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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 23rd day of February at 7:00 P.M Secaucus Municipal Government Center, 1203 Paterson Plank Road, Secaucus, NJ in Chamber II.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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 31, 2015.

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.

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

Town Clerk, Michael Marra performed the swearing in of Secaucus Volunteer Firefighter Victor Paone.

Monique Davis, Health Educator and Risk Communicator from Hudson Regional Health Commission gave a presentation regarding the Zika Virus.

The first item on the agenda is as follows:

The following ordinance was read for public hearing: No. 2016-5

AN ORDINANCE PERMITTING THE SECAUCUS POLICE DEPARTMENT TO MAINTAIN A VOLUNTARY REGISTRY OF PRIVATE OUTDOOR SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:48-1 has been recently amended to permit a municipality to enact an ordinance allowing voluntary registration of private outdoor video surveillance cameras with local law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council support the New Jersey State Legislature's findings, as set forth in P.L.2015, Chapter 142, approved November 9, 2015, that private outdoor video surveillance cameras may provide useful information in investigating criminal activity within the vicinity of the camera, and also save time and resources for the Secaucus Police Department and law enforcement officials.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, as follows that the following Chapter be added to the Code of the Town of Secaucus:

____ Purpose

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1, the Town of Secaucus is establishing a voluntary registry of private outdoor video surveillance cameras under the direction and maintenance of the Secaucus Police Department in the interest of public safety. The purpose is to aid local law enforcement in investigating criminal activity that occurred within the vicinity of the camera's location in a timely, efficient and effective manner.

____ Definitions

Private outdoor video surveillance camera or camera - a device installed outside a residence or business, which, for security purposes, captures footage of an area outside the residence or business.

Registrant - a person who owns a residence or business within the Town of Secaucus who registers a private outdoor video surveillance camera with the Secaucus Police Department under this Chapter.

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____ Registration

- (A) A person who owns a residence or business within the Town of Secaucus may register a private outdoor video surveillance camera(s) with the Secaucus Police Department on a registry form approved by the Chief of Police. Registration of a private outdoor video surveillance camera with the Secaucus Police Department is not required by this Chapter and does not constitute a waiver of any rights granted under the Constitutions of the United States or the State of New Jersey.
- (B) The following information shall be included in the private outdoor video surveillance camera registry and obtained on registry forms approved by the Chief of Police:
- (1) the name of the person who owns the camera(s);
 - (2) the most recent contact information, including the street address and telephone number of the person who owns the camera(s);
 - (3) the street address of the residence or business where the camera(s) is/are installed;
 - (4) the number of cameras located at the residence or business;
 - (5) the outdoor areas recorded by the camera(s);
 - (6) the means by which the camera's footage is saved or stored, and the duration of time for which the footage is saved or stored; and
 - (7) any additional information deemed necessary by the Chief of Police as set forth on the registry form.

Regulations

- (A) Information stored in the Secaucus Police Department's private outdoor video surveillance camera registry and obtained on the registry forms pursuant to this Chapter shall be available for the exclusive use by law enforcement officials to investigate criminal activity within the vicinity of the camera's location(s). Information stored in the registry or contained on the registry forms shall not be considered a public record pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq., N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5 et al., or common law concerning access to public records. Further, said information shall not be discoverable as a public record by any person, entity, or governmental agency, except upon the issuance of a subpoena by a grand jury or a court order in a criminal matter.
- (B) The Secaucus Police Department, as well as any State, county, or municipal law enforcement agency, may contact a person whose information appears in the Town's private outdoor video surveillance camera registry established pursuant to this Chapter in order to request access to any camera's footage which may assist in an investigation of criminal activity that occurred within the vicinity of camera's location(s). A registrant shall not be required to submit the camera's footage to the Secaucus Police Department or any other law enforcement agency, unless otherwise required by law.
- (C) No fee shall be charged for the registration of a private outdoor video surveillance camera(s) with the Secaucus Police Department. A registrant may remove or change information contained in the registry by contacting the Chief of Police in writing.
- (D) The Secaucus Police Department shall verify and update registry information with registrants as deemed necessary by the Chief of Police.
- (E) _____ Repealer

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this chapter are hereby repealed as to said inconsistencies or conflicts.

Severability

If any provision or portion of a provision of this chapter is held to be unconstitutional, preempted by federal or state law, or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of the chapter shall not be invalidated.

1. There are no other changes to this Chapter of the Code of the Town of Secaucus.
 2. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
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3. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only

to that section, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be valid and effective.

4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication in accordance with law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of the Code of the Town of Secaucus shall remain in full force and effect.

Mayor Gonnelli asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance. There being no one requesting the floor, Councilman Clancy moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilwoman Pirro.

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

Motion carried.

Councilman Clancy moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman Dehnert.

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

Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for public hearing: No. 2016-6

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 127-58B OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS ENTITLED ADESIGNATION OF LOCATIONS AT OR NEAR PRIVATE RESIDENCES@

SECTION 1

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Section 127-58B - ADesignation of Locations at or Near Private Residences@ shall be amended by adding the following locations:

<u>NAME OF STREET</u>	<u>SIDE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Seventh Street	West	On the west side of Seventh Street, beginning at a point 156 feet south of the northwest corner of Flanagan Way and Seventh Street, continuing south for a distance of 22 feet in front of 849 Seventh Street
First Street	East	On the east side of First Street beginning at a point 55 feet south of the southeast corner of Centre Avenue and First Street continuing south for a distance of 22 feet directly in front of 740 First Street Franklin Street South On the south side of Franklin Street, beginning at a point 106 feet east of the southeast corner of Garry Terrace and Franklin Street continuing east for a distance of 22 feet in front of 99 Franklin Street
Second Avenue	South	On the south side of Second Avenue beginning at a point 171 feet west of the southeast corner of Second Avenue and Cedar Avenue continuing west for

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a distance of 22 feet in
front of 63 Second Avenue

That the parking space designated for 849 Seventh Street, adopted by Ordinance is to be personalized for Wheelchair Symbol No. HX7091.

That the parking space designated for 740 First Street adopted by ordinance is to be personalized for Placard No. P1547833.

That the parking space designated for 99 Franklin Street, adopted by ordinance is to be personalized for Wheelchair symbol No. P1248440.

That the parking space designate for 63 Seconds Avenue adopted by ordinance is to be personalized for Placard No. P1480976.

If the license plate for the persons utilizing the parking space at the above Listed addresses changes, then the parking space designations shall be changed to the new plate with proof from the resident that it is for the same person that the person is still entitled to handicapped parking.

SECTION 2

SEVERABILITY

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the provisions of this ordinance are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words, or parts of the regulation or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such persons or circumstances, to which the ordinance or part thereof is held inapplicable, had been specifically exempted therefrom.

SECTION 3

EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Gonnelli asked if anyone wished to be heard regarding the foregoing proposed ordinance. There being no one requesting the floor, Councilwoman Pirro moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilman McKeever.

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

Motion carried.

Councilman Clancy moved that the foregoing ordinance be finally adopted, seconded by Councilman McKeever.

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

Motion carried.

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. 2016-82

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, Esquire, 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 Complaint filed by:

Westinghouse/CBS for property situated at Block 18, Lot 5.041 HM, located at 425 Meadowlands Parkway, for tax year 2015.

Assessment reduced as follows:

Tax Year	Original Assessment	Proposed Assessment
2015	\$9,888,300	\$9,888,300

The counterclaim filed in this matter is withdrawn contingent upon the complaint being withdrawn and/or dismissed.

All in accordance with the discussions held at certain caucus meeting of the Town Council on this 23 day of February 2016.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-83

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, Esquire, 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:

McElroy, Garrick for property situated at Block 159, Lot 3.01 C0035 and located at 35 Mallard Place for tax year 2010.

Assessments reduced as follows:

Tax Year	Original Assessment	Proposed Assessment
2010	\$ 275,900	\$ 261,100

Interest on any refund due is waived provided the refund is paid on or before December 31, 2014, or with sixty (60) days from the date of the Judgment, whichever is later, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:3-27.2.

All in accordance with the discussions held at certain caucus meeting of the Town Council on this 23 day of February, 2016.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-84

RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY REDUCTION(S)

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Secaucus has determined that action is required as a result of the 2010/2011/2012 tax reduction(s) 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(s) which is set forth along the block(s) and lot(s) of the taxpayer(s).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the requested Tax Cancellation(s) be made on Block 149 Lot 8 (1150 Paterson Plank Road) for the following years:

TAX REDUCTIONS GRANTED BY THE
TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY

YEAR	AMOUNT
2010	\$ 10,041.81
2011	10,603.31
2012	10,754.57

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to execute any documents or take any other action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

The following resolution was read: No. 2016-85

RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY REDUCTION(S)

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Secaucus has determined that action is required as a result of the 2011/2012/2013/2014/2015 tax reduction(s) 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(s) which is set forth along the block(s) and lot(s) of the taxpayer(s).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that the requested Tax Cancellation(s) be made on Block 117 Lot 2 (75 Wood Avenue) for the following years:

TAX REDUCTIONS GRANTED BY THE
TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY

YEAR	AMOUNT
2011	\$ 7,290.00
2012	7,394.00
2013	7,516.00
2014	7,532.00
2015	7,404.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to execute any documents or take any other action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

The following resolution was read: No. 2016-86

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND/CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES

DUE TO REMOVAL OF MOBILE CELL TOWER

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Secaucus has determined that action is required as a result of a certain property not reflected in the 2016 Tax Duplicate and

WHEREAS, Block 118 Lot 2 Qualifier T06, also known as 40 Wood Avenue, had a mobile cell tower located on their property and

WHEREAS, the owner of the property had been informed that their lease with Metro PCS has been terminated and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector was informed about this cell tower by the Taxpayer and Tax Assessor has confirmed this information.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel 1st & 2nd Quarter 2016 billing totaling \$ 2,221.20.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector and Tax Assessor.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to execute any documents or take any other action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-87

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES
DUE TO ABATEMENTS

WHEREAS, it has been determined that action is required as a result of 2015 Added Assessments reflected in the 2015 Added/Omitted Tax Duplicate; and

WHEREAS, Tax Assessor has confirmed these block and lots are to be cancelled due to abatements reflected in the 2016 tax duplicate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel the following Added Assessments for 1st & 2nd Quarter 2016:

777.42	1 st Q.	Block 129 Lot 4	812 4 th Street
777.42	2 nd Q.	Block 129 Lot 4	812 4 th Street
221.20	1 st Q.	Block 210 Lot 10	1073 Luhmann Terrace
221.19	1 st Q.	Block 210 Lot 10	1073 Luhmann Terrace

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector, and Tax Assessor.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to execute any documents or take any other action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-88

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, that Priti Solanki is hereby appointed as a Part-Time Worker for the Secaucus Social Services Department, effective February 8, 2016, at the hourly rate of \$10.00.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-89

RESOLUTION: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT
WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR
THE BORN STREET OUTFALL PIPE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as LAIF-2016-Born St. Outfall Pipe-00003 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Town of Secaucus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Town of Secaucus and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Certified as a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Council
On this 23th day of February, 2016

Clerk

My signature and the Clerk's seal serve to acknowledge the above resolution and constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement as authorized by the resolution above.

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-90

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND

OPEN CONTRACT FOR AXIOM HOLDING CO., LLC

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has a need to acquire as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will not exceed \$17,500.00 and that there is an availability of funds; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is until the project is completed, but not to exceed one year; and

WHEREAS, Axiom Holding Co., LLC submitted a proposal on January 26, 2016 indicating that they will provide proprietary services of research and review of the Rebuild by Design program, preparation of an outreach plan to other local officials and the public, coordination and arranging of any public appearances or media events and all ancillary work related to such, as set forth on the attached proposal for a fee not to exceed \$6,250.00; and

WHEREAS, Axiom Holding Co., LLC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Axiom Holding Co., LLC has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Town of Secaucus in the previous year and that the contract will prohibit Axiom Holding Co., LLC from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus approve the contract between the Town of Secaucus and Axiom Holding Co., LLC for proprietary services as described herein for a fee not to exceed \$6,250.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Entity Disclosure Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-91

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 pursuant to the recommendation of Vincent Prieto, Construction Official of the Town of Secaucus, Robert Morrison is hereby appointed as a Part-Time Fire Inspector at the rate of \$14.33 per inspection effective Tuesday, February 23, 2016.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-94

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus that Laura Campanella is hereby appointed to the position of full time Administrative Assistant in the Engineering Department effective Monday, February 22, 2016 at the rate of \$35,000.00 per annum.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-95

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 annual salary of Vincent Massaro, Jr. Fire Official in the Construction Department is increased to \$66,912.00 effective Monday, February 22, 2016.

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-96

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus upon the recommendation of the Police Department, that Eliane Miedel is hereby appointed to the position of Administrative Assistant effective Monday, February 22, 2016 at the annual salary of \$35,000.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-97

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, that Elisa Hitchcock is hereby appointed to the position of Violations Clerk in the Municipal Court, effective Monday, February 22, 2016 at the annual salary of \$38,000.

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

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

Motion carried.

The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-92

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REGARDING FUNDING FOR LOCAL FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS

WHEREAS, Super Storm Sandy severely impacted the Town of Secaucus and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, in response to the devastation caused by Super Storm Sandy, Housing and Urban Development embarked upon a unique competition to address flooding, which was called Rebuild by Design; and

WHEREAS, \$150,000,000 in funding was earmarked for flood projects as a result of this competition; and

WHEREAS, a large portion of this \$150,000,000 remains unallocated; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has always, and especially after Super Storm Sandy, taken the initiative in designing and implementing flood control projects; and

WHEREAS, local communities, such as Secaucus, would be better able to utilize these monies for local flood control projects to minimize the impact of flooding;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Town of Secaucus hereby authorizes the Mayor and administration to take any action necessary including communicating with the President and federal and state legislators, meeting with representatives from HUD, and any other actions in an effort to convince the federal government to authorize the expenditure of these funds on individual local flood control projects that could be implemented expeditiously.

Mayor Gonnelli commented on the Resolution and explained how and why this came about.

Councilwoman Pirro moved to adopt the foregoing resolution, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

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

Motion carried.

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The following resolution was read:

No. 2016-93

RESOLUTION TO RECONSIDER PRIO RESOLUTION

REGARDING PAYMENT TO STAR INSURANCE COMPANY

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus resolved to authorize and approve payment to Star Insurance Company for Payment Application Nos. 4 and 5 on February 9, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have had an opportunity to discuss this issue further and wish to reconsider that Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby vacate and reconsider the Resolution relating to Star Insurance Company's payments for Payment Applications Nos. 4 and 5 in connection with the Washington Hook and Ladder.

Councilman Jeffas moved to adopt the foregoing resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Pirro.

AYES: Jeffas, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro
NAYS: Gonnelli
ABSTAIN: Dehnert
ABSENT: Costantino

Motion carried.

Councilman Jeffas spoke about invoices regarding the construction at the Washington Hook & Ladder.

The following resolution was read: No. 2016-98

RESOLUTION RE: WASHINGTON HOOK & LADDER

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus terminated its contract with Star Insurance Company, as performance bonding company for Three Sons Restoration, Inc. in connection with the Washington Hook & Ladder Firehouse project; and

WHEREAS, Star Insurance Company had submitted two Applications for Payment along with the requisite certifications prior to that termination date; and

WHEREAS, the Town has retained the amount of retainage permitted under the contract (approximately \$113,000.00) and has an additional \$40,000.00 available for the construction work which was necessitated after termination of said contract; and

WHEREAS, the Town has requested arbitration to resolve its claim for additional damages against Star Insurance Company; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey law does not permit the Town of Secaucus to retain any amounts which might be due to Star Insurance Company pending resolution of that arbitration proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the Town's Counsel advises that it is in the best interest of the Town, so as to avoid any additional fees which might be awarded in arbitration, that the Town pay the amount due to Star Insurance Company under Application Four;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Secaucus hereby authorizes and approves payment under Application Four in the amount of \$75,024.71 which has been submitted by Star Insurance Company in connection with the aforementioned project.

Councilman Jeffas moved to adopt the foregoing resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Pirro.

AYES: Jeffas, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro
NAYS: Dehnert, Gonnelli,
ABSENT: Costantino

Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Councilman Dehnert moved that the following Salary Vouchers and Claims Fund Register be approved, seconded by Councilman McKeever.

Town of Secaucus Payroll Acct. w/ending 2/12/16	\$508,378.29
Adm. & Exec	24,950.39
Mayor & Council	12,294.43
municipal Clerk	8,693.26
Community Shuttle Bus	2,964.74

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Legal Dept.	000.00
Municipal Court	15,495.10
Engineering	000.00

Pub. Bldgs. & Grds.	60,896.06	
Off. Of Inspect.	4,969.96	
Planning Board	65.59	
Bd. Of Adjustments	60.38	
Public Defender	00.00	
Comm. & Security Adm	4,258.66	
Construction	20,176.96	
Treasurer	20,017.93	
Tax Assessor	6,179.44	
Tax Collector	5,669.84	
Police Dept.	386,054.11	
School Cross Grds.	16,497.55	
Office of Emergency Man.	576.92	
Unif. Fire Safety Off.	5,153.78	
Rd. Repair & Maint.	195,460.18	
Sewer System	23.15	
Recycling Coord.	14,032.71	
Bd.of Health	4,530.11	
Mosquito Control	00.00	
Social Services	29,834.67	
Fire Dept. Incentives	2,100.00	
Pks. & Play Grds.	000.00	
Supv. Of Play Act.	29,834.10	
Rec. Activities	7,261.37	
Social Security	44,934.12	
Pool Social Security	000.00	
Pool Oper.	000.00	
Grant Fund (OEM)	00.00	
CDBG	000.00	
Town of Secaucus Tax Escrow Acct. w/ending 2/12/2016		\$300,080.45
Town of Secaucus Payroll Acct. w/ending 2/26/2016		\$464,164.66
Adm. & Exec	16,904.89	
Mayor & Council	1,571.15	
Municipal Clerk	6,095.76	
Community Shuttle Bus	1,688.72	
Legal Dept.	5,769.23	
Environmental	2,061.73	
Municipal Court	15,246.85	
Engineering	4,137.69	
Pub. Bldgs. & Grds.	38,955.15	
Off. Of Inspect.	4,769.41	
Planning Board	65.59	
Bd. Of Adjustments	60.38	
Public Defender	00.00	
Comm. & Security Adm	4,692.46	
Construction	16,398.06	
Treasurer	19,652.03	
Tax Assessor	6,179.44	
Tax Collector	5,506.95	
Police Dept.	341,463.39	
School Cross Grds.	12,710.92	
Office of Emergency Man.	576.92	
Unif. Fire Safety Off.	3,679.45	
Rd. Repair & Maint.	135,755.85	
Sewer System	1,098.90	
Recycling Coord.	9,477.03	
Bd.of Health	5,684.55	
Mosquito Control	00.00	
Social Services	28,308.39	
Fire Department	000.00	
Retirees Health	000.00	
Pks. & Play Grds.	000.00	
Supv. Of Play Act.	36,617.54	
Rec. Activities	9,098.88	
Social Security	36,042.19	
Pool Social Security	000.00	
Pool Oper.	000.00	
Grant Fund (OEM)	000.00	
Town of Secaucus Tax Escrow Acct. w/ending 2/26/2016		\$268,062.65
Total Amount Claims	Check No.47195-47510	\$1,966,671.37
Recreation Acct	No Checks written	
Recreation On-Line	No checks written	

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Note: Current and Trust Account checks are now part of the Total

amount of Claims.

AYES: Jeffas, Costantino, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Gonnelli
NAYS: Jeffas on Biff Duncan and Payment No. 5 only, McKeever on Biff Duncan and Payment No. 5 only, Councilman Clancy on Biff Duncan and Payment No. 5 only, Councilwoman Pirro on Biff Duncan and Payment No. 5 only, Councilman Dehnert on Biff Duncan and Payment No.4 and 5 only, Gonnelli on Biff Duncan and Payment No. 4 and 5.
ABSTAIN: Gonnelli on Secaucus Fire Department bills
ABSENT: Dehnert

Motion carried.

BINGO/RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

R-1382 St. Ann's RC Church On-Premise Draw Raffle
R-1383 St. Ann's RC Church On-Premise 50/50
R-1384 Beneath the Sea On-Premise Draw Raffles

Councilwoman Pirro moved that the foregoing application be approved, seconded by Councilman Dehnert.

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

Motion carried

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIRING ACTION BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Use of the Senior Center by the Bocce League on various dates.

Use of the Swim Center on various dates by the North Arlington Education Foundation.

Use of the Humboldt Street Recreation Center by Kerry Severino for an overnight stay.

Councilman McKeever moved to accept the foregoing request, seconded by Councilman Jeffas.

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

Motion carried

The acceptance of Victor Paone as a member of Tower 2 of the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department.

Councilman Clancy moved to accept the foregoing request, seconded by Councilwoman Pirro.

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

Motion carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Clancy reminded residents about the availability of Smoke Detectors.

Mayor Gonnelli reported on the same subject, and stated that 35 homes have been completed and 40 homes have registered.

Councilwoman Pirro reported about a group working with Therapy Dogs.

Councilman Dehnert spoke about Recreation discounts that are available at the Recreation Center. He also spoke about upcoming registration for spring sports. He also spoke about a clinic that was held over the weekend. He added information about upcoming recreation events.

Councilman McKeever gave information about upcoming Senior Citizen activities.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilman Clancy stated that the Town received a letter from the Department of Transportation stating that the Town will receive a grant to be used at the Born Street Pump Station.

Councilwoman Pirro offered information on an upcoming fund raiser.

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Councilman McKeever stated that the Kiwanis Club is looking for new members.

Mayor Gonnelli reported on the schools system and the ranking compared to other municipalities. He also commented on the interim Superintendent and the work that he has done.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Jeffas commented on the same topic. He reported on upcoming events. He reported on upcoming construction in the area of Louis Street. He then continued with other events. He added information about the Before Care program.

Mayor Gonnelli spoke about a NJ Transit worker action that may be upcoming.

REMARKS OF CITIZENS

None

Councilman Clancy moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 pm, seconded by Councilwoman Pirro.

AYES: Jeffas, McKeever, Clancy, Pirro, Dehnert, Gonnelli

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Costantino

Motion carried

Michael Marra, Town Clerk