

Mayor Hanics called the Meeting of the Common Council of the Borough of Alpha to order at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, August 30, 2013.

Mayor Hanics announced that adequate notice of the meeting was given to the Express-Times 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. The Municipal Clerk delivered to The Express-Times and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, a notice containing the date, time and place of this meeting of the Alpha Borough Council. Also, said notice has been mailed to persons requesting the same.

Mayor Hanics led prayer and the salute to the flag.

Roll call: Councilman Cartabona, Councilman Dunwell, Councilman Savary, Councilwoman C. Schwar (*via telephone*), Councilman Schwar (*via telephone*) and Councilman Zikas (*via telephone*).

Public Comment-None

Resolutions

Motion made by Councilman Cartabona to approve the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Dunwell. Councilman Dunwell explained the need for the resolution.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cartabona, Dunwell, Savary, C. Schwar and M. Schwar. Nays: Zikas.

**RESOLUTION 2013-117
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO
PROVIDE CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR PIPING AND VALVE UPGRADES – SCOPE REVISION
(FRACE ST. WATER TREATMENT PLANT)**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the firm of Remington & Vernick Engineers is hereby authorized to act as the Borough Engineer and proceed with the consulting engineering services in regard to piping and valve upgrades at the Frace Street Water Treatment Facility (scope revision) in the Borough for the contemplated scope of work in accordance with the firm's proposal of August 27, 2013 (attached hereto) and in an amount not to exceed \$3,500.00, upon written certification of funds by the Borough CFO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Clerk, Borough Attorney, and/or Borough Engineer are authorized to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the services.

Motion made by Councilman Cartabona to approve the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Dunwell. Councilman Dunwell explained the need for the resolution. Roll Call: Ayes: Cartabona, Dunwell, Savary, C. Schwar, M. Schwar and Zikas. Nays: none.

**RESOLUTION 2013-118
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO
PROVIDE CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR THE PURSEL STREET STANDPIPE INSPECTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the firm of Remington & Vernick Engineers is hereby authorized to act as the Borough Engineer and proceed with the engineering services in regard to the Pursel Street standpipe inspection for the contemplated scope of work in accordance with the firm's proposal of August 28, 2013 (attached hereto) and in an amount not to exceed \$4,550.00, upon written certification of funds by the Borough CFO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Clerk, Borough Attorney, and/or Borough Engineer are authorized to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the services.

Motion made by Councilman Cartabona to approve the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Dunwell. Councilman Dunwell explained the need for the resolution. Roll Call: Ayes: Cartabona, Dunwell, Savary, C. Schwar and M. Schwar. Nays: Zikas.

**RESOLUTION 2013-119
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO
PROVIDE CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR WATER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 2**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the firm of Remington & Vernick Engineers is hereby authorized to act as the Borough Engineer and proceed with the engineering services in regard to water utility improvement project – phase 2 for the contemplated scope of work in accordance with the firm's proposal of August 27, 2013 (attached hereto) and in an amount not to exceed \$85,100.00, upon written certification of funds by the Borough CFO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Clerk, Borough Attorney, and/or Borough Engineer are authorized to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the services.

Motion made by Councilman Dunwell to approve the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Savary. Councilman Cartabona discussed the scope revision. Councilman Dunwell clarified the need for the resolution. Roll Call: Ayes: Cartabona, Dunwell, Savary, C. Schwar, and M. Schwar. Nays: Zikas.

**RESOLUTION 2013-120
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO
PROVIDE CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR WATER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS 2013 – SCOPE REVISION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the firm of Remington & Vernick Engineers is hereby authorized to act as the Borough Engineer and proceed with the engineering services in regard to water utility improvement project 2013 – scope revision for the

contemplated scope of work in accordance with the firm's proposal of August 27, 2013 (attached hereto) and in an amount not to exceed \$30,700.00, upon written certification of funds by the Borough CFO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Clerk, Borough Attorney, and/or Borough Engineer are authorized to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the services.

Motion made by Councilman Dunwell to approve the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Cartabona. Councilman Dunwell explained the need for the resolution.

Roll Call: Ayes: Cartabona, Dunwell, Savary, C. Schwar and M. Schwar and Zikas. Nays: None.

**RESOLUTION 2013-121
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO
PROVIDE CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES
FOR WATER SOFTENER PRESSURE VESSEL UPGRADES
AT THE FRACE STREET WATER TREATMENT PLANT**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the firm of Remington & Vernick Engineers is hereby authorized to act as the Borough Engineer and proceed with the engineering services in regard to water softener pressure vessel upgrades at the Frace Street water treatment facility, for the contemplated scope of work in accordance with the firm's proposal of August 27, 2013 (attached hereto) and in an amount not to exceed \$4,370.00, upon written certification of funds by the Borough CFO.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Clerk, Borough Attorney, and/or Borough Engineer are authorized to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the services.

Motion made by Councilman Dunwell to approve the following resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Savary. Roll Call: Ayes Cartabona, Dunwell, Savary, C. Schwar and M. Schwar. Nays: Zikas.

**RESOLUTION 2013-122
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER
TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER ON
THE 2013 WATER UTILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Borough Engineer, Remington & Vernick Engineers, is hereby authorized to proceed with a change order on the contract for the 2013 water utility improvement project and to execute all documents in accordance therewith upon written certification of funds by the Borough CFO, pursuant to and in accordance with the changes listed in the attached letter from Remington & Vernick, dated August 28, 2013, which specific changes are hereby authorized by the Borough at a cost not to exceed \$109,800.00 (20% of the existing contract).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Clerk, and/or Borough Engineer are authorized to execute all necessary documents to effectuate the contract change order with Penn Bower.

Payment of Bills and Claims

Councilman Dunwell added purchase order # 13-00520 for PM Construction in the amount of \$1800.00 for excavation work to the bill list.

Motion made by Councilman Savary to have the directors reports part of the official minutes, motion seconded by Councilman Dunwell. Roll call: Ayes: Cartabona, Dunwell and Savary. Nays: none. Abstain: C. Schwar, M. Schwar and Zikas.

Motion to authorize the CFO to pay all bills approved by the directors. Councilman Dunwell suggested that each department approve their bills first by department.

Councilman Dunwell approved all his bills salaries and wages for the Department of Public Works and as the deputy for the department of Administration. Councilman Savary approved his bills salaries and wages for his department and as Deputy for Health and Welfare.

A roll call was taken as follows: Ayes: Cartabona, Dunwell and Savary. Abstain: C. Schwar and M. Schwar. Nays: Zikas. (*Clarification-there was no motion or a second to the above motion*)

Discussion ensued regarding why the motion failed as to not having bill lists available.

Motion made by Councilman Dunwell to authorize the CFO to pay all salaries and wages approved by their director, motion seconded by Councilman Cartabona. Discussions: Councilwoman Schwar asked why this is on the agenda as this was scheduled as a special meeting, this was not necessary to do this. Discussions ensued regarding the salary and wages motion. Councilman Dunwell withdrew his motion, Councilman Cartabona concurred.

Adjourn

Motion made by Councilman Dunwell to adjourn, motion seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie A. Barton, RMC

Borough Clerk