Mayor Dunwell called the Meeting of the Common Council of the Borough of Alpha to order at 7:00 p.m. on July 26, 2016

Mayor Dunwell announced that adequate notice of the meeting was given 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 January 1, 2016, the Municipal Clerk delivered to the Star Gazette/Express-Times 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 Dunwell led prayer and the salute to the flag.

Roll Call: Present; Councilwoman Grossman, Councilman Pettinelli, Councilman Preiss, Councilman Schwar and Councilman Seiss. Absent; Councilwoman Ronan. Also present, Attorney Christopher Troxell and Clerk, Laurie A. Barton.

Public Comment: None

Ordinances:


ORDINANCE 2016-12
BOROUGH OF ALPHA
ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CODE SECTION 116 FOUR-WAY STOP NEAR SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Alpha desires to amend a portion of Chapter 116, and amend its Code accordingly with the safety and welfare of school-aged children in mind by authorizing stop signs to be installed on all four corners of the intersection of North Boulevard and Schley Avenue near the Alpha Public School.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Alpha in the County of Warren and State of New Jersey that “Section 116” be amended and supplemented as follows:

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§ 116-22
Through streets.
Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-140, the streets or parts of streets described are hereby designated as through streets. Stop signs shall be installed on the near-right side of each street intersecting the through street except where yield signs are provided for in the designation.

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§ 116-23
Stop intersections.
Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-140, the intersections described are hereby designated as stop intersections. Stop signs shall be installed as provided therein:

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§ 116-24
Multi-way stop intersections.
Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-140, the intersections herein described are designated as multi-way stop intersections. Stop signs shall be installed as provided herein.

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Councilman Seiss provided an explanation for Schley Avenue and the 4-way stop at the school.

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF VERIZON NEW JERSEY INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS TO USE THE VARIOUS PUBLIC STREETS, ROADS, AVENUES, HIGHWAYS AND OTHER PUBLIC WAYS IN THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, FOR ITS LOCAL AND THROUGH LINES AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES AND PRESCRIBING THE CONDITIONS THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough of Alpha, Warren County, New Jersey that:

SECTION 1: Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 48:17-10, N.J.S.A. 48:17-11, and N.J.S.A. 48:17-12, permission and consent is hereby granted to Verizon New Jersey Inc., (the "Company"), its successors and assigns, to install, operate, inspect, maintain, repair, replace and remove its communications facilities and other transmission or process equipment, including underground facilities, such as conduits, manholes, cables, wires, and all other facilities appurtenant thereto, and above-ground facilities, such as cables, wires, antennas, poles, posts, supports, guys, pedestals, cable termination and distribution cabinets and all other facilities appurtenant thereto, in, through, upon, along, over, under, and across all of the various public streets and ways, which include the roads, avenues, right-of-way, sidewalks, highways, bridges, waterways, and other public places, and parts thereof: throughout their entire length, and to effect the necessary street openings and lateral connections to curb poles, property lines and other facilities in the Borough of Alpha (the "Borough") for said Company's local and through lines and other communications facilities in connection with the transaction of its business. In the event that any public street or way where the Company has facilities is vacated by the Borough, the Borough agrees to reserve unto said Company the rights granted the Company by the present Ordinance.

SECTION 2: All poles, posts, pedestals, cabinets, or other facilities shall be located and placed back of the curb lines where shown on the official map(s) of the Borough the poles and posts, however, shall be located within eighteen (18) inches of the face of such curb line or as may otherwise be mutually agreed by both parties or required by law, or at the points or places now occupied by the poles, posts, pedestals, cabinets, or other facilities of the Company, its successors and assigns, and where there are no curb lines, at other convenient points or places in, upon, along, adjacent, or across the public streets and ways as may be mutually agreed upon between the parties.

SECTION 3: The Company may bury its local and through communications facilities such as cables, conduit, manholes and associated equipment, fixtures, process equipment and appurtenances within the right-of-way of the various public streets and ways and at such locations as shall be mutually agreed upon by the parties for said Company's local and through lines and communications facilities. Underground conduits and associated facilities, as aforementioned, shall be placed at least eighteen (18) inches below the surface of said public streets and ways and with the exception of lateral branches to curb poles and property lines and other facilities, the same shall generally not be constructed more than ten (10) feet from the curb line, unless obstructions make it necessary to deviate from such course or unless the parties mutually agree to another location. Manholes shall be
located at such points along the line of underground conduits as may be necessary or convenient for placing, maintaining, and operating the facilities, as aforementioned, which the Company may from time to time use in connection with its underground conduit system and shall be so constructed as to conform to the cross-sectional and longitudinal grade of the surface so as not to interfere with the safety or convenience of persons or vehicles.

SECTION 4: Before proceeding with any new construction or relocation work in an area covered by this Ordinance, the Company shall give prior notice in writing thereof to the Borough, through its designated representative, of its intention to perform such work. The Company shall obtain such street opening or excavation permits as may be lawfully required by any applicable ordinances regulating such openings or excavations. Any such area affected by the Company in constructing its facilities shall be restored to as good condition as it was before the commencement of work thereon. No public streets or ways shall be encumbered for a period longer than shall be reasonable to execute the work.

SECTION 5: The Company agrees to indemnify and save harmless the Borough from and against all claims and liabilities resulting from any injury or damage to the person or property of any person, firm or corporation caused by or arising out of road conditions resulting from any negligent or faulty excavations, installation or maintenance connected with the work or equipment of said Company, and not attributable to the fault or negligence of the Borough, except that if such injury or damage shall be caused by the joint or concurring negligence or fault of the Company and the Borough, the same shall be borne by them to the extent of their respective fault or negligence.

SECTION 6: Whenever a curb line shall be established on streets where one does not now exist or where an established curb line shall be relocated in order to widen an existing street in conjunction with road construction being performed by the Borough the Company shall change the location of its above-ground facilities covered by this Ordinance in accordance with applicable law, so that the same shall be back to, and adjacent to, the new curb line so long as the Borough has acted in accordance with applicable law and with reasonable care in establishing the new curb line and providing notice thereof.

SECTION 7: Any company or corporation having legal authority to place its facilities in the public streets and ways of the Borough may jointly use the Company's poles, posts, pedestals or other structures for all lawful purposes, provided the Company consents to such use, on terms and conditions acceptable to the Company and not inconsistent with the provisions of the present Ordinance.

SECTION 8: The Company shall provide space, to the extent available, on its poles so long as said poles are occupied by the Company and space, to the extent available, in its main conduits existing
on the date of passage of this Ordinance, but not exceeding one (1) duct of standard size, for the
sole benefit of the Borough during the pendency of this Ordinance. Such space shall be provided
for the exclusive use of the Borough which use shall be limited to accommodating the wires or
electrical conductors required for one-way signal control in connection with municipal police
patrol, fire alarm signal control and traffic-signal control systems only; but for no other uses or
purposes, either alone or in conjunction therewith; nor for circuits for the supply of electrical
energy for traffic or other signals; nor for wires, conductors, cable or the equivalent which provide
a means of transmitting any signal to a private, commercial or residential location, and which is
normally provided by a nongovernmental supplier; provided, further, that no such use or
attachment by the Borough shall interfere with the plant or facilities of or the use thereof by the
Company. All costs or expenses incurred by the Company in connection therewith shall be paid by
the Borough. It shall be the obligation of the Borough to attach its wires to the poles or place its
electric conductors in the conduits or manholes of the Company, provided that before proceeding
with said work, either by itself or by a person, firm or corporation engaged to perform such work,
the Borough shall give the Company thirty (30) days prior notice in writing. All such work shall be
performed under the supervision of said Company. The Borough agrees to indemnify and save
harmless the Company from and against all claims and liabilities resulting from any injury
or damage to the person or property of any person, firm or corporation caused by or arising out of
the Borough's installation maintenance, operation or removal of wires or facilities or the Borough's
use or enjoyment of the Company's plant or facilities as provided under this section, except that
if such injury or damage shall be caused by joint or concurring negligence of the Company and
Borough, the same shall be borne by them to the extent of their respective fault or negligence.

SECTION 9: If any or all of the said streets or ways are later taken over by the County of Warren or
the State of New Jersey, such County or State shall have such rights and privileges and be subject to
the same terms, conditions and limitations of use as apply herein to the Borough, provided,
however, that satisfactory prior arrangements as may be necessary are made with the Borough and
the Company for the full protection of the respective interest of each.

SECTION 10: The term “Borough” as used in this Ordinance shall be held to apply to and
include any form of municipality or government into which the Borough or any part thereof
may at any time hereafter be changed, annexed, or merged.

SECTION 11: The permission and consent hereby granted shall apply to and cover all
communications facilities of the Company existing at any time, and related structures,
process equipment, and appurtenances heretofore or hereafter erected, constructed,
reconstructed, removed, located, relocated, replaced, maintained, repaired, or operated by
the Company, its predecessors, successors, or assigns within the Borough. This Ordinance
shall cancel and supersede all prior consent ordinances between the Borough and the
Company regarding the subject matter hereof.
SECTION 12: This Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect for a period of fifty (50) years from the date it becomes effective subject to the right of the Company to seek such changes herein as may be deemed necessary from time to time prior to the expiration of said period, said changes to be approved by the Borough. The Company shall maintain its property within the Borough and shall comply with applicable law for the provision of safe, adequate and proper service at just and reasonable rates. At and after the term of this Ordinance, the Company shall safeguard the public interest in continuous and uninterrupted service within the Borough.

SECTION 13: In the event that any provision herein shall for any reason be illegal or unenforceable under applicable law, such illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions of this Ordinance, and this Ordinance shall be construed as if such illegal or unenforceable provision(s) had never been contained herein.

SECTION 14: The Company shall pay the expenses incurred for advertising required in connection with the passage of this Ordinance, after the date of its first reading, within thirty (30) days after the Company has received a bill for said advertising from the publisher. Following final passage of this Ordinance, the Borough Clerk shall provide the Company with written notice thereof by certified mail. As provided by applicable law, this Ordinance, and any subsequent amendments, shall not become effective until acceptance thereof by the Company and approval thereof by the Board of Public Utilities.

Motion made by Councilwoman Grossman to open the public hearing for Ordinance 2016-9, seconded by Councilman Pettinelli.

Motion made by Councilman Schwar to close public hearing for Ordinance 2016-9, seconded by Councilwoman Grossman. Roll call: Ayes; Grossman, Pettinelli, Preiss, Schwar, and Seiss. Nays; None.


**ORDINANCE 2016-9**
**BOROUGH OF ALPHA**
**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CODE SECTION CHAPTER 403 WATER AND SEWERS FOR HYDRANT SERVICE TO OTHER COMMUNITIES**

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Alpha desires to amend a portion of Chapter 403, Water and Sewers and amend its Code accordingly;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Alpha in the County of Warren and State of New Jersey that Chapter 403, Section 403-21(A)(3)(e) shall be amended, only in part, and supplemented as follows:

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(3) Specific rates:

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(e) Fire hydrant service to other communities: $625 per hydrant per annum to be billed quarterly.

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This Ordinance shall take effect after adoption and publication thereof as provided by law.

Motion made by Councilwoman Grossman to open public hearing for Ordinance 2016-10, seconded by Councilman Pettinelli.


ORDINANCE 2016-10
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF $200,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SEWER UTILITY IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF 160,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING PART OF THE APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1:

The improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance (the “Improvement”) is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of Alpha, in the County of Warren, New Jersey (the “Borough”) as a general improvement. For the said Improvement there is hereby appropriated the amount of $200,000, such sum includes the sum of $40,000 as the down payment (the “Down Payment”) required by the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended and supplemented (the “Local Bond Law”). The Down Payment is now available by virtue of provision in one or more previously adopted budgets for down payments for capital improvement purposes.
SECTION 2:

In order to finance the additional cost of the Improvement not covered by application of the Down Payment, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of $160,000 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the “Bonds”). In anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds and to temporarily finance said Improvement or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not exceeding $160,000 pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law (the “Bond Anticipation Notes” or “Notes”).

SECTION 3:

(a) The Improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued is for improvements to the Sewer utility including but not limited to, improvements to the sewer collection system, including the improvements to the sewer metering station and sewer pump station, and including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of Bonds or Notes to be issued for the purpose of financing a portion of the cost of the Improvement is $160,000.

(c) The estimated cost of the Improvement is $200,000 which amount represents the initial appropriation made by the Borough.

SECTION 4:

All Bond Anticipation Notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the municipal finance officer of the Borough (the “Chief Financial Officer”); provided that no Note shall mature later than one year from its date. The Notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with Notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the Notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All Notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of Section 8(a) of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the Notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the Borough Council of the Borough at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the Notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the Notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 5:
The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey is on file with the Borough Municipal Clerk and is available for public inspection.

SECTION 6:

The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The Improvement described in Section 3 of this Bond Ordinance is not a current expense, and is a capital improvement or property that the Borough may lawfully make or acquire as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the Improvement, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, taking into consideration the respective amounts of all obligations authorized for such purpose, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the Bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance, is 15 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Borough Municipal Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough, as defined in the Local Bond Law, is increased by the authorization of the Bonds and Notes provided in this Bond Ordinance by $160,000 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding $65,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost of the Improvements, as indicated herein.

(e) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Borough solely for a purpose described in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h). The obligations authorized herein are to be issued for a purpose that is deemed to be self-liquidating pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-47(a) and are deductible from gross debt pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44(c).

SECTION 7:

Any funds or grant monies received for the purpose described in Section 3 of this Ordinance shall be used for financing said Improvement by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said
Improvement or to the payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the Borough authorized therefor by this Bond Ordinance. Any such funds received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the cost of said Improvement shall, be held and applied by the Borough as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the Borough authorized by this Bond Ordinance.

SECTION 8:

The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

SECTION 9:

This Bond Ordinance constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The Borough reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvement prior to the date that Borough incurs debt obligations under this Bond Ordinance. The Borough reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Borough under this Bond Ordinance. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for payment of the cost of the Improvement is $160,000.

SECTION 10:

This Bond Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.


Jim Pfeiffer, asked why only sections of Sixth Avenue are being done and not all of the street. Discussed water lines and street being in bad shape.

George Coupon, asked if they will be patching pot holes on Pursel and Schley.


ORDINANCE 2016-11
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FUNDING FOR VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, INCLUDING OLIVE STREET, SIXTH AVENUE AND FIRST AVENUE, APPROPRIATING A TOTAL OF $326,565.29 (GENERAL CAPITAL FUND BALANCE OF $32,840.34 AND A CAPITAL RESERVE OF $293,724.95) FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 11:

The Borough of Alpha, in the County of Warren, New Jersey, authorizes the improvement of various roads – including Olive Street, Sixth Avenue and First Avenue - as a general capital improvement for the Borough of Alpha to be funded from the sources specified in Section 2 of the Ordinance.

SECTION 12:

The amount of $32,840.34 is hereby appropriated from the General Capital Fund Balance.

The amount of $293,724.95 is hereby appropriated from Capital Fund Reserves – Improvements to Roads.

SECTION 13:

In connection with the purpose and the amount authorized in Sections 1 and 2 hereof, the Borough determines the purpose described in Section 1 hereof is not a Current Expense and is an improvement which the Borough of Alpha may lawfully make as a general improvement.

SECTION 4:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

SECTION 5:

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon due passage and publication according to law.
Resolutions:


Councilman Seiss discussed the Resolution and the system.

RESOLUTION 2016-112
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER #1 ON THE CONTRACT FOR REDUNDANCY UPGRADES AT FRACE STREET WATER TREATMENT PLANT

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha have determined that certain improvements are needed for the Borough’s potable water utility system, including but not limited to the services and work associated with installing a redundancy upgrades at the Frace Street water treatment plant and the Pursel Street facility; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha have openly and publicly bid such contract for said improvement work, pursuant to New Jersey law and previously awarded the contract to PACT Two LLC of Ringoes, New Jersey, for $190,000.00 based on the recommendation of the Borough Engineer.

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 (less than 20% of the initial contract referenced above) on the contract for redundancy upgrades at the Frace Street Water Treatment Plant and to execute all documents in accordance therewith upon written certification of funds by the Borough CFO, as follows:

Change Order – Upgrade of one pump to be a chemical resistant high service pump and supply/install a new chemical resistant high service pump: $29,846.00.

Total Change Order Amount $29,846.00

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 PACT Two LLC.

Motion made by Councilman Schwar to approve Resolution 2016-113, seconded by Councilman Pettinelli. Roll call: Ayes; Grossman, Pettinelli, Preiss, Schwar, and Seiss. Nays; None.

RESOLUTION 2016-113
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER #2 ON THE CONTRACT FOR PIPING & VALVE UPGRADES AT FRACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha have determined that certain improvements are needed for the Borough’s potable water utility system, including but not limited to the
services and work associated with piping and valve upgrades at the Frace Street Water Treatment Plant in
the Borough of Alpha; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha have openly and publicly bid such
contract for said improvement work, pursuant to New Jersey law and previously awarded the contract to the
lowest responsible bidder, PACT Two LLC of Ringoes, New Jersey, for $325,000.00 based on the
recommendation of the Borough Engineer.

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 (less than 20% of the initial contract referenced above) on the contract for the
piping and valve upgrades at the Frace Street Water Treatment Plant and to execute all documents in
accordance therewith upon written certification of funds by the Borough CFO, as follows:

The following changes are hereby authorized by the Borough at the specified prices as outlined in the July
12, 2016 PACT Two LLC proposal:

Change Order #2 – Backwash Caustic Injection Relocation: $7,373.00; and
Change Order #4 – Air Stripper Packing Material: $17,679.00

Total Change Order Amount $25,052.00

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 PACT Two LLC.

Motion made by Councilman Seiss to approve Resolution 2016-114, seconded by
Councilwoman Grossman. Roll call: Ayes; Grossman, Pettinelli, Preiss, Schwar, and
Seiss. Nays; None.

RESOLUTION 2016-114
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO
PUBLICALLY ADVERTISE THE
NJDOT SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL – SIDEWALK INSTALLATION
AT SCHLEY AVENUE PHASE II

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 public advertisement for a construction contract for the NJDOT Safe Routes
to School – Sidewalk Installation at Schley Avenue Phase II in regards to the construction documents
prepared by Remington & Vernick Engineers.

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 Schwar to approve Resolution 2016-115, seconded
by Councilwoman Grossman. Roll call: Ayes; Grossman, Pettinelli, Preiss, Schwar, and
Seiss. Nays; None.
RESOLUTION 2016-115
RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE GRACE PERIOD
FOR PAYMENT OF TAXES FOR THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA

WHEREAS, the 2016 final and 2017 preliminary tax bills were mailed out beyond the June 13, 2016 statutory due date, NJSA 54:4-64 as a result in obtaining the Municipal Tax Rate, and
WHEREAS, the law of 1994 known as A179 requires a minimum of a twenty five (25) day payment period for either estimated or final tax bills;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough of Alpha Council this 26th day of July 2016 that the grace period allowed for payment of the August 1, 2016 tax quarter be extended to August 22, 2016 and any payment received after said date will be charged interest from the original August 1, 2016 due date.


RESOLUTION 2016-116
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BOROUGH ENGINEER TO PROVIDE CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR BALL FIELDS AND RECREATIONAL COMPLEX ROOF REPLACEMENTS

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 for ball fields and recreational complex roof replacements in the Borough for the contemplated scope of work in accordance with the firm’s revised proposal of July 21, 2016 (attached hereto) and in an amount not to exceed a total of $13,700.00, 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.


RESOLUTION 2016-117
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO WARREN COUNTY FOR GXP PLATFORM

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Alpha have determined that public safety is a top priority; and
WHEREAS, the Warren County Prosecutor’s Office has introduced a new tool available to first responders – GXP Platform – that would map and label the inside of all government buildings, schools and commercial buildings to allow them to coordinate responses and operate more efficiently and safely; and

WHEREAS, Warren County has received some grant money to begin set-up and installation and seeks contribution from its municipalities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Alpha, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Borough hereby authorizes a contribution not to exceed $1,800.00 to be paid to Warren County to support the GXP Platform set-up and installation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Mayor, Clerk, and CFO are authorized to execute all necessary documents to effectuate this.

Motion made by Councilman Schwar to approve Resolution 2016-119, seconded by Councilman Preiss. Roll call: Ayes; Grossman, Pettinelli, Preiss, Schwar, and Seiss. Nays; None.

RESOLUTION 2016-119
APPOINTMENT OF 911 COORDINATOR
FOR THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA

WHEREAS, the position of 911 Coordinator exists within the Borough of Alpha; and

WHEREAS, the term of office shall be for the remainder of calendar year 2016.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Alpha hereby appoints Sean McDyer as 911 Coordinator.


RESOLUTION 2016-118
APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY 911 COORDINATOR
FOR THE BOROUGH OF ALPHA

WHEREAS, the position of Deputy 911 Coordinator exists within the Borough of Alpha; and

WHEREAS, the term of office shall be for the remainder of calendar year 2016.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Alpha hereby appoints Hunter Stagg as Deputy 911 Coordinator.
Department Reports:

Administration, Councilman Peter Pettinelli: Councilman Pettinelli reported he met with Service Electric. They will be bringing cables and waiting on estimate for phone proposals. There are two computers being ordered tomorrow. In closing, Councilman Pettinelli approved all bills, salaries, and wages for his department.

Mayor Dunwell stated he received information from Verizon regarding an offer on a cell phone discount.

Finance, Councilman Michael Schwar: Councilman Schwar reported the tax bills went out yesterday. Everyone received a copy of the audit. If you have any questions, ask the CFO before adoption of the Resolution. The bill list is not long, would like to point out $1.1 million amount paid to County and schools and quarterly payment to Police. Going to look into what we can spend money on from Open Space Farmland Historic fund. The original Ordinance established for the Open Space Fund was 98-10 and it is very vague on what we can spend it on.

In closing, Councilman Schwar approved all bills, salaries, and wages for his department.

Health & Welfare, Councilwoman Kathleen Ronan: Councilman Tom Seiss stated he has had no contact with Councilwoman Ronan. He will approve bills, wages, and salaries for her department. Mayor Dunwell stated there had been a discussion for solid waste clean-up, Councilman Seiss will be responsible for this as her alternate.

Public Property, Councilwoman Tracy Grossman: Councilwoman Grossman reported the Lock Dr. replaced locks at the fieldhouse. She will be handing out the keys with signatures. The door to the kitchen is not properly latching. Signed paperwork for Cooper to begin their work for audio and TV. We had 45 people at Movie Night. Next movie will be on August 10th. We had a meeting at the pool with Assemblyman Erik Peterson. Councilman Pettinelli, Councilman Preiss, Tammy McGee, Joey Fiore, and Tom Fey were in attendance. Did a walk through to see the potential for the pool. Very excited, we have a true Olympic size pool, whole world of swimming teams, they would come far and wide to do laps in the pool. He and his wife are doing the business plan and will have it in two weeks.
In closing, Councilwoman Grossman approved all bills, salaries, and wages for her department.

Discussions ensued about the pool and referendum.

Public Safety, Councilman Thomas Seiss: Councilman Seiss reported appointments were done tonight. Our Police Chief is retiring and thanked him personally for his cooperation.

In closing, Councilman Seiss approved bills, salaries, and wages for his department.

Public Works, Councilman Jack Preiss: Councilman Preiss reported quality of life issue ongoing with DPW, hopefully seeing progress. Had a meeting with Tom Fey this week. 736 East Central Avenue had the grass cut and bushes cut. Posted Leigh Fuel, we can go in and cut on the 29th. Will alert DPW about that so they are ready.

In closing, Councilman Preiss approved all bills, salaries, and wages for his department.

Professionals & Official Reports:

Mayor, Craig S. Dunwell: Mayor Dunwell spoke about the water utility, increase in rates then reduced and changed ordinance. People have been gaming the system, we changed that. Everyone had to come current by June 30th. Carrie gave out 38 accounts for shut off. Today DPW indicated there are residents that had water shut off and is now turned back on and not by DPW. Tampering of curb stops violation, theft of service is a crime, stealing water from Borough. Read water consumption remotely, we are certain water was shut off and it is now turned on.

Mayor Dunwell recognized Chief Faulborn for his service.

Police Department, Chief James Faulborn: Chief Faulborn thanked the governing body and residents of Alpha for their support. It’s been a positive experience and hope to continue that relationship. Governing bodies in the present and past have been very supportive. Captain Stettner will be taking over.

Fire Department, Chief Sean McDyer: Chief McDyer spoke about annual testing for every hose, ground ladder, pumps. One piece of hose failed, testing was pretty good.
Attorney, Christopher Troxell: Attorney Troxell stated he received recorded deed and title policy for DR Horton property. He made a copy and gave the original to the Clerk to officially go on file in the Clerk’s office.

Engineer, Frank J. Seney: Mr. Seney provided the July 26th report. Call from DEP regarding Leigh Fuel grant. DEP came in and said clean up outside of property, $18,000 lien from the DEP, application is unique. Brian Properties involved and it’s already been cleaned up. Frank will get back to the DEP representative and she will put in front of the committee consisting of eight DEP officers. The proposed soccer field has been surveyed. Have a preconstruction meeting tomorrow for the firehouse generator. Agreement with Federal DOT. Bids will be received through next Wednesday up to 11 am for First Avenue, Olive Street, and 6th Avenue project. Bid opening will be held on August 3rd at 11 am. Concrete pad near sewer pump station was discussed at last meeting. Discussion of roof replacement for the fug outs and Benke field ensued.

Mr. Seney discussed the 5th Avenue drainage problems and the drains on First Avenue.

Sewer Engineer, Jim Hill: Mr. Hill provided the July 22nd report. They are working with Frank Seney on the Olive Street, 6th Avenue, and First Avenue project to make sure manholes have proper material for grade.

Bond issue, need notice to proceed then we can start. Keeping an eye on bioxide and degreaser.

CFO, Charles Daniel: Mr. Daniel stated the audit has been received. Anyone can stop by his office or call if they have any questions. Will go over recommendations at the next meeting. Have a meeting with the auditor on Thursday to go over these for that meeting. Will also have a corrective action plan for the State at the next meeting. We are pursuing a FEMA reimbursement for Storm Jonas (snow storm). Getting reimbursement for DPW, and we may be able to get up to 75% of the costs. NJ State Police and FEMA worked with DPW and Chief McDyer. There is some type of reimbursement for donated time.
Code Enforcement, Thomas Fey: Councilman Pettinelli read the report.

Library Board, Steve Noll: Thanked Councilman Schwar regarding the issue at the last board meeting and bonding of officials for Library. He got in touch with Carla and received the email chain. Mr. Noll stated that he sent email for the bond applications this morning to Director and Treasurer and whoever signs checks.

Second Public Comment

Leo Pursel, High Street, asked about money for Open Space with Rocco.

Mr. Pursel also asked about the Library with the County and are any county taxes going to that from Alpha.

Bob Christian, 6th Avenue, inquired about drainage pitching off Olive Street with no curbing and asked if that would erode landscaping. Also asked if they will touch the North side at all.

Payment of Bills & Claims:

Councilman Seiss made a motion to make the director’s report a part of the minutes. Councilwoman Grossman seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Councilwoman Grossman made a motion that the CFO be authorized to pay all bills authorized by the director. Councilman Pettinelli seconded the motion. Roll call: Ayes; Grossman, Pettinelli, Preiss, Schwar, and Seiss. Nays: none.

Councilwoman Grossman made a motion that the CFO be authorized to pay all salaries and wages approved by the director, Councilman Pettinelli seconded. Roll call: Ayes; Grossman, Pettinelli, Preiss, Schwar, and Seiss. Nays: none.
New Business:

Motion made by Councilman Pettinelli to approve authorizing Mayor Dunwell to sign contract with Jewel Computing, seconded by Councilman Schwar, all were in favor.

Motion made by Councilwoman Grossman to approve authorizing Mayor Dunwell to sign Colts contract, seconded by Councilman Schwar, all were in favor.

Motion made by Councilwoman Grossman to approve raffle licenses RA-2016-4 & 5: Alpha Volunteer Fire Co. on 10/8/2016, seconded by Councilman Schwar, all were in favor with the exception of Councilman Seiss abstaining.

Motion made by Councilman Seiss to authorize Mayor Dunwell’s signature on Municipal Alliance Contract – Warren County, seconded by Councilman Schwar, all were in favor.
Executive Session:

Councilwoman Grossman made a motion to approve the following resolution to go into executive session for thirty minutes for contractual, litigation, and/or personnel.

Motion seconded by Councilman Pettinelli, all were in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion(s) of the hereinafter specified subject matter(s).
2. The general nature of the subject matter(s) to be discussed is: Personnel, Litigation and/or Contractual,
3. It is anticipated at this time, that the above stated subject matter(s) will be made public when it is no longer a matter of confidentiality.
4. Action may or may not be taken after executive session.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Alpha that the public shall be excluded from an executive session for approximately 30 minutes, allowing for a five (5) minute recess between the regular session and the executive session.

Return to Regular Session:

Motion made by Councilman Schwar to return to the regular session, motion seconded by Councilman Pettinelli, all were in favor.

Adjournment:

Seeing no further business to come before Council, motion made by Councilman Seiss to adjourn this meeting at 9:26 pm, motion seconded by Councilman Pettinelli, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie A. Barton

Borough Clerk