

TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
SECOND FLOOR MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021

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MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
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1. Regular Meeting of the Wyckoff Township Committee called to order by Mayor Melissa D. Rubenstein
2. Flag Salute
3. Invocation
4. Reading of the "Open Public Meetings Act" statement by Nancy A. Brown

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act NJSA10:4-6 et seq., and in consideration of Executive Order #103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency in the State of New Jersey, the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff does hereby notify the public that to protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens while ensuring the continued functioning of government, this meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff scheduled for 8:00 pm, Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at Wyckoff Town Hall, 340 Franklin Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481 will be live-streamed via the Township of Wyckoff's YouTube channel and members of the public may call 201-891-7000, ext. #222 should they wish to provide public comment during the public comment period. Members of the public may also email their public comments to wyckoffclerk@wyckoff-nj.com before 3:00 pm on the day of the meeting. These comments will be read at the meeting during the public comment period.

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5. Roll Call of the Township Committee Members Present:

BOONSTRA YES MADIGAN YES MELCHIONNE YES
SHANLEY YES RUBENSTEIN YES

6. Reading of any written public comments received via email to the Municipal Clerk before 3:00 pm today.

7. Request motion to open the Public Comment Period:

Public Comment period, five (5) minutes per speaker for public comment on any governmental issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the Township of Wyckoff.

Please call 201-891-7000, ext. #222 if you wish to make a comment.

MOTION: SHANLEY SECOND BOONSTRA
BOONSTRA YES MADIGAN YES MELCHIONNE YES
SHANLEY YES RUBENSTEIN YES

Request motion to close the Public Comment Period:

MOTION: SHANLEY SECOND BOONSTRA
BOONSTRA YES MADIGAN YES MELCHIONNE YES
SHANLEY YES RUBENSTEIN YES

8. Approval of the April 27, 2021 Township Committee Work Session and Regular Business meeting minutes:

MOTION: SHANLEY SECOND MELCHIONNE
BOONSTRA YES MADIGAN YES MELCHIONNE YES
SHANLEY YES RUBENSTEIN YES

9. Public Hearing: Submission of 2021 Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Park Improvement Grant Application.

This application includes the following improvements:

At Russell Farms Community Park, Block 377, Lot 18.05, located at 594 Russell Avenue – Construction/Installation of Flexi-Pave materials on the area of the walking trail that is not already improved with the flexi-paved material.

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Request motion to open the Public Hearing:

MOTION: SHANLEY SECOND BOONSTRA
BOONSTRA YES MADIGAN YES MELCHIONNE YES
SHANLEY YES RUBENSTEIN YES

Public input heard here.

Request motion to close the Public Hearing:

MOTION: SHANLEY SECOND BOONSTRA
BOONSTRA YES MADIGAN YES MELCHIONNE YES
SHANLEY YES RUBENSTEIN YES

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

I Resolutions (Adoption of the following):

#21-195	Endorsement of ECCR Community Development Project
#21-196	Honor & Remember Month
#21-197	Approval of Vouchers & Authorization to Pay Bills
#21-198	Return of Certain Overpaid Taxes, etc.
#21-199	Authorize Application for 2021 Municipal Park Improvement Grant
#21-200	National Police Week

II Ordinances – For Introduction

Madame Mayor, I have **ORDINANCE #1937** for introduction which is

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC QUESTION, WHICH IF APPROVED BY THE VOTERS WOULD CONTINUE THE EXISTING ANNUAL TAX LEVY TO FUND THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.7

III Motions

A. Approve and memorialize the application of Daniel Murphy from Junior Firefighter to Probationary Firefighter with Fire Company #1, effective May 9, 2021.

B. Approve specifications and authorize advertised, sealed, competitive bidding: Mountain Avenue Repaving and Annual Road Resurfacing.

C. Approve Proclamation for the Wyckoff Free Public Library and their Celebration of 100 Years of Service to the Community.

Clerk: May I have a motion and a second to approve the consent agenda?

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The Following vote is the vote on the Consent Agenda:

MOTION:	BOONSTRA	SECOND	SHANLEY
BOONSTRA	YES	MADIGAN	YES
SHANLEY	YES	RUBENSTEIN	YES

11. Ordinances – Public Hearing / Further Consideration:

NONE

12. Adjourn

Chairwoman: May I have a motion to and a second to adjourn the Business Meeting?

MOTION:	BOONSTRA	SECOND	SHANLEY
BOONSTRA	YES	MADIGAN	YES
SHANLEY	YES	RUBENSTEIN	YES

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS MAY BE PAID AT ALL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
WORK SESSION MEETINGS AND ALL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETINGS

FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN DURING THIS MEETING

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

As a member of the public, participating in this public meeting, your participation will be recorded. By participating in the meeting, it is assumed your consent is given for your voice, name, address, comments and image to be broadcast and recorded.

There may be situations where, due to technical difficulties, live streaming or the recording of a meeting may not be available. For example, if the connectivity between the live streaming software and the YouTube channel is not operating; in that situation, the public's right to make public comment in written form is extended to 10:00 am the day after the meeting, to allow the meeting to be conducted and the continuity of local government to proceed. A recording of the meeting will be posted no later than the next business day after the meeting date on the Township's website where recordings are customarily posted. The Township shall not be responsible for and accepts no liability if the recording or live video streaming of the meeting is unavailable.

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Due to the Covid-19 Public Health Emergency, members of the public will not have access to Town Hall.

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Mayor Melissa D. Rubenstein opened the Open Work Session Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the second-floor municipal court room.

Nancy Brown, Acting Municipal Clerk read the Open Public Work Session statement: "This Open Public Work Session Meeting of the Wyckoff Township Committee is now in session. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting appears on our Annual Schedule of meetings. A copy of said Annual Schedule has been posted on the Bulletin Board in Memorial Town Hall; a copy has been filed with the Municipal Clerk, The Record, The Ridgewood News and the North Jersey Herald and News – all newspapers having general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff. At least 48 hours prior to this meeting the Agenda thereof was similarly posted, filed and mailed to said newspapers. The Agenda with the resolutions and ordinances to be considered was posted on the Township's website at "Minutes & Agendas" on the Friday prior to this evening's meeting."

Present: Mayor Melissa D. Rubenstein, Committeemen Rudolf E. Boonstra, Thomas J. Madigan, Peter J. Melchionne and Timothy E. Shanley
Also Present: Township Administrator Robert J. Shannon, Acting Municipal Clerk Nancy Brown and Township Attorney Robert Landel

Mayor Rubenstein confirmed that the Finance Committee has reviewed and signed vouchers.

Acting Municipal Clerk Brown advised that no written comments have been received prior to this evening's meeting.

Mayor Rubenstein opened the meeting for the ten (10) minute public comment period, two (2) minutes per speaker for public comment on any governmental issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the Township of Wyckoff. Please call 201-891-7000, ext. 222 if you wish to make a public comment at this time. Motion from Committeeman Shanley, seconded by Committeeman Melchionne, all voting yes to open the ten (10) minute public comment period.

There were no public comments.

Committeeman Shanley motioned to close the public comment period, seconded by Committeeman Melchionne with an affirmative voice vote.

Review of the 8:00 p.m. Business Agenda:

The Administrator reported that this evening's Agenda is as submitted inclusive of referenced resolutions and ordinances.

1. Ordinance #1937 was distributed for introduction after revisions performed by the Township Attorney.
2. A public hearing is required with regard to the 2021 Open Space Grant Application for park improvements to complete the recreational walking path along the perimeter of Russell Farms Community Park. This grant application is the sixth grant application resulting after the purchase of the five (5) acre park and various improvements have been completed for open space passive recreational enjoyment. The grant application is due on Friday, May 14, 2021.
3. The Administrator wished to advise and recognize the talents of the Municipal Clerk's Office (Nancy, Anna & Maryellen) who prepared the April 27, 2021 Work Session and Business Meeting Minutes for governing

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body approval this evening in record time. These minutes are next posted on our website the next day, are an integral obligation to municipal transparency.

4. A proclamation will be presented to the Wyckoff Free Public Library recognizing their 100th Anniversary on Friday, May 14, 2021.
5. Resolution #21-200 has been adding to the agenda to recognize "National Police Week."

Policy Action Items:

1. The Administrator reported that at the last business meeting, the governing body adopted an ordinance authorizing improvements funded by the 2020 Bergen County Open Space Grant. These improvements have begun and both the lightning detectors and the playground fencing are on order.
2. Next week, the Administrator will begin drafting the extensive 2021 Bergen County Open Space Grant Application.
3. The Administrator provided correspondence from the Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) relating to the Tier 3 Cyber Crime Precautions. The Township Committee was asked to appoint two (2) required persons and their titles to obtain this coverage.
4. Governor Murphy has signed a cost generative pension benefit law which will impact taxes for one (1) class of public employees.
5. The on-line software program to streamline the Building Department permits is moving forward. Compliments to the Building Department Staff for their full support with the new program.
6. The Township received a check for a \$1,000 grant from the Bergen County JIF for achieving 100% compliance with the JIF Safety Program. The Township In-House Safety Committee works diligently to keep employees safe and on the job and this accomplishment underscores the efficiency "metrix", that safety is a positive fiscal indicator.
7. A memo was provided in the packet from the Shade Tree Secretary regarding her efforts to explain the difference between the "Local Government" and the "County Government" concerning the responsibility and services in the respective unpaved right-of-way. Any governing body member requiring additional clarification may contact the Administrator to schedule a time to provide a "grand tour" of the issue.
8. Town Hall will be staffed from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 for Late Night Voter Registration as it is the last day to register to vote for the July 8, 2021 Primary Election. Thanks to Maryellen for willing to staff the Clerk's Office that evening.
9. The CDC has provided new guidelines for fully vaccinated individuals for outdoor settings with the exception of crowded settings.
10. The 2020 Census verified that the U.S. Population stands at 331,449,281.
11. The Larkin House window replacement upgrade, funded by a Bergen County Community Development Grant continues.

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12. The May 4, 2021 Township Committee Newsletter listed the meeting schedule through September. Please mark your calendars.
13. Thank yous are extended to the Township Committee for completing their JIF Training. A \$1,500 credit to our 2021 cost of insurance was obtained.
14. Governing body "volunteers" are requested for the Annual Fishing Derby on Saturday, June 5, 2021. The Administrator will not be available for this event, the first time in thirty-six (36) years.
15. Please consider filing the Annual Financial Disclosure Statement (AFD) early since the Clerk's Office dedicates significant time following up for 100% compliance. Mr. Shannon was the first to file the AFD.
16. Liquor license renewals are a significant dedication of the Municipal Clerk's time every year. The renewal process has begun.
17. The Administrator recognized Scott Fisher for completing the Annual Recycling Tonnage Report to the NJDEP.
18. Kudos to Mark DiGennaro for completing the upgrade to the Wayfair Circle sanitary ejector station with new technology.
19. In the weekly activities report, the Administrator reported on the progress of closing out the outstanding UCC permits and the resulting revenues. Significant time has been allotted to provide an update to the governing body in the regard. The Administrator complimented the UUC Support Staff of Cindy, Natalie, Hunter and Mr. Shannon's Secretary, Christine for their dedicated efforts in this regard.
20. The Administrator reviewed that Franklin Lakes is planning on providing informational programs to its residents regarding living in suburbia with wildlife. Since the Franklin Lakes Animal Control Officer is one and the same for Wyckoff and Oakland, the Administrator suggested that the program be extended to residents of all three (3) towns. The Township Committee considered this a positive program, where all three (3) towns could work together.
21. A request was submitted to Committeeman Madigan from the Wyckoff K-8 Board of Education Superintendent's Office to use the municipal website to distribute a survey. When these requests are received, the Township has a very specific policy that all requests are measured against to determine if they can be approved. It was mentioned that this survey closes on Thursday at end of day. The next E-News Communication would be sent this Thursday. Committeeman Boonstra indicated that both he and Mr. Madigan have served the community as elected members of the school boards. Typically, the governing body never got involved in school initiatives. A discussion resulted, whether this was practical due to the lateness of the request and the fact that the survey concludes this Thursday. After discussion, a consensus existed not to send the survey out on Thursday for a survey that closes on Thursday, as it is not practical.
22. The Administrator reported that in accordance with governing body instruction, he has been obtaining price quotes for gatekeepers to staff the Town Hall doors to implement a June opening to the public. Such opening to the public would be between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and limited and controlled to one (1) person per office at a time, with no more than fifteen (15) minutes in Town Hall, each. The Administrator advised that three (3) price quotes were received and the least expensive

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price quote is from a security firm that would provide gatekeepers. The members of the Personnel Committee requested that the review be vetted first at the Personnel Committee and requested the Administrator schedule a Personnel Committee Meeting, even though the governing body appeared to be in favor of this approach. The Personnel Committee will report to the governing body in this regard.

23. Committeeman Shanley indicated that he had several questions regarding the Administrator's report. With regard to the liquor license renewal process, could the Municipal Clerk's Office provide the status on the two (2) inactive liquor licenses. Ms. Brown, Acting Municipal Clerk advised that the first liquor license is owned by Gearhead Liquors, LLC. This entity has filed another application to the ABC for another two (2) year extension period to hold the license in abeyance. It is commonly known the liquor license owner is looking for a location to purchase to operate the license. With respect to the second liquor license, that license is a distribution license that is owned by the same family that owns the distribution license at Franklin Square. They also have another two (2) year extension through 2022.

At this time, Mayor Rubenstein extended Birthday Wishes to Committeeman Boonstra today.

Township Committee Reports:

Rudy Boonstra:

1. Mr. Boonstra has been participating with the Historic Preservation Commission to pursue a program entitled, "A Certified Local Government for Historic Preservation Matters." This would, among other things, allow the Historic Preservation Commission to qualify for historic preservation grants. Although Mr. Boonstra does not envision a downside, he is concerned about the amount of time required to pursue these grants. However, Mr. Boonstra will explore this program along with the Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission with assistance from the board members.
2. Mr. Boonstra reported that an application before the Zoning Board of Adjustment to place an electrical vehicle charging station at the Cedar Hill Shopping Center has been withdrawn. No reason was given for the application withdrawal.

Timothy Shanley:

1. Mr. Shanley, in his capacity as DPW Liaison, indicated that effective May 1, 2021, the Recycling Center will resume Summer hours. Therefore, the hours are as follows: Monday, Wednesday thru Friday & Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. until the end of August.
2. The Recreation Advisory Board will meet Monday, May 10, 2021 and reported that the vendor to install the lightning detection systems at Memorial Field, Pulis Field and Wyckoff Community Park has ordered the systems. The vendor expects installation to begin in June.

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Thomas Madigan:

1. Mr. Madigan gave a “shout out” to the Wyckoff Volunteer Firefighters as today is International Firefighter Day. The Township of Wyckoff has over 100 men and women who serve our community as volunteer firefighters. On behalf of the Township Committee and Residents, we thank them for their service.
2. Mr. Madigan participated in the Arbor Day Event at the Russell Farms Community Park last week with members of the Shade Tree Commission. Mr. Madigan appreciates the volunteer efforts provided by the members of the Shade Tree Commission specifically, planting a number of trees from the Russell Farms Community Park Tree Farm to other areas of the Russell Farms Community Park.
3. Mr. Madigan wished Rudy Boonstra a very Happy Birthday.

Peter Melchionne:

1. Mr. Melchionne also wished Mr. Boonstra a Happy Birthday.
2. The Annual Memorial Day Parade will be conducted this year as an opportunity to “get back to normal” and to honor and recognize our Hometown Heroes who gave their lives in times of war for our freedoms. The schedule for Monday, May 31, 2021 is as follows: 8:30 a.m. at Fire Company #1 for the Annual Firefighters Memorial Service; 10:00 a.m. on the Green of the Wyckoff Reformed Church for the Memorial Day Service; 11:30 a.m. the parade will begin along Wyckoff Avenue and will continue in a slightly different route. However, check-in for marchers, vehicle participation and bands will converge at the Cornerstone Christian Church.
3. Mr. Melchionne reported that the Military Tribute Banner Program has been very successful with fifty-seven (57) banners ordered. Mr. Melchionne thanked all the residents who purchased banners to honor servicemen. The banners will be installed on decorative light poles in the center of town before Memorial Day.

Mayor Rubenstein:

1. The Wyckoff Free Public Library will celebrate their 100th Anniversary on May 14, 2021. The Township Committee will adopt the following proclamation to recognize and celebrate the 100 years of service the Wyckoff Free Public Library has provided to our community:

WHEREAS,

the Wyckoff Free Public Library on May 14, 2021 will celebrate its 100th Anniversary serving the Wyckoff community; and

WHEREAS,

the Wyckoff Free Public Library located in the Memorial Town Hall Campus was enhanced with a grand re-opening on May 19, 2012 as an important public space to connect, discover and create; and

WHEREAS,

over the years, the Library has offered programs for all ages, outreach services, literacy initiatives, job seeker and small business resources, expanding information services, computer training, internet access and a general promotion

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of a love of reading and learning in our community enriching the lives of every resident; and

WHEREAS,

through times of recession and prosperity, war, peace and pandemics, the Wyckoff Free Public Library has continued to serve the residents of Wyckoff as a place of learning, culture and community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that 2021 shall be known as the "Year of the Library" in honor and recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the Wyckoff Free Public Library and our sincere gratitude is extended to its trustees, staff and volunteers, both past and present for their accomplishments, commitment and dedication to the Township of Wyckoff and its residents.

Witnessed by my hand and seal on
this 4th Day of May 2021

Wyckoff Township Committee
Melissa D. Rubenstein, Mayor
Rudolf E. Boonstra
Thomas J. Madigan
Peter J. Melchionne
Timothy E. Shanley

2. Mayor Rubenstein thanked Laura Leonard, Library Director and the Library Board of Trustees who volunteer to make the Wyckoff Free Public Library such a great place. The Library provides incredible programs and establishes a sense of community. All are welcome to visit this amazing facility. Committeeman Boonstra asked a historical question concerning the Library inquiring where the Library was previously located prior to its current home in the Memorial Field Campus. The two (2) previous locations were Morse Avenue and Franklin Avenue.

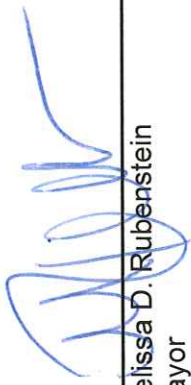
Township Attorney Report:

1. Last week, Mr. Landel participated in a meeting regarding the Maple Lake entrance off of Cedar Hill Avenue with Bergen County Officials and owners of the Maple Lake Property. They are working diligently to accommodate the County's concerns regarding access with sight and visibility enhancements at that intersection.
2. Mr. Landel reported that the ordinance for the open space, tax levy and Tax Trust Fund has been prepared and is listed on this evening's Agenda. The only change to the ordinance is that State Law has been modified in the last five (5) years to allow for spending the open space tax on blue acres. Blue acres is a program where funds can be used to purchase property in floodplains for flood control. Mr. Landel has added this provision to the ordinance as an option. The Township Committee agreed.

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Adjourn the Open Work Session Meeting at 7:35 p.m.

MOTION: SHANLEY SECOND BOONSTRA
BOONSTRA YES MADIGAN YES MELCHIONNE YES
SHANLEY YES RUBENSTEIN YES


Melissa D. Rubenstein
Mayor


Nancy A. Brown
Acting Municipal Clerk

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Meeting Called To Order

Mayor Melissa D. Rubenstein called the regular meeting of the Wyckoff Township Committee in the Municipal Court Room to order at 8:04 pm.

Flag Salute

The Township Committee proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Melissa D. Rubenstein.

Invocation

The Invocation was given by Committeeman Rudolf E. Boonstra.

RE: Township Committee of Tuesday, May 4, 2021 7:00 p.m. Work Session and 8:00 p.m. Business Meetings will be livestreamed, and public comments will be available telephonically.

Reading of the "Open Public Meetings Act" statement by Nancy A. Brown PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act NJSA10:4-6 et seq., and in consideration of Executive Order #103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency in the State of New Jersey, the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff does hereby notify the public that to protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens while ensuring the continued functioning of government, this meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff scheduled for 8:00 pm, Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at Wyckoff Town Hall, 340 Franklin Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481 will be live-streamed via the Township of Wyckoff's YouTube channel and members of the public may call 201-891-7000, ext. #222 should they wish to provide public comment during the public comment period. Members of the public may also email their public comments to wyckoffclerk@wyckoff-nj.com before 3:00 pm on the day of the meeting. These comments will be read at the meeting during the public comment period.

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This notice and agenda have been posted on the front door of Town Hall (facing Franklin Avenue) and on the Township's home page Wyckoff-nj.com at the Quick Link for "Minutes & Agendas" on Friday, April 30, 2021. Please select "Township Committee" and locate the date of the meeting to view documents, such as resolutions and ordinances which would otherwise be made available.

General instructions regarding access to the meeting will be posted on the Wyckoff web site's home page at www.wyckoff-nj.com as a "News" item on Friday, April 30, 2021 by 4:30 pm.

To view the Township Committee meeting via live-stream, please access the YouTube link which will be posted on the Wyckoff web site's home page at www.wyckoff-nj.com as a "NEWS" item immediately prior to the commencement of the meeting at approximately, 7:55 pm on May 4, 2021.

To be notified of all future live streamed Township meetings, please create a YouTube account and subscribe to our YouTube channel, "Township of Wyckoff".

In the event the YouTube platform modifies its connectivity protocols and does not announce these critical changes again in the future, instructions on how to view each meeting via Zoom technology will be posted at the "News" section of the Township's home page, Wyckoff-nj.com before 8:10 pm. This second method

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is provided to ensure the continuity of government when platforms which the Township does not control establish unannounced changes and will *only* be utilized if it is not possible to conduct the meeting via livestream on YouTube. As a precaution, for this "plan B", the following instructions are provided:

Please locate the link posted on the "News" item announcing the Township Committee meeting on the homepage of our website and use this link for the May 4, 2021 Meeting set to begin at 8:00 pm.

This regular business meeting of the Wyckoff Township Committee is now in session. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting appears on our *annual schedule of meetings*. A copy of said annual schedule has been posted on the bulletin board in Memorial Town Hall; a copy has been filed with the Municipal Clerk, as well as The Record, The Ridgewood News and the North Jersey Herald and News – all newspapers having a general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff. At least 48 hours prior to this meeting, the Agenda thereof was similarly posted, filed and emailed to said newspapers. The agenda with the resolutions and ordinances to be considered was posted on the township's website at "Minutes and Agendas" on the Friday prior to this meeting.

Attendance

Township Committee Present: Mayor Melissa D. Rubenstein; Committee Present: Rudolf E. Boonstra, Peter J. Melchionne, Thomas J. Madigan and Timothy E. Shanley.

Staff Present: Township Administrator Robert J. Shannon; Acting Municipal Clerk Nancy Brown and Township Attorney Robert Landel.

Meeting Open for Public Comment

Committeeman Shanley made a motion to open the meeting for Public Comment; Seconded by Committeeman Boonstra. All voted in favor.

There being no callers after several minutes had passed and with no written comments received via email, Mayor Rubenstein requested a motion to close the public comment period.

Committeeman Shanley made a motion to close the Public Comment Period; Seconded by Committeeman Boonstra. All voted in favor.

Approval of the April 27, 2021 Township Committee Work Session and Regular Business meeting minutes:

MOTION:	SHANLEY	SECOND	MELCHIONNE
BOONSTRA	YES	MADIGAN	YES
SHANLEY	YES	RUBENSTEIN	YES

Public Hearing: Submission of 2021 Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Park Improvement Grant Application.

This application includes the following improvements:

At Russell Farms Community Park, Block 377, Lot 18.05, located at 594 Russell Avenue – Construction/Installation of Flexi-Pave materials on the area of the walking trail that is not already improved with the flexi-paved material.

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Committeeman Shanley made a motion to open the meeting for Public Hearing: Submission of 2021 Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Park Improvement Grant Application; Seconded by Committeeman Boonstra. All voted in favor.

Mayor Rubenstein announced to please call 201-891-7000, ext. #222 if you wish to make a comment.

Administrator Shannon announced that in accordance with the rules of the Bergen County Open Space Program, notice of tonight's public hearing for the 2021 grant application was published:

1. As a legal advert in the April 16, 2021 issue of the Ridgewood News.
2. As a display advert in the April 16, 2021 issue of the Ridgewood News.

Additionally, the advert was posted on April 23, 2021, at "Legal Notices from the Municipal Clerk" on the Township's webpage at Wyckoff-nj.com.

Approval of the Township's Declaration of Intent to file a 2021 Bergen County Open Space Grant application to complete the walking trail at Russell Farms Community Park was approved and received on April 20, 2021.

Mayor Rubenstein stated the telephone number to call to offer input on the Public Hearing as 201-891-7000, ext. #222.

Committeeman Boonstra interjected to say that he has personally walked on the Flexi-Pave portion of the path at Russell Farms Community Park and that it is a wonderful material to walk on.

Administrator Shannon stated that the credit for the selection of the material goes to our Public Works Manager, Scott Fisher, who, while traveling on a family vacation, experienced a Flexi-Pave path in another state and then completed research to determine how to source the material locally for use in Russell Farms Community Park.

There being no callers seeking to offer their input for the Public Hearing. Mayor Rubenstein requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

Committeeman Shanley made a motion to close the meeting for Public Hearing: Submission of 2021 Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Park Improvement Grant Application; Seconded by Committeeman Boonstra. All voted in favor.

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

I Resolutions (Adoption of the following):

#21-195 Endorsement of ECCR Community Development Project

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of One Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand, One Hundred Twenty Five dollars and Forty One cents (\$178,125.41) has been proposed by Easter Christian Children's Retreat for the Bushman Building Dining Room renovations in the Township of Wyckoff; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by its governing body, and

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WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of Wyckoff, and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

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EASTERN CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S RETREAT

700 Mountain Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481

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WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development Grant of \$178,125.41 has been proposed by the Eastern Christian Children's Retreat for CDBG Un-Programmed Funds for the Bushman Building Dining Room Renovations in the Township of Wyckoff; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and,

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of Wyckoff; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the Township and is intended solely to expedite the expenditures of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey do hereby confirm endorsement of the aforesaid project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

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#21-196 Honor & Remember Month

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff regularly conducts the annual Memorial Day Parade to honor our nation's war dead who have given the ultimate sacrifice of their lives fighting for our freedoms; and,

WHEREAS, in May, the Township of Wyckoff will raise the Honor and Remember Flag on Wyckoff's government speech flagpole at Memorial Park; and,

WHEREAS, the Honor & Remember Flag is flown to publicly honor and remember every American fallen service member and recognizes the enduring sacrifice of every family. It is a visible public reminder to all Americans of the precious lives given to preserve freedom and is a national symbol of appreciation and is flown in recognition of the sacrifices of generations of fallen hero families; and,

WHEREAS, while the United States Flag unites us all the Honor & Remember Flag defines us in recognizing all military individuals from all wars and conflicts involving the United States who died while serving our nation since its inception; and,

WHEREAS, the Red in the Honor & Remember Flag represents all the blood that was spilled by the brave men and women of our military who willingly gave their lives so we all can remain free; and,

WHEREAS, the Blue Star in the Honor & Remember Flag represents the active service of men and woman in military conflict. While the Blue Star was created during World War I it now signifies all service from the Revolutionary War to present day; and,

WHEREAS, the White Border beneath the Gold Star in the Honor & Remember Flag, represents the purity of the sacrifice. There is no greater price an American can pay than to give his or her life in service to our great country; and

WHEREAS, the Gold Star in the Honor & Remember Flag signifies the ultimate sacrifice a warrior in active service who will not return home. The Gold reflects the value of their life that was given for all of us; and,

WHEREAS, the Folded Flag in the Honor & Remember Flag signifies the final tribute to the individual life that a family sacrificed and gave for our nation; and,

WHEREAS, the Flame in the Honor & Remember Flag is an eternal reminder of the spirit that has departed this life yet burns on in the memory of all those who knew and loved the fallen hero.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey will proudly fly the Honor and Remember Flag for the entire month of May 2021 in eternal honor and remembrance of all fallen military men and women who selflessly gave the ultimate sacrifice in all wars and conflicts on behalf of this great country from the Revolutionary War to present day 2021; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the month of May shall be recognized in Wyckoff as "Honor & Remember Month" to honor and remember the memory of those selfless men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice of their life in war or conflict on behalf of the United States of America.

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#21-197 Approval of Vouchers & Authorization to Pay Bills

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff is a municipality in the State of New Jersey operating under the authority from NJSA 40A:63-1 et seq; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff has received vouchers in claim for payment of materials supplied and/or services rendered; and,

WHEREAS, the said vouchers have been reviewed and the amount indicated on each voucher has been determined to be due and owing; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has a practice of each Township Committee member participating in the reviewing and signing of vouchers; and,

WHEREAS, the vouchers which comprise this bill list have been reviewed and signed by two (2) Township Committee members and they have found them to in order; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Treasurer has certified that sufficient funds are available for payment of said vouchers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff that the action of the said Finance Committee be approved; and, that the payments of these bills are hereby authorized and the Chief Financial Officer is directed to issue checks for their payments as listed on the bill list attached to this date's meeting minutes and covered by checks no. 19516 – 19547 Payroll A/C, Direct Deposit Vouchers no. 14692 - 14758, Library Payroll check no. 1556, Library Direct Deposit Vouchers no. 6328 - 6356, Claims Wire nos. 210501, 210502 & 210503, check no. 1151 Accutrack A/C, Claims check nos. 085540 – 085605, Trs. Dog Trust - \$778.00 and Voided Claims checks no. 085597 & 085598.

#21-198 Return of Certain Overpaid Taxes, etc

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff that the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to return certain monies as follows:

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

Scott Brouwer, 375 Butternut Avenue, Wyckoff, New Jersey 07481 – Return of Escrow –
Block 462/Lot 17 - \$213.86

RECREATION:

Susan Mukaida, 8 Godwin Avenue, Wyckoff, New jersey 07481 – Softball Refund - \$120.00

Danielle Acosta, 112 Hilltop Lane, Wyckoff, New Jersey 07481 – Softball Refund - \$120.00

Michael Turnamian, 630 Mountain Avenue, Wyckoff, New Jersey 07481 – Softball Refund - \$120.00

Florence Vitale, 534 Lafayette Avenue, Wyckoff, New jersey 07481 – Softball Refund - \$120.00

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#21-199 Authorize Application for 2021 Municipal Park Improvement Grant

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund ("County Trust Fund"), provides matching grants to municipal governments and to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the development or redevelopment of outdoor municipal recreation facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff desires to further the public interest by obtaining a matching grant of \$48,000.00 from the County Trust Fund to fund: construction of flexi-pave, easy on the knees material to complete the walking trail at the Russell Farms Community Park at 594 Russell Avenue block 377 lot 18.05 in the Township of Wyckoff; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has reviewed the County Trust Fund Program Statement, and the Trust Fund Municipal Program Park Improvement application and instructions, and desires to make an application for such a matching grant and provide application information and furnish such documents as may be required; and,

WHEREAS, as part of the application process the Township Committee conducted the required Public Hearing to receive public comments on the proposed park improvements in the application on May 4, 2021 at tonight's Township Committee meeting before this resolution was adopted; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen shall determine whether the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the County Trust Fund; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is willing to use the County Trust Fund in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the County of Bergen for the above named project and ensure its completion on or about the project contract expiration date.

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Township Committee is hereby authorized to submit the above completed project application to the County by the deadline of May 14, 2021 as established by the County; and,
2. That in the event of a County Trust Fund award that may be less than the grant amount requested above the Township Committee has or will secure the balance of funding necessary to complete the project or modify the project as necessary; and,
3. That the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff is committed to providing a dollar-for-dollar cash match for the project; and,
4. That only those park improvements identified and approved in the project application its Trust Fund contract or other documentation will be considered eligible for reimbursement.
5. That the Township Committees agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules and regulations in its performance of the project; and,
6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

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#21-200 National Police Week

WHEREAS, there are more the 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Wyckoff Police Department; and,

WHEREAS, there have been 58,627 assaults against law enforcement officers in 2016 resulting in approximately 16,677 injuries; and,

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, more than 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice and been killed in the line of duty; and,

WHEREAS, the names of those dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and,

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of all officers killed in the line of duty will be honored during National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's 33rd Annual Candlelight Vigil on May 15, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the Candlelight Vigil is part of National Police Week, which takes place this year on May 9-15; and,

WHEREAS, May 15th is designated as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of all fallen officers and their families and the U.S. Flags in front of Town Hall were flown at half-staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey formally designates May 9-15, 2021 as "Police Week" in the Township of Wyckoff and publicly salutes the service of law enforcement officers in our community and in communities across the nation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that we do hereby proudly recognize the service of our Wyckoff Police Officers.

II Ordinances – For Introduction

Madame Mayor, I have **ORDINANCE #1937** for introduction which is

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC QUESTION, WHICH IF APPROVED BY THE VOTERS WOULD CONTINUE THE EXISTING ANNUAL TAX LEVY TO FUND THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE TRUST SPACE TRUST FUND PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.7

ORDINANCE #1937

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A PUBLIC QUESTION, WHICH IF APPROVED BY THE VOTERS WOULD CONTINUE THE EXISTING ANNUAL TAX LEVY TO FUND THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.7

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff is committed to maintaining Wyckoff as one of the most desirable communities in the State of New Jersey; and,

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WHEREAS, the Township Committee believes that the preservation and protection of Open Space is an important component in preserving the character and desirability of Wyckoff; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee recognizes the Township's past successful efforts in securing and maintaining approximately 131 acres of open space within the Township; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee believes it is desirable for the Township and its residents to continue to preserve, maintain, improve, and acquire, when available, open space for passive and recreational use by the residents of the Township of Wyckoff; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is also aware of the current financial burden placed on municipalities and their residents as a result of the reduction in State aid and the recent State budget crisis; and,

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2006, at the general election, the voters of the Township of Wyckoff previously authorized the establishment of the Municipal Open Space Tax, which has been used to fund the Municipal Open Space Fund; and,

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2011, at the general election, the voters of the Township of Wyckoff voted to extend and continue the Municipal Open Space Tax for an additional five (5) years, through December 31, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2016, at the general election, the voters of the Township of Wyckoff voted to extend and continue the Municipal Open Space Tax for an additional five (5) years, through December 31, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the annual tax levy which funds the Municipal Open Space Fund expires on December 31, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee believes that it is in the best interest of the residents of the Township of Wyckoff to have the opportunity to maintain and carry the existing municipal Open Space Trust Fund and to continue to fund the Municipal Open Space Trust Fund; and,

WHEREAS, in recognizing the Township's effort to acquire, maintain, improve, and preserve open space, the Township Committee finds that it is appropriate for the Township to again place a public question on the general election ballot for November 2, 2021, so as to allow the public to vote to maintain and carry the existing Open Space trust fund and to continue the existing annual tax levy which funds the Municipal Open Space Trust Fund, for an additional five (5) years.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that a public question shall be placed on the general election ballot for the November 2, 2021 general election, which if approved would maintain and carry the existing Municipal Open Space Trust Fund, and continue its funding in a form and manner stated below:

SECTION 1 - The Township of Wyckoff's Municipal Open Space Trust Fund shall be maintained and continued for an additional five (5) years, commencing January 1, 2022.

SECTION 2 - The Municipal Open Space Trust Fund shall be funded by the continuance of the annual tax levy of .005 (1/2 cent) per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed valuation.

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SECTION 3 - All existing and future monies contained in the Municipal Open Space Trust Fund and all income and interest that accrues thereon, shall be used and allocated for any one or all of the following purposes, or any combination thereof, as determined by the governing body after conducting at least one public hearing:

- a. Acquisition of lands for recreation, and conservation purposes;
- b. Development of lands acquired for recreation and conservation purposes;
- c. Maintenance of lands acquired for recreation and conservation purposes;
- d. Acquisition of farmland for farmland preservation purposes;
- e. Historic preservation of historic properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects, and the acquisition and maintenance of such properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects for historic preservation purposes;
- f. Payment of debt service on indebtedness issued or incurred by the municipality for any of the purposes set forth in sub-paragraph a, b, c, d, e or g of this paragraph; or
- g. Blue Acres projects;
- e. Trust fund monies may be returned to the taxpayers of the Township of Wyckoff as tax relief.

SECTION 4 - The annual tax levy utilized to fund the Municipal Open Space Trust Fund shall be in effect for a period of five (5) years commencing January 1, 2022.

SECTION 5 - This ordinance shall not take effect until it is approved by the voters in a public question at the next general election on November 2, 2021.

SECTION 6 - The following referendum question shall be submitted to the Bergen County Clerk with the question sheet printed on the ballot for consideration by the voters of the Township of Wyckoff at the November 2, 2021 general election:

Shall the Township of Wyckoff continue, carry, maintain, and fund the existing Municipal Open Space Trust Fund in the following manner and according to the following purposes:

- A. The Open Space Trust Fund shall continue to be funded through the collection of local property taxes in an amount of .005 (1/2 cent) per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed value, per annum, for a period of five (5) years, unless a proposition

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extending the time period is approved by the voters of the Township of Wyckoff.

B. Monies within the Municipal Open Space Trust Fund shall be used for any one or all of the following purposes, or any combination thereof, as determined by the governing body:

- (i) Acquisition of lands for recreation and Conservation purposes;
- (ii) Development of lands acquired for recreation and conservation purposes;
- (iii) Maintenance of lands acquired for recreation and conservation purposes;
- (iv) Acquisition of farmland for farmland preservation purposes;
- (v) Historic preservation of historic properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects, and the acquisition and maintenance of such properties, structures, facilities, sites, areas, or objects, for historic preservation purposes;
- (vi) Payment of debt service on indebtedness issued or incurred by a municipality for any of the purposes set forth in paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) or (vii); or
- (vii) Blue Acres projects;
- (viii) Trust fund monies may be returned to the taxpayers of the Township of Wyckoff as tax relief.

Interpretive Statement:

This binding referendum will authorize the maintaining and continuing of the existing Municipal Open Space Trust Fund. The Municipal Open Space Trust Fund was previously approved by the voters of the Township of Wyckoff on November 7, 2006, and extended on November 8, 2011, and November 8, 2016, and therefore the approval of this referendum would not create a new tax burden on the residents of Wyckoff, but simply

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continue and extend the previously approved Municipal Open Space Tax. The trust fund would continue to be funded by the existing local property tax in the amount of .005 (1/2 cent) per one hundred (\$100.00) dollars of assessed value. This existing tax would be collected for five (5) years and then expire, unless extended by a public vote of the voters of the Township of Wyckoff. The owner of a home assessed at \$778,100.00 (the average assessed value in Wyckoff) would pay \$38.91 per year, for a period of five (5) years. The total amount the tax would yield each year depending on the total valuation of real property in Wyckoff, would be approximately \$231,045.00 each year. The proceeds of the fund could be used for the acquisition, development, maintenance, or preservation of lands for recreation or conservation purposes, as well as acquisition of farmland for farmland purposes and the preservation or acquisition of historic property or the payment of debt service incurred for any of the above purposes. The proceeds of the fund could also be returned to the taxpayers of the Township of Wyckoff as tax relief.

III Motions

A. Approve and memorialize the application of Daniel Murphy from Junior Firefighter to Probationary Firefighter with Fire Company #1, effective May 9, 2021.

B. Approve specifications and authorize advertised, sealed, competitive bidding: Mountain Avenue Repaving and Annual Road Resurfacing.

C. Approve Proclamation for the Wyckoff Free Public Library and their Celebration of 100 Years of Service to the Community.

Clerk: May I have a motion and a second to approve the consent agenda?

The Following vote is the vote on the Consent Agenda:

MOTION:	BOONSTRA	SECOND	SHANLEY
BOONSTRA	YES	MADIGAN	YES
SHANLEY	YES	RUBENSTEIN	YES

Committeeman Madigan offered his congratulations to Danny Murphy on his promotion from Junior Firefighter to Probationary Firefighter. Everyone present echoed this sentiment.

Ordinances – Public Hearing / Further Consideration:

NONE

IV Meeting was adjourned at 8:16pm

Chairman: May I have a motion to and a second to adjourn the Business Meeting?

MOTION:	BOONSTRA	SECOND	SHANLEY
BOONSTRA	YES	MADIGAN	YES
SHANLEY	YES	RUBENSTEIN	YES

During the course of this live meeting there were between three and four concurrent viewers watching on YouTube.

	
Mayor Melissa D. Rubenstein	Nancy A. Brown, Acting Municipal Clerk

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Proclamation

WHEREAS,

the Wyckoff Free Public Library on May 14, 2021 will celebrate its 100th Anniversary serving the Wyckoff community; and

WHEREAS,

the Wyckoff Free Public Library located in the Memorial Town Hall Campus was enhanced with a grand re-opening on May 19, 2012 as an important public space to connect, discover and create; and

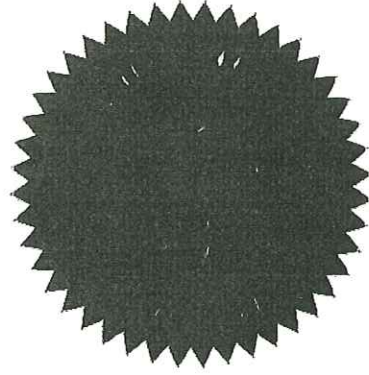
WHEREAS,

over the years, the Library has offered programs for all ages, outreach services, literacy initiatives, job seeker and small business resources, expanding information services, computer training, internet access and a general promotion of a love of reading and learning in our community enriching the lives of every resident; and

WHEREAS,

through times of recession and prosperity, war, peace and pandemics, the Wyckoff Free Public Library has continued to serve the residents of Wyckoff as a place of learning, culture and community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Township Committee of the Township of Wyckoff, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that 2021 shall be known as the "Year of the Library" in honor and recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the Wyckoff Free Public Library and our sincere gratitude is extended to its trustees, staff and volunteers, both past and present for their accomplishments, commitment and dedication to the Township of Wyckoff and its residents.



Witnessed by my hand and seal on
this 4th Day of May 2021

Wyckoff Township Committee
Melissa D. Rubenstein, Mayor
Rudolf E. Boonstra
Thomas J. Madigan
Peter J. Melchionne
Timothy E. Shanley

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**Certification of
Publication and Posting**

In accordance with the rules of the Bergen County Open Space Program, notice of tonight's public hearing for the 2021 grant application was published.

1. As a legal advert in the April 16, 2021 issue of the Ridgewood News.
2. As a display advert in the April 16, 2021 issue of the Ridgewood News.

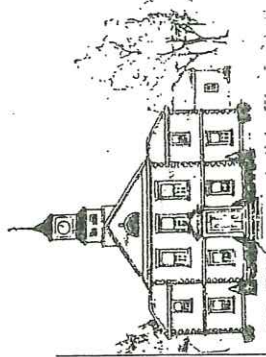
The advert was also posted on April 23, 2021, at "Legal Notices from the Municipal Clerk" on the Township's webpage at wyckoff-nj.com.

Approval of the Township's Declaration of Intent to file a 2021 Bergen County Open Space Grant application to complete the walking trail at Russell Farms Community Park was approved and received on April 20, 2021.



Robert J. Shannon, Jr.
Township Administrator

TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
SECOND FLOOR MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021



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TEL: 201-891-7000
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State of New Jersey

County of Bergen ss:

Mary E. B...

Of full age, being duly sworn according to the law, on his/her oath says that he/she is an employee of the Township of Wyckoff. Annexed hereto is a true copy of the notice that was published on the following date(s):

4/16/2021

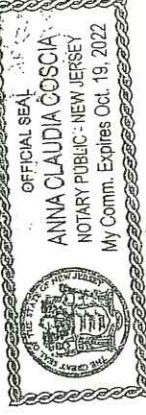
In the Ridgewood News, a newspaper of general circulation and published in Ridgewood, in the County of Bergen and circulated in Bergen County. Said newspaper is published once each week.

Subscribed and sworn before me this:

19th day of *April* 2021.

Anna Coscia

A Notary Public of New Jersey



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