso Park improvements is pending approval by the administrator and for review. We'd like a survey out there soon and design for the Spring.

Mayor Pronti: What are we waiting on with that?

August Matarazzo: Just your office for approval from Mr. Lo Iacono.

Mayor Pronti: Did you send that to me as well?

August Matarazzo: I believe so, I think Brian sent it over.

Mayor Pronti: I have to check on this, because if you are waiting on us then we will get on it right away. We have to get that moving with Macaluso Park, we just finished the other park and now we have to do another park they have to look better and better. People are relying on a lot of things and the parks is one of them.

August Matarazzo: This week the Danil Morris Park bulkhead was out for bid, the RFP for design firm for the bulkhead itself, we reworked the scope of that proposal and hopefully the respondent to that comes in to get under than what it was the first time.

Mayor Pronti: Now are you looking for a contractor to bid on that? Or are you looking for the engineer to bid on the drawing of it?

August Matarazzo: This is solely for engineering.

Mayor Pronti: Did you get returns on it?

August Matarazzo: We haven't gotten returns yet; they will be available for pickup on January 20th.

Councilman Del Russo: I just want to know the beginning of that process as well, I had residents ask us by Macaluso Park?
Mayor Pronti: We are going to try to push that along, I want to get that going up the bulkhead thing is going to happen. We're not in as much of a rush on that because that has to be done systematically. Macaluso Park I want to get that done, get the designs in with the new fence and everything over there and maybe we will have another hand wall somewhere over there.

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS
INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Del Russo
SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Sheedy
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

Melanie Torres, Sophia Kenny, Hewitt. We came here to talk, we are all North Arlington residents and we go to school at Bergen County Academy. We are currently on a competition that is called community service and we want to do a community service event here. The question is how fast can we host an event at the senior center? That would include fundraising and donation even for people to come and donate to help families. Eventually donate to the fire department and police department in town along with people at homeless shelters. We want to donate bags and things like that for them, we also were looking to the schools and have materials. We wanted to get in contact with somebody that could help us host this event, we wanted to fundraise for care packages to be sent to first responders like police department and the fire department things like socks, snacks, water bottles and first aid kits and things that would help. We would like to host this event around late January early February.

Mayor Pronti: When do you have to have the end product by?

Sophia Kenny: The competition is in late March, so probably get it a few weeks before that.

Melanie Torres: There's a section of our competition that includes we get to put it in the newspaper.

Mayor Pronti: We do an annual newsletter and I think I may know somebody that can help you guys in there.

Don O'Neill Jr – 13 William Street: I would like to say it again thank you, to the council for bringing up again, I see so many on social media so many times. Please call the police department if you see a suspicious activity. I saw two cars coming down my street on William Street with the spotlights out they were looking down driveways. We've had reports on Hedden Terrance and Riverview Ave cars being broken into. If you see something and you put it on Facebook and no one sees it after eight hours later, it does no good. The thing is to get out there and actually be proactive. The police are there all the time 24 hours you call them and the response time is unbelievable. North Arlington is known as being a very nice community, people like to live here and they know that people like to have nice things. Regarding the parking situation, we have multi family houses there's a lot more kids and more kids with cars and people only put one car in the driveway so they don't have to move it. We have to try to get the word out to people to use their driveways, to try to help relief the parking situation. Everyone thinks it's street sweeping, it's alternate side of the street. DPW is constantly out doing things and we do it also so people can move their cars because otherwise they won't move it at all and it will sit there for months. The Borough has done a fantastic job. I definitely applaud Mr. Lo Iacono for the challenge he's up against with the health insurance and not only that but there's other things coming down the line with the State of New Jersey that are going to make things even more difficult. One last thing there was a lot of misinformation about the last election cycle of people saying that they are building a 22 story building where Boston Market used to be, on the NA connect app there's actually ways

that you can look what's called the Borough's master plan it tells you what the maximum height of any building can be, people try to scare people with this, come educate take the time or call the Borough Hall and thy will give you the correct information. Thank you, again and hopefully we'll have a fantastic new year. Congratulations to Amanda for becoming the final member of our council.

Nathalie Maxemous – 6 9thh Street: I want to give a shut out to these three young ladies, it takes a lot of courage and that's to come up here and I'd love to help and support in any way I can. I come before you again as a resident, homeowner and as a healthcare professional. I've been before the board I can't count how many times a whole bunch of times over the past year. I believe on December 18th president Trump reclassified cannabis from a schedule one to a schedule three which holds a lot of positives. One of them right now is that now federally, it's recognized as a medication to help in certain medical conditions throughout the Nation. The second biggest piece of this is it removes barriers for scientists to conduct additional research around the medical benefits for cannabis, so it opens a lot of new doors for more research and decreases in stigma. When we talk about different classes and schedules of cannabis, schedule one potentially poses the highest addiction rate, schedule two is our Adderalls or oxycodone that are pharmacy dispense on a regular basis and our schedule class three is less addictive, so looking at medications like Xanax, Ambien sleep medications. Now cannabis is classified as one of those as well to help with different medical conditions. This is something that was approved a decade ago, but the reclassification definitely opens up a lot of positive for patients as well as business owners. There is a 2% tax that is added to gross sales of dispensaries that we are committed to as business owners. I conduct our dispensary in Newark from a financial perspective. I am happy to open up our books for the governing body, but to put in perspective on record here we've contributed six figures over to Newark, I say I'm committed to that 2% tax cause there is talks around that tax potentially being removed. I personally do not believe that will happen, but if t does that 2% tax is what I'm committed to for my town where my children are being raised for activities that the municipality can use however they see fit and make the decision for our town, so we trust our governing body to be able to do that. There're no regulations on how that's used the council can discuss, use that any which trade that they want. I've heard a lot today and previously around budgeting concerns, this is probably the only business where that tax is mandate and goes directly back to the municipality. This is also the only business that's scrutinized and has a bit of a difficult process to get into business in town, so I don't see any other business that has to try and convince, push, drive and educate. I think the way that we have been doing not just necessarily in North Arlington, but across the board to try to decrease the stigma around the medical use on campus. The location I stated before, so that's something that's decided around the municipality typically it's 500 feet, what I did want to bring up around the location is we're talking about a business highly regulated, can't walk in I know I've mentioned that numerous times. I think we're really focusing on the wrong things , so my child can walk across the street from his school and he can view THCA products, he can view vapes, he's free to walk into a liquor store and purchase a Gatorade and we're talking about a business where you can't see inside. You cannot walk in even if the children are walking in front of the dispensary, they have zero access to get into that dispensary, they can't even peek in and see what's going on in that dispensary. There's no loitering, no soliciting, no hanging out in the front, no smoking is allowed in front of the dispensary. As much as we'd like to believe cannabis use is not happening in our town, we have hundreds of different residences that we deliver to in North Arlington. Why am I paying these six figures to Newark? As much as

I love to help, Newark has been great to us. We've been in business four or five years we've definitely made a huge impact. These education courses, decreasing the stigma and we're not just talking about regular recreational users, we're talking about cancer patients, pediatric patients, anxiety patients, pst, ptsd conditions. I can talk about this for hours; I want to change the perception around. What I would love to do here in our town. I've talked about the positives of our business previously, last month we also were recognized at the top operating dispensary in all of New Jersey, that's a huge accomplishment and we take a lot of pride in. In the United State we ranked number nine, so out of hundreds of dispensaries that were named our dispensary was ranked number nine last year. We were also ranked and recognized as number one from a different organization. I know there's a lot of concerns about I don't know bad things happening, robberies it's a cash business. We've been in business for five years and we're also in a high commute area where we're located a bulk of our businesses is delivery business. We have educated employees, top- notch employees that help take care of our customers, that help take care of our patients that make sure that they're in and out, nobody wants to sit and linger in any retail space for a long period of time. With that said, I urge, I challenge the team and the governing body to really take time to look into this. The town has the Ordinance and has approved every other class except for the retail licenses; it's not a new Ordinance it's a small little tine change in the Ordinance that we already have.

Mayor Pronti: Can I ask you a question? I want clarifications on two things. The rule that you have there, the no smoking, no loitering, who enforces those rules? And the second question is the percentage of taxation that you receive from the residents of North Arlington when you're delivering from Newark? Where is, if you were here where it's where you're starting from, you're delivering to a hundred houses in North Arlington and all of that taxation goes to the city of Newark, when it could be going to the Borough of North Arlington.

Nathalie Maxemous: The no loitering all that is regulated by the State, but it is enforced by us by our security. We work with the local police department as well, we don't mess around we're number one for a reason, we were ranked number one for a reason. We want to make sure that we are best in class. So it's regulated by the State, they have access to our cameras, local police department and Newark have access, we enforce it our security enforce it as well. The 2% tax is where we are located, so no matter where we deliver that money is going right back to Newark.

Mayor Pronti: What's your opinion on the proximity of closer dispensaries opening up and the income that you're going to be losing with the competition? I know that Belleville is opening one and some other towns.

Nathalie Maxemous: What I am going to say, we've made it through these past four, five years, in the past year four dispensaries have closed in Jersey City, again we take pride in operations we take pride in community relationships, community events, we take care of our customers they are our patients so we have a lot of return customers. I wouldn't say we are not worried about being unsuccessful, we're not worried about the competition we've actually gotten more successful as more dispensaries continue to open. Is very difficult to get one open as you can see, but it's even more difficult to stay open and stay successful and we've made it. Thank you, for your time I really appreciate and hope that we take this into a real consideration and make some change sooner than later.

Kamez Maxemous – 6 9th Street: I am here respectfully, firmly to ask you to take a decisive responsible step forward to amend Borough Ordinance to allow one cannabis for retail. This request is not speculative, is not theoretical, it's not about politics or trends, It's about healthcare, it's about financial responsibility and local investors. Cannabis no longer is a fringe issue; it's a legally regulated healthcare product in New Jersey. This plan helps people suffer from multiple pills for many residents, especially seniors as an alternative to opioids, sleep medications and anti-anxiety drugs, those are far greater. Cannabis access has been shown statewide to reduce reliance on opioids than other addictive consultants, whether one person supports cannabis or not the fact remains North Arlington residents are use, they said you have to leave town to access it. North Arlington is home to approximately 16,000 people, thousands are registered voters across both major parties who already participate in this legal and State regulated market. The question before is not if cannabis exists. Here is whether access will be regulated, professional and safe under your authority of course elsewhere, allowing one carefully regulated retailer gives this Council control oversight and accountability. This Ordinance is also a matter of fiscal responsibility, we heard a lot about budgeting today, we also are going to hear about budget. Under New Jersey law municipalities see 2% of all retail cannabis sales as a direct tax, local tax revenue does not raise property taxes and does not burden homeowners across the State, Newark alone has received over 500,000 in the last year in total, this revenue supports public safety infrastructure, municipal services and community programs. By opting out North Arlington has voluntary left money on the table while neighboring talents have moved forward. Finally and most importantly we're not outsiders we are North Arlington residents, we have lived here almost two decades, we've raised our two children here, we shop here to support local schools, youth sports and community events. We're not asking to extract value from the town we're asking to invest in. Our proposal includes professional security in and in conjunction with the police department, online ordering to reduce traffic and any short in store visit times strict compliance with all State and local regulations. We understand the responsibility that comes with persuasive and we're prepared to be held to the highest standard council members, this is a moment for leadership, you have the opportunity to prove healthcare access. We have answered every question, we have answered every concern, the framework already exists. The benefit is clear, we respectfully ask you to move forward and allow one class, five cannabis retail in North Arlington. To answer the Mayor's question about who enforces the regulations we're under 24 hours of surveillance that is live in the State, they watch us any hour of the day, they watch us all day, we get phone calls all the time saying the cameras are out. We've worked too hard, we've risked a lot, we've sacrificed a lot to get to the position we're in today and you can rest assure we never risk that and never look bad in our community and the governing body. Thank you, for your time.

Amanda Femgeis – 15 Bathurst Ave: I loved at this address my entire life, members of the council and fellow community members and before you study my deep sense of purpose and commitment, as we discussed the potential of opioid dispensary here. I want to emphasize not just the economic benefits and the positive impact it can have on our community. Cannabis use responsibly offers countless opportunities for healing and wellness; it's time for our little town to embrace this growing field rather than remain behind while neighboring community's progress. This dispensary here with open door for education, access and informed choices, empowering our residents to take charge of their health and wellbeing, for me it's personal and it's my passion I've been actively involved in cannabis advocacy and I wan nothing more than to share my knowledge with this

community. This is the town I grew up, to work five minutes from home, which I currently do I work on the border, but it's not doing what I love where I can engage with my neighbor's face to face. I aspire to be a part of that transformation and open hearts and minds. I've heard concerns about children and dispensaries, but let's take a moment to reflect on our reality. The council had an opportunity to tour the dispensary our should have seen the tight measures that they have in that place, access strictly limited to over 21 and there's usually a armed guard there. Meanwhile, we have a liquor store in every few blocks, children walk in every day to buy sodas and snacks. How many families you know that have been negatively impacted by alcohol? Especially children just from their parents doing it they can easily be exposed to unregulated cannabis products at gas stations. The truth is we have a chance now to shape the narrative around cannabis, let's lead by example creating a space for education and responsible use are prioritized dispensary in our community. We can engage in important conversations about substance use, health and wellbeing all along ensuring a safe environment for our younger generation. Let's make it happen, let's be the town that embraces innovation, health and community support. Your decision to support this dispensary could inspire a brighter future for all of us. Thank you, for your time.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS
INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Karcic
SECONDED BY: Councilman Fitzhenry
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

Councilwoman Sheedy: For the girls from Bergen Academy, have you reached out to the Borough office to try to reserve a date in the senior center? So your first step would be contacting Damaris she usually handles the booking of the senior center and I'm sure she'll be more than happy to help you. If you cannot get a date since you're on a crunch timeline, I have another connection that I could probably help you with the Elks Lodge, they do a lot with community service especially with kids in the community because it's for charity we could get the hall for no cost to you and I'm sure we could probably work out the same kind of efforts from the Knights of Columbus, so that's the first step to get in touch with Ms. Ortega in the office, if you don't get anywhere with her incase the dates are not available she can give you my cell phone number and you con contact me and I can help you work though that first step and probably the VFW also. So there's a couple of places that we could probably find a place for you to hold your event. If you're looking for help in the newspaper we could probably get in touch with them, Mayor Pronti has a very good relationship with them. If you need help we have a business association also that could probably have the head person of the Business Association reach to some of our local business that might be able to help you with eighter gift cards or a small monetary donation. If you need help with publicizing we all have our own council page that we can also share whatever you put together to reach a larger audience to put it on our Borough website Mr. Lo Iacono can help you with that or Ms. Katie Moore you can come up to me after the meeting if you have any other questions. I want to thank you for being involved in things like is, it's nice to see young kids actually wanting to get involved and it's nice you want to help people.

Mayor Pronti: Thank you, Don for the nice words, I appreciate it and I know your very passionate about things that happen in this town and as we are you know he pays attention and like to see that because people who come to the meetings they follow along, they see what actually happens in

town and then they quell the nonsensical rumors that we have to endure by people who don't come here. But other than that it's good that it's refreshing to have people paying attention.
Mrs. Maximous, we've gone over tis numerous times I thank you, for that presentation there were a lot of questions that were answered as far as the 2%. I know it's something that came up and that was one of the questions that went back and forth. I know you were in contact with Mr. Pierce I am going to let him talk on that and tell us what the next steps would be. I'd like to come up with some type of decision whether that's a decision made by the council or whether something that's made by the voters of North Arlington. I want what's best for our entire community, not what's best foe me. We don't want to ever make a knee jerk reaction where we say no or we say yes. My personal stance on this is I think this would be something beneficial to research and to move forward in researching. I can tell you this is an opportunity for us to make a percentage of taxation, to take over the ridiculous increase in health benefits that we're facing it is a way to do that. The presentations that you give are so compelling and professional that we have no reason to believe that you are going to have intentions to bring something that's less than a 100% professional to our community.

Borough Attorney Randy Pearce: I had extensive conversations with your attorney spent a lot of time researching cannabis, which I thought was a dead issue in this town a long time ago. I am going to be reporting to the Mayor and Council and just generally speaking the State originally set up a whole new restriction that towns had obey, so now it becomes more of a municipal decision than a State decision, so that's where we are. I am going to report on the three things that is going to happen, the Mayor and Council will take no action at all, the Mayor and Council will take positive action or it could be put on a referendum. Those are the three options available, so we will see where that takes us. I thank you; you've been incredibly passionate and your husband as well and we applaud your efforts as and we applaud your efforts as a business woman, a mother and all the other things. Open book full transparency it's a tough decision and I'm glad I don't vote; I just give advice.

Mayor Pronti: The entire question here is whether or not the Borough of North Arlington would consider allowing one cannabis class five retail establishment to open in an approved location in town? That doesn't mean it's open season for anyone who wants to open up a cannabis place. The other question that I have is, is there a way that we could do this that we could do a three year trial or something along?

Nathalie Maxemous: It's an annual renewal, so let's say you approve it and we're gonna go for it and let's do it and I open up, and you don't like the way anymore or our renewal because we have to renew annually. If you don't give us a recommendation letter the State will not approve a license for renewal, so you can decide tomorrow yes, and next year for whatever reason this is not working out you don't like what's happening and you decide that your not renewing it, then I'm out of business and the State takes awa our license.

Mayor Pronti: My other question for Randy is, if that is the case and they come in and we decide not to renew it, does that then forces us to go back to no cannabis dispensary?

Attorney Randy Pearce: The answer is that with the new restrictions or the new permission being given by the State, you're only given one license if you are not recommending that license, then

you don't have any more sales in North Arlington. You could adopt an Ordinance allowing five locations, you could allow adopt an Ordinance saying you can't be more than within 500 feet o a school or a park, it's all up to you. It used to be the State now is you, we will talk about this in executive session.

Councilwoman Sheedy: Did reclassification, does that make it legal for the money to go into the banks? Or is it still that area where you can't.

Attorney Randy Pearce: I don't understand your question.

Councilwoman Sheedy: Wasn't it that it had cash sales; it couldn't be credit cards there it was a cash business because you couldn't put the money into the bank because federally it was illegal sales.

Attorney Randy Pearce: On the State level because the Federal level was still allowed, but the money still goes to the Borough.

Councilwoman Sheedy: The profit money where does it go?

Nathalie Maxemous: There are banks, but this reclassification now allows it for all banks to accept.

Mayor Pronti: Good question Allison.

Nathalie Maxemous: There are banks that currently working with dispensaries that accept the money, it's not just full cash.

Councilwoman Sheedy: That was one of the biggest concerns for the sales, that is such a big cash business. You would be a better hit for someone to try and rob you because you're carrying cash where most of America is carrying a plastic.

Attorney Randy Pearce: The point I'm making is that was a fear that was always put out there. There have been no cases that I'm aware of Federal Bank, people were concerned when we put money in there it's illegal, the feds come in well at least under this administration that's noy going to happen.

Councilwoman Sheedy: So the reclassification is helping?

Mayor Pronti: That's temporary because everything can change.

Attorney Randy Pearce: These types of regulations by the sitting president, well as that president is in office.

Mayor Pronti: We will have someone get in contact with you and let you know where we're going. I would imagine it would be Mr. Peace contacting you.

Councilman Karcic: Thank you, for coming you know my concerns, I haven't hid them from you, it's not from a stigma perspective. The only thing I do want to say is the 2% tax is nice; that is not part of the calculation for me. We want to do what's right for the community, for our town and not that I'm saying you would you could open up and then sell. The State can change the laws; there's a whole bunch of things that money can disappear very quickly. I've heard that in several towns where they had dispensaries they been welcoming this income and in the last year the income wasn't what they projected, they projected several hundred thousand dollars coming into the tax revenue and all of a sudden it's not there. So what does the town have to do to make up for it? So for me, that's why money is a secondary issue, I don't want to consider the money. It's just the matter of doing the right thing for the people in town.

ORDINANCES

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 2451

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 187 §9(B) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" PROVIDING FOR A HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE (81 Melrose Avenue)

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Karcic
SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Sheedy
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-50-26 RESO RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION @8:38pm

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and **WHEREAS,** the Mayor and Council is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; **WHEREAS,** the Mayor and Council wish to discuss: CONTRACTUAL MATTERS, ANTICIPATED AND/OR PENDING LITIGATION, ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE, ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY **WHEREAS,** public release of the discussion will only occur after counsel approval and action may or may not occur after discussion. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council are now in executive session

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Del Russo
SECONDED BY: Councilman Fitzhenry
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

[Executive Session]

MOTION TO RETURN TO THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Del Russo
SECONDED BY: Councilman Karcic
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-51-26 RESO RE: AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BERGEN COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF SECURE HIGH SPEED FIBER OPTIC INTERNET SERVICES

INTRODUCED BY: Councilwoman Sheedy
SECONDED BY: Councilwoman DeCicco
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-52-26 RESO RE: AGREEMENT WITH FAIR SHARE HOUSING CENTER ESTABLISHING THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON'S REALISTIC DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AS ZERO

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Del Russo
SECONDED BY: Councilman Fitzhenry
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-53-26 RESO RE: APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT REGARDING BRIANA MOMPELLIER V. BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON, BER-L-007323-24

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Karcic
SECONDED BY: Councilman Fitzhenry
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-54-26 RESO RE: AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR 2026 TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL

INTRODUCED BY: Councilwoman Sheedy
SECONDED BY: Councilwoman DeCicco
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-55-26 RESO RE: AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR 2026 LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE OF VARIOUS BOROUGH PROPERTIES

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Karcic
SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Sheedy
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-56-26 RESO RE: APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Karcic
SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Sheedy
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-57-26 RESO RE: AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT SUBMISSION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS' FY26 LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Del Russo
SECONDED BY: Councilwoman DeCicco
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

R-58-26 RESO RE: AUTHORIZING TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT PERTAINING TO 200 SCHUYLER AVENUE

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Karcic
SECONDED BY: Councilman Fitzhenry
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:
INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Fitzhenry
SECONDED BY: Councilman Del Russo
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry, DeCicco, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo
EXCUSED: Councilwoman Bocchino