TOWNSHIP OF DENVILLE
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 3, 2020

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Council President Murphy. The Salute to the Flag was recited, followed by an Invocation by Councilman Fahrer. Council President Murphy read the Notice of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and noted that this is a non-smoking facility. The Council President requested that all electronics be silenced.

ROLL CALL:
Present: Borowiec, Coté, Gabel, Buie, Fahrer, Golinski, President Murphy
Absent: None

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:
Thomas Andes, Mayor; Steven Ward, Administrator; Michael Guarino, CFO and John Jansen, Esq., Township Attorney

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/CEREMONIAL MATTERS: None

LIAISON REPORTS:

Councilman Golinski advised that he attended the Rockaway Valley Watershed Meeting.

Councilman Fahrer mentioned that Riverview Elementary School was nominated as a Blue Ribbon School. This nomination came from the US Department of Education. Riverview is one of nine schools in New Jersey to receive this nomination. He stated that they are hosting their Spring Concert in March, International Night in April and Arts Night on May 7th. He advised that Deer Management has been working well and they exceeded their numbers from last year.

Councilman Buie advised that he met with the Morris County Department of Human Services on February 24th. They met to review a grant application needed for improvements for local municipalities.

Councilman Borowiec mentioned that he attended an exciting Trails Committee meeting. He indicated that they are preparing the bids for construction. Councilman Borowiec mentioned that he enjoyed seeing all the activity on the turf field in February.

Councilwoman Coté advised that the Beautification Committee is preparing for their Spring Fling which is scheduled for March 22nd and then she asked for support of the event. She went on to mention that Downtown Denville would be meeting on Friday to discuss their 2020 Budget. Lastly, she stated that the MAC Committee had funds left over and so they are looking for programs to utilize the money.

Councilman Gabel stated that the Polar Plunge was a success as the event raised $20,000. He thanked everyone for their support and mentioned that individually, he raised $2,800. He advised that the Rivers and Streams meeting would be taking place on 3/11/2020.

MAYOR’S REPORT: Mayor Andes mentioned that his meeting scheduled with the Army Corps was postponed until 3/16/2020. He stated that the First Avenue streetscape was down to the final details. The Mayor spoke
about the street lights and advised that they are looking into potentially changing the bulbs as the lights are brighter than the lights on Broadway.

**ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:**
Administrator Ward reported that he met with the grant writer to discuss the available DOT grants. He went on to advise that Denville Township is partnering with Rockaway Township to apply for a grant to fund the building of a multijurisdictional sidewalk. The potential sidewalk would extend from Knolls Drive to Route 46.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**
All correspondence has been copied and distributed to Council.

**OPEN PUBLIC PORTION:**
Franz Fuertges—109 Ford Road—Mr. Fuertges invited the Council to the 2020 Spring Fling. He discussed what was being done to prepare for the event. He expressed concern regarding the piles of leaves on Route 53. He went on mention that the Beautification Committee works hard to keep the Township looking its best and the appearance of the Route 53 corridor does not help the Township’s image. He asked the Township officials to contact whomever is responsible to clean up the leaves.

**MATTERS OF OLD AND/OR NEW BUSINESS:**

**R-20-56:** Introduction of the Township of Denville 2020 Municipal Budget

**MOTION TO APPROVE R-20-56**

**MOVED BY MEMBER GABEL, SECONDED BY MEMBER FAHRER**

**AYES:** GABEL, FAHRER, BOROWIEC, COTÉ, BUIE, GOLINSKI, PRESIDENT MURPHY

**NAYS:** NONE

The Council President thanked everyone for their efforts in preparing the 2020 Budget.

**ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION:**

**Ordinance No. 02-20:**

BE IT RESOLVED that an Ordinance entitled:

An Ordinance of the Township of Denville, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, to Amend Chapter 7, Traffic, to Designate a Three-Way Stop Sign at the Intersection of Station Road, Lackawanna Avenue and Parks Road

Be Read by Title on Second Reading and a Hearing Held Thereon:

**MOTION TO READ BY TITLE:**

**MOVED BY MEMBER GOLINSKI, SECONDED BY MEMBER COTÉ**

**AYES:** GOLINSKI, COTÉ, BOROWIEC, GABEL, BUIE, FAHRER, PRESIDENT MURPHY

**ABSENT:** NONE

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**
No one wished to be heard.

**CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING**

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Be passed on Final Reading and that a Notice of Final Passage be published in the 03/11/2020 edition of The Citizen newspaper

MOVED BY MEMBER GOLINSKI, SECONDED BY MEMBER BUIE

AYES: GOLINSKI, BUIE, BOROWIEC, COTÉ, GABEL, FAHRER, PRESIDENT MURPHY
ABSENT: NONE

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION: NONE

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION: None

NON-CONSENT AGENDA:

R-20-57: Resolution Granting Advice and Consent to the Mayoral Appointment of a Tax Assessor for the Township of Denville

MOTION TO APPROVE R-20-57

MOVED BY MEMBER GABEL, SECONDED BY MEMBER COTÉ

AYES: GABEL, COTÉ, BOROWIEC, BUIE, FAHRER, GOLINSKI, PRESIDENT MURPHY
NAYS: NONE

R-20-58: Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Money Due to the Redemption of a Tax Sale Certificate

MOTION TO APPROVE R-20-58

MOVED BY MEMBER GOLINSKI, SECONDED BY MEMBER COTÉ

AYES: GOLINSKI, COTÉ, BOROWIEC, GABEL, BUIE, FAHRER, PRESIDENT MURPHY
NAYS: NONE

R-20-59: Resolution Authorizing the Waiver of Fees for Police Services for the Events Held by Community Groups, Civic Organizations and Schools for the Overall Benefit of the Township of Denville

MOTION TO APPROVE R-20-59

MOVED BY MEMBER FAHRER, SECONDED BY MEMBER GOLINSKI

AYES: FAHRER, GOLINSKI, BOROWIEC, COTÉ, GABEL, BUIE, PRESIDENT MURPHY
NAYS: NONE

R-20-60: Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Gardner Field Sports Complex Lighting Upgrades with Musco Sports Lighting, LLC in Accordance with Sourcewell National Cooperative Pricing Agreement, Contract #071618-MSL, Master Project #199030

MOTION TO APPROVE R-20-60

MOVED BY MEMBER COTÉ, SECONDED BY MEMBER BOROWIEC

AYES: COTÉ, BOROWIEC, GABEL, BUIE, FAHRER, GOLINSKI, PRESIDENT MURPHY
NAYS: NONE

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION:

January 21, 2020

MOVED BY MEMBER GABEL, SECONDED BY MEMBER BUIE

AYES: GABEL, BUIE, BOROWIEC, COTÉ, FAHRER, PRESIDENT MURPHY
NAYS:    NONE
ABSTAIN: GOLINSKI

MOTION TO ADJOURN:
MOVED BY MEMBER COTÉ, SECONDED BY MEMBER BUIE
AYES:    UNANIMOUS

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 P.M.

Tara M. Pettoni, RMC
Municipal Clerk