BOROUGH OF MIDLAND PARK VIRTUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING JANUARY 7, 2021 – 7:30 PM

On January 7, 2021 at 7:30 p.m., the Mayor and Council of Midland Park conducted an Electronic Public Meeting in lieu of its in-person Reorganization Public Meeting. Members of the public accessed the meeting by dialing this Toll Free Dial in number (United States): 1 877 568 4106 Access Code: 329-676-605

Questions, Comments or Concerns were emailed in advance to the Borough Clerk at wmartin@midlandparknj.org no later than January 7, 2021 4:00 pm.

Agenda items for the meeting were listed on the Borough website. The foregoing Electronic Public Meeting was recommended due to the current situation involving the COVID-19 Virus and directives of State and County governments.

Mayor Shortway called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M., noting the date of January 7, 2021 and that there will be a 3-minute limit to each individual addressing the Governing Body during the Open Public portions of the meeting.

The **Mayor** called upon Reverend Vorderstrasse, of the Church of God, to give this evening's Invocation.

Life Scout Liam McElwain of Boy Scout Troop #157 opened the Reorganization Meeting by leading all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Shortway read the Sunshine Law Statement - This meeting is being held in accordance with the Sunshine Law, notice having been published according to law with a copy on file in the Borough Clerk's Office and a copy posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

The Ceremonial Oath of Office was administered to **Council-Elect Lorraine DeLuca** and **Council-Elect Lorenzo Damiano** by Judge James DeLuca.

Mayor Shortway gave his opening remarks, thanking everyone for their continued dedication during these uncertain times. He especially thanked out-going **Councilman Kamp** for his work on the Council these past years and look forward to his continued involvement in the community. He welcomed in-coming **Councilman Lorenzo Damiano** and congratulated **Councilwoman DeLuca** on her third term in office.

ROLL CALL – 2021

Mayor Shortway
Councilman Damiano
Present
Councilman Iannone
Councilman Kruis
Councilman Sansone
Councilwoman DeLuca
Councilwoman Peet
Present
Present
Present

Also Present - Borough Administrator Seemon and Borough Clerk Martin

SELECTION OF 2021 COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

Nomination by: Councilwoman DeLuca Seconded by: Councilwoman Peet

Name: Councilman Iannone

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Iannone Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye

MOTIONS:

1. A Motion to approve the **Mayor** swearing in of Fire Department Assistant Chief Matt Tauber and Lieutenant Josh Terpstra on January 8, 2021 12:00 P.M. for the two-year term of January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2022 at the Midland Park Borough Hall, 280 Godwin Avenue, Midland Park, New Jersey.

Introduced by: Councilwoman DeLuca Seconded by: Councilwoman Peet

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

2. A Motion of the Governing Body Acknowledging the Midland Park 2021 Volunteer Ambulance Corps Line Officers as:

Captain – John Lazzari

1st Lieutenant – Cathy Warbrick 2nd Lieutenant – Colleen Keegan

Introduced by: Councilwoman DeLuca Seconded by: Councilman Kruis

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

SELECTION OF 2021 COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO PLANNING BOARD:

Nomination by: Councilwoman DeLuca Seconded by: Councilman Sansone

Name: Councilman Kruis

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

2021 COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISONS:

Finance Councilman Damiano/Councilwoman Peet Public Safety - Police Councilman Iannone/ Councilman Sansone Public Safety – Fire/Ambulance Councilwoman DeLuca/Councilman Kruis Fire Prevention Councilman Kruis/ Councilman Sansone Office of Emergency Management Councilman Kruis/ Councilman Sansone Property Maintenance Councilman Kruis/ Councilman Sansone **Public Works** Councilman Sansone/ Councilwoman DeLuca Personnel Councilman Iannone/Councilwoman DeLuca Recreation Councilman Damiano/Councilwoman DeLuca Information Technology Councilman Damiano/Councilman Iannone Planning Board/Building Dept. Councilman Kruis/Councilman Iannone Ridgewood Water Councilman Iannone/Councilwoman Peet Municipal Alliance Committee Councilwoman Peet/Councilman Kruis Community Development Mayor Shortway/Councilman Sansone Board of Education Councilwoman Peet/Councilman Sansone Board of Health Councilwoman Peet/Councilman Iannone Chamber of Commerce Councilman Sansone/ Councilman Kruis **Economic Development** Mayor Shortway & Councilman Sansone

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

J.I.F. FUND COMMISSIONER: Marc Seemon

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

APPOINTMENT OF THE 2021 STANDING COMMITTEES/BOARDS

PLANNING BOARD:

Mayor Harry Shortway Jr. 12/31/21 Class I
Councilman Kenneth Kruis 12/31/21 Class III
Michael Rau 12/31/21 Class II
Stephanie Pantale 12/31/24 Class IV
Robert Mulder 12/31/22 Alternate #1

Isabel Duffy 12/31/21 Alternate #2 Unexpired Term

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye Councilman Sansone Aye

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Councilwoman DeLuca	Aye
Councilwoman Peet	Aye
Council President Iannone	Aye

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

David Zuidema 12/31/24 William Placier 12/31/24

Mark Divak 12/31/22 Alternate # 2

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

BOARD OF RECREATION:

John Torry 12/31/23 Fusun Garrett 12/31/23

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

LIBRARY BOARD:

Lorraine DeLuca 12/31/21 Mayor's Representative

Lorenzo Damiano Alternate Annie Campbell 12/31/25 Charles Parry 12/31/25

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

BOARD OF HEALTH

Laurie DiCorcia 12/31/24 Julia Usherenko 12/31/24

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Mayor Shortway	12/31/23
Councilman Sansone	12/31/21
Russell Kamp (3 Year)	12/31/23
Joseph Angiello (3 Year)	12/31/23
Anthony Sikora (2 Year)	12/31/22
Denise Spell (2 Year)	12/31/22
Frank Kalata (1 Year)	12/31/21
Michael Libretta (1 Year)	12/31/21

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COMMITTEE: ALL ONE YEAR APPOINTMENTS

Susan Hartmann, Chairperson Mayor Harry Shortway Jr.
Craig Rush, Superintendent Rep.
Susan Hartmann- Treasury

Mayor Harry Shortway Jr.
Maryalice Hagerty
Officer Jason Tillson

Kathy LaMonte, Rec Coor.
Police Chief Mike Powderley
Lt. Greg Kasbarian

Colleen Monahan

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Matt Tauber, Deputy −1 Year

Officer Joseph Gaeta, Deputy – 1 year Officer Thomas Bedoe, Deputy-1 year

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Ave

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE: ALL 1 YEAR APPOINTMENTS

John Lazzari, Ambulance Captain Marie Cirasella, School Superintendent Gina Behre, Board of Health Marc Seemon, Borough Administrator

Carol Tyler, Tyco Animal Control Mayor Harry Shortway Jr.

Fire Chief Jason Crean Matt Tauber, D.P.W Superintendent

Rev. Lloyd Vorderstrasse Police Chief Mike Powderley

Michael Rau, Office of Emergency Mgt. Mark Berninger, Construction Official

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Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

CITIZENS EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (C.E.R.T.)

Kevin Topp, Coordinator Nicholas Papapietro Susan Hartmann John Kiernan Jay Goemat Jackie Streelman Donald DiCorcia Paul Mensing George Schmidt Daniel J. Fischer George Thompson Jr. Daniel C. Fischer Penny Sermeus Orrie Smith Patricia McGlade Toni Carrea Kathy Marrazzo Colleen Keegan

Donald Allan Cynthia Mahoney

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

SPECIAL OFFICERS:

Special Officer Glen Biswurm Special Officer Robert Buono

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

MATRONS:

Matron Lynn Ver Hage Matron Cheryl Biswurm
Matron Sherri Gusta Matron Diane Cebulski

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed below are considered by the Borough Council to be routine in nature. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by the Borough Council, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately:

Resolutions:

#001-21 - Delinquent Tax "Late Charge"

WHEREAS, the Governing Body may, pursuant to Chapter 75 of the Laws of 1991, fix the rate of interest to be charged for the non-payment of taxes, assessments and municipal charges and to prescribe penalties for delinquencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Midland Park as follows:

- 1. All prior resolutions concerning the rate of interest to be charged for the Non-payment of taxes, assessments, or municipal charges are hereby rescinded.
- 2. The grace period is 10 calendar days.
- 3. The rate of interest to be charged for the non-payment of taxes, assessments, or municipal charges is hereby fixed, pursuant to statute, as follows: eight (8%) percent per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency, and eighteen (18%) percent per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00, to be calculated from the date the tax, assessment and municipal charges were payable until the date of actual payment.
- 4. In connection with any delinquency of taxes, assessments or municipal charges in excess of \$10,000.00 which has not been paid prior to the end of a calendar year, there shall be imposed a penalty in a sum equal to six (6%) percent of the delinquency.
- 5. With respect to tax certificates held by the municipality, the following additional penalties shall be charged; two (2%) percent on the amount due over \$200.00 up to \$5,000.00; four (4%) percent of the amount due over \$5,000.00 up to \$10,000.00; and six (6%) percent on the amount in excess of \$10,000.00.

#002-21 - Authorize Official Depositories

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that the following banking institutions be and are hereby designated as official Borough Depositories for the year 2021.

Valley National Bank

T D Bank

New Jersey Cash Management Fund

#003-21 - Designation of Official Newspapers

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, that the following be and are hereby designated as Official Borough Publications to be used throughout the year 2021 for advertising and notification of Borough Business:

THE RIDGEWOOD NEWSPAPERS, INC.

THE RECORD

THE STAR LEDGER

HAWTHORNE PRESS

#004-21 - Authorizing Signatures on Borough Checks

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, New Jersey that the following Borough Officials are hereby authorized to sign checks for the calendar year 2021.

Mayor - Harry Shortway Jr.
Council President - Jerry Iannone
Finance Council Liaison - Lorenzo Damiano
Chief Financial Officer - Laurie O'Hanlon

Municipal Administrator - **Mark Seemon**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all checks except payroll shall require two (2) signatures, Payroll checks shall require only one (1) signature. Signature cards with the signatures of the persons authorized to sign will be forwarded to all Borough Depositories

#005-21 - Temporary Appropriations for 2021 Budget

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides that where contracts, commitments, or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2021 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amount required in the manner and time therein provided; and,

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first ninety days of 2021; and,

WHEREAS, said temporary appropriations are limited to 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2020 budget (\$11,582,986.12), exclusive of any appropriations made for Debt Service (\$102,612.96), and Capital Improvement Funds (\$500,000.00) in the said 2020 budget; that amount is \$2,882,347.95.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the following temporary appropriations are made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his or her records:

Administrative & Executive	Salaries & Wages	\$ 56,000.00	
	Other Expenses	14,000.00	
Financial Administration	Salaries and Wages	\$ 22,000.00	
	Other Expenses	650.00	
Assessment of Taxes	Salaries and Wages	\$ 11,000.00	
	Other Expenses	1,500.00	
Collection of Taxes	Salaries and Wages	\$ 16,750.00	
	Other Expenses	500.00	
Legal Services and Costs	Other Expenses	\$ 15,000.00	
Engineering Services and Costs	Other Expenses	\$ 250.00	
Public Building and Grounds	Salaries and Wages	\$ 12,000.00	
	Other Expenses	10,000.00	
Board of Adjustment	Salaries and Wages	\$ 4,625.00	
	Other Expenses	500.00	
Planning Board	Salaries and Wages	\$ 4,625.00	
	Other Expenses	500.00	
Insurance	Other Expenses	\$ 231,600.00	
Other Insurance	Other Expenses	\$ 66,437.00	
Fire Department	Other Expenses	\$ 2,500.00	
Police Department	Salaries and Wages	\$ 515,000.00	
	Other Expenses	20,000.00	
	Dispatch	67,500.00	
Uniform Fire	Salaries and Wages	\$ 4,625.00	
	Other Expenses	750.00	
Emergency Mgt Svc	Salaries and Wages	\$ 7,625.00	
	Other Expenses	500.00	
Department of Public Works	Salaries and Wages	\$ 110,000.00	
	Other Expenses	25,000.00	
Department of Public Works	Snow Storms	\$ 25,000.00	
Recycling	Salaries and Wages	\$ 6,500.00	
	Other Expenses	86,300.00	

Sewer System	Other Expenses	\$ 600.00
NW Regional Health Commission	-	\$ 15,000.00
Recreation	Salaries and Wages	\$ 17,000.00
	Other Expenses	\$ 7,300.00
Parks	Other Expenses	\$ 1,300.00
Property Maint	Salaries and Wages	\$ 1,625.00
Uniform Construction Code	Salaries and Wages	\$ 46,250.00
	Other Expenses	750.00
Utilities	Other Expenses	\$ 75,000.00
Statutory Expenditures	Other Expenses	\$ 894,048.47
Mayor and Council	Salaries and Wages	\$ 6,375.00
Municipal Clerk	Salaries and Wages	\$ 20,250.00
	Other Expenses	750.00
Vehicle Maintenance	Other Expenses	\$ 7,500.00
Animal Control	Other Expenses	\$ 2,500.00
Prosecutor	Salaries and Wages	\$ 1,600.00
I.T. Services	Salaries and Wages	\$ 11,500.00
	Other Expenses	\$ 1,350.00
Municipal Court	Salaries and Wages	\$ 27,250.00
	Other Expenses	750.00
	Public Defender	1,000.00
Memorial Public Library	Salaries and Wages	\$ 67,875.00
	Other Expenses	\$ 20,450.00
NW Bergen Utilities Authority	Other Expenses	\$ 276,095.00
Ho-Ho-Kus Interlocal	Salaries	\$ 20,625.00
NJEIT/Fire Truck Loan	Other Expenses	\$ 18,367.48
TOTAL \$ 2,882	2,347.95	

#006-21 - Appointments for Professional Services for 2021- Non Pay to Play

WHEREAS, a need exists for professional services for the Borough of Midland Park for the calendar year 2021 and

WHEREAS, funds are available for such services and have been properly appropriated in the temporary Local Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, (Local Public Contracts Law) allows municipalities to contract for such professional services without the drawing of specifications for the receipt of competitive bids,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that the following appointments for professional services for the year 2021 be and are hereby approved.

The appointment of the following professionals is hereby authorized and directed:

Stephen Puntasecca - Municipal Risk Manager

N.W.B.C.U.A. - Licensed Sewer Operator Services

Steve Rogut, Esq. - Bond Counsel

(Rogut McCarthy Troy LLC)

Northwest Regional - Health Services (Board of Health)

Health Commission

BBG - Borough Appraiser

The Canning Group LLC - Qualified Purchasing Agent

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that aforementioned appointments for professional services be published in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law.

#007-21 - Authorization for Tax Lien Sale by Tax Collector

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that the Collector of Taxes for the Borough of Midland Park is hereby authorized to conduct the annual sale of delinquent taxes for the Calendar Year 2021.

#008-21 – Order of Business

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, New Jersey that the following Order of Business will be adopted and performed at all Open Public Meetings of the Midland Park Borough Council for the year 2021:

- 1. Invocation
- 2. Flag Salute
- 3. Call to Order
- 4. Reading of Sunshine Law
- 5. Roll Call
- 6. Approval of Minutes
- 7. Public Comment (Open to the Public)
- 8. Liaison Reports and Comments
- 9. Administrator's Report
- 10. Ordinance on Final (when appropriate)

Public Hearing

- 11. Consent Agenda
- 12. Resolutions (Individual votes)
- 13. Ordinance on Introduction (when appropriate)
- 14. Motions
- 15. Old Business Discussed
- 16. New Business Discussed
- 17. Public Comment (Open to the Public)

Adjournment

#009-21 - Safe Deposit Box Signatures

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the following Borough Officials and employees are hereby authorized to have access to the Borough of Midland Park's safety deposit box located at Valley National Bank, 67 Franklin Tpk., Waldwick, New Jersey, 07463:

Chief Financial Officer - Laurie O'Hanlon
Borough Clerk - Wendy Martin
Council Representative - Jerry Iannone
Mayor - Harry Shortway Jr.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that signature cards of the persons authorized to have access to the safety deposit box will be forwarded to Valley National Bank.

#010-21 - Tax Sale Advertising Fee

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-26 sets rules that govern the advertisement of tax sales; and WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-38 allows a "not to exceed" fee of \$25.00 for each mailing in lieu of advertisement to be charged in addition to the cost of the sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, that the Collector of Taxes for the Borough of Midland Park is hereby authorized to charge the \$25.00 fee as per N.J.S.A. 54:5-38 for each set of notices mailed for a particular property. This is in addition to the cost of the sale.

#011-21 – Purchasing System

WHEREAS, the Code of the Borough of Midland Park, Section 2-29.3, creates the position of the Borough Purchasing Agent and establishes a Centralized Purchasing System; and

WHEREAS, the attached Purchasing Manual details rules and regulations for all Borough Officials, Department Heads, and Boards and Committee members,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the attached Purchasing Manual and Central Purchasing System be approved for use by all Borough Officials, Employees, Boards and Committee members.

#012-21 – New Jersey Tort Claim Act

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Tort Claims Act N.J.S.A. 59:8-6 provides that a public entity may adopt a form to be completed by claimants seeking to file a Notice of Tort Claim against the public entity; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park is a public entity covered by the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park deems it advisable, necessary, and in the public interests to adopt a Notice of Tort Claim form in the form set forth in paragraphs 1 and 2 herein.

- 1. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Midland Park, that the attached Notice of Tort Claim form be and hereby is adopted as the official Notice of Tort Claim form for the Borough of Midland Park; and
- 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all persons making claims against the Borough of Midland Park, pursuant to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:8-1 et seq., be required to complete the form herein adopted as a condition of compliance with the notice requirement of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act.

#013-21 - Bollinger/MetLife Dental Plan

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that Bollinger Specialty Group of 200 Jefferson Park, Whippany, New Jersey 07981 is designated agent of record and shall service the account at no additional cost to the Borough of Midland Park.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that the Borough will continue to contribute \$ 200.00 per year for each employee who is eligible to receive the Health Benefits offered by the NJ State Health Benefits Program.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that the following rates would be in effect for the optional dental benefits program offered through Bollinger Specialty Group - MetLife, for the year 2021:

COVERAGE LEVEL	PER PAY EMPLOYEE	BOROUGH	MONTHLY
	DEDUCTION	CONTRIBUTION	COST
Employee Only (1-Party)	\$ 37.94	\$16.66	\$ 92.54
Employee & Spouse (2-Party)	\$ 70.77	\$16.66	\$ 158.20
Family Coverage (3-Party)	\$ 124.16	\$16.66	\$ 264.98

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is for the year 2021, expiring on December 31, 2021.

#014-21 – Public Agency Compliance Officer

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Treasury Affirmative Action Office has notified the Borough of its requirement to designate a Public Agency Compliance Officer (PACO); and,

WHEREAS, Wendy Martin, Borough Clerk, is hereby recommended to serve as the Borough of Midland Park's P.A.C.O.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park as follows:

- 18. Wendy Martin is hereby designated Public Agency Compliance Officer for the Borough of Midland Park for the year 2021.
- 19. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to N.J. Dept of Treasury, Affirmative Action Office.

#015-21- Cash Management Plan

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Midland Park to earn additional revenue through the investment and prudent management of its cash receipts; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 requires the Borough of Midland Park to adopt a cash management plan on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the Cash Management Plan shall be designated to assure to the extent practicable, the investment of local funds in interest bearing accounts and may be modified from time to time in order to reflect changes in Federal and State law or regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer shall make and be responsible for municipal deposits and investments, in the designated borough depositories, as outlined in a separate resolution; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NJSA 40A:5-15, Chief Financial Officer shall deposit all funds, including moneys collected by taxation, within 48 hours after the receipt, to the credit of the local unit, in its designated legal depository; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to invest surplus funds of the Borough of Midland Park, as the availability of the funds permit, to minimize the possibility of idle cash, without affecting the daily cash flow; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer shall ensure that funds are borrowed for Capital projects in a timely manner, with terms minimizing the interest expense and other costs; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer shall ensure that the accounting system provides regular information concerning the cash position and investment performance.

#016-21 - City Wide Towing License

WHEREAS, City Wide Towing, Inc. has applied to the Borough Clerk for a license to tow within the Borough of Midland Park; and

WHEREAS, a review by the Midland Park Police Department into the qualifications and merit of the applicant and its drivers was conducted and has uncovered no reason to disqualify the applicant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue a license to City Wide Towing, Inc. to tow within the Borough of Midland Park for the year 2021.

#017-21 – All Points Towing License

WHEREAS, All Points Towing, Inc. has applied to the Borough Clerk for a license to tow within the Borough of Midland Park; and

WHEREAS, a review by the Midland Park Police Department into the qualifications and merit of the applicant and its drivers was conducted and has uncovered no reason to disqualify the applicant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue a license to All Points Towing, Inc. to tow within the Borough of Midland Park for the year 2021.

#018-21 – Authorize Participation in the Law Enforcement Support Office 1033 Program

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park utilizes, State, county, regional and national contracts to obtain competitive pricing: and,

WHEREAS, the Midland Park Police Department has recommended the Borough participate in a surplus federal property program transformed to local law enforcement agencies administered through the New Jersey State Police as a procurement option; and,

WHEREAS, the Midland Park Borough Council shall have complete and full oversight of any equipment or vehicles acquired through the Law Enforcement Support Office 1033 Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Midland Park Police Department is allowed to participate in the Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Midland Park shall have complete oversight of the Law Enforcement Support Office 1033 program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Midland Park Police Department is allowed to acquire property through the Law Enforcement Support Office program after prior review oversight and written permission from the Midland Park Borough Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Lieutenant Gregory Kasbarian and Patrolman Joseph Gaeta, the Offices in Charge, is authorized to sign the Law Enforcement Support Office application.

Introduced by: Council President Iannone Seconded by: Councilwoman DeLuca

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #019-21 - Appoint Court Administrator - Allison Blau

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that Allison Blau be appointed Administrator of the Municipal Court, at permanent employee status, who shall serve for a term of one year expiring 12/31/21.

Introduced by: Councilman Sansone Seconded by: Councilwoman Peet

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Ave

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #020-21 – Pay to Play – Robert T. Regan (Borough Attorney)

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park has a need to acquire Legal Counsel Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44a-20.4 or 20.5, as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one year; and

WHEREAS, Robert T. Regan has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Robert T. Regan has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Midland Park in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Robert T. Regan from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, Laurie O'Hanlon, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Midland Park, certifies that adequate funds have been appropriated in the goods or services named within.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Midland Park authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with Robert T. Regan as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution will be published as the law requires.

Introduced by: Councilwoman Peet Seconded by: Councilman Sansone

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #021-21 – Pay to Play – Burgis Associates (Borough Planner)

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park has a need to acquire Professional Planning Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44a-20.4 or 20.5, as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one year; and

WHEREAS, Burgis Associates has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Burgis Associates has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Midland Park in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Burgis Associates from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, Laurie O'Hanlon, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Midland Park, certifies that adequate funds have been appropriated in the goods or services named within.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Midland Park authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with Burgis Associates as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution will be published as the law requires

Introduced by: Councilwoman DeLuca Seconded by: Council President Iannone

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #022-21 – Pay to Play – Donohue, Gironda & Doria (Borough Auditor)

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park has a need to acquire Auditing Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44a-20.4 or 20.5, as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one year; and

WHEREAS, Donohue, Gironda and Doria has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Donohue, Gironda and Doria has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Midland Park in the

previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Donohue, Gironda and Doria from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, Laurie O'Hanlon, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Midland Park, certifies that adequate funds have been appropriated in the goods or services named within.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Midland Park authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with Donohue, Gironda and Doria as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution will be published as the law requires.

Introduced by: Councilman Damiano Seconded by: Councilwoman Peet

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano
Councilman Kruis
Councilman Sansone
Councilwoman DeLuca
Councilwoman Peet
Council President Iannone
Aye

Resolution #23-21 - Pay to Play - Schwanewede/Halls Engineering

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park has a need to acquire Engineering Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44a-20.4 or 20.5, as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is one year; and

WHEREAS, Schwanewede/Hals Engineering has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Schwanewede/Hals Engineering has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Midland Park in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Schwanewede/Hals Engineering from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, Laurie O'Hanlon, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Midland Park, certifies that adequate funds have been appropriated in the goods or services named within.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Midland Park authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with Schwanewede/Hals Engineering as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution will be published as the law requires.

Introduced by: Councilwoman DeLuca Seconded by: Councilwoman Peet

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano
Councilman Kruis
Aye
Councilman Sansone
Councilwoman DeLuca
Councilwoman Peet
Council President Iannone
Aye

MOTION:

A Motion to pull Resolution #024-21 to be discussed at the January 14, 2021 Closed Session meeting.

Introduced by: Council President Iannone Seconded by: Councilwoman Peet

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #024-21 - Re-appoint M. Rau -- Fire Prevention Official

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.52:27D-126.2 et. Seq. provides that the term of office of the Fire Prevention Official shall be a one (1) year term and further prescribes the duties of such office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Midland Park that it does hereby reappoint Michael Rau as Fire Prevention Official of the Borough of Midland Park for an additional one (1) year term effective January 1, 2021.

Resolution #025-21 - Re-appoint M. Rau -- Coordinator-Emergency Telephone System

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park is required pursuant to State laws and the regulations of the State Department of Treasury to appoint a coordinator for the Borough's emergency telephone system ("9-1-1 System"); and

WHEREAS, the municipal coordinator of the 9-1-1 System is responsible for maintaining a plan for enhanced emergency services throughout the Borough and for developing such revisions to the plan as may be necessary for review by the Mayor and Council of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a written recommendation from the Chief of Police of the Midland Park Police Department, requesting the appointment of Michael Rau as the municipal coordinator of the 9-1-1 System; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough are desirous of appointing Michael Rau to serve as municipal coordinator for the 9-1-1 System in accordance with the requirements and procedures mandated under <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:17C-1 <u>et seq.</u> and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 17:24-5.1 <u>et seq.</u>,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Midland Park as follows:

- 1. That Michael Rau of the Office of Emergency Management is hereby appointed to serve as the municipal coordinator for the Borough's 9-1-1 System.
- 2. That Michael Rau shall perform all such duties and carry out all of the responsibilities as set forth in the existing plan for enhanced emergency services throughout the Borough and in accordance with the requirements and procedures mandated under N.J.S.A. 52:17C-A et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:24-51,1 et seq.
- 3. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

Introduced by: Councilman Kruis Seconded by: Councilwoman DeLuca

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano
Councilman Kruis
Aye
Councilman Sansone
Councilwoman DeLuca
Councilwoman Peet
Council President Iannone
Aye

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Resolution #026-21 - Appointment of Recycling Coordinator – BCUA

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bergen County Utilities Authority is hereby appointed as the Municipal Recycling Coordinator for the Borough of Midland Park.

Introduced by: Councilman Sansone Seconded by: Councilwoman DeLuca

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #027-21 - Appointment of Tax Collector – Kalata

WHEREAS, the Borough of Midland Park finds it necessary to fill the position of Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, Anna Kalata has attended and passed all required courses to qualify to take the State examination, to obtain the certificate of Tax Collector, and successfully passed said State exam; and

WHEREAS, Anna Kalata has assumed all the responsibilities of Deputy Tax Collector effective April 12, 2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park that Anna Kalata be confirmed as Tax Collector effective January 1, 2021 at a continued salary of \$65,000.00.

Introduced by: Councilwoman Peet Seconded by: Council President Iannone

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #028-21 - Appointment of Municipal Prosecutor – Joseph P. De Marco

WHEREAS, there exists a need to hire a Municipal Prosecutor to fill the position in the Court System of the Borough of Midland Park; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council and Mayor feel this candidate is suitable to administer the duties necessary for this position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, that Joseph P. De Marco, ESQ., 109 Deerfield Terrace, Mahwah, N.J., be appointed as the Municipal Prosecutor.

Introduced by: Council President Iannone Seconded by: Councilman Sansone

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #029-21 - Appointment of Public Defender- Peter A. Jeffer

WHEREAS, there exists a need to hire a Public Defender to fill the position in the Court

System of the Borough of Midland Park; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council and Mayor feel this candidate is suitable to administer the duties necessary for this position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, that Peter A. Jeffer, 212 Godwin Avenue, Midland Park, N.J., be appointed as the Public Defender.

Introduced by: Councilman Damiano Seconded by: Councilwoman Peet

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #030-21 - Appointment of Alternate Public Defender- James Addis

WHEREAS, the Court System of the Borough of Midland Park must fill the position of an Alternate Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council and Mayor feel this candidate is suitable to administer the duties necessary for this position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, that James Addis, Esq., Court Plaza South - East Wing, 21 Main Street, be appointed as the Alternate Public Defender.

Aye

Introduced by: Councilman Sansone Seconded by: Councilwoman Peet

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #031-21 - Appointment of Alternate, Alternate Public Defender- Robert Metzdorf

WHEREAS, the Court System of the Borough of Midland Park must fill the position of an Alternate, Alternate Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council and Mayor feel this candidate is suitable to administer the duties necessary for this position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Midland Park, that Robert Metzdorf, Esq., 244 Grand Avenue, Englewood, NJ 07631, be appointed as the Alternate, Alternate Public Defender.

Introduced by: Councilwoman Peet Seconded by: Councilman Damiano

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

Resolution #032-21 - Appointment of Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer - Carol Tyler

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Legislature has adopted a law establishing the position of Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, an application for such appointment has been submitted to the Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, the Chief, has recommended Carol Tyler of Tyco Animal Control, be appointed to such position for the reason set forth therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body that it does hereby appoint Carol Tyler, Kimberly Nangle and Kristen Gunderson as Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officers, effective January 1, 2021 expiring December 31, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer shall comply with all requirements of law, including any training requirements in respect thereto, and shall be authorized to investigate and sign complaints, arrest violators and otherwise act as an Officer for detection, apprehension and arrest of offenders against the Animal Welfare and Animal Cruelty Laws for the State and Ordinances of the Borough as the case may be.

Introduced by: Council President Iannone Seconded by: Councilwoman DeLuca

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Damiano Aye

Councilman Kruis Aye
Councilman Sansone Aye
Councilwoman DeLuca Aye
Councilwoman Peet Aye
Council President Iannone Aye

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADMINISTRATOR SEEMON TOOK THE ROLL CALL AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Ester Vierheilig – 333 Godwin Avenue – wished everyone a Happy New Year and asked Administrator Seemon why he is leaving and where he is going. Mr. Seemon stated his new position will be Deputy County Administrator of Passaic County. Mrs. Vierheilig congratulated him and wished him well.

Anthony Sikora – 41 Chestnut Street – wished everyone a Happy New Year and stated he is looking forward to working on the Economic Development Committee.

Joseph Angiello – 1 Zimmerman Court – wished everyone a Happy New Year and thanked the Council for appointing him to the Economic Development Committee and he is looking forward to serving.

Borough Clerk Martin stated there were no emails previously submitted with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Councilwoman DeLuca made a statement of appreciation to the Governing Body, the Borough's volunteers, and staff, thanking them for their dedication, especially during this past year and how well they met all its challenges. She congratulated **Councilman Damiano** welcomed him to the Council. The **Councilwoman** also thanked all who supported her throughout this past year.

Councilwoman Peet reiterated her caution regarding the COVID-19 virus: because of the severity of the virus, she encouraged everyone in the community to continue to be very vigilant, even with the vaccine coming out, people still need to adhere to the social distancing guidelines,

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to wear face masks and to continue with cleanliness. The **Councilwoman** reported there have been 311 cases since the beginning of the pandemic and in December alone there were 113 reported cases. From January 1st to the 6th, fourteen cases were reported. She encouraged anyone with questions or in need of assistance, to reach out to her or any member of the North West Bergen Regional Health Commission. She also thanked the members of the Governing Body and is looking forward to working with everyone to serve Midland Park.

Once again, Mayor Shortway called upon Reverend Vorderstrasse, who gave this evening's Benediction.

As there was no further business to discuss at 9:11P.M., **Mayor Shortway** adjourned the Reorganization Meeting on a Motion by **Councilwoman DeLuca**, Seconded by **Councilman Kruis**, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Martin, R.M.C. Borough Clerk