

Mayor Hanics called the Reorganization Meeting of the Common Council of the Borough of Alpha to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 5, 2010

Mayor Hanics announced that adequate notice of the meeting was given to the Star Gazette and posted on the bulletin board in the Clerk's office satisfying the requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act:

NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given. On December 11, 2009, the Municipal Clerk delivered to the Star Gazette and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Clerk's office a notice containing the date, time, and place of this meeting of the Borough Council. Also said notice has been mailed to persons requesting the same.

Mayor Hanics led prayer and the salute to the flag.

Oaths of Office for Incoming Council Members

Attorney Troxell conducted the Oaths of Office for Klara Tarsi and Michael Savary.

Roll Call:

Mayor Hanics being in the Chair, Councilman Gara, Councilman Hajdu, Councilman Savary, Councilwoman Tarsi, Councilman A. Zikas and Councilman H. Zikas were present.

Mayor Hanics announced the appointment of Departments as the following:

Director of Administration: Councilman H. Zikas, Deputy: Councilwoman Tarsi.

Director of Finance: Councilman Hajdu, Deputy: Councilman A. Zikas.

Director of Public Works: Councilwoman Tarsi, Deputy: Councilman Gara.

Director of Public Property: Councilman A. Zikas, Deputy: Councilman Savary.

Director of Public Safety: Councilman Gara, Deputy: Councilman H. Zikas.

Director of Health & Welfare: Councilman Savary, Deputy: Councilman Hajdu.

Motion made by Councilman H. Zikas to accept the Mayors standing departments, motion seconded by Councilwoman Tarsi, all were in favor.

Appointments

Appointments:		
Kevin Duddy	Building Inspector	1 year
Kevin Duddy	Construction Official	1 year
Kevin Duddy	Electrical Inspector	1 year
Kevin Duddy	Zoning Officer	1 year
Charles Olah	Clean Communities Coord.	1 year
CMX	Certified P.W. Manager	1 year
Albert Hopping	Fire Inspector	1 year
Tom Deacon	Animal Control Officer	1 year

Motion made by Councilman Gara to approve the foregoing appointments, motion seconded by Councilwoman Tarsi, all were in favor.

Council Representative to Planning Board

Motion made by Councilman H. Zikas to appoint Councilwoman Tarsi to the Planning Board, motion seconded by Councilman Hajdu, all were in favor with Councilwoman Tarsi abstaining.

Election of Council President

Motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to elect Councilman H. Zikas as Council President, motion seconded by Councilman Gara, all were in favor with Councilman H. Zikas abstaining.

Ordinance

Motion made by Councilman H. Zikas to approve the following ordinance on first reading with the public hearing to be held on January 26, 2010:

ORDINANCE 2010-01
AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE 2010 SALARY RANGES
FOR ALL OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA.

Section I

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the annual salaries of the officers and employees of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey named herein:

Air Quality	\$1,500 - \$2,500
Animal Warden	\$4,000 - 7,500
Building Service Worker	\$13.00 – 18.50/hr
Chief Financial Officer	\$55,000 - 65,000
Clean Communities Coord.	\$100-800
Clerk/Typist P/T	\$10.00 – 18.00/hr
Construction Official	\$15,000 - 24,000
Code Enforcement Officer P/T	\$2,000 - 5,000
Court Clerk	\$10.00 -16.00/hr
Court Clerk Call Out	\$20.00 - 50.00 per call

Council member	\$1,500 -3,000
Deputy Borough Clerk P/T	\$13.00 – 18.50/hr
Emergency Mgmt Coordinator	\$1,500 -3,000
Emergency Mgmt Deputy	\$250 – 1,000
Emergency Equipment Operator	\$12.00-16.00/hr
File Clerk P/T	\$6.00-9.50/hr
Fire Inspector	\$500 – 1,500
Insurance Fund Commissioner	\$1.00
Mayor	\$1,500 - 3,500
Municipal Attorney	VOUCHER
Municipal Court Administrator	\$10,000 – 15,000
Municipal Judge	\$5,000 – 10,000
Municipal Prosecutor	\$2,000 – 5,000
Park Attendant I & II	\$8.00-12.00/hr
Planning Bd. Secretary	\$5,000 - 16,000
Plumbing Sub-Code Off/Insp	\$1,000 - \$5,000
Public Defender	\$100 – 150 per use
Public Works Repairer II	\$40,000.00 - 50,000
Public Works Superintendent	\$7,500 - 10,000
Public Works Repairer I	\$48,000 - 58,000
Pumping Station Operator	\$9.00-15.00/hr
Pumping Stat. Oper. Retainer	\$200 - 300 per qtr
Registered Municipal Clerk	\$55,000-\$65,000
School Crossing Guard	\$25/day
Senior Public Works Repairer	\$60,000 – 80,000.00
Sewer C-2 Operator	\$1,500-2,500
Tax Assessor	\$15,000 – 25,000
Tax Collector	\$15,000 – 25,000
Tax Search Officer	\$500 – 1,000
Utility Collector	\$14,000 – 24,000
Zoning Officer	\$2,000 – 5,000
mileage allowance personal car	.25 - .65/mile

Section II

Longevity: \$500-2,500.00 per contract

Section III

Any ordinance or sections of the ordinance of the Borough of Alpha, New Jersey inconsistent herein shall be and the same hereby repealed.

Section IV

This ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2010

Motion seconded by Councilman Gara, Roll Call: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A.

Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

Resolutions

A motion made by Councilman H. Zikas to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-01

RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA, WARREN COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN REGARD TO REGULAR MEETINGS

WHEREAS, Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, requires that at least once a year not later than January 10th of such year shall post and mail to newspapers designated by said body the Regular Meeting dates during the succeeding year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that Regular Meetings of the Alpha Borough Council shall be held at 7:00 p.m. prevailing time, on the **SECOND** Tuesday and **FOURTH** Tuesday of each month (unless noted otherwise due to scheduling conflict) for the year 2010, except when said meetings shall be duly advertised according to Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231. The dates of said meetings are as follows:

January 5,26	July 13,27
February 9,23	August 10,24
March 9,23	September 14,28
April 13,27	October 12,26
May 11,25	November 9
June 8,22	December 7,14

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all meetings shall be held at the Borough Municipal Building, 1001 East Boulevard, Alpha, N.J. 08865 and are open to the public.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Star Gazette and/or the Express Times be designated as the official newspapers and should be authorized for all legal publications and notices required for publication according to law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the format for regular meetings of Council be as follows:

AGENDA

Call to Order
Prayer & Salute to the Flag
Roll Call
Public Comment
Bids (if applicable)
Ordinances
Resolutions
Approval of Minutes
Department Reports
Committee Reports
Public Comment
Payment of Bills & Claims
Old Business
New Business
Adjournment

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Tarsi, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilman H. Zikas to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-02
BANK DEPOSITORIES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and members of Common Council of the Borough of Alpha, New Jersey, that pursuant to the statutes in such cases made and provided for, that PNC Bank, Alpha, New Jersey is hereby designated as the primary depository for the current funds, water utility funds, capital funds, and various other funds of the Borough of Alpha, and the Borough of Alpha payroll account, during the year 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bank of America, TD Bank, Team Capital and State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund will be utilized as necessary. The CFO, Tax Collector, Construction Official, Court Administrator and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to deposit all funds for the above listed accounts in the aforesaid depositories for the Borough of Alpha.

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Tarsi, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-03
BILL PAYING POLICY

WHEREAS, all bills must be rendered before the meeting of the Common Council of the Borough of Alpha; and

WHEREAS, bills must be itemized fully and signed claimant's certification be presented.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and member of the Common Council of the Borough of Alpha, that all bills submitted and approved by the Common Council be paid on the following day after approval, unless otherwise deemed appropriate and necessary by the members of the Common Council.

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

RESOLUTION 2010-04
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA, COUNTY OF WARREN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY FIXING THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE
CHARGED ON DELINQUENT TAXES OF ASSESSMENTS.

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:4-67 permits the governing body of each municipality to fix the rate of interest to be charged for non-payment of taxes or assessments subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of taxes as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:4-67 has been amended to permit the fixing of said rate of 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00 and allows an additional penalty of 6% be collected against a delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 on properties that fail to pay the delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to charge 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of taxes becoming delinquent after due date and 18% per annum on any amount of taxes in excess of \$1,500.00 and allows an additional penalty of 6% to be collected against delinquency in excess of \$10,000 on properties that fail to pay the delinquency prior to the end of the calendar year.

2. Effective January 1, 2010, there will be a ten (10) day grace period of quarterly tax payments made by cash, check, or money order.

3. Any payments not made in accordance with paragraph two of this resolution shall be charged interest from the due date as set forth in paragraph one of this resolution.

4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Borough Clerk to the Tax Collector and Borough Auditor.

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-05
TAX REFUND PROCEDURES UNDER \$5.00

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey allows a municipal employee to process the cancellation of any property tax refund or delinquencies of less than \$5.00; and

WHEREAS, the municipal employee allowed to process the cancellation shall be the Tax Collector; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council of the Borough of Alpha hereby authorize the Tax Collector of the Borough of Alpha to process cancellations of any property tax refund or delinquency of less than \$5.00.

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilman H. Zikas to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 10-06
BOROUGH ATTORNEY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR
AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR BOROUGH ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpha through its Common Council has a need to acquire the goods or service to be provided hereunder as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5* as applicable; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk and/or CFO has determined and certified in writing that the value of the service or acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is 1 year(s); and

WHEREAS, Christopher M. Troxell Esq. has submitted a proposal or request indicating he will provide the services of Borough Attorney as agreed to under separate contract for \$45,000.00, plus additional compensation for additional specified work; and

WHEREAS, Christopher M. Troxell has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that he, a sole proprietor, has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Alpha in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit him from making any such reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, the Borough CFO has certified that there are sufficient and available funds as required under the law, specifically as per *N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4*.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Alpha hereby authorizes the Mayor and Borough Clerk to enter into a contract with Christopher M. Troxell Esq. as attached hereto and described herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk shall publish such notice as required under the law. This appointment is made without competitive bidding as professional services under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, as provided in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 because said office requires services performed by a person or persons qualified to practice recognized professions, and it is not possible to obtain competitive bids and according to other applicable statutes.

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Tarsi, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Tarsi, A.

Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none. Abstain: Savary.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-07
UTILITY ADJUSTMENTS AND REFUNDS UNDER \$5.00

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey authorize the Utility Collector to make adjustments and to process the cancellation of any refund or delinquencies of less than \$5.00 on water and sewer accounts.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey, so authorize the Utility Collector to act as stated above as of January 1, 2010.

Motion seconded by Councilman Gara roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi,

A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-08
RESOLUTION FOR 2009/2010 TAX APPEALS

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorize the Municipal Attorney of the Borough of Alpha to file Municipal Appeals and enter into stipulations on behalf of the Borough of Alpha.

Motion seconded by Councilman Gara, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Tarsi, A. Zikas

and H. Zikas. Nays: none. Abstain: Savary.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-09
AUDITOR

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpha has a need to acquire an Auditor as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate*; and,

WHEREAS, the CFO has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and,

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is 1 year(s) and may be extended 1 time(s) as approved by this governing body; and

WHEREAS, Thomas M. Ferry, C.P.A., of Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva has submitted a proposal indicating he will provide the Borough of Alpha as Auditor for the amount of \$16,550; and

WHEREAS, Thomas M. Ferry, C.P.A. of Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Thomas M. Ferry, C.P.A. of Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Alpha in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Thomas M. Ferry, C.P.A. of Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract, and

WHEREAS, the Borough CFO has determined that adequate funding will be provided for in the temporary and final 2010 municipal budget, as required under the law, as per *N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4*.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Alpha authorizes the Mayor and Borough Clerk to enter into a contract with Thomas M. Ferry, C.P.A. of Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva as described herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution. *and*,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be advertised as required by law in the official newspaper of the Borough of Alpha within 10 days of passage.

Motion seconded by Councilman Gara, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: Savary.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-10
BOND COUNSEL

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Gibbons, Del Deo, Griffinger and Vecchione is hereby retained as Municipal Bond Counsel of the Borough of Alpha for the year 2010.

2. This retainer is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law as provided by NJSA 40A:11-5 because it requires service performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and it is not possible to obtain competitive bids.

3. A copy of this resolution shall be published in the Star Gazette, Hackettstown, New Jersey as required by law within 10 days of passage.

Motion seconded by Councilman Hajdu, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-11
PROSECUTOR

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Christian Perrucci is hereby retained as Municipal Prosecutor of the Borough of Alpha for the year 2010.

2. This retainer is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law as provided by NJSA 40A:11-5 because it requires service performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and it is not possible to obtain competitive bids.

3. A copy of this resolution shall be published in the Star Gazette, Hackettstown, New Jersey as required by law within 10 days of passage.

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-12
PUBLIC DEFENDER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Scott Wilhelm is hereby retained as Public Defender of the Borough of Alpha for the year 2010.

2. This retainer is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law as provided by NJSA 40A:11-5 because it requires service performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and it is not possible to obtain competitive bids.

3. A copy of this resolution shall be published in the Star Gazette, Hackettstown, New Jersey as required by law within 10 days of passage.

Motion seconded by Councilman Hajdu, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilman Hajdu to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2010-13
APPOINTING PUBLIC ALLIANCE INSURANCE
COVERAGE FUND COMMISSIONER**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, that it hereby appoints Klara Tarsi as Fund Commissioner and Laurie Barton, as Alternate Fund Commissioner to the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Following:

1. Klara Tarsi, Fund Commissioner
2. Laurie Barton, Alternate Fund Commissioner
3. Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund

Motion seconded by Councilman Savary, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none. Abstain: Tarsi.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2010-14
LABOR ATTORNEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Andrew Kinsey, of Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Fader, LLC. Law Firm, is hereby retained as the Labor Attorney of the Borough of Alpha for the year 2010.

2. This retainer is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law as provided by NJSA 40A:11-5 because it requires service performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and it is not possible to obtain competitive bids.

3. A copy of this resolution shall be published in the Star Gazette, Hackettstown, New Jersey as required by law within 10 days of passage.

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2010-15
RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpha has resolved to join the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund (“PAIC”) following a detailed analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of PAIC require that each entity designate a Risk Management Consultant to perform various professional services as detailed in the Bylaws and Risk Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws indicated that PAIC shall pay each Risk Management Consultant a fee to establish annually by the Executive Committee:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Alpha does hereby appoint **Brown & Brown of NJ, Inc.** as its Risk Management Consultant in accordance with the Fund’s Bylaws.

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2010-16
A RESOLUTION SETTING THE 2010 SALARIES
FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA.**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the annual salaries of the officers and employees of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey:

Chief Financial Officer	Lorraine Rossetti	\$58,000
Clean Communities Coord.	Charles Olah	\$500
Clerk/Typist	Open	\$15.75/hour
Code Enforcement Officer	Open	\$3,000
Court Clerk Call Out	Kathy Cupon & Dawn Laird	\$35.00
Emergency Equipment Operator	Open	\$15.00/hour
File Clerk	Open	\$8.60/hour
Insurance Fund Commissioner	Klara Tarsi	\$1 stipend
Park Attendant, II	Open	\$8.00/hour
Planning Bd. Secretary	Dolores Hanisak	\$14,998
Pumping Stat. Oper. Retainer	Mark Smith, Carl Gercie & George Cupon	\$275/qtr
Registered Municipal Clerk	Laurie A Barton	\$61,000
School Crossing Guard	Shirly Courter & Anna Hall	\$25.00 / day
Utility Collector	Lorraine Rossetti	\$14,000
Mileage allow personal car, contractual or		\$.50 cents/mile

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2010-17
2010 TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE CURRENT FUND**

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where any contracts, commitments, or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2010 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of January 2010; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2009 Current Operating Budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance, is the sum of \$2,248,050.76; and

WHEREAS, 26.25 % of the total appropriations in the 2009 Current Operating Budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance in said 2009 budget is the sum of \$590,113.32;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Current Fund Operating appropriations attached be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for her records:

Appropriations limited to 26.25%	\$547,892.00	(detail attached)
Debt Service	\$ 93,000.00	

CERTIFICATION

*I, Laurie A. Barton, Clerk of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Common Council at a meeting of said Common Council on **January 5, 2010** and that said Resolution was adopted by not less than the legal vote needed of the members of the Council.*

Laurie A. Barton, Borough Clerk

Witness my hand and seal of the Borough of Alpha

This 5TH day of January, 2010

CURRENT FUND 2010 TEMPORARY BUDGET

		2010 Temporary Budget
APPROPRIATIONS		
Administration	S&W	4,700
	OE	9,000
Clerk	S&W	20,100
	OE	2,000
Elections	OE	100
Finance	S&W	15,000
	OE	1,500
	Audit	5,000
Assessor	S&W	4,800
	OE	2,000
Collector	S&W	6,000
	OE	1,100
Legal	OE	14,500
Engineering	OE	6,300
Public Property	S&W	2,700
	OE	7,000
Planning Board	S&W	4,800
	OE	10,100
Fire Operating	OE	7,000
Police	S&W	2,400
Court	S&W	7,000
	OE	800
Public Defender	S&W	300
Prosecutor	S&W	800
Emergency Mgmt	S&W	700
	OE	500
Streets & Roads	S&W	5,000
	OE	17,000
Garbage	OE	60,000
Animal Regulation	S&W	1,200
	OE	2,000
Utilities- Gasoline	OE	2,500
Street Lighting	OE	6,300
Propane	OE	4,000
Telephone	OE	4,000
Electric	OE	4,000
Building Inspector	S&W	7,400
	OE	200
Computers	OE	7,500
TOTAL		<u>257,300</u>
Social Security		6,300
Unemployment		500
Group Insurance		30,000
Other Insurance		75,000
PERS		38,792
Interlocal Police		<u>140,000</u>
		290,592
Bond Principal		75,000
Interest on Bonds		2,900
NJ Economic Loan		<u>15,100</u>
total debt		93,000
Total Appropriations		640,892

Motion seconded by Councilman Gara, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi,

A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-18
2010 TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE WATER & SEWER UTILITY FUND

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where any contracts, commitments, or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2010 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of January 2010; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2009 Water/Sewer Utility Operating Budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance, is the sum of \$888,813.00; and

WHEREAS, 26.25 % of the total appropriations in the 2009 Water/Sewer Utility Operating Budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance in said 2009 budget is the sum of \$233,313.41;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Water/Sewer Utility Operating appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for her records:

Salaries & Wages	\$ 70,500.00
Other Expenses	\$130,700.00
Social Security	\$ 5,200.00
Unemployment	<u>\$ 300.00</u>
Total limited to 26.25%	\$206,700.00
Debt Service	\$ 16,200.00
Total Temporary Budget	\$222,900.00

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-19
LIEN REDEMPTION

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Borough of Alpha has advised the Mayor and Council that the following property has been redeemed and the money due thereon paid to the Borough of Alpha Tax Collector,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough of Alpha Council this 5th day of January 2010, that refunds are made to the certificate holder as noted:

Crusader Lien Services
179 Washington Lane
Jenkintown, PA 19046
Block 35, Lot 10
Certificate #200703
\$27,330.76

Motion seconded by Councilman Gara, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

A motion made by Councilman Gara to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-20

A RESOLUTION CONTINUING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF ONE HALF THE COSTS OF MEDICAL BENEFITS TO ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES WAIVING COVERAGE

WHEREAS, all full-time employees of the Borough of Alpha working 35 or more hours per week and elected officials are eligible for Borough-paid medical benefits through the State of New Jersey Health Benefit Plan (the NJ Direct Plan of New Jersey State Health Benefits);

WHEREAS, medical benefits include medical, prescription and dental insurances;

WHEREAS, some employees and elected officials may experience an unwanted duplication of benefits;

WHEREAS, those employees and elected officials with duplication may seek to waive insurance coverage and be reimbursed up to one-half of the cost for same pursuant to the State of New Jersey Health Benefit Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha in the County of Warren, New Jersey, the CFO will pay through payroll, subject to inclusion on federal W-2 Wage and Tax Statement, an amount equal to one half (50%) the Borough's cost to provide the plan type the employee qualifies for (i.e., Family, Single, Parent/Child, Husband/Wife) under the NJ Direct Plan of New Jersey State Health Benefits including medical, dental and prescription as established by New Jersey Law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said payment will be made through the second payroll of every month for a total of twelve (12) payments per year, including this year.

Motion seconded by Hajdu, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary and A. Zikas. Nays: Tarsi and H. Zikas.

A motion made by Councilwoman Tarsi to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2010-21

DESIGNATION OF A PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA

WHEREAS, the State Department of Treasury Division of Contract Compliance and Equal Employment Opportunity in Public Contracts requires a Public Agency Compliance Officer; and

WHEREAS, the P.A.C.O. is the liaison between the Division and the Public agency (Alpha) and is the Public Agency point of contact for all matters concerning implementation and administration of the Statute; N.J.A.C 17:27-3.2; and

WHEREAS, the P.A.C.O. is also responsible for administering contracting procedures pertaining to equal employment opportunity regarding both the public Agency (Alpha Borough) and the service providers. The service providers shall include but shall not be limited to goods and services vendor, professional service vendors and construction contractors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the P.A.C.O. must have the authority to recommend changes to effectively support the implementation of the statute and its regulations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Borough of Alpha hereby designates Laurie A. Barton, Municipal Clerk, as the P.A.C.O beginning January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2010.

Motion seconded by Councilman H. Zikas, roll call Ayes: Ayes, Gara, Hajdu, Savary, Tarsi, A. Zikas and H. Zikas. Nays: none.

Oaths of Office as a Group for Professionals and Staff

Borough Clerk, Laurie Barton, administered the Oath of Office to Professionals and Staff.

Public Comment

None.

Mayor's Appointments to the Planning Board

Jeremy Beviss, Tom Fey, Louis Pettinelli, mike Rufino and Tim Mahurski. Motion made by Councilman H. Zikas to approve the Mayor's appointments to the Planning Board, motion seconded by Councilwoman Tarsi, all were in favor with the exception of Councilman H. Zikas voting no to the appointment of Tom Fey. (*Spellings of names will be corrected once the spelling of each name is confirmed*)

Mayor's Appointments to the Library Board

Donna Medea, Nancy Seron, Dave Miers and Mora Poquat. Motion made by Councilman H. Zikas to approve the appointments to the Library Board made by the Mayor, motion seconded by Councilwoman Tarsi, all were in favor. (*Spellings of names will be corrected once the spelling of each name is confirmed*)

Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before Council at this time, on motion by Councilwoman Tarsi and seconded by Councilman H. Zikas this meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie A. Barton, R.M.C