

February 8, 2022

Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens held on February 8, 2022.

Mayor Holeman called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Our Country.
Please remain standing for a moment of silence for our military.

This meeting has been advertised in one newspaper, The Daily Record, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

ATTENDANCE: Councilwoman Cheatham, Councilman Glass, Councilwoman Hedgepath, Councilman Lorenzo and Councilwoman Garcia Montes.

ABSENT: Councilman Hale. Attorney Feintuch.

Motion to accept the minutes of January 25, 2022 as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

VOUCHERS:

The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments on the bills? Hearing none, he asked for a motion to pay the bills.

VOUCHER REPORTS

Date of Council Meeting:
February 8, 2022

Voucher #	Payable to:	Type of Service	Amount	Check #
2/1/2022	AT&T	Utilities	39.13	7353
2/2/2022	Cargill, Incorporated	Streets & Roads	2,059.57	7352
2/3/2022	County Concrete Corporation	Streets & Roads	495.16	7351
2/4/2022	Dover Court - Shared services	Shared Court Services - Feb. 2022	1,655.83	7350
2/5/2022	Feintuch, Porwich & Feintuch, ESQ	Legal Services - RVRSA Dec. 9 thru Jan. 18, 2022	2,030.00	7349
2/6/2022	Gannett New Jersey Newspapers	Clerk OE	16.77	7348
2/7/2022	Henry O'Baker, Insurance Group	Other Insurance	9,930.00	7347
2/8/2022	Home Depot	Clerk OE - Boro Hall supplies	85.85	7346
2/9/2022	Montville Animal Shelter	Dog OE	1,037.37	7345
2/10/2022	Morris County MUA	Streets & Roads, Jan. shade tree	175.50	7344
2/11/2022	NJNG - #1 - Fire	Fire OE	246.00	7343
2/12/2022	R&L Data Centers, Inc.	Finance - Jan. payroll & W2's	623.50	7342
2/13/2022	RVRSA	RVRSA Share - Jan. & Feb. services	20,126.00	7341
2/14/2022	Town of Dover	Adm. & Exec., Fire Dept. services	16,500.00	7340
2/15/2022	Viking Pest Control	Bldgs. & Grnds.	177.00	7339
2/16/2022	State of NJ - Div. of Pensions & Benefits	Group Insurance - Feb coverage & Jan. balance	4,924.59	On-line
		TOTAL	60,122.27	

VOUCHERS CONTINUED:

Motion to approve the vouchers for payment by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Lorenzo and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

NEW BUSINESS:

GARBAGE BID OPENING - The Mayor opened the bid from Interstate Waste. This is the only bid received. Since our attorney is not here tonight, we will read the bid. However, nothing will be accepted until the Attorneys return and his review. This is for a 5 year contract.

Year 1	\$142,923.00
Year 2	\$147,210.92
Year 3	\$151,627.25
Year 4	\$157,692.34
Year 5	\$165,576.95

These amounts include the recycling also. Total cost for all 5 years: \$765,030.46
Again, nothing else will be done tonight. We are awaiting Attorney review.

REFUND TAX PAYMENT -

BOROUGH OF VICTORY GARDENS
COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY

REFUND OVERPAID PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, a double payment was received for Block 10 Lot 7 and applied to the 4th quarter 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is requesting the overpayment be returned to the mortgage company, Core Logic via refund

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey as follows:

Refund of \$1,291.59 be issued to the mortgaging service company, Core Logic, P.O. Box 9202, Coppel, Texas 75019.

Karen L. Ferrone, Tax Collector

David Holeman, Jr. Mayor

I, Deborah Evans, Clerk of the Borough of Victory Gardens, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council at a regular meeting held on February 8, 2022.

Deborah Evans, Borough Clerk

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

REFUND TAX PAYMENT CONTINUED -

Motion to approve the resolution for refund for a tax payment by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

TRANSFER RESOLUTION - Joe just gave this to me today. The Clerk said she gave everyone a copy.

2021 APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, there appears to be insufficient funds in the below listed account(s) to meet the demands thereon for the balance of the reserve year, and

WHEREAS, there appears to be a surplus in the below listed account(s) over and above the amount deemed necessary for the balance of the current year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens that, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-58, part of the surplus in the account(s) heretofore mentioned be and same are hereby authorized as transfers to the account(s) mentioned as being insufficient, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Officer is hereby directed to make the following transfers:

FROM	AMOUNT	TO	AMOUNT
Clerk S&W	\$ 4,000.00	Legal OE	\$ 5,000.00
Clerk O&E	2,000.00		
Planning Board OE	2,000.00	Engineering OE	5,000.00
Zoning Official	2,000.00		

Adopted: February 8, 2022

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF VICTORY GARDENS

Deborah Evans
Municipal Clerk

David Hofeman, Mayor

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

TRANSFER RESOLUTION CONTINUED:

Motion to approve the transfer resolution by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Lorenzo and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER FROM POPULAR, INC TO RANDOLPH LIQUORS - William Handler Esq. is here tonight. He is the attorney for the transfer of the liquor license.

Councilman Glass asked if they are in the same building? Yes. Do you own it? No we are renting. Councilman Lorenzo asked if they are running the store as a liquor store only? Yes.

The Clerk said we wanted to get the applicants on for this meeting. I am still waiting on a tax clearance certificate. But I think they need the Resolution first from the Council. All this will be pending our Attorneys review. Everyone has a copy of the Resolution.

Councilwoman Hedgepath asked how come it is called Randolph Liquors as you are in Victory Gardens? I'm not sure how many people are aware of Victory Gardens. I went to the biggest town around you and did Randolph. Our address is Dover. So is ours Councilwoman Hedgepath said.

BOROUGH OF VICTORY GARDENS, MORRIS COUNTY
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE

A Motion, and seconded, has been brought before the convened Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, Morris County, State of New Jersey that the

TRANSFER OF PERSON-TO PERSON PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION
LICENSE TO RANDOLPH LIQUORS, INC.

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a person-to person Transfer of a Plenary Retail Distribution License #1437-44-001-003 heretofore issued to POPULAR, INC./t/a LAKELAND LIQUORS; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards establish by Title 33 on the New Jersey Statutes and Regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and condition consistent with Title 33; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed and the issuing authority reviewed the source of all funds used in the purchase of the license and licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the licensed business.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens does hereby authorize the Borough Clerk to approve, effective this 8th day of Feb, 2022 the aforesaid Plenary Retail Distribution License to RANDOLPH LIQUORS, INC. and does hereby authorize the Borough Clerk to endorse the license certificate to the ownership pursuant to State statute.

Roll Call:

AYES: Cheatham, Glass, Hedgepath, Lorenzo, Garcia Montes
NAYES: None

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER RESOLUTION CONTINUED -

Motion to approve the transfer from Popular Inc. to Randolph Liquors by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

Attorney Handler said he will be back in touch with the Clerk after the Borough Attorney returns from his vacation? Yes. This is all pending the Borough attorneys review and advice.

OLD BUSINESS:

2ND DRAFT OF POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL - The Clerk said everyone has a copy of the update the Attorney did. All that you asked him to change is in the new draft. I don't know if you still have questions or if there is anything you want to change. If it is okay, we can adopt tonight. If you want more time to review, we can wait.

Councilwoman Cheatham said she would like to review it again. The Mayor said we will put this on the agenda for the next meeting.

Councilman Glass said he has quotes that everyone was given a copy of. This is for air purifiers. Debbe called Rockaway Township Board of Health. They said this is a good idea to have them. You have 2 quotes. The cheapest one is for a total of \$2,999.98. This is for 2 units - one in the Clerk's office and 1 in the courtroom.

Councilwoman Montes asked where this money would come from? Jim said that at the finance meeting we had last week Joe said it would come out of the American Rescue Plan money. This is a flat fee. Is there a maintenance cost? We have to replace the filters. We would have to buy filters so we can get it with this money. There is a 5 year warranty.

Councilwoman Cheatham asked if we know what the terms and conditions are? We don't. Councilman Glass said he will find out.

Motion was made to table this until we get the terms and conditions. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Lorenzo and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Councilman Glass said the next item is to repair the railings outside. Everyone has a copy of the estimate. To repair what needs to be repaired the cost is \$1,600.

Motion to approve the quote for \$1,600 to have the parts of the railing replaced that needs to be done. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Glass and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

Councilman Glass said the next thing is a snow blower. Ours is broken. You have 2 quotes. One from Kenvil Power for \$1,224.95. The other one is from Power Place for \$1,199.00. Ours is not worth repairing.

Councilwoman Montes asked where they need a snowblower for? Here at town hall and at the firehouse. How long ago did we buy this blower? Eddie said it is 20 years old. Councilwoman Montes said no, they can use a shovel. Councilwoman Hedgepath said they have been using the bobcat for the sidewalks. Councilwoman Montes said we bought that machine for the leaves and they don't use it. We wasted a lot of money on that. I was leaning towards Kenvil Power. It's a little more money but it's a better machine. Councilman Lorenzo said he thinks we can find one cheaper than that.

Motion was made to table this discussion for now. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on verbal vote. Councilman Glass abstained. All other agreed to hold.

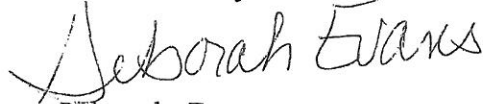
Motion to open the meeting to the public by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Jim Janone - I think that I remember that the snow blower wasn't bought 20 years ago. I think they got it from home depot. I think it was about \$2,000. I think you should take it somewhere and get an estimate in order to fix it. Does the railing include painting after it is repaired? No, I don't think so. Do we know what caused the damage? No. Councilman Glass said it is damaged in 3 places. You should also get filters while you have the money and the lights. You might as well get extra while we have the money. Have you upgraded the air filters in Borough Hall to the medical grade ones? No. Those you have to replace every 3 months. The voucher for CoreLogic is that the same one that was done in January? I don't believe so. It is not on this voucher listing. We did the check in January which we are holding because the resolution had to go with the check. That is why we are doing the resolution tonight. What did we buy from County Concrete? Sand.

Motion to close the meeting to the public by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Submitted By:



Deborah Evans
Borough Clerk