The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Council President Gabel. The Salute to the Flag was recited, followed by an Invocation by Councilwoman Witte and a Moment of Silence in remembrance of the passing of longtime resident and volunteer Bob Ranft. Municipal Clerk Kathryn Bowditch-Leon read the Notice of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and noted that this is a non-smoking facility. The Clerk requested that all electronics be silenced at this time.

ROLL CALL:
Present: Murphy, Buie, Witte, Lyden, Borowiec, President Gabel
Absent: Bergen

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:
Steven Ward, Administrator; Thomas W. Andes, Mayor; John Jansen, Esq., Township Attorney; Frank Perna, Police Chief, Members of the Denville Police Department; Stephen Dublanica, Social Services Coordinator

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/CEREMONIAL MATTERS:
Donations from the Thrift Barns of Morris
Leonard DiMenna, President and General Manager of the Thrift Barns of Morris, presented the Township with donations to the Denville Police Department, the Denville Fire Department and Denville Social Services. Mayor Andes stated that the Thrift Barns of Morris has donated more than $200,000 over the years. Social Services Coordinator Dublanica stated that the money will be used to assist with the food pantry and social services. Police Chief Perna explained that the money would be used to purchase additional vests for the officers and a medical kit.

Administration of the OATH OF OFFICE to Robert Tucker, Police Officer
Chief Perna congratulated Officer Tucker and provided a brief résumé and personal background information on him, which information is attached to these minutes.
Officer Tucker was joined in the front of the Chambers by his father, Charles and his sister, Emma.
Municipal Clerk Bowditch-Leon then administered the Oath of Office to Officer Tucker.

Chief Perna acknowledged the passing of former DPW employee, Peter Lyden.

LIASON REPORTS:
Councilman Murphy reported that the sidewalk repairs and parking lot improvements at the Bloomfield Avenue parking lot are expected to be completed by the end of the year. He explained that this project was being funded by the BID and a matching grant. He then announced the Holiday Open House will be held on November 29th, Small Business Saturday will be held on November 30th and the Holiday Parade will be held on December 1st.
Mr. Murphy stated that the BID held its elections and the same people will continue to hold office on the Executive Committee.
Councilman Buie had nothing to report.
Councilwoman Witte stated that the Rivers and Streams Committee will meet tomorrow night. She thanked the schools for the Veterans Day celebrations that were held.
Councilwoman Lyden reported that Denville Community TV is in the process of making upgrades to its technology.
Councilman Borowiec reported that the Recreation Committee met and that the holiday lighting contest will be judged on December 18th and the next Senior Social will be held on December 15th. President Gabel reported that he attended the Denville Fire Department’s Monday maintenance night and that the Historical Society meeting will be next week.

MAYOR’S REPORT:
Mayor Andes announced that Gardner Field was given the Morris Parks Alliance’s 2019 Community Award Program Class I Park and Recreation Facility award. He stated his support for Resolution R-19-209, which is a change order for the First Avenue Streetscape Improvements project. He then reported that the light poles for the First Avenue Streetscape Improvements project are expected to be delivered by November 30th. He reminded everyone that the Rotary Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on Saturday, November 30th at Santa Land. Mayor Andes asked that an ordinance naming Field 1 after Bob Ranft be drafted for introduction in January 2020.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:
Administrator Ward advised that the final streets on the 2019 road resurfacing list are being milled and will then paved later this week. He then reported that the administrative budget hearings were held this past week and that each department submitted responsible budget requests.

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

OPEN PUBLIC PORTION
No one wished to be heard.

CLOSED PUBLIC PORTION

MATTERS OF OLD AND/OR NEW BUSINESS:
Mr. Murphy stated he spoke with the owner of Grassroots, who asked if the sidewalk repairs planned for in front of his store and being done as part of the First Avenue Streetscape Improvements project could be completed before the week of Thanksgiving as that was a very busy time for him. Mr. Ward explained that the contractor is under strict time constraints and must complete the project by a specific date or be penalized. He stated that they are making good progress on the sidewalks and expressed his hope that the sidewalk in front of Grassroots will be completed prior to that week.

ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION:
None

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:
None

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION:
None

CONSENT AGENDA:
R-19-205: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Assumption of Liability Rider for a Change in Surety Company for Surety Bond Number 586365S
R-19-206: Resolution Authorizing a Refund of a Residential Development Fee
R-19-207: Resolution Establishing the Reorganization Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Denville for 2020
President Gabel asked if anyone from the public or from the Council would like to have any resolutions removed from the Consent Agenda. No one responded.

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

MOVED BY MEMBER WITTE, SECONDED BY MEMBER MURPHY

AYES: WITTE, MURPHY, BUJE, LYDEN, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BERGEN

**NON-CONSENT AGENDA:**

**R-19-208:** Resolution Authorizing the Refund of a Building Permit Fee

MOTION TO APPROVE R-19-208:

MOVED BY MEMBER LYDEN, SECONDED BY MEMBER WITTE

AYES: LYDEN, WITTE, MURPHY, BUJE, BOROWIEC
NAYS: NONE
ABSTAIN: PRESIDENT GABEL
ABSENT: BERGEN

**R-19-209:** Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 with A.A. Berms, LLC for Work Associated with the First Avenue Streetscape Improvement Project (Federal Aid Project No. TAP-1126(300))

MOTION TO APPROVE R-19-209:

MOVED BY MEMBER MURPHY, SECONDED BY MEMBER BUJE

AYES: MURPHY, BUJE, WITTE, LYDEN, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BERGEN

**R-19-210:** Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of Grant Balances of General Capital Appropriations

MOTION TO APPROVE R-19-210:

MOVED BY MEMBER LYDEN, SECONDED BY MEMBER WITTE

AYES: LYDEN, WITTE, MURPHY, BUJE, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BERGEN

**R-19-211:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a One-Year Contract for Licensed Electrical Control and Technical Services for Public Utilities – Water and Sewer Dept.

MOTION TO APPROVE R-19-211:

MOVED BY MEMBER WITTE, SECONDED BY MEMBER LYDEN

AYES: WITTE, LYDEN, MURPHY, BUJE, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BERGEN

**R-19-212:** Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Calendar Year 2019 Budget Appropriations

MOTION TO APPROVE R-19-212:

MOVED BY MEMBER MURPHY, SECONDED BY MEMBER LYDEN

AYES: MURPHY, LYDEN, BUJE, WITTE, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BERGEN

**R-19-213:** Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Three (3) Year Contract for Municipal Refuse Collection and Recycling Services

MOTION TO APPROVE R-19-213:

MOVED BY MEMBER WITTE, SECONDED BY MEMBER LYDEN

AYES: WITTE, LYDEN, MURPHY, BUJE, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
R-19-214: Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Money Due to the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificates
MOTION TO APPROVE R-19-214:
MOVED BY MEMBER LYDEN, SECONDED BY MEMBER WITTE
AYES: LYDEN, WITTE, MURPHY, BUIE, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BERGEN

R-19-215: Resolution of the Township of Denville, in County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Approving and Authorizing an Agreement with the Owners of 54 Thurmont Road (Block 30603/Lot 14) and 60 Thurmont Road (Block 30604/Lot 5), for Development of the Properties and the Maintenance of Certain Improvements
MOTION TO APPROVE R-19-215:
MOVED BY MEMBER WITTE, SECONDED BY MEMBER LYDEN
AYES: WITTE, LYDEN, MURPHY, BUIE, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BERGEN

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION:
October 8, 2019
October 15, 2019

MOVED BY MEMBER WITTE, SECONDED BY MEMBER LYDEN
AYES: WITTE, LYDEN, MURPHY, BUIE, BOROWIEC, PRESIDENT GABEL
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BERGEN

MOTION TO ADJOURN:
MOVED BY MEMBER WITTE, SECONDED BY MEMBER LYDEN
AYES: UNANIMOUS

The Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Kathryn Bowditch-Leon, RMC
Municipal Clerk