MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING June 28, 2023 @ 7:30 PM

Borough Hall - 100 Church Street - Alpine, NJ

(This meeting was recorded in its entirety)

CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor and Council, Borough of Alpine, convened for this Regular Meeting on June 28, 2023 at 7:30 P.M. in the Alpine Borough Hall. The Public Announcement was read: In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the notice of this Regular meeting has met the requirements of the law by being e-mailed to The Record, posted on the bulletin board of the lobby in the Borough Hall and a copy filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Paul H. Tomasko, MayorPresentGayle Gerstein, Council PresidentPresentSteven Cohen, CouncilmanAbsentVicki Frankel, CouncilwomanPresentArthur Frankel, CouncilmanPresent (via phone)Scott Bosworth, CouncilmanPresent

David Kupferschmid, Councilman Present

Staff Present on Dais: Borough Attorney Levi Kool, Borough Engineer Perry Frenzel,

Borough Clerk Stephanie Wehmann,

(Also Present: Special Counsel Edward Buzak and Borough Planner Joseph Burgis)

PUBLIC COMMENTS Mayor Tomasko opened for public comment and being none closed this portion.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE Mayor Tomasko reported.

ConnectOne Bank (fka Bank of New Jersey) Current Operating Account \$2,793,777.27

Resolution #118:06'2023: Return of Bonds and Escrow

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilman Kupferschmid

At a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on June 28, 2023 to return the following bonds and escrow:

Block/Lot	Name	Туре	Amount
49/39	Luna, Brian	Engineering Escrow	\$864.25
79.01/2	Baradarian, Yaghoob	Engineering Escrow	\$875.75
		Driveway Escrow	\$300.00
			\$1,175.75
75/18	Kwon, Jim & Rita	Septic Bond	\$10,000.00
Boy Scout			
Camp	Stalwart Productions	Film Permit Escrow	\$2,228.99
20/8	J&J Realty Holdings, LLC	Planning Board Escrow	\$936.30
81.01/3	Choi, Eric	Planning Board Escrow	\$888.70
49/12	Cho, Cheon	Planning Board Escrow	\$1,125.15
		TOTAL:	\$17,219.14

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Abstain: A. Frankel, Absent: Cohen

MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #119:06'2023: Refund of 2023 Tax Overpayment- 47 Tamarack Road, B:39.01/L:12.22

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilman Kupferschmid

At a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on June 28, 2023 **WHEREAS**, the following property owner has made an overpayment of property taxes for 1^{ST} and 2^{ND} quarters of 2023 as a result of duplicate remittances from the property owner and the tax servicing agency, and;

WHEREAS, said property owner has requested refund of same in the amount as shown below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the Borough Treasurer to issue the necessary check in the following amount and made payable to the property owner:

Block/Lot	Name	Refund Due
39.01/12.22	Sadhwani, Jai & Ekta	\$11,699.00

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #120:06'2023: Requesting Approval for Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the 2023 Budget – Division of Law and Public Safety: Body-Worn Camera Grant

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Frankel

At a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on June 28, 2023

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

WHEREAS, said director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amounts, and,

WHEREAS, after the adoption of the 2023 municipal budget, the Borough of Alpine was awarded a Body-Worn Camera Grant, Award #21-BWC-006, in the amount of \$11,788.00 from the New Jersey Division of Law and Public Safety for implementation of the Body-Worn Camera program for the Alpine Police Department; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpine is desirous to anticipate and appropriate such monies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Alpine, Bergen County, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an additional item of revenue in the budget for 2023 in the sum of \$11,788.00 which item is now available as a revenue pursuant to the provision of statute, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$11,788.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Operations Excluded from Caps

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenue:

Body-Worn Camera Grant \$11,788.00

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services and the Borough Treasurer.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #121:06'2023: Approval of Bills and Claims

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Frankel

At a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on June 28, 2023 to approve the bills and claims as outlined in the Finance Report.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen MOTION APPROVED

TAX ASSESSOR'S REPORT Report on file.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Board Worker letter thanking the Municipal Clerk Wehmann for her organization and preparation assisting the board and resulting in the smooth operation of the 2023 Primary Election. The Mayor and Council added their commendations.
- Mayor Tomasko congratulated Arthur Frankel and David Kupferschmid for their primary wins.
- Attended second quarter Safety Committee meeting chaired by Municipal Clerk Wehmann. There were no claims. Alpine received an award for their prior year record. The Mayor thanked Ms. Wehmann for keeping Alpine in good stead with its insurance carriers.
- Attended Alpine school graduation on June 15^{th.} Congratulations to Laura Kim who was named valedictorian, Gigi Vaccarino named salutatorian, and the recipient of the Citizenship Award, Savannah Rozier. They will be mentioned in the upcoming newsletter. Alpine graduated ten students who participated in the Tenafly High School Graduation Ceremony which was very professionally held at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

- Administration Department Councilman Bosworth no report
- **Building Department** Councilman Kupferschmid reported: 38 scheduled inspections, 4 driveway permits, 5 tree permits, 2 soil moving applications, and 5 zoning review applications. Report is on file in the Clerk's office.
- **Department of Public Works** Councilman Frankel noted report on file.

• **Fire Department** Councilwoman Gerstein reported statistics on file. She nominates and welcomes a new firefighter for membership.

Resolution #122:2023: Approval of Firefighter Application - Chase Wolfer

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Frankel

at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on June 28, 2023 to approve the application for **Chase Wolfer** for Membership as a Firefighter in the Alpine Volunteer Fire Department, subject to receipt of supplemental documentation as required.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen MOTION APPROVED

• **Police Department** Councilwoman Frankel reported 42 summonses issued, 7 MVA with no injuries. Rest of report on file. Mayor Tomasko thanked Acting Chief Kent for attending tonight's meeting.

Resolution #123:06'2023: Accepting the Reports of the Standing Committees

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilman Cohen

At the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 to accept the reports of the Standing Committees.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, Cohen, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: A. Frankel, V. Frankel MOTION APPROVED

BOARD OF EDUCATION LIAISON'S REPORT No specific report. Records available from Board of Education.

BOROUGH ATTORNEY'S REPORT Attorney Kool reserves for Executive Session.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT Mr. Frenzel reported

- \$25,000 DEP grant received to help offset mandated stormwater management reporting.
- \$51,000 DCA grant received to construct walking track around Alpine School field.
- NJDOT required rebid for Marie Major and Glen Goin conducted with bids opened on June 15th and he recommends acceptance by Mayor and Council subject to DOT's bid approval. Results and resolutions under Consent agenda. The second rounds of bids were actually lower than the first round last fall probably relative to reduction in fuel costs.
- \$157,000 DOT grant (2023) received for Phase I (of three) for repaving Anderson Avenue.
- He has filed a grant application for DOT (2024) Phase II of that project.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ordinance No. 821: To Amend Chapter 209-9 of the Borough Code of the Borough of Alpine Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" to Provide for No Parking Along the Easterly curbline of Anderson Avenue Between the North end and Hickory Lane

Public Hearing Mayor Tomasko opened to the public for comments. Being none the public hearing was closed.

Resolution #124:06'2023: Adoption Ordinance No. 821

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilman Cohen

at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023

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 209-9 OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPINE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" TO PROVIDE FOR NO PARKING ALONG THE EASTERLY CURBLINE OF ANDERSON AVENUE BETWEEN THE NORTH END AND HICKORY LANE

does hereby pass its second and final reading and is hereby adopted and Notice of same be published according to law.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS #125:6'2023 - #136:6'2023 Council abstainments as noted in vote.

Resolution #125:06'2023: Approval of Minutes Regular Meeting May 24, 2023

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein

At the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on June 28, 2023 to approve the Regular Meeting Session Minutes of May 24, 2023.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, Gerstein, Kupferschmid Absent: Cohen, Abstain: A. Frankel, V. Frankel

MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #126:06'2023: Approval of Minutes Executive Session Meeting May 24, 2023

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein

At the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on June 28, 2023 to approve the Executive Meeting Session Minutes of May 24, 2023.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, Gerstein, Kupferschmid Absent: Cohen, Abstain: A. Frankel, V. Frankel

MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #127:06'2023: Liquor License Renewal for Riverside Park, Inc. (Kiku Restaurant)

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, June 28, 2023.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey to approve the renewal of:

Plenary Retail Consumption License

Liquor license # 0202-33-001-006

Riverside Park, Inc.

5-9 Route 9W, Alpine, NJ 07620

for a period of one year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2024.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #128:06'2023: Liquor License Renewal for Montammy Golf Club

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, June 28, 2023.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey to approve the renewal of a

Club License

Liquor License # 0202-31-002-001

Montammy Golf Club

Rt 9W Montammy Drive, Alpine, NJ 07620

for a period of one year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, 2024.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Kupferschmid, Abstain: Gerstein Absent: Cohen

MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #129:06'2023: Authorizing Montammy Golf Club Request for Fireworks Display - July 2, 2023

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, June 28, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine grants permission for Montammy Golf Club to stage a fireworks display on the evening of **Sunday**, **July 2**, **2023 at approximately 9:30 PM** upon condition that Montammy Golf Club comply with requirements of the Fire Department and Borough Officials to ensure safe operation of the display.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Kupferschmid, Abstain: Gerstein Absent: Cohen

MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #130:06'2023: Approval to Submit Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the FY 2024 NJDOT Municipal Aid Project- Anderson Avenue Resurfacing Project Phase II/Section 2 (Between Johnson Court & Buckingham Drive)

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Department of Transportation has made funding available to Counties and Municipalities through grant applications through the Municipal Aid Program, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpine, Bergen County previously applied for funds through this program for FY2023 Anderson Avenue per Resolution #123:06'2022 MA-2023-ANDERSON AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS-00620, which, to clarify provides Phase I/Section I funding for the section of Anderson Avenue between Closter Dock Road and Johnson Court and was subsequently awarded same; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpine, Bergen County intends to apply for funds through this program for Phase II/Section II of Anderson Avenue Improvements (between Johnson Court and Buckingham Drive); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Alpine formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Engineer is hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as **MA-2024- ANDERSON AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS-00550** for Alpine Borough to the New Jersey Department of Transportation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Borough of Alpine and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #131:06'2023: Authorizing Borough Engineer to Prepare Bid Package and Advertise for Bids for NJDOT Municipal Aid Project – Anderson Avenue Improvements-Phase I/Section I (FY 2023)

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein

at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023 to authorize the Borough Engineer to prepare bid specifications and advertise for Bids for the NJDOT Municipal Aid Project for Anderson Avenue Improvements-Phase I/Section I (FY 2023) (section between Closter Dock Road and Johnson Court), pending final adoption and estoppel period of a Capital Bond Ordinance for this purpose.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #132:06'2023: Authorizing Konica Minolta Copier Lease for Police Department through Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative (formerly Middlesex regional Education Services Commission)

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpine is a member of The Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ID# 65 MCESCCPS) (formerly known as the Middlesex Regional Education Services Commission), a New Jersey State approved Cooperative Pricing System and hereby reaffirms that membership as per resolution adopted May 27, 2015 and agreement dated May 28, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ) Cooperative Pricing System awarded to Konica Minolta Business Solutions, Inc. under the Co-op Bid #ESCNJ/AEPA-21C (Copy Machines-Printers and Document Lifecycle Equipment & Services) for the leased commodity of one (1) new BIZHUB C250i color copier; and

WHEREAS, the existing Police Department copier lease with Konica Minolta under the ESCNJ Cooperative has expired and the Mayor and Council wish to enter into a new five 5 year (60 month) lease for one (1) new BIZHUB C250i color copier or pending newer model, if available at lease inception, at a discounted rate through the ESCNJ Cooperative; and

WHEREAS, Konica Minolta Business Solutions, Inc., 100 Williams Drive, Ramsey, NJ 07446 was awarded ESCNJ Cooperative Bid #ESCNJ/AEPA-21C: (Copy Machines-Printers and Document Lifecycle Equipment & Services) initially through 2/28/2022 and currently extended through 2/28/2024 for (1) new BIZHUB C250i or newer model at a monthly rate of \$220.77 per month; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Alpine authorizes the purchase of one (1) new BIZHUB C250i color copier for the Alpine Police Department under the Education Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System #65MCESCCPS with the amount not to exceed thirteen thousand two hundred forty seven dollars (\$13,247.00).

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #133:06'2023: Report of Bid Results and Award of Bid for FY 2021 Marie Major Drive Improvements (NJDOT Municipal State Aid Project)

Report of Bid Results- Marie Major Drive Improvements (State Aid Project)

Advertised in The Record on Monday, June 5, 2023 Received and opened 10:00 a.m. Thursday, June 15, 2023 at Borough Hall, 100 Church Street, Alpine, NJ

Company Town, State	Bid
Your Way Construction Inc, Irvington, NJ	\$161,854.64
American Asphalt & Trucking LLC, Newark, NJ	\$165,889.12
AJM Contractors Inc., Clifton, NJ	\$169,032.00
D&L Paving Contractors, Nutley, NJ	\$173,169.80
J.A. Alexander Inc, Bloomfield, NJ	\$173,177.12
4 Clean-Up Inc., North Bergen, NJ	\$179,843.50
DLS Contracting Inc., Fairfield, NJ	\$182,629.00
Frank A. Macchione Paving Plus, Rochelle Park, NJ	\$186,910.00

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein

At a regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.

WHEREAS, at the request of the NJDOT a rebid of the Marie Major Drive Improvements project FY 2021 was needed and the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine requested bids for the 2021 Marie Major Drive (State Aid Project) as detailed in the Notice to Bidders and sealed bids were received at the Borough Hall up until 10:00 A.M. June 15, 2023, as advertised in The Record on Monday, June 5, 2023; and

WHEREAS these bids were opened in the presence of the Borough Clerk and Borough Engineer, and WHEREAS Eight (8) bids were received as listed above and apparent low bidder was identified to be Your Way Construction, Inc. of Irvington, NJ at \$161,854.64; and

WHEREAS all of the bids were reviewed by the Borough Engineer who recommends acceptance of the lowest responsible bid from Your Way Construction, Inc. of Irvington, NJ at \$161,854.64subject to review by the Borough Attorney, QPA and concurrence of the award by NJDOT.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, at the regular meeting Wednesday, June 28, 2023, that the bid be awarded to **Your Way Construction**, **Inc. of Irvington**, **NJ at \$161,854.64** subject to review by the Borough Attorney and concurrence of the award by NJDOT.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #134:06'2023: Report of Bid Results and Award of Bid for FY 2022 Glen Goin Drive Improvements (NJDOT Municipal State Aid Project)

Report of Bid Results- Glen Goin Drive Improvements (State Aid Project)

Advertised in The Record on Monday, June 5, 2023 Received and opened 10:30 a.m. Thursday, June 15, 2023 at Borough Hall, 100 Church Street, Alpine, NJ

Company Town, State	Bid
J.A. Alexander Inc, Bloomfield, NJ	\$178,177.44
Your Way Construction Inc, Irvington, NJ	\$180,512.48
American Asphalt & Trucking LLC, Newark, NJ	\$184,905.84
AJM Contractors Inc., Clifton, NJ	\$189,342.00
4 Clean-Up Inc., North Bergen, NJ	\$195,069.10
Frank A. Macchione Paving Plus, Rochelle Park, NJ	\$197,904.00
D&L Paving Contractors Inc., Nutley, NJ	\$201,133.80
DLS Contracting Inc., Fairfield, NJ	\$207,690.00

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel **SECONDED BY:** Councilwoman Gerstein At a regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.

WHEREAS, at the request of the NJDOT a rebid of the Glen Goin Drive Improvements project FY 2022 was needed and the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine requested bids for the 2022 Glen Goin Drive (State Aid Project) as detailed in the Notice to Bidders and sealed bids were received at the Borough Hall up until 10:30 A.M. June 15, 2023, as advertised in The Record on Monday, June 5, 2023; and

WHEREAS these bids were opened in the presence of the Borough Clerk and Borough Engineer, and WHEREAS eight (8) bids were received as listed above and apparent low bidder was identified to be J.A. Alexander Inc, of Bloomfield, NJ at \$178,177.44; and

WHEREAS all of the bids were reviewed by the Borough Engineer who recommends acceptance of the lowest responsible bid from J.A. Alexander Inc, of Bloomfield, NJ at \$178,177.44; subject to review by the Borough Attorney, QPA and concurrence of the award by NJDOT.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, at the regular meeting Wednesday, June 28, 2023, that the bid be awarded to **J.A. Alexander Inc, of Bloomfield, NJ at \$178,177.44 64** subject to review by the Borough Attorney and concurrence of the award by NJDOT.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #135:06'2023: Supporting the Bergen County Fire Mutual Aid Plan in the Borough of Alpine OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein

at the regular meeting of the Alpine Mayor and Council held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpine provides fire protection resources for ordinary emergency response requirements within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS the Fire Departments in Bergen County have a day-to-day responsibility to provide for the safety and security of lives and property; and

WHEREAS, local resources can become exhausted during the small percentage of large magnitude fire or disaster occurrences; and

WHEREAS, mutual aid is the most cost-effective method of providing sufficient resources to a local jurisdiction for those extraordinary occurrences; and

WHEREAS, it is of mutual benefit for fire departments located within the County of Bergen to provide supplemental resources to each other in the event of a local emergency or disaster;

WHEREAS this plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of fire department personnel and equipment whenever a local fire department requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of a fire or emergency; and

WHEREAS, a county area mutual aid plan is encouraged by, and is compatible with the State of New Jersey Resource Deployment Act; and

WHEREAS, participation in a county area mutual aid plan will not impose liability on the local entity; and

WHEREAS it is the desire of the governing body of the Borough of Alpine to participate in fire mutual aid plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough of Alpine does hereby agree to authorize their fire department to provide mutual aid assistance to each participating municipality, district, state or federal organization, as identified in the Bergen County Fire Mutual Aid Plan (ESF 4) and as may be amended from time to time by Participating Units and ratified by this body; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management for filing.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #136:06'2023: Endorse Planning Board Approval of Soil Moving Permit-14 Church Street,B:39.02/L:16.07

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, June 28, 2023.

WHEREAS, Borough Ordinance 183-3D(5) lays down the procedure for review of an application for a soil movement permit in compliance with N.J.S.A. 40:20D-26b; and

WHEREAS, the application was reviewed by the Planning Board at a hearing held May 23, 2023, and the Planning Board laid down their written recommendation to the Mayor and Council with respect to

this application in a resolution approved at their regular meeting held on June 27, 2023 (copy attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council has examined the application and the recommendations of the Planning Board and have considered the results of the public hearing before the Planning Board;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine find that the proposed soil movement will not create conditions inimical to the public health, welfare and safety, nor create any drainage, soil erosion or other conditions of danger and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby approve said application subject to all conditions as laid out in the Planning Board's resolution of March 28, 2023.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

End of Consent Agenda

Resolution #137:06'2023: Appointment of Municipal Representative to Bergen County Open Space Trust Regional Advisory Committee

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilman Kupferschmid

at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpine has entered into a Cooperative Agreement with the County of Bergen as provided under the Interlocal Services Act NJSA 40A:8A-1 et. seq. to participate in the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, said Agreement requires that one Municipal Representative be appointed by the Governing Body of the community to be part of the Community Development Regional Committee for the term of one-year coinciding with the fiscal year July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body hereby appoints **Councilwoman Vicki Frankel** as its representative to participate on the Open Space Trust Regional Committee.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Executive Director of the Bergen County Open Space Fund.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

Resolution #138:06'2023: Extension of Medical Leave for Non-Work-Related Injury

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Frankel SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein

at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, held on June 28, 2023

WHEREAS, Patrolman Justin Fierro has been incapacitated since January 13, 2023 due to a non-work-related incident; and

WHEREAS, Section 23 of the Agreement between the Borough of Alpine and PBA Local #399 effective January 1, 2023 provides that an Employee shall be retained on the payroll at full salary and benefits for a continued period of six months during the continuance of said incapacitation and that the Governing body shall have the option of extending the period during which an Employee shall receive the benefit of this Article on an individual basis and after considering the merits of each case; and

WHEREAS, the Police Committee has determined the merits of this individual's case warrants extending salary and benefits and recommends same for a period of thirty (30) days commencing from the date of the

6-month expiration being July 13, 2023, subject to receipt of a certificate establishing validity of said absence as provided for in Section 23.8 of the PBA agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine concurs with the Police Committee and that the above-named employee be continued at full salary and benefits for an additional thirty (30) days, commencing July 13, 2023 through August 12, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine reserves the right per the PBA Agreement Section 23.8 to require an examination of the employee by the police surgeon at Brough expense.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

COMMUNICATIONS: WRITTEN AND ORAL

Mayor Tomasko distributed an article regarding the banning of gas-powered leaf blowers and lawn mowers being discussed in municipalities through the state. The Mayor requests Council feedback.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive Session for Personnel Matter was NOT NEEDED

Resolution #139:06'2023: Executive Session

OFFERED BY: Councilwoman Gerstein SECONDED BY: Councilwoman Frankel

At a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, held on Wednesday, June 28, 2023,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution; and **WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b subsection designated below:

(b)(7) Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege: Affordable Housing (b)(8) Personnel Matter [NOT NEEDED]

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine, assembled in public session on June 28, 2023, that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Borough Council that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

VOTE: Ayes: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid, Absent: Cohen, MOTION APPROVED

The Mayor & Council entered into executive session at 7:46 PM, reconvening the public session at 8:54 PM and immediately adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Gerstein, seconded by Councilman Kuperschmid and approved by all this meeting of the Mayor and Council adjourned at 8:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Wehmann Municipal Clerk

BOROUGH OF ALPINE ORDINANCE NO. 821

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 209-9 OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPINE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" TO PROVIDE FOR NO PARKING ALONG THE EASTERLY CURBLINE OF ANDERSON AVENUE BETWEEN THE NORTH END AND HICKORY LANE

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpine that motorists parking along the easterly curbline of Anderson Avenue between the North End and Hickory Lane are creating a welfare hazard to property owners abutting the easterly curbline, and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council after consultation with the Alpine Police Department, believes that amending Chapter 209-9 of the Borough Code to establish a no parking zone along the easterly curbline of Anderson Avenue between the north end and Hickory Lane denoting same would further protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that Chapter 209-9 of the Borough Code of the Borough of Alpine entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", Article II Schedule I: No Parking be amended to include the following:

Street Sides Location

Anderson Avenue East No parking along the easterly curbline between

easterly curbline between the north end and Hickory

Lane

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances that are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of any inconsistencies.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any part of this ordinance is declared to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court, the remaining parts of this ordinance will remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect upon final approval and publication, according to law.

ADOPTED: This 28th day of June 2023 by roll call vote as follows:

VOTE: AYES: Bosworth, A. Frankel, V. Frankel, Gerstein, Kupferschmid ABSENT: Cohen MOTION APPROVED

INTRODUCED: May 24, 2023 ADOPTED: June 28, 2023