

MINUTES OF THE JULY 17, 2019 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The following are the Minutes of the July 17, 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: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

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

RANDY HINTON, Montclair Avenue

Mr. Hinton informed the Governing Body PLTV Channel 77 has not been on-air and inquired as to the reason for the disruption in broadcasting. Mr. Boyle stated he believes it is an internet problem, and he will contact Cablevision to address the matter.

Mr. Hinton inquired whether the Borough has plans to purchase a bucket truck and a water tank. Mayor Serra stated the County has been notified the Borough is in search of a bucket truck and to contact Mr. Boyle if there is a need for a bucket truck. Mayor Serra informed Mr. Hinton the DPW has a water tank and plants are being watered several times a week.

Mr. Hinton commented on a tree located behind the Municipal Building parking lot and questioned who is responsible for the removal of the tree. Mayor Serra replied and stated the tree in question has caused damage to the fence and employee cars so therefore the tree needs to be removed.

Mr. Hinton thanked the Governing Body and Administrator for the paving on Montclair Avenue. Mr. Hinton expressed his concerns in the manner the contractor used to notify residents before paving the street. Mayor Serra informed Mr. Hinton the matter will be addressed with the contractor and stated all inquiries and concerns residents may have regarding construction projects should be addressed by Borough officials.

GREGORY WAYNE COCKEFAIR, Albert Street

Mr. Cockefair commented on his concerns for pollution and the environment.

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 Councilman DeLine, second by Councilwoman Polidori to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 26, 2019. All voted in favor of the motion. Councilman Venin was excused.

BILL LISTS:

Current Fund	\$ 2,886,049.30
Capital Fund	\$ 205,071.40
Recreation Trust	\$ 2,732.71
Unemployment	\$ -0-
Dog Trust Account	\$ 46.80
Other Trust Account	\$ 810.25
Clerk's Account	\$ -0-
Open Space Trust	\$ -0-

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

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 19-145 Refund Of Tax Overpayment Block 2700 Lot 1, Block 2805 Lot 12 & Block 6707 Lot 1.01
2. Resolution 19-146 Appointing Part Time Telecommunication Officers For Employment In Pompton Lakes Police Department
3. Resolution 19-147 Authorizing The Execution Of A Shared Services Agreement With The Borough Of Bloomingdale For Account Payable Services Effective June 26, 2019 Through December 31, 2023
4. Resolution 19-148 Authorizing The Award Of Bid And Execution Of A Contract For The 2019 Roadway Resurfacing Preparation To Diamond Construction In An Amount Not To Exceed \$30,975.00
5. Resolution 19-149 Authorizing A Contract For The Acquisition Of Goods Or Services Pursuant To NJSA 19:44A-20.4 And/Or NJSA 19:44-20.5 With Melick-Tully & Associates, P.C.
6. Resolution 19-150 Requesting Services Of A Technical Assistance Team For Creating Great Places To Age

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

RESOLUTION 19-145

WHEREAS, there appears on the tax records overpayments as shown below, and

WHEREAS, the overpayments were created by the reasons indicated below, and the Collector of Taxes recommends the refund of such overpayments, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the proper officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue checks refunding such overpayments as listed below:

Reason:	1. Duplicate Payment	5. Payment made in error
	2. Appeal State	6. NJ Saver Rebate
	3. Vet Allowed	7. 100% disabled Vet Exemption

	4. Senior Allowed	8. Exempt Status
		9. Homestead Rebate Credit on Borough Property

BLOCK /LOT	NAME	AMOUNT		REASON
	NJDWSC 1 ORECHIO ROAD WANAQUE NJ 07465			
2700/1	BROAD ST	\$392.76	2019/1Q	1
2805/12	STILES CT	\$192.98	2019/1Q	1
6707/1.01	HAMBURG TPKE	\$3,259.12	2019/1Q	
	Resolution Total	\$3,844.86		

RESOLUTION 19-146

WHEREAS, there is a need to appoint and employ four part time Telecommunication Officers in the Pompton Lakes Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Chief of Police Moises Agosto has recommended to the Borough Administrator the appointment of:

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| Tanya Chiofalo | Stephanie Hunt |
| Casey Whitley | Joseph Raimo |
| Sylvia Kubik | Dominic Gentile |
| Henry Collette | Kyle Turner |

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes that Tanya Chiofalo, Casey Whitley, Sylvia Kubik, Henry Collette, Stephanie Hunt, Joseph Raimo, Dominic Gentile and Kyle Turner shall be and are hereby appointed to the position of part time Telecommunication Officers for the Borough of Pompton Lakes Police Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the hourly rate for the position of Telecommunication Officer shall be the hourly rate established for part-time public safety dispatcher in the PLBEA contract.

RESOLUTION 19-147

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pompton Lakes has a need for Accounts Payable Services as noted above pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.15; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bloomingdale has agreed to provide said services to Pompton Lakes by way of a Shared Services Agreement as permitted by NJSA 40A:65-1 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached five year Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Bloomingdale for Accounts Payable Services as listed above in the amount of \$20,400 per year with a 2% increase in accordance with the terms and provisions set forth.
2. A copy of the agreement shall be filed with the Borough Clerk and shall be open for public inspection at the Borough Municipal Building upon adoption of this resolution.
3. The agreement shall take effect upon the lawful adoption of the requisite resolutions by all parties thereto.

4. A copy of the Agreement shall be sent to the State of New Jersey, Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs.
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption according to law.

RESOLUTION 19-148

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2019, the Borough of Pompton Lakes received quotes for the Roadway Resurfacing Preparation: and

WHEREAS, 3 General Contractors provided quotes for said improvements; and

WHEREAS, based upon review of the bids submitted it has been determined that Diamond Construction was the “lowest responsible bidder” for said improvements; and

WHEREAS, Ferriero Engineering, Inc. and the Borough Administrator has recommended award to Diamond Construction; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified funds are available in the Capital Budget for said purpose.

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 awards the bid for the 2019 Roadway Resurfacing Preparation to Diamond Construction located at 35 Beaverson Blvd., Suite 12C, Brick, NJ 08723 in an amount not to exceed \$30,975.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract with Diamond Construction with the terms and conditions noted in the bid document.

RESOLUTION 19-149

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the procurement of goods or services for the Borough of Pompton Lakes from Melick-Tully & Associates, P.C.; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified that funds are available for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, Pompton Lakes desires to enter into contract with Melick-Tully & Associates, P.C., pursuant to the provisions of NJSA 19:44A-20.4 and/or NJSA 19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the term of the contract will be from July 17, 2019 through December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Melick-Tully & Associates, P.C. has submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification in compliance with law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this 17th day of July, 2019 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Council hereby engage Melick-Tully & Associates, P.C. to perform a geophysical survey and subsurface investigation at 25 Lenox Avenue (Block 6300 Lot 19) and 1 Mill Street (Block 9001 Lot 17) in connection with the DEP project close out.
2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to execute said proposal.

Said Melick-Tully & Associates, P.C. shall be engaged pursuant to contract to be entered by and between Melick-Tully & Associates, P.C. and the Borough and for such periods of time as permitted by law and for such compensation as agreed.

This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because these services are rendered by members of recognized professions.

A copy of this Resolution shall be published in the Suburban Trends by the Borough Clerk as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage and a true copy of same shall be available for inspection in the office of the Borough Clerk.

A copy of the Business Entity Disclosure Certification and the Certification of Value shall be filed with this Resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption according to law.

RESOLUTION 19-150

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pompton Lakes, New Jersey, seeks to retain the services of a Technical Assistance Team, assembled by New Jersey Future, to assist the municipality to evaluate actions it might take to become more aging-friendly; and

WHEREAS, the services of the technical team will be provided at no cost to the municipality through a grant from the Aging Innovation Fund of the Community Foundation of South Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pompton Lakes requests that the Technical Assistance Team:

1. Conduct community assessment of its land use plans, regulations and physical characteristics to evaluate the extent to which the community meets the needs of older adults, and
2. Provide recommendations for strategies and actions the municipal could undertake to enhance its aging-friendly characteristics

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pompton Lakes is committed to evaluating strategies that will enable older adults to remain active, healthy, engaged, and capable of continuing to live in their community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Requests the Technical Assistance Team, assembled by New Jersey Future, work with the municipality to assess the needs of older populations and identify strategies to enhance aging-friendly characteristics;
2. Authorizes the Mayor and Borough Clerk to enter into the appropriate agreements with New Jersey Future to have the Technical Assistance Team work with the municipality at no cost;
3. Agrees to support a municipal aging-friendly steering committee to participate in and guide the aging-friendly community assessment;
4. Authorizes the Municipal Administrator to provide the Technical Assistance Team with maps, data, municipal plans, regulations and other information necessary to perform the community assessment;
5. Supports active outreach and community engagement to inform the aging-friendly assessment, planning, and decision-making;
6. Agrees to the Planning Principles set forth herein below to guide planning activities.

PLANNING PRINCIPLES

The following principles are intended to guide development and implementation of strategies associated with Creating Great Places to Age project being performed by the Technical Advisory Team. The objective of these principles is to: enhance a community’s age-friendly characteristics by promoting: options for access other than automobiles; an easily walkable mix of uses, physical

and social activities; key amenities such as parks, benches and safe streets; and a mix of affordable housing options.

1. Promote mixed-use development that is compact and conserves land. Build with suitable designs and densities that support walking, biking, and public transportation.

2. Assign priority to redevelopment and reuse of existing sites and structures. Encourage development that incorporates green design and construction principles and opportunities for clean and renewable energy and efficiency measures.

3. Enhance community character and design, especially in historic areas, by reusing significant buildings, reinforcing architectural styles, incorporating art, and providing pedestrian-friendly streetscapes.

4. Maintain and enhance transportation options that improve access, safety, affordability, and air quality for all users: pedestrians, bicyclists, transit-users, ride-shares and drivers.

5. Support construction and rehabilitation of homes that meet the needs of households of all sizes and income levels.

6. Protect and restore the environment, sensitive lands, ecosystems and natural resources.

7. Protect agricultural lands, and historic sites and landscapes. Provide accessible neighborhood parks and recreational systems.

8. Engage and involve the community throughout the planning and land use decision-making process. Gather and consider public input before and during program implementation.

SEPARATE ACTION RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution 19-151 A Resolution Authorizing And Directing The Mayor And Clerk To Execute A Separation Agreement With The Chief Of Police
2. Resolution 19-152 A Resolution Authorizing And Directing The Mayor And Clerk To Execute An Agreement With The Fair Share Housing Center Settling The COAH Litigation In The Superior Court Of New Jersey, Docket: Pas-L-2361-15

RESOLUTION 19-151

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached separation agreement with the Chief of Police.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption according to law.

Motion moved by Councilman Baig, second by Councilman DeLine to approve Resolution 19-151.

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

RESOLUTION 19-152

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the settlement agreement resolving all COAH issues “In the Matter of the Borough of Pompton Lakes, County of Passaic, Docket: PAS-L-2361-15”.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption according to law.

Mr. Ragno stated the purpose of this Resolution is to settle the COAH litigation which covers the Borough's obligation from 2015 through 2025; provides for the number of units for low to moderate income housing during this time period. Mr. Ragno explained the number of low to moderate income units are subject to change and this provides for compliance within the Fair Housing Act of 1985. Mr. Ragno stated a final decision and agreement between all parties would be rendered as to the affordable housing COAH obligation.

Mayor Serra thanked Mr. Ragno for the hard work he provided with regard to the Borough's COAH obligation.

Motion moved by Councilman Baig, second by Councilman DeLine to approve Resolution 19-152.

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

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION: None
(*Ordinance will be presented for second reading and final adoption on*)

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING AND FINAL ADOPTION:
(*This Ordinance has been advertised and posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board*)

ORDINANCE 19-20

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 8-8 FIREARMS AND OTHER WEAPONS

Motion moved by Councilman Jaconetta, second by Councilwoman Reicher to open the Meeting for public comments on Ordinance No. 19-20. All voted in favor of the motion.

PETER CHAZOTTE, Woodlawn Avenue

Mr. Chazotte questioned the need for the Ordinance at this time. Mayor Serra replied and stated an organization in town has hired an armed security company and this Ordinance will allow the Police Department to identify armed security guards who carry weapons. Mayor Serra stated this safeguards both the armed security guard along with our Police Officers.

Motion moved by Councilwoman Reicher, second by Councilwoman Polidori to close the Meeting for public comments on Ordinance No. 19-20. All voted in favor of the motion.

Motion moved by Councilman Jaconetta, second by Councilman Baig to approve Ordinance No. 19-20 for Final Adoption.

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

ORDINANCE 19-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 8-17 OF THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE CODE – PARKING OF VEHICLES

Mr. Ragno stated the purpose of this Ordinance is to prohibit the parking of commercial vehicles overnight on Borough roads from 9:00pm to 6:00am. Mayor Serra stated this Ordinance resulted from the frequent complaints and concerns of residents.

Motion moved by Councilwoman Reicher, second by Councilman DeLine to open the Meeting for public comments on Ordinance No 19-21. All voted in favor of the motion.

RANDY HINTON, Montclair Avenue

Mr. Hinton questioned if this Ordinance applies to recreational vehicles, campers, etc. Mayor Serra replied the Ordinance only addresses commercial vehicles at this time.

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilwoman Polidori to close the Meeting for public comments on Ordinance No. 19-21. All voted in favor of the motion.

Motion moved by Councilman DeLine, second by Councilman Venin to approve Ordinance No. 19-21 for Final Adoption.

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

MAYOR SERRA

Mayor Serra reported on the following.

- thanked the County Freeholders for taking the time to come to the Borough to discuss County property that is for sale in Pompton Lakes
- attended the Cecil B. DeMille Festival
- performed several wedding ceremonies
- attended the Elks Car Show
- thanked everyone for being cautious on the roads during the Town Wide Garage Sale
- the local radio station is now broadcasting on channel 1500 AM
- National Night Out will be held on August 6, 2019 and encouraged everyone to attend
- September 1, 2019 is Pompton Day, applications for vendors are still being accepted and profit and non-profit organizations are welcome. Anyone interested in becoming a vendor, volunteer or has ideas to share should contact Karen Murphy.

COUNCILWOMAN REICHER:

Councilwoman Reicher reported on the following.

- commented on activities being held in the Borough during the summer months; Car Show, Town Wide Garage Sale, and BID Library Concerts. Councilwoman Reicher encouraged residents to invite friends and family to these events.
- commented on Resolution 19-147 providing for a shared service with Bloomingdale for accounts payable services. Councilwoman Reicher stated this service will provide efficiency and assist with streamlining the process within the Finance Department.
- the DEP and the EPA will be available in the Municipal Building on Thursday, July 18, 2019 to answer questions and discuss any concerns
- commented on the ice cream incentive (coupons from Wendy's and the Ice Cream Station) for children to wear their bicycle helmets and the initiative taken by the Police Department to keep track of how and where the coupons are being used.
- organizations will be present at National Night Out offering bicycle helmet raffles. Councilwoman Reicher urged parents to have their children wear helmets, adding that it is the law.
- thanked everyone who offered condolences on the passing of her father-in-law

Councilwoman Reicher requested one Closed Session for personnel.

Mayor Serra announced the Senior Picnic would be held on August 8, 2019 at the Elks Lodge at 12:00pm. Councilwoman Reicher reminded any seniors who are in need of a ride to reach out for assistance.

COUNCILMAN JACONETTA:

Councilman Jaconetta reported on the following.

- provided rainfall amounts during the month of May and June 2019 along with the total rainfall for 2018. Councilman Jaconetta noted that the Borough has not experienced any significant flooding. Mayor Serra stated the flooding in front of the

Ice Cream Station was the result of clogged storm drains and not from the recent construction in the area.

- commented on the total number of volunteer hours for the Shade Tree Commission, the ongoing tree removal list and delays that have occurred due to the availability of the contractor and asked that the public be patient.
- there are six dead trees along the Morris Canal Greenway. Councilman DeLine replied he was aware and will be addressing this issue.
- the Wilson family sent a letter to the Shade Tree Commission to thank them for planting a tree near their home that has been thriving beautifully
- the Shade Tree Commission is seeking a Board Member/Secretary to replace Danielle Denti. Mayor Serra announced the opening of two positions on the Shade Tree Commission and stated anyone interested in becoming a member should contact Councilman Jaconetta, Mr. Hinton or himself.

COUNCILWOMAN POLIDORI:

Councilwoman Polidori reported on the following.

Motion moved by Councilwoman Polidori, second by Councilman DeLine to approve the request of Jennifer Vitulli and surrounding neighbors to host a block party at Lake Avenue between Colfax Avenue and Orchard on September 1, 2019 from noon until dusk. (Police/Fire/First Aid to be notified) All voted in favor of the motion.

Chamber of Commerce – Annual Classic Car Show

The following motion is presented on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce regarding the 20th Annual Classic Car Show to be held on Sunday, October 13, 2019/Rain Date October 20, 2019 from 8:00am through 5:00pm: Police/Fire/First Aid to be notified on the following requests. Chamber of Commerce to contact Police Department and St. Mary's Church to coordinate traffic control. Certificate of Insurance to be provided to the Borough.

Motion moved by Councilwoman Polidori, second by Councilman Baig to approve the following requests made by the Chamber of Commerce to hold the 20th Annual Classic Car Show and close Wanaque Avenue from 8:00am – 5:00pm (Street Closure – between Pompton and Lakeside Avenues).

- to hang a banner on Wanaque Avenue advertising the 20th Annual Classic Car Show from September 9, 2019 through October 21, 2019
- for permission to use the Pond Hole Parking Lot during the 20th Annual Classic Car Show

All voted in favor of the motion.

- attended the Elks Lodge Car Show
- the Elks are sponsoring a Pasta Night on the last Friday of July
- reminded residents to visit the Recreation Commission website for information regarding programs and activities being offered
- provided pamphlets for the MUA June report and added that the information can also be found on the Borough website. There is also a newsletter created by the MUA Office Manager which offers information and is periodically updated.
- a local business owner, Rotary and Chamber of Commerce member are organizing a blood drive at Glow House Kids located on Wanaque Avenue

Mayor Serra informed the public that the MUA is a separate entity from the municipality and anyone seeking information should contact them directly.

COUNCILMAN VENIN:

Councilman Venin reported on the following.

- offered his condolences to the Reicher family
- submitted another grant for additional daffodil bulbs
- met with a potential Eagle Scout candidate who would like to work on a project along the Morris Canal Greenway Trail. The Scoutmaster is also considering additional ideas for the trail which would involve other scouts.
- approximately twelve people volunteered on Trails Maintenance Day and the main trail system was cleared
- it would be helpful to the Borough if residents encountering a blocked storm drain could assist in clearing any debris from the drain.

Mayor Serra commented on the many Boy Scouts in the Borough who have achieved the high honor of the Eagle Award. Mayor Serra requested anyone having ideas for projects for the scouts should contact him.

COUNCILMAN BAIG:

Councilman Baig reported on the following.

- commented on the Pompton Lakes Riverdale First Aid Squad report for the month of June
- the Prevention Coalition is seeking volunteers to head up booths on National Night Out on August 6, 2019 and Pompton Day on September 1, 2019
- the Prevention Coalition is planning a vehicle accident scenario for the prom week of 2020
- the Chamber of Commerce received thank you notes from the two scholarship recipients
- the Mystery Photo Challenge Contest and the paper shredding program were both successful. An additional shredding program is planned again for October.
- the Planning Board approved a resolution granting amendment site plan approval for 43 Lakeside Avenue. Two additional resolutions were approved by the Planning Board for preliminary investigations of property for placement in the redevelopment zones.

Mayor Serra stated the traffic in the Borough last week was due to paving on Rt. 287 as vehicles were detoured through Pompton Lakes. Mayor Serra stated residents should expect a heavy traffic flow to continue through town for the next few weeks.

Councilwoman Reicher questioned if the Prevention Coalition Coordinator would provide information for seniors on Pompton Day. Mayor Serra replied Ms. Lucyk, the Prevention Coalition Coordinator, would participate in Pompton Day.

Mayor Serra stated Ms. Lucyk recently experienced the loss of her father; Mayor Serra and the Governing Body offered condolences to Ashley Lucyk on the passing of her father.

COUNCILMAN DELINE:

Councilman DeLine reported on the following.

- discussions at the Board of Education meeting regarding trash issues on the turf field at Lakeside Middle School and suggestions that were made to alleviate the situation
- the Pompton Lakes Education Foundation is continuing to upgrade technology
- the Pompton Lakes Future Business Leaders finished 4th place in the Nationals
- commented on the retirements of John Orovio, Physical Education teacher, and Pete Becker, Custodian

Councilwoman Reicher stated the Pompton Lakes Education Foundation (PLEF) is sponsoring a Tricky Tray in October, 2019. Ms. Gelok, Coordinator, is seeking donations especially items intended for men. Councilwoman Polidori informed the public that the PLEF is also sponsoring a Country Music Night on September 13, 2019.

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS:**JOSEPH RAGNO, Borough Attorney**

Mr. Ragno requested one Closed Session for negotiations.

KEVIN BOYLE, Borough Administrator

Mr. Boyle reported on the following.

- Letter from N.J.D.E.P.-Review of Chemours Quarterly Groundwater Report
- 2019 Drive Sober/Labor Day - Grant Application
- 2018 CDBG/ADA Curb Ramps -Bid Due 7/31/19
- N.J. Future-Creating Places to Age In N.J.
- 2019 Dig in Daffodil Bulb Grant –Application
- Cyber Security - Phishing Simulation Program
- N.J.D.O.T.-Commitment to Communities Spring 2019
- Millennium Strategies - June Monthly Report
- NRESC-June 2019 Monthly Report
- Mill Street paved next month

Mayor Serra commented on the DuPont Place Bridge and stated the new plate would be installed.

TABLED ITEMS: None**MEETING OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

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

GEETE CURTIS, Ramapo Avenue

Ms. Curtis commented on past donations made by DuPont/Chemours and requested some clarity as to the donations. Mayor Serra replied and stated the Borough is not informed of donations made by DuPont/Chemours to various groups or organizations within the town. Mayor Serra did note in the past, a portion of the funding for the treatment of the lake was provided by DuPont/Chemours.

Mr. Boyle stated DuPont/Chemours is the largest taxpayer in the Borough and in the past have had the opportunity to challenge their property tax assessment and did not do so. Mr. Boyle cautioned if DuPont/Chemours were to file a tax appeal it would be a severe economic burden for the Borough.

RANDY HINTON, Montclair Avenue

Mr. Hinton offered his condolences to the Reicher family.

Mr. Hinton provided an update for the Emerald Ash Borer and the proximity for the threat. Mr. Hinton stated the process to address the issue is costly.

Mr. Hinton stated Downes Tree Service provided several days of their service for the removal and pruning of trees in the Borough. Mr. Hinton stated the Shade Tree Commission will work with the DPW to remove mature trees on the trails.

PETER CHAZOTTE, Woodlawn Avenue

Mr. Chazotte commented on Resolution 19-151 and requested additional information for the separation agreement for the Chief of Police. Mayor Serra replied and stated that it is mandated by law, the Chief of Police is required to retire at the age of sixty-five. Mayor Serra stated no new appointment for Chief of Police will be made until the official retirement date for the current Chief of Police.

Mr. Chazotte requested an explanation for Resolution 19-152 that will resolve a settlement agreement for COAH obligations. Mayor Serra explained the purpose of this Resolution is to settle the matter of low to moderate income housing in the Borough with the Fair Share Housing Unit.

Mr. Ragno also responded and stated this settlement would encompass obligations for the period of 2015 through 2025 that involves low to moderate housing within the Borough. Mr. Ragno stated communities must seek approval for their housing plans. Mr. Ragno further explained negotiable items; number of units, percentage of units within all development area and the fund amount to rehabilitate units within the municipality where among the list of negotiable points.

Mr. Chazotte commented on the placement of the steel plate on the DuPont Place Bridge and questioned whether the Town has taken ownership for the bridge. Mayor Serra replied and stated the replacement of the steel plate is a safety issue. Mr. Ragno added the Mayor does not use this action in any legal capacity therefore, the town is not claiming ownership and at this time ownership has not been determined. Mayor Serra stated the town continues to work with DuPont and the County to determine ownership for the bridge.

Mr. Chazotte remarked on the lawsuit initiated by Chemours against DuPont regarding the remediation for the property. Mayor Serra responded and stated the removal of the DuPont name from the partnership was directed by the Federal Government. Mayor Serra then stated the State ordered both names to remain on the Partnership as a safeguard.

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Councilman DeLine commented on heat exhaustion and advised residents to be cautious when working outdoors and to check on neighbors, especially the elderly.

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION:

Motion moved by Councilman Jaconetta, second by Councilman Venin to adjourn into Closed Session at 8:55pm. 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 personnel and 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 9:20pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

Mayor Serra stated personnel and negotiations were discussed in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion moved by Councilman Jaconetta, second by Councilman Venin to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:20PM. All voted in favor of the motion.

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

July 17, 2019