

A Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro was called to order by Mayor Peter A. Cantu on June 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Municipal Center via teleconference located at 641 Plainsboro Road, Plainsboro, New Jersey.

The Township Clerk certified that the meeting was noticed as a Regular Meeting on January 2, 2020. Notices were sent to the Home News/Tribune, Princeton Packet and Trenton Times and were posted at the Municipal Center, Municipal website and the Library at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. All requirements of the Sunshine Law were met.

Present were: Mayor Peter A. Cantu, Deputy Mayor Neil Lewis and Committeeperson David Bander, Nuran Nabi and Ed Yates were present via teleconference. Township Attorney Michael Herbert was also present via teleconference. Also present were: Township Administrator Anthony Cancro, Township Clerk Carol J. Torres, Chief Financial Officer Greg Mayers, Chief of Police Fred Tavener and Lester Varga, Director of Planning and Zoning. There were no interested citizens and no member of the press present via teleconference.

It was MOVED by LEWIS and seconded by NABI that the minutes from April 7, 2020 be approved.

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES.

It was MOVED by NABI and seconded by YATES that the minutes from April 22, 2020 be approved.

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES.

The Mayor opened the meeting for comments from the public.

There being no further comments, it was MOVED by YATES and seconded by NABI to close the public comment portion of the meeting.

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES

The Township Committee discussed the Redevelopment Area Assessment and agreed to refer the matter to the Planning for further consideration.

It was MOVED by LEWIS and seconded by NABI that the following Resolutions be approved as a Consent Agenda:

R-20-118

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING INSPECTION FEES FOR PSEG – 29 PARKER ROAD OPENING PERMIT NO. 1322

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has set forth the posting of inspection fees for PSE&G Road Opening Permit No. 1322 – 29 Parker Road; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G posted check no. 8424 for inspection fees in the amount of \$500.00;
and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro hereby accepts the inspection fees as presented by PSE&G.

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on June 10, 2020.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk

R-20-119

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING INSPECTION FEES FOR P19-09 NEW CINFULAR WIRELESS
PCS (AT&T) – MINOR SITE PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has set forth the posting of inspection fees for AT&T Monopole Facility, Block 1402; Lot 54; and

WHEREAS, Pinilishalpern LLP posted check no. 3005 for inspection fees in the amount of \$2,409.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro hereby accepts the inspection fees as presented by Pinilishalpern LLP.

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on June 10, 2020.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk

R-20-120

**RESOLUTION RELEASING CASH GUARANTEE BOND FOR P15-02/P17-04 DYC
DEVELOPMENT URBAN RENEWAL LLC**

WHEREAS, NYC Development Urban Renewal LLC aka NYC Development Properties LLC submitted and implemented a phasing plan with proposed temporary and permanent changes to the site access for Block 1701, Lots 4.06; and

WHEREAS, NYC Development Urban Renewal LLC aka NYC Development Properties LLC submitted a cash bond in the amount of \$2,000.00 for Block 1701, Lots 4.06 on February 12, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has inspected the improvements for NYC Development Urban Renewal LLC aka NYC Development Properties LLC, Block 1701, Lots 4.06 and recommend that the cash bond be released.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro hereby releases the cash bond refunding \$2,000.00 plus appropriate interest to NYC Development Urban Renewal LLC aka NYC Development Properties LLC.

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on June 10, 2020.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk

**RESOLUTION FOR AN ADDITIONAL PARTIAL RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND TO
DYC DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES LLC FOR BLOCK 1701; LOT 4.06 CHILD CARE
CENTER PHASE**

WHEREAS, DYC Development Properties LLC has requested a release of the performance bond for Block 1701; Lot 4.06 Child Care Center Phase; and

WHEREAS, Bond No. BX20453 in the amount of \$276,903.35, cash bond in the amount of \$30,767.04 and inspection fee in the amount of \$3,845.88 which represents 25% of the total inspection fee requested was accepted by Resolution No. 2018-231 on July 11, 2018; and

WHEREAS, a partial release reducing Bond No. BX20453 in the amount of \$274,665.60 of which \$27,466.56 was to be held as the cash bond with the remainder \$247,199.04 to be held as a performance bond was accepted by Resolution No. 2019-197 on August 14, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer has inspected the improvements for DYC Development Properties LLC for Block 1701; Lot 4.06 Child Care Center Phase, and recommends an additional partial release of the performance bond to \$94,046.04 of which \$9,404.60 is to be held as the cash bond with the remainder \$84,641.44 to be held as a performance bond; and

WHEREAS, DYC Development Properties LLC has agreed to post a rider to Bond No. BX20453 reducing it to \$84,641.44.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro hereby accepts this rider and reduces the cash bond to \$9,404.60, refunding \$18,061.96.

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on June 10, 2020.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk

**RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN A
SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM
ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE,
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

WHEREAS, the Township of Plainsboro wishes to apply for funding of approximately \$60,000 with a match of \$276,494 for an approximate project total cost of \$336,494 for a project under the State of New Jersey Safe and Secure Communities Program Grant Program (Grant #20-1218) for the period of January 1st, 2020 through December 31st, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Plainsboro Township Committee has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved the said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Township of Plainsboro for the purpose described in the application.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro that:

1. As a matter of public policy Plainsboro Township wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
2. The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
3. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
4. The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

(SEE EXHIBIT "A" PAGE 1 INCLUSIVE)

**R-20-123 TOWNSHIP OF PLAINSBORO RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
OF ESTIMATED TAX BILLS**

WHEREAS, the Middlesex County Board of Taxation has not certified the Township's Tax Rate for 2020 and the Township of Plainsboro Tax Collector will be unable to mail the Township's 2020 tax bills on a timely basis; and

WHEREAS, the Plainsboro Township Tax Collector in consultation with the Plainsboro Chief Financial Officer has computed an estimated tax levy in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54: 4-66.3, and they have both signed a certification showing the tax levies for the previous year, the tax rates and the range of permitted estimated tax levies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Plainsboro, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Plainsboro Township Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue estimated tax bills for the Township for the third installment of 2020 taxes. The Tax Collector shall proceed and take such actions as are permitted and required by P.L. 1994, c72 (N.J.S.A. 54: 4-66.2 and 54: 4-66.3).
2. The entire estimated tax levy for 2020 is hereby set at \$108,307,251.99
3. In Accordance with law the third installment of 2020 taxes shall not be subject to interest until the later of August 10th or the twenty-fifth calendar day after the date the estimated tax bills were mailed. The estimated tax bills shall contain a notice specifying the date on which interest may begin to accrue.

(SEE EXHIBIT “B” PAGE 1 INCLUSIVE)

R-20-124

RESOLUTION CONCURREING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, there exists the need to pay certain claims in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has deemed it proper to pay these claims as needed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey concurs with the payment of the following bills by the CFO:

5/01/20	ACH	25.00	Heartland Fee	Current
5/01/20	1729W	617,156.25	Debt Service	Current
5/13/20	1730W	5,350,462.00	West Windsor-Plainsboro BOE	Current
5/14/20	228387-9	1,403.32	DCRP	Current
5/15/20	1731W	77,795.00	Debt Service	Current
5/15/20	1732-3W	4,542,075.49	County Taxes	Current
5/15/20	1734W	223,052.73	State Health Benefits	Current

Payroll

05/13/20	Transfer	447,613.32	Gross Payroll-Employer Taxes
05/27/20	Transfer	426,016.16	Gross Payroll-Employer Taxes

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on June 10, 2020.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES.

It was MOVED by LEWIS and seconded by YATES that the following Resolution be approved:

R-20-125 Township of Plainsboro
County of Middlesex

Resolution No. 20-125

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY GENERATION SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Plainsboro had determined to move forward with the EMEX reverse auction in order to procure electricity for the Township of Plainsboro; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001 c.30) (the “Act”) authorizes the purchase of energy generation service for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Plainsboro utilized the online auction services of EMEX, LLC, an approved vendor pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, eight bidders submitted online bids for the municipal street lighting; and

WHEREAS, **MP2 Energy** submitted the lowest bid for an 18-month term based upon a kilowatt hour price of \$0.04861/kWh; and

WHEREAS, **MP2 Energy** is a vendor approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“BPU”) and is authorized to submit bids for energy generation services.

WHEREAS, there is no fee charged to the Township of Plainsboro by EMEX, LLC or **MP2 Energy** for the services associated with the auction;

WHEREAS, EMEX, LLC is paid by the successful bidder for electricity utilized by the Township of Plainsboro; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests and will save the Township money, and therefore the Township of Plainsboro will execute an agreement with **MP2 Energy** for an 18 month term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro that the most favorable bid in the amount of \$0.04861/kWh for an 18-month term is hereby accepted and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the necessary Agreement(s) with **MP2 Energy**.

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on June 10, 2020.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES.

It was MOVED by LEWIS and seconded by YATES that the following Resolution be approved:

County of Middlesex

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY GENERATION SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Plainsboro had determined to move forward with the EMEX reverse auction in order to procure electricity for the Township of Plainsboro; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001 c.30) (the “Act”) authorizes the purchase of energy generation service for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Plainsboro utilized the online auction services of EMEX, LLC, an approved vendor pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, five bidders submitted online for main load meters for a 6 month short term contract (“bridge”) that co-terminates with the current main load contract; and

WHEREAS, **MP2 Energy** submitted the lowest bid for a 6 month term based upon a kilowatt hour price of \$0.05068/kWh; and

WHEREAS, **MP2 Energy** is a vendor approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“BPU”) and is authorized to submit bids for energy generation services.

WHEREAS, there is no fee charged to the Township of Plainsboro by EMEX, LLC or **MP2 Energy** for the services associated with the auction;

WHEREAS, EMEX, LLC is paid by the successful bidder for electricity utilized by the Township of Plainsboro; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests and will save the Township money, and therefore the Township of Plainsboro will execute an agreement with **MP2 Energy** for a 6 month term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro that the most favorable bid in the amount of \$0.05068/kWh for a 6 month term is hereby accepted and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the necessary Agreement(s) with **MP2 Energy**.

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on June 10, 2020.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES.

It was MOVED by LEWIS and seconded by YATES that the following Resolution be approved:

R-20-127 Township of Plainsboro
County of Middlesex

Resolution No. **20-127**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY GENERATION SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Plainsboro had determined to move forward with the EMEX reverse auction in order to procure electricity for the Township of Plainsboro; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit Technology Pilot Program and Study Act (P.L. 2001 c.30) (the “Act”) authorizes the purchase of energy generation service for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Plainsboro utilized the online auction services of EMEX, LLC, an approved vendor pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, seven bidders submitted online bids for the main power load for municipal buildings; and

WHEREAS, **Constellation Energy** submitted the lowest bid for a 24-month term based upon a kilowatt hour price of \$0.04850/kWh; and

WHEREAS, **Constellation Energy** is a vendor approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“BPU”) and is authorized to submit bids for energy generation services.

WHEREAS, there is no fee charged to the Township of Plainsboro by EMEX, LLC or **Constellation Energy** for the services associated with the auction;

WHEREAS, EMEX, LLC is paid by the successful bidder for electricity utilized by the Township of Plainsboro; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests and will save the Township money, and therefore the Township of Plainsboro will execute an agreement with **Constellation Energy** for a 24-month term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro that the most favorable bid in the amount of \$0.04850/kWh for a 24-month term is hereby accepted and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the necessary Agreement(s) with **Constellation Energy**.

I certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro at a meeting held on June 10, 2020.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES.

The Township Administrator gave an update on staff duties during the pandemic, the Bulk Farm design and the improvements to the Mill Pond Park.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Yates – concern over large amounts of spam coming in through the township email

Cantu – coronavirus update and concern over the upcoming league conference

Lewis – thankful remarks to Chief of Police for continuous updates

Correspondence was reviewed and no further action was required.

It was MOVED by LEWIS and seconded CANTU that the bills on the following list be ratified:

(SEE EXHIBIT “B” PAGE 1 OF 13 INCLUSIVE)

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES.

There being no further business, it was MOVED by YATES and seconded by CANTU that the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

VOTE: CANTU, YES; LEWIS, YES; NABI, YES; BANDER, YES; YATES, YES.

Carol J. Torres, Township Clerk