

BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, NEW JERSEY

REGULAR MEETING (7:00pm)

February 10, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey, beginning at 7:00pm was held in-person and via Zoom Electronic Meeting following the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence (Council and the public observed a moment of silence to honor service men and women defending our country, those lost/suffering and serving during this COVID-19 Pandemic along with all Public Safety Professionals and Volunteers). Clerk McIntosh read the Open Public Meetings Act: pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this regular meeting has been published in the Burlington County Times and posted on the official bulletin board of the Borough of Medford Lakes. Those wishing to be notified for changes to scheduled meetings were notified via email or regular mail.

NOTICE – Each public body shall keep reasonably comprehensible minutes of all its meetings showing the time and place, the members present, the subjects considered, the actions taken, the vote of each member, and any other information required to be shown in the minutes by law. “Reasonably comprehensible” does not mean “comprehensive.” Minutes are not transcripts. The minutes are not intended to be a verbatim recitation of a public meeting.

ROLL CALL

Clerk Mark J. McIntosh (in-person) called roll; Deputy Mayor Thomas J. Cranston (in-person), Councilman William R. Fields (in-person), Councilman Dr. Gary A. Miller (in-person), Councilwoman Gail A. Caputo (via Zoom Mtg.) answered in attendance. Also present was Borough Manager Dr. Robert J. Burton (in-person) and Solicitor Douglas L. Heinold (in-person).

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT(S)

Deputy Mayor Cranston explained the process for filling a vacancy on the governing body noting that council had picked a qualified resident actively involved in the Colony, Boy Scouts, and a member of the Planning Board.

Councilman Miller introduced Resolution Number 39-21, seconded by Councilman Fields

RESOLUTION NUMBER 39-21

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE GOVERNING BODY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:16-1 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, a vacancy has occurred on the governing body; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:16-1 et seq., the Municipal Vacancy Law governs the process for when a vacancy occurs: and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has caucused and wishes to appoint Dennis P. O’Neill to fulfill the vacancy until the May 11, 2021 Special Municipal Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey that Dennis P. O’Neill is hereby appointed to serve as a Council Member according to the law.

Deputy Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Councilman Dr. Gary A. Miller	X		X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields		X	X			
Vacant						

Clerk McIntosh administered the Oath-of-Office and Councilman O'Neill took his place on the dais.

Council congratulated Mr. O'Neill who in turn thanked them for the appointment.

Deputy Mayor Cranston explained the process for electing a Mayor and Deputy Mayor from the governing body.

Councilman Fields introduced Resolution Number 40-21, seconded by Councilman Miller

RESOLUTION NUMBER 40-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, NEW JERSEY, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS, due to a vacancy in the position of Mayor the governing body members have voted for the Deputy Mayor to be appointed Mayor for an unexpired term to end on June 30, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, County of Burlington, New Jersey, that the results are hereby reduced to writing confirming the appointment of **Thomas J. Cranston** as Mayor of the Borough of Medford Lakes to serve as provided by law.

Deputy Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Councilman Dr. Gary A. Miller		X	X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields	X		X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill			X			

Clerk McIntosh administered the Oath-of-Office and Mayor Cranston assumed his place on the dais.

Mayor Cranston introduced Resolution Number 41-21, seconded by Councilman Fields

RESOLUTION NUMBER 41-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, NEW JERSEY, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR

WHEREAS, due to a vacancy in the position of Deputy Mayor the governing body members have voted for Councilman Dr. Gary A. Miller to be appointed Deputy Mayor for an unexpired term to end on June 30, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, County of Burlington, New Jersey, that the results are hereby reduced to writing confirming the appointment of **Dr. Gary A. Miller** as Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Medford Lakes to serve as provided by law.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston	X		X			
Councilman Dr. Gary A. Miller			X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields		X	X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill			X			

Clerk McIntosh administered the Oath-of-Office and Deputy Mayor Miller assumed his place on the dais.

Mayor Cranston explained that Council would next reorganize their assigned subcommittee responsibilities.

Deputy Mayor Miller introduced Resolution Number 42-21, seconded by Councilman O'Neill

RESOLUTION NUMBER 42-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES, NEW JERSEY, DIVIDING BOROUGH GOVERNMENT INTO DEPARTMENTS AND DESIGNATING MEMBERS OF BOROUGH COUNCIL TO CHAIR COMMITTEES OVERSEEING SAID DEPARTMENTS

WHEREAS, it is desirable for the conduct of its business to organize Council into Departmental standing committees and designating a Member of Council as Chairperson of each Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, County of Burlington, New Jersey, that the same is hereby organized as follows:

- Dr. Gail A. Caputo** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Thomas J. Cranston** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Administration, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over all financial matters including the assessment and collection of Taxes, both current and delinquent, the funds of the Borough, and custody and investment of same, and all matters of insurance coverage.
- Dr. Gary A. Miller** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Dennis P. O'Neill** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Public Works, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over roads, highways, dams and the maintenance/cleaning and drainage thereof; the collection of rubbish and garbage and the maintenance of all equipment used in and necessary to said Department and all municipally owned property, including maintenance and repairs to the same, and in all matters pertaining to the operation and maintenance of the municipally owned sewerage treatment plant and the sewer mains and extensions thereof.
- Thomas J. Cranston** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Dr. Gail A. Caputo** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Public Safety, Health and Welfare, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over matters pertaining to: Police Department and the local Board of Health.
- Dennis P. O'Neill** is hereby designated Chairperson and **William R. Fields** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Colony Relations, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over matters pertaining to relations with the Medford Lakes Colony.

5. **William R. Fields** is hereby designated Chairperson and **Dr. Gary A. Miller** is hereby designated Deputy Chairperson for the Committee on Public Safety, Health and Welfare, which such Committee shall have jurisdiction over matters pertaining to: Fire Department and Emergency Management.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the jurisdiction and actions of the Chairpersons and Deputy Chairpersons of the various Committees overseeing the various Departments be and they hereby are made subject at all times to control, supervision and veto of Borough Council acting as a whole; it being the intent of this resolution that the Chairpersons and Deputy Chairpersons of the various Departments act primarily in an advisory capacity to expedite the transaction of the business of Council as a whole in its complete control and supervision over the affairs of the municipality.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Councilman Dr. Gary A. Miller	X		X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields			X			
Councilman Dennis P. O’Neill		X	X			

Mayor Cranston stated that the next Resolution would be moved up in the meeting agenda.

Deputy Mayor Miller introduced Resolution Number 45-21, seconded by Councilman Fields

RESOLUTION NUMBER 45-21

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

WHEREAS, a vacancy occurred in the position of Chief Financial Officer effective August 1, 2017; and;

WHEREAS, the Borough Council appointed Dr. Robert J. Burton, Borough Manager as acting Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Fiscal Officer, Lisa D. Scafidi has successfully completed the Certified Municipal Finance Officer Exam along with the following courses: Municipal Finance Administration, Municipal Current Fund Accounting I, Municipal Current Fund Accounting II, Municipal Capital and Trust Fund Accounting, Municipal Utility Fund Accounting, Municipal Budget Preparation and Control, Principles of Financial Management and Preparation of the Annual Financial Statement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, of the County of Burlington, in the State of New Jersey that Lisa D. Scafidi, Fiscal Officer is hereby appointed as Chief Financial Officer for one (1) four-year term in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-14.10.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Councilman Dr. Gary A. Miller	X		X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			

Councilman William R. Fields		X	X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill			X			

Council and the Borough Manager expressed their support and affection for Ms. Scafidi for the initiative and the many hours of studying and schooling undertaken to accomplish this certification.

Ms. Scafidi thanked Council and the Manager for their support and noted during a phone call just prior to Mayor Hanold passing he had warmly wished her luck on her exam. She mentioned that she was a fourth generation laker and was proud to be raising her son in such a wonderful community. She concluded that the Borough residents are well served by a staff of employees who are a big family.

Mayor Cranston motioned for a 5-minute recess to allow Ms. Scafidi's family to take pictures, etc.

[FIVE MINUTE RECESS]

Mayor Cranston called the meeting back to order.

Mayor Cranston explained that the governing body had created an ad hoc tree committee to be further known as, "the Community Forestry Management Committee (CFMC)" to study the current Borough's Ordinance and enforcement and would like to now appoint a resident of the Borough to that committee.

Councilwoman Caputo introduced Resolution Number 47-21, seconded by Deputy Mayor Miller

RESOLUTION NUMBER 47-21

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO THE COMMUNITY FORESTRY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (CFMC)

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has formed a committee to examine the current tree management regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council would like to have a resident be appointed to the committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey as follows:

1. Brooke Allen-Watson is hereby appointed to the Borough's Community Forestry Management Committee.
2. The appointment has no monetary compensation and may be terminated at any time at the direction of the governing body.

Council congratulated Brooke Allen-Watson (in attendance) on the appointment noting they look forward to her involvement and the findings/recommendations of this committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT #1

Deputy Mayor Cranston called the meeting to order and opened public comment on agenda items only.

Clerk McIntosh stated that the Borough received no written advance public comments.

1. Joe Aromando of Medford Lakes expressed his frustration and asked how Council was able to determine the Council Appointment (Res#39) and Deputy Mayor Appointment (Res#41) without violating the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA). He questioned if the governing body was obligated to have public notice and were other residents offered the opportunity to be considered.

Solicitor Heinold stated that the governing body was in full compliance with OPMA and that the appointment decision was solely their responsibility to be done within 30-days of the vacancy.

Deputy Mayor Cranston closed public comment.

MINUTES

Deputy Mayor Miller introduced adoption of the January 27, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes and January 27, 2021 Closed/Executive Session Meeting Minutes, seconded by Councilman Fields.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Deputy Mayor Dr. Gary A. Miller	X		X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo						X
Councilman William R. Fields		X	X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill						X

ORDINANCE(S)

Deputy Mayor Miller introduced Ordinance Number 676 on second reading with public hearing, seconded by Councilman O'Neill

ORDINANCE NUMBER 676

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES AND OFFICERS OF THE BOROUGH OF MEDFORD LAKES AND SPECIFYING THE METHOD OF PAYMENT THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes in the County of Burlington, New Jersey that:

Section 1. The below listed salary guide as designated herein is fixed on an annual basis respective to the position listed below. All employees may be paid bi-weekly, monthly, or quarterly, as directed by the Borough Manager.

Overtime compensation for hours worked in excess of the regular workweek (40-hours) shall be at time and one-half rate.

Section 2. The rates of salaries stated herein are the rates and ranges. Employees may be paid up to these ranges at the discretion of the Municipal Manager. Members of the Police Department salaries are established in accordance with the agreement made between the Borough of Medford Lakes and the Medford Lakes Police

Officer's Association and Superior Officer's Association. Such compensation, however, shall not be less than permitted by applicable State and Federal Law.

Section 3. The Manager, at his/her discretion, can hire replacement employees up to and including the present maximum rates as set forth in this Ordinance.

Section 4. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final adoption and publication according to law.

TITLE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
ADMINISTRATION		
Mayor and Borough Council	\$ 1.00	\$ 3,000.00
Municipal Manager	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
Deputy Municipal Manager	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Municipal Clerk	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 80,000.00
Deputy Clerk	\$ 1.00	\$ 40,000.00
Chief Financial Officer	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 43,000.00
Fiscal Officer	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Clerical Staff (FT and/or PT)	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Clerical Staff (Hourly)	Minimum Wage	\$ 25.00
Recording Secretary (Per Meeting)	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00
Tax Assessor	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Tax Collector	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 55,000.00
Sewer Collector	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Recycling Coordinator	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Safety Coordinator	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Secretary to Board	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Rabies Clinic Assistant (per Clinic)	\$ 75.00	\$ 200.00
MUNICIPAL COURT		
Municipal Court Sound Recorder (per Session)	\$ 25.00	\$ 175.00
Municipal Court Administrator (Hourly)	\$ 15.00	\$ 50.00
Deputy Municipal Court Administrator (Hourly)	\$ 15.00	\$ 40.00
Deputy Municipal Court Administrator (on-call)	\$ 15.00	\$ 100.00
Municipal Judge	\$ 500.00	\$ 25,000.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Police Chief	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 135,000.00
Police Lieutenant	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 117,000.00
Police Sergeant	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 105,000.00
Police Corporal	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 97,500.00
Police Officer (2nd to 8th year)	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 90,000.00

Police Officer (Academy & Field Trained)	\$	25,000.00	\$	55,000.00
Police Officer (Untrained)	\$	25,000.00	\$	45,000.00
Police Officer (Off-Duty Details) (Hourly)	\$	-	\$	85.00
Crossing Guards (Hourly)		Minimum Wage	\$	20.00
Special Police (Hourly)	\$	15.00	\$	25.00
Police Secretary	\$	500.00	\$	50,000.00
CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT				
Construction Official	\$	1,000.00	\$	30,000.00
Subcode Officials	\$	500.00	\$	6,500.00
Subcode Officials (Hourly & Per Inspection)	\$	15.00	\$	25.00
CODE ENFORCEMENT				
Code Enforcement Officer	\$	1,000.00	\$	11,000.00
Deputy Code Enforcement Officer	\$	500.00	\$	5,000.00
Zoning Officer	\$	500.00	\$	5,000.00
Deputy Zoning Officer	\$	250.00	\$	2,500.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT				
Emergency Management Coordinator	\$	500.00	\$	5,000.00
Emergency Management Coordinator (During Emergency - NTE 100 Hrs.)	\$	20.00	\$	40.00
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	\$	250.00	\$	2,500.00
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator (During Emergency - NTE 100 Hrs.)	\$	20.00	\$	40.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT				
Fire Official	\$	1,500.00	\$	6,000.00
Fire Inspector	\$	500.00	\$	2,500.00
Fire/EMS Technician (Hourly)		Minimum Wage	\$	16.00
Emergency Medical Services Administrator	\$	-	\$	3,000.00
Special Projects Foreperson (Hourly)	\$	15.00	\$	65.00
Special Projects Foreperson	\$	2,500.00	\$	25,000.00
Firefighter Safer Grant (Per Call)	\$	5.00	\$	35.00
Fire Administrator	\$	500.00	\$	14,000.00
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT				
Certified Public Works Manager	\$	15,000.00	\$	90,000.00
Borough Engineer/Superintendent of Public Works	\$	15,000.00	\$	55,000.00
Assistant Superintendent of Public Works	\$	5,000.00	\$	75,000.00
Public Works Foreman (Hourly)	\$	18.00	\$	40.00
Public Works Laborer (Hourly)		Minimum Wage	\$	30.00
Mechanic	\$	15.00	\$	25.00
WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT				
Wastewater Operator	\$	5,000.00	\$	110,000.00
Borough Engineer/Superintendent of Wastewater	\$	15,000.00	\$	100,000.00

Backup Wastewater Operator		\$ 5,000.00	\$ 82,000.00
Wastewater Operator Assistant (Hourly)		\$ 15.00	\$ 35.00
Wastewater Laborer (Hourly)		Minimum Wage	\$ 27,000.00

Mayor Cranston and Manager Burton explained that this is a guide and range for positions.

Mayor Cranston opened the meeting to a public hearing on the Ordinance.

1. Joe Aromando of Medford Lakes asked if research was done to see what similar municipalities are paying for the same positions.

Manager Burton stated that he had done his due diligence and researched similar size towns and their salary ranges.

Mayor Cranston closed the public hearing and called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Deputy Mayor Dr. Gary A. Miller	X		X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields			X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill		X	X			

RESOLUTION(S)

Deputy Mayor Miller introduced Resolution Number 43-21, seconded by Councilman Fields

RESOLUTION NUMBER 43-21

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATORS
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 2B:12-10**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Deputy Court Administrator in order to serve in the absence of the Certified Municipal Court Administrator pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:12-10.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey as follows:

3. Lena Creer is hereby appointed Deputy Court Administrator for the Borough of Medford Lakes, for the term commencing January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021.
4. The salary for this position shall be set forth by the Municipal Salary ordinance.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain

Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Deputy Mayor Dr. Gary A. Miller	X		X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields		X	X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill			X			

Mayor Cranston introduced Resolution Number 44-21, seconded by Councilman Fields

RESOLUTION NUMBER 44-21

A RESOLUTION AMENDING FEES FOR OFF-DUTY POLICE

WHEREAS, Chapter 44-22 governing the charging of fees and other issues related to off-duty police services was amended by Ordinance and requires fees to be set by Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has reviewed neighboring department fee schedules and recommended the Borough fees be updated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey that the fees and charges for off-duty police and related services shall be as follows:

1. Hourly performance of traffic control/security in a Borough uniform and utilizing a police vehicle. \$75.00
2. Hourly performance of traffic control/security utilizing a police vehicle. \$20.00
3. Administrative charge for processing. 15% of all charges

Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston	X		X			
Deputy Mayor Dr. Gary A. Miller			X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields		X	X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill			X			

Mayor Cranston introduced Resolution Number 46-21, seconded by Councilman O'Neill

RESOLUTION NUMBER 46-21

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN BUDGETARY TRANSFERS FOR THE 2020 BUDGET

WHEREAS, The Governing Body of the Borough of Medford Lakes did adopt a budget for the year 2020 in accordance with the Municipal Budget Law (N.J.S.A 40A-4 et seq); and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to transfer certain funds among the various line items as contained within the aforementioned adopted municipal budget; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:4-58 allows for the transfer of funds among line items of an adopted municipal budget during the last two months of the fiscal year and the first three months of the next.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Medford Lakes, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Medford Lakes is hereby authorized to make the transfers as listed below among the various line items in the 2020 Municipal Budget:

Account Title:	Transfer From:	Transfer Amount	Transfer To:	Account Title
0-01-20-120-200	Clerk OE	\$ 289.60	Clerk SW	0-01-20-120-100
0-01-20-100-100	Admin S/W	\$ 343.42	Data Processing OE	0-01-20-140-200
0-01-25-275-201	Prosecutor OE	\$ 7,033.05	Legal OE	0-01-20-155-200
0-01-31-460-000	Unclassified Gasoline	\$ 13,585.59	Engineering OE	01-01-20-165-200
0-01-31-440-000	Unclassified Telephone	\$ 4,479.56	Engineering OE	0-01-20-165-200
0-01-31-446-000	Unclassified Natural Gas	\$ 1,536.74	Engineering OE	0-01-20-165-200
01-01-20-100-100	Admin S/W	\$ 175.00	Historic S/W	0-01-20-175-100
01-01-20-110-200	Mayor/Council OE	\$ 4,958.89	Construction S/W	0-01-22-195-100
0-01-25-240-100	Police S/W	\$ 23,808.38	Group Insurance Prem.	0-01-23-220-000
0-01-26-300-100	DPW S/W	\$ 22,094.49	Group Insurance Prem.	0-01-23-220-000
0-01-43-490-200	Municipal Court GE	\$ 10,099.75	Group Insurance Prem.	0-01-23-220-000
0-01-20-100-100	Admin S/W	\$ 73.70	Fire OE	0-01-25-265-200
0-01-20-100-100	Admin S/W	\$ 500.00	Fire Official OE	0-01-25-266-200
0-01-43-490-100	Municipal Court S/W	\$ 8,782.14	Prosecutor S/W	0-01-25-275-100
0-01-43-490-200	Municipal Court OE	\$ 113.86	Prosecutor S/W	0-01-25-275-100
0-01-20-120-200	Clerk OE	\$ 7,308.13	Building & Ground OE	0-01-26-310-200
0-01-23-210-000	INS-Liability	\$ 13,641.67	Vehicle Maint OE	0-01-26-315-200
0-01-20-100-100	Admin S/W	\$ 202.50	Recycle Grant	0-01-41-719-000

Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston	X		X			
Deputy Mayor Dr. Gary A. Miller			X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields			X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill		X	X			

REPORT(S)

Manager Burton commented on adding additional picnic tables to Ballinger Park, the re-lining project and development of the CY21 Budget.

Clerk McIntosh submitted a written report and commented on preparing for the May 11th Special Election and the success of the recent free rabies clinic.

Solicitor Heinold stated that he is working on a final draft of the lighting Ordinance and monitoring the status of cannabis legislation regarding zoning.

Councilman Miller said that the wastewater re-lining project is underway.

COMMUNICATION(S)

Clerk McIntosh stated that the Borough had received from Mrs. Newell of Hainesport Twp. numerous hand-drawn property surveys from the 1950's that her late husband received from a friend many years ago. He stated that the collection would be inventoried and offered to the current owners of those properties for framing and display and any remaining ones would be kept by the Borough for framing and display.

BILL LIST(S)

1. Dated February 5, 2021 with 65 Line Items, Total List Amount = \$1,488,359.64

Deputy Mayor Miller motioned approval of the Bill List, seconded by Councilman Fields.

Mayor Cranston called for the vote.

VOTE

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Mayor Thomas J. Cranston			X			
Deputy Mayor Dr. Gary A. Miller	X		X			
Councilwoman Dr. Gail A. Caputo			X			
Councilman William R. Fields		X	X			
Councilman Dennis P. O'Neill			X			

PUBLIC COMMENT #2

Mayor Cranston opened the meeting to public comment.

1. Joe Aromando of Medford Lakes asked if the newly created tree committee would include members from the Borough Environmental Commission. He asked that given the appointment of Councilman O'Neill wouldn't that create a vacancy of the Planning Board and he expressed his frustration with the numerous borough departments that aren't submitting monthly reports to the Clerk for governing body review. He reminded council that reports are needed for oversight by the governing body and the general public. He concluded with additional frustration and the belief that the Borough violated the OPMA with its earlier appointments.

Solicitor Heinold reiterated that the governing body was not in violation of OPMA as items are allowed during properly entered Closed/Executive Sessions.

2. Pete Rogers of Medford Lakes spoke about the reduction of crude oil, cost per barrel and use of ethanol and its corrosive natures along with the rising cost of gasoline. He further noted that he had spoken about the sewer relining process and residential construction trash bags (i.e. bagsters).

Mayor Cranston thanked everyone for their comments and closed the public session.

Councilman Fields motioned to adjourn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Miller

Vote to adjourn:

Yeas –Cranston, Miller, Caputo, Fields, O’Neill

Nays – None

Meeting Adjourned