

January 21, 2015
Regular Meeting

Minutes of a regular stated meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, held in the Court Chambers, Municipal Building on Wednesday, January 21st, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. (6:00 pm Work Session):

Present: Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley, Mayor Roque

Also Present: Corporation Counsel Sean Dias; Town Administrator Matthew Watkins; CFO Marge Cherone; CME Town Engineer Darren Mazzei

Meeting commenced at 7:05 p.m.

Due to the absence of the Town Clerk Carmela Riccie, Town Administrator Matthew Watkins conducted the meeting on her behalf.

Town Administrator Matthew Watkins made the following announcement:

As presiding officer of this regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, held on January 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., I do hereby publicly announce, and I direct that this announcement shall be placed in the minutes of this meeting, and that the Notice requirements provided for in the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by the Board of Commissioners in the Resolution dated and adopted on November 24th, 2014. Said Resolution was transmitted by the Town Clerk to the Jersey Journal and the Bergen Record and publicly posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board, Town Hall, and filed with the Town Clerk.

Copies are available to the public in accordance with the law.

NOTE: Mr. Watkins advised that resolution R-1 would be taken out of order in the agenda, in order for the newly appointed commissioner to be sworn in so that he may participate in the meeting.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Commissioner Frias that Resolution R-1 be voted upon and adopted before the Claims, carried by the following vote:

YEAS	- Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley, Mayor Roque
NAYS	- Commissioner Wiley
ABSENT	- None

Resolution

Re: Appointing Gabriel Rodriguez as a Commissioner of the Town of West New York

WHEREAS, Commissioner Caridad Rodriguez resigned effective 11:59 PM on December 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the membership of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of West New York, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:16-4, have the power to fill the vacancy in the membership of the governing body for the remainder of the term; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners seek to appoint Gabriel Rodriguez, residing at 6600 Boulevard East, West New York, New Jersey, as a Commissioner of the Town of West New York commencing January 21, 2015 and until May 19, 2015, to fill the remainder of the term of Caridad Rodriguez; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners do hereby appoint Gabriel Rodriguez as a Commissioner of the Town of West New York commencing January 21, 2015 and until May 19, 2015.

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Note: Mr. Gabriel Rodriguez was sworn in as the Commissioner of DPW. Mr. Rodriguez expressed his gratitude to the Mayor and the Commissioners for the opportunity to serve.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: NONE

Claims: Dated 1/21/15 (Claims are available for public inspection in the Town Clerk's Office):

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Commissioner Frias that the claims be approved, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley, Mayor Roque
NAYS - Commissioner Wiley
ABSENT - None

Note: Commissioner Wiley stated that he was “upset” with moneys that are being used for advertising. Commissioner Wiley believes that the moneys are being spent carelessly on Pablo Fonseca. He said “Tax payers are paying on advertising not on the people”. Commissioner Frias responded to Commissioner Wiley’s accusations by stating that the \$40,000 on the bill list is mostly “back pay” for the previous month. Commissioner Wiley stated that was not the case; that Mr. Fonseca is the Mayor’s campaign manager. Corporation Counsel Sean Dias reminded Commissioner Wiley that Donald Scarinci addressed this matter with him during the last meeting.

Receipt of Financial Reports:

FINANCIAL REPORTS - MONTH OF DECEMBER 2014

1. From Construction Code Official Office, reporting the sum of \$38, 847.00 Collected for the month of December, 2014.
2. From Director Robert Antolos (Police Dept.) reporting the sum of \$10,320.35 Collected for the month of December, 2014.
3. From Maria Alvarez, Registrar of Vital Statistics reporting the sum of \$475.00 for Special Licenses collected for the month of December, 2014.
4. From Maria Alvarez, Registrar of Vital Statistics reporting the sum of \$580.00 For Marriage/death certificates collected for the month of December, 2014.
5. From Maria Alvarez, Registrar of Vital Statistics reporting the sum of \$6.80 For Dogs Licenses collected for the month of December, 2014.
6. From (Revenue and Finance Department) reporting the sum of \$4,185,432.94 Collected for the month of December, 2014.
7. From Carmela Riccie, RMC, Town Clerk, reporting the sum of \$0.00 collected for the month of December, 2014.
- *8. From Construction Code Official Office, reporting the sum of \$837,711.00 Collected for the year 2014.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Commissioner Vargas, that the financial reports be approved, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley, Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

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Communication
Town Administrator Watkins - Update Re: pending matters

Note: Town Administrator Watkins gave his Presentation during Work Session.

Communication
Re: Town Engineer's Monthly report dated 1/16/15

MEMO TO: Mayor and Board of Commissioners
Town of West New York

FROM: Robert J. Russo, P.E., P.P., C.M.E.
Town Engineer's Office

DATE: January 16, 2015

RE: General Engineering and Capital Project Status Report
West New York, New Jersey

- **Veterans Park Slope Remediation and Park Improvements**
 - The Veteran's Park Slope Remediation and Park Improvements project generally consists of the construction of an approximately 700 LF precast concrete retaining wall to repair and prevent further erosion of the existing steep slopes that currently exist at the site. The improvements may also include but are not limited to the construction of ADA compliant walkways, reconstruction of existing walkways, soil stabilization, lighting and landscaping improvements, park amenities such as outdoor exercise equipment, benches and water fountains. The proposed retaining wall will be constructed, at its furthest point, approximately 100' east of the existing fence line at the park, adding approximately 30,000 additional square feet to the park area.
 - The project was awarded to Anselmi and DeCicco, Inc., of Maplewood, New Jersey, in the amount of \$4,584,890.00.
 - The project is partially funded by a matching Green Acres grant, Hudson County Open Space grants and a CDBG.
 - We held a preconstruction meeting on May 6, 2014. The contractor has been working on the retaining wall excavation, the retaining wall concrete foundations and retaining wall pre-cast structures. They anticipate completing the retaining wall portion of the project by the end of February 2015, weather permitting and returning in the spring of 2015 to complete the park improvement work. They currently have two (2) crews working, one at each end of the wall.
 - We had prepared a change order for the project which allows for construction of the modified wall and foundation design based on actual field conditions encountered and provides for various additions to the project which were previously deleted as indicated above. The Change Order provided a reduction in the original contract amount.
 - We obtained Hudson County Planning Board approval at their August 20, 2014 meeting.
- **FY2013 NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant and 2013 Road Program**
 - We had prepared and submitted the FY2013 NJDOT Municipal Aid Grant application to the NJDOT for the following roads:
 - 60th Street from Buchanan Place to Bergenline Avenue (2000'-Half Width).
 - 65th Street from Broadway Avenue to Park Avenue (675')
 - 51st Street from JFK West to Bergenline Avenue (615')
 - 66th Street from Hudson Avenue to JFK East (2060')
 - The project was advertised for the receipt of bids on December 27, 2013 with the bid opening on February 4, 2014. The apparent low bid was submitted by A.J.M. Contractors, Inc. of Clifton, New Jersey, with a bid of \$869,742.50. The Town has received an NJDOT grant in the amount of \$344,860.00. We have submitted the required information to the NJDOT.
 - The contractor has completed the milling and paving on all of the roads and installed the speed humps on 62nd Street. We prepared an updated punchlist for the project.
- **Municipal Pool Renovations**
 - As you are aware, the Town has received Green Acres funding for various renovations to the Municipal Pool Complex. The improvements proposed for the building include siding repairs, bathroom stall upgrades, new ventilation, ceiling fans and lighting, refinishing of the floors, exterior door replacement and other miscellaneous improvements. The exterior pool area improvements include new lighting, replacement of broken lighting, new security cameras, fencing replacement, replacement of picnic tables, removal of deteriorated landscape boxes, exterior shower, general landscaping improvements, parking lot improvements and other miscellaneous improvements.
 - The project was awarded on May 15, 2013 to the low bidder which was Rich Picerno Builders, LLC of Kenilworth, New Jersey, with a bid of \$500,000.00. We held a preconstruction meeting on June 11, 2013.
 - We had issued construction plans, a preliminary assessment report and required forms to Green Acres for their review and approval. Green Acres has approved same and issued the signed agreement for the project.

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Town Engineer's Monthly Report (cont.):

- The contractor has completed the project and we have prepared the close-out final pay estimate.
- We are working on the required information for the NJDEP Green Acres reimbursement.
- ❑ **Town Tax Map Revisions**
 - We have completed the update of the Town's existing tax maps for a State revaluation process. We have submitted the tax maps to the State for final review.
- ❑ **Improvements to Washington Park**
 - The Town has received a CDBG in the amount of \$400,000 for this project.
 - The project was advertised for the receipt of bids with the bid opening on April 2, 2014. The apparent low bid was submitted by Let It Grow, Inc. of River Edge, New Jersey, with a bid of \$537,344.81. The project was awarded to Let It Grow, Inc. in the amount of \$537,344.81 at the July 14, 2014 meeting.
 - A preconstruction meeting was held on August 19, 2014. An additional field meeting was held on September 29, 2014 to discuss the project. The contractor has commenced construction and performed the majority of required site clearing, pavement preparation and underground utility work.
 - The contractor has provided a schedule which indicates they will work until the weather permits and then complete the construction in March of 2015. They are stopping major work for the winter but will perform some additional work if weather permits.
 - The contractor has completed a majority of the site clearing, the pavement repairs and installation for the basketball courts and soccer area, installed the underground water lines for spray area and pavement repairs, and has begun the perimeter fence repairs.
- ❑ **Improvements to Miller Park**
 - As you are aware, the Town has received Green Acres funding for various improvements to the park. We prepared a proposal for the preparation of construction plans and contract documents for park improvements.
 - The field survey work and the base maps are now completed. We have prepared conceptual plans for the park design which we reviewed with the Town.
- ❑ **Miscellaneous Engineering**
 - NJDOT FY2014 Trust Fund Grants: The FY2014 NJDOT Grant applications were due September 20, 2013. We prepared and submitted the grant applications for the following roads which received a grant in the amount of \$399,610.00:
 - 60th Street from JFK Blvd West to Madison Avenue (1425')
 - 51st Street from Bergenline Avenue to Broadway Avenue (1575')
 - Gaw Place from 56th Street to Southern terminus. (200')
 - NJDOT FY2015 Trust Fund Grants: The FY2015 NJDOT Grant applications were due October 14, 2014. We have prepared and submitted the grant applications for the following roads:
 - 61st St. from JFK Blvd West to Bergenline Ave (1,760');
 - 62nd St. from JFK Blvd West to Bergenline Ave (1,555') and Jefferson St. from 62nd St. to 64th St (560');
 - Buchanan Pl. from 62nd St. to 59th St. (1,305') and Westover Pl. from Buchanan Pl. to Park Ave (320');
 - Highland Pl. from 62nd St. to John F. Kenney Blvd East (605');
 - Johnson Pl. from 61st St. to its Terminus (285').
 - 67th and Bergenline Sinkhole: We reviewed a major sinkhole in the roadway on Bergenline Avenue near 67th Street, January 5, 2015. J. Fletcher Creamer performed emergency roadway work and excavated the roadway and repaired the sinkhole on January 6, 2015.

RFP Results

RFP Received on 1/15/15 Re: Animal Control Shelter Services

RFP PROPOSAL INFORMATION

Proposal Receipt Date: January 15, 2015

Proposal Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location for proposal: Town Clerk's Office

RFP Results (cont.):

Proposal for: Animal Control Shelter Services

Personnel at Opening: Town Clerk Carmela Riccio, Adelinn Plaza, and Vivian Maynard

Remarks: Time to receive RFPs was closed at 10:35 a.m.
Reserved decision pending review by review committee.

NO RFP(S) RECEIVED

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Consent Agenda:

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Commissioner Vargas that the following Consent Agenda Items No. R-3 thru R-19 (with the exclusion of R-2, R-17 and R-20) be adopted, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley, Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Note: Town Administrator Matthew Watkins read the titles of all Resolutions aloud and advised that Resolutions R-2 and R-20 are excluded from Consent Agenda and will be voted upon separately. Mr. Watkins asked for R-17 to be removed from the Consent Agenda at the Work Session to which the Commissioner's agreed. Comm. Wiley advised that he would abstain on Resolution R-2 and R-20 (Re: Designation of Commissioner Gabriel Rodriguez as Director of Public Works and Designation of Commissioner Ruben Vargas as the Director of the Department of Public Affairs).

Resolution

**Re: Repealing Resolution adopted on 1/18/12
(Restricted Parking for Handicapped Resident) as follows:
230 67th Street, West New York, NJ (Jazmine D. Plaza-Morales)**

Whereas, the governing body of the Town of West New York adopted a Resolution on January 18, 2012 establishing restricted parking for use by a handicapped residents; and

Whereas, the handicapped person involved has moved since the implementation of above mentioned resolution;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York that the above resolution is hereby repealed:

230 67th Street, West New York, NJ (Jazmine D. Plaza-Morales)

Be it further resolved that the Department of Public Safety is directed to remove all signage for the spaces as directed by this resolution.

Be it further resolved that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Resolution

**Re: Repealing Resolution adopted on 4/20/11
(Restricted Parking for Handicapped Resident) as follows:
600 56th Street, West New York, NJ (Maria E. Gonzalez)**

Whereas, the governing body of the Town of West New York adopted a Resolution on April 20, 2011 establishing restricted parking for use by a handicapped residents; and

Whereas, the handicapped person involved has moved since the implementation of above mentioned resolution;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York that the above resolution is hereby repealed:

600 56th Street, West New York, NJ (Maria E. Gonzalez)

Be it further resolved that the Department of Public Safety is directed to remove all signage for the spaces as directed by this resolution.

Be it further resolved that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

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Consent Agenda (Cont.):

Resolution
Re: Refunds of Overpayments of Taxes

WHEREAS, taxes with respect to the following properties have been inadvertently overpaid in the amounts hereafter stated, and;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to make appropriate refunds for such overpayments;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following refunds be made with respect to the designated properties and the Collector of Taxes be and she is Hereby authorized to adjust the records accordingly.

NAME	BLOCK/LOT	AMOUNT	YEAR
SUMMIT NATIONAL	168.01/8.01 C0426	\$2212.03 (SVC)	2015
CHASE	168.01/1.05 C0316	\$1000.00 (SVC)	2014
MITCHELL, NICOLE	168.01/8.03 C0203	\$111.57	2014
HONG, YESHENG	168.01/8.01 C0440	\$20.62 \$14.14 (SVC)	2014 2014
SHEN, YUNHONG	168.01/8.03 C0325	\$20.06 (SVC)	2014
	168.01/8.01 C0232	\$824.06 (SVC)	2014
CORDERO, AURORA	110/5 C0313	\$401.52	2014
SOSA, EDUARDO & GLORIA	110/5 C0320	\$117.86	2014
CORELOGIC SVC,LLC	31/37	\$1801.76	2014
RODRIGUEZ, FIDEL	83/7 C0059	\$787.88	2014
ISAAC MORADI	74/4 C003D	\$732.70 (SEWER) \$1181.53 \$88.28 (COST)	2014 2014 2014
US BANK AS CUST TOWER DBW II	162/16 151/7 149/4 147/11 136/18 104/24 96/24 95/19 82/45 71/21 59/10 54/10 53/15.01 46/31 46/30 41/6 39/12 C003B 37/25 33/41 32/41 C0205 32/41 C0101	\$54.21 \$73.52 \$50.43 \$55.20 \$69.40 \$51.37 \$58.66 \$50.62 \$51.38 \$52.44 \$51.09 \$51.02 \$52.35 \$63.64 \$67.82 \$50.89 \$52.81 \$51.48 \$52.10 \$53.17 \$50.15	2014 2014

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution (cont.):

	32/14	\$58.45	2014
	7/9	\$54.47	2014
	130/1.01	\$50.37	2014
	97/23	\$50.93	2014
	83/7 C0024	\$52.92	2014
	67/29	\$57.38	2014
	54/18	\$56.90	2014
	46/25	\$50.93	2014
	38/9 C003E	\$53.10	2014
	5/32 C07-E	\$53.49	2014
	3/15	\$50.28	2014
VELARDE, MARCO & BELGICA	136/17	\$47.63 *	2014
GIUFFRE, MARIANNA & SCOTT WINGERT	168.01/1.08 C0279	\$14.28 *	2014
VILLACIS, JASON P	130/5.01 C0309	\$95.68 *	2014
GONZALEZ, LAZARO & KENIA	31/20	\$103.44 *	2014
OCCHIUZZI, HAI-HUA	5/32 C10-M	\$107.12 *	2014
MOLINA, LYDIA	83/10.02	\$126.14 *	2014
PARETS, MARIA	54/11	\$108.13 *	2014
AGUDINA PROP. LLC	5/26 C0001	\$86.67 *	2014
KIM, MARIE	38/9 C014D	\$110.83 *	2014
SILVERSTEIN, JOYCE	168.01/8.03 C0403	\$175.55 *	2014
FAUST, RHONDA	5/54	\$132.77 *	2014
HERFIGA, REALTY CO	80/1	\$10.99 *	2014
LLANES, MARCOS & JAYJAY CHIVI	81/9 C0307	\$13.87 *	2014
	GRAND TOTAL	\$12,200.08	

Resolution

Re: Refunds of Redemptions

WHEREAS, the investor named below has previously purchased a Tax Sale Certificate from the Town of West New York; and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Taxes for the said Tax Sale Certificates has received the full amount for redemption pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-60.

WHEREAS, the certificate has now been redeemed and the investor is entitled to a refund of said redemption amounts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-58.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said redemption amounts be paid to the investors in the following amounts, and the Collector of Taxes is hereby authorized to issue said refunds.

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution (cont.):

Name	Block/lot	Cert#	Amount
ISAAC MORADI	36 /11	13-0123	\$634.73
	86/41	12-0481	\$3,036.30
	86/41	13-0311	\$786.35
	150/6	12-0684	\$9,735.62
	74/4 C003D	13-0252	\$994.55
	74/1 CB00B	13-0244	\$1,857.39
	74/1 C0017	13-0249	\$1,690.12
	74/1 C0003	13-0245	\$2,152.51
	113/14	14-0336	\$909.75
	163/16	14-0488	\$287.82
	149/12	13-0492	\$1,413.18
US BANK CUST FOR BV001 TRUST	48/15	13-0168	\$552.82
	147/4	13-0486	\$3,837.98
	132/1	13-0443	\$1,521.51
	141/14	13-0466	\$2,237.26
	71/28	13-0233	\$25,760.96
US BANK CUST. FOR TLCF 2012A, LLC	36/11	12-0173	\$1,126.08
SBMUNICUST C/O LBNJ	11/19 C012A	12-0056	\$7,061.42
US BANK CUST FOR TOWER DBW	136/18	12-0619	\$21,720.40
	32/41 C0205		\$7,493.90
PAM INVESTORS	136/17	13-0451	\$2,436.59
	168.01/7.06 C0529	12-0792	\$14,237.12
	133/4	14-0383	\$756.09
	25/35	14-0065	\$558.36
	21/43	14-0061	\$329.83
	83/10.02	14-0265	\$2,007.10
	5/32 C10-M	14-0014	\$1,036.91
	130/2 C0405	14-0372	\$837.74
	120/1	14-0348	\$1,185.99
	41/4	14-0133	\$1,438.19
	83/7 C0058	14-0261	\$3,777.92
	5/54	14-0021	\$2,302.23
	70/17	14-0200	\$2,853.12
	137/12	14-0401	\$859.23
	1/4	14-0001	\$1,099.33
	14/7	14-0036	\$3,696.53
	86/30	14-0278	\$6,188.21
	113/6	13-0394	\$8,951.82
	81/3 C00D2	14-0247	\$454.77
	5/32 C03-Q	14-0008	\$3,504.80
	61/5	14-0185	\$4,386.37
105/3	14-0305	\$1,085.26	
130/4.01	14-0375	\$8,396.65	
130/3.01	14-0374	\$11,571.13	
120/29	14-0349	\$3,017.06	
51/24	14-0159	\$457.48	
TTLBL LLC	31/20	14-0075	\$849.62
	40/15	14-0131	\$4,093.89
	20/39.02	14-0056	\$2,279.93
	11/2	14-0027	\$772.89
	33/23	14-0083	\$2231.25

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution (cont.):

	19/53	14-0052	\$3236.35
	14/4	14-0034	\$4448.02
	39/12 C007D	14-0129	\$773.80
	20/8	14-0055	\$5,085.17
	35/1 C009D	14-0093	\$726.84
	14/5	14-0035	\$14,780.92
US BK. CUST FOR	20/36 C0011	13-0083	\$2,473.74
TOWER DBW111 TR 2013	3/15	13-007	\$1,099.44
US BANKCUST FOR	168.01/8.03 C0124	14-0523	\$2,690.93
PC5 STERLING NAT'L	168.01/7.05 C0512	14-0532	\$9,689.07
	17/6 C0011	14-0042	\$247.91
	97/22	14-0292	\$484.00
	168.01/1.01 C0394	14-0497	\$16,371.21
	55/50.02	14-0176	\$3,011.21
	42/41 C0004	14-0139	\$389.97
	42/41 C0002	14-0138	\$613.17
	147/3	14-0430	\$428.11
	130/5.01 C0309	14-0379	\$385.15
	54/11	14-0165	\$1,088.69
	96/21	14-0285	\$809.53
	168.01/8.03 C0403	14-0527	\$4,527.01
	145/18	14-0426	\$539.98
	110/5 C0302	14-0319	\$692.01
	159/23	14-0479	\$6,141.45
	30/11	14-0071	\$394.63
	168.01/7.06 C0204	14-0533	\$3,022.92
	51/1	14-0157	\$971.70
	120/30	14-0350	\$3,147.64
	110/5 C0303	14-0320	\$471.80
	142/14.02	14-0419	\$971.17
	133/13 C0305	14-0389	\$1,598.70
US BANK C/F TOWER	111/2	14-0333	\$2,591.83
DBWI IV 2014-1	38/9 C014D	14-0118	\$1,226.41
	111/2	14-0333	\$2,591.83
	47/15	14-0146	\$11,508.44
	61/21	14-0186	\$838.76
	79/10	14-0228	\$729.74
	168.01/8.03 C0106	14-0521	\$1,763.05
	81/9 C0307	14-0250	\$1,686.13
	33/34 C001E	14-0087	\$1,472.05
	104/22.02	14-0303	\$2,487.07
	168.01/1.08 C0279	14-0504	\$1,685.72
	33/6	14-0081	\$5,272.65
	168.01/1.01 C0392	14-0496	\$1,693.33
	134/6	14-0391	\$1,050.04
	36/33 C00A5	14-0099	\$1,319.82
	5/32 C04-Q	14-0009	\$1,211.88
	141/20	14-0416	\$7,765.91
	111/9	14-0334	\$3,159.91
	157/11	14-0468	\$1,886.17
US BANK CUST BV001	28/2	14-0067	\$672.40
TRST & CRDTRS	37/21	14-0113	\$429.67
	31/10	14-0074	\$1,351.73
	5/26 C0001	14-0005	\$925.62
	143/21	14-0425	\$1,156.33
	108/13	14-0312	\$6,955.61
	168.01/7.06 C0404	14-0537	\$307.14

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution (cont.):

	102/6	14-0301	\$1,989.78
	47/5	14-0145	\$6,380.75
	168.01/1.01 C0390	14-0495	\$516.55
	49/20 C002C	14-0152	\$2,727.49
	5/32 C08-S	14-0012	\$562.34
	71/28	14-0209	\$2,559.36
72 OAK STREET	55/50.01	14-0175	\$13,924.90
HOLDINGS, LLC	108/3	14-0311	\$24,789.83
MEYER MUSSAFI	80/1	14-0234	\$18,669.01
US BANK CUST FOR	39/8	14-0127	\$2,966.82
FNA JERSEY BOI, LLC	39/3	14-0124	\$3,648.16
	59/2	14-0181	\$2,453.02
	150/10	14-0440	\$1,309.20
	139/4	14-0411	\$21,131.13
MAREZ REALTY, INC.	74/4 C000C	97-070	\$23,770.60
	74/5 C001E	97-076	\$30,629.70
	74/4 C00B1	99-0048	\$28,061.43
MTAG SVC. AS CUST	74/5 C001E	12-0410	\$811.55
FOR ATCF II NJ LLC	74/4 C000C	12-0395	\$517.96
	74/5 C002A	12-0411	\$1,069.30
	74/5 C001C	12-0409	\$1,194.41
	74/4 C00B1	12-0393	\$1,317.58
	74/4 C001C	12-0399	\$604.48
	74/5 C002D	12-0414	\$892.99
	74/5 C001A	12-0408	\$1,101.25
	74/5 C003B	12-0416	\$1,042.42
	74/1 C0003	12-0389	\$3,621.89
	74/1 CB00B	12-0388	\$6,385.10
	74/4 C000B	12-0394	\$834.64
	74/1 C0017	12-0392	\$4,429.34
	74/5 C002B	12-0412	\$2,235.16
	74/4 C003B	12-0404	\$834.64
	71/28	11-0190	\$17,234.42
	71/28	12-0378	\$22,425.86
US BANK CUST FOR	32/41 C0303	13-0103	\$842.22
PRO CAP III, L	64/32	13-0209	\$8,659.22
	49/12	13-0170	\$1,362.10
		GRAND TOTAL	\$608,430.32

Resolution
Re: Refunds of Premiums

WHEREAS, the investor named below has previously purchased a Tax Sale Certificate from the Town of West New York; and

WHEREAS, the investor paid a premium to the Collector of Taxes for said Tax Sale Certificate at the time of the sale; and

WHEREAS, the certificate has now been redeemed and the investor is entitled to a refund of said premium pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-33.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said premium be paid to the investors in the following amounts, and the Department of Revenue and Finance is hereby, authorized to issue said refund.

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution (cont.):

NAME	BLOCK/LOT	CERT. #	AMOUNT
ISAAC MORADI	74/1 CB00B	13-0244	\$1,000.00
	113/14	14-0336	\$1,500.00
	163/16	14-0488	\$1,700.00
	36/11	13-0123	\$700.00
PAM INVESTORS	133/4	14-0383	\$6,000.00
	25/35	14-0065	\$1,100.00
	21/43	14-0061	\$1,000.00
	83/10.02	14-0265	\$10,000.00
	5/32 C10-M	14-0014	\$5,000.00
	130/2 C0405	14-0372	\$5,000.00
	120/1	14-0348	\$7,000.00
	41/4	14-0133	\$5,000.00
	83/7 C0058	14-0261	\$6,000.00
	5/54	14-0021	\$10,000.00
	70/17	14-0200	\$12,000.00
	137/12	14-0401	\$800.00
	14/7	14-0036	\$22,000.00
	136/17	13-0451	\$1,200.00
	86/30	14-0278	\$16,000.00
	113/6	13-0394	\$1,200.00
	81/3 C00D2	14-0247	\$1,100.00
	5/21 C03-Q	14-0008	\$4,000.00
	61/5	14-0185	\$18,000.00
	105/3	14-0305	\$1,600.00
	130/4.01	14-0375	\$100.00
	120/29	14-0349	\$12,000.00
51/24	14-0159	\$1,400.00	
US BANKCUST FOR PC5 STERLING NAT'L	96/21	14-0285	\$900.00
	168.01/8.03 C0124	14-0523	\$8,000.00
	168.01/7.05 C0512	14-0532	\$21,100.00
	17/6 C0011	14-0042	\$3,000.00
	97/22	14-0292	\$1,300.00
	168.01/1.01 C0394	14-0497	\$32,500.00
	55/50.02	14-0176	\$10,000.00
	42/41 C0004	14-0139	\$1,400.00
	42/41 C0002	14-0138	\$1,400.00
	147/3	14-0430	\$1,300.00
	168.01/8.03 C0403	14-0527	\$15,100.00
	130/5.01 C0309	14-0379	\$1,300.00
	54/11	14-0165	\$1,500.00
	145/18	14-0426	\$1,100.00
	110/5 C0302	14-0319	\$1,700.00
	159/23	14-0479	\$13,000.00
	30/11	14-0071	\$1,300.00
	168.01/7.06 C0204	14-0533	\$10,100.00
	51/1	14-0157	\$1,200.00
	120/30	14-0350	\$11,000.00
	110/5 C0303	14-0320	\$800.00
	142/14.02	14-0419	\$1,100.00
133/13 C0305	14-0389	\$1,700.00	

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Resolution (cont.):

US BANK C/F TOWER	38/9 C014D	14-0118	\$3,000.00
DBWI IV 2014-1	111/2	14-0333	\$7,500.00
	47/15	14-0146	\$23,000.00
	79/10	14-0228	\$1,500.00
	168.01/8.03 C0106	14-0521	\$7,900.00
	81/9 C0307	14-0250	\$7,000.00
	33/34 C001E	14-0087	\$4,000.00
	104/22.02	14-0303	\$7,100.00
	168.01/1.08 C0279	14-0504	\$8,100.00
	33/6	14-0081	\$10,000.00
	168.01/1.01 C0392	14-0496	\$8,000.00
	134/6	14-0391	\$1,900.00
	61/21	14-0186	\$1,000.00
	36/33 C00A5	14-0099	\$3,000.00
	5/32 C04-Q	14-0009	\$3,000.00
	141/20	14-0416	\$9,100.00
	111/9	14-0334	\$2,100.00
	157/11	14-0468	\$5,100.00
US BANK CUST BV001	28/2	14-0067	\$2,000.00
TRST & CRDTRS	31/10	14-0074	\$2,000.00
	143/21	14-0425	\$6,500.00
	108/13	14-0312	\$13,000.00
	168.01/7.06 C0404	14-0537	\$4,500.00
	102/6	14-0301	\$2,700.00
	47/5	14-0145	\$12,000.00
	168.01/1.01 C0390	14-0495	\$1,500.00
	37/21	14-0113	\$1,000.00
	71/28	13-0233	\$30,000.00
	5/32 C08-S	14-0012	\$2,000.00
	49/20 C002C	14-0152	\$3,000.00
72 OAK STREET HOLDINGS, LLC	55/50.01	14-0175	\$12,000.00
MEYER MUSSAFI	80/1	14-0234	\$62,000.00
US BANK CUST FOR BV001 TRUST	147/4	13-0486	\$1,800.00
	48/15	13-0168	\$400.00
	132/1	13-0443	\$600.00
	141/14	13-0466	\$1,200.00
US BANK CUST FOR FNA JERSEY BOI, LLC	39/8	14-0127	\$10,000.00
	39/3	14-0124	\$15,000.00
	59/2	14-0181	\$10,000.00
	150/10	14-0440	\$5,900.00
	139/4	14-0411	\$58,000.00
MTAG SVC. AS CUST FOR ATCF II NJ LLC	74/1 C0017	12-0392	\$500.00
	71/28	11-0190	\$2,600.00
TTLBL LLC	31/20	14-0075	\$2,000.00
	40/15	14-0131	\$9,000.00
	20/39.02	14-0056	\$6,000.00
	11/2	14-0027	\$3,000.00
	33/23	14-0083	\$10,000.00
	19/53	14-0052	\$18,000.00
	14/4	14-0034	\$20,000.00
	39/12 C007D	14-0129	\$4,000.00
	35/1 C009D	14-0093	\$4,000.00
	20/8	14-0055	\$25,000.00
	14/5	14-0035	\$24,000.00

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution (cont.):

US BANK CUST FOR TOWER DBW	136/18	12-0619	\$4,500.00
US BK. CUST FOR TOWER DBW111 TR2013	20/36 C0011 3/15	13-0083 13-0007	\$2,500.00 \$2,800.00
US BK. CUST PRO-CAP	111 64/32 49/12	13-0209 13-0170	\$3,000.00 \$900.00
		GRAND TOTAL	\$805,400.00

Resolution

**Re: Authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel taxes on real property
known as Block 155 Lot 11 more commonly known as 6516 Polk Street**

Whereas, the former owner of Block 155 Lot 11 sold the property to a tax exempt entity on June 28, 2013; and

Whereas, the Tax Assessor's Office has received a timely filed initial statement for an exemption from taxation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.6 ; and

Whereas, the property qualified for exemption from taxation for 2014 but continued to be billed for 2014 and created delinquent taxes; and

Whereas, the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes and interest in the amount of \$7,196.60;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY THAT:

- 1) The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes and interest in the amount of \$7,196.60 ;
- 2) This resolution shall take effect immediately

Resolution

Re: Tax Correction-24 Avenue at Port Imperial

WHEREAS, a condominium unit located at 24 Avenue at Port Imperial known as Block 168.01 Lot 8.01 Unit B00 was purchased on May 17, 2013 and;

WHEREAS, said property is required to pay a service charge of 2% of the most recent true consideration from the date of acquisition and;

WHEREAS, the Tax System billed the unit owner from January 1, 2013 and not from May 17, 2013 as it appears on the deed of conveyance, and

Whereas, the unit was subject to an overbilling of the service charge in the amount of \$2,613.64 and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY THAT:

- 1) The Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund the overpayment and make the necessary corrections to the tax record.

NAME	AMOUNT	YEAR
KWAK, KYEONG SOOK & IHDUCK KIM	\$2,613.64	2013

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution
Re: Tax Corrections-328 59th Street

WHEREAS, a payment in the amount of \$1000.00 was received in the Tax Office for payment of 2014 property taxes for property located at 328 59TH Street A/K/A block 66 lot 27 and;

WHEREAS, the said payment in the amount of \$1000.00 was credited to the wrong property located at 123 67th Street A/K/A block 8 lot 12 and;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to move the said payment to be credited to the correct account and to waive any interest may have accrued due to this error.

Resolution
Re: Tax Corrections 347 Oswego Court

WHEREAS, there is an overpayment on the 4th quarter 2014 service charge tax bill in the amount of \$1000.00 for property located at 347 Oswego Court A/KA block 168.01 lot1.04 C0347 and;

WHEREAS, the taxpayer is requesting that the credit be moved to credit their 2015 service charge tax bill.

THEREFORE, the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to move the said overpayment and to adjust the tax record accordingly.

Resolution
Re: Tax Corrections 315-19 and 56th street

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector sold at a Tax Sale Certificate held on June 28, 2010 Certificate# 10-146 in the amount of \$3,452.56 to US Bank Cust. for Pro Capital I, LLC which reflected the uncollected taxes for 2009 on 315-19 56th Street a/k/a block 81 lot 3 C00B1 and

WHEREAS, Certificate 10-146 was redeemed on, July 25, 2011 in the amount of \$3,452.56 and

WHEREAS, US Bank Cust for Pro Capital I, LLC made a subsequent tax payment on the 1ST 2012 after the said Certificate was satisfied in the amount of \$420.14 and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the subsequent tax payment for the 1st quarter 2012 taxes on the above mentioned property in the amount of \$420.14 be refunded to US Bank Cust. For Pro Capital I, LLC

Resolution
Re: Authorizing the Town of West New York to seek Fair and Open Process in compliance with the Pay to Play Statutes for the retention of Animal Control Shelter Services (2nd Occasion)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. mandates a municipality to comply with Pay to Play requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners wish to receive and consider proposals for services as may be needed by the Town of West New York for the professional service of Animal Control Shelter Services (2nd Occasion); and

WHEREAS, the Town has previously committed itself to utilizing a Fair and Open Process for the solicitation and review of proposals for professional services,

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution (cont.):

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York as follows:

1. The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to publish and advertise a Request for Proposals for Animal Control Shelter Services (2nd Occasion).
2. Such Request for Proposals(s) shall be published and advertised in accordance with a Fair and Open Process at least ten (10) days in advance of the opening of the responses to the Requests for Proposals received (“Statements of Qualifications”), such opening to take place on or before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners, on or before which time all Proposals must be submitted by interested parties, for consideration by the Review Committee herein established; and
3. The Qualified Purchasing Agent with the Town Administrator and the Town Attorney both in an advisory capacity will review all Proposals and to make recommendations to the Mayor and Board of Commissioners prior to its next regularly scheduled meeting.

RESOLUTION

RE: APPROVING SUBMISSION OF STRATEGIC PLAN FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR THE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 2014- JUNE 2019

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Hudson;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the West New York Municipal Alliance grant year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 the amount of:

DEDR	\$ 42,943.00
Cash Match	\$ 10,736.00
In-Kind	\$ 32,207.00

2. The Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

RESOLUTION
Re: TO APPROVE CONTRACT WITH
EMSCHARTS FOR PROVISION OF AMBULANCE PATIENT CHARTS

WHEREAS, the Town sought proposals for the provision of ambulance patient charts and ems Charts submitted a proposal which best fits the needs of the Town of West New York ; and

WHEREAS, the Town seeks to enter into a one year agreement for the provision of the EMS charts and to execute the business associates agreement to insure that the confidentiality of the health information on these charts is maintained; and

WHEREAS, the charges for access to this web-based computer access will be estimated at \$700 per month or \$8,000for the year; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York do hereby approve of a contract with ems Charts for the provision of ambulance patient charts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the contract with ems Charts and the business associates agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer's certification of funds shall be on file at the Town Clerk's Office and incorporated herein by reference.

RESOLUTION
Re: TO APPROVE CONTRACT WITH BEYER
FORD FOR 2 TRUCKS WITH SNOW PLOWS AND SALT SPREADERS

WHEREAS, the Town seeks to purchase two trucks with snow plows and salt spreaders; and

WHEREAS, the Town can purchase these trucks from Beyer Ford, Morristown, New Jersey, under State Contract #A88214; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 a Municipality can award a contract without bidding when it can be purchased through a State Contract; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York do hereby approve of a contract with Beyer Ford for the purchase of two F-450 Trucks with snow plows and salt spreaders for \$55,483.00 each and a total contract amount of \$110,966.00, under State Contract #A88214.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the contract with Beyer Ford for the purchase of these trucks.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer's certification of funds shall be on file at the Town Clerk's Office and incorporated herein by reference.

RESOLUTION
Re: RE-APPOINTING CLARA BRITO-HERRERA AS CLASS IV DESIGNEE OF THE
TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS, the Mayor is responsible for the appointment of a Class IV Designee of the Town of West New York Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, Clara Brito-Herrera has served as a Class IV Designee of the Town of West New York Planning Board since June 15, 2011, her term expiring on January 16, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Clara Brito-Herrera is a municipal resident and is eligible to serve pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-23; and

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Consent Agenda (cont.):

Resolution (cont.):

WHEREAS, the Mayor seeks to re-appoint Clara Brito-Herrera as a Class IV Designee of the Town of West New York Planning Board: and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor of the Town of West New York that Clara Brito-Herrera, residing at 6312 Jackson, Apartment 1, West New York, New Jersey, is re-appointed as Class IV Designee of the West New York Planning Board for a new four-year term commencing January 17, 2015, and continuing until January 16, 2019.

Resolution
Re: Support Authorizing Application
For the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants Program
Funded by the New Jersey Department of Health

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York is participating in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, and they have created a grant program called the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants funded by the New Jersey Department of Health;

THEREFORE, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of West New York have determined that the Town should apply for the aforementioned Grant.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of West New York, State of New Jersey, authorize the submission of the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant funded by the New Jersey Department of Health.

Resolution
Re: Designation of Commissioner Gabriel Rodriguez as the Director of Public Works

WHEREAS, Gabriel Rodriguez has been appointed as a Commissioner of the Town of West New York to fill the unexpired term of Caridad Rodriguez; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of West New York, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:72-6, designate the Commissioners to be the directors of the Departments of the Town of West New York; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners seek to appoint Gabriel Rodriguez as the Director of the Department of Public Works commencing January 21, 2015 and until May 19, 2015; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners do hereby appoint Gabriel Rodriguez as the Director of the Department of Public Works commencing January 21, 2015 and until May 19, 2015.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Commissioner Vargas that the aforesaid Resolution be adopted, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas and Mayor Roque
NAYS - Commissioner Wiley
ABSENT - None

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RESOLUTION
Re: APPOINTING RUBEN VARGAS AS THE
DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, Ruben Vargas is a Commissioner of the Town of West New York; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of West New York, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:72-6, designate the Commissioners to be the directors of the Departments of the Town of West New York; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners seek to appoint Ruben Vargas as the Director of the Department of Public Affairs commencing January 21, 2015 and until May 19, 2015; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners do hereby appoint Ruben Vargas as the Director of the Department of Public Affairs commencing January 21, 2015 and until May 19, 2015.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Commissioner Vargas that the aforesaid Resolution be adopted, carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas and Mayor Roque
NAYS - Commissioner Wiley
ABSENT - None

ORDINANCE #20/14

**An Ordinance repealing Chapter 53 of the Code of the Town of West New York
entitled "Insurance Fund Commissioner"**

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Frias, to **open the public hearing** on this Ordinance, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

No One wished to be heard.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Vargas, to **close the public hearing** on this Ordinance, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Frias to **adopt** the foregoing Ordinance was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

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ORDINANCE #21/14

An Ordinance amending Chapter 39 of the Code of Town of West New York regarding Salaries and Compensation

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Frias, to **open the public hearing** on this Ordinance, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

The following persons wished to be heard:

1. **Patrick Cullen 72-67th Street:**

Mr. Cullen asked if this Ordinance will have an impact on the Commissioner's Salaries to which Mr. Watkins responded "No".

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Vargas, to **close the public hearing** on this Ordinance, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Frias to **adopt** the foregoing Ordinance was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

ORDINANCE # 1/15

An Ordinance amending Chapter 135 " Building Construction Standards", Article IV "Limitation on Construction Hours", § 135-4 "Construction Prohibited" of the town of West New York Municipal Code

Note: Mr. Watkins explained that this Ordinance was only an introduction and that it was amended during the work session.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Commissioner Vargas to adopt the introduction of the foregoing Ordinance, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioner Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley, Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

A motion was made by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Frias; to **open the Public Portion of the meeting** was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioner Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS- - None
ABSENT - None

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Public Portion:

1. Linda Kellerman, 6600 Boulevard East:

Ms. Kellerman inquired about how the construction ordinance would work. Mr. Watkins replied that the purpose was to restrict the hours to limit noise afterhours and weekends.

2. Patrick Cullen, 72-67th Street:

Mr. Cullen was concerned about the campaign contribution guidelines and if in the “spirit” of transparency and honesty, if the candidates would agree to monitor political contributions and for the candidates themselves to take the money aspect out of the campaign. Corporate Counsel Mr. Dias explained that he should refer to campaign laws, that an answer was not required at this time.

3. Humberto Ortega, 6040 Boulevard East:

Mr. Ortega followed up on Mr. Cullen’s remark about political contributions and wanted to know if something could be put in place whereby a contribution checkbox can be placed on tax forms for the purpose of donations to the Mayoral campaign. Corporate Counsel Mr. Dias explained that the Commission meeting was not about the campaign.

4. Joshua Breakstone, WNY:

Mr. Breakstone stated that he represents an organization that has been running for 3 1/2 years known as Concerned Citizens. He stated that the majority of these citizens are from Boulevard East and has about 200 members in this organization. He stated that he was concerned on how the Merdian Project will be a detrimental impact to the community. Mr. Breakstone then said “Mayor you seat these people to the Planning Board”. The Mayor agreed that he does. Mr. Breakstone stated that the Mayor should keep in mind that the Merdian Project will “sway voters”.

5. Rick Solaris, 6601 Lincoln Place:

Mr. Solaris commended Mayor Roque and the other Commissioners on their selection of Gabriel Rodriguez as the new Commissioner of DPW. Mr. Solaris celebrated the new Commissioner’s virtues on family values and long standing service to the community. The Mayor thanked Mr. Solaris and so did Commissioner Rodriguez.

6. Rafael Cruz, 527-63rd St.:

Mr. Cruz stated that he is in total agreement of Mr. Cullen’s’ concern regarding money and pleaded to Mayor Roque not to run.

7. Jesus Aristy, 631-63rd St.:

Mr. Aristy wanted all attendees to know that he has been a resident of WNY for many years He stated that citizens of WNY attend the Commission meetings to raise complaints, but that no one has suggested a solution. He continued in stating that the people of West New York should bring solutions to the meetings, not complaints. He went on to say that when he first moved to WNY you could not walk the streets safely, that gang related crime was rampant. He said the police are doing a great job and that with this administration crime has dropped significantly. He thanked the WNYPD and insisted that we do not get anything done by fighting each other. He challenged the public to choose wisely the next candidate and reiterated that WNY citizens are now safer.

8. Nicholas Santos, 107-65th St.:

Mr. Santos spoke about a letter the Mayor sent to the Hudson Reporter declaring his candidacy but Sean Dias cautioned him about political posturing. Mr. Santos wanted to know what Mayor Roque would be doing to improve the schools to which the Mayor stated that he wants to empower the teachers to teach. He wants to improve education, Capital improvement, and the Town debt that has risen and increased by ten million. The comment made by the Mayor regarding the debt, sent Wiley on a tirade directed at the Mayor about the mounting debt. The Mayor responded to Wiley that he did not know how to run a town, that he went to school to practice medicine. He continued to say that he now has the appropriate individuals to help him.

9. Mr. Brakah, 67th Hudson Avenue:

Mr. Brakah complained about a water leak in a parking lot off 51st and Bergenline that froze over. The Mayor stated that he knows and that it was a busted pipe. He complimented WNYPD and the EMS unit, but criticized the snow removal.

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Public Portion (cont.):

10. Clara Brito Herrera:

Ms. Herrera commended the Mayor on his choice of having Commissioner Rodriguez become a part of his team. Ms. Herrera also thanked the Mayor on allowing her to serve on the Planning Board again since she always liked to give back to her community.

11. Francisco Ferrero, 2300 Sayerville, NJ:

Mr. Ferrero congratulated the new Commissioner then proceeded to disagree with Commissioner Wiley for not supporting the appointment of the new Commissioner. Mr. Ferrero stated to Commissioner Wiley that if it wasn't for the Mayor he would not be sitting where he is now. "I'm the solution not the problem" said Commissioner Wiley.

12. Shelia Dunn:

Ms. Dunn complained that the crossing guards should pay for the cleaning of their own uniforms and spare the taxpayers of that expense.

A motion was made by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Vargas; **to close the Public Portion at 8:00 p.m.** was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioner Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS- -None
ABSENT - None

A motion was made by Comm. Frias, Seconded by Mayor Roque **to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. was carried by the following vote:**

YEAS - Commissioner Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley, Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Commissioner FiorD' Aliza Frias

Commissioner Gabriel Rodriguez

Commissioner Ruben Vargas

Commissioner Count J. Wiley

Mayor Felix E. Roque
Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Matthew Urban Watkins
Business Administrator