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MINUTES of the a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey held on the 14th day of January, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Government Center, Secaucus, NJ.

Present:	Councilmembers:	Gary Jeffas
	Robert Costantino	
	William McKeever	
	James Clancy	
	Susan Pirro	
	Mark Dehnert	
Absent:	Michael Gonnelli	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The following statement was read by Town Clerk Michael Marra:

"Adequate notice for this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, has been provided by the filing of the notice of Meetings with the Municipal Clerk, the posting of said notice on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and the delivery of same to the Secaucus Home News on December 26, 2013".

This body wishes to advise you that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-11.1, et seq. of the Indoor Air Quality Standards and Procedures for Buildings Occupied by Public Employees, smoking anywhere in this public building is prohibited by law.

In the event of a fire or other emergency, please note that there are two exits in the rear of the Council Chamber which may be used."

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following resolution was read:	2014-1	No.
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**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 18, 2013 is hereby approved.

Councilwoman Pirro moved to approve the foregoing resolution, seconded by Councilman McKeever.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro
 NAYS: None
 ABSTAIN: Dehnert
 ABSENT: Gonnelli

Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for introduction:	No. 2014-1
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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 127-58B OF HE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS
ENTITLED "DESIGNATION OF LOCATIONS AT OR NEAR PRIVATE RESIDENCES"**

Councilman McKeever moved that the foregoing ordinance be introduced and passed on first reading, seconded by Councilwoman Pirro.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Gonnelli

Motion carried.

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CONSENT AGENDA-RESOLUTIONS

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Mayor and Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

The following resolution was read: No.

2014-2

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus wishes to purchase the commodities of a variety of vendors listed below from authorized vendors under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program, N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-12a; and;

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.A.C.5:34-7.29(c); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from those approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors on the attached list, pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and

WHEREAS, the attached lists are not to exceed the threshold of \$36,000.00, unless, approved by further Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duration of the contracts between the Town of Secaucus and the Referenced State Contract Vendors shall be from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

The following resolution was read: No.

2014-3

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the attached Rules and Regulations which are available for public inspection in the office of the Town Clerk for the year 2014 are hereby approved.

The following resolution was read: No.

2014-4

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, that Mayor Michael Gonnelli is hereby authorized to sign all contracts on behalf of the Town of Secaucus.

The following resolution was read: No.

2014-5

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the Secaucus Home News, a newspaper published and circulated in the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, New Jersey, and the Jersey Journal, a newspaper published and circulated in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, are designated as the official newspapers of the Town of Secaucus, in the County of Hudson, New Jersey.

The following resolution was read: No.

2014-6

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, it is occasionally necessary for manual checks to be written for the purposes of insurance, postage, lease agreements, permit and license fees, payroll fees, office supplies, hotel expense for displaced fire victims, replenishment of petty cash and other essential town expenses; and

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WHEREAS, it is desirable that the Chief Financial Officer notify the Governing Body of all manual checks written in the form of a report included with the monthly bill list.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus hereby authorize the Chief Financial Officer to issue relevant manual payments and report them to the governing body on a monthly basis.

The following resolution was read: No.
2014-7

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that Nicholas Goldsack is hereby designated as the Public Agency Compliance Officer (P.A.C.O.) for the Town of Secaucus.

The following resolution was read: No.
2014-8

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, in the County of Hudson and the State of New Jersey that the following banking institutions are hereby designated as official depositories for the funds of the Town of Secaucus in the year 2014.

- Capital One Bank
- Sovereign Bank
- TD Bank NA

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect on January 1, 2014.

The following resolution was read: No.2014-9

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the following temporary appropriations be made for the period ending January 1, 2014 and termination upon adoption of the Local Municipal Budget for the year 2014.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Administrative and Executive;		
Salaries & Wages		60,000
Other Expenses		38,000
 Town Clerk's Office:		
Salaries & Wages	45,000	
Other Expenses	20,000	
 Office of the Mayor:		
Salaries & Wages	33,000	
Other Expenses	800	
 Treasurer's Office:		
Salaries & Wages	99,000	
Other Expenses	36,000	
 Assessment of Taxes:		
Salaries & Wages	34,000	
Other Expenses	5,000	
 Collection of Taxes:		
Salaries & Wages	36,000	
Other Expenses	5,000	
 Legal Services & Costs		
Other Expenses		85,000
 Public Buildings & Grounds:		
Salaries & Wages		

Other Expenses	185,000	
	85,000	
Tax Litigation Other Expenses		55,000

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Planning Board:		
Salaries & Wages		200
Other Expenses		1,200
Zoning Costs:		
Other Expenses		0
Board of Adjustments:		
Salaries & Wages		200
Other Expenses		1,200
Insurance:		
Group Ins. Plan for Empl.	1,000,000	
Other Insurance		92,000
Municipal Court:		
Salaries & Wages		85,000
Other Expenses		15,000
Public Defender:		
Salaries & Wages		0
Other Expenses		8,500
Engineering Services and Costs:		
Other Expenses		55,000
PUBLIC SAFETY:		
Fire Dept.		
Other Expenses		85,000
Police		
Salaries & Wages	1,650,000	
Other Expenses		45,000
Communications & Security:		
Salaries & Wages		50,000
Other Expenses		4,000
School Crossing Guards:		
Salaries & wages		45,000
Other Expenses		500
Emergency Medical Service		
Other Expenses		0
Emergency management Services:		
Salaries & wages		0
Other Expenses		2,500
Fire Inspector:		
Salaries & Wages		25,000
Other Expenses		1,200
STREET AND ROADS:		
Road Repair & Maintenance:		
Salaries & Wages		
Other Expenses	675,000	
		115,000
Sewer system:		
Salaries and Wages		
Other Expenses	3,500	
		9,000
Solid waste Management Recycling:		
Salaries & Wages		60,000
Other Expenses		5,000
Garbage & Trash Removal:		
Contractual		
	250,000	

HEALTH & Welfare:

Department of Social Services:

Salaries & Wages 57,000
 Other Expenses 5,000

Board of Health:

Salaries & Wages 18,000
 Other Expenses 1,500

Mosquito Control

Salaries & Wages 0
 Other Expenses 0

Community Shuttle Bus:

Salaries & Wages 23,000
 Other Expenses 7,500

RECREATION & EDUCATION:

Parks & Playgrounds:

Salaries & Wages 8,500
 Other Expenses 25,000

Supervision of Playground Activities:

Salaries & Wages 285,000

Other Expenses 83,000

Recreation Activities:

Salaries & Wages 15,000

Other Expenses 5,000

Celebration of Public Events

Cultural Affairs 18,500 6,500

STATE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION:

Construction Official:

Salaries & Wages 75,000
 Other Expenses 19,000

Office of Inspections:

Salaries & Wages 38,000
 Other Expenses 2,500

Unclassified:

Street Lighting 85,000
 Fire Hydrant Service 55,000
 Council of Mayor's Contribution 15,000
 Electricity-All Depts. 125,000
 Municipal Water Serv. 13,000
 Postage all Depts. 11,000
 Telephone All Depts. 40,000
 Gasoline-All Depts. 75,000

Statutory Expenditures:

Social Security 175,000
 Secaucus Municipal Util. Auth 500,000
 Secaucus Free Public Library 350,000
 Unemployment Insurance 20,000

Municipal Debt Service

Interest Bonds 385,000
 Interest Notes 60,000
 Hazardous Discharge Loan Princip 28,000
 Hazardous Discharge Interest 15,000
 Green Trust Loan Principal 15,100
 Green Trust Loan Interest 4,800
 Bond Principal 1,385,000

Total

9,155,700

Totals:

7,262,800

Debt. Service

1,892,900

9,155,700

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The following resolution was read:

No.

2014-10

RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY REDUCTIONS

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Secaucus has determined that action is required as a result of the 2009 tax reduction granted by the Tax Court of New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has certified to the foregoing as well as to the amount of the Tax Cancellation which is set forth along the blocks and lots of the tax payers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the requested Tax Cancellation be made:

TAX REDUCTIONS GRANTED BY THE TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY

BLOCK	LOT	QUALIFIER	ADDRESS	AMOUNT
32	1.02		560 Jefferson Ave.	\$7,493.20

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-11

RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY REDUCTIONS

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Secaucus has determined that action is required as a result of the 2009 tax reduction granted by the Tax Court of New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has certified to the foregoing as well as to the amount of the Tax Cancellation which is set forth along the blocks and lots of the tax payers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the requested Tax Cancellation be made:

TAX REDUCTIONS GRANTED BY THE TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY

BLOCK	LOT	QUALIFIER	ADDRESS	AMOUNT
32	1.02		560 Jefferson Ave.	\$7,594.40

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-12

RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY REDUCTIONS

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Secaucus has determined that action is required as a result of the 2009 tax reduction granted by the Tax Court of New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has certified to the foregoing as well as to the amount of the Tax Cancellation which is set forth along the blocks and lots of the tax payers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the requested Tax Cancellation be made:

TAX REDUCTIONS GRANTED BY THE TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY

BLOCK	LOT	QUALIFIER	ADDRESS	AMOUNT
32	102		560 Jefferson Ave.	\$8,019.00

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-13

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that Peter J. Zipp, Esq., Special Tax Attorney for the Town of Secaucus, is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Town of Secaucus, Stipulations of Settlement resolving the complaints filed by:

Willroad Holdings, LLC for property situated at Block 52, Lot 1.01 and located at 150 Meadowlands parkway for tax years, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

Assessment as follows:

Tax year	Original Assessment	Proposed Assessment
2009	\$11,000,000	\$11,000,000
2010	\$11,099,300	\$ 7,677,000
2011	\$11,099,300	\$ 8,000,000
2012	\$11,099,300	\$ 9,000,000
2013	\$11,099,300	\$10,000,000

Willroads Holdings, LLC for property situated at Block 52, Lot 2 and located at 200 Meadowlands Parkway for tax years 2009, 2012 and 2013.

Assessment reduced as follows:

Tax year	Original Assessment	Proposed Assessment
2009	\$7,178,400	\$7,178,400
2012	\$7,178,400	\$7,178,400
2013	\$7,178,400	\$7,178,400

Interest on any refund due is waived provided the refund is paid within sixty (60) days of the date of the Judgment pursuant to N.J.S.A.54:3-27.2.

All in accordance with the discussions held on certain caucus meeting of the Town Council on this 14th day of January 2014.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-14

**RESOLUTION AUTHOTZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT
WITH MCNERNEY & ASSOCIATES, INC**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, ("Secaucus") require appraisal valuation and consulting services in connection with an appraisal report to be administered to the Tax Court of New Jersey concerning certain pending tax appeal matters for Secaucus 300, LLC, Block 227.01, Lot 2 located at 250-300 Harmon Meadow Boulevard for tax years 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 (hereinafter "Appraisal Report"); and

WHEREAS, this type of work constitutes a professional service is defines by N.J.S.A. 40A; 11-2(6) and as such is exempted from the bidding requirements pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40a; 11-5; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received a proposal from McNerney & Associates, Inc., to perform the proposed work; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the Mayor and town Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract with McNerney & Associates, Inc., for appraisal, valuation and consulting services in regards to the Appraisal Report.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that McNerney & Associates, Inc., shall be paid an amount not to exceed \$12,500 for a trial ready appraisal report (inclusive of all out-

of-pocket expenses) and additional compensation in the amount of \$100.00 per hour with respect to additional litigation support services including trial preparation and appearances at depositions and trial.

Financial officers

Certification attached.
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The following resolution was read: No. 2014-15

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the following individuals are hereby appointed as workers for the Social Services Department, at the following effective dates and hourly rates:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Alex Farinola		December 23, 2013
		\$10.00
Robert Jernstedt		December 30, 2013
		\$10.00

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-16

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus, has had the need for town Veterinarian Services for the year 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus solicited RFP's for Veterinary Services, which was authorized and advertised by Resolution 2012-299; and

WHEREAS, the Town received RFP's from Animal Hospital and laser Surgery Center of Secaucus, as well as Secaucus Animal Hospital; and

WHEREAS contract were awarded respectively in the mounts of \$20,000.00 and Z\$40,000.00 on Resolution 2013-71; and

WHEREAS, there was a need to increase Animal Hospital and Laser Surgery Center of Secaucus in the amount of \$10,000.00 and Change order #1 was awarded on Resolution 2013-279;and

WHEREAES, there is a need for Change Order #2 in the additional amount of \$10,000.00 thus bringing the total contract amount for Animal Hospital and Laser Surgery Center of Secaucus to \$40,000.00 in the year 2013; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus to authorize the award of Change Order #2 to Animal Hospital and laser Surgery Center in the amount of \$10,000.00.

Financial officers
Certification attached.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-17

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A STREET OPENING PERMIT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Secaucus Town Ordinance 117-2b, permission is required to be obtained prior to the issuance of any street opening permit; and

WHEREAS, a street opening permit has been requested for work necessary to complete the project located at 135 Seaview Drive; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer has made recommendations, attached hereto as

Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above referenced street opening permit is hereby approved subject to conditions attached hereto as Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the Town Engineer and/or Town Administrator are hereby authorized to execute any documents or take any action related to this endeavor.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-18

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS PERTAINING TO PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS FOR SECAUCUS WINTER BLAST CO-HOST AND PARTICIPANTS

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus will be co-hosting and participating in the "Secaucus Winter Blast" with North Jersey Media group ("NJMG") during the week prior to Super Bowl 2014; and

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WHEREAS, as part of the "Secaucus Winter Blast" the Town of Secaucus North Jersey Media Group ("NJMG") will be arranging a variety of outdoor activities and festivities in the Buchmuller Park Area, including a three day outdoor winter event from January 30, 2014 through February 1, 2014 with numerous food vendors/trucks, goods, vendors, activities and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, some of the vendors, participants and entertainers in addition to NJMG may have set-ups temporary structures, (i.e. tents) cooking and heating devices, food operations, or other items or operations will be require permits and/or inspections from the Town of Secaucus; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of NJMG, vendors, participants and entertainers to file for and obtain any and all necessary permits and/or inspections for their items or operations for the duration of the Winter Blast Event from the appropriate Town Department, namely, the Construction Department, Town Clerk and Board of Health.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, that any and all necessary permits and/or inspections must be applied for and obtained prior to the Winter Blast occurring from January 30, 2014 through February 1, 2014 and that the permit and/or inspection fees for such will be waived by the Town for NJMG , vendors, participants and entertainers in the interest of safety and cooperation for the Winter Blast.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-19

A RESOLUTION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS ALLOCATING TEMPORARY PARKING SPACES TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus will be co-hosting and participating in the "Secaucus Winter Blast" during the week prior to Super Bowl 2014; and

WHEREAS, as part of the "Secaucus Winter Blast" the Town of Secaucus will be arranging a variety of outdoor activities and festivities in the Buchmuller Park area, including a three day outdoor winter event; and

WHEREAS, the parking lot behind the building 150 Plaza Center, Secaucus which is currently utilized by the Board of Education (hereinafter "Board") for staff parking during school sessions, will be needed for the Events for a period of five days, which encompasses three weekdays with school sessions; and

WHEREAS, alternate parking for Board of Education staff and personnel will be provided in one of the municipal lots in or neat the Plaza Center at no cost to the Board for Wednesday January 29, 2014 through February 1, 2014 and extended if deemed necessary for ancillary Event needs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus that the Board of Education will be granted temporary use of ten (10) spots at no cost to the Board to be utilized by its staff or designated personnel; and

BE IT FURHTER RESOLVED, that temporary passes to park vehicles at the location designated will be provided to the Board of Education on a form authorized by the Police Chief and his designee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the temporary passes issued shall include the dates of Wednesday January 29, 2014 through Friday, January 31, 2014. In the event that the parking lot behind the building located at 150 Plaza center is not

accessible by Monday February 3, 2014, due to Event needs the Police Chief or his designee may extend the temporary passes for additional times as deemed necessary to safely re-open the lot.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-20

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO INCREASE THE HOURLY RATE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY MINIMUM WAGE OF \$8.25 PER HOUR

WHEREAS, the votes of the State of New Jersey at the last general election by way of referendum increased the minimum wage in the State of New Jersey to \$8.25 per hour; and

WHEREAS, some employees of the Town of Secaucus are paid less than the newly instituted minimum wage referenced above.

NOW, TEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of
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Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the Department of Finance to increase any employees' rate of pay affected by the New Jersey minimum wage to \$8.25 per hour effective January 1, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance is further authorized to take any action and/or execute any documents necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this Resolution.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-21

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to make the following appropriations reserve transfer in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59, two thirds of the full membership of the Town Council concurring:

GENERAL

From	To
SHUTTLE BUS Salaries & Wages	Communications & Security Other Expenses
\$5,000	\$2,500
Supervision of Playground Salaries & Wages	Supervision of Playground Other Expenses
\$17,000	\$10,000
Supervision of Playgrounds Salaries & Wages	Telephone Townwide Other expenses
\$10,000	\$10,000
Recreation Activities Salaries & Wages	
\$11,000	
Park & Playgrounds Salaries & Wages	Engineering Other Expenses
\$6,000	\$15,000
Collection of Taxes Salaries & Wages	Public Buildings & Grounds Other Expenses
\$16,000	\$10,000
Road Repair & Maintenance Salaries & Wages	Garbage & Trash Removal
\$23,000	\$60,000
Municipal Court Salaries & Wages	Electricity - All Depts.
\$10,000	\$75,000.00
Solid Waste Mgmt/Recycling Salaries & Wages	Road Repair & Maintenance Other Expenses
\$15,000	\$50,000
Social Services Salaries & Wages	
\$5,000	
Communications & Securities' Salaries & Wages	
\$4,900	
Group Insurance For Employees	
\$109,600	

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-22

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, that Wayne Sabella is hereby appointed as Deputy Coordinator of the Secaucus Office of Emergency Management, effective January 15, 2014.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-23

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, upon recommendation of Nick Goldsack, Finance Director, that Ruth Moench is hereby appointed to the position of Payroll Supervision effective Monday, January 20, 2014
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2014 at the salary of \$35,000.00 per annum.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-24

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Victoria Ramirez is hereby appointed to the full-time position of parking Enforcement Officer in the Police Department for a 35-hour work week effective Monday, January 20, 2014 with an annual salary of \$27,300.00.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-25

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Bryan Schoch is hereby appointed to the position of Fire Prevention Inspector for the Construction Department, part-time, effective Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at the rate of \$13.98 per inspection.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-26

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The annual salaries for Non-Union Administrative Employees, as of January 1, 2014 are as follows:

See Schedule A

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-27

**TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HDUSON
RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for and receive bids for the NJDOT FY' 2013 Fifth Street Improvements.

The following resolution was read: No. 2014-28

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey recognized that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council further recognized that it is incumbent upon not

only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Hudson.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, hereby recognizes the following.

1. The Mayor and Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Secaucus Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015 in the amount of:

DEDR \$14,051
Cash Match \$3,513

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In Kind \$10,538

2. The Mayor and Council acknowledge the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-29

**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION FOR THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S
FY 2014 BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENT GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency has released FY14 Brownfields Assessment Grants funding under RFP NO: EPA-PSWER-OBLR-13-05 that provides funds to inventory characterize, assess and conduct planning (including cleanup planning) and community involvement related to Brownfield sites; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Secaucus plans to conduct assessment activities and intends to apply for federal EPA Brownfields Assessment grants funding for the former Keystone Metal Finishers facility (Site) located at 22 Raydol Avenue (Block 93, Lot 1) in the Town of Secaucus, New Jersey. The Town of Secaucus would conduct additional Site specific assessment activities to determine the fill horizontal and vertical of the contaminants of concern, geophysical survey to determine potential utility pathways for the migration of the contaminants of concern and the assessment activities associated with a pilot-study to determine the viability of select remediation measures;

WHEREAS, the total cost of the project is \$212,800. The Town is requesting a grant in the amount of 4200,000. The maximum allowable per project under this grant program; and

WHEREAS, the public comment will be accepted on this project through the office of the Town Clerk;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Secaucus that

3. Mayor Michael Gonnelli is authorized to (a) make an application to the EPA FY14 Brownfields Assessment Grant Program, (b) provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required for the Brownfields Assessment Grant Program; and (c) act as the municipal contact person and correspondent of the above named municipality; and
4. The Town of Secaucus is committed to this project and will continue to seek other grants to leverage funds to support this project and associated cleanup efforts; and
5. The Town of Secaucus is committed to this project and will provide the balance funding, if necessary to complete the project; and
6. Mayor Michael Gonnelli is hereby authorized to sign and execute any required documents, agreements, and amendments thereto with the EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant; and
7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-30

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus recently became a certified municipality according to the requirements of the Sustainable Jersey Program and continues to seek projects that earn additional points for sustainable practices; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has applied successfully for a Sustainable Jersey Grant 2011 and seeks to further its sustainability goals with additional funding; and

WHEREAS, one of the objectives of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to have municipalities adopt storm water best management practices that reduce pollution, educate the public and control flooding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council has determined that the Town of Secaucus should apply to the 2014 Sustainable Jersey Small Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Council of the Town of Secaucus, State of New Jersey, authorized the submission of the aforementioned Sustainable Jersey Grant application a storm water management demonstration and outreach program.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-31

MUNICIPAL ENDORSING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Hudson County Open Space, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Trust Fund ("County Trust Fund"), provides matching grants to municipal governments and to nonprofit organizations who are sponsored by their local municipality for assistance in the development or redevelopment of park improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus desires to further the public interest by obtaining a matching grant of \$252,813 from the County Trust Fund to fund the following project: Mill Creek park Shelter Installation; and

WHEREAS, the governing body/board has reviewed the County trust Fund Program Statement, and the Trust Fund park Improvement application and instructions and desires to make an application for such a matching grant and provide application information and furnish such documents as may be required; and

WHEREAS, the County of Hudson shall determine whether the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the County Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the County Trust Fund in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the County of Hudson, for the above banes project and ensure its completion on or about the project contract expiration date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Secaucus:

1. That it is hereby authorized to submit the above completed project application to the County by the deadline of January 17, 2014 as established by the County; and
2. That , in the event of a County Trust Fund award that may be less than the grant amount requested above, the Town of Secaucus has, or will secure, the balance of funding necessary to complete the project, or modify the project as necessary; and
- 3 That the Town of Secaucus is committed to provide a match for the project in the amount of \$37,053.00; and
4. That only those park improvements identified and approved in the project application, its Trust Fund contract, or other documentation will e considered eligible for reimbursement.
5. That the Town of Secaucus agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and
6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-32

RESOLUTION RE: TUMINO'S TOWING, INC. TOWING LICENSE

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus received an application for a towing license form Tumino's Towing, Inc., of 37 Emerson St, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department investigated said application pursuant to Secaucus Ordinance, Section 115A-1, et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police recommends that a license be issued to Tumino's Towing, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVLED, that Tumino's Towing, Inc obtain a license for towing services.

BE IT FURHTER RESOLVED, that Tumino's Towing, Inc., be place on the approved towing list for the Town of Secaucus.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2014-33

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Remington, Vernick & Arango solicited quotes for the High School Flood Barrier Project; and

WHEREAS, the following three contractors submitted the following three quotes:

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8. J Fletcher Creamer & Son, Inc Base Bid \$27,900.00: With Alternate \$32,900.00
9. 4-Clean Up No Bid
10. J.A. Alexander- No Bid

WHEREAS, Remington, Vernick & Arango recommend that the project be awarded to J Fletcher Creamer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby award the High School barrier Project to J Fletcher Creamer & Sons, Inc., of 101 east Broadway, Hackensack, NJ 07601 in the amount of \$32,900.00

BEIT FURTHER RESOVLED, that the Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to sign any documentation regarding the award of the above listed project.

Financial officers
Certification attached.

Councilwoman Pirro moved that the foregoing resolutions on the Consent Agenda be approved, seconded by Councilman Dehnert.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli

Motion
carried.

BINGO/RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

Councilwoman Pirro moved to approve the foregoing Raffle Applications, seconded by Councilman Costantino.

- R-1295 Immaculate Conception Church Off-Premise Draw Raffle
- R-1296 Guma Foundation Casino Night
- R-1297 PTSA Secaucus HS Off-Premise 50/50
- R-1298 PTSA Secaucus MS On-Premise Draw Raffle
- R-1299 PTSA Secaucus MS On-Premise 50/50

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: ICC ONLY, Dehnert on Secaucus MS only
ABSENT: Gonnelli

Motion
carried.

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING ACTION BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

11. Washington Hook and Ladder: Retirement of Walter Hurrell Jr., and resignation of William Smith
12. Washington Kook and ladder acceptance of Probationary member Mathew Mottola.

Councilman Clancy moved to approve the foregoing communications, seconded by Councilwoman Pirro.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli

Motion
carried.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER

Councilwoman Pirro approved the Correspondence Register, seconded by Councilman Costantino.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli

Motion
carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Dehnert spoke about his new role with the Recreation Department.

Councilwoman Pirro asked that residents pay extra attention to their pets in the extreme cold.

Councilman Clancy spoke about the implementation of the Express Shuttle Bus that runs to the train station. He also spoke about a donation that was
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received by the Fire Department to be used for training.

Councilman Costantino spoke about the start of the budget process.

Councilman Jeffas stated that the Town will have a meeting regarding certifying the Police Department. He also spoke about the new police uniforms.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilman Costantino reported on revenue received through the construction office.

Councilman Clancy spoke about Comcast and things that are changing.

Councilwoman Pirro spoke about the upcoming Super Bowl and the OEM.

Councilman McKeever complimented the DPW on the clean-up from the past storm.

Councilman Jeffas offered an update on the Winter Blast event to be held at Buchmuller Park.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Costantino offered a notice to residents regarding construction to be done on Centre Avenue.

Councilman Clancy spoke about an upcoming event for the Volunteer Fire Department.

Councilwoman Pirro thanked, on behalf of the Philippines Society for the wonderful donations.

Councilman Dehnert offered updates and events for the Recreation Department.

Councilman Jeffas announced that the Town calendar will be mailed out this week and it will have some additional items enclosed.

REMARKS OF CITIZENS

Gary Pollack
Donald Evanson

Councilwoman Pirro moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 pm, seconded by Councilman Clancy.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Gonnelli

Motion carried.

