

January 12, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Toms River was held in the L. Manuel Hirshblond Meeting Room, Municipal Complex, 33 Washington Street, Toms River, New Jersey at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Geoghegan and opened with the salute to the Flag.

Council President Geoghegan read the following statement pursuant meeting notice to the Open Public Meetings Act:

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**  
**STATEMENT**

This meeting is convened in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey. Let the official Minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by publishing a notice in the Asbury Park Press on Friday, January 8, 2021, the Press of Atlantic City and the Star Ledger and also forwarded to the Toms River Times, Toms River Patch and WOBN News on Wednesday, January 6, 2021, and thereafter posting same on the Town Hall bulletin board for such notices, and filing same with the Township Clerk, pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Township Council on Tuesday, January 5, 2021. The meeting dates have also been posted on the Township web page.

Roll Call:

Council Member Huryk	- Present
Council Member Kopp	- Present
Council Member Lotano	- Present
Council Member Rodrick	- Absent
Council Member Turnbach	- Present
Council Vice-President Maruca	- Present
Council President Geoghegan	- Present

A motion for an excused absence was made by Council Member Lotano but did not receive a second motion, so the motion died, and the absence goes unexcused.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Council Member Huryk, seconded by Council Member Turnbach, and carried with Council Members Huryk, Kopp, Lotano, Turnbach, Council President Geoghegan voting yes, but with Council Vice President Maruca abstaining and Council Member Rodrick absent, to approve the Minutes of the **Re-Organization Meeting of January 5, 2021**. The reading of these Minutes was dispensed with, as each member of the Township Council has reviewed a certified copy hereof.

**HONORING RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

A motion was made by Council Member Huryk, seconded by Council Member Kopp, and carried with Council Members Huryk, Kopp, Lotano, Maruca, Turnbach, and Council President Geoghegan voting yes, and with Council Member Rodrick absent, to make the following honoring proclamations a part of the Minutes.

Mayor Hill swore in Councilwoman Maria Maruca as Council Vice-President for the year of 2021.

Township Engineer Robert Chankalian gave the 2021 Paving Program presentation to Council and the public.

Claire Rutts gave an informational presentation about the Township's Green Team and spoke regarding the success of projects within their organization.

Mayor Hill and Public Works Director Benyola presented Jeff Bolen a clock for his retirement after 35 years. Jeff Bolen thanked the Council and spoke of his experience with the department.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Township Clerk Carlisle announced the consideration of the Consent Agenda and noted if anyone had a desire to discuss an individual item it would be removed from the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Council Member Huryk, seconded by Council Member Lotano, and carried with Council Members Huryk, Kopp, Lotano, Maruca, Turnbach, and Council President Geoghegan voting yes, and with Council Member Rodrick absent, to approve all the following items listed on the Consent Agenda.

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CERTIFYING ENTITLEMENT OF A 100% DISABLED VETERANS STATUS FOR THE OWNER OF BLOCK 693.10 LOT 2 EFFECTIVE JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2020, AND PROVIDING THAT PROPERTY TAXES FOR 2020, AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE, BE CANCELLED AND/OR REFUNDED**

**JANUARY 12, 2021**

WHEREAS, the owner of real property in the Township of Toms River known as Block 693.10 LOT 2, located at 898 Briar Avenue, has been certified by the Tax Assessor as a of a 100% Disabled Veteran, effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 and

WHEREAS, property taxes for 2020, as of the effective date of the certification of disability by the Tax Assessor, are to be cancelled; and

WHEREAS, any taxes paid after the date of this resolution by the property owner (or on his behalf), are to be cancelled and/or refunded from the date of this resolution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Toms River, in the County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. All 2020 real property taxes for Block 693.10 Lot 2 due on or after July 1<sup>st</sup> 2020, shall be cancelled.
2. All real property taxes from the date of this Resolution paid on Block 693.10 Lot 2 if any, shall be refunded on a pro-rated basis from July 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.
3. This exemption shall continue for future tax years provided that the owner of this real property continues to qualify for an exemption under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30A.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:
  - a) Mayor
  - b) Business Administrator
  - c) Township Attorney
  - d) Chief Financial Officer
  - e) Township Assessor
  - f) Township Tax Collector

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP  
OF TOMS RIVER, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CERTIFYING ENTITLEMENT OF A  
100% DISABLED VETERANS STATUS FOR THE OWNER OF BLOCK 297.14 LOT 2  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup> 2020, AND PROVIDING THAT PROPERTY TAXES FOR 2020,  
AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE, BE CANCELLED AND/OR REFUNDED**

**JANUARY 12, 2021**

WHEREAS, the owner of real property in the Township of Toms River known as Block 297.14 LOT 2, located at 53 Twelfth Street, has been certified by the Tax Assessor as a of a 100% Disabled Veteran, effective October 31<sup>st</sup> , 2020 and

WHEREAS, property taxes for 2020, as of the effective date of the certification of disability by the Tax Assessor, are to be cancelled; and

WHEREAS, any taxes paid after the date of this resolution by the property owner (or on his behalf), are to be cancelled and/or refunded from the date of this resolution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Toms River, in the County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. All 2020 real property taxes for 297.14 lot 2 due on or after October 31<sup>st</sup> 2020, shall be cancelled.
2. All real property taxes from the date of this Resolution paid on Block 297.14 lot 2 if any, shall be refunded on a pro-rated basis from October 31<sup>st</sup> 2020.
3. This exemption shall continue for future tax years provided that the owner of this real property continues to qualify for an exemption under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30A.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:
  - a) Mayor
  - b) Business Administrator
  - c) Township Attorney
  - d) Chief Financial Officer
  - e) Township Assessor
  - f) Township Tax Collector

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP  
OF TOMS RIVER, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CERTIFYING ENTITLEMENT OF A  
100% DISABLED VETERANS STATUS FOR THE OWNER OF BLOCK 135.02 LOT 10  
EFFECTIVE MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2020, AND PROVIDING THAT PROPERTY TAXES FOR 2020,  
AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE, BE CANCELLED AND/OR REFUNDED**

**JANUARY 12, 2021**

WHEREAS, the owner of real property in the Township of Toms River known as Block 135.02 LOT 10, located at 2341 East Ashfield Court, has been certified by the Tax Assessor as a of a 100% Disabled Veteran, effective March 13th, 2020 and

WHEREAS, property taxes for 2020, as of the effective date of the certification of disability by the Tax Assessor, are to be cancelled; and

WHEREAS, any taxes paid after the date of this resolution by the property owner (or on his behalf), are to be cancelled and/or refunded from the date of this resolution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Toms River, in the County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. All 2020 real property taxes for 135.02 lot 10 due on or after March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020, shall be cancelled.
2. All real property taxes from the date of this Resolution paid on Block 135.02 lot 10 if any, shall be refunded on a pro-rated basis from March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
3. This exemption shall continue for future tax years provided that the owner of this real property continues to qualify for an exemption under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30A.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:
  - a) Mayor
  - b) Business Administrator
  - c) Township Attorney
  - d) Chief Financial Officer
  - e) Township Assessor
  - f) Township Tax Collector

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP  
OF TOMS RIVER, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CERTIFYING ENTITLEMENT OF A  
100% DISABLED VETERANS STATUS FOR THE OWNER OF BLOCK 442.52 LOT 39  
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2020, AND PROVIDING THAT PROPERTY TAXES FOR  
2020, AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE, BE CANCELLED AND/OR REFUNDED**

**JANUARY 12, 2021**

WHEREAS, the owner of real property in the Township of Toms River known as Block 442.52 Lot 39, located at 888 Yellowbank Road, has been certified by the Tax Assessor as a of a 100% Disabled Veteran, effective September 19th, 2020 and

WHEREAS, property taxes for 2020, as of the effective date of the certification of disability by the Tax Assessor, are to be cancelled; and

WHEREAS, any taxes paid after the date of this resolution by the property owner (or on his behalf), are to be cancelled and/or refunded from the date of this resolution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Toms River, in the County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. All 2020 real property taxes for 442.52 lot 39 due on or after September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020, shall be cancelled.
2. All real property taxes from the date of this Resolution paid on Block 442.52 lot 39 if any, shall be refunded on a pro-rated basis from September 19th, 2020.
3. This exemption shall continue for future tax years provided that the owner of this real property continues to qualify for an exemption under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30A.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:
  - a) Mayor
  - b) Business Administrator
  - c) Township Attorney

- d) Chief Financial Officer
- e) Township Assessor
- f) Township Tax Collector

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE TOWNSHIP INSURANCE FUND REPRESENTATIVE**

**JANUARY 12, 2021**

WHEREAS, the Township of Toms River is a member of the Ocean County Joint Insurance Fund; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

1. That Thomas Rodgers be and he is hereby appointed as the Township Insurance Representative pursuant to Chapter 6 of the "Code of the Township of Toms River, New Jersey" for a term of one year retroactive to January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2021.
2. The Township Clerk shall send a certified copy of this resolution to each of the following:
  - a. Attorney
  - b. Chief Finance Officer
  - c. Township Council
  - d. PERMA/Ocean County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund  
9 Campus Drive, Suite 216  
Parsippany, NJ 07054
  - e. Steven A. Zabarsky, Esq.  
248 Washington Street, Box 4  
Toms River, NJ 08754
  - f. Thomas Rodgers

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND THE TOWNSHIP CLERK TO ATTEST TO AN AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION CONSULTING SERVICES WITH DIRECT DEVELOPMENT, IN A BASE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$55,200.00, AND A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000.00**

**JANUARY 12, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Toms River requires Public Information Consulting Services; and

**WHEREAS**, bids were received from the following vendors on December 22, 2020, through the competitive contracting process in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-4.1 which allows for price and other factors, as follows:

<u>Vendor Information</u>	<u>Pricing</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Park Circle Technologies	Total Yearly Cost:	\$59,040.00
16 Park Circle	Phase 1:	\$19,680.00
Short Hills, NJ 07078	Phase 2:	\$19,680.00
		The Township can pay in monthly payment vouchers. If the Township wants to pay in 3 phases, Park Circle will accept payment every 4 months.

Phase 3: \$19,680.00 Their preference is for monthly payments.

**Pricing is estimated based upon \$60 per hour not including supplies and additional fees**

Direct Development \$55,200.00 \$4600 per month retainer - up to 44 hours per month  
97 Apple St, Suite 2  
Tinton Falls, NJ 07724

**WHEREAS**, the review committee for this solicitation consisted of Township Administrator Louis Amoruso and Purchasing Agent Gail Catania. Before reviewing any proposals, each person on the committee reviewed the Ownership Disclosure Documents for each vendor and executed the statement certifying that there is no conflict of interest in accordance with the Local Government Ethics Law NJSA 40A:9-22.1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee members reviewed the proposals separately and scored each vendor as follows:

	<u>Totals</u>
Direct Development	178
97 Apple Street, Suite 2	
Tinton Falls, NJ 07724	

	<u>Totals</u>
Park Circle Technologies	137
16 Park Circle	
Short Hills, NJ 07078	

**WHEREAS**, the scores were based upon the following observations:

**Direct Development** – Proposal was completed as to form, included resumes and experience for all employees who would be involved in the project. Employees had experience in New Jersey and local government agencies and provided samples of projects as would relate to Toms River Township. Vendor has not worked in Toms River but has worked for Brick and Point Pleasant. Price was slightly lower flat fee not to exceed 44 hours per month.

**Park Circle Technologies** – Proposal was complete as to form, included resumes for only two individuals from the company with no background information on other staff, the cost was slightly higher and was an estimate based upon a rate of \$60 per hour and did not include supplies, materials or other incidentals. Samples provided were geared more toward campaigns and advertisements as opposed to Township updates.

**WHEREAS**, the proposals have been reviewed by the Division of Purchasing and Township Administrator, and they have recommended that a contract be awarded to Direct Development, as follows:

<u>Vendor Information</u>	<u>Pricing</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Direct Development	\$55,200.00	\$4600 per month retainer - up to 44 hours per month
97 Apple St, Suite 2		
Tinton Falls, NJ 07724		

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Toms River, in the County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor is authorized to execute and the Township Clerk to attest to an Agreement with Direct Development for Public Information Consulting Services, in a base contract amount of \$55,200.00, and a total contract amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.

2. The report prepared pursuant to subsection (d) of this section has been posted to the Township website more than 48 hours in advance of award of contract, and shall become part of the public record and shall reflect the final action of the governing body. Contracts shall be executed pursuant to section 14 of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-14).

3. The clerk or secretary of the contracting unit shall publish a notice in the official newspaper of the contracting unit summarizing the award of a contract, which shall include, but not be limited to, the nature, duration, and amount of the contract, the name of the vendor and a statement that the resolution and contract are on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk or secretary of the municipality, county, local public authority or special district of the governing body.

4. Funds in the base contract amount of \$55,200.00 with a total contract amount not to exceed \$60,000.00, are available in Account No. 1-01- -A04-534. The certification of funds available statement with respect to this resolution is on file in the Office of the Township Clerk.

5. The term of this contract will commence January 6, 2021 through January 5, 2022. The award of this contract is subject to all the terms and conditions of the bid specifications.

6. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:

- a) Mayor Maurice B. Hill, Jr.
- b) Township Council
- c) Business Administrator
- d) Township Attorney
- e) Chief Financial Officer
- f) Gail Catania, Purchasing Agent
- g) Direct Development  
97 Apple St., Suite 2  
Tinton Falls, NJ 07724

## **CERTIFICATION**

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY** that the funds for the Agreement awarded to Direct Development for Public Information Consulting Services for the Township of Toms River, in a base contract amount of \$55,200.00, and a total contract amount not to exceed \$60,000.00, are available in Account No. 1-01- -A04-534.

More specifically, the actual encumbrance of the funds will be based upon the approval of a fully executed purchase order by the Chief Financial Officer. Said purchase order will encumber the funds for the affected account at that time.

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ALEXANDER DAVIDSON  
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 12, 2021

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AND ACCEPTING THE NAME CHANGE OF VENDOR FROM CONVERGE ONE, INC., TO AVAYA, INC., EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

**JANUARY 12, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, by resolution dated December 22, 2020, the Township Council awarded a contract with ConvergeOne, Inc., 3344 Highway 149, Eagan, Minnesota, 55121, for Avaya Support Services, in the total contract amounts not to exceed the following: Year One - \$44,918.52; Year Two - \$36,143.52; Year Three - \$36,143.52, for a total three-year contract not to exceed \$117, 205.56; and

**WHEREAS**, ConvergeOne, Inc. has advised the Township that the vendor name has changed to Avaya Inc., PO Box 5332, New York, NY, 10087; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council authorizes acceptance of the vendor name change from ConvergeOne, Inc. to Avaya, Inc., under the same contractual terms and conditions as originally awarded to ConvergeOne, Inc. by resolution dated December 22, 2020, continuing through the balance of the contract term with the Township of Toms River;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Toms River, in the County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. It hereby authorizes acceptance of the vendor name change from ConvergeOne, Inc. to Avaya, Inc., effective immediately, for the balance of the contractual term.

2. All other terms and conditions of the original contract awarded by resolution dated December 22, 2020, remain unchanged and in full force and effect through the remainder of the stated contractual term.

3. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:

- a) Business Administrator
- b) Township Attorney
- c) Chief Financial Officer
- c) Purchasing Division
- d) IT Department
- e) Avaya, Inc.  
PO Box 5332  
New York, NY 10087

## **R E S O L U T I O N**

**January 12, 2021**

WHEREAS, the Toms River Township Mayors Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities was created by Resolution of the then Township Committee dated May 13, 1992 and was known as the Advisory Committee on ADA Compliance; and

WHEREAS, qualified individuals have volunteered to serve the Township as members of the Toms River Township Mayors Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY**, as follows:

1. With the advice and consent of the Council, the following appointments by the Mayor are confirmed to serve on the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities to serve for a term of one (1) year retroactive January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2021:



Healthcare Organization Representatives:

Veronica Maier – TR Schools  
Leigh Simpson - NJID  
Diane Hutton-Rose – 21 Plus  
Gary Weitzen – POAC Autism Services  
Jessica Nysten – OCHD  
Keri Britske – CMC  
Adam Silversmith – TR Youth Services  
Megan Miller – Graham Behavior Services  
Chelsea Martin – Navigation Support Coordinator  
Patrick Sweeney – Children's Specialized Hospital  
Deborah O-Chat – Family Resource Network  
Elisa Velazquez – Ocean Pediatric Dental Association  
Tracey Fournier – TR Schools  
Andrea Papageorgiou – SEPAG

Residents:

Jane Tallmann  
Alice Belanger  
Paul Perillo  
Judith Strollo  
Christine Matus  
James Barberi  
Martha Cray

2. Township Clerk shall send a certified copy of this resolution to each of the following:

- a. Township Attorney
- b. Township Council Office
- c. Appointees listed above, who shall present themselves before the Township Clerk and take the Oath of Office before the appointment created hereby shall become effective.
- d. Mayor

**RESOLUTION CORRECTING LEGAL ENTITY  
FOR SAID LIQUOR LICENSE  
RENEWALS FOR 2020-2021**

**January 12, 2021**

WHEREAS, all of the present Liquor License holders listed below have made application for the renewal of their respective licenses and have paid the necessary fees for such renewals; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all statutory, regulatory and local governmental ABC laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed, and the issuing authority has ascertained and reviewed the source of any additional financing obtained in the previous license term for use in the licensed business;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Toms River, in the County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That Plenary Retail **Consumption** Liquor Licenses be and are hereby granted to the following applicants, all of whom are presently holders of such licenses, for the respective premises, to wit:

1507-36-036-006  
TR Lodging Realty LLC  
t/a TR Hotel  
Atlantis & Coral Ballrooms  
290 Route 37 East  
Toms River, NJ 08753

1507-36-041-007  
Dorca Co Inc. t/a Versailles  
Ramada Inn Suites of Toms River  
2373 Route 9  
Toms River, NJ 08755

a) Said license shall not be renewed or transferred except for or to a hotel (or motel) containing at least 100 sleeping rooms.

2. That Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License be and is hereby renewed and granted to the following for the same premises presently licensed, to wit:

1507-36-016-003  
Tirumala LLC  
t/a Howard Johnson Hotel  
Christopher's Pub & Grill  
Legend Restaurant  
955 Hooper Avenue  
Toms River, NJ 08753

Subject, however, to the following special conditions, which conditions shall be part of the license:

- a) Said License shall not be renewed or transferred except for or to a hotel or motel containing at least 50 sleeping rooms.

4. That Plenary Retail **Distribution** Liquor Licenses be and they are hereby granted to the following applicants, all of whom are presently holders of such licenses, for the presently respective licensed premises, to wit:

1507-44-043-003  
Overdue LLC  
t/a EZ Liquors  
35 Route 37 East  
Toms River, NJ 08753

Subject, however, to the following special conditions, which conditions shall be part of the license:

- a) The following Plenary Retail Distribution Liquor Licenses are subject to a **2,000foot proximity restriction**. Said Liquor Licenses cannot be located within 2,000 feet of another Plenary Retail Distribution (D) Liquor License as denoted by an asterisk, following the License Number.

1507-44-055-005 \*  
AJ Liquors LLC

t/a Buy-Rite of Toms River  
1311 Rt. 37 West,  
Bldg. 1 Unit 10  
Toms River, NJ 08753

5. Each of the licenses referred to in the preceding paragraphs hereof shall be executed for and on behalf of this Municipality by Clerk of the Township of Toms River, with an effective date of **October 1, 2020**.

6. The Township Clerk shall forthwith report to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control of the State of New Jersey, and to the State Division of Taxation, the issuance of each said license as soon as such licenses are issued.

7. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Township Clerk to each of the following:

- a) Department of Police
- b) Chief Financial Officer
- c) Municipal Attorney
- d) State of New Jersey  
Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control  
140 East Front Street, Fifth Floor  
CN 087  
Trenton, N.J. 08625-0087
- e) Licensees, as listed above
- f) NJ Division of Taxation  
ATTN: ABC Licensing Unit  
PO Box 245  
Trenton, NJ 08695

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, OCEAN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE 2021 TOWNSHIP COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEES**

**JANUARY 12, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to §5-15 of the Township Code, the Council President submitted a list of proposed Council Subcommittees for the 2021 legislative year, which is attached hereto as Schedule "A":

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council, Township of Toms River, Ocean County, New Jersey, as follows:

1. Pursuant to §5-15 of the Township Code, the list of proposed Council subcommittees for the 2021 legislative year prepared by the Council President, attached hereto as Schedule "A", is approved.

2. A certified copy of this resolution and accompanying attachments shall remain on file in the Office of the Township Clerk and provided to the following parties:

- a. Mayor Maurice B. Hill, Jr.
- b. Business Administrator
- c. Township Attorney
- d. Department Heads

(See attachment for Schedule A)

**2021 Council Subcommittees**

**Administration:**

Chair Kevin Geoghegan, Vice Chair Terrance Turnbach,

Maria Maruca

<b>Buildings/Grounds:</b>	Chair Terrance Turnbach, Vice Chair Laurie Huryk, Maria Maruca
<b>Capital:</b>	Chair Maria Maruca, Vice Chair Daniel Rodrick, Matthew Lotano
<b>CIBA:</b>	Chair Kevin Geoghegan, Vice Chair Joshua Kopp, Terrance Turnbach
<b>COAH:</b>	Chair Kevin Geoghegan, Vice Chair Daniel Rodrick, Laurie Huryk
<b>Finance:</b>	Chair Maria Maruca, Vice Chair Matthew Lotano, Daniel Rodrick
<b>Land Use:</b>	Chair Kevin Geoghegan, Vice Chair Laurie Huryk, Joshua Kopp
<b>Public Safety:</b>	Chair Kevin Geoghegan, Vice Chair Terrance Turnbach, Josh Kopp
<b>Public Works:</b>	Chair Daniel Rodrick, Vice Chair Laurie Huryk, Matthew Lotano

## REPORTS

A motion was made by Council Member Huryk, seconded by Council Member Turnbach, and carried with Council Members Huryk, Kopp, Lotano, Maruca, Turnbach, and Council President Geoghegan voting yes, and with Council Member Rodrick absent, to approve the following Reports.

	2020	2019
Bey Lea Golf Course – December	\$82,038.40	\$53,502.47
Bey Lea Golf Course – YTD through December	\$1,519,986.25	\$1,229,969.34
Winding River Ice Rink – December	\$30,460.10	\$111,448.00
Winding River Ice Rink – YTD through December	\$528,720.61	\$924,961.62
Building Permits - December	\$279,795.00	\$304,993.00
Building Permits – YTD through December	\$2,587,790.00	\$2,665,336.00

## APPROVAL OF BILLS

Council President Geoghegan asked for a report on the bills.

The Bill List, dated **January 8, 2021**, was approved on motion by Council Member Turnbach, seconded by Council Member Lotano, and carried with Council Members Huryk, Kopp, Lotano, Maruca, Turnbach, and Council President Geoghegan voting yes,

and with Council Member Rodrick absent. **There were no abstentions from this bill list.**

## **ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMENTS**

Mayor Hill wished everyone a Happy New Year, and offered congratulations to the new Council President and Vice-President for the year 2021.

Councilman Turnbach congratulated the new President and Vice-President; spoke of Toms River Education Foundation's first fundraiser yielding a \$10,000 donation to Toms River Regional Schools to purchase school uniforms.

Councilwoman Maruca thanked the Council for being chosen as Vice-President and looking forward to working with everyone. Vice President Maruca acknowledged the Township Green Team's request for a sign at their community garden and suggested maybe Township could work with students to make one.

Councilwoman Huryk congratulated Toms River Education Foundation for their success in their fundraising efforts, reported a summary of events happening in our downtown area, including a walking tour of historic points in downtown Toms River.

Councilman Kopp complimented Councilman Turnbach on the success of the first fundraiser by the Toms River Education Foundation.

Councilman Turnbach spoke regarding Toms River Education Foundation, the Toms River Board of Education search for a new Superintendent; and the news of the State's school funding formula now being forced to be disclosed by order of a judge.

Councilman Lotano congratulated Councilman Turnbach on the success of the Toms River Education Foundation's 5K; searching for a Toms River Superintendent; funding formula disclosed by order of a judge, and winter sports in schools.

Councilman Geoghegan spoke regarding Council approved hiring a PR firm on this agenda, and that Council is looking forward to getting out the correct information on current Township projects to residents.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Council President Geoghegan announced the public portion and asked if any one wished to speak at this time.

On motion by Council Member Lotano, seconded by Council Member Kopp and carried , the public hearing was **closed**.

A motion was made by Council Member Huryk, seconded by Council Member Kopp, and carried to enter into a private Executive Session at 6:36 p.m.

A motion was made by Council Member Huryk, seconded by Council Member Kopp, and carried, to adopt the following resolution, which was read into the record by the Township Clerk:

## **R E S O L U T I O N**

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances to discuss matters requiring confidentiality and/or of a privileged nature; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

1. The Township Council will now conduct a private Executive Session.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed and/or acted upon is as follows:

Matters of Personnel  
Matters of Litigation  
Attorney Client Privilege  
Contract Negotiations

3. The following specific topics were announced.

1. Executive Session Minutes: December 22, 2020 Regular Meeting
2. Personnel Issues
3. Review of status of all real property acquisitions. (voluntary acquisitions and eminent domain actions)
4. US Department of Justice RLUIPA investigation – status report and discussion regarding pre-litigation negotiations with special counsel, Marci A. Hamilton and Anthony Merlino

4. It is anticipated that deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Township Council that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

The foregoing resolution was approved on the following roll call vote:

Council Member Huryk	- Yes
Council Member Kopp	- Yes
Council Member Lotano	- Yes
Council Member Rodrick	- Absent
Council Member Turnbach	- Yes
Council Vice-Maruca	- Yes
Council President Geoghegan	- Yes

The Council **reconvened** the public portion at 7:37 P.M., a motion was made by Council Member Huryk, seconded by Council Member Turnbach, and carried with Council Members Huryk, Kopp, Lotano, Maruca, Turnbach, and Council Present Geoghegan voting yes, and with Council Member Rodrick absent.

A motion was made by Council Member Turnbach, seconded by Council Member Huryk, and carried with Council Members Huryk, Kopp, Lotano, Maruca, Turnbach, and Council President Geoghegan voting yes, and with Council Member Rodrick absent, to approve the following Resolution.

#### **RESOLUTION APPROVING EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

WHEREAS, the attached Executive Session Minutes have been reviewed as to form and accuracy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Toms River, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The following Executive Session Minutes are approved:

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2. The Township Clerk shall maintain same as an official record.

No other business appearing, the meeting was **adjourned** at 7:38 P. M., on motion with Council Member Huryk, seconded by Council Member Maruca, and carried with Council Members Huryk, Kopp, Lotano, Maruca, Turnbach, and Council President Geoghegan voting yes, and with Council Member Rodrick absent.

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KEVIN GEOGHEGAN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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ALISON CARLISLE, TOWNSHIP CLERK