

**ALPINE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, August 24, 2016 @ 7:30 P.M.
Borough Hall - 100 Church Street**

CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor and Council, Borough of Alpine, convened for this Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. in the Alpine Borough Hall. The Public Announcement was read and the Pledge of Allegiance recited.

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the notice of this Regular Meeting held Wednesday, August 24, 2016 has met the requirements of the law by being published in The Record as part of the Annual Notice, posted on the bulletin board of the lobby in the Borough Hall and a copy filed in the office of the Borough Clerk. This meeting was recorded in its entirety.

ROLL CALL

Paul Tomasko, Mayor	Present	Vicki Frankel, Council President	Present
Michael Cacouris, Councilman	Present	Gayle Gerstein, Councilwoman	Present
John Halbreich, Councilman	Present	Laurence Shaddek, Councilman	Present
Arthur Frankel, Councilman	Present		

Staff Present on Dais: Borough Attorney Russ Huntington, Borough Engineer Gary Vander Veer, Municipal Clerk Stephanie Wehmann

PUBLIC COMMENTS None

Mayor advised historical presentation by the Bergen County Clerk originally scheduled for tonight's meeting has been tentatively postponed to next month.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE A copy of the monthly Finance Report including the First Quarter Statement of Revenues and Expenditures is on file in the Borough Clerk's office.

Bank Of New Jersey Current Operating Acct	\$4,229,528.47
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Resolution #150:8'2016: Approval of Bills and Claims

OFFERED BY: Councilman Cacouris **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Frankel at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 to approve the bills and claims, a copy of which are appended.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shaddek

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #151:8'2016: Return of Bonds and Escrow

OFFERED BY: Councilman Cacouris **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Frankel at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 to approve the return of the following bonds and escrow subject to review and approval by the Borough Engineer.

Block/Lot	Name	Type	Amount
81.06/26	Jung, Yongun & Naun	Engineering Escrow	\$489.75
53/12	Messer, Daniel & Alisa	Re-vegetation Bond	\$6,000.00
		Performance Bond	8,000.00
		Engineering & Soil Escrow	455.75
			14,455.75
		TOTAL	\$14,945.50

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shaddek

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #152:8'2016: 2016 Property Tax Refunds/Credits Due to County Board Judgment

OFFERED BY: Councilman Cacouris **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Frankel at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, Judgments were granted on June 15, 2016 and mailed on July 1, 2016 from the Bergen County Tax Board reducing the assessments on the following:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Owner's Name</u>	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>Reduced Assessment</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Refund</u>	<u>4th qtr Credit</u>
79.03	3	Kim, Bill Cin & Mee Yung	\$2,405,200	\$1,800,000	2016	\$4,647.94	
71	4	Koby, Yacobina	\$4,475,000	\$4,100,000	2016		\$ 2,880.00
81.07	6	OEA Kadima/ Aboodi, Oded	\$9,214,900	\$8,500,000	2016		\$ 5,490.43

TOTAL REFUNDS: \$4,647.94
TOTAL CREDITS: \$ 8,370.43

WHEREAS, the reduction in assessment was not recorded in time for the 2016 Assessment records for the above referenced properties and were billed at the higher assessed value for 2016, resulting in an overbilling;

WHEREAS, an overbilling was made for the tax year listed above and therefore should be refunded or credited to the 4th quarter, or any outstanding balances due from prior quarters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the Borough Treasurer to issue a refund/credit for the tax overbilling.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shaddek

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #153:8'2016: Cancellation Capital Ord. 730 Appropriation Balances

OFFERED BY: Councilman Cacouris **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Frankel at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, there appears open of record unexpended balances of certain ordinance appropriations; and

WHEREAS, these projects have been completed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Alpine, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the following ordinance appropriation balances be cancelled of record:

General Capital Fund

<u>Ord. No.</u>	<u>Improvement Description</u>	<u>Capital Fund Balance</u>	<u>Deferred Charges Unfunded</u>
730	2012 Road Program	\$209,251	\$313,025
	Total	\$209,251	\$313,025

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shaddek

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #154:8'2016: Cancellation of Grant Receivable

OFFERED BY: Councilman Cacouris **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Frankel
at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday,
August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, there appears open a grant receivable balance on the Capital balance
sheet; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel the receivable balance from the balance
sheet; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Alpine,
County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the following grant receivable balances be
cancelled of record:

General Capital Fund

Ord. No.	Improvement Description	Grant Receivable	
730	2012 Road Program	\$410,000	County of Bergen
		96,063	NJ Dept. of Transportation
	Total	\$506,063	

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief
Financial Officer

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shaddek

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #155:8'2016: Audit Corrective Action Plan

OFFERED BY: Councilman Cacouris **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Frankel
at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday,
August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of the Audit for the year 2014 has been filed by a
Registered Municipal Accountant with the Borough Clerk as per the requirements of
N.J./S.A. 40A:5-6; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey requires the
preparation of a Correction Action Plan, prepared by the Chief Financial Officer, which
addresses each of the findings in the Annual Report;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of
Alpine, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereby states that it has reviewed the
Correction Action plan dated as prepared by the Chief Financial Officer, and hereby
approves said Corrective Action Plan.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shaddek

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution #156:8'2016: Approval Change Order Fire Truck (Net Decrease)

OFFERED BY: Councilman Cacouris **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Frankel
at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday,
August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, resolution #124:5'2015 dated May 27, 2015 authorized Contract No. FS12-13
with Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. for the purchase of one Pierce Triple Combination Pumper Fire
Apparatus with options at an amount not to exceed \$514,635,94 in accordance with the
quoted HGAC Contract Pricing Worksheet and proposal dated March 27, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a partial payment for the chassis was remitted 9/26/2015 in the amount of
\$278,950.00 which resulted in a discount credit of \$10,805.00 to be applied to the final
balance; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department subsequently requested additional items as reflected in the attached itemization totaling \$4,773.84 resulting in a final payment of \$229,654.78 as approved by Mayor and Council on February 24, 2016; and

WHEREAS, it was subsequently realized that application of the additional items resulted in an increase in the original contract amount of \$514,635.94 to \$519,409.78 which should have been approved by a special resolution notwithstanding that the application of the credit of \$10,805.00 resulted in a net decrease in the original contract amount of \$514,635.94 to an adjusted amount of \$508,604.80; and

WHEREAS, funds for said purpose were available within Capital Bond Ordinance No. 735, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine that the Change Order for additional items for the Pierce Triple Combination Pumper Fire Apparatus is hereby approved; said approval shall be retroactive to the date of performance.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

{Attachment on file with Resolution in Municipal Clerk's Office}

Tax Assessor's Report. Report on file in the Borough Clerk's Office.

MAYOR'S REPORT No report.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

Administration Department No report.

Building Department Councilman Halbreich read the report's main statistics.

Highlights: 59 scheduled inspections, 1 driveway permit, 1 fence permit, 2 tree permits, 3 zoning review applications, and 1 sign permit. The rest of the report is on file.

Department of Public Works Councilman Frankel noted the report is on file.

Fire Department Councilwoman Gerstein reported that the Alpine Fire Department will host a Wetdown for the new firetruck which will take place September 24th from 1-5 PM at the Firehouse.

Police Department Councilwoman Frankel noted the report is on file.

Resolution #157:8'2016: Accepting the Reports of the Standing Committees

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Cacouris
at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 to accept the reports of the Standing Committees.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD OF EDUCATION LIAISON'S REPORT No report.

BOROUGH ATTORNEY'S REPORT No report.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT Engineer Vander Veer provided his report and a copy is on file.

NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS Resolutions #158:8'2016 - #165:8'2016

1. Approval of Minutes

a. Resolution #158:8'2016: Minutes of Regular Meeting July 27, 2016

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein
at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting July 27, 2016.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

b. Resolution #159:8'2016: Minutes of Executive Session Meeting July 27, 2016

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein
at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 to approve the minutes of the Executive Session July 27, 2016

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

2. Resolution #160:8'2016: Authorize Bike MS Event October 23, 2016

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein

At this regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor & Council, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey held on August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Southern New York Chapter raises money for charity and has held their Annual Bike MS Bike Event in previous years; and

WHEREAS, The National MS Society Southern New York Chapter has requested authorization from the towns through which riders will traverse. The route in Alpine will be along Route 9W on Sunday, October 23, 2016 and includes a rest stop. The time will be from approximately 7:30am to 5:30pm; and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Belcolle has no objections and will be actively coordinating with The National MS Society Southern New York Chapter regarding any necessary police assistance; and

WHEREAS, The National MS Society Southern New York Chapter has provided their Certificate of Liability Insurance and a Facilities Use Hold Harmless Agreement which has been reviewed and approved by our Risk Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine authorize The National MS Society Southern New York Chapter's 32nd Annual Bike MS New York City Bike Ride Event to be held on Sunday, October 23, 2016.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

3. Resolution #161:8'2016: Endorse Recreation Commission Recommendation of Approval for Field Use Application: SJ Enrichment Inc.

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein

at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 to approve the request by the SJ Enrichment, Inc. of 34 Dillingham Place, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632 for

Use of the Borough (School) field:

- Weekday afternoons between 5:30 PM and 6:30 PM/dark from August 29, 2016 through November 4, 2016; and

Such use is also subject to the Borough's Risk Management and Recreation Policies for Use of Facilities, including but not limited to provision of a Certificate of Insurance listing the Borough as additional insured and Hold Harmless Agreement. Use of Hillside Avenue/school field is also subject to coordination of use with Alpine School who has priority use of the field.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

4. Resolution #162:8'2016: Authorize Agreement w/Bergen County Re: GIS Data

Exchange

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein

At this meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Communications Public Safety Operations Center has offered an interlocal agreement to exchange Geographical Information System Data; and the Alpine Police Chief has reviewed same and recommends execution of same.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine hereby authorizes the execution of the GIS Data Exchange Agreement between the County of Bergen and the Borough of Alpine which agreement provides the terms and conditions serving a public purpose which facilitates the development for mutual aid and public safety.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

5. Resolution #163:8'2016: Award of Quote – Computer Building Department

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein

At this meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, a need has been identified to purchase and install a computer for the Building Department

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpine solicited and received quotes for this service, one from Dell for \$1,500.08 without installation and one from Palisades Sales Corporation for \$1,187.00 for the computer plus 350.00 for installation for a total of \$1,537.00; and

WHEREAS, these quotes were reviewed, and a recommendation made by the Construction Code Official that the bid be awarded to Palisades Sales Corporation of Old Tappan, NJ as the lowest responsible quote totaling \$1,537.00; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose have been provided for in the following accounts:

6-01-22-195-029 Building Department Computer Maintenance

and this vendors Business Registration Certificate and Affirmation of Compliance with Ordinance 725 is on file.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine hereby award the quote to purchase and install a computer for the Building Department to Palisades Sales Corporation of Old Tappan, NJ for \$1,537.00. The Chief Financial Officer has provided the Certification of Availability of Funds.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

6. Resolution #164:8'2016:Hiring School Crossing Guards 2016-2017 School Year

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein

At this meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpine Police Department has a need to hire school crossing guards for the 2016-2017 term; and

WHEREAS, the Alpine Police Chief recommends hiring Patrick O'Donovan and, as advertised, a second person yet to be determined to fill the positions of School Crossing Guards for the 2016-2017 School Year subject to medical and criminal background clearance; and

WHEREAS, it is understood by all parties that these positions are considered seasonal, part time work at hourly salaries not to exceed what is provided for in the Salary Ordinance of the Borough of Alpine.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine that Patrick O'Donovan and a person yet to be determined will be hired to perform the duties of School Crossing Guard for the Police Department from September 2016 – June 2017 at a rate per the Salary Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these hires shall be given a copy of the Employee Handbook and requisite training as determined and provided for by the Alpine Police Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the second crossing guard to be hired will be formally named and retroactively confirmed by resolution at the next meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held September 28, 2016.

A copy of this resolution shall be provided to Mr. O'Donovan, the Police Chief, the Treasurer and retained in the office of the Borough Clerk/Personnel Administrator.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Cacouris, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek

MOTION CARRIED

7. Resolution #165:8'2016: Introduction Ordinance 763 Amending Ch. 185 Soil Moving Ordinance

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein

at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, held on Wednesday, August 24, 2016

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that an Ordinance entitled:

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND: CHAPTER 185 ENTITLED `SOIL FILL AND SOIL REMOVAL`"

pass on first reading and remain on file with the Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof, which hearing shall be held in the Borough Hall, 100 Church Street, Alpine, New Jersey on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at which time and place all persons interested in said Ordinance will be heard.

The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish said Ordinance ten days prior to the date fixed for further consideration for final passage together with the Notice of Hearing thereon in The Record according to law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of said Ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Borough Hall and copies shall be made available to the members of the public who shall request the same.

Vote: Ayes: V. Frankel, Gerstein, Halbreich, A. Frankel, Shadek **Abstain:** Cacouris

MOTION CARRIED

End of Consent Agenda

COMMUNICATIONS: WRITTEN AND ORAL None

ADJOURNMENT

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Frankel
and approved by all to adjourn the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the
Borough of Alpine, held on Wednesday August 24, 2016 at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Wehmann
Municipal Clerk