### **AGENDA**

# BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NJ November 10, 2020 7:00 PM

# STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

The requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Express-Times (Warren County Edition) and posted on the Boroughs website stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law.

**ROLL CALL** Conry, Cox, Duchemin, Noone, Norris, Valle, Higgins.

# AUDIENCE-PUBLIC COMMENT/COUNCIL APPEARANCE

**Buttzville Brewing Company** 

## **MINUTES-Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes**

Regular:

October 20, 2020

Executive

October 20, 2020

# **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Best Practices Inventory Survey-Discussion

# **ORDINANCES 1st Reading:**

Ordinance 2020-14 will be published in the Express-Times Warren County Edition on November 19, 2020 and a public hearing will be held December 1,2020.

**ORDINANCE 2020-14** 

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF \$155,000.00 PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF A DEFICIT IN OPERATIONS OF THE BOROUGH DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO COVID-19 WHICH IS ANTICIPATED TO BE EXPERIENCED BY THE BOROUGH IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR

### RESOLUTIONS

- 1. **RESOLUTION 2020-150-** RESOLUTION TO ADJUST SEWER BILLINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 70, SECTION 28B OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON
- 2. **RESOLUTION 2020-151**-APPOINTING RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT
- 3. **RESOLUTION 2020-152-**STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND RESOLUTION APPOINTING FUND COMMISSIONER
- 4. RESOLUTION 2020-153-RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE
- 5. **RESOLUTION 2020-154-**APPROVING THE CERTIFICATION OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AS TO THE ANTICIPATED DEFICIT IN OPERATIONS OF THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO COVID-19
- 6. RESOLUTION 2020-155- RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE
- 7. **RESOLUTION 2020-156**-AWARD OF CONTRACT IN THE SUM OF \$34,614.00 FOR PROPRIETARY FACTORY TRUCK WARRANTY TO HOOVER TRUCK CENTER FLANDERS NEW JERSEY

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **REPORTS**

• MANAGER'S REPORT-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER, 2020

**VOUCHERS** 

**RECAP** 

**COUNCIL REMARKS** 

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-if needed** 

ADJOURNMENT \_\_\_\_\_P.M.

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WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New Jersey (the "State") has heretofore declared a public health emergency and a state of emergency in response to the outbreak of the coronavirus disease 2019 as announced by the World Health Organization on February 11, 2020, and first identified in Wuhan, China ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(m) provides that a municipality may, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (the "Director"), adopt an ordinance providing for a special emergency appropriation for the funding of a deficit in operations of the Borough directly attributable to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") has executed a certification in the form prescribed by the Director, certifying that the deficit balance anticipated to be reported on the Borough's "Results of Operations" schedule of the annual financial statement for the current fiscal year is \$155,000; and

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WHEREAS, by resolution adopted on November 10, 2020, the Municipal Council of the Borough approved such certification, together with the Borough's application to the Director seeking approval of the adoption of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has applied for financial assistance that may be available to the Borough from the federal government, the State and other sources to offset such anticipated operating deficit balance, and has obtained \$0.00 for such purpose (which amount will be utilized to offset such anticipated operating deficit balance);

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the Borough has determined to provide for the funding of such anticipated operating deficit balance, as offset by the amount of financial assistance received, in the net amount of \$155,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough seeks to make a special emergency appropriation in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(m).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(m), the sum of \$155,000 is hereby appropriated for the funding of a deficit in operations of the Borough directly attributable to COVID-19 which is anticipated to be experienced by the Borough in the current (2020) fiscal year, and the same shall be deemed a special emergency appropriation as defined and provided for in N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53.

<u>Section 2</u>. The portion of the authorization financed shall be provided for in succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of at least one fifth of the amount authorized by this

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ordinance beginning in the year after the year in which the resulting deferred charge appears in the Borough's unaudited financial statements, as provided in N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55.

Section 3. The Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are each hereby authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the special emergency appropriation not determined by this or a subsequent ordinance, all in consultation with the Borough Attorney or Bond Counsel, and the manual or facsimile signature of the Borough's Mayor or Chief Financial Officer upon any documents shall be conclusive as to all such determinations. The Mayor, Chief Financial Officer, Clerk and any other Borough Representative, including but not limited to, Bond Counsel, the Borough Attorney, Municipal Advisor and the Auditor (collectively, the "Borough Representatives"), are each hereby authorized and directed to take such actions or refrain from such actions as are necessary to undertake the special emergency appropriation, including but not limited to, the negotiation of any and all contracts, agreements and documents for the special emergency appropriation, and any all such actions or inactions taken by the aforesaid Borough Representatives heretofore are hereby ratified and confirmed, nunc pro tunc.

Section 4. A copy of this ordinance shall be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

<u>Section 5</u>. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as required by law; provided that the approval of the Director has been obtained.