

**MINUTES**  
**Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Council**  
**Wednesday, May 13, 2020**  
**7:00 PM**

**CONFERENCE CALL PHONE NUMBER – 646-307-1479, GUEST PASSCODE 476570**

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Marana called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM via telephone conference call.

**STATEMENT**

Mayor Marana read the “Sunshine Statement” into the record as follows:

*“This is a Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale. The date, time and location of this meeting has been advertised in the official Newspapers of the Borough, filed with the Acting Borough Clerk and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building. All notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been fulfilled. Please note the fire exits as required by law at public meetings.”*

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG & SILENT PRAYER**

Mayor Marana asked all to join in the Salute to the Flag. He also asked everyone for a moment of silent prayer for all that have passed away from this horrendous virus.

**ROLL CALL**

Name	Present	Absent
Mayor Marana	==	==
Councilman Argiro	==	==
Councilman DeLisio	==	==
Councilman Devlin	==	==
Councilman McGuire	==	==
Councilman Shepard	==	==
Councilman Sotiropoulos	==	==

**OTHER OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE**

Also present: Ms. Deena Rosendahl, Borough Attorney, Ms. Marie Raffay, Borough Engineer, Ms. Frances Weston, Acting Borough Clerk

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

Combined Meeting of March 11, 2020

Motion	Second	Name
==	==	Councilman Argiro
==	==	Councilman DeLisio
==	==	Councilman Devlin
==	==	Councilman McGuire
==	==	Councilman Shepard
==	==	Councilman Sotiropoulos

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	==	==	==	==
Councilman DeLisio	==	==	==	==
Councilman Devlin	==	==	==	==
Councilman McGuire	==	==	==	==
Councilman Shepard	==	==	==	==
Councilman Sotiropoulos	==	==	==	==

Closed Session Minutes of March 11, 2020

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Councilman Shepard	==	==	==	==
Councilman Sotiropoulos	==	==	==	==

**APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES**

Mayor Marana states that rice notices were sent to the 3 Senior Center employees. Mrs. Barnable requested open session discussion. The other two employees opted for closed session discussion. Mayor Marana stated that the Senior Center is going to be closed for quite some time due to COVID-19. Mrs. Barnable is going to be furloughed and will be paid through May 15<sup>th</sup>. She can file for unemployment. Ms. Rosendahl explained the difference between being layed off and furloughed. Mrs. Delury asked if the center will be reopened and the Mayor responded it will reopen pretty slowly. He said the Senior Center will be one of the last places to be opened. Mayor Marana said he is waiting for guidance from the Governor or County Executive as to when it can be reopened. Mrs. Carpanini would like to be able to pick up her personal items along with the other ladies. Ms. Rosendahl said to make arrangements with Ms. Weston.

**MONTHLY CORRESPONDENCE –**

The following reports are on file in the Borough Clerk’s office and can be viewed by the public between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

- Building Department - May
- Fire Department
- Fire Prevention - May
- Municipal Court
- Recreation Minutes
- Tax Collector
- Grantswriter - May

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Thank You Letter to Mayor Marana – April 13, 2020
2. Maser Consulting – May 4, 2020  
Bid Opening – 2020 Riverside Coop
3. Maser Consulting – May 5, 2020  
Recommendation of Award – 2020 Riverside Coop
4. Maser Consulting – May 5, 2020  
Professional Engineering Construction Administration Services  
2020 Riverside Coop

**RESOLUTIONS – Consent Agenda**

*“All items are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council member. Any item may be removed for further discussion or for a roll call vote in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the general order of business”*

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**RESOLUTION #2020-65**

**TITLE: APPROVE THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES #168 FOR BLOCK 908, LOT 1 QUALIFICATION CODE CT118.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Tax Collector shall conduct the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #168 by Universal Contracting of New York Corp. for the benefit of D.A.D. Townhouses LLC, the property owner, from Rothman Realty Corp Profit Sharing, the lienholder according to N.J.S.A. 54:5-54. The breakdown is as follows:

Block 908 Lot 1 Qual.Code CT118 – Northvale Greens LLC – 118 Rio Vista Lane

Tax Sale Certificate #168	\$ 10,640.48
6% Redemption Penalty	\$ 638.43
0% Interest on Certificate	\$ 0.00
Recording Fee	\$ 43.00
Search Fee	\$ 12.00
Subsequent Tax 2013 – 2018	\$ 16,188.80
Interest on Subsequent Taxes	\$ 574.71
Premium	\$ <u>57,100.00</u>
Total Due to Lienholder	\$ <u>85,197.42</u>

The Chief Financial Officer shall issue a check in the amount of \$85,197.42 to:

Rothman Realty Corp. Profit Sharing  
411 Grand Avenue  
Englewood, New Jersey 07631

**RESOLUTION #2020-66**

**TITLE: APPROVE THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES #169 FOR BLOCK 908, LOT 1 QUALIFICATION CODE CT128.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Tax Collector shall conduct the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #169 by Universal Contracting of New York Corp. for the benefit of D.A.D. Townhouses LLC, the property owner, from Rothman Realty Corp Profit Sharing, the lienholder according to N.J.S.A. 54:5-54. The breakdown is as follows:

Block 908 Lot 1 Qual.Code CT128 – Northvale Greens LLC – 128 Rio Vista Lane

Tax Sale Certificate #169	\$ 10,647.63
6% Redemption Penalty	\$ 638.86
0% Interest on Certificate	\$ 0.00
Recording Fee	\$ 43.00
Search Fee	\$ 12.00
Subsequent Tax 2013 – 2018	\$ 16,188.91
Interest on Subsequent Taxes	\$ 574.70
Premium	\$ <u>57,100.00</u>
Total Due to Lienholder	\$ <u>85,205.10</u>

The Chief Financial Officer shall issue a check in the amount of \$85,205.10 to:

Rothman Realty Corp. Profit Sharing  
411 Grand Avenue  
Englewood, New Jersey 07631

**RESOLUTION #2020-67**

**TITLE: APPROVE THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES #2016-07 FOR BLOCK 908, LOT 1 QUALIFICATION CODE CT124.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Tax Collector shall conduct the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2016-07 by Universal Contracting of New York Corp. for the benefit of D.A.D. Townhouses LLC, the property owner, from US Bank Cust BV002 Trst & Crdtrs, the lienholder according to N.J.S.A. 54:5-54. The breakdown is as follows:

Block 908 Lot 1 Qual.Code CT124 – D.A.D. Townhouses, LLC – 124 Rio Vista Lane

Tax Sale Certificate #2016-07	\$ 9,376.80
4% Redemption Penalty	\$ 375.07
0% Interest on Certificate	\$ 0.00
Recording Fee	\$ 43.00
Search Fee	\$ 12.00
Other Fees	\$ 1,462.00
Subsequent Tax 2013 – 2018	\$ 42,186.08
Interest on Subsequent Taxes	\$ 12,024.08
Premium	\$ 22,000.00
Total Due to Lienholder	\$ 87,479.03

The Chief Financial Officer shall issue a check in the amount of \$87,479.03 to:

US Bank Cust BV002 Trst & Crdtrs  
50 South 16th St, Suite 2050  
Philadelphia, PA 19102-2513

**RESOLUTION #2020-68**

**TITLE: APPROVE THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES #2016-08 FOR BLOCK 908, LOT 1 QUALIFICATION CODE CT126.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the Tax Collector shall conduct the Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2016-08 by Universal Contracting of New York Corp. for the benefit of D.A.D. Townhouses LLC, the property owner, from US Bank Cust BV002 Trst & Crdtrs, the lienholder according to N.J.S.A. 54:5-54. The breakdown is as follows:

Block 908 Lot 1 Qual.Code CT126 – D.A.D. Townhouses, LLC – 126 Rio Vista Lane

Tax Sale Certificate #2016-08	\$ 9,376.80
4% Redemption Penalty	\$ 375.07
0% Interest on Certificate	\$ 0.00
Recording Fee	\$ 43.00
Search Fee	\$ 12.00
Other Fees	\$ 1,462.00
Subsequent Tax 2013 – 2018	\$ 42,186.08
Interest on Subsequent Taxes	\$ 12,024.08
Premium	\$ 22,300.00
Total Due to Lienholder	\$ 87,779.03

The Chief Financial Officer shall issue a check in the amount of \$87,779.03 to:

US Bank Cust BV002 Trst & Crdtrs  
50 South 16th St, Suite 2050  
Philadelphia, PA 19102-2513

**RESOLUTION #2020-69**

**TITLE: A RESOLUTION AMENDING APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGIONAL COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Northvale has entered into a three year Cooperative Agreement with the County of Bergen as provided under the Interlocal Services Act N.J.S.A. 40A:8a-1 et seq. and Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, said Agreement requires that the Municipal Council appoint a representative and alternate and that the Mayor appoint a representative and alternate for the FY 2019-2020 term starting July 1, 2019 and ending on June 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale made its appointments to the Bergen County Community Development Regional Committee on April 10, 2019 via Resolution #2019-69, naming Mayor Patrick J. Marana as the representative of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 1, 2020, Ed Devlin was sworn in as Councilman and will now be representing the Borough of Northvale on the CDBG Regional Committee as the Council Representative with his alternate; Councilman Joseph McGuire.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough of Northvale hereby amends Resolution #2019-69 naming Councilman Ed Devlin with the above mentioned change to the Community Development Regional Committee for FY 2019-2020; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that an original copy of this resolution be emailed and postage mailed to Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development; One Bergen County Plaza, Fourth Floor, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601.

**RESOLUTION #2020-70**

**TITLE: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING FRANCES WESTON AS THE MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale has petitioned the Superior Court of New Jersey for a Declaratory Judgment that its Housing Element and Fair Share Plan is compliant with its constitutional obligation to provide its fair share of the regional need for very-low, low, and moderate income housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan will result in the creation of housing units affordable to and intended for occupancy solely by qualified very-low, low, and moderate income households; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Northvale has appointed and designated Wanda Worner (per Resolution #2019-78, dated April 10, 2019) as its Municipal Housing Liaison, to fulfill the duties set forth in Ordinance #820-2006 (adopted May 10, 2006), creating the position of Municipal Housing Liaison; and Wanda Worner has passed away on February 2, 2020,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, that the Borough of Northvale hereby appoints Frances Weston as its designated Municipal Housing Liaison.

**RESOLUTION #2020-71**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF SALARIES AND WAGES THROUGH MAY 15, 2020 IN LIGHT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020 the United States Department of Health declared a public health emergency for the United States in order to aid in preventing the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020 the State of New Jersey declared a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency due to the danger to public health caused by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 21, 2020 Governor Murphy signed Executive Order No. 107 directing residents of the State of New Jersey to shelter in place, with exceptions permitted for essential businesses and services; and

**WHEREAS**, for the health and safety of the employees of the Borough of Northvale, and to ensure compliance with Governor Murphy's executive orders, the World Health Organization and Center for Disease Control recommendations, certain employees have been asked not to report to work; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to continue to pay the regular wages of those employees who have been asked not to report to work,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale hereby authorizes the continued payment of salaries and wages for all Borough Employees, including those asked not to report to work, through May 15, 2020.

#### **RESOLUTION #2020-72**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BYLAWS OF THE BERGEN COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale is a member of the Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, hereinafter the "FUND"; and

**WHEREAS**, the FUND held a public hearing on March 19, 2020 at which time the Executive Committee voted to approve certain amendments to the FUND's bylaws; and

**WHEREAS**, after the public hearing conducted on March 19, 2020 the Executive Committee of the FUND distributed the proposed bylaw amendment to the membership for their consideration; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed bylaw amendment provides that in the event of a merger or change of ownership or control between a risk management consultant and a servicing organization, the FUND shall waive the restriction that each member local unit shall appoint an Insurance Producer as a Risk Management consultant who shall not be a Fund Commissioner or employed by or under contract to the Fund as an administrator or servicing organization only with respect to members that utilize that risk management consultant as of the date of the merger or change of ownership and control; and

**WHEREAS**, the revised bylaws must be ratified by at least three fourths of the member towns before they can become effective; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Northvale to ratify the bylaws amendment referenced herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the governing body of the Borough of Northvale that the revised bylaws are hereby ratified.

**RESOLUTION #2020-73**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE HEROISM OF HEALTHCARE WORKERS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND LIGHT THE FIGHT INITIATIVE**

**WHEREAS**, THE CORONAVIRUS (AKA, SARS-CoV-2) causes the disease COVID-19, which has been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization;

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the lives of every resident of the State of New Jersey and the Borough of Northvale;

**WHEREAS**, Coronavirus is highly contagious, and can be deadly. Approximately 20 percent of those infected with Coronavirus require hospitalization and five percent require critical care according to the CDC;

**WHEREAS**, frontline healthcare workers, including doctors, nurses, respiratory therapists, paramedics, EMTs, and support staff, put themselves at risk to care for Coronavirus patients;

**WHEREAS**, shortages of healthcare workers to care for patients in this unprecedented crisis demands that many work extra shifts, in difficult conditions, away from their families, at all times of the day and night and on holidays;

**WHEREAS**, this service, all for the selfless benefit of the community, can place healthcare workers in harm's way and at personal risk;

**WHEREAS**, it is important to recognize the enormity of the day-to-day sacrifices and heroism of our healthcare workers in hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, urgent care sites, ambulances, and testing centers;

**WHEREAS**, many residents and businesses in the Borough of Northvale would like to shine a light on the tireless dedications, bravery, and service of health care workers during the COVID-19 pandemic;

**WHEREAS**, communities across the State of New Jersey are encouraging residents and businesses to "Light The Fight", where all of our communities can celebrate the heroism of our healthcare workers by hanging a string of lights, or placing bright lanterns or flameless candles in front of their homes or places of businesses;

**WHEREAS**, the lights reflect the appreciation we feel towards our heroic healthcare workers, letting them know how grateful we are for their dedication to the health and well-being of our communities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough of Northvale recognize all frontline healthcare workers as "Healthcare Heroes" for their dedicated heroism and bravery and for going to work to fight Coronavirus and COVID-19;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all residents and businesses in the Borough of Northvale are encouraged to hang a string of lights or place bright lanterns or flameless candles in front of their property, in their front window, or elsewhere on their property;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all residents and businesses are encouraged to take photos of their lights and post them to social media with the hash tag "#LightTheFight" to let our Healthcare Heroes know that we are standing behind them;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Borough of Northvale shall display lights on the Borough Hall for the duration of the State of Emergency and a Public Health Emergency declared pursuant to Governor Phil Murphy's Executive Orders 103 and 119.

**RESOLUTION #2020-74**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION APPROVING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CLINTON AVENUE ROADWAY PROJECT FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE**

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Aid program is a competitive program providing municipalities with transportation based grants to supplement their transportation programs; and

**WHEREAS**, starting in FY2018, the New Jersey Department of Transportation Trust Fund (“TTF”) began providing \$400 million in State Aid to municipalities and counties for local transportation improvements, of that amount, the Municipal Aid Program was funded at a level of \$140 million (the “Program”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has identified a roadway project within the municipality commonly known as the Clinton Avenue Roadway Project, which may qualify for a grant from the Municipal Aid Program of the New Jersey Department of Transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Northvale to apply for a grant for the Clinton Avenue Roadway Project from the Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council for the Borough of Northvale formally approves the grant application for the above state project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA – 2021 – Clinton Avenue Roadway Project – 00030 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Northvale; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Northvale and that their signatures constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the executive of the grant agreement.

**RESOLUTION #2020-75**

**TITLE: RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE GRACE PERIOD FOR THE PAYMENT OF TAXES DUE MAY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 1, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-66(a), second-quarter property taxes are due May 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, property taxpayers throughout the State may be suffering from one or more financial hardships caused by or related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to a substantial loss of or drop in income; and

**WHEREAS**, as of April 13, 2020, there were 856,528 unemployment claims filed by New Jersey workers over the previous five weeks; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 outbreak has caused substantial economic disruption for many property taxpayers throughout the State, making it difficult for many residents to meet the May 1, 2020 due date for the timely payment of real property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, in light of the COVID-19 outbreak and economic factors resulting therefrom, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order 130 authorizing any governing body of a municipality with a calendar year budget cycle, such as the Borough of



Northvale, may adopt a resolution instituting a grace period concluding on a date no later than June 1, 2020 for the payment of second-quarter property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, Northvale property owners, along with the residents of our State of New Jersey, have been suffering from one or more financial hardships caused by or related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to take action to minimize and mitigate additional hardships, losses, or suffering by Borough of Northvale residents; and

**WHEREAS**, in an attempt to alleviate some of the financial burden on property taxpayers in the Borough of Northvale, it is in the best interest of the Borough to extend the grace period for the payment of second quarter property taxes to June 1, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Borough of Northvale that the grace period for the payment of the second quarter 2020 real estate property taxes that are due May 1, 2020 is hereby extended to June 1, 2020.

**RESOLUTION #2020-76**

**TITLE: AUTHORIZE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR MASER CONSULTING – 2020 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM – NVB-006AP**

**WHEREAS**, Maser Consulting (“Maser”) has previously been authorized by the Borough of Northvale serving as Lead Agency to provide Construction Administrative Services in connection with the 2020 Road Resurfacing Program (Riverside Cooperative Bid); and

**WHEREAS**, as part of its services, upon award of a contract under the Riverside Cooperative Bid, Maser shall coordinate a Pre-Construction meeting with the contractor, Borough Officials and DPW; and

**WHEREAS**, during construction, Maser will monitor the contractor’s performance and enforce the adherence to the contract documents and project schedule; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of its administrative duties, Maser shall also provide the Borough with part-time on-site construction administration services during the concrete work, potential drainage improvements and milling/paving operations, construction administration services for the contractor to complete any punch list items and other administrative construction services set forth on the agreement for construction administration services regarding the 2020 Paving Program (Riverside Cooperative Bid) and dated May 5, 2020 (the “Agreement”); and

**WHEREAS**, Maser proposes to perform the services set forth on the Agreement at a cost of \$25,750.00; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to authorize the services set forth on the Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council hereby approve Proposal for Professional Construction Observation & Administrative Service for Maser Consulting.

**RESOLUTION #2020-77**

**TITLE: AWARD BID FOR THE 2020 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM ON BEHALF OF THE RIVERSIDE COOPERATIVE**

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 40A:11-10(1) authorizes contracting units to enter into cooperative pricing agreements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale has volunteered to act as “Lead Agency” for the purchase of work, materials and supplies for the Riverside Cooperative for the year 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Northvale received seven (7) bids on April 30, 2020 for the 2020 Riverside Cooperative Road Improvement Program on behalf of the Boroughs of Alpine, Demarest, Englewood Cliffs, Harrington Park, Haworth, New Milford, Northvale, River Edge and Tenafly; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the current COVID-19 public gathering restrictions, the bid opening was performed at the Borough of Tenafly Borough Hall at which time the seven bids were read aloud; and

**WHEREAS**, the bids have been tabulated and reviewed by Mr. Carl O’Brien of Maser Consulting, Borough Engineer for the Borough of Northvale and for the Riverside Cooperative.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that a contract be awarded to American Asphalt & Milling Services, LLC, 96 Midland Avenue, Kearny, New Jersey 07032 in the amount of \$4,004,220.47

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Northvale Mayor and Acting Borough Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute a Master Contract with the above named firm for the 2020 Road Resurfacing Program acting as the Lead Agency on behalf of the Riverside Cooperative, RC-35-20-01; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Boroughs of Alpine, Demarest, Englewood Cliffs, Harrington Park, Haworth, New Milford, Northvale, River Edge and Tenafly shall be responsible for entering into individual contracts with the above named firm covering the scope of work under the Base Bid for each respective municipality.

**RESOLUTION #2020-78**

**TITLE: APPROVE THE 2020 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, Section 40A:4-20 of the Revised Statutes of the Local Budget Act provides that, where any contract, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the adoption of the 2020 budget, emergency temporary appropriations be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his records.

Mayor & Council	
Salaries and Wages	8,000.00
Administration & Executive	
Salaries and Wages	13,000.00
Other Expenses	20,000.00
Financial Administration	
Salaries and Wages	18,000.00
Other Expenses	7,000.00
Collection of Taxes	
Salaries and Wages	17,000.00

Other Expenses	2,000.00
Assessment of Taxes	
Salaries and Wages	6,000.00
Other Expenses	1,500.00
Legal Services & Costs	
Other Expenses	25,000.00
Engineering Services	
Other Expenses	25,000.00
Planning Board	
Salaries and Wages	1,000.00
Other Expenses	3,000.00
Uniform Construction Code	
Salaries and Wages	32,000.00
Other Expenses	2,000.00
Code Compliance	
Salaries and Wages	5,000.00
Other Expenses	500.00
Insurance	
Worker's Compensation	130,000.00
Other Insurance	2,000.00
Group Insurance Plan	100,000.00
Police	
Salaries and Wages	500,000.00
Other Expenses	25,000.00
Radio Services Interboro	15,000.00
Fire	
Other Expenses	10,000.00
Fire House Rental	5,000.00
Fire Hydrant Service	18,000.00
Ambulance Contribution	20,000.00
Fire Prevention Bureau	
Salaries and Wages	9,000.00
Other Expenses	500.00
Prosecutor	
Salaries and Wages	4,000.00
Municipal Court	
Salaries and Wages	8,000.00
Other Expenses	3,000.00
Public Defender	
Salaries and Wages	1,000.00
Public Works	

Salaries and Wages	180,000.00
Other Expenses	30,000.00
<b>Garbage &amp; Trash Removal</b>	
Solid Waste Collection	60,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal	60,000.00
<b>Recycling</b>	
Salaries and Wages	2,000.00
Other Expenses	2,000.00
<b>Buildings &amp; Grounds</b>	
Other Expenses	13,000.00
<b>Sewer Maintenance</b>	
Other Expenses	6,000.00
<b>Senior Van Driver</b>	
Salaries and Wages	6,000.00
Other Expenses	500.00
<b>Board of Health</b>	
Salaries and Wages	5,000.00
Other Expenses	8,000.00
<b>Animal Control</b>	
Other Expenses	2,000.00
<b>McGuire Memorial Center</b>	
Salaries and Wages	12,000.00
Other Expenses	4,000.00
<b>Parks &amp; Playgrounds</b>	
Other Expenses	6,000.00
<b>Utilities</b>	
Electricity	15,000.00
Street Lighting	10,000.00
Telephone	10,000.00
Water	3,000.00
Natural Gas	5,000.00
Gasoline	7,000.00
<b>Municipal Library</b>	80,000.00
<b>Sewer Authority (BCUA)</b>	130,000.00
<b>Notes - Interest</b>	2,060.00
<b>Social Security System</b>	63,000.00
<b>Police/Firemen's Retirement</b>	533,148.00
<b>Public Employee's Retirement</b>	157,969.00
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:</b>	<b>\$2,449,177.00</b>

**RESOLUTION #2020-79**

**TITLE: PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion	Second	Name
=	=	Councilman Argiro
=	=	Councilman DeLisio
=	=	Councilman Devlin
=	=	Councilman McGuire
=	=	Councilman Shepard
=	=	Councilman Sotiropoulos

**WHEREAS**, claims have been submitted to the Borough of Northvale in the following amounts under various funds of the borough:

Current Fund Appropriations	\$933,897.74
General Capital Fund	
Grant Fund	
Police DEA Trust	\$6,218.67
Animal Trust	\$7.80
Food Trust	
Escrow Trust	\$2,195.00
Recreation Trust	\$2,790.00
Summer Recreation Trust	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$945,109.21</b>

**WHEREAS**, above claims have been listed and summarized in the attached Bills List Report, and the corresponding vouchers have been reviewed and approved by the department head, council liaison, finance committee, and the chief financial officer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that the funds have been properly appropriated for such purposes and are available in the Borough of Northvale, and that the claims specified on the schedule attached hereto, following examination and approval by the finance committee, be paid and checks issued accordingly; and

**WHEREAS**, claims have already been paid in the following amounts for the purpose specified below during the course of the year:

Current Fund Appropriations	\$154,345.74
Police DEA Trust	\$560.50
Animal Trust	\$40.20
Food Trust	\$600.00
Escrow Trust	\$25,691.40
Recreation Trust	\$2,185.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$183,422.84</b>

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale that the claims totaling **\$1,128,532.05** and ratified respectively

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	=	=	=	=
Councilman DeLisio	=	=	=	=
Councilman Devlin	=	=	=	=
Councilman McGuire	=	=	=	=
Councilman Shepard	=	=	=	=
Councilman Sotiropoulos	=	=	=	=

**ORDINANCES – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Mayor Marana states that Ordinance #1018-2020 will be carried over to the June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Steve Rogut advised this ordinance should be pulled since we cannot have the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading until the budget is introduced. Mayor Marana said there is a Local Finance Board meeting scheduled for June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**ORDINANCE #1018-2020**

**REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF A \$313,625 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION FOR TAX APPEALS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NORTHVALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$350,000 OF BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE SUCH EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION.**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, pursuant to a resolution adopted on March 11, 2020 in accordance with N.J.S. 40A:4-20, made an emergency temporary appropriation in the amount of \$313,625 to pay tax refunds resulting from property tax appeals; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of said Borough has determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to fund the \$313,625 emergency temporary appropriation, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:2-51, by the adoption of a refunding bond ordinance providing for payment thereof, including expenses, and authorizing the issuance of \$350,000 of bonds or notes of said Borough to finance the funding of said emergency temporary appropriation; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, as follows:

**Section 1.** The Borough of Northvale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to fund the \$313,625 emergency temporary appropriation for tax appeals previously made pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough on March 11, 2020.

**Section 2.** The Borough Council of the Borough hereby determines that the Borough is authorized by Section 51(a) of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law") to issue its refunding bonds or notes as hereinafter provided to pay or fund the \$313,625 emergency temporary appropriation set forth in Section 1 hereof.

**Section 3.** The sum of \$36,375 is hereby appropriated to pay the cost of the issuance of refunding bonds or notes and expenses in connection with the tax appeals, including printing, advertising, accounting and financial and legal expenses therefor permitted by Section 51(b) of the Local Bond Law.

**Section 4.** To finance the funding of the \$313,625 emergency temporary appropriation and the \$36,375 appropriation for costs in connection therewith (collectively, hereinafter referred to as purpose), bonds of said Borough of an

aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$350,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law (the "Refunding Bonds"). The Refunding Bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. The Refunding Bonds shall be direct and general obligations of said Borough and said Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within said Borough for the payment of the principal of the Refunding Bonds and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount. The full faith and credit of said Borough shall be and are hereby pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Refunding Bonds. Each Refunding Bond issued pursuant to this ordinance shall recite that it is issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law and shall also recite that all conditions, acts and things required by the Constitution or statutes of the State of New Jersey to exist, to have happened and to have been performed precedent to and in the issuance of said bond exist, have happened and have been performed, and that said bond, together with all other indebtedness of said Borough, is within every debt and other limit prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of said State. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted, except that the Refunding Bonds shall mature at such time or times, not exceeding 40 years from their date, as may be approved by the Local Finance Board.

**Section 5.** To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$350,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

**Section 6.** Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more

than on year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law and the Local Finance Board. Each of said notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes and to issue said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

**Section 7.** It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$350,000, but said \$350,000 shall be deducted from gross debt pursuant to Section 52 of the Local Bond Law, and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

**Section 8.** It is hereby determined and stated that (A) a certified copy of this refunding bond ordinance as passed on first reading shall be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey prior to the final adoption thereof, together with a complete statement in the form prescribed by said Director and signed by the chief financial officer of the Borough as to the outstanding tax refund amount to be financed by the issuance of the Refunding Bonds or the notes and (B) no sum need be appropriated hereby as a down payment.

**Section 9.** This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage, provided that the consent of the Local Finance Board has been endorsed upon a certified copy of this ordinance as



finally adopted.

**ORDINANCE # 1019-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND MODIFYING SECTION CHAPTER 74, ARTICLE 1 OF THE BOROUGH CODE**

Motion	Second	Name
==	==	Councilman Argiro
==	==	Councilman DeLisio
==	==	Councilman Devlin
==	==	Councilman McGuire
==	==	Councilman Shepard
==	==	Councilman Sotiropoulos

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Northvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**Section 1. Purpose & Authority.** The purpose of this ordinance is to modify and amend Chapter 74, Background Checks, Article 1, Borough Employees and Volunteers Working with Minors, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1, and 40:49-2.

**Section 2. Amendments.**  
74-3 (C) The determination of whether the information contained in the criminal history record is sufficient to disqualify an employee or volunteer shall be made by the state police. A challenge to the accuracy of the report shall be filed with the Municipal Chief of Police, who shall coordinate the challenge with the appropriate agency.

**Section 3. Repealer.** All prior ordinances that are inconsistent with this ordinance are repealed. All ordinances are hereby amended to be consistent with this ordinance and all ordinances, including this one, shall be construed consistent with the express purpose of this ordinance.

**Section 4. Savings and Construction.** This ordinance shall be construed consistent with the purpose stated in Section 1 hereof. Any ambiguities in this ordinance shall be construed in accordance with the purpose of this ordinance. If any part of this ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall be saved to the full extent possible. This ordinance repeals provisions of the Northvale Code only where stated herein; otherwise this ordinance is amendatory and supplementary to existing provision of the Northvale Code.

**Section 5. Codification.** This ordinance shall be codified as amendments to the chapters set forth herein.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval and publication of notice of adoption as provided by law.

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Marana opened the public hearing on Ordinance #1019-2020 for questions or comments on this ordinance only at this time.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

There being no questions or comments, Mayor Marana closed the public hearing on Ordinance #1019-2020 and asked for a roll call vote.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	==	==	==	==
Councilman DeLisio	==	==	==	==
Councilman Devlin	==	==	==	==
Councilman McGuire	==	==	==	==
Councilman Shepard	==	==	==	==

## MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS

**Councilman Sotiropoulos** – reported that the Ambulance Corps is in good shape with the PPE and has staffing. An EMT curriculum in high school may be offered as an elective.

**Councilman McGuire** – reported that the schools are closed for the remainder of the year. The high school is having discussions on an alternative for graduation. The high school budget has a 1.85% increase. Northvale’s portion went down. The Northvale school budget passed with a 2% increase. Both schools are concerned about receiving payments from municipalities on time. This is a state wide issue. Councilman DeLisio said there will be a discussion tomorrow on high school graduation ceremonies. He also said there may be legislature allowing towns to delay payments to the schools.

**Councilman Argiro** – reported the Library will be undergoing interior renovations. They had awarded the bid to the lowest bidder. They have rescinded their bid due to a mathematical error. The Library will have to advertise again. The Library is on facebook, Instagram and Utube. Recreation has been quiet. They issued refunds for the spring sports. Summer basketball is still hopeful. The recreation department will be giving six 8<sup>th</sup> grade awards at \$100 each and six 12<sup>th</sup> grade awards at \$500 each.

**Councilman DeLisio** – reported that the Northern Valley Greenway continue to have virtual meetings. They have a facebook page which has been receiving positive feedback.

**Councilman Shepard** – reported that Nick Varni had to replace a part on the boiler at the Borough Hall. We need a new boiler. Mayor Marana said he will speak to the DPW. Nick Varni will be sending a quote.

**Councilman Devlin** – reported that the Fire Department did a drive by at Westwood hospital in support of the healthcare workers. He agrees with furloughing the Senior Center employees until the center can be reopened.

**Mayor Marana** – reported that Darren Raymond will be preparing an appraisal of the former VFW property. The cost will be \$2,500. We need this appraisal to satisfy property sale statutory requirements and to determine minimum bid amounts. We will be submitting a DOT Municipal Aid grant application for Clinton Ave. repaving. The repaving will be from Tappan Road to Hughes Street including Arrow. Maser will prepare the estimate and maps. If awarded, Clinton Ave. and Arrow would be repaved in 2021. Sanzari will be replacing the Suez water main on Union Street. The pipes from Industrial Parkway to the dead end will be replaced. They will also directly reimburse the Borough for half the cost of the Union Street repaving. Norwood Food Pantry reached out to the Mayors. Diane Frohlich established a drop off in the American Legion. Inserra donated \$1000 worth of products. Mayor Marana sent Mr. Inserra a thank you. The Beautification Committee planted 250 individual plants at Hogan Park. Mr. Scaglione has grown 650 plants in his greenhouse that will be planted all over town. Richie and Leigh Meola planted a butterfly garden at Veteran’s Park. Thank you to both of them.

## BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT

Ms. Raffay went over Maser’s monthly report. The CSX Crossing on Clinton Avenue had some issues that had to be worked out and will send response letter. They submitted the stormwater report to DEP. There is a 45 minute video for the council and planning board to complete which she will send to Ms. Weston. They have been in touch with Millenium about the various grants.

## BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT

Ms. Rosendahl stated she had items for closed session.

**HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

Lisa Carbaugh, 315 Bradley Avenue – stated that she had a hard time trying to figure out how to get on this conference call. She asked if in light of the Covid virus is this the platform the meetings will be using. Mayor Marana answered yes at the current time. Mayor Marana also said the Agenda is on the website with the phone in number for the conference call. The meeting has been legally advertised as per the Open Public Meetings Act and COVID-19 guidance distributed to municipalities by the DCA.

**CLOSED SESSION -**

*Action may **not** be taken upon return to open session.*

**RESOLUTION #2020-80**

**TITLE: TO PROVIDE FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT N.J.S.A 10:4-12**

Motion	Second	Name
==	==	Councilman Argiro
==	==	Councilman DeLisio
==	==	Councilman Devlin
==	==	Councilman McGuire
==	==	Councilman Shepard
==	==	Councilman Sotiropoulos

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Northvale is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6, et seq; and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the Council of the Borough of Northvale to discuss in session not open to the public certain matter relating to an item or items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b, as listed below:

- == 1. Matters required by law to be confidential
- == 2. Matters where the release of information would impair the right to receive funds.
- == 3. Matters involving individual privacy
- == 4. Matters relating to collective bargaining
- == 5. Matters relating to the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property or the investment of public funds.
- == 6. Matters relating to public safety and property.
- == 7. Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney client privilege.
- == 8. Matters relating to the employment relationship – Personnel
- == 9. Matters relating to the potential imposition of a penalty.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of Northvale that immediately after the adoption of this resolution the Council shall enter into closed session.

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	==	==	==	==
Councilman DeLisio	==	==	==	==
Councilman Devlin	==	==	==	==
Councilman McGuire	==	==	==	==
Councilman Shepard	==	==	==	==
Councilman Sotiropoulos	==	==	==	==

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – TIME: 8:25 PM**

Motion	Second	Name
==	==	Councilman Argiro
==	==	Councilman DeLisio
==	==	Councilman Devlin

==	==	Councilman McGuire
==	==	Councilman Shepard
==	==	Councilman Sotiropoulos

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	==	==	==	==
Councilman DeLisio	==	==	==	==
Councilman Devlin	==	==	==	==
Councilman McGuire	==	==	==	==
Councilman Shepard	==	==	==	==
Councilman Sotiropoulos	==	==	==	==

**RESOLUTION #2020-81**

**TITLE: AUTHORIZE THE FURLOUGH OF CROSSING GUARDS AND SENIOR CENTER EMPLOYEES PAMELA CARPANINI, ANNE DELURY, AND LORRAINE BARNABLE**

Motion	Second	Name
==	==	Councilman Argiro
==	==	Councilman DeLisio
==	==	Councilman Devlin
==	==	Councilman McGuire
==	==	Councilman Shepard
==	==	Councilman Sotiropoulos

**WHEREAS**, in light of the dangers posed by COVID-19, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No. 103 (2020) on March 9, 2020, which declared both a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, to further protect the health, safety, and welfare of New Jersey residents by, among other things, reducing the rate of community spread of COVID-19, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No. 104 (2020) on March 16, 2020, which established statewide social mitigation strategies for combatting COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 104 placed restrictions on essential businesses which are permitted to continue to operate in the wake of COVID-19, which included the operation of the Borough of Northvale; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the issuance of the Executive Orders and declaration of a State of Emergency, the Borough of Northvale’s Senior Center and schools were closed; and

**WHEREAS**, although the Borough expects schools and the Senior Center to re-open in the future, the date of any re-opening is currently unknown; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the best interest of the Borough to furlough all crossing guards whose services are not needed while schools are closed and Senior Center Employees Pamela Carpanini, Anne Delury, and Lorraine Barnable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the furlough of all crossing guards and Senior Center Employees Pamela Carpanini, Anne Delury, and Lorraine Barnable effective on the close of business May 15, 2020.

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	==	==	==	==
Councilman DeLisio	==	==	==	==
Councilman Devlin	==	==	==	==
Councilman McGuire	==	==	==	==
Councilman Shepard	==	==	==	==
Councilman Sotiropoulos	==	==	==	==

**ADJOURNMENT – TIME: 8:26 PM**

Motion	Second	Name
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==	==	Councilman Argiro
==	==	Councilman DeLisio
==	==	Councilman Devlin
==	==	Councilman McGuire
==	==	Councilman Shepard
==	==	Councilman Sotiropoulos

Name	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilman Argiro	==	==	==	==
Councilman DeLisio	==	==	==	==
Councilman Devlin	==	==	==	==
Councilman McGuire	==	==	==	==
Councilman Shepard	==	==	==	==
Councilman Sotiropoulos	==	==	==	==

*Patrick J. Marana*

Mayor

**ATTEST:**

*Frances M. Weston*

Frances M. Weston  
Acting Borough Clerk

Approved: June 10, 2020





