

**BOROUGH OF WESTWOOD  
WORK MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 1, 2022 AGENDA  
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX  
101 Washington Avenue  
7:30 Closed Session/8:00 pm Public Session**

**1. Opening of the Meeting:**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arroyo at 7:37 pm. Mayor Arroyo then read the Open Public Meetings Law Statement: "This meeting which conforms with the Open Public Meetings law, Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975, is a regular Borough Council meeting. Notices have been filed with our local official newspapers and posted on the municipal bulletin board."

**2. Roll Call:**

Mayor Arroyo – Present  
Councilmember Biccocchi – Present  
Councilmember Collins – Present  
Councilmember– Greco - Present  
Councilmember Hodges – Present  
Councilmember Montana – Present  
Council President Dell - Present  
Borough Attorney Kool - Present  
Borough Administrator Ayer – Present  
Borough Clerk Hughes – Present  
Deputy Borough Clerk Vadovic – Present

**Committee Assignments:**

Public Properties & Recreation  
Police & Emergency Management  
Fire & Ambulance  
Health & Hospital  
Land Use  
Finance, Administration & Capital Projects; Shared Services

**3. Resolution #22-53: Executive Closed Session**

**Motion to Approve Resolution #22-53:** Councilmember Collins Second: Councilmember Montana  
Roll Call: Councilmember Biccocchi - Yes    Councilmember Collins – Yes  
          Councilmember Greco – Yes    Councilmember Hodges - Yes  
          Councilmember Montana – Yes    Council President Dell – Yes

**4. Reopen the Meeting:** Councilmember Biccocchi    Second: Council President Dell

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative. The time was 8:11 pm.

**5. Roll Call II:**

Mayor Arroyo – Present / Councilmember Biccocchi – Present / Councilmember Collins – Present /  
Councilmember Greco - Present / Councilmember Hodges – Present / Councilmember Montana -  
Present / Council President Dell - Present / Borough Administrator Ayer - Present / Borough  
Attorney Kool – Present / Borough Engineer Boswell – Present / Borough Engineer Senkevich –  
Present / Borough Engineer – Franco / Borough Clerk Hughes – Present / Deputy Borough Clerk  
Vadovic – Present

**6. Flag Salute**

Mayor Arroyo led those present in the salute to the flag.

**7. Reports By Borough Professionals:**

**A. Engineer Biweekly Report**

Dr. Boswell reviewed the biweekly report, a copy of which is attached.

**8. Items for Discussion:**

a. Pump Track Location: Mayor Arroyo discussed the Pump Track Location and advantages and disadvantages. All were in favor to proceed with Westvale Park being the location, but having public safety in mind will look at ways to keep the new Track separate from the rest of the park.

b. Borough Use of Energy: Councilmember Bicocchi stated that he would like to do an audit of the Borough's use of energy. During the discussion Borough Clerk Hughes stated that the last time this audit was done back in 2015 it was very time consuming. Borough Administrator Ayer stated she agrees with the audit under due diligence, but if we can hold off as right now is not a good time due to the fact that we are short staffed in borough hall.

**9. Agenda/Public Forum:**

**Motion to open Agenda/Public Forum:** Council President Dell Second: Councilmember Bicocchi  
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the Affirmative.

No members of the public were present.

**Motion to close Agenda/Public Forum:** Council President Dell Second: Councilmember Bicocchi  
Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

**10. Ordinances for Introduction/Adoption**  
**Ordinance For Introduction**

**22-1 Bond Ordinance To Authorize The Construction Of ADA-Accessible Curb Ramps At Various Locations In, By And For The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, State Of New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$160,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Make A Down Payment, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Ordinance #22-1 entitled "Bond Ordinance To Authorize The Construction Of ADA-Accessible Curb Ramps At Various Locations In, By And For The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, State Of New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$160,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Make A Down Payment, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds" is hereby introduced by title; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to advertise said ordinance with a February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 hearing date in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion to pass the ordinance on First Reading: Council President Dell Councilmember Collins

Roll Call: Councilmember Bicocchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes  
Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes  
Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

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**22-2 Bond Ordinance To Authorize The Resurfacing Of Lafayette Avenue (From Ridgewood Road To The Musquapsink Brook) And Adams Court (From The Emerson Border To The Cul-De-Sac) In, By And For The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, State Of**

**New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$180,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Ordinance #22-2 entitled “Bond Ordinance To Authorize The Resurfacing Of Lafayette Avenue (From Ridgewood Road To The Musquapsink Brook) And Adams Court (From The Emerson Border To The Cul-De-Sac) In, By And For The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, State Of New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$180,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds” is hereby introduced by title; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to advertise said ordinance with a February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 hearing date in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion to pass the ordinance on First Reading: Councilmember Collins Councilmember Montana

Roll Call: Councilmember Biccchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes  
Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes  
Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

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**22-3 Bond Ordinance To Authorize The Resurfacing Of Fairview Avenue (Section II) In, By And For The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, State Of New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$334,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Ordinance #22-3 “Bond Ordinance To Authorize The Resurfacing Of Fairview Avenue (Section II) In, By And For The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, State Of New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$334,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds ” is hereby introduced by title; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to advertise said ordinance with a February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 hearing date in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion to pass the ordinance on First Reading: Councilmember Greco Councilmember Biccchi

Roll Call: Councilmember Biccchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes  
Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes  
Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

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**22-4 Bond Ordinance To Authorize The 2022 Road Resurfacing Program In, By And For The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, State Of New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$800,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Make A Down Payment, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Ordinance #22-4 “Bond Ordinance To Authorize The 2022 Road Resurfacing Program In, By And For The Borough Of Westwood, In The County Of Bergen, State Of New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$800,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Make A Down Payment, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds” is hereby introduced by title; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to advertise said ordinance with a February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 hearing date in the official newspaper according to law.

Motion to pass the ordinance on First Reading: Councilmember Hodges Councilmember Bicocchi

Roll Call: Councilmember Bicocchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes  
Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes  
Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

### Ordinances For Adoption

No Ordinances for Adoption.

### **11. Resolution as Consent Agenda:**

Council President Dell asked if there were any resolutions to add to the Consent Agenda. She stated that any Councilmembers who wished to remove any Resolution(s) to be voted upon separately could do so at this time, otherwise the Consent Agenda would be enacted in one motion.

Discussion was held on Resolution “e” with Mayor Arroyo asking Borough Attorney Kool to discuss the Fire Department Bylaws. Borough Attorney Kool explained the language of the bylaw change but also stated that this was a temporary fix that needed correction for the future.

- a) Resolution #22 - 54: Authorizing the Borough of Westwood To Enter Into A Cooperative Pricing Agreement
- b) Resolution #22 - 55: Deferring Administrative Fee For Pet Licensing
- c) Resolution #22 - 56: Appointment to Safety Committee – Carol Knubel
- d) Resolution #22 - 57: Bergen Municipal Employee Benefits Fund Resolution to Renew
- e) Resolution #22 - 58: Approval of Fire Department Bylaws Amendment
- f) Resolution #22 - 59: Authorizing Additional Funds to Boswell Engineering for Minor Subdivision at DPW Yard

**Motion to Approve Resolutions #22-54 through #22-59:** Council President Dell Second: Councilmember Bicocchi

Roll Call: Councilmember Bicocchi - Yes Councilmember Hodges – Yes  
Councilmember Collins – Yes Councilmember Montana – Yes  
Councilmember Greco – Yes Council President Dell – Yes

### **12. Adjournment:**

**Motion to Adjourn:** Councilmember Bicocchi **Second:** Councilmember Montana

Voice Vote: Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

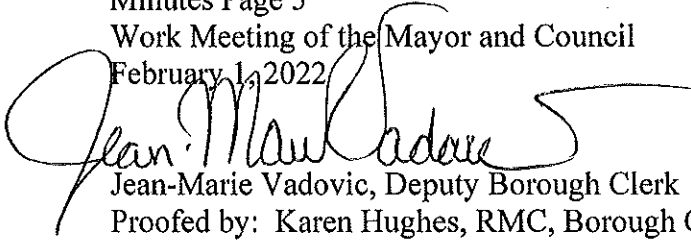
The time was 8:51 pm.

Attest:

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jean-Marie Vadovic". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jean-Marie Vadovic, Deputy Borough Clerk

Proofed by: Karen Hughes, RMC, Borough Clerk