BOROUGH OF NETCONG

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG HELD AUGUST 5, 2021 AT THE NETCONG MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 23 MAPLE AVENUE, NETCONG, NEW JERSEY COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM.

Mayor Nametko called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STATEMENT OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The Borough Clerk read the following statement:

Adequate notice of this meeting as defined by the Open Public Meetings Act has been provided by:

- 1. Posting a notice of said meeting in the space provided for such announcements at the Borough Hall on January 8, 2021.
- 2. Publishing a notice in the Daily Record, the official newspaper of the January 13, 2021 and mailing a copy to The Star Ledger on January 8, 2021.

ROLL CALL

Those in attendance this evening were Councilman Albensi, Councilman Hathaway, Councilman Koster, Councilman Laureys, Councilman Sylvester, Councilman Still and Mayor Nametko. Also present were Mr. Blakeslee, Borough Administrator and Mrs. Eckert, Borough Clerk.

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Mrs. Ericka Svolo of 38 College Rd. bought their first home in April of this year. They were very happy here until the neighbors had many parties. Some of the music played can be vulgar. It is hard for her daughter who has auditory and processing disabilities. Unfortunately, the parties are a common occurrence. They did call the police. They were aware of the fireworks so they were prepared for this. At the party next door, the neighbors were setting off illegal fireworks. The police came and said there was not much they could do about this during the fireworks. She was told to come to the Council meeting to approach the Council. She had to take her daughter out of town. Councilman Still stated there are laws against this. The mayor stated there will be fireworks again. There should be a discussion with the police. Erika was concerned about the illegal fireworks hitting her home. Councilman Sylvester stated this will be discussed at the next Public Safety meeting. There will be changes to the noise ordinance to tighten up this issue. Councilman Laureys stated it might be possible to approach this neighbor to explain their situation with

their daughter. Erika stated she is concerned about discrimination towards her daughter. There was discussion among the Council on this issue. Councilman Sylvester asked her to record this the next time it happens. The mayor stated she should not have to come back here again. Councilman Still stated we want our community to be happy living here. She thanked the Council for their time.

A Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

The following items are for discussion purposes only. Any action on these items will take place at the meeting of August 12, 2021.

Approval of Minutes:

1. July 1, 2021 Agenda Meeting

2. July 8, 2021 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Koster to approve the July 1 minutes.

Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Hathaway

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Koster to approve the July 8 minutes.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

3. Ordinance Adoption – Ordinance 2021-19

To be carried to the August 12th meeting.

- 4. Correspondence -None presented.
- 5. Old Business Bond Anticipation Note Determination and Award Certificate

DETERMINATION AND AWARD CERTIFICATE

(\$2,044,783 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE) BOROUGH OF NETCONG, COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY

I, JASON GABLOFF, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Netcong, in the County of Morris, New Jersey (herein called the "Issuer"), HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:

By virtue of the authority conferred upon me by sixteen bond ordinances adopted by the Borough Council of the Issuer on May 10, 2012 (Ord. No. 2012-11, as

amended by Ord. No. 2013-1 adopted on February 14, 2013), June 13, 2013 (Ord. No. 2013-8), October 10, 2013 (two ordinances: Ord. Nos. 2013-12 and 2013-13), March 12, 2015 (Ord. No. 2015-2), June 11, 2015 (Ord. No. 2015-6), September 10, 2015 (Ord. No. 2015-11), April 14, 2016 (Ord. No. 2016-6), July 14, 2016 (Ord. No. 2016-9), May 11, 2017 (Ord. No. 2017-4), September 14, 2017 (Ord. No. 2017-8), May 10, 2018 (two ordinances: Ord. Nos. 2018-7 and 2018-8), May 9, 2019 (Ord. No. 2019-12) and May 14, 2020 (two ordinances: Ord. Nos. 2020-09 and 2020-10), I have determined to issue a \$2,044,783 Bond Anticipation Note (the "Note"), of the Issuer in accordance with the following description:

TOTAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: \$2,044,783 DATED:July 9, 2021

MATURITY: July 8, 2022 (non-callable)

NUMBER 21-IR DENOMINATION CUSIP SETTLE DATE \$2,044,783 641083DP2 July 9, 2021

INTEREST RATE PER ANNUM (payable at maturity): 1.50%

REGISTERED OWNER: CEDE & CO.

PLACE OF PAYMENT-:

Chief Financial Officer

Borough Hall

23 Maple Avenue Netcong, New Jersey

Pursuant to said authority, I have awarded and will sell the Note to Piper Sandler & Co., at the price of \$2,066,928 plus an amount equal to the interest on the Note accrued to the date of payment of the purchase price thereof. I will be the Note Registrar/Paying Agent for the Note.

No obligations of the Issuer other than the Note have been issued pursuant to the bond ordinances referenced above and are now outstanding.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of July, 2021.

6. New Business- Resolution -Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission

Councilman Still asked why we are involved in this. We send our sewage to them. This may cause rate increases eventually. Councilman Laureys stated local people govern themselves, it is not our business. He is concerned that taxpayers are paying for private matters. We will file the resolution.

7. **New Business** – Resolution – Board of County Commissioners – Holiday Observances

The Mayor asked if the Council wants to do a resolution of support. It is decided we can make our own choice – put resolution on file

8. Resolution 2021- 75- Consenting to the Transfer of Sewerage Allocation from the Borough of Stanhope to the Township of Byram in the Amount of 4,300 Gallons Per Day

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

9. **Resolution 2021-76** – Authorizing the Acceptance of a Deed Restriction for Affordable Housing Property with Restrictions on Resale and Refinancing on Property Located at 34 Bank Street in the Borough of Netcong

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

10. Resolution 2021-77 – Consenting to the Appointment of Joseph DiRenzo for Recreation Commission Member

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 5 Yes

Abstain: Councilman Albensi

11. **Resolution 2021-78** – Authorizing the Execution of an Interlocal Services Agreement for Sanitary Sewer Between the Borough of Netcong and the Township of Roxbury regarding the Quick Chek Corporation for the Property Located at 84 Route 206 Also Known as Block 9202. Lots 8 and 9 in the Township of Roxbury.

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

12. **Resolution 2021-79** – Authorizing the Release of Performance Guarantees for Public Improvements with Respect to Property at 34 Bank Street, Block 16.01 Lot 25.01.

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

13. **Resolution 2021-80-** Confirming the Costs for Abatement of Property Maintenance Code Violations by the Borough of Netcong

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

14. Resolution 2021-81- Authorize Cancellation of Capital Account Fund Balances

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

15. Resolution 2021-82- Authorize Cancellation of Capital Fund Balances (sewer)

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

16. Resolution 2021-83- Authorize Cancellation of Capital Fund Balances (water)

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

17. **Resolution 2021-84-** Form of Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation-ARP

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

18. **Resolution 2021-85-** Form of Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation-Cable Franchise

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

19. **Resolution 2021-86-** Authorizing the Purchase of SCBA Air-Packs & Related Equipment Through New Jersey State Contract No. 17-Fleet-00819 (T0790)

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

20. **Resolution 2021-87-** Authorizing the Purchase Integrated Audio/Video Meeting Recording Software, Hardware and Related Equipment Through New Jersey State Contract No. 21- Tele – 01333 (T0109)

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

21. Ordinance Introductions

Ordinance Introduction — Capital Ordinance 2021-20 - Capital Ordinance To Appropriate The Sum Of \$60,000 For The Acquisition Of Police Body Cameras And Related Equipment In, By And For The Borough Of Netcong, In The County Of Morris, State Of New Jersey, And Providing That Such Sum So Appropriated Shall Be Raised From A State Grant, Borough Reserve Funds And The Capital Improvement Fund Of The Borough.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO THE COUNCIL

Council President: Why are the firehouses paying for their internet service? This was supposed to be included in the new contract. If there is no free internet the town should pay. It is decided the internet is covered but not the television. Mr. Blakeslee stated the cable co. doesn't consider this in effect until the utility board votes on it. The cable co. feels giving the grant before it has been approved negates the charges they are accruing from the borough. Councilman Still stated we need to get our attorney on this issue. There was discussion among the Council on these charges and how to resolve this issue.

Councilman Sylvester: any word on the Koch Property or St. Michaels projects. It was determined there has been no progress on these projects.

Smoking in public: do we have an ordinance to prevent smoking in public places? Councilman Hathaway stated it is state law. Mr. Blakeslee stated we can get some free signs to put in our parks. There was discussion among the Council on this. It was decided we should address this when our attorney is here next week. There was continued discussion among the Council on this subject.

MAYORS COMMENTS

The mayor had no comments at this time.

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

A Motion to Close the Meeting to the Public was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Koster.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

CLOSED SESSION

No closed session was held during this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilman Still, seconded by Councilman Hathaway and passed by unanimous voice vote at 8:01PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Eckert, Borough Clerk

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