

**REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 2022**

In compliance with Chapter 231, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice has been given to all members of the Governing Body, the "Local Source" and the "Westfield Leader" the two newspapers designated to receive such notice. The notice is posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board.

Mayor Paul N. Mirabelli called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

INVOCATION: Councilwoman Pater
SALUTE TO THE FLAG
ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Mirabelli, Council President Andre, Councilman Matejek, Councilman Messler, Councilwoman Pacifico, Councilwoman Pater, Attorney Post and Administrator Mortimer. Also present were Public Works Director Matthew DeAnna, Senior Coordinator Kim Moriak, Recreation Director Frank Masella and Police Chief Joseph Giannuzzi. Councilman Dierkes was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Upon motion by Councilwoman Pacifico a second by Councilwoman Pater, the minutes of the Regular Session Meeting held on November 22, 2022 were approved. Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Matejek, Messler, Pacifico, Pater. Nays: 0.

Upon motion by Councilman Matejek a second by Councilwoman Pater, the minutes of the Work & Executive Session Meetings held on December 6, 2022 were approved. Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Matejek, Messler, Pacifico, Pater. Nays: 0.

RESOLUTIONS OF COMMENDATION:

WHEREAS, the Deerfield School Girls Soccer Team provides young women with the opportunity to improve their skills and performances in interscholastic competition; and

WHEREAS, during the 2022 fall season the team competed against local middle schools; and

WHEREAS, the Girls Soccer Team achieved a record of 6-1-1 by outscoring their opponents 25 – 7; and

WHEREAS, this determined, strong and humble group of young ladies finished off their season as C.J.A.A. Champions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the Deerfield Girls Soccer Team and coaching staff are hereby commended for their achievements.

HEAD COACH - Sarah Freer
ASSISTANT - Jared Rosenblum
MANAGER – Ilana Walker

Alex Caixinha
Brooke DeAngelis
Chloe Del Cueto
Isabella Gamboa

Devyn Perucki
Carly Pfeiffer
Mia Pires
Ashley Post

Ally Gardner
Olivia Ho
Madison Marcino
Melia Marcino
Ava Monteiro
Kaelle Nasreddine

Eva Puglisi
Sofia Saraiva
Ava Servello
Emily Silva
Taylor St. Hill

WHEREAS, the Deerfield School Boys Soccer Team provides young men with the opportunity to improve their skills and performances in interscholastic competition; and

WHEREAS, during the 2022 fall season the team competed against local middle schools; and

WHEREAS, the Boys Soccer Team achieved a record of 10-0 by outscoring their opponents 29 – 5 and capping off their undefeated season with a championship win against Somerville; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the Deerfield Boys Soccer Team and coaching staff are hereby commended for their achievements.

HEAD COACH - Cory Berger
ASSISTANT - Nicole Cruts
MANAGER – Kamil Grzyb

Addison Adornato
Connor Bailey
Alejandro Calero
Christian D'Oliveira
Maguire Filler
Ryan Ford
Cooper Goodwin
Matthew Gross
Jacob Gross
Elias Gruszecki

Tyce Hanratty
Colin Hasselgren
Ryan Lamera
Sebastian Moya
Owen Pipher
Christian Pupo
Joseph Rovello
William Salerno
Alex Sokolnicki
Nicholas Woodard

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was introduced by Councilwoman Pater and seconded by Councilwoman Pacifico.

RESOLUTION 147-2022

WHEREAS, the owners of real estate in the Borough of Mountainside paid their real estate and sewer taxes by way of a check in an incorrect amount; and

WHEREAS, in many of such instances the error involved amounts of \$5.00 and under.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the proper Borough Officials be and they hereby are authorized to cancel all such

amounts on tax and sewer accounts, whether owed to the Borough or owed by the Borough, of \$5.00 and under for the year 2022.

Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Matejek, Messler, Pacifico, Pater. Nays: 0.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Matejek and seconded by Councilwoman Pater.

RESOLUTION 148-2022

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides for transfers within certain appropriations within the Municipal Budget during the last two months of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has advised the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the need for certain transfers within the 2022 Municipal Budget exists, and

WHEREAS, this resolution authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to make these transfers,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following budget transfers be ratified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to make any necessary transfers prior to year end and that these be ratified at the first regularly scheduled Governing Body meeting of 2023.

<u>CURRENT ACCOUNT</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>FROM</u>
Recreation, O/E	20,000.00	
Dispatch, S/W	5,000.00	
Recreation, S/W	5,000.00	
A&E, O/E	10,000.00	
Water	1,000.00	
Police, S/W		41,000.00
 <u>POOL ACCOUNT</u>		
Pool, O/E	9,000.00	
Pool, S/W		9,000.00

Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Matejek, Messler, Pacifico, Pater. Nays: 0.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Messler and seconded by Councilwoman Andre.

RESOLUTION 149-2022

WHEREAS, the Borough's current contract for Curbside Pickup and Disposal of Recycling expires on January 25, 2022, and no additional extensions of that contract are permitted under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that there is a continuing need for Curbside Collection and Disposal of Recyclables; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, a notice of advertisement for bids, and an invitation to bid was published on September 29, 2022; and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were opened and read on October 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the two bids were received as follows:

Contractor	Bid for First Contract Year
F. Basso Jr. Rubbish Removal Services Inc.	\$6.59 per month per residence \$199,440.00 per year
Grand Sanitation Corporation	\$8.70 per month per residence \$263,000.00 per year

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside, County of Union, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Award of the contract for Curbside Collection and Disposal of Recyclables is hereby made to F. Basso Jr. Rubbish Removal Services Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$199,440.00.

2. The contract shall be for a three-year term with an option to renew for two additional years at the Borough's sole discretion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Matejek, Messler, Pacifico, Pater. Nays: 0.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilwoman Pacifico and seconded by Councilwoman Andre.

RESOLUTION 150-2022

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough of Mountainside to contract with a regional health board in order to provide basic health and inspection services as required under state law; and

WHEREAS, the Mountainside Board of Health is recommending a contract be signed for this purpose with the Westfield Regional Board of Health at a cost of \$45,828.00 for 2023; and

WHEREAS, funds have been provided in the annual budget; and

WHEREAS, the contract term shall remain in effect for a period of three (3) years; and

WHEREAS, in 2024 and 2025, the annual fee shall be increased each year by three percent (3%) and the cost of additional requested services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the appropriate Borough Officials be and they hereby are authorized to execute the contract with the Westfield Regional Board of Health for a three-year term.

Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Matejek, Messler, Pacifico, Pater. Nays: 0.

Second Reading (Public Hearing)

**ORDINANCE 1317-2022
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 1304-2021 FIXING SALARY RANGES FOR CERTAIN
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that Ordinance 1304-2021 is hereby amended to include the following positions and/or fix the following salary ranges:

Assistant Tax Collector	\$15.00 - \$40.00
Administrative Assistant/Payroll Clerk	\$30,000 - \$65,000
Secretary: Engineering/DPW/Shade Tree/Recycling	\$30,000 - \$65,000
Fitness/Sports Instructor (per person, per class)	\$2 - \$60
Art/Crafts Instructor (per person, per class)	\$2 - \$40
Sports Supervisor (per session)	\$25 - \$90
Men's Softball Supervisor (per session)	\$500
Summer Playground Supervisor (per season)	\$20 - \$28
Summer Playground Assistant Supervisor (per season)	\$15 - \$22

Hearing no one wishing to speak, Councilman Messler closed the meeting to the public.

It was moved by Councilman Matejek and seconded by Councilwoman Pater that this ordinance be passed on second and final reading and advertised by title only.

Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Matejek, Messler, Pacifico, Pater. Nays: 0.

BILLS & CLAIMS:

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Matejek and seconded by Councilwoman Pacifico:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the following bills of the persons named and for the amounts stated below, having been duly audited and found to be correct this 20th day of December 2022, the same be paid after Council's review, if and when funds are available and that the Mayor, Council President, Administrator and Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to sign and deliver warrants for same in the amount of \$125,159.11 (Copy of bill list attached).

Roll Call: Ayes: Andre, Matejek, Messler, Pacifico, Pater. Nays: 0

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilwoman Andre wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Mayor Mirabelli thanked those who participated in the Tree Lighting and Menorah Lighting events.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Pater and a second by Councilwoman Andre, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Martha Lopez, RMC
Borough Clerk