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REGULAR MEETING, THURSDAY, AUGUST 6, 2026 AT 7:02P.M. OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AT BOROUGH HALL

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

EXCUSED: Councilwoman DeCicco

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Regular Meeting – May 14, 2026
Executive Session – May 14 2026

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

RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT
RESOLUTION NUMBER 163-26 THROUGH AND INCLUDING RESOLUTION NUMBER 170-26 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-163-26 RESO RE: AUTHORIZATION TO PAY CLAIMS
R-164-26 RESO RE: RESIGNATION OF EMS SUPERVISOR AND APPOINTMENT OF PER DIEM EMT
R-165-26 RESO RE: TAX OFFICE – REFUND OF MONIES
R-166-26 RESO RE: CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT
R-167-26 RESO RE: APPOINTMENT OF CROSSING GUARD TO PERMANENT STATUS

R-168-26 RESO RE: AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR AN ADVISOR AS TO PILOT AGREEMENTS
R-169-26 RESO RE: RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON ENDORSING AN AMENDED HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN
R-170-26 RESO RE: APPOINTMENT OF FIREFIGHTER

MOTION TO APPROVE
INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Karcic
SECONDED BY: Councilman Del Russo
ROLL CALL: AYES: Fitzhenry*, Karcic, Sheedy, Del Russo, Bocchino
EXCUSED: DeCicco
ABSTAINS: Councilman Fitzhenry from all fire department matters

RESOLUTION OFF CONSENT
R-171-26 RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE NORTH ARLINGTON PLANNING BOARD'S N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26 REVIEW OF A DRAFT CANNABIS OVERLAY ZONING ORDINANCE

MOTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NORTH ARLINGTON PLANNING BOARD

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

COUNCIL REPORTS

COUNCILMAN KARCIC: Thank you, as liaison to the police department I have their monthly report, on top of that we have some officers joining us shortly. As I say every month our department goes through a number of different trainings, including during roll call, case law, criminal law and motor vehicle law that was all reviewed this month. We also had two officers attend an initial Alco test operator, one officer do bomb squad training and another do field training officer school, we have four officers currently in field training with two coming off shortly. One officer with Bergen County Regional SWAT monthly training and two officer with range qualifications. Our officers are always seen throughout that town. Last month they attended a concert in the park, they also represented the department at Retired Captain Wood's funeral in Barnegat this month and officers participated and attended in North Arlington senior activity center luncheon. Continuing the department's efforts to maintain positive relationships with the Borough's senior community. My favorite part this month, there was a total 2,386 calls for service, 977 property checks, 337 motor vehicle stops and 2,247 summonses issued, I say this every month if you see something, say something. If you were joining us the other night for a night out against crime, our police department handed out shirts in big bold letters saying, " If you see something say something" please call the police department, they are more than happy to go and check it out. If you want to

post on Facebook after feel free to do so. Please don't post it on Facebook expecting the police department to monitor it and respond to those cases, give them a call more than happy to work through the issues. This month there were 28 people arrested for a variety of things from DWI, assaults and the list goes on. During the month the detective bureau took in 17 new investigations, which eight of them were closed. The majority of the cases involved fraud, shoplifting and unfortunately if you were paying attention to the news a double homicide. This is something that no one wants to talk about or report in town. Mayor, I am sure you have some comments about it, I want to thank everyone that was involved from local to county authorities, an update was provided on social media where arrests have been and the people who are suspects of committing this horrendous act will face trial. So thank you, to them and thank you, to our officers for the work that they did. Lastly, objective for the month, continuing quality of life enforcement, continuing enforcement efforts commercial vehicles violations and quality of life issues including noise complaints, parking violations and related concerns throughout the Borough. Another thing we see on Facebook all the time "oh, there's a commercial truck parked in front of my house" call the police department, let them come down and review it. On top of that they have been providing extra checks at our various parks throughout the town. Traffic safety imitative, disposal road tractor trailer illegal parking and radar details for speeding, if you've driven around town, you've seen a number of those flashing signs telling you to slow down, you're driving to fast. That's part of the enforcement that they're doing. Lastly community engagement that officers will continue making positive citizens contacts during patrol operations, and will attend and support community events and neighborhood gatherings throughout the Borough. This week we had National Night Out Against Crime and it was a very good turnout of people who showed up behind the Borough Hall, I want to thank our police department for everybody being there, for all the food that they stood there cooking for hours. It was a great event, very well attended I want to thank our police department and cert department, our naves department and everybody who participated and the fire department. Thank you, it's a great opportunity when the kids get to sit behind the wheel of a fire engine and the bomb truck and everything else. It was a great event, thank you, who put that together.

COUNCILWOMAN DECICCO: EXCUSED

COUNCILWOMAN SHEEDY: A representative from SNAP will be at the senior center on Tuesday, August 11th between 10am – 12pm appointment is recommended and can be made by calling the Board of Health. With regards to the cyclospora outbreak, New Jersey has been experiencing normal seasonal circulation without known clusters or outbreaks. State officials confirm the New Jersey agriculture is completely unlinked to any active parasite investigation. North Arlington Health department in conjunction with NJ Department of Health continues to investigate cases and monitor for any potential illness clusters. The summer recreation program is in full swing, the children have enjoyed having a duck hunt, scavenger hunt, sand art, bowling every Friday and crafts every Wednesday. Today they had a special visit from the North Arlington Police Department who joined them in a competitive game of kickball and then gave them a tour of their vehicles and answered a multitude of questions that kids had. Celebrate North Arlington planning is still ongoing, again if anyone would like to participate by having a table for their organization, please contact me for an application, flyers and posters will be going out next week to local businesses to display. We have also been meeting with our first responders in planning a remembrance ceremony for 9/11, information to the public will be released shortly.

COUNCILMAN DEL RUSSO: With regards to our DPW department, the crew assisted the police department in setting up for National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday evening, and cleaned up once the event had ended, the event did go very well, thank you to all that participated, thank you to the police department as well. Tree work has continued from the July 3rd storm with the trimming of trees deemed unsafe. There were removal trees and stumps and replanting of new trees where needed, many trees got damaged, and we're still working on that. The Rutherford Place, sewer line had been jetted, cleaned and realigned as needed. The Baltimore Ave, main sewer line was also in need of repair along with the residential lateral, both have been repaired as required. The department has completed repairs on the following manhole cover 22 Park Ave, Rutherford Place and Beaver Ave, these projects I've mentioned are the projects that have to be taken care of, as well as the day to day business of maintaining our daily work schedule. These are things that get thrown our way, and we have to take care of them as well and they all get done within the regular workweek. On a different note our summer work program has completed 24 intersections, restriping all crosswalks, curbing and double yellow lines. The Borough Hall parking lot has also been striped and completed. The kids have been working very well, they usually do it every year, and it teaches them a good work ethic, gives them a chance to make money and we are glad to have them as well. Our summer help also continues to walk all of Ridge Road, maintaining our parks and along River Road, picking all the litter and debris to keep our Borough as clean as possible. I've had many people come up to me, and I am sure other Council members and the Mayor as well, saying how nice and clean our town is and it is nice to hear that because you ride through some other towns, and they are not quite as clean as ours, our department does a great job. These kids have helped out tremendously, and I have said this before it's a great work experience for our youth and it also helps our department. The department is also starting to check, believe it or not, our winter snow equipment to make sure we are ready for any winter weather that may come our way, we like to be proactive on this and we do start early, so if there's any repairs needed, we're always on top of it. With regards to our senior, they have not had a meeting to report on this past month, so I have nothing to report for them, they will restart their meetings in September.

COUNCILMAN FITZHENRY: I can't believe that we are sitting here, I've been here for about 12, 13 years, and for those past five years I've helped people all the time, and I reiterate what Councilman Karcic said. I can't believe people are still reporting crimes on social media, not calling the police department and we are still talking about it. Every meeting we talk about this, I go on Facebook, and what do I see? "My daughter was assaulted at the middle school" did you call the police? It is important that you give your child the phone number to the police department in North Arlington, 201-991-4400 and talk directly to the police dispatcher to report it, that's the fastest way, it's even faster than 911. It just amazes me we're still talking about it, but we're going to reiterate it every single month if we have to until people really following doing what they really should be doing instead of reporting that. Also to capitalize what Councilman Karcic was talking about our community policing, on Tuesday I was putting my garbage cans out early in the afternoon because we had a lot of stuff we were throwing out because I had a water leak in my house. As I was walking towards the back of the house, I saw two police cars at Fisher Field at the basketball court, so that draws your attention to it, I saw two of our officer's playing basketball with about 16 kids, it was such a pleasure to see. You have no idea, and that's what community policing is all about, we have officer's that are actually active in our community, whether they live here or not there're actually getting to the basketball court and saying "look, I got a couple of

minutes, there's no major emergencies going on, let's shoot baskets with these kids" and that's exactly what they did. All the neighbors who were in the backyard all along Fisher Field watch them do it. It was a beautiful sight to see, so congratulations Chief, the community policing is really working for you guys. To also capitalized on what Councilman Del Russo was talking about, our community is very clean and people have a tendency, especially during a snow event, to think that we have 150 employees in DPW, we have about 13 or 14 in total and yet they get a lot accomplished in North Arlington, with those small numbers and I think Mr. Del Russo could tell you that and attest to that as well. When we hear that we only have 14 employees, there're like "that's it" yes, that's pretty much it, but congratulations, they do a wonderful job for us. They do a job like if they had 50 people, it's amazing. I also want to take a minute and congratulate these two gentlemen over here, I don't want to steal their thunder, but it's on my list. Our commitment to the police department and the public safety in North Arlington. Between new equipment for the fire department, bringing our number of police officers' levels up to the highest it's been in probably 23 years, and that's our commitment to public safety in North Arlington, so congratulations gentlemen, I have nothing but great expectations for you. Many you also have already heard about the tragic deaths of children in the Passaic River, from Passaic, New Jersey. There are tons of agencies that helped out with the search and recovery efforts, including the North Arlington Fire Department. The fire department deployed their boat twice and was scheduled again to deploy on Saturday or Sunday, then they got notice that they found the last victim. But a terrible tragedy to see, it wasn't our first rodeo for the police department or the police department here in North Arlington, because we live on a river, unfortunately this is not a regular occurrence, but it is an occurrence in North Arlington. But it doesn't make any easier when its children involved and there are certain things you just can't unsee as a first responder, I did it for 35 years, and you guys are going to start seeing more of those things, if you haven't already. But then you're expected to go home and be normal about it. Kudos to the fire department and the police department who lent hands for that recovery effort in Passaic. Tonight we appointed a new firefighter, and every month we've been appointing a new one every month and it's a direct result of the program for recruitment that the volunteer fire service has enacted to try and get town people to get involved with the fire service. Our numbers are not where they used to be, but they're not dangerous levels right now, we're doing everything we can to make sure they do that. Congratulations to the fire department for another new hire on the volunteer fire service. I don't know if anyone knows this, but I mentioned this to Maggie one day, the assistant administrator, some towns have a service for our senior citizens to go back and forth to the doctor in the event that is snowing out and they can't drive their own car, or they don't have the ability to drive anymore. The County offers seniors aging and disability resources, our seniors can reach out on the helpline at 201-337-4000 I believe they offer help for those who need a ride to the doctor, it's not a taxi service. You can't say "I need a loaf of bread" it does not work that way, my mother live in East Rutherford and she uses the services on days that she doesn't want to drive the car through bad snowstorms or it's raining terribly out. I recommend people to go through the County website or call them for more information. I was also googling around it they also offer counseling services for seniors that need some type of things like that and there's other numbers that you can call. I would recommend going to the County website for more information and for any phone numbers listed there. Mr. Mayor, summer is my favorite time of the year, it's almost over and enjoy it while you can, thank you.

COUNCILWOMAN BOCCHINO: The rec department has not had any meetings over the summer because they typically at the concerts, which a few have been postponed due to the weather. I know the Jr. Vikings football program is still open for sign-ups, however the numbers are very low. We are hoping that we can all make a push to get your kids out there to play some football and cheer. Right now the number are very low for Junior team and the Mighty Mites team, we don't want to see any of these team's fold, this is a great opportunity see get your kids to be active and parents to get out and start coaching and volunteering. It's very important for the community to have these programs. So if we can get everyone and let's share and let them know, they are still out there and taking sign-ups. On a happier note, the 18U girls' softball team won their championship recently, so I want to give a shout out to the coaches and the girls for a job very well done. We understand how much time and dedication it takes to become a champion. Next month we are hoping to recognize them in front of all of you, so if you can please come back next month so we can give them the recognition they deserve. That's all I have.

MAYOR PRONTI: Thank you, very much. There're a few things that I want to touch on. I am going to touch on the tragedy that we all faced here in town. There are a couple of things that I wanted to go over with that, and I just hope that it clarifies a few things. As we all know, these things can happen anywhere and we had a tragedy where people came into our town with an agenda to harm people, and it did not have any effect on any of our businesses, and what happens in certain situations is people come into town, they want to commit a crime. We have police, we have secure boarders, we do everything we have to do to make sure that we police our own in this town. These things will happen from time to time, it's a tragedy, it's a catastrophe for the families that were involved. The reporting the demands for information on this, completely unacceptable by certain people surrounding the town. People demanding information on an ongoing investigation it's beyond ridiculous for law enforcement. If you want the people to be responsible for committing crimes to be caught, you allow law enforcement to do their jobs. You don't, as a civilian leave your house and respond to a murder scene, a crime scene. You don't leave your house and go there and get in the way of the police while they are doing an investigation. It's completely off the charts, out of line, you don't do it, and you don't do it as a political stunt. You don't do it to create any type of vision that you are out there protecting someone, because you're not. What you're doing you are getting in the way of a police investigation, and that's an arrestable offense if you step over the line and I want to point that out. There's a lot of people who speculate that these people were watching the World Cup in one of the businesses just because of the location that it happened. I have had business owners up in arms stating "the news is broadcasting this happened in front of my business, people think this happened here" this was a resident who was dropping off their kids to a person that bad intensions, this could have happened anywhere, it happened here. It's a tragedy, it was not as a result of any business in our town or any lack of policing in our town. So if you want to pass that word along to people who are speculating on absolute off- the- wall, ridiculous speculations, we need to clarify that. Let the police do their job, let the detectives investigate. The prosecutor took this case over and demanded that no one releases any information, and you know what? it worked. People did not release any information, people were not telling anyone was arrested, where they were looking for people, and they were able to make the appropriate arrests and bring murders to justice. It's scary because some people would have preferred that information, because they are curious, that this information gets out, and people start knowing where there are looking for people and how many people were arrested already. All that does is satisfied people's curiosity, it does not make your town safer. It puts you in more harm

because now you have people mentioning names. God forbid someone's name was leaked because of something the police had held; somebody leaks that name and information. You don't know what these people who just killed someone are capable of. We have to protect our people and not put those names in their mouths because these people could be saying someone else's name and automatically become a target of another crime. I just want to make that clear, and I am doing it on the record for a reason because I want people to listen to that for future references, it is not a game, this is our lives. This is the town we live in; we are here to protect our town to the best way possible; our Chief did a great job; the police department did a great job. And I thank the people that were patient enough to wait and let this thing play out, and it was a successful arrest, it's still a tragedy. These two families still lost each a family member, think about that, it's not something to joke about, it's not a game. These people have to live with that for the rest of their lives. Moving on from that, I hope everybody understands, thank you. Talking about the police department, National Night Out Against Crime, great job guys, Chief fantastic job the way it was done in conjunction. We had the bomb squad there, we had all kinds of great special units there and everything and each one of our police officers was taking on a different task, walking around, taking pictures with the kids, dogs. Did any of you guys climb up the ladder just to show up the fireman? I was wondering. It was a success; I got nothing but compliments from the general public. People were coming up to me and asking me who was the Chief because they wanted to meet him, it was hard to find him since he's a little guy, you couldn't see him. The other thing I want to touch on, we've been doing music in the park every other Saturday for the summer, it's a little gift from Tom Cattucci, who's a resident, he's a DJ, a resident and a singer, he sings in professional bands and he goes and sings down at the fountain park at Daniel Morris Park, he's been there every other week. He did a special one this past Saturday, he's got one more left for this summer, so if you have a chance he's there from 9:00am till 11:00am, I know it's early but I bring a coffee with me and sit and enjoy the music, that's early for me, for those of you who know me I am not an early riser. But I do go down there and sip on my coffee and I do enjoy it. The other thing I want to talk about is the tax bills, the tax bills for people who ask, some people want to know why the tax bill gets out late. This happens every single year, we wait on other agencies to complete their budget, as we all know, our budget was completed on time. Everything was adopted appropriately, the County should have those numbers to us, they just got the approval. You should be getting the bill within two weeks, the bills will out in the mail, there's going to be a new date it will be extended, so people shouldn't worry to rush to pay them right away. What happens with some towns when the County is late with passing their budget, they have to send out estimated bills. But we are in such good financial shape here that we don't do that. We have the money on our accounts to cover the taxation, so we don't have to have our residents pay an estimated bill, so that's a plus. That's why you have money in reserve and you don't use that for campaign reasons like people think, our senior veterans housing, I want to give everybody an update on that. That is coming along, I just got an update from the attorney who's handling that case. He is hoping that this is ready to go in October, he's being very optimistic about it, I am sure Mr. Ceberio will touch on a little bit on that when he stands up. Our paving is almost complete, for those of you driving around our town, you see the streets over the last eight, nine months it's been a disaster. I know these guys have made a ton of money on the road work, it's coming to an end, sorry but it's looking good for our roads. Everything is nice and paved, there's about four or five streets that I noticed and I am going to ask Mr. Intindola to go over that when he speaks, but there are a few streets that still have that little gully down the middle that one of the utilities dug up, we are waiting on that to be fixed. Good news down on River Road, Somos Restaurant the long awaited will be opening up either this

Wednesday or the following Monday they did a lot of work there, I walked around and went in and it looks great, they just paved the lot, it looks fantastic, I am really looking forward to this. This is going to be a big motivational pickup for River Road, which every year it gets nicer and nicer. I was talking to Mr. Lo Iacono earlier today, and we were discussing back in 2020, there was a woman that did a food review on Somos, Carlitos is going in now. So people did a review on Somos, it was a great restaurant, but the person who owned it retired and closed it down. This lady did the review, and she described it and said "Somos is a diamond in the rough, it's a great location and the food is fantastic" But driving there, you'd never that you were going to get there and see a beautiful restaurant because you were passing and at the time we had two junkyards on River Road, we had an abandoned gas station and we had buildings looking to fall down. There were a lot of negative things on River Road, and we took offense to that initially. We were like "oh, she didn't notice the good things that were going on in town" but she concentrated on the negativity. So the more I looked at it, I sent her a letter and said to her "I wish you would have taken the approach were you saw some positive things along the way" but then I thought about it, and I met with her, and I said "you know what I am going to take this as a constructive criticism, and we are going to do what we can to make that area nicer" since that time was 2020. Since that time we developed all of our parkland down there, we eliminated all the junkyards, there's no more junkyards down there. We are still waiting to take over the property of the Gollum gas station, which the sign is now gone, it's cleaned up. There's just a building there. Once we take ownership of that building will be knocked down. It will be additional parking down there for the senior housing project. Also, the Comcast property, which has been vacant for 18 years, we bought that property last year and we bought it for extra parking. We're going to add 70 parking spaces to our town down on River Road, down for the Rip Collins field, for people who go to the football games, the track meets, baseball game, little league baseball games at Molino field and that's going to be such a bonus for the residents in the area, too. Because now they don't have 70 cars parking all over the corners. The police won't have to go down there and write people tickets, because the last thing you want to do is write a ticket to somebody who's watching their kid play baseball. But you can't allow somebody to park in an intersection that's going to cause the people walking to the ball field harm. Now, you have kids walking in the crosswalk, and there's a car to close to the crosswalk and they're this tall, so you can't see them walking across the street. So the police are kind of handcuffed, and they have to issue summonses in certain situations. We are trying to alleviate all these problems. I know I am going on and on, but I am very passionate about these things. The other is 500 Belleville Turnpike is ready to go, I would imagine, this is a new warehouse that was built on the property of the old, a tequila factory or something over there years ago, it was horrible. It was one of the biggest eyesores, it was the first property people saw driving into North Arlington, from Jersey City. It's right passed the cemetery, the small cemetery on the right coming up the Belleville Pike, the first building on the right. Now it's going to be a very high-functioning warehouse with storage in the back, it's going to be incredible and it's going to be another ratable to help with taxation. That should be opening very soon because Omar left a message, that's the owner and he want to do a ribbon cutting. I think I covered everything, I am going to hold off on Mr. Lo Iacono for now, I want to take care of these two fine gentlemen that are sitting so nicely. I was going to do it earlier, but I noticed that the whole family wasn't here, and I didn't want to do it without you guys. I am going to ask the two officers to come up, who has the lower badge number?

SWEARING IN CEREMONY:
POLICE OFFICERS ALEX NIEVES SWON IN (1ST) & HAMZAH ZEIDAN SWON IN (2ND)

Mayor Pronti: Welcome aboard gentlemen, I just want to tell you guys we are very proud of everything you've done, that you chose this department to apply to, and just to let you know you're in good hands here. We are a pro-police department town we are definitely behind you. We know that we will do everything that we can do to train you properly so that you can function properly out in public. You never have to hesitate about using your training because we know we're going to train you the right way, and we are on your side, so never hesitate to be a police officer, because that's what you're here for.

Police Chief – Michael Horton: I want to welcome Alex and Hamzah, they're a great addition to the police department and the town, I am excited that they are getting on the road, I hope you have a long successful career here. Congratulations to both again.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT STEVE LO IACONO: I won't go over everything I had because the council members in their report touched on just about all the summer activities. I just want to point out we had a couple of rain outs, so the concert schedule was changed somewhat, it has changed a little, from this point forward, every Tuesday through the end of August, there will be a concert at the park, the names are a little changed from the first advertisements, but there will be a free concert every Tuesday night from now on till the end of August. I would like to point out someone mentioned 9/11, we are paying special attention to the 9/11 observance this year because it's 25 years. It's a Friday night; you can check our website for details as they become available as to exactly what we are going to be doing. There will be a significant celebration or observance anyway for the 9/11attack. We've a number of people complaining about some of the inconvenience, but there's been a lot of utility work over the past months, Public service, Passaic Valley Water, Passaic Valley Sewage, everybody has been in town doing work which is somewhat disruptive with parking, traffic and other issues, but it's all meant and designed to make our lives easier going forward. So, we ask everyone to be patient is they can. I just want to touch on the fact also, we had a bond sale earlier this week, that was an unbelievable turnout, we had a record number of bidders, we did very well, as I've touched on the last few meetings, that's another indicator of just how financially healthy we are in this community. We are attracted to investors who want to come here and invest in the community, invest in our bonds. And our budget situation is good, we are in the middle of our audit, it's not complete yet, but I am sure we are going to through that okay. All the financial signals right now are positive, so we should be happy about that. That's all I have Mayor, thank you.

REDEVELOPMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT – ROBERT CEBERIO: I want to give an update on the refrigerated warehouse; they asked us to meet with them specifically for the purpose of discussing how the municipality can help them in terms of assemblage of the property they were looking at on Porete Ave. Unfortunately we had to tell them that the process, in all likelihood would take a couple of years to implement from beginning to end, which also includes a relocation plan and so forth. So I think that is the end of the refrigerated warehouse concept, I will tell you they were also asking me, there's four acres to the back of FedEx, and they were asking whether if FedEx is still going to keep that property or would they like to subdivide it out for their warehouse? We need to reach out to the property owners of that particular property and to the

FedEx people, which was going to require probably a subdivision and probably some additional work by the planning board if that comes into play. If that doesn't work, then I think we tried everything, they are looking for an expedited process from the municipality, and I told them physically, mentally, legally, it's virtually impossible not to have this go on for a couple of years before we can finalize the assemblage. As the Mayor indicated before, we do have almost the entire application for the senior veteran's housing, the last piece is going to be required by the planning board will be delivered tomorrow and all the notices will go out and so forth, so we can meet the objective of an October groundbreaking. We've worked on this a pretty good 10 years in terms of trying every possibility going forward from going after tax credit early on, which this board made it very clear that unless we can have North Arlington residents, very few North Arlington residents would be able to get into that process. This project has gone in every different way, but finally we have the project that we've been trying to do fir over the past 10 years. In terms of 29 Porete Ave, their application is now complete, and what we will need from our attorney, once that application is heard from the planning board, we will need a redeveloper's agreement, but the planning board is ready to hear it. This is very good, we went from a property that has been abandoned for years, has contamination issues, to that a brand new warehouse will be built on that site. Regarding 500 Belleville Turnpike, what's especially gratifying on that 500 Belleville Turnpike, it's more than a warehouse, it's a light manufacturing operation and that's much different than just loading and unloading. People will get significant number of jobs out of it, and it is a manufacturing, that will be very good for our taxes. The last element to this list, we will be meeting tomorrow with someone that has an interest on the Melrays site, we will be seeing what they are proposing to do on the Melrays site, as we have always said before it's about parking. It really is about parking in terms of what that uses are, how the uses lay out, the retail component, what are you doing on the second floor, and more importantly the parking, so we are meeting with them tomorrow. Lastly, we continue to work on the BCUA redevelopment, and we've had several meetings both here and with the individual that's the provisional redeveloper.

Mayor Pronti: I just want to touch on one thing, we were getting people applying for construction at the Melrays site, thinking they can construct four, five and six story housing projects there. When we asked them why they thought they could do that, they said they heard it through the people how live in town from post on social media. So people are telling what to do in our own town and speculating that's going to be done there, knowing damn well that you cannot put all those apartments there because we do not allow it.

Robert Ceberio: Mayor, you have changed that redevelopment plan several occasions to address the issues, not only on height of a building on Ridge Road, but also the parking elements. If you recall the redevelopment plan for Ridge Road that goes to 1999, called for one parking space per one bedroom apartment, and now you're basically treating that property and other properties on Ridge Road, with the standard very close to what we call the RSIS, which is the municipal standards of what parking should be for various structures. You have made sure that there's not overdevelopment on Ridge Road, that you don't have any more 65- foot buildings, which has a significant impact on fire and a whole host of things. So whoever is contacting you, they are not contacting me.

Mayor Pronti: No, they are not they are just coming in with that idea that "hey, you know what" we had someone call Mr. Lo Iacono the other day, and he said "I want to put in 60 units over there"

and Mr. Lo Iacono said "well where did you get that idea that you can put 60 units there? He goes "well read the redevelopment plan" he also said "we talked to a couple of people who heard people telling that we we're allowing that to happen" which is completely irresponsible. It's purposefully hurting our town by putting out falsehoods like that, and it's embarrassing and people need to stop doing that. Because they are causing developers to spend money on architects to draw plans, and then they are coming in here and they're shocked that they are not allowed to do the things that the people told them on social media that they can do.

Robert Ceberio: Mayor, if somebody wanted to come in here with 60 units in that building, all single family, someone would need to find 60 parking spots, or you would need close to 100 parking spaces, so imagine you would have two levels of parking based on the space of that property, and then you would go up another six stories. So you are dealing with a building that's eight stories, and your redevelopment plan is completely against that, you brought it down to 45 feet.

Mayor Pronti: It's a 45 feet max, and it has to be retail on the first floor, so any parking has to be below the retail, if they can do that, which is very expensive.

Robert Ceberio: The other element which people just don't understand, because I get these calls all the time, our properties on Ridge Road are very shallow. So there's not a big footprint to drop down parking, nor a foundation to do anything like that.

Mayor Pronti: That's why the project that is going forward right now from 165 Ridge Road is two stories high above retail. They came to us with a proposal to put in four stories above retail and they wanted to do two levels of underground parking, no retail on the first floor, because that's what they heard they could do.

Councilwoman Sheedy: Imagine how fast it would have been done if we would have said yes.

Mayor Pronti: If we said yes to all the developers that come in, but no there's one development, there's been one approved. Since I've been the Mayor there's been one project that was complete, because they did everything we said, that was 108 Ridge Road, and that's the only one and since that time we've reduced the height. So anything that has come after that has to be compliant with 45 feet.

Robert Ceberio: At one point it was reduced as you suggested, four stories over two underground parking, you are down now to 19?
Mayor Pronti: 16 I think now.

Robert Ceberio: Because they didn't have the parking, and they didn't have the space below. Imagine the cost to build two decks below grade, one above, which is retail and just have one or two stories above, if you're a developer you really don't want to do that because of the cost.

Mayor Pronti: You still have people running their mouths and saying whatever comes out, and you do get some people who believe it, but other people just listen, they pay attention and they actually read the redevelopment plan. They know what's going on, but you still have people who have

never read the redevelopment plan who are out there standing on a soapbox telling everybody else what they could do. It's embarrassing.

Robert Ceberio: The other thing we are doing right now is keeping inventory right along Ridge Road, of the businesses, if we don't identify somewhere that something is not renting out, we are going to do is what some of the other towns do, maybe post it on our site to let the real estate put them all in one spot. I will tell you when I started here you had 25,26 empty storefronts, if you now have 6 or 7, that's a lot, and they don't stay empty long.

Mayor Pronti: There are two because they got new owners, and where the gym moved out, apparently they got a new owner and they raised the rent really high, and the people that were there moved out. Of course the speculation is "what's going in there? parking, this and that, no this guy is trying to rent two storefronts for an incredible amount of money, and people don't want to pay it.

Councilman Karcic: Mayor, if I may add, if you read the redevelopment plan, the northern end has a totally different set of requirements that makes it more difficult, not only for parking, but more restrictive in height. Just because that's not what that end needs. So, again it's in the redevelopment plan, unfortunately people don't read the redevelopment plan and don't go all the way to the bottom to read the amendments.

Robert Ceberio: There is three zones or districts within that, and each one has their own individual zoning plans, so it's not one straight shot the entire length of Ridge Road.

Mayor Pronti: That requires reading and some people just don't read, they speculate. I appreciate the time Mr. Ceberio, thank you.

ENGINEERS REPORT – BRIAN INTINDOLA: Thank you, good evening, Mayor and Council. We've had some unplanned work that we did in July. Our old nemesis, Rutherford Place sanitary, that runs behind the houses on Rutherford Place, our records indicate in 2004, 2005, 2015 and 2016, there was major blockages there and it's a difficult line because it goes into the backyards where there is not an easement available. That line also goes down the house at 190 Rutherford Place. In this instance, on July 4th, we got the call that the line was backed up or suspected to be backed up. So we brought the right team in, prior to iterations we had called one contractor in 2012, it was beyond their capability, so we had to bring it to the next level contractor, which was National Water Main, if you remember that. In this instance, we called a contractor that has the capability to see the emergency through. They did, in this instance in even in 2004 and 2005, we noticed that the line, something needed to be done about it, and collectively we kicked that can down that road. But in this instance, the time ran out on that line because to rebuild it would be a major disruption and it was at the point where, the decision point was that can we reline it with concrete before it crumbled to nothing because the entire line was cracked. Not collapsed, but it was cracked structurally compromised. In that process, we had to bypass pumping for a few days, it took them a few days to unjam a fatberg that was at Park Place where daylights are taken care of, which is the same situation we had in 2004, 2005, 2012 and 2016 and so in this instance, we were able to clear it and then we were able to successfully reline the sanitary sewer with concrete. Noe we didn't have to excavate under the house, nor in the backyards and remove pools,

sheds and garages. So we were able to thread the needle, and we concluded that as of July 21st. As soon as I got the call on July 4th, I knew where we were going to be, and we were able to see that through and we got a good response from the contractor, and our staff was on top of it the whole way. It was a fluid situation, but we were able to get that solve and hopefully we are not revisiting it every three and five years to make those types of emergency repairs. You also have another ongoing situation at Narda, the pump station, right now you're on one pump, because the other pump, it should work in tandem. It's drawing to much amperage because the backflow check valve is not moving, it's frozen, the pump is trying to pump around it. We are doing our due diligence on what is the most cost effective way to keep the pump station offline, replace a few valves, and get both pumps online and maybe consider including a quote for a grinder pump that was taken out a couple of years ago and was not replaced due to the cost. And again we've crossed our fingers that the existing two pumps, which are relatively new, can serve the role of the grinder. But they are not grinder pumps per say, they need a pre-grinder before that. We are getting prices from two contractors on this emergent condition, and we'll have the Mayor, Council and staff evaluate what is best for the Borough. Other than that we are getting through the paving contract that we have now, so the concrete work is now done, then our role in this part of the process is to pin down a date before school. That's important to Mark Cunningham to get those streets done that are next to the schools first, then work our way out to Gold street that's directly on the school route, but to get it done before that. So we got all the upfront work done. We have an odd situation down by Beech Street, PSE&G did their work, and then we horse traded that half restoration to make other streets whole, contingent upon that Passaic Valley would have their work this summer, they did not. They're going into another season, so I am going to check Beech Street tomorrow, to see if it can take a winter, or do we have to go back to PSE&G and coordinate with a half paving. I am hoping with trench repair was done can last a winter, and then the cost to the Borough is minimized, so that's what we are going to check tomorrow.

Mayor Pronti: So PSE&G wants to go back and dig up Beech Street again?

Brian Intindola: No, PSE&G did their work and they have a gas restoration run on Beech Street, right after that we met with Passaic Valley.

Mayor Pronti: That was to do the entire grid down there of all those streets and that was supposed to happen this summer. They ran into a problem with the State, I believe on the Belleville Pike, that's why we proceeded on the paving.

Brian Intindola: Correct, so I am going to see if Beech Street can take a winter as is. If not we will contact public service and see if they may come back, or we may have to live with just the restoration as it is. I would prefer that someone else pays for the work the restoration of Beech Street.

Mayor Pronti: When is Arlington Blvd. slated to be paved?

Brian Intindola: I want to get it done in the next two weeks, is what I want, we are going to press the contractor.

Mayor Pronti: The reason I say that is because that's the most traveled street going to the high school, I'd like to have that done before school starts.

Brian Intindola: We made that known a while back, that we wanted that done either by PSE&G or the paving program. We are working on Macaluso Park, the final design we want to check what trees to keep or not. We understand that the shades are important, but in my opinion a lot of those trees are nuisance trees because they shed all the time.

Mayor Pronti: They're nuisance trees that shed, but we don't want to lose all the trees down there because of the shedding and because we don't take down healthy trees. But the thing is some of those trees the roots are growing through the walking path, so unfortunately we are going to have to replace those trees with adult trees.

Brian Intindola: Right, so our experience with Fisher was those trees came up pretty quick, so you might have a 24 month period where you need to come up to the next height that you want there.

Mayor Pronti: Fisher came up quick.

Brian Intindola: It did, and it was because the Borough went the expense of irrigating that whole run, and that makes a different. I think there was one tree was replaced in all that landscaping. We are going to convene one more field meeting to see what trees can and cannot stay, and we'll just go with those recommendations. Those particular trees are notorious for having shallow roots and messing with your walkways, so we'll also evaluate that. That's where we are with the capital projects, I just wanted to give you that update. We are very busy with the sanitary sewer issues, which almost seems like cyclical, it happens, we might have to come to a decision point, where if we don't like collectively, the cost proposed by the contractors that are working on the project, we may have to go out to bid. And I am okay with that. It's expedient when you can do it in co-op or on an emergent basis, but we believe that when in doubt, bid id out. We are keeping our fingers crossed that one pump doesn't fail, we have the other pump that's not being used that we can switch out, we are trying to avoid that situation. Ultimately, that's the station that is under a two party agreement with the neighboring town, and then the issue is there should be some recouping of the costs, but I think that's going to be ultimately arbitrated out at some point, and we're trying to set the town up for the best strength in that position as well.

Mayor Pronti: I have just one question on the swing set at Allen Park, I know you sent back in a complete redo of the playground. We are just basically looking to put a swing set there for now?

Brian Intindola: Yes, we got that quote back to you guys.

Mayor Pronti: That was to do a new perimeter, new fencing, new everything over there, I believe.

Brian Intindola: For Allen Park, I think you want to narrow that to a swing set itself, and that's what we are responding to. I think we just got the quote today.

Mayor Pronti: I haven't seen yet. Thank you.

Councilman Karcic: I want to add, I am expecting that we will finalize the bond for the Comcast property and the demolition, we need to have that triggered ASAP.

Brian Intindola: As soon as I am told I can go, I have a contractor.

Councilman Karcic: We want that done.

Brian Intindola: We will wait for the bond.

Mayor Pronti: We need this done by the second week of September we need that building down.

Brian Intindola: As soon as the PO is issued by the Borough, I'll have the contractor the next day.

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

George Rosko – 12 Allen Drive and Rich Hughes – 6 Greco Drive: Mr. Mayor and members of the council, during the few years that I've spent on the fire department, we've been called out numerous times to assist the police department with well-being checks. We have a lot of seniors that live in town, they live alone, their families have moved away from the area. They have no relatives nearby, and they are getting up in age, and this was made very clear to me this winter when a neighbor down the street from me, nobody has seen her in several days, so we called the police department. They came and did a well-being check, they had to break into her home, and what they found was she was very, very sick with the flu. Hadn't been out of bed in days, was extremely dehydrated and fortunately, she lived, and they were able to get her into a nursing home afterwards. But there was no one to check up on her, there was one that had the keys to her house, so we had to break in. So I was thing about what we could do and talking to my friend here George here. There was a town up in Bergen County, that actually uses what they call realtor locks, and they give them out to people that are seniors who live alone and feel that they want somebody to be able to check on them in an emergency. So George can explain how they work, and I'll explain a little bit more of what we did to get to this point.

George Rosko: It's very simple, it's a combination lockbox, you can change the combination at any time, you can set to give it to somebody and you don't want them to have it anymore, it's easily changed. They are designed to hook onto a doorknob, is the main purpose of it, most people put it on the wrought iron railing. It doesn't have to be in front of your house, I have one on all my properties, I have one on my own house. My sister-in-law comes over and no one is home, I give her the combination and she can get in the house, my kids forget their keys they can get in the house, it has an application even if you're not a senior. Somebody who is handicapped , in a wheelchair and has fallen and calls 911 and can't get up to even open the door, the police department would volunteer to put the lockbox on the house, the police would have the combination and a wellness check with ambulance, fire they don't have to break the door down. They would come and open it and do it, it's also good your mom doesn't even have to know you

put it there. It's actually good even if you don't have a senior or you don't know when you will need it. You lose your keys and come home, you don't have to break the door down, as Rich mentioned I volunteered to donate a few of them. So Rich and I are going halfsies, and we are donating 24 of the lockboxes, if we need more we can talk about it.

Ricard Hughes: Mayor, when we first conceived of the idea, I spoke with the police Chief he was very positive on the idea, we went over to the senior meeting back in June and we got some reception there. People are a little reluctant to give out keys to their building. But once they see how well it works, it usually grows, so we talked to the fire department, we talked to the construction official and everybody seemed to have a positive reaction to it. The police Chief worked with the Borough Attorney to come up with a form that actually releases the Borough of liability if we have to go into their houses and the lock combination will be controlled by the police desk. When a police officer responds on the scene, he can privately be given the passcode, and each house would be coded differently, so they are not the same combination lock. So like I said on behalf of George and I we'd like to donate a seed, the first two dozen of these, to the Borough police department and I think we are going to be presenting it to the senior group in September, and try to recruit some people for the program. If you have any questions, we are more than happy to answer them.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

Mayor Pronti: I just want to touch on one thing gentlemen. Who's going to be running it? Who's going to be overseeing this? The police department itself? Are you going to hold all of them there in distribution, if people want them are they going to come to the police department?

Chief Horton: We started the process already, I go to the senior meetings on Wednesday, I've met with them over a couple of meetings. I got a pretty good response, so far I think we have six signed up already, we have completed forms. During the summer they don't meet, so we are going to wait till they come back in September.

Mayor Pronti: I think that's a great idea, thank you very much, gentlemen, for helping our community.

Councilwoman Sheedy: I have a question, is there going to be a press release about this? Only because, as an example, and Brian probably has the same connections as I do, some of our friends have moved out of town, but their families are still living here, we get calls all the time, can you help me? "I need someone to go shovel" but the kids don't live in town, so they might be interested in doing this for their parents, and their parents don't go to the senior program. So, I am thinking if there's a press release, some of those people that seem to come back to us.

Chief Horton: I think we're going to go through the first 24 pretty quickly, and then we could build of the 24, and we can put it out there, I think it's a great idea. We have currently 64 keys downstairs

in the Borough from residents already. So I am currently working on transitioning that over this as well as the new group.

Mayor Pronti: One more very good question. How much do one of those questions cost? If anyone in the community wants to help donate.

George Rosko: Between $20 or $25.

Mayor Pronti: And we can put that out there as well, make that part of the program, there's always people that want to help. People in this town are great.

ORDINANCES

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 2467

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 (100 Stover Avenue)

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2468

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 (119 Locust Avenue)

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2469

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY AND A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $1,896,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2470

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO MACALUSO PARK (PHASE 1) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $749,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

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

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 2462

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON, COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON AND 9 PORETE URBAN RENEWAL LLC AND APPROVING AN APPLICATION THEREOF PURSUANT TO THE LONG-TERM TAX EXEMPTION LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 *ET SEQ*. WITH RESPECT TO BLOCK 168, LOT 2 (9 PORETE AVENUE) IN THE PORETE AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT AREA

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 2462 TO THE PUBLIC

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

No one wishes to be heard

MOTION TO CLOSE HEARING AND ADOPT

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2463

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 187 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" TO ADD A NEW SECTION REGULATING PEDESTRIAN SAFETY MONITORING ZONES

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 2463 TO THE PUBLIC

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

No one wishes to be heard

MOTION TO CLOSE HEARING AND ADOPT

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2465

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE NARDA PUMP STATION IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $412,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 2465 TO THE PUBLIC

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

Margaret Morse – 108 Ridge Road: Typically, when the Borough has emergency appropriations, this is how it's handle, via bond ordinance? Thank you.

Mayor Pronti: Yes.

MOTION TO CLOSE HEARING AND ADOPT

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2466

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE DEMOLITION OF THE FORMER COMCAST BUILDING (LOCATED AT 165-171 RIVER ROAD), INCLUDING ASBESTOS REMOVAL AND SITE WORK FOR PARKING, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $510,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 2466 TO THE PUBLIC

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

No one wishes to be heard

MOTION TO CLOSE HEARING AND ADOPT

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

R-172-26 RESO RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION @8:32pm

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

[Executive Session]

MOTION TO RETURN TO THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

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

R-173-26 RESOLUTION TO AWARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR AN APPRAISER FOR TAX EQUALIZATION PURPOSES

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

R-174-26 RESO RE: APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISOR FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (Mark Zidiak)

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

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT: @10:36pm

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