

MINUTES OF THE MAY 22, 2019 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The following are the Minutes of the May 22, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes that was held in the Council Meeting room of the Municipal Building, 25 Lenox Avenue, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey and was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Michael Serra opened the Meeting and led participants in saluting the flag.

Mayor Serra then read the Open Public Meeting Law Statement of Compliance.

A Roll Call indicated the following members were present: Mayor Michael Serra, Council President Terri Reicher, Councilmen William Baig, Erik DeLine, Frank Jaconetta, Ekamon Venin and Councilwoman Jennifer Polidori.

Also present were Borough Attorney, Joseph Ragno, Borough Administrator, Kevin Boyle and Borough Clerk, Elizabeth Brandsness.

MAYOR PRESENTATIONS AND UPDATES:

Proclamation-Lou Shadiack

Mayor Serra presented Lincoln School Principal, Louis Shadiack, with a Proclamation commemorating his prestigious career of forty-eight years in education. Mayor Serra proclaimed May 22, 2019 as "Louis Shadiack Day" in the Borough of Pompton Lakes.

Mr. Shadiack thanked the Governing Body for honoring him this evening and stated he was very appreciative of the Proclamation he received. Mr. Shadiack stated it has been an honor and privilege to be an educator and a Principal in Pompton Lakes for forty-eight years and is grateful for his years of service.

Pompton Lakes Volunteer Fire Department Oath of Office - Caitlin Halat

Mayor Serra administered the Oath of Office to Caitlin Halat as a member of the Pompton Lakes Volunteer Fire Department and thanked her for becoming a member of the department. Mayor Serra thanked all the members who volunteer their time for the community.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Motion moved by Councilwoman Reicher, second by Councilman Venin to open the Meeting for Public Comments. All voted in favor of the motion.

RANDY HINTON, Montclair Avenue

Mr. Hinton questioned Resolution 19-113 Authorizing an Agreement Between the Borough Of Pompton Lakes and the Mid-Passaic County Cooperative Pricing System for Garbage Disposal Services and Resolution 19-120 Authorizing Salary Adjustments for the Municipal Magistrate and Municipal Prosecutor Retroactive to January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021.

Mr. Boyle responded and stated Resolution 19-113 provides for the opportunity to receive pricing for garbage disposal services and Resolution 19-120 provides for the revaluation of the salaries for the Municipal Court Judge and the Prosecutor who were determined to be undercompensated.

Mr. Hinton stated there were no tree issues in the Borough during the recent wind storm.

DON ROGERS, Ringwood Avenue

Mr. Rogers commented on a letter he received, from the Borough Building Department, stating he along with his neighbors are pumping water from their homes onto the street and causing hazardous conditions in the area. Mr. Rogers stated there is a pond in the area, known as Green's Pond and noted the pond drains improperly. Mayor Serra replied and informed Mr. Rogers the Borough is aware of the issue and will continue to investigate the drainage in the area and how to

address the hazardous conditions. Mr. Rogers remarked on the removal of several trees along the pipeline and stated he believes the removal of the trees has also has created additional drainage issues.

Mr. Boyle responded and offered a short term solution involving the Fire Department removing water from the pond. Mayor Serra stated he is aware of the poor drainage in the area and he will try to resolve the matter.

ED MEAKEM, Howard Street

Mr. Meakem requested an update regarding flooding located on Howard Street and the DuPont Bridge. Mayor Serra stated a temporary repair by Tilcon will address the drainage at this site until the Borough engineers can determine a resolution. Mayor Serra assured Mr. Meakem discussions with the County and Chemours will continue until a solution can be determined.

RICHARD PLUMMER, Wanaque Avenue

Mr. Plummer commented on the removal of trees along the pipe line and the need for regulations for the removal of trees on private property. Mayor Serra stated he would further investigate his recommendations.

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilman Venin to close the Meeting for public comments. All voted in favor of the motion.

MINUTES:

Motion moved by Councilwoman Reicher, second by Councilwoman Polidori to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2019. All voted in favor of the motion. Councilman DeLine voted present.

BILL LISTS:

Current Fund	\$ 2,700,521.27
Capital Fund	\$ 225,788.95
Recreation Trust	\$ 466.97
Unemployment	\$ -0-
Dog Trust Account	\$ 58.20
Other Trust Account	\$ 157.00
Clerk's Account	\$ -0-
Open Space Trust	\$ -0-

Motion moved by Councilman Baig, second by Councilman DeLine to approve the Bill Lists. All voted in favor of the motion.

PETITIONS: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

(No Council Members Required Any Resolutions To Be Pulled from The Consent Agenda for Separate Action)

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes has reviewed the Consent Agenda consisting of various proposed Resolutions, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes does not desire to remove any Resolutions for individual action from that Agenda,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following Resolutions on the Consent Agenda are hereby approved:

1. Resolution 19-108 Authorizing The Use Of Hershfield Park By The Bicycle Touring Club Of North Jersey During The Ramapo Rally
2. Resolution 19-109 Approving A Chapter 159 Resolution Providing For The Insertion Of A Special Item Of Revenue In The 2019 Budget (National Crime Statistics Exchange Implementation Grant)
3. Resolution 19-110 Approving A Chapter 159 Resolution Providing For The Insertion Of A Special Item Of Revenue In The 2019 Budget (Atlantic Health Systems – Stigma Free Grant)
4. Resolution 19-111 Authorizing The Mayor And Council To Approve Estimate No. 2 In Connection With The Construction Of The Summit Avenue Retaining Wall In The Amount Of \$45,671.76
5. Resolution 19-112 Authorization To Cancel Various Outstanding Checks From The Current Fund, Capital Fund And Payroll Account Per Audit Recommendation
6. Resolution 19-113 Authorizing An Agreement Between The Borough Of Pompton Lakes And The Mid-Passaic County Cooperative Pricing System For Garbage Disposal Services
7. Resolution 19-114 Authorizing Refund Of Other Lien Block 9521 Lot 25
8. Resolution 19-115 Award Of Bid For Installation Roll-Off Container To American Roll-Off In The Amount Of \$44,574.68 Under ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #17/18-30 Class 8 Trucks
9. Resolution 19-116 Appointing Part Time Laborers For Employment In The Pompton Lakes Department Of Public Works
10. Resolution 19-117 Award Of Bid For Caterpillar Backhoe 420F2IT To Sourcewell In The Amount Of \$126,674.00 Under Sourcewell Co-Op Contract #032525-CAT
11. Resolution 19-118 Award of Bid For An AWD Western Star 4700 SB Dump Truck And Western Star 4700 SB Roll-Off Truck To Hudson County Motors Under ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #17/18-30 Class 8 Trucks
12. Resolution 19-119 Award Of A Bid For A Body/Plow/Salter Installation For AWD Western Star Dump Truck And Plow/Salter Installation For Western Star Roll-Off Container Truck To Cliffside Body Under ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #17/18-30 Class 8 Trucks
13. Resolution 19-120 Authorizing Salary Adjustments For The Municipal Magistrate And Municipal Prosecutor Retroactive To January 1, 2019 Through December 31, 2021

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilwoman Polidori to approve the Consent Agenda. All voted in favor of the motion.

RESOLUTION 19-108

WHEREAS, over the years, the Bicycle Touring Club of North Jersey has utilized Hershfield Park as a rest stop during their annual Ramapo Rally; and

WHEREAS, the club has provided the necessary information to coordinate this event with the Pompton Lakes Police Department; and

WHEREAS, a certificate of insurance will be issued to the Borough for use of the park prior to the event date of August 18, 2019; and

WHEREAS, any additional use permits will be secured prior to the event date as well; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that it hereby approves the request of the Bicycle Touring Club of North Jersey to utilize Hershfield Park on Sunday, August 18, 2019, for the Ramapo Rally.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any and all conditions for the use must be met by Monday, August 12, 2019 through coordination with the Pompton Lakes Police Department and Administration and that documentation supporting this submission is available at 25 Lenox Avenue, Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442 and maintained for no less than five years from this date.

RESOLUTION 19-109

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division Of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any municipality when such item shall have been available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pompton Lakes wishes to amend its 2019 Budget to include an amount as revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Pompton Lakes hereby requests the Director of Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item in the budget of the year 2019 in the sum of \$32,119.40 which is now available as a revenue from:
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services:

Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
National Crime Statistics Exchange Implementation Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of..... \$32,119.40

be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:
General Appropriations
(A) Operations – Excluded from CAPS
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenue
National Crime Statistics Exchange Implementation Grant

RESOLUTION 19-110

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WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pompton Lakes wishes to amend its 2019 Budget to include an amount as revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Pompton Lakes hereby requests the Director of Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item in the budget of the year 2019 in the sum of \$7,140.00 which is now available as a revenue from:
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services:

Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Atlantic Health Systems – Stigma Free Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of..... \$7,140.00
be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations
(A) Operations – Excluded from CAPS
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenue

Atlantic Health System – Stigma Free Grant

RESOLUTION 19-111

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pompton Lakes awarded the bid for the construction of the Summit Avenue Retaining Wall to Alimi Builders, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Alimi Brothers, Inc. has submitted estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$45,671.76 for approval and payment; and

WHEREAS, upon review, it is the recommendation of Ferriero Engineering, Inc. and the Borough Administrator to approve estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$45,671.76.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the payment of estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$45,671.76.

RESOLUTION 19-112

WHEREAS, during the annual audit investigation it was determined that outstanding checks over a year or more had been uncovered; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Borough Auditor that these checks be cancelled back to the Current Fund, Capital Fund and Payroll Account as noted on the work papers attached.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the cancellation of these outstanding checks as noted on the work papers attached.

RESOLUTION 19-113

WHEREAS, the Mid-Passaic County Cooperative Pricing Systems 5-year life cycle expires on June 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, this Cooperative was formed to give communities another pricing source in the area of garbage disposal; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Pompton Lakes to avail itself of this bid opportunity without obligation to award a contract under this bid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute said agreement with the Mid-Passaic County Cooperative Pricing System for a five-year term commencing July 1, 2019.

RESOLUTION 19-114

Pursuant to the facts as stated therein, I respectfully request the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes has reported receiving the amounts shown below for the redemption of the respective liens, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to pay the indicated amount to the holder of the lien certificates as hereinafter shown below:

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>LC#</u>	<u>DOS</u>	<u>B/L</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Pay to the Lien Holder</u>
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DELIA WILLIAM & HAYTER JOYCE 1 MOUNTAIN RIDGE RD POMPTON PLAINS, NJ 07444	18-00008 10/19/2019	9521/25 1424 MADISON PL	\$14,181.90	CHRISTIANA T C/F CE1/FIRSTTRUST PO BOX 5021 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19111-5021
			Premium	\$0.00
			TOTAL	<u>\$14,181.90</u>

RESOLUTION 19-115

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works recommended the purchase of a Roll-Off Container truck as part of his Capital Budget request; and

WHEREAS, installation of the container portion is required; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council authorized the inclusion of funds for this installation in the 2019 Capital Budget in account #C-04-55-853-905.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that a bid be awarded to American Roll-Off for installation in the amount of \$44,574.68 under ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #17/18-30 Class 8 Trucks.

RESOLUTION 19-116

WHEREAS, there is a need to appoint and employ part time Laborers for the summer in the Pompton Lakes Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works has recommended to the Borough Administrator the appointments of Victor Mendez Polanco and Zachary P. Fagan.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes that Victor Mendez Polanco and Zachary P. Fagan shall be and are hereby appointed to the position of part time Laborers for the Borough of Pompton Lakes Department of Public Works.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the hourly rate for the position of part time Laborer be established at \$10.61 per hour.

RESOLUTION 19-117

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works recommended the purchase of a Backhoe as part of his 2019 Capital Budget request; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council authorized the inclusion of funds for this equipment in the 2019 Capital Budget in account #C-04-55-835-905.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that a bid be awarded to Sourcewell for a Caterpillar Backhoe 420F2IT in the amount of \$126,674.00 under Sourcewell Co-Op contract #032515-CAT.

RESOLUTION 19-118

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works recommended the purchase of a Dump Truck and Roll-Off Container as part of his 2019 Capital Budget request; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council authorized the inclusion of funds for these vehicles in the 2019 Capital Budget in account #C-04-55-835-905 and #C-04-55-853-909.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that a bid be awarded to Hudson County Motors for an AWD Western Star 4700 SB Dump Truck in the amount of \$120,173.56 and a Western Star 4700 SB Roll-Off Container Truck in the amount of \$131,282.40 under ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #17/18-30 Class 8 Trucks.

RESOLUTION 19-119

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works recommended the purchase of plows and salters for the new Dump Truck and Roll-Off Container Trucks as part of his Capital Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council authorized the inclusion of funds for these accessories in the 2019 Capital Budget in account #C-04-55-835-905 and #C-04-55-853-909.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that a bid be awarded to Cliffside Body for a dump body, plow and salter installation in the amount of \$97,022.18 and a plow and salter installation in the amount of \$26,715.49 under ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #17/18-30 Class 8 Trucks.

RESOLUTION 19-120

WHEREAS, the Pompton Lakes Municipal Court made a request that salary adjustments be considered for the Municipal Magistrate and Municipal Prosecutor in connection with the 2019 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee met to review this request and undertook a salary analysis of both positions; and

WHEREAS, based upon that analysis it was determined that both positions were under funded in comparison to similar size courts in the area; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee has recommended that the Municipal Magistrate receive a base increase of \$3,000 for 2019 retroactive to January 1, 2019 and a base increase of \$3,000 for 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee has recommended that the Municipal Prosecutor receive a base increase of \$4,000 for 2019 retroactive to January 1, 2019 and a base increase of \$4,000 for 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee further noted these increases also reflect the high standard and work ethic these employees bring to the Pompton Lakes Municipal Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that it hereby approves the recommendation of the Personnel Committee as noted in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the recommended salary adjustments be instituted in the available payroll period.

SEPARATE ACTION RESOLUTIONS: None

ORDINANCES:

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES—FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION:
(Ordinance will be presented for second reading and final adoption on June 12, 2019)

ORDINANCE 19-18

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING §8-10.4 OF THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RIDING ON SIDEWALKS; TERM DEFINED

Motion moved by Councilwoman Reicher, second by Councilman Baig to Approve Ordinance No. 19-18 for Introduction. All voted in favor of the motion

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND FINAL ADOPTION:

(This Ordinances has been advertised and posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board)

ORDINANCE 19-17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING §4-1.8 OTHER BOARDS, AGENCIES AND COMMISSIONS

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilman Baig to open the Meeting for public comments on Ordinance No. 19-17. All voted in favor of the motion.

No one from the public wished to make a comment.

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilwoman Reicher to close the Meeting for Public comments on Ordinance No. 19-17. All voted in favor of the motion.

Motion moved by Councilman Jaconetta, second by Councilman Venin to approve Ordinance No.19-17 for Final Adoption.

Roll Call: Councilman DeLine, Yes, Councilman Jaconetta, Yes, Councilwoman Polidori, Yes, Councilwoman Reicher, Yes, Councilman Venin, Yes, Councilman Baig, Yes.

MAYOR SERRA

Mayor Serra reported on the following.

Motion moved by Mayor Serra, second by Councilman Baig to appoint Margaret Kaffka to the position of Library Trustee to fill an unexpired term through December 31, 2020. All voted in favor of the motion.

Motion moved by Mayor Serra, second by Councilwoman Polidori to appoint Lisa Kihlberg to the position of Library Trustee to fill an unexpired term through December 31, 2023. All voted in favor of the motion.

- attended a meeting with the Mayor of Wayne to discuss the opioid epidemic and the need for stringent regulations when administering treatment in Passaic County. Mayor Serra stated the Prevention Coalition works very hard to address opioid concerns.
- met with Tilcon and residents of the Broad Street/Ringwood Avenue area to address any concerns regarding Tilcon's operations. Mayor Serra cautioned the public to be mindful of the truck traffic in the area. Mayor Serra urged the public to notify himself, Borough Hall or Tilcon with any concerns they may have with the operations of Tilcon. Mayor Serra reminded the public that Tilcon would be closing their operations in this area within the next few years.
- attended an Eagle Scout Ceremony
- asked the DPW, Police and residents to identify any potholes in the Borough
- the Memorial Day Parade will be held on Sunday, May 27, 2019 assembling at 10:45am at Veterans Park

COUNCILWOMAN REICHER:

Councilwoman Reicher reported on the following.

- commented on the number of students that have been accepted and will be attending prestigious schools
- the League of Municipalities has created a very informative marijuana webinar
- commented on Mayor Serra's meeting with Mayor Vergano of Wayne regarding the opioid crisis. Councilwoman Reicher expressed her concerns that Passaic County has not initiated counseling for people addicted to opioids (and receiving Narcan) as recognized in other counties.

- urged parents to remind their children to wear helmets while riding their bikes
- encouraged the public to attend “Coffee with Council” at Starbucks when dates and times are publicized
- the Memorial Day Parade service begins at 11:30am
- “Shred It” sponsored by the BID will be held in the Pond Hole parking lot on June 1, 2019
- commented on the Cecil B. DeMille Film Festival and stated The Friends of the Library will be sponsoring Cecil B. DeMille films during the summer months at Christ Church on Ramapo Avenue. Tickets may be purchased at the Library for \$5.00.

Mayor Serra thanked Councilman Jaconetta and the Passaic Valley Water Commission for their assistance in removing the logs located on Pompton Falls Dam.

COUNCILMAN VENIN:

Councilman Venin reported on the following.

- congratulated Mr. Shadiack on his retirement and stated he will be missed
- attended the 19th Annual New Jersey Prevention Network (NJPN) Conference and commented on the perception of vaping and the dangerous chemicals in the liquids used in e-cigarettes. Councilman Venin stated he would like to introduce an Ordinance concerning vaping in public places.
- Trails Maintenance took place on May 11th and 19th and new sign holders were installed near the rain garden and riparian buffer at Hershfield Park
- attended “Coffee with Council” and thanked residents who visited
- “One Book One Town” will begin again this year with the book titled “Invisible Thread”.

Mayor Serra announced the Prevention Coalition provides studies throughout the year including vaping and he believes once the studies are available there would be stricter laws.

COUNCILMAN BAIG:

Councilman Baig reported on the following.

- also congratulated Mr. Shadiack on his retirement and wished him well
- commented on the Police Department report for the month of April, 2019
- the BID and Chamber of Commerce will sponsor “Shred It” on June 1, 2019 in the Pond Hole Parking lot from 9am to 12pm
- the Chamber of Commerce is issuing two one thousand dollar scholarships to graduating Pompton Lakes High School Seniors
- the recent BID Bucks sale was a sell out
- the “Plant and Paint” event was a big success
- the first two summer concerts will be held on June 13 and 27, 2019 at the Library
- the Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a hole for the Rotary Golf Outing
- the BID is seeking to replace the downtown street lighting components for a cost of \$500.00 per unit
- the BID has hired a company to clean the tree grates in the downtown area
- the operators of WGHT have presented a proposal to the BID for programming on the radio station
- the BID is sponsoring a promotional program “Mystery Photo Challenge” from June 1, 2019 to June 14, 2019 and is offering \$1,000.00 in BID Bucks to the winners
- the Board of Education honored three students, Madison DeFrancesco, Jessica Mayer and Danielle O’Connell for volunteering as teacher aides in the after school program.

Mayor Serra advised all residents to adhere to the pedestrian crossing signs or summonses will be issued. Mayor Serra also requested residents be mindful of pedestrians crossing streets outside of the crosswalks.

COUNCILMAN DELINE:

Councilman DeLine reported on the following.

- also commented on Trails Maintenance Day and added the Trails Committee is seeking ways to address the obstructed yellow trail. Councilman DeLine stated the scouts have expressed interest in assisting the Committee and also thanked the volunteers who participated.
- the 5th National Trails Day is June 1, 2019 and an official ribbon cutting will take place on the Morris Canal Greenway at 10:00am
- the Family Hike will take place on June 9, 2019 at the Palisades Interstate Park at 10:00am and participants will meet at the Ross Dock picnic area. More information can be found on the Open Space Committee Facebook page.
- attended the successful and well attended “Paint and Plant” event
- there are two open positions on the Open Space Committee for voting districts one and six. For more information, contact Councilman DeLine, Mayor Serra or Councilwoman Polidori. Residents must live in these districts.
- commented on Ordinance 19-18 and Chief Agosto’s response to the law initiated by Governor Murphy with regard to electric assisted bikes and scooters utilizing roadways in New Jersey. Chief Agosto provided adjustments to the previous bicycle Ordinance. Councilman DeLine suggested adding additional language or address the requirement for bicyclists to give the right of way to pedestrians and an age limit for riding bicycles on sidewalks. Councilwoman Reicher commented on the present age limit and felt that the age of eight is too young. After further discussion, Mayor Serra stated there would be no decision at this time and asked Council to send an email to Councilman DeLine with any changes or suggestions regarding this Ordinance.

COUNCILMAN JACONETTA:

Councilman Jaconetta reported on the following.

- congratulated Caitlin Halat on her appointment to the Fire Department
- congratulated Mr. Shadiack on his retirement
- the Shade Tree Commission cautioned residents to be aware of the next invasive species, the spotted lanternfly, which attacks several host plants
- the Shade Tree Commission totaled 85 volunteer hours and an additional 24 hours for the Community Stewardship Incentive Program (CSIP) grant
- Mr. Hinton and Mr. Auteri attended the “the Right Tree the Right Place” program sponsored by PSE&G
- the Shade Tree Commission Facebook page provides much information and received 197 likes
- thanked Mr. Hinton and Mr. Auteri for their assistance in contacting Verizon regarding the replacement of two damaged telephone poles in a timely manner
- reminded residents that trees on a homeowner’s property may be removed at their discretion and the removal of trees in the Borough right of way must be approved by the Shade Tree Commission.
- Passaic County was contacted regarding the removal of ten plum trees located on Ramapo Avenue that are affected by black knot disease. Councilman Jaconetta acknowledged several trees in the parks and on Borough property must also be removed.
- two maple trees located at the First Aid Squad need to be removed and replaced
- the remaining tree logs on the Pompton Dam will be removed at a later date when there is less water surge from the dam due to the significant rainfall. Councilman Jaconetta acknowledged that the dam is the responsibility of the Army Corps of Engineers, the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission and the DEP.
- cameras have been installed throughout the North Jersey Water District which includes several areas around the Pompton Dam. After installation, the intent is for Police Headquarters to have access to camera views by September.

- the speed limit sign located on Wanaque Avenue near Colombia Bank is now functioning

COUNCILWOMAN POLIDORI:

Councilwoman Polidori reported on the following.

- also congratulated and wished good luck to Caitlin Halat on her appointment to the Fire Department
- congratulated Principal Shadiack on his retirement and thanked him for his service
- commented on projects that were conducted by the fifth grade classes in the elementary schools and added a circus performance and talent show are being organized.
- the Recreation Commission is sponsoring a fifth grade graduation dance to be held at the Teen Center
- paddle boats and kayak rentals are available on weekends from 11am to 3pm at Lakeside Park, weather permitting and the fee is \$10.00 per hour
- commented on several programs being offered by the Recreation Commission including Field Hockey Camp and Yoga. Check the Recreation Commission website for more information regarding the summer camps being offered.
- Coffee with Council will be held on June 10, 2019 at Starbucks and other dates will be announced for the summer months
- delivered some Memorial Day facts and also passages from a speech by President Ronald Reagan and asked that the public take time to commemorate the significance of the day.

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS:

JOSEPH RAGNO, Borough Attorney

Mr. Ragno requested one closed session on negotiations.

KEVIN BOYLE, Borough Administrator

Mr. Boyle reported on the following.

- N.J.D.O.T. Newsletter -Volume #2
- N.J.D.E.P. - Annual Storm Water Report
- N.J. Health Dept./CDS - Measles Guidance
- N.J.D.E.P. Letter - Review of Chemours Ground Water Sampling

Councilman Jaconetta questioned if the paving of the streets that is planned to be done in two phases between the County and the Borough could possibly be done in one phase. Councilman Jaconetta noted the sections from Jefferson to Harding are in immediate need of repair and suggested putting extra funding aside to execute the paving in one phase. Mr. Boyle stated the issue would be securing State funding and he would look further into alternative funding.

TABLED ITEMS: None

MEETING OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilman Jaconetta to open the Meeting for Public Comments. All voted in favor of the motion.

PETER CHAZOTTE, Woodlawn Avenue

Mr. Chazotte stated he attended Trails Maintenance Day and the number of bags collected during the event. Mr. Chazotte also commented on the Paint and Plant event and stated it was a wonderful Mother's Day gift.

Mr. Chazotte questioned the procedure for when Narcan is administered and if an arrest is made by the Police Department. Mayor Serra explained the law does not allow for an arrest when Narcan is administered. Councilman Baig added New Jersey law encourages opioid users to seek treatment as an alternative to an arrest.

ALAN HEIMALL, Ramapo Avenue

Mr. Heimall expressed his concerns with an ongoing issue with a local vendor contracted by the Borough. Mr. Heimall stated the contractor continues to trespass onto his property and stated equipment was brought onto his property in an effort to maintain the rivers. Mr. Heimall expressed his dismay with the handling of the situation and stated trees have been removed and damage has occurred to the riverbank. Mr. Heimall stated he has been in contact with the Administrator, Kevin Boyle, regarding the issue and to date the Borough has not responded to the DEP nor has a plan been determined to address the removal of the equipment as well as the repairs for the damage that occurred on the property. Mayor Serra advised Mr. Heimall to have his Attorney contact the Borough Attorney.

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilwoman Reicher to close the Meeting for Public Comments. All voted in favor of the motion.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: None

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION:

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilman Venin to adjourn into Closed Session at 9:08pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, pursuant to NJSA 10:4-13 and 10: 4-12 that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes hold Closed Session for union negotiations. It is expected that the discussions undertaken in Closed Session on this date can be made public at the time official action is taken by the Mayor and Council to release same.

Motion moved by Councilwoman Reicher, second by Councilman DeLine to open the Meeting at 9:49pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

Mayor Serra stated union negotiations were discussed in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion moved by Councilman Venin, second by Councilman Jaconetta to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:50PM. All voted in favor of the motion.

ATTEST: _____ **APPROVED BY:** _____
ELIZABETH BRANDSNESS, RMC **MICHAEL SERRA**
MUNICIPAL CLERK **MAYOR**

May 22, 2019