<u>MINUTES</u> <u>COUNCIL MEETING</u> <u>MARCH 16, 2017</u> <u>7:00 p.m.</u>

In compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4, Open Public Meetings Law, notice was given to two newspapers and posted, that a council meeting of the Mayor and Council was scheduled for Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. The Municipal Clerk took the roll call and showed that all were present with the exception of Councilmen DePrince who gave prior notice. Also present was the Alternate Solicitor John Moustakas and Engineer Mark Basehore.

The CFO John Fabritiis and Treasurer Shelley Streahle were present to review the 2017 budget proposal. Councilman Whalen also reviewed the capital section for roads and borough hall improvements.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bonamassa, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt the minutes of March 01, 2017 meeting with all Council voting aye.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to open the meeting to the public for Ordinance 2017:05 the Tax Abatement on the Woodstone Grill. All Council voted aye.

The owner of the Woodstone Grill Miss Lee was present. She asked the Council to table the ordinance until the first May meeting due to family issues and slow business.

Councilman Whalen made a motion to table Ordinance 2017:05 to May 3, 2017, Councilwoman Martz made the second with all Council voting aye.

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A motion was made by Councilman Krause, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2017:64 for the quarterly appointments of the crossing guards as recommended by the Police Chief. All Council voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Krause, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2017:65 for the quarterly appointments of the SLEOs as recommended by the Police Chief with all Council voting aye.

New Business:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilwoman Bonamassa to conditionally approve the solicitor license for Michael Conway for his Mr. Softee truck conditioned upon his appearance at the April 05, 2017 meeting, and for only himself as the driver until such time as any additional driver information is received and approved. All Council voted aye.

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A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Ordinance 2017:06 for Grading. All Council voted aye by roll call vote. There was a noted change to the draft ordinance to amend the retaining wall height to 36".

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2017:69 to introduce the 2017 annual budget with all Council voting aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman Saxton to adopt Resolution 2017:70 to fully extend the 2017 budget with all Council voting aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2017:71 to authorize state contracts for Petroni Fuel and Majestic Fuel for 2017 with all Council voting aye.

The Proclamation for Alcohol Awareness Month was read by the Clerk.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bonamassa, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2017:72 for the CDBG project designation for \$18,500 for 3 speed humps. All Council voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to introduce Ordinance 2017:08 for the 2017 Bond with all Council voting aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Council woman Martz, seconded by Councilman Whalen to introduce Ordinance 2017:09 to amend section 17:1270 for fences, hedges and walls with all Council voting aye by roll call vote 520 for additional information.

Committee Reports:

Councilman Whalen stated he had nothing further to report.

Councilwoman Bonamassa had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Martz stated the Planning Board at their next meeting will begin re-exam of the Master Plan. The County Vacant Home Registration program will begin soon. Also the TACO has submitted updated permit fees to DCA for approval.

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Councilman Krause stated the recreation committee will be meeting this week to stuff Easter eggs. He is working on Independence Day activities with the NJ Army National Guard Band will play on July 3 at the Rec Center. Clean Communities Day is April 1. April 8 is Opening Day at 10 am. April 15 at 10am will be the Easter Egg Hunt which the Camp 99 will participate and the paper shredder will be here. Youth Week is being worked on concluding at the May 18 Council Meeting.

Councilman Saxton spoke about the National Night Out planning

The Mayor stated she had 18 young ladies for the pageant and at the next meeting will make appointments to the Chicken Advisory Board.

The Engineer stated he was working on over 300 bad patches related to SJ Gas work and will begin to create a list for NJ American Water Company patches.

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The Solicitor had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Bonamassa made a motion, seconded by Councilman Krause to open the meeting to the public with all Council voting aye.

Harry Gawronski of North Walnut spoke about his street being a dead end and needing a sign.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman Whalen to close the meeting to the public with all Council voting aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to approve the bills as presented with all Council voting aye by roll call vote.

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