

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 8, 2022

Pursuant to rules of Council of the Town of Westfield, the members thereof convened in regular session Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Brindle made the following announcements:

“The adequate notice of this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, was provided by the posting, mailing and filing of the annual notice of regularly scheduled meetings of the Town Council on December 8, 2021. The notice was, on that date, posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, mailed to THE WESTFIELD LEADER, and THE STAR LEDGER, and filed with the Clerk of the Town of Westfield.”

PRESENT: Mayor Brindle, Council Members, Habgood, Parmelee, LoGrippo, Katz, Mackey, Contract, Dardia, and Boyes

ABSENT:

Invocation was given by Councilman LoGrippo.

Salute to the flag.

PRESENTATIONS

Town Administrator's Update

- Announced that Saturday, March 12 would be the last day that the Conservation Center is open until the start of the new season, which begins on March 24. Discussed the new brochure and encouraged residents to review the brochure for new programs that were added;
- Announced that sewer bills were mailed and reminded residents that payments are due by April 1;
- Discussed utility work being conducted throughout Town by Elizabethtown Gas (ETG), NJ American Water (NJAW) and PSE&G. The Administrator stated that road paving would follow completion of the NJAW and ETG work, pursuant to Town ordinance which requires that utility companies pave from curb to curb whenever they open a road for utility work.

Mayor's remarks

Good evening, everyone, and thanks to all who are joining us both here in the Council Chambers and online tonight. For the first time in two years, I'm happy to say that masks are optional here tonight – the result of vastly declining COVID numbers and your ongoing commitment to the well-being of our community throughout this pandemic.

As a reminder, public comment will be accepted in person only, and we are live streaming for viewing only via Facebook. As always, the replay will also be available afterwards on Facebook, YouTube, and TV 36.

UKRAINE

Thank you to the many residents who have asked for suggestions on how to best assist the people of Ukraine as they not only continue to mount a bold military defense against the Russian

invasion, but also face a catastrophic humanitarian crisis impacting citizens of all ages. We stand in solidarity with Ukraine in their brave efforts to preserve their democracy. How can you help?

Attend Thursday's vigil and bring requested materials to be donated. The Westfield Clergy Association will host a vigil for Ukraine on Thursday, March 10, at 6:00PM in Mindowaskin Park. Donations of the following items will be accepted:

- Baby formula (dry)
- Diapers
- Wipes
- Small blankets
- Protein bars
- Notes of support for Ukrainian children

Donate to an organization providing assistance. Thanks to several Ukrainian-American Westfield residents and other local volunteers, we've collated a list of vetted resources to assist Ukraine, which I posted on my Facebook page this morning.

PROSPECT AND FERRIS REDEVELOPMENT

I want to once again thank the residents who came out to our last meeting to share their concerns about the proposed redevelopment at Prospect and Ferris. I've also received a few emails from residents with additional questions and, although there is no action being taken on this issue tonight, I'd like to take a few minutes to ensure that everyone has an understanding of the process and next steps.

As you know, this Council unanimously adopted a redevelopment plan for this project, which is only the first step in what is a multi-step process for any future development on the site. The adopted redevelopment plan outlines the land use regulations for the site, including not only height and setbacks, but also detailed building design standards, the inclusion of a green roof, nine affordable housing units, and the obligation to reuse and restore the historic home at 112 Ferris Place, which is being historically designated by ordinance tonight.

This project will not go to the Planning Board for site approval until the governing body first authorizes a redevelopment agreement with the redeveloper. As a condition of that agreement, this Council is requiring the redeveloper to provide a Historic Reuse Plan and Protection Plan for 112 Ferris Place, and also a Traffic Impact Study to determine the impact of the project on traffic patterns in the area and identify potential improvements to traffic infrastructure and pedestrian safety. Only when this governing body is satisfied that the project will enhance and not negatively impact the area will a redeveloper agreement be approved. The site plans must then be reviewed and approved by the Planning Board at a public hearing.

As I mentioned at our last meeting, the data collection for the Traffic Impact Study has been underway for some time and has undergone an initial review by our own traffic circulation consultants, WSP, the same firm who prepared the Traffic and Circulation element of our Master Plan, so they are already intimately familiar with town traffic flow and circulation. They have conducted car count verifications and implemented additional camera work to ensure the validity of the information they received from the redeveloper. The scope of this study includes the intersections of Ferris and Prospect, East Broad and Prospect, Clark and North, and Clark and Ferris. As we all know, these intersections have been problematic for quite some time, and improvements need to be made regardless of any proposed development.

Any work WSP conducts for us will be paid via escrow account by the redeveloper as part of the redevelopment agreement.

In the next few weeks, WSP's recommendations to mitigate congestion and improve current traffic flow will be forwarded to the Town's Public Safety and Transportation Committee for review, which is chaired by Councilman Jim Boyes. Chairman Boyes and the Public Safety

committee will review the recommendations, revise them if necessary, and then forward their recommendations to be presented to the public and adopted by the Town Council.

All of this is to say that we are not yet at the point of finalizing our redevelopment agreement. The necessary work is underway, and safety remains the top priority. Thank you for your input and engagement as this due diligence continues.

FINANCE POLICY COMMITTEE ITEMS (Remarks by Councilwoman Habgood, Finance Policy Committee Chair)

Tonight, from the Finance Committee, we'll vote on a resolution authorizing the application to the NJ Clean Energy Community Energy Planning Grant Program. This is a grant for \$10,000 to assist in the creation of a community sustainable energy plan, and the Green Team has identified two areas of focus that include initiating a sustainable community energy plan for the Westfield Memorial Library and building a plan with Ciel Power to encourage more residents to do energy audits and improve their home energy efficiency.

We'll also vote on a resolution to approve temporary emergency appropriations, and I'd like to clarify what that means for the public. This is merely an adjustment to the temporary budget that was approved at the first meeting in January to allow us to continue our operations until the 2022 municipal budget is adopted. This is done annually as a matter of practice since municipal budgets are typically not approved until mid-April each year.

CODE REVIEW & TOWN PROPERTY COMMITTEE ITEMS (Remarks by Councilman Parmelee, Code Review & Town Property Committee Chair)

We'll hear an ordinance tonight on second reading to update our development application and escrow fees, which were last revised in 2008. As we discussed at our February 8 meeting when the ordinance was introduced, the fees suggested are based upon those charged by other municipalities in New Jersey. The ordinance also permits the Zoning Officer to charge her time spent on reviewing applications that are before one of our boards so that these costs are not the responsibility of all taxpayers and instead paid by the applicant. This ordinance has been reviewed by the Planning Board.

Also on second reading, we'll hear ordinances to historically designate three more properties – two private properties at 23 Stoneleigh Park and 112 Ferris Place, as well as the historic coffee kiosk owned by the Town at the South Avenue Train Station.

These three properties will increase the number of historic designations to nine under this administration, the most in Town history. You can read more about the history of these properties in the HPC reports on our website at westfieldnj.gov/historicpreservation. Many thanks to James Ward and Robert & Anastasia Harrison for designating their homes, and to the HPC for their ongoing work to help us maintain these pieces of Westfield's history for many years to come.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE ITEMS (Remarks by Councilman Contract, Public Works Committee Chair)

Tonight, we'll vote on a resolution to award a contract for annual tree purchases to be made, following a public bidding process. Our plans this year are to stay on pace with over 600 new trees planted throughout Town.

In addition, we'll vote on a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Township of Scotch Plains for the collection of bulk waste. This will formally allow Scotch Plains residents to use our Conservation Center's bulky waste program at a higher cost than Westfield residents. Scotch Plains requested the shared service as they are discontinuing their curbside bulky waste program, like many municipalities, due to unfavorable market conditions.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Last but certainly not least, I want to acknowledge International Women's Day today, which is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating women's equality. I'm very proud that Westfield has very strong female role models, including the women here on the dais with me – Councilwomen Habgood and Mackey – as well as the many female leaders in Town Hall and on

our Boards and Commissions, affirming our commitment to ensure that those who serve the community reflect the community, and that we cannot achieve our fullest potential if we don't leverage the talent and contributions of everyone, including women.

And speaking of female leaders, we're going to start tonight's business at hand with a proclamation recognizing the 110th anniversary of the Girl Scouts.

With that, let's get to work. Thank you.

APPOINTMENTS

ADVERTISED HEARINGS

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-06

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 5, ENTITLED, "FEES, DEPOSITS, GUARANTEES AND OTHER PAYMENTS" OF THE LAND USE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD

Advertised returnable this evening.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Brindle declared the hearing closed.

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-07

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING 23 STONELEIGH PARK, SHOWN ON THE TOWN TAX MAPS AS BLOCK 4209, LOT 2 AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK AND MODIFYING THE ZONING MAP

Advertised returnable this evening.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Brindle declared the hearing closed.

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-08

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING 112 FERRIS PLACE, SHOWN ON THE TOWN TAX MAPS AS BLOCK 2504, LOT 14 AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK AND MODIFYING THE ZONING MAP

Advertised returnable this evening.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Brindle declared the hearing closed.

GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-09

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE "COFFEE KIOSK," LOCATED AT THE WESTFIELD SOUTH AVENUE TRAIN STATION, AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK AND MODIFYING THE ZONING MAP

Advertised returnable this evening.

Hearing no comments, Mayor Brindle declared the hearing closed.

PENDING BUSINESS

An ordinance entitled, “GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-06 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 5, ENTITLED, “FEES, DEPOSITS, GUARANTEES AND OTHER PAYMENTS” OF THE LAND USE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD” by Councilman Parmelee seconded by Councilwoman Mackey was taken up, read and passed by the following vote of all present upon roll call as follows:

Yeas:	Nays:	Absent:
Habgood		
Parmelee		
LoGrippto		
Katz		
Mackey		
Contract		
Dardia		
Boyes		
Mayor Brindle		

An ordinance entitled, “GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-07 – AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING 23 STONELEIGH PARK, SHOWN ON THE TOWN TAX MAPS AS BLOCK 4209, LOT 2 AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK AND MODIFYING THE ZONING MAP” by Councilman Parmelee seconded by Councilwoman Habgood, was taken up, read and passed by the following vote of all present upon roll call as follows:

Yeas:	Nays:	Absent:
Habgood		
Parmelee		
LoGrippto		
Katz		
Mackey		
Contract		
Dardia		
Boyes		
Mayor Brindle		

An ordinance entitled, “GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-08 – AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING 112 FERRIS PLACE, SHOWN ON THE TOWN TAX MAPS AS BLOCK 2504, LOT 14 AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK AND MODIFYING THE ZONING MAP” by Councilman Parmelee seconded by Councilman LoGrippto was taken up, read and passed by the following vote of all present upon roll call as follows:

Yeas:	Nays:	Absent:
Habgood		
Parmelee		
LoGrippto		
Katz		
Mackey		
Contract		
Dardia		
Boyes		
Mayor Brindle		

An ordinance entitled, “GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-09 – AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE “COFFEE KIOSK,” LOCATED AT THE WESTFIELD SOUTH

AVENUE TRAIN STATION, AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK AND MODIFYING THE ZONING MAP” by Councilman Parmelee seconded by Councilwoman Mackey, was taken up, read and passed by the following vote of all present upon roll call as follows:

Yeas: Habgood	Nays:	Absent:
Parmelee		
LoGrippe		
Katz		
Mackey		
Contract		
Dardia		
Boyes		
Mayor Brindle		

BIDS

MINUTES

On a motion by Councilman Dardia and seconded by Councilman LoGrippe Council approved the Minutes of the Town Council Executive, Conference Session and Regular Meeting held February 22, 2022.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

OPEN DISCUSSION BY CITIZENS

Mayor Brindle opened the public comments portion of the meeting and asked if there were any questions or comments.

Gary Mandelblatt, Chair of the Human Relations Advisory Committee, discussed a bias incident that occurred at Jefferson Elementary School and stated that in response to that act, a “Walk the Chalk” event would be held at Jefferson School to encourage unity and tolerance in the community. Discussed details of the event and invited all to attend.

Susan Fuhrman, 111 Prospect Street, discussed the proposed development at Ferris Place/Prospect Street and explained that many residents believed the project was final and, for that reason, felt their voice on the matter was not important. Referred to Mayor Brindle’s opening remarks and stated that she is grateful to hear that the project is not finalized and that this is only the beginning of the process. Feels it is important for the governing body to hear from constituents regarding this project. Also referred to a recent article in the Westfield Leader regarding the Ferris Place/Prospect Street project. Stated that she attended the two (2) meetings where residents commented on this matter, and the majority of residents that spoke objected to the project, with only a handful speaking in support of it, but the Westfield Leader reported that constituent reactions were mixed. Feels this reporting was misleading and that the newspaper has a responsibility to accurately report on these matters because residents rely on the information they provide.

Robert Tarte, 224 Prospect Street, stated that he lives across the street from the proposed Ferris Place/Prospect Street redevelopment project. Asked when traffic studies for this project were conducted and explained that the traffic study conducted years ago for the proposed parking garage took place during a time of day that did not accurately reflect the traffic in the area. Expressed concern that that the same timeframe was used for the Ferris Place/Prospect Street study and requested that the Town confirm the time of day for which the study was conducted.

Pat Pfaffenbach, 111 Prospect Street, stated that residents of the Ferris Place/Prospect Street area live with traffic and parking issues that are worsening each day. Discussed the number of delivery trucks that are constantly in the area and feels the existing loading zone is insufficient. Also discussed the bicycle lane along Prospect Street and feels it is unsafe for bicycles due to the lack of room with parked cars and drivers travelling in both directions at high speeds. Shared a photograph of a new development in Summit that she feels is more appropriate for the Ferris Place/Prospect Street location than what has been proposed. Also feels the results of the traffic study are meaningless because the issues she described have existed for years.

Phyllis Karp, 2 Cowperthwaite Square, discussed the proposed Ferris Place/Prospect Street redevelopment project and expressed concern with the recent article in the Westfield Leader, which she feels was misleading. Stated that residents living in the vicinity of the proposed

project object to the plan, primarily because of the issue of safety. Referred to a comment by Mayor Brindle at a previous Town Council meeting in which she stated that safety is a top priority for the Town. Urged the Mayor and Town Council to address the safety concerns expressed by residents in a transparent manner and to share the results of the traffic impact studies conducted. Feels the developer should have no involvement in the traffic study or with the selection of the consultant that would conduct the study. Explained that residents are not opposed to redevelopment of the site but are opposed its proposed size and scale and potential impact to the surrounding streets. While residents appreciate the need to address the empty downtown storefronts, feels “stuffing” 64 residential units into a historic residential area with narrow streets in order to generate downtown foot traffic is not a viable redevelopment plan. Believes if the Town allows the project to be built as proposed, it will result in adverse publicity once the tragedy of a traffic accident inevitably occurs.

Barbara Rood, 111 Prospect Street, discussed her long interest in buying a home in Westfield but has concerns over some of the decisions that have been made since becoming a resident. Feels it is important to be considerate of neighbors and believes allowing the project proposed for Ferris Place/Prospect Street to move forward shows no care or consideration for the neighborhood or its residents.

Timothy Eaton, 762 Knollwood Terrace, discussed the proposed field project at Edison Intermediate School (EIS) and feels it would negatively change the neighborhood due to the environmental and health concerns associated with artificial turf, increased noise levels as a result of lighted fields, increased water levels that would runoff to the creek worsening existing flooding issues, and increased parking and traffic on Knollwood Terrace and surrounding streets. For these reasons, feels the Town should consider an alternate plan that includes natural grass and spreading field capacity throughout the entire Town. Stated that a home is a person’s most important asset and feels the impact of the EIS project to homes in the area is concerning.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Brindle closed this portion of the meeting.

Mayor Brindle thanked Mr. Mandelblatt for his comments and for his efforts with the “Walk the Chalk” event.

Mayor Brindle also addressed comments related to the proposed Ferris Place/Prospect Street redevelopment project and stated that she hopes she provided clarification during her opening remarks. Assured residents that safety is the Town’s first priority and explained that the governing body members are residents too and would not knowingly create safety issues. Also explained that the Town designated the area as an area in need of redevelopment so that it would have greater control over the project and would have the ability to hold the developer accountable.

Lastly, Mayor Brindle addressed comments concerning the proposed EIS field project and feels many misperceptions were clarified at the neighborhood meeting held last week and announced that the next neighborhood meeting is expected on March 23.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

On motion by Councilwoman Habgood, and seconded by Councilman Contract, bills and claims were adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED that the bills and claims in the amount of \$491,961.25 per the list submitted to the members of this Council by the Chief Financial Officer, and approved for payment by the Town Administrator be, and the same are hereby, approved and that payroll warrants previously issued by the Chief Financial Officer be ratified.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance Policy Committee

The following resolutions, introduced by Councilwoman Habgood and seconded by Councilwoman Mackey, were unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 81

LET IT HEREBY BE RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and hereby is authorized to draw a warrant for refund of dumpster security payment(s) as follows following final inspection and approval for return of deposit:

Autumn Rain Inc.
201 East Broad Street
Westfield, NJ 07090

Amount of refund: \$975.00

Resolution No. 82

RESOLVED, that the Town Treasurer be authorized to refund the following fees to the following individual:

Name	Account	Class	Fee
Linda Allen 531A Westfield Ave Westfield, NJ 07090	Tennis/Rec T-05-600-071	Refund Tia Chi / Winter Session-Canceled Linda Allen / Pro-rated	\$30.00
Michael Bieber 125 Florence Ave Westfield, NJ 07090	Tennis/Rec T-05-600-071	Refund Tai Chi / Winter Session-Canceled Michael Bieber / Pro-rated	\$30.00
Stuart Maxwell 519 Mountain Ave Westfield, NJ 07090	Tennis/Rec T-05-600-071	Refund Tai Chi / Winter Session-Canceled Ron Goodwin / Pro-rated	\$30.00
Thomas Kenny 531 Shackamaxon Dr Westfield, NJ 07090	Tennis/ Rec T-05-600-071	Refund Tai Chi / Winter Session-Canceled Jeannine Kenny / Pro-rated	\$30.00
Mary Mastropietro 1545 Rahway Ave Westfield, NJ 07090	Tennis/Rec T-05-600-071	Refund Tai Chi / Winter Session-Canceled Mary Mastropietro / Pro-rated	\$30.00
Sandra Morrow 635 Forest Ave Westfield, NJ 07090	Tennis/Rec T-05-600-071	Refund Tai Chi / Winter Session-Canceled Sandra Morrow / Pro-rated	\$30.00
Joyce Nelson 424 Rahway Ave Westfield, NJ 07090	Tennis/Rec T-05-600-071	Refund Tai Chi / Winter Session-Canceled Joyce Nelson / Pro-rated	\$30.00

Resolution No. 83

WHEREAS, the following applicants have posted monies to be held in escrow to cover expert advice and testimony in connection with Board of Adjustment and Planning Board applications on said properties and

WHEREAS, expert advice and testimony was given, and

WHEREAS, all bills for these applications have been submitted and paid; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to draw a check for the balance of the escrow monies as follows:

App #	Name	Address	G/L	Refund Balance
PB 21-01	Jeffrey Cass	826 & 830 Summit Avenue	1-05-550-844	\$947.10
Return to:	Jeffrey Cass	826 & 830 Summit Avenue	Westfield NJ	07090

Resolution No. 84

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to ensure that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Westfield strives to assure clean land, air and water for current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey’s Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050 (“EMP”) established that community-level action is necessary to achieve the state’s goal of 100% clean energy by 2050; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has created a Community Energy Plan Grant program for municipalities to develop a community energy plan to meet the goals of the state’s Energy Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Westfield is invested in developing a community energy plan to help the state achieve the goal of 100% clean energy by 2050; and

WHEREAS, the Community Energy Plan Grant program will help the Town of Westfield to plan for and invest in renewable energy and to work towards a better environment for all residents by using the state’s Energy Master Plan (EMP) as a guide to develop sustainable strategies that increase clean energy production, reduce energy use, and cut emissions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Town Council of the Town of Westfield, State of New Jersey, authorizes the submission of the aforementioned application to the NJBPU Community Energy Plan Grant program in the amount of \$10,000, and the Town will commit staff support as needed for the duration of the Community Energy Planning process, including for gathering of relevant data and for convening at least two public meetings.

The following resolution, introduced by Councilwoman Habgood, seconded by Councilman Contract was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 85

WHEREAS, a condition has arisen with respect to either funds being needed for salaries and wages and/or contracts, commitments or payments being due to various vendors prior to the adoption of the 2022 Budget, and no provision was made in the 2022 Temporary Budget for the aforesaid purposes, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides for creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for said purpose, and

WHEREAS, the total emergency temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2022 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:4-20 (Chapter 96, P.L. 1951, as amended) including this resolution total \$6,386,961 for the Current Fund and \$103,000 for the Swimming Pool Utility Fund,

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20:

- 1. The emergency temporary appropriations listed below will be provided for in the 2022 Budget under the titles shown and for the amounts given as follows:

Current Fund

	Salaries & Wages	Other Expenses
Administrative & Executive	11,000	41,000
Town Clerk	14,000	21,000
TV 36		
Collection of Taxes	5,000	4,000
Assessment of Taxes	13,000	1,000
Financial Administration	16,000	
Legal Services & Costs		
Municipal Court	23,000	4,000
Municipal Prosecutor	3,000	

Engineering Services	93,000	
Public Works		350,000
Public Buildings & Grounds		25,000
Fire Department	252,000	26,000
Fire Official	4,000	1,000
Fire Hydrant Service		35,000
Parking Administration	11,000	
Police Department	341,000	146,000
Crossing Guards		91,000
Emergency Management		
Inspection of Buildings		15,000
Planning Board		
Telephone		
Electricity		21,000
Street Lighting		23,000
Water		1,000
Gasoline		22,000
Heating Gas		
Board of Health		
Board of Health (Contractual)	33,000	
Recreation		1,000
Celebration of Public Events		6,000
Maintenance of Free Public Library	92,000	
Animal Control		9,000
Board of Adjustment		
Group Insurance		
Other Insurance		162,000
Capital Improvement Fund		100,000
Social Security System (OASI)		
Debt Service – DBIZ Loan		27,000
Defined Contribution Retirement Plan (DCRP)		
Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)		1,316,285
Police & Firemen’s Retirement System (PFRS)		3,027,676
Subtotal	911,000	5,475,961

In the total amount of \$6,386,961

Swimming Pool Utility Fund

	Salaries & Wages	Other Expenses
Swimming Pool Operations	26,000	61,000
Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)		6,000
Social Security (OASI)		10,000
Subtotal	26,000	77,000

In the total amount of \$103,000

Yeas: Habgood
 Parmelee
 LoGrippe
 Katz
 Mackey
 Contract
 Dardia
 Boyes
 Mayor Brindle

Nays:

Absent:

The following resolution, introduced by Councilwoman Habgood, seconded by Councilman Boyes was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Resolution No. 86

RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to make the following transfer(s) in the 2021 Budget (Appropriation Reserve) accounts, where (S&W) refers to the Salary & Wages line item while (O/E) refers to the Other Expenses line items:

	<u>OUT</u>	<u>IN</u>
<u>CURRENT FUND</u>		
Administration & Executive		
1-01-100-101 (S&W)		2,950
Town Clerk		
1-01-102-212 (O/E)	3,000	
Tax Collector		
1-01-105-101 (S&W)		125
1-01-105-203 (O/E)	700	
Tax Assessor		
1-01-110-101 (S&W)		225
1-01-110-201 (O/E)	500	
Legal Services & Costs		
1-01-120-212 (O/E)	6,500	
1-01-120-219 (O/E)	25,000	
Fire Department		
1-01-125-101 (S&W)		14,025
Fire Safety Official		
1-01-127-102 (S&W)		1,275
Police Department		
1-01-130-102 (S&W)		19,325
1-01-130-208 (O/E)		850
Parking Administration		
1-01-131-101 (S&W)		125
Engineering		
1-01-135-121 (S&W)		1,600
Board of Health		
1-01-150-101 (S&W)		875
Recreation		
1-01-155-102 (S&W)		450
1-01-155-201 (O/E)	1,000	
Inspection of Buildings		
1-01-165-101 (S&W)		2,000
1-01-165-201 (O/E)	1,250	
Telephone		
1-01-168-211 (O/E)	6,000	
Municipal Court		
1-01-175-201 (O/E)		125
	<u>\$43,950</u>	<u>\$43,950</u>

Yeas: Habgood

Nays:

Absent:

Parmelee
LoGripo
Katz
Mackey
Contract
Dardia
Boyes
Mayor Brindle

Public Safety, Transportation and Parking Committee

Code Review & Town Property Committee

The following resolution, introduced by Councilman Parmelee and seconded by Councilwoman Mackey, were unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 87

RESOLVED that the following applications for Peddlers License be and the same are hereby approved:

Francesco Guastella
Stella's Ice Cream
225 Rankin Avenue
Cranford, NJ 07016

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the licenses shall not be issued by the Town Clerk unless the departmental inspections of the premises have been completed and the premises approved for the licensed use.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

The following resolution, introduced by Councilman Contract and seconded by Councilman LoGripo were unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 88

WHEREAS, a need exists for the purchase of various landscape material for use by the Department of Public Works, as provided for in Public Works account 137-255, and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were received on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, and

WHEREAS, the low bid, submitted by Northern Nurseries of New Jersey, Inc., has been analyzed and found to be in conformance with the appropriate specifications, and

WHEREAS, Certificate of the Town Treasurer, certifying to the availability of adequate funds for this Contract, prepared in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30 1.10 has been furnished to the Town Clerk. Expenditure of funds pursuant to this Contract to be charged to Public Works account 137-255, under Purchase Order 22-00699 in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 subject to funding in the 2022 adopted budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a Unit Price Contract be awarded to Northern Nurseries of New Jersey, Inc., and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper Town Officials be, and they are hereby, authorized to take whatever actions are appropriate in the execution of discharge of this Contract.

Resolution No. 89

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor of the Town of Westfield be and hereby is authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Township of Scotch Plains for the collection of bulky waste at Westfield's Conservation Center.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn, made by Councilwoman Mackey and seconded by Councilman Katz at 8:54 p.m. was unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Rowley, RMC
Town Clerk