# REGULAR MEETING BOROUGH COUNCIL BOROUGH OF RUMSON November 12, 2024

A regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Rumson was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Hemphill, Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

Thomas S. Rogers, Municipal Clerk/Administrator, was present.

David Marks, Borough Engineer, was present.

Mitchell Jacobs, Borough Attorney, was present.

Eric Paone-Hurd, Deputy Municipal Clerk, was present.

Mayor Hemphill declared a quorum present and announced that the Notice Requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met for this meeting by:

- The posting and mailing of a schedule of all regular and work meetings of the Borough Council for the year 2024 to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times.
- The posting of the meeting agenda, on the Borough of Rumson Website (www.rumsonnj.gov).

On motion by Councilmember Pomphrey, seconded by Councilmember Kingsbery, the minutes of the previous meeting on October 8<sup>th</sup> were approved as written, copies having been forwarded to all Council members.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

LETTER FROM MONMOUTH COUNTY DIVISION OF ENGINEERING COUNTY PROJECT MANAGER MICHAEL RUGGIERO NOTIFYING THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON OF THE UPDATED FULL AND HALF CHANNEL CLOSURE SCHEDULE THROUGH DECEMBER 13, 2024.

The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received communication from The Monmouth County Division of Engineering County Project Manager Michael Ruggiero notifying The Borough of Rumson of the updated full and half channel closure schedule through December 13, 2024.

On motion by Councilmember Casazza, seconded by Councilmember Lospinuso, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

# REPORT ON STATE OF NEW JERSEY MUNICIPAL BEST PRACTICES INVENTORY FOR 2024.

The Municipal Clerk/Administrator shared the report on the State of New Jersey Municipal Best Practices Inventory for 2024 stating that The Borough has met all the requirements of the state's best practices.

On motion by Councilmember Casazza, seconded by Councilmember Smith, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

## LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM RUMSON CMFO HELEN GRAVES.

The Municipal Clerk/Administrator read Rumson CMFO Helen Graves letter of resignation effective December 1, 2024. Mayor Hemphill said Graves has been incredible for The Borough and he wishes her well.

On motion by Councilmember Pomphrey, seconded by Councilmember Kingsbery, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

LETTER FROM NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NOTIFYING THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCE PROTECTION, FOR A GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION WITHIN THE FOOTPRINT OF THE SHREWSBURY DREDGED MATERIAL MANAGEMENT FACILITY.

The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received letter from New Jersey Department of Transportation notifying The Borough of Rumson of an application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Land Resource Protection, for a geotechnical investigation within the footprint of the Shrewsbury Dredged Material Management Facility.

On motion by Councilmember Pomphrey, seconded by Councilmember Casazza, this communication was ordered received. Councilmembers Casazza, Pomphrey and Smith in favor, Councilmembers Conklin, Kingsbery and Lospinuso abstain.

# APPLICATION FROM THE RUMSON FIRE COMPANY FOR DANIEL LEROY TO BECOME A NEW REGULAR MEMBER OF THE RUMSON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received a completed application for Daniel Leroy to become a new regular member of the Rumson Fire Department.

On motion by Councilmember Pomphrey, seconded by Councilmember Casazza, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilmember Pomphrey spoke at this time. Pomphrey thanked all those who participated in the 2024 Veterans Day Ceremony, highlighting the Rumson Fair Haven Regional High School students for their efforts in recognizing the veterans.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

# INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE #24-011G AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON BY AMENDING CHAPTER III POLICE REGULATIONS.

The Municipal Clerk/Administrator read the following Ordinance by title only in first reading:

#### 24-011 G

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON BY AMENDING CHAPTER III POLICE REGULATIONS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson, in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey that Chapter III (Police Regulations) of the General Ordinances of the Borough of Rumson is hereby amended or supplemented as follows:

The purpose of this Ordinance is to Amend Chapter III (Police Regulations) by removing sections 3-2.1. Nudity and Indecent Behavior, 3-2.4. Selling Lewd Objects; Performing Immoral Plays, 3-2.5. House of Ill Fame, 3-2.10. Begging Prohibited; Permit Required, 3-2.11. Sports that Annoy or Frighten, 3-2.12. False Alarm, 3-2.14 Malicious Damage to Property, 3-2.15. Deserting Families; Paupers, 3-2.16. Games of Chance, 3-2.17. Concealed Weapons, 3-2.18 Carrying Implements with the intent to Break and Enter, 3-2.24. Obstructing Officer in His Duty, 3-2.25. Destroying Police or Fire Alarms and Bells, 3-2.26. Hindering Police and Firemen during Fires, 3-2.28. Fights; Riots; Disturbing the Peace, 3-2.29. Discharging Firearms, 3-2.30. Destroying Street Lights, 3-2.34, Nonpayment of Fare, 3-2.36. Intent to Defraud Innkeeper, 3-2.37. Conduct Prohibited in their entirety, and editing 3-2.19 Defacing School Property; Disturbing Students and Teachers.

Chapter III (Police Regulations) of the General Ordinances of the Borough of Rumson is hereby amended or supplemented as follows (new text is double underlined, text to be deleted is struck through and notations to the reader and changes in subparagraph designations either with or without changes to content are italicized):

#### **SECTION 1.**

WHEREAS, over time, changes have arisen in state and federal law that impact the code of The Borough of Rumson ("Borough Code"); and

WHEREAS, review by the federal judiciary of local laws outside of New Jersey bearing significantly similar language to § 3-2 of the Borough Code has led to such laws being overturned for First Amendment purposes under the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, decisions by the New Jersey Judiciary and changes to the state's criminal code by the New Jersey legislature indicate local ordinances such as those found in § 3-2.1., § 3-2.4., § 3-2.5., § 3-2.10., § 3-2.11., § 3-2.12., § 3-2.14., § 3-2.15., § 3-2.16., § 3-2.17., § 3-2.18., § 3-2.19., § 3-2.24., § 3-2.25., § 3-2.26., § 3-2.28., § 3-2.29., § 3-2.30., § 3-2.34., § 3-2.36., § 3-2.37. of the Borough Code are no longer valid exercises of municipal authority: and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 2c:33 of the New Jersey criminal code was enacted by the New Jersey legislature with the intention to address the disorderly conduct concerns which are at the root of § 3-2.1., § 3-2.4., § 3-2.5., § 3-2.10., § 3-2.11., § 3-2.12., § 3-2.14., § 3-2.15., § 3-2.16., § 3-2.17., § 3-2.18., § 3-2.19., § 3-2.24., § 3-2.25., § 3-2.26., § 3-2.28., § 3-2.29., § 3-2.30., § 3-2.34., § 3-2.36., § 3-2.37. of the Borough Code

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of The Borough of Rumson, County of Monmouth, and State of New Jersey, as follows.

## **SECTION 2.**

That Chapter III, Police Regulations, shall be amended as follows:

**§ 3-1. PENALTY.** 

No Changes.

#### § 3-2. DISORDERLY PERSONS.

#### § 3-2.1. NUDITY AND INDECENT BEHAVIOR.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, appear on any street, road, avenue, park or other public place in a state of nudity or make any indecent exposure of his person, or commit or do any lewd or indecent act or behave in a lewd or indecent manner RESERVED.

§ 3-2.2. NUDE SWIMMING through § 3-2.3. DISROBING IN VEHICLES.

No Changes.

## § 3-2.4. SELLING LEWD OBJECTS; PERFORMING IMMORAL PLAYS.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, sell or offer to sell any indecent or lewd picture, book or thing or exhibit or perform any indecent, immoral or lewd play or other representation RESERVED.

#### § 3-2.5. HOUSES OF ILL FAME.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, keep or maintain a disorderly house or a house of ill fame or allow or permit any house, shop, store or other building or structure owned or occupied by him to be used as a disorderly house or house of ill fame RESERVED.

# § 3-2.6. OWNERS TO PROHIBIT NOISE, DISORDERLY PERSONS, PROSTITUTES AND GAMBLERS through § 3-2.9. LOITERING IN PUBLIC PLACES; OFFENSIVE REMARKS.

No Changes.

# § 3-2.10. BEGGING PROHIBITED; PERMIT REQUIRED.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, go about from door to door or place himself or herself in any street or other public place to beg or gather alms, except upon obtaining a written permit from the Police Department RESERVED.

#### § 3-2.11. SPORTS THAT ANNOY OR FRIGHTEN.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, engage or participate in any practice, sport or exercise having a tendency to annoy, disturb or frighten any person or persons on any street, park or other public place, or having a tendency to annoy or frighten horses or other animals on any street or other public place RESERVED.

#### § 3-2.12. FALSE ALARM.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, willfully and maliciously ring or cause to be rung any bell or alarm of any fire company and thereby give or cause to be given a false alarm of fire RESERVED.

# § 3-2.13. BELLS OR PUBLIC OUTCRY PROHIBITED FOR ADVERTISING.

No Changes.

#### § 3-2.14. MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

No person shall within the limits of the Borough, maliciously destroy, damage or injure any property <u>RESERVED.</u>

# § 3-2.15. DESERTING FAMILIES; PAUPERS.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, leave or threaten to leave his family to be maintained by the Borough or to become chargeable thereto, and no person that is a pauper shall without lawful authority return to the Borough after having been legally removed therefrom RESERVED.

#### § 3-2.16. GAMES OF CHANCE.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, deal, play or engage in faro, roulette or other games of chance, either as banker, player, dealer or otherwise for the purpose of gaming or gambling for money or other valuable thing <u>RESERVED</u>.

#### § 3-2.17. CONCEALED WEAPONS.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, and without lawful authority, have concealed upon his person any offensive or dangerous weapon <u>RESERVED.</u>

## § 3-2.18. CARRYING IMPLEMENTS WITH THE INTENT TO BREAK AND ENTER.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, have upon his person any picklock, key, crow, jack, bit or other implement with an intent to break and enter into any building, or have upon his or her person any pistol, hanger, cutlass, bludgeon or other offensive or dangerous weapon with intent to assault any person; and no person shall hide or be found in or near any dwelling house, warehouse, stable, barn, garage, schoolhouse or any place of public resort or assemblage for business, worship, amusement or other lawful purposes, with an intent to steal any goods or chattels-RESERVED.

# § 3-2.19. DEFACING SCHOOL PROPERTY; DISTURBING STUDENTS AND TEACHERS.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, enter the building or go upon the lands of any public school, and break, injure or deface such building or any part thereof or the fences, structures or outhouses belonging to or connected with such building or lands, and  $\underline{N}$  o person shall disturb the exercises of any public school or molest or give annoyance to the children attending such school, or annoy any teacher therein.

# § 3-2.20. DISTURBING LIBRARIES OR READING ROOMS through § 3-2.23. USE OF STREET FOR STORAGE OF BUILDING MATERIAL.

No Changes.

## § 3-2.24. OBSTRUCTING OFFICER IN HIS DUTY.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, hinder or obstruct any Borough officer in the performance of his duties, nor shall any person willfully refuse or neglect to assist any Borough officer when lawfully called upon by him so to do in the execution of any process or in the suppression of any breach of the peace or disorderly conduct or in case of an escape, or when such officer is resisted in the discharge of his duty; nor shall any person knowingly resist or oppose any officer or person authorized by law in serving or attempting to serve any writ, bill, order or process, or when making any arrest, either with or without a warrant RESERVED.

## § 3-2.25. DESTROYING POLICE OR FIRE ALARMS AND BELLS.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, intentionally, willfully or maliciously destroy or injure any of the wires, posts, machines, bells, sirens, boxes, locks or other apparatus of any fire or police alarm system; nor shall any person intentionally, willfully or maliciously interfere with the same or any part thereof with intent to create a false alarm or obstruct the efficient operation of the same or any part thereof, or hinder or impede any of the operations intended to be accomplished thereby; nor shall any person intentionally, willfully or maliciously cause a false alarm of fire to be given in any manner RESERVED.

# § 3-2.26. HINDERING POLICE AND FIREMEN DURING FIRES.

No person shall, within the limits of the Borough, during an alarm of fire, hinder, prevent or deter by any device whatsoever, any fireman, police officer or other person from rendering lawful assistance in abating or quelling such fire, or hinder or interfere with any fireman or police officer from going to or returning from the place where any building or other property is on fire, or from which an alarm proceeds; nor shall any person hinder or obstruct the passage of any fire engine, hook or ladder truck, hose cart or any fire apparatus in going to or from the place from which an alarm or fire proceeds, or where any building or other property may be burning RESERVED.

# § 3-2.27. PERMIT REQUIRED TO DISTRIBUTE PAMPHLETS AND CIRCULARS.

No Changes.

## § 3-2.28. FIGHTS; RIOTS; DISTURBING THE PEACE.

No person shall engage in, or attempt or offer to engage in, or aid, abet or participate in any fight, assault, quarrel, brawl, battery, altercation, disturbance, riot or unruly, boisterous, noisy, unlawful or disorderly assemblage, or shall any person in any way breach or disturb the peace RESERVED.

## § 3-2.29. DISCHARGING FIREARMS.

No person shall fire or discharge any pistol, revolver, rifle, gun, air-gun or fowling piece, or any kind of firearm or cannon, in, on or along any street, sidewalk, footpath, park or other public place within the limits of the Borough except when expressly permitted by law RESERVED.

## § 3-2.30. DESTROYING STREET LIGHTS.

No person shall in any way injure, destroy, break, mutilate, deface or tamper with any street light, pole or fixture, or any part thereof, in any street, park or other public place within the limits of the Borough RESERVED.

# § 3-2.31. AFFIXING NOTICES OR ADVERTISEMENTS; PERMISSION REQUIRED through § 3-2.33. TAMPERING WITH FIRE HYDRANTS.

No Changes.

#### § 3-2.34. NONPAYMENT OF FARE.

No person shall within the limits of the Borough travel on any auto bus or taxicab without having paid his fare, with intent to avoid payment thereof <u>RESERVED</u>.

## § 3-2.35. ABANDON MOTOR VEHICLES AND JUNK.

No Changes.

# § 3-2.36. INTENT TO DEFRAUD INNKEEPER.

No person shall obtain food, lodging or other accommodation or service at any hotel, inn, boarding or eating house or restaurant with intent to defraud the owner or keeper thereof RESERVED.

#### § 3-2.37. CONDUCT PROHIBITED.

Riotous conduct, indecent conduct, breaches of the peace, vagrancy and prostitution not hereinbefore mentioned are hereby prohibited within the limits of the Borough RESERVED.

# § 3-2.38. PAYMENT OF FINES.

No Changes.

# § 3-3. MINIMUM CLEAR SIGHT REQUIRED AT STREET INTERSECTIONS through § 3-16. CONSTRUCTION AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY – HOURS OF OPERATION.

No Changes.

#### **SECTION 3.**

If any section, subsection, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or

invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

#### **SECTION 4.**

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

Councilmember Kingsbery moved the adoption of this Ordinance in first reading and schedule the public hearing. Motion seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Pomphrey.

# RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE BOROUGH'S 2024 SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION PROGRAM TO NATIONAL WATER MAIN CLEANING COMPANY.

## 2024-1112-128

Councilmember Kingsbery offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE BOROUGH'S 2024 SANITARY SEWER REHABILITATION PROGRAM TO NATIONAL WATER MAIN CLEANING COMPANY

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2024, two (2) sealed bids were received for the 2024 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Program, which consists of the cleaning, televised inspection, testing and sealing of pipe joints within approximately 34,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has reviewed the bids and considered the recommendations of the Borough Engineer and Borough Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds the lowest responsible bidder, National Water Main Cleaning Company, of 1806 Newark Turnpike, Kearny, NJ 07032 in the amount of \$696,275.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Rumson has been awarded Federal COVID-19 response and recovery funds also known as The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA); and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Program is an eligible project for funding as defined within the ARPA regulations; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Program documents comply with, but not limited to the following: Federal and State Procurement Standards, Federal and State Equal Employment Opportunity, Federal and State Prevailing Wage, and Davis-Bacon Act: and

WHEREAS, the Borough Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available to award the contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson that it does hereby accept the bid of National Water Main Cleaning Company, 1806 Newark Turnpike, Kearny, New Jersey 07032 in the amount of \$696,275.00 as recommended by the Borough Engineer by memorandum dated November 8, 2024, which is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to execute the contract documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the contract be awarded subject to approval by the, the New Jersey of Labor, Office of Wage and Hour Compliance and the review and approval of bid documents by the Borough Attorney; and

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Casazza and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON FOR THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON, MONMOUTH COUNTY.

#### 2024-1112-129

Councilmember Conklin offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON FOR THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON, MONMOUTH COUNTY

WHEREAS, The Borough of Rumson's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan promotes an affordable housing program pursuant to the Fair Housing Act (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et. seq.), applicable Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") regulations and Uniform Housing Affordability Controls ("UHAC") regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is required to appoint a Municipal Housing Liaison ("MHL") to assist the Borough's affordable housing professionals with the administration of Rumson's affordable housing program, and to help enforce the requirements of applicable COAH and UHAC regulations, the Borough's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, and the Borough's affordable housing ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of Rumson Borough in the County of Rumson, and the State of New Jersey that Thomas S. Rogers, Borough Administrator, is hereby appointed by the Governing Body of Rumson Borough as the Municipal Housing Liaison for the administration of the affordable housing program, pursuant to and in accordance with Chapter 23-17 of Rumson Borough's Code.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Casazza and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# RESOLUTION AMENDING INTERLOCAL SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON, FAIR HAVEN AND LITTLE SILVER CONSTRUCTION SERVICES.

# 2024-1112-130

Councilmember Casazza offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION AMENDING INTERLOCAL SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON, FAIR HAVEN AND LITTLE SILVER CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Fair Haven and the Borough of Little Silver have the continued need for a Building and Construction Department; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Service Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 authorizes joint activities among municipalities, and was enacted with the intent to facilitate and promote Interlocal Service Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Rumson has the facility and personnel to manage a Building and Construction Department and wishes to extend and enter into a new Interlocal Service Agreement with the Borough of Fair Haven and the Borough of Little Silver to manage such a Department; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Fair Haven wishes to modify this agreement by utilizing SDL and its cloud format for other purposes within The Borough; and

WHEREAS, said modifications will see the Borough of Fair Haven become fully responsible for all Fair Haven data stored within the SDL database system; and

WHEREAS, The Rumson Borough Administrator recommends the Rumson Borough Council execute an amended contract detailing these modifications to the original Interlocal Service Agreement; and

WHEREAS, modifications to the SDL system will have no impact on how the Borough of Little Silver data is accessed and stored; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson to enter into a modified Interlocal Services Agreement with the Borough of Fair Haven and the Borough of Little Silver for management of the joint Building and Construction Department, providing The Borough of Fair Haven with full access, control and responsibility over the Fair Haven Borough data stored within the SDL system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Administrator of the Borough of Rumson are hereby authorized to enter into said agreement.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Kingsbery carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF VEHICLES TO THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT AS A SHARED SERVICE.

# 2024-1112-131

Councilmember Kingsbery offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF VEHICLES TO THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT AS A SHARED SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Rumson has two vehicles that are no longer be needed by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oceanport has requested that they be allowed to purchase said vehicles from the Borough of Rumson; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oceanport has offered to purchase the following:

- 2000 International 4700 Single Axle Dump truck with 11' Gledhill fixed angle plow, last 4 digits of VIN#0778 36,090 miles
- 2005 Ford F550 Superduty with Western 9' Pro Plus Plow, last 4 digits of Vin#9314 106,572 miles; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Rumson has agreed to accept the offers made to The Borough of Rumson; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson hereby agree to sell both vehicles to the Borough of Oceanport for a total of \$24,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Borough of Oceanport with an invoice in the amount of \$24,000 for payment; and

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

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

## RESOLUTION CANCELLING 2024 PROPERTY TAXES FOR BLOCK 16, LOT 10.

# 2024-1112-132

Councilmember Kingsbery offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION CANCELLING 2024 PROPERTY TAXES FOR BLOCK 16, LOT 10

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2024 the United States of America, Department of Veterans Affairs notified Jonathan Allen of 100% Disabled status as of August 20, 2018; and WHEREAS, Jonathan Allen purchased 37 Buena Vista Avenue, Block 16 Lot 10, on February 23,2024; and

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2024 Jonathan Allen submitted a claim for Property Tax Exemption on Dwelling House of Disabled Veteran for their property located at 37 Buena Vista Avenue, also known as Block 16 Lot 10; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2024 the Rumson Tax Assessor, Erick Aguiar, approved said Claim for Property Tax Exemption on Dwelling House of Disabled Veteran effective February 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Helen L. Graves recommends canceling 2024 property taxes in the amount of \$45,287.35; and

WHEREAS, Helen L. Graves recommends canceling 2025 original preliminary property taxes in the amount of \$26,490.20; and

WHEREAS, on May 23, 2024 ownership transferred to Jaech Consulting, LLC, effectively making the property ineligible for the exemption; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Rumson Tax Assessor, Erick Aguiar, generated a 2024 Added Assessment billing the property effective June 1, 2024 in the amount of \$30,905.24; and

WHEREAS, the added assessment also generated 2025 preliminary billing in the amount of \$26,490.20.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson that 2024 property taxes, in the amount of \$45,287.35, for Block 106, Lot 3 be cancelled; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson that 2025 original preliminary property taxes, in the amount of \$26,490.20, for Block 106, Lot 3 be cancelled; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Borough Chief Financial Officer and the Monmouth County Tax Board Administrator.

Seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey and carried upon the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

#### RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER.

# 2024-1112-133

Councilmember Pomphrey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

WHEREAS, Helen L. Graves, Chief Financial Officer for the Borough of Rumson, is retiring December 1, 2024;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Rumson has a need for a Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, The Borough of Rumson Administrator/Clerk and Finance Committee conducted interviews to fill the position upon Graves' retirement;

WHEREAS, Matthew Palmer interviewed for the position and holds the qualifications necessary to fill the role;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson hereby appoint Matthew Palmer to fill the unexpired four-year term as Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Rumson pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.13, such term to expire on December 31, 2026, as of December 1, 2024 with an annual salary of \$140,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Payroll Clerk.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Casazza and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MICHELE CARNESI MUNICIPAL TAX COLLECTOR.

#### 2024-1112-134

#### RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MICHELE CARNESI MUNICIPAL TAX COLLECTOR

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-142 states that the Borough of Rumson shall appoint a Municipal Tax Collector for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2024 next following his appointment; and

WHEREAS, Helen L. Graves was appointed to a four-year term as Municipal Tax Collector of the Borough of Rumson, such term expired on December 31, 2027;

WHEREAS, Helen L. Graves will be retiring from The Borough of Rumson;

WHEREAS, Michele Carnesi has the credentials to hold the title of Municipal Tax Collector;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Rumson hereby appoint Michele Carnesi to fill the four-year term as Municipal Tax Collector of the Borough of Rumson pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-142 through December 31, 2027.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Michele Carnesi's annual salary be \$80,000.00 as of December 1, 2024.

Resolution moved for adoption by Councilmember Pomphrey. Motion seconded by Councilmember Smith and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE SUM OF \$2,700,000 AUTHORIZED BY ONE BOND ORDINANCE HERETOFORE ADOPTED TO FINANCE SANITARY SEWER REPAIRS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER DETAILS OF SAID ISSUE.

## 2024-1112-135

Councilmember Kingsbery offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE SUM OF \$2,700,000 AUTHORIZED BY ONE BOND ORDINANCE HERETOFORE ADOPTED TO FINANCE SANITARY SEWER REPAIRS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER DETAILS OF SAID ISSUE

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Rumson, County of Monmouth, New Jersey (the "Borough") has heretofore adopted bond ordinance numbered 24-005 to finance part of the costs of sanitary sewer repairs in, by and for the Borough (the "Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough has not previously funded all of the bonds authorized by the Ordinance and it is desirable to issue bond anticipation notes pursuant to the Ordinance in accordance

with the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey (the "Local Bond Law"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough intends to issue notes authorized under the Ordinance (the "Notes") in a principal amount not exceeding \$2,700,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Notes shall be issued as one issue and at such time as shall be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough (the "Chief Financial Officer") and shall be in such denomination or denominations, shall bear such number or numbers, such date or dates of issue, redemption and maturity, and such redemption price or prices, as may be determined in the manner and in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Notes shall be entitled "Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2024C" or any other designation determined by the Chief Financial Officer.

SECTION 2. That the Notes shall be an interest-free internal note of the Borough.

SECTION 3. That the Notes shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor of the Borough and the Chief Financial Officer and the corporate seal of the Borough shall be affixed thereto, attested by the manual signature of the Clerk of the Borough, and shall be in substantially the form as attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof.

SECTION 4. That the Chief Financial Officer be and she hereby is authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the Notes not determined by this or a subsequent resolution and her signature upon the Notes shall be conclusive as to such determinations.

SECTION 5. That the Notes issued pursuant to this resolution shall be a general obligation of the Borough, and the Borough's full faith and credit are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said obligations and, unless otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

SECTION 6. That the Mayor of the Borough, the Chief Financial Officer, the Borough Administrator and the Clerk of the Borough are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary for the delivery of the Notes.

SECTION 7. That all actions, if any, taken by the Chief Financial Officer, the Borough Administrator, the Mayor of the Borough, the Clerk of the Borough and bond counsel prior to the adoption of this Resolution in connection with the issuance of the Notes are hereby ratified in all respects.

SECTION 8. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# RESOLUTION APPOINTING TAX SEARCH OFFICER.

# 2024-1112-136

Councilmember Pomphrey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

#### RESOLUTION APPOINTING TAX SEARCH OFFICER

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-11 requires the Governing Body to designate, by resolution, a bonded official of the municipality to make examinations of its records as to unpaid municipal liens and to certify the result thereof; and

WHEREAS, Helen Graves will be retiring from The Borough of Rumson on December 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Michele Carnesi is The Borough of Rumson's current Deputy Tax Collector; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, hereby appoint Michele Carnesi to the position of Tax Search Officer until such time a resolution stating otherwise is adopted; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Tax Search Officer.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Casazza and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# RESOLUTION SETTING BID THRESHOLD AND APPOINTING AN INTERIM QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT.

#### 2024-1112-137

Councilmember Pomphrey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION SETTING BID THRESHOLD AND APPOINTING AN INTERIM QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A11-3a permits an increase in the bid and quote thresholds, up to \$44,000.00 and \$6,600.00 respectively, if a Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq., established criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, Helen L. Graves was appointed as The Borough's Qualified Purchasing Agent in January of 2024; and

WHEREAS, Helen L. Graves will be retiring on December 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, newly appointed Rumson CMFO Matthew Palmer has the experience to hold this position and will be completing the necessary courses to become a certified Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Rumson that Matthew Palmer be appointed as the Interim Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Kingsbery and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lopsinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# **CONSENT AGENDA:**

None.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

Borough Hall will be closed on Thursday, November 28th and on Friday, November 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be no garbage collection on Thanksgiving Day, November 28th and collection will be on the next regular collection day. However, there will be garbage collection on the day after Thanksgiving, Friday, November 29th for those scheduled for Friday collection. Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

Please remember that the Borough prohibits all vehicles from parking overnight (prohibited 3:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.) on Borough streets starting December 1st and continuing through March 31st. This is to allow for proper salting and snow removal from our streets.

The Borough's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting at Victory Park will be held on Sunday, December 8th at 5:00 p.m. We hope to see you for this very special family event to kick off your holiday season.

The employees of the Rumson Department of Public Works will be holding their Annual Toy Drive again this year. A new, unwrapped gift or a gift card for a boy or girl can be dropped off at the Public Works Garage behind Borough Hall on Friday, December 13th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday, December 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We ask that you help to make this year's DPW Annual Toy Drive a great success.

The next Regular Meeting of the Borough Council will be on Tuesday, December 10th at 7:30 p.m. The meeting agenda will be posted to the Borough of Rumson website at www.rumsonnj.gov at least 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting.

#### FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

The Financial Officer's Report disclosed the following as of October 31, 2024:

# BOROUGH OF RUMSON CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL Analysis of Cash for the Month Ending: October 31, 2024

	FUNDS	Beginning Balance	Cash Receipts	Disbursements	Ending Balance
1.	CURRENT FUND				
	Current Fund Checking	18,671,816.88	3,416,539.30	(4,488,134.28)	17,600,221.90
	Change Funds	300.00			300.00
	Investments Rumson BAN	2,575,925.00		(194,973.00)	2,380,952.00
	Total Current Fund	21,248,041.88	3,416,539.30	(4,683,107.28)	19,981,473.90
2.	CAPITAL FUND				-
	Capital Fund Checking	7,245,106.13	3,003,424.30	(310,132.74)	9,938,397.69
	Total Capital Fund	7,245,106.13	3,003,424.30	(310,132.74)	9,938,397.69

	Payroll	2,981.86	337,047.69	(337,047.69)	2,981.86
	Payroll Agency	10,981.57	197,597.62	(197,597.62)	10,981.57
	Total Payroll & Payroll Agency	13,963.43	534,645.31	(534,645.31)	13,963.43
4.	TRUST FUNDS				
	Trust Fund Checking	647,062.47	1,502.00	(9,490.00)	639,074.47
	Unemployment Trust	77,448.47	245.85	(222.00)	77,472.32
	Recreation Trust	693,471.43	23,130.00	(13,680.90)	702,920.53
	C.O.A.H. Trust	3,605,594.71	31,321.13	(9,684.71)	3,627,231.13
	Law Enforcement Trust Fund	487.05	1.55	0.00	488.60
	LEAD (formerly DARE)	17,346.55	55.18		17,401.73
	Cafeteria Plan	5,660.24		(785.21)	4,875.03
	Animal Control Trust Fund	35,068.80	51.00	(3,874.00)	31,245.80
	Total Trust Funds	5,082,139.72	56,306.71	(37,736.82)	5,100,709.61
	TOTAL ALL FUNDS	33,589,251.16	7,010,915.62	(5,565,622.15)	35,034,544.63

Respectfully submitted by:

# Helen L. Graves

Helen L. Graves, Chief Financial Officer

On motion by Councilmember Casazza, seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey, the Financial Officer's Report was ordered received and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# CONSIDERATION OF BILLS AND CLAIMS (RESOLUTION):

Councilmember Casazza offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

Vendor Name	Amount
POSTMASTER	530.00
JEFFREY AHMANN	225.00
AMERICANWEAR INDUST UNIFORMS	886.64
AMERICANWEAR INDUST UNIFORMS	36.00
GANNETT NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY	462.76
ROBERT BOYER	624.67
BURKE FIRE LLC	650.00
CAMPBELL SUPPLY CO INC	548.37
BRIAN RICHARD CARR,JR	325.00
ANDREW CASAZZA	60.00
ANDREW CAVISE	375.00
JADEN CAVISE	180.00
COMCAST	2,232.72
CROSS OVER NETWORKS	1,243.93
DELTA DENTAL OF NEW JERSEY INC	3,784.44
DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS	5,326.08
CHRISTOPHER ECONOMOU	270.00

NICHOLAS ECONOMOU	120.00
FAIR HAVEN HARDWARE INC	162.69
BRADY FLAHERTY	560.00
JARRETT FLAHERTY	60.00
BRIAN J. HAND	38.34
JCP&L ICP&L	4,089.99
KEPWEL NATURAL SPRING WATER	5,123.61 335.50
DARYL J KOCHEL	74.16
CARSON MEMMOTT	210.00
MR JOHN INC	449.85
COLIN MURPHY	40.00
NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER	8,038.55
NJ NATURAL GAS CO.	304.89
BENJAMIN M PADULA	275.00
JUDE PASSALAQUA	80.00
RICOH USA, INC.	529.03
THOMAS S ROGERS	422.27
THOMAS S ROGERS	426.48
JAKE SILVA	225.00
TRAFFIC SAFETY SERVICES	366.00
TREASURER - STATE OF NJ	758.28
TREAS.,STATE OF NJ DCA	140.00
UpCODES, INC	468.00
VERIZON	76.84
VERIZON	522.84
VERIZON	84.95
VERIZON WIRELESS	544.13
VERIZON WIRELESS	102.60
VERIZON BUSINESS FIOS	144.99
JOSEPH WHITEHOUSE	180.00
TEDDY WHITEHOUSE	225.00
CRAIG WOEHNKER	300.00
SEAN YABLONSKI	560.00
STEVEN KONRAD	385.00
WOODWARD CONSTRUCTION CO.	3,600.00
WOODWARD CONSTRUCTION CO.	33,479.80
WOODWARD CONSTRUCTION CO.	603.08
ACTION DATA SERVICES,INC	1,880.79
ALDO DESIGN GROUP	2,127.38
ALLIED OIL, LLC	6,641.55
AMERICAN RED CROSS	200.00
ANCHOR RUBBER STAMP	73.50
APPALACHIA HYDROGEOLOGIC &	1,347.75
GANNETT NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY	465.40
AT NORTHERN NEW JERSEY,LLC	3,256.52
IDSAUTOSHRED NJ	970.00
BLOODGOOD LAW ENFORCEMENT	350.00
BOROUGH OF EATONTOWN	1,000.00
BUILDERS GENERAL SUPPLY CO	92.77
BUTCH'S AUTO. CAR WASH, INC.	91.00
CENTRAL TOWING	595.00
CGP&H,LLC	3,370.67
CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI	612.50
CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI	2,030.00
CONNER STRONG & BUCKELEW	16,304.00
MONMOUTH COUNTY TREASURER	2,498,870.88
MONMOUTH COUNTY TREASURER	159,930.69
MONMOUTH COUNTY TREASURER	380,353.95
CRANMER ENGINEERING, PA	1,066.25

CRANMER ENGINEERING, PA	1,346.00
CRANMER ENGINEERING, PA	5,986.14
CRANMER ENGINEERING, PA	5,127.50
CRANMER ENGINEERING, PA	56,667.00
DILWORTH PAXSON LLP	1,143.00
D&W DIESEL INC	759.67
DYNAMIC TESTING SERVICE	93.00
FAIR HAVEN HARDWARE INC	134.83
GLENCO SUPPLY INC.	2,182.00
GLOBE PETROLEUM INC	2,698.86
WW GRAINGER INC	42.59
WW GRAINGER INC	61.03
HOFFMAN SERVICES INC CHARLES HOFFMANN	400.00 632.64
HYDRAIR POWER CRIMP LLC	
IASPAN HARDWARF	3,882.62 99.16
JERSEY SHORE REGIONAL HEALTH	460.00
JESCO, INC.	
•	4,496.12
JESCO, INC. JESCO, INC.	2,335.94
•	9.22
JESCO, INC.	81.30
JOHN GUIRE SUPPLY,LLC	3,847.20
JOHN GUIRE SUPPLY,LLC	813.91
JOHN GUIRE SUPPLY,LLC	377.58 742.66
KINTECH,INC DARYL J KOCHEL	53.30
KYLE MCMANUS ASSOCIATES LLC	3,822.00
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES,INC	110.70
LAWES OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT	38.24
LAWES OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT	47.05
LAWN GIANT, INC	5,000.00
MICHELE A MACPHERSON	260.00
DAVID MARKS	886.40
DAVID MARKS	1,023.50
MAZZA RECYCLING SERVICES, LTD	5,358.48
MAZZA MULCH,INC	19,716.00
JEREMY MCBAINE	73.53
MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL	1,073.16
MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	467.00
MONMOUTH COUNTY TAX ADMIN.	1,058.07
MONMOUTH COUNTY TREASURER	200.00
NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER	13,926.99
NJ DEPT HEALTH/SR SERVICES	9.00
NJ DIVISION OF A.B.C.	33.00
NJ NATURAL GAS CO.	747.26
STATE OF NJ PENSIONS/ACTIVE	103,098.74
STATE OF NJ PENSIONS/RETIREE	75,005.26
ONE CALL CONCEPTS	381.05
PA TURNPIKE	28.20
POWERHOUSE SIGNWORKS	140.00
PRECISE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	33,911.43
PUMPING SERVICES INC	4,473.00
PUMPING SERVICES INC	1,364.39
MICHAEL A PURAZZO	675.00
QUALITY ELECTRICAL CONST CO.	1,500.00
QUADIENT LEASING USA,INC	362.34
RAYMOND A RAYA	233.33
RUMSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIST	4,366,224.50
RFH REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL	3,272,176.50
RYSER'S LANDSCAPE SUPPLY YARD	75.00

SANITATION EQUIPMENT CORP	324.63
SEABOARD WELDING SUPPLY, INC	380.42
SERVICE TIRE TRUCK CENTER,INC	361.00
SERVICE TIRE TRUCK CENTER, INC	1,631.50
SHORE AUTO SUPPLY,INC	4,716.14
SIP'S PAINT & HARDWARE	481.04
SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY	399.80
SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY	218.18
SMARTSIGN	904.50
MICHELE SMALLZE	15.00
STAVOLA ASPHALT CO. INC.	252.60
MICHAEL B STEIB, PA	1,260.00
MICHAEL B STEIB, PA	1,680.00
STEWART'S PLUMBING	188.56
STEWART'S PLUMBING	162.50
STEPHAN L GREEN TRAILERS	160.00
STEVE'S MOBILE MARINE LLC	778.63
SUBURBAN DISPOSAL INC.,	103,500.00
SUBURBAN DISPOSAL INC.,	54,336.34
SURENIAN EDWARDS BUZAK & NOLAN	6,021.48
SWANK MOTION PICTURES,INC	510.00
TARGETED TECHNOLOGIES LLC	5,179.81
T & M ASSOCIATES	6,921.87
T & M ASSOCIATES	5,316.00
TOM'S FORD	176.32
TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	75.00
UGI ENERGY SERVICES,LLC	91.28
U-LINE INC.	269.23
U-LINE INC.	59.57
US POSTAL SERVICE	222.00
ANTHONY J. VECCHIO	1,082.50
VERIZON	84.95
VERIZON WIRELESS	86.93
WAGEWORKS	100.00
GEORGE WALL LINCOLN	930.10
WOODWARD CONSTRUCTION CO.	1,667.50
Y-PERS, INC.	296.26
Y-PERS, INC.	140.72
	11,372,452.83

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Lospinuso, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: None.

# **COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL:**

Councilmember Casazza spoke at this time. Casazza thanked everyone for the work they did for the Rumson Veterans Day Ceremony. Councilmember Lospinuso seconded Casazza's comments, stating that Satchel Ryan, the keynote speaking for the 2024 Veterans Day Ceremony, shared his appreciation, providing thanks to everyone. Mayor Hemphill also wanted to thank the Rumson Department of Public Works for their efforts in making sure the park was in great condition for the event.

Councilmember Conklin spoke at this time. Conklin took the opportunity to share a story about Rumson CMFO Helen Graves, highlighting some of her great qualities that made her an

asset to The Borough of Rumson for so many years. The two lasting qualities Conklin highlighted were her integrity and how conscientious she was about her work. Conklin also recommended The Borough recognize Helen during the 2025 Borough Reorganization Meeting. Mayor Hemphill added that Graves will be sorely missed.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Stu Sendell of 7D Lafayette Street spoke at this time. Sendell reflected on his recent attendance at Rumson Planning Board meeting, stating that he is not surprised at the quality of work that the planners are putting into the Rumson Affordable Housing Projects and the value the Rumson Affordable Housing projects will bring to The Borough starting in 2025. Sendell shared his concern for the way certain affordable housing agents are operating and asked for The Borough's assistance in locating the required approved methods of operations filed with the DCA by DCP&H, which outlines how tenants are selected for Affordable Housing units.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilmember Pomphrey made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Councilmember Casazza. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas S. Rogers
Municipal Clerk/Administrator