

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 22, 2023
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING NO. 9

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held on May 22, 2023, and was called to order by Mayor Krenzel at 7:00 PM with the following Council Members in Attendance:

Mayor and Council Roll Call	Present	Absent	Excused Tardy
<i>Mayor John M. Krenzel</i>	X		
<i>Council President Tony Ciulla</i>	X		
<i>Councilwoman Donna Balazs</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Peter Guindi</i>	X		
<i>Councilman James Gurchensky</i>	X		
<i>Councilwoman Julie Meira</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Jason Oliveira</i>	X		

Also attending this meeting were Business Administrator Arthur Londensky, Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga, Borough Attorney Andrea Wyatt, Police Chief Mark Tinitigan, Fire Chief Scott Wolf, DPW Director Adriano Soares, and Borough Engineer Bruce Koch.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 231 OF PUBLIC LAW OF 1975, NOTICE OF THIS MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING, 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER OR REMOTELY VIA ZOOM HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE HOME NEWS TRIBUNE ON JANUARY 6, 2023, POSTED ON THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING BULLETIN BOARD, THE BOROUGH WEBSITE, AND THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING AT 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER.

PROCLAMATION

- None

AGENDA SESSION

- Department of Public Works – Summer Hours

BA Londensky states that the DPW employees will be starting and leaving earlier due to the heat during the summer months. It is a normal notification and it will be starting on May 30th.

- Rain Garden

Mayor Krenzel speaks on an email that was sent out regarding a Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Education, the Borough of South River, the South River Green Team, and other associations. The plans and concerns are discussed regarding the extensive work for this project. There will be no decisions made regarding this matter and the equipment that would be used to start this project. Councilwoman Meira would like to know if a green team member can come in and discuss this project with the council, and Mayor Krenzel agrees.

ORDINANCE– FIRST READING

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2023-20 by title only.

BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2023-20

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, APPROPRIATING \$2,095,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,342,500 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be undertaken in and by the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough"). For the improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$2,095,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor, including \$681,405 in grant funds expected to be received from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), and the sum of \$71,095 as the down payment for said purposes as required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in the Capital Improvement Fund of one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the costs of said improvements or purposes not provided for by the application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not to exceed \$1,342,500, pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for which the obligations are to be issued consist of: (i) the acquisition of a street sweeper for the Department of Public Works; (ii) 9-11/radio and communication upgrades for the Police Department; (iii) the acquisition of a municipal vehicle and equipment for the Office of Emergency Management; and (iv) improvements to various roads within the Borough, including, but not limited to, Leonardine Avenue and Beryl Street, together with all purposes necessary, incidental or appurtenant thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with contracts, plans, specifications or requisitions therefor on file with or through the Borough Clerk, as finally approved by the governing body of the Borough.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$1,342,500, as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$2,095,000, which is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor. The excess of the appropriation of \$2,095,000 over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor being the amount of said \$71,095 down payment for said purposes, and \$681,405 grant funds expected to be received from the NJDOT for said road improvements.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer of the Borough, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer, who shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of such notes occurs, such report shall include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not a current expense and are improvements or purposes that the Borough may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the amount of the obligations authorized for said purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 9.97 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such Statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$1,342,500 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$235,000 for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs, legal fees and other items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included as part of the cost of said improvements and is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for said improvements.

(e) To the extent that moneys of the Borough are used to finance, on an interim basis, costs of said improvements or purposes, the Borough reasonably expects such costs to be paid or reimbursed with the proceeds of obligations issued pursuant hereto.

Section 6. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 7. Any grant or similar moneys from time to time received by the Borough for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements within the appropriation herein authorized or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are received and so used.

Section 8. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and, unless paid from other sources, the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey,

held on May 22, 2023, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 12th day of June 2023, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the Council Chamber of the Criminal Justice Building located at 61 Main Street, South River, New Jersey, and/or virtually via Zoom meeting code 826 6082 9597: password: 000000 at which time all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning this ordinance.

Introduced 5-22-23

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

ALYSSA GUGLIETTI, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2023-21 by title only.

BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2023-21

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER TREATMENT, STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, APPROPRIATING \$950,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$900,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as Water Utility improvements to be undertaken in and by the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough"). For the improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$950,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor, including the sum of \$50,000 as the down payment for said purposes. Said down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in the Capital Improvement Fund of one or more previously adopted budgets. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11c of the Local Bond Law, no down payment is required as this bond ordinance authorizes obligations solely for purposes which are self-liquidating and deductible from the gross debt of the Borough as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7h.

Section 2. In order to finance the costs of said improvements or purposes not provided for by the application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not to exceed \$900,000, pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily

finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for which the obligations are to be issued consist of various improvements to the Borough's water treatment, storage and distribution system, including, but not limited to, water mains, lead and galvanized pipes, valves and hydrants, together with all purposes necessary, incidental or appurtenant thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with contracts, plans, specifications or requisitions therefor on file with or through the Borough Clerk, as finally approved by the governing body of the Borough.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$900,000, as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$950,000, which is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor. The excess of the appropriation of \$950,000 over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor being the amount of said \$50,000 down payment for said purposes.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer of the Borough, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer, who shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of such notes occurs, such report shall include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not a current expense and are improvements or purposes that the Borough may lawfully undertake as Water Utility improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the amount of the obligations authorized for said purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is twenty (20) years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such Statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is not increased by the authorization of the \$900,000 bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance because the purposes authorized herein are self-liquidating and are deductible from the Borough's gross debt in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44c and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$350,000 for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs, legal fees and other items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A.

40A:2-20 is included as part of the cost of said improvements and is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for said improvements.

(e) To the extent that moneys of the Borough are used to finance, on an interim basis, costs of said improvements or purposes, the Borough reasonably expects such costs to be paid or reimbursed with the proceeds of obligations issued pursuant hereto.

(f) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Borough solely for purposes described in subparagraph (h) of §40A:2-7 of the Local Bond Law, and the obligations authorized herein are to be issued for purposes which are self-liquidating within the meaning and limitation of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-45 of said Law and are deductible from the gross debt of the Borough pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44c and N.J.S.A. 40A:2-46 of said Law.

Section 6. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 7. Any grant or similar moneys from time to time received by the Borough for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements within the appropriation herein authorized or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are received and so used.

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Introduced 5-22-23

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<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

ALYSSA GUGLIETTI, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK

DEPARTMENTAL/PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Engineers Report

- **NJDOT 2020 and 2021 Local Aid Projects and the Curb and Sidewalks Program**
 - The Borough received a \$580,000.00 grant from the NJDOT for the 2020 Roadway Improvements, and a \$475,575.00 grant from the NJDOT for the 2021 Roadway Improvements
 - **NJDOT 2020 Roadways**
 - First Street (New Street to Leonardine Avenue)
 - Claremont Avenue (James Street to David Street)
 - Obert Street (Main Street to Jackson Avenue)
 - Gordon Street (Main Street to Washington Street)
 - Clayton Court;
 - Wilcox Street Drainage Repairs (Darrow Street to Edgewood Street)
 - The contractor has addressed the final Punch-list item.
 - **NJDOT 2021 Roadways**
 - Albourne Street (Cleveland Ave. to Wilbur St);
 - Ferris Street (Cleveland Avenue to Darrow Street)
 - The contractor has completed the final Punch-list item.
- **NJDOT 2022 Local Aid Program**
 - The borough received a \$457,410.00 grant for Appleby Avenue, Morningside Avenue, and 5th Street. The contractor is scheduling the milling and paving work.
- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Aid Program**
 - We applied for Leonardine Ave. from the OBT to Grand Ave., Prentice Ave. from Willett Ave. to Sheldon Ave. & Beryl St. from Cleveland Ave. to Wilcox Ave. According to the NJDOT PMRS site the borough has received a \$681,405.00 grant. We issued an amended proposal regarding this project.
- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Transportation Projects**
 - We discussed the project with the Public Works Director and submitted a list of three (3) locations.
- **NJDOT FY 2024 Local Aid Program**
 - The NJDOT has announced that applications are being accepted for State Aid Programs. The deadline for grant applications is July 1, 2023. I have attached the Announcement Letter.
- **2020 Electrical Substation Maintenance**
 - The SCADA system is installed. The contractor is making some configuration changes and will then schedule the training.
- **Well No. 2 Replacement**
 - The Well is running and the Punch-list items are completed.

- **Water Treatment Plan Upgrades**
 - The contractor is beginning work on the project.
 - We received bids for the Sodium Hypochlorite Storage Improvements on April 21st.
- **NJDEP Stormwater Assistance Grant Application**
 - We issued a letter concerning the grant.

Councilwoman Meira would like to know what the report said for Fitzpatrick's Park and Mr. Koch answers. Councilwoman Meira speaks on the Water Treatment Plant and the Sodium Hypochlorite project and Mr. Koch makes a comment regarding the bids. Discussions ensue regarding the Stormwater Grant.

Councilwoman Balazs would like an update on the work by Appleby and 5th and Mr. Koch answers.

Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga

- Bond Ordinances on for first reading. The SDS was filed with the State and on file in the Clerk's office.
- Speaks on resolutions 2023-178, 2023-180, 2023-184, 2023-186, and 2023-187

Chief of Police Mark Tinitigan

- No report

Speaks on two upcoming Police events.

Fire Chief Scott Wolf

- There have been 155 calls so far this year.
- Memorial Services on Monday at 9 am at the firehouse. Some streets will be closed off.

DPW Director Adriano Soares

- Speaks on 4 way stops.
- Two new trucks will be received this week.

Borough Clerk

- No report

Mayor Krenzel speaks on the election.

Borough Attorney

- No report

Borough Administrator Londensky

- Speaks on paving from the County. 2 blocks from OBT to Main Street on Hillside. There are signs up.
- There is no word from the County on when they will be working on Main Street.
- Resolution 2023-186. There is a grant that is being offered in the amount of \$23,500 to help.

Councilwoman Meira would like to know what the next step is regarding the Water Meter replacement project and BA Londensky answers. Discussions ensue regarding the process of dividing up the streets and BA Londensky states there will be a pre-construction meeting. The project will take approximately 6 months. Councilman Oliveira speaks on estimated bills and discussions ensue regarding this.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Councilman Guindi

- No report.

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Councilwoman Balazs

- Memorial Day Parade. Stops at the top of Hillside and Main. Rain or shine.
- South River Day is 6/17 on Montgomery Street.
- The Board of Health is hosting a Blood Drive event on 7/27 from 1pm-7pm at the Human Resources Building. You will get a pair of Mets tickets if you donate.

Councilman Gurchensky

- OOA met earlier. The Flea Market will be opened on Fridays.

Councilwoman Meira

- Library had their terrarium program on 5/16. It was a huge success with 25 spaces filled up.
- Summer programming is finishing up for the library.
- Board of Education will have their curriculum fair on 5/25 from 5pm-7pm.
- The BOE will also have a Star Lab at the Middle School gym and remain there for the remainder of the year.
- The Shade Tree Commission is looking towards a rain garden. It can be pushed to the fall.

Councilman Oliveira

- 6/4 will be the annual Fishing Derby. 6/3 is the bike rodeo.
- Summer recreation is also open Monday through Thursday.
- Spring and fall sports will be opening up soon.

Council President Ciulla

- The Planning Board will be discussing the Master Plan at their June 20th meeting.
- Volunteers needed for EDC.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Krenzel opened the floor for Public Comment.

Richard Byrne, 11 Bissett Place, Mr. Byrne discusses the recent Green Fair. Mr. Byrne also speaks on the violation notice from the NJDEP and discussions ensue. Mayor Krenzel speaks on the copper testing and BA Londensky makes a statement regarding this matter.

Dan Kennelly, 16 Alexander Court, speaks on the ongoing water issue and the violation notice. Mr. Kennelly speaks on the water meters and BA Londensky makes a comment. CFO Zanga comments on the water meters. Discussions ensue regarding water meter fluctuation and how to notify the residents. Discussions ensue regarding the May 31st deadline. Mayor Krenzel questions if the notice is required to be put on the website and BA Londensky answers.

Jonathan and Patricia Dewees, 6 Monush Street, speak on the ongoing water issue and suggest focusing on the streets that have this issue and BA Londensky speaks on their ongoing problem with their water. Discussions ensue regarding the water lines. Mayor Krenzel makes a comment.

Dora Dagoitino, 46 Wilson Avenue, Ms. Dagoitino would like the residents to be kept aware of the issues that are going on. Discussions ensue regarding the brown water on Wilson Avenue.

Joseph Donato, 30 Daley Street, Mr. Donato speaks on the ongoing water problem in South River.

Council President Ciulla makes a statement regarding previous administration. Discussions ensue.

Mayor Krenzel makes a comment regarding the idea of the Water Sewer Utility.

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Joseph Donato, 30 Daley Street, Mr. Donato addresses the comments from Council President Ciulla.

Emily Grasso, 13 Darrow Street, Ms. Darrow states the only time she has yellow water is when they perform the hydrant flushing. Ms. Grasso speaks on possibly raising the taxes in South River to help with fixing the water issue. Ms. Grasso asks what the process is in relining the water pipes and BA Londensky answers. Mayor Krenzel makes a comment regarding the water utility.

Salvatore Cuccio, 104 Old Bridge Turnpike, Mr. Cuccio questions if grants have been applied for and BA Londensky answers. Mr. Cuccio speaks on the ongoing water issue that he has experienced on OBT. Mayor Krenzel states South River has applied for multiple grants. Discussions ensue regarding speaking with the County about this ongoing issue. Mr. Cuccio would like an explanation from Council President Ciulla regarding the prior administration and discussions ensue. Mayor Krenzel makes a statement.

Shawn Hausserman, 211 Willett Avenue, Mr. Hausserman makes a comment regarding Spotswood working on this same project that Mr. Koch worked on. Mr. Hausserman questions where the violation notice is located on the borough website. Mr. Hausserman would like to know how much has been appropriated to clean and line the bad pipes and CFO Zanga answers. Mr. Hausserman questions how much that money will be used for the cleaning and lining and CFO Zanga answers. More discussions ensue regarding the water rates and the water meters. Mr. Hausserman speaks on the ongoing water issue. BA Londensky speaks on where the violation notice is located on the borough website.

Being that no one else came forward for public comment, Mayor Krenzel requested motion to close. Council President Ciulla motioned to close; seconded by Councilwoman Balazs. All in Favor.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

- Environmental/Shade Tree Commission Advisory Board – Ann Marie Briscese
Shari White

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS 2023-173 TO 2023-193

"Whereas Resolution 2023-01 authorizes the Borough Council to utilize a Consent Agenda to adopt various resolutions of a routine and noncontroversial nature at one time. Now Therefore, Be It and It is Hereby Resolved that the below listed resolutions are hereby adopted by the Borough Council in whole as if the same were individually acted upon".

The Borough Clerk read the resolution titles on the consent agenda.

RESOLUTION 2023-173 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2023 SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River is in need of certain officials and employees to administer, manage, and perform the day to day operations at the Borough of South River; and

WHEREAS, these officials and employees shall be compensated for the performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, the compensation proposed for the incumbency in the following office and positions shall fall within the salary range approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has attempted to break down the title by operating unit for the sole purpose of indicating which office and position typically work together and not for the purpose of determining which title belongs to which unit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the official and employee listed is to be paid annual salary

effective from January 1, through December 31, for the following years subject to appropriation of funds for the said years:

DEPARTMENT/TITLE

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Webmaster-AD \$5,100.00/yr
Clerical – P/T – JH \$30.00/hr

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
Director of Public Works - AS	\$104,470.00	\$107,343.00	\$110,295.00	\$113,604.00

DEPARTMENT OF AGING

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
Executive Assistant to Chief of Police - DN	\$55,682.00	\$57,213.00	\$58,787.00	\$60,550.00

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<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on May 22, 2023

Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-174

RESOLUTION REJECTING THE BIDS FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT CHLORINATION SYSTEM UPGRADES PROJECT

WHEREAS the governing body of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, had previously authorized and directed the Borough Clerk to advertise for receipt of sealed bids for Water Treatment Plant Chlorination System Upgrades Project in accordance with specifications approved and filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk; and

WHEREAS, four bids were received on April 24, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the governing body reserved the right to reject any and all bids; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has decided to reject the bids as they exceed the allowable funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex, the State of New Jersey, that the bids received for the Water Treatment Plant Chlorination System Upgrades Project are hereby rejected.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be authorized to re-advertise and re-bid the project.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-175
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT AWARD FOR WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$1,999,843.75

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, had previously authorized and directed the Borough Clerk to advertise for receipt of sealed bids for the Water Meter Replacement Project in accordance with specifications approved and filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk; and

WHEREAS, said bids were received on April 25, 2023 and opened and read aloud in public and an examination thereof shows that Core & Main LP was the apparent low bidder thereon with a bid of \$1,999,843.75; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has noted that the bid of the apparent low bidder contained no material departures from the bidding documents; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in accounts W-07-03-036-101, and W-07-03-036-102.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex, the State of New Jersey, that the above recited bid be and the same is hereby accepted and the appropriate officials are authorized to sign a contract with Core & Main LP, when all required bid documents are received.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate officers of the Borough be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute all instruments necessary to complete the above stated transaction.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			

<i>Councilman Ciulla</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			

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Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2023-176
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION FOR NJDOT 2024 TRUST FUND APPLICATION
FOR VARIOUS ROADS BY CME ASSOCIATES**

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that CME Associates is authorized to prepare the NJDOT 2024 Trust Fund Application for Various Roads, as outlined in the Borough Engineer's letter dated May 3, 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$2,554.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that funds in the amount of \$2,554.00 are available in the 2023 municipal budget under budget code 3-01-20-165-205.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2023-177
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION FOR NJDOT TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND 2023-LOCAL**

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TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPLICATION BY CME ASSOCIATES

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that CME Associates is authorized to prepare the NJDOT Transportation Trust Fund 2023 Local Transportation Project Application for Various Improvements to Bikeway, Pedestrian Safety, and Roadway Safety, as outlined in the Borough Engineer's letter dated April 24, 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$2,554.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that funds in the amount of \$2,554.00 are available in the 2023 municipal budget under budget code 3-01-20-165-205.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-178

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY APPROVING ELECTRIC DEMAND CHARGE RELIEF FOR NOT-FOR- PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER AND SOUTH RIVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River is desirous of providing electric demand charge relief for not-for-profit organizations residing within the Borough of South River and South River Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code of the Borough of South River Chapter 155 entitled "Fees" Section 155-11, Chapter 147, Electrical Connections as amended by Ordinance 2017-4 on March 27, 2017 by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that it is in the public interest to approve electric demand charge relief for the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the electric consumption demand charges for the following not-for-profit organizations, institutions and South River Public Schools are hereby waived for the period July 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023:

<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Organization</u>
999-960-741	Jewish Federation
999-984-820	Byelorussian Community Center
999-884-049	Universal Church
999-001-613	Garden State Christian Church
999-947-992	St. Mary's Church
999-948-025	St. Mary's CYO
999-948-014	St. Mary's School
999-001-223	St. Mary's Community Center
999-001-224	St. Mary's Community Center
999-969-915	Sts. Peter & Paul Church
999-966-109	Corpus Christi Church
999-946-122	Union Baptist Church
999-907-446	Church Jesus Christ Is Lord
999-968-100	Imperial Music Center
999-931-503	Tabernacle Baptist Church
999-973-303	Holy Trinity Episcopal
999-931-382	Conklin Methodist
999-994-181	SR Portuguese Club
999-889-681	Redentor Presbyterian Church
999-962-160	22 David St.
999-904-696	22 David St.
999-852-523	15 Montgomery St.
999-962-149	Elem/Middle
999-005-926	Iglesia Jesucristo Es El Senor
999-007-249	Legacy Church

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and/or Borough Administrator, are hereby authorized to execute and/or amend, modify or make such necessary changes to the electric demand charges and any other agreements or documents necessary to effectuate this resolution.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-179

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REQUISITION OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT TO THE CUSTODIAN OF THE SCHOOL MONIES

WHEREAS, pursuant to the applicable Statutes of the State of New Jersey, the Local School District is required to requisition funds for Operating Expense and Debt Service Expense from the Borough; and

WHEREAS, a requisition dated April 27, 2023 has been received from the Local School District for the following amount:

CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSE:	\$1,451,940.00
RESTORED FUNDS:	0.00
DEBT SERVICE EXPENSE:	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,451,940.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw the above stated amount from the proper accounts and pay to the Custodian of the School Monies the amount so drawn pursuant to the applicable Statutes of the State of New Jersey by June 7, 2023.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-180

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSED BUSINESSES BUY-BACK TRUST FEES FOR 2023 IN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, in a continued effort to aid the Borough's local restaurant and bar businesses, the Borough Council desires to waive the trust fee set forth in Borough Code § 103-7 for the year 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That trust fee required by Borough Code § 103-7 is hereby waived for the year 2023.
2. That any trust fee previously paid pursuant to Borough Code § 103-7 for the year 2023 shall be refunded.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough Clerk and Borough CFO.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-181

PROPERTY TAX REFUND

WHEREAS, the official tax records of the Borough of South River, New Jersey show certain adjustments, recessions, amendments, cancellations, corrections, refunds, and uncollectible should be made on certain accounts due to various reasons; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector recommends these changes as listed; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Borough Tax Collector be and he is authorized to make the necessary adjustments, indicated below and any attached list.

Block	Lot	Reason	Name& Address	Property Location	Amount
363.07	9	2 nd qtr payment 2023 (Dis Vet)	Steven Perez Pay to: Corelogic Attn: Tax Refunds 3001 Hackberry Rd	6 O'Brien Ave	\$1853.19

Irving TX 75063

131	14	1 st and 2 nd Qtr Payment Refund (Dis vet) 2023	William & Carla Luna Pay to: Corelogic Centralized Refunds PO Box 9202 Coppell TX 72019-9760 (Loan #1468363013)	320 Old Bridge Tpke	\$3591.01
343.03	2	1 st qtr payment Refund (Dis Vet)	Chukwunonso Orakue & Stephanie Singh 49 W Grochowiak St South River NJ 08882	49 W Grochowiak St	\$1980.04

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2023-182
BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER
MAYOR & BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A
GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE
IMPROVEMENTS TO FRANKLIN STREET, OLCHASKEY AVENUE, AND ALBOURNE STREET**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River formally approve the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as "LTPF-2023-Improvements to Franklin Street, Olchaskey Avenue, and Albourne Street - 00160" to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of South River.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of South River and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Councilwoman Balazs		X	X			
Councilman Guindi	X		X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Councilwoman Meira			X			
Councilman Oliveira			X			
Council President Ciulla			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-183
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PORTUGUESE CLUB A SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT FOR A FLAG RAISING CEREMONY TO BE HELD ON JUNE 10, 2023

WHEREAS, Portuguese Club, located at 100 John Street, South River New Jersey, has applied for a Special Events Permit for a Flag Raising Ceremony to be held at 100 John Street, South River on Saturday, June 10, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the application of the Portuguese Club for a Flag Raising Ceremony to be held at 100 John Street, South River on Saturday, June 10, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. is hereby approved contingent upon the following:

1. Alcoholic beverages can only be served from 12:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. during the Fundraiser.
2. There must be at least five (5) identifiable non-drinking members either by tag, badge, shirt, etc. assigned by the organization to provide security.
3. A one-day permit for an Annual Picnic, if necessary, will be obtained by ABC.
4. Proof of Liability Insurance provided to the Borough of South River.
5. Said event must follow all the rules, regulations of State, County, and Local Government.
6. Subject to approval by the South River Police Department and compliance with any condition included in their approval.
7. No parking in the area of the entrance and driveway of the picnic area from front to back.
8. The entrance gate to the picnic area is to remain unlocked from the start time to the finish time.
9. All agency approvals such as Code Compliance, Police, County Board of Health, and Fire Marshal. Fire Marshal to be contacted by the applicant.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman Balazs		X	X			
Councilman Guindi	X		X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			

Councilwoman Meira			X			
Councilman Oliveira					X	
Council President Ciulla			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-184

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A CAMERA SYSTEM AT THE HUMAN RESOURCES BUILDING VIA THE PEPPM COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM UNDER CONTRACT 528897-284 AND NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT T1316-A80802

WHEREAS, there exists a need to purchase and install a Camera System by the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey at The Human Resources Building; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River is a member of the PEPPM Cooperative Pricing System under contract 528897-284 and also under State Contract T1316-A80802; and

WHEREAS, Office Solution Inc. is the vendor of the Camera System under the PEPPM Cooperative Pricing System and State Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has advised that funds are available in account 3-01-44-901-216 and 3-01-26-310-211; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to the provision of *NJSA 40A:11-11(5)* in the amount of \$38,346.48 to Office Solution Inc.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that the appropriate Officials are hereby authorized to sign those documents necessary for the purchase of and install of a Camera System for Human Resources Building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said resolution is now of record and on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk and available for public inspection.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman Balazs		X	X			
Councilman Guindi	X		X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Councilwoman Meira			X			
Councilman Oliveira			X			
Council President Ciulla			X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-185
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN UTILITY REFUNDS

WHEREAS, the official utility records of the Borough of South River, New Jersey show certain refunds which include electric, water and consumer deposits (CD); and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Utility Revenue recommends that the following refunds should be made to the consumer noted herein below listed; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Collector of Utility Revenue is hereby authorized to make the following refunds and adjustments indicated below and any attached list.

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>PAYABLE TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CHECK</u>
65-999-911-208 CD	RUI & GUILD ALMEIDA 1 LYONS ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$13.18
65-999-008-095 CD	PALATIAL CONCRETE	\$44.01
65-999-008-095 ELEC CURRENT	215 EDWARDS AVE CALVERTON, NY 11933	\$90.93
65-999-004-798 CD	JAMIL COOPER NAYSIA FILS-AIME D11 RIVERVIEW DR SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$125.99
65-999-006-082 CD	LORRAINE HURTADO DEMENDOZA 9 SUMMIT RD C9A 41 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$104.35
65-999-000-538 CD	ROSA SALCEDO & FERREL GOMEZ 18 WASHINGTON ST APT 3 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$206.55
65-999-960-059 CD	VALENTINE LAPCHINE 18 YATES AVE SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$69.15
65-999-007-607 CD	LENSDIGITAL LLC	\$440.84

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65-999-008-442 CD	3 W GEORGE ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$427.63
65-999-004-109 CD	ADAN GARCIA PANTOJA KAREN SOLANO RUIZ 67 ERNSTON RD PARLIN, NJ 08859	\$79.80
65-999-007-436 CD	EDWIN LOPEZ & ISABEL SANTOS 37 MAIN ST APT 13 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$80.83
65-999-005-591 CD	GONCALO MARTINS SANTOS 196 PROSPECT ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$139.22
65-999-986-767 ELEC PREVIOUS	WILLIAM & JANET SCHMIDT 132 CHICHESTER RD MONROE, NJ 08831	\$58.74
65-999-007-432 CD	RAQUEL SEPULVEDA DBA DIVINE YONI SPA LLC 28-5A WINDING WOOD DR SAYREVILLE, NJ 08872	\$179.07

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-186
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR LEAD GRANT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, effective July 22, 2022, the Legislature enacted P.L. 2021, c. 182, "An Act concerning certain lead-based paint hazard, and residential rental property, and establishing lead-based paint hazard programs, supplementing

P.L. 2003, c. 311 (C. 52:27D-437.1 et al.) amending various parts of the statutory law, and making an appropriation;” and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.16(b)(1), a municipality that maintains a permanent local agency for the purpose of conducting inspections and enforcing laws, ordinances, and regulations concerning buildings and structures, is required to inspect for lead-based paint hazards in certain specified single-family, two-family, and multiple rental dwellings, at the time periods set forth in the statute; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.16(b)(2) a municipality that does not maintain such a permanent local agency must hire a lead evaluation contractor, certified to provide lead paint inspection services by DCA, or enter a shared services agreement as permitted by law, for the purpose of conducting the inspections for lead-based paint hazards; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 9 of P.L. 2021, c. 182, the State of New Jersey has allocated the sum of \$3,900,000 to effectuate the purposes of P.L. 2021, c. 182 (C. 52:27D-437.16). Further, pursuant to the FY 2023 Appropriations Act (P.L. 2022, Chapter 49), DCA received a grant-in-aid amount of \$3,900,000 for P.L. 2021, c. 182, for a total of \$7,800,000 in appropriations to effectuate the purpose of the Act.

WHEREAS, DCA has allocated \$7,000,000 of this appropriation to the development of the Lead Grant Assistance Program (“LGAP”) for the issuance of grant funds to municipalities for the purpose of assisting in municipal compliance with P.L. 2021, c. 182.

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS), within DCA, administers the LGAP; and

WHEREAS, the LGAP exists to provide funding to help off-set the costs to municipalities to provide the required inspections at stipulated times of certain single-family, two-family, and multiple rental dwelling units for lead-based paint hazards, pursuant to P.L. 2021, c. 182; and

WHEREAS, an authorized municipal officer must execute the attached grant agreement in order to receive LGAP funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Governing Body of, the Borough of South River_does hereby authorize Joseph Zanga, the Chief Financial Officer, to sign the attached grant agreement, and thus bind the Borough of South River to the grant agreement’s terms in order to receive the \$20,300.00 grant from the DLGS.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-187

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF ANY SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159.P.L. 1948)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provided that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any County or Municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount.

SECTION 1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of South River hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget under the caption of:

Miscellaneous Revenues

Public and Private Programs offset with appropriations:

Clean Communities Grant \$33,066.64

Recycling Enhancement Grant \$1,000.00

SECTION 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum be hereby appropriated under the caption of:

Operation: Excluded from Cap

Public and Private Programs offset by revenues

Clean Communities Grant \$33,066.64

Recycling Enhancement Grant \$1,000.00

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-188

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF EMPLOYEES AS SUMMER HELP TO
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint the following to the part-time position of summer help in the Department of Public Works at a rate of \$15.00/per hour for the period of May 30, 2023 to September 1, 2023;

Quadir Shabazz
Matthew Marchesi
Austin Soares

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on May 22, 2023

Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-189

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the May 1, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes are approved.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>					X	
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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May 22, 2023 Council Regular Meeting Minutes- APPROVED 6/12/23

Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-190
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS LIST

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that all bills, claims and statements against the Borough, in the total amount of \$1,075,607.75 and previously paid claims in the amount of \$1,944,054.01 listing attached, have been duly itemized, audited, approved and signed by the proper officers of the Borough, be and the same are hereby ordered paid.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X				X	
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>					X	

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-191
APPOINTMENT OF A FULL TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – VIOLATIONS CLERK

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the South River Court and there exists a continuing need for an Administrative Assistant – Violations Clerks; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has openly advertised for the position and has conducted extensive interviews; and

WHEREAS, Brittany Lynch has accepted the position with the Borough of South River as a full time Administrative Assistant – Violations Clerk in the South River Court; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council that Brittany Lynch be appointed as full time Administrative Assistant – Violations Clerk, effective May 23, 2023, as specified in hire rate of the Salary Guide in the United Service Worker’s Union, Local 255, IUJAT contract.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-192
RESOLUTION OF LOCAL SUPPORT FOR SUITABILITY OF CANNABIS BUSINESS TO CARLOS ERBA
d/b/a CANNA CAVIAR, LLC

WHEREAS, operators of a proposed cannabis business are required to demonstrate local support for the suitability and appropriateness of its business location from a municipality pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-5.1(g) and/or pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 24:6I-7.2(4); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 17:30-5.1, the Borough of South River has adopted Ordinance No. 2021-08 creating Chapter 120 as amended, to license and regulate cannabis businesses and Ordinance No. 2021-07 amending Chapter 350 to authorize certain marketplace classes of licensed cannabis businesses in designated zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, Carlos Erba, d/b/a Canna Caviar, LLC, has sought such a resolution of support to apply for a State license to operate a licensed Cannabis Class 2 Processor facility at the address 190 William Street; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has reviewed and considered the request of Canna Caviar, LLC to conduct the cannabis business at the location described above; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that it has authorized the type of cannabis business license being sought by the License-Applicant to operate within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined the proposed location is suitable and appropriate for the proposed activity related to the operations of the proposed cannabis business to be conducted; and

WHEREAS, to the extent the Borough has imposed a limit on the number of licensed cannabis businesses within its jurisdiction, the issuance of a license to the License-Applicant by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission would not exceed that limit as of the date of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to authorize the issuance of the resolution of local support Canna Caviar, LLC for a Class 2 Processor facility at the location proposed herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the governing body does hereby authorize the issuance of this resolution of local support for Carlos Erba, d/b/a Canna Caviar, LLC for the purposes described herein.
2. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Municipal Clerk to the applicant, Carlos Erba, d/b/a Canna Caviar, LLC and the State of New Jersey.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-193
AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF ALLAN PISCITELLI AS VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER TO RELIABLE FIRE COMPANY OF SOUTH RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT

I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Allan Piscitelli as a Member of Reliable Fire Company of the South River Fire Department of the Borough of South River effective May 23, 2023.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>	X				X	
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>					X	

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**Councilman Guindi abstained from voting on resolutions 2023-191, 2023-193, and purchase orders 23-00967, 23-00968, 23-01195, 23-01432, 23-01438, and 23-01107.

**Councilman Gurchensky abstained from voting on resolution 2023-189.

**Councilman Oliveira abstained from voting on resolution 2023-183.

**Council President Ciulla abstained from voting on resolutions 2023-193 and purchase orders 23-01438 and 23-01107.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS (For the Good and Welfare of the Borough)

Councilwoman Meira

- Thank you for appointing members to the Shade Tree Commission.
- Dori Ann came late to the meeting and can give a presentation on the Rain Garden.
- Speaks on the water issue on Monush Street. The borough needs to continue asking the County for money for help.
- Hopefully everyone comes out for Memorial Day.
- Please continue to come to the council meetings and voice your concerns.

Councilman Gurchensky

- Thank you to all our public safety officers.
- Please thank all the members who have served this Memorial Day.

Councilman Oliveira

- Apologizes for the outburst during public comment.
- Speaks on violation letter to the Borough.
- Please continue to come to the council meetings.

Council President Ciulla

- Apologizes for heated discussion during public session.
- Looking into water issues.
- Happy Memorial Day.

Councilman Guindi

- Apology for public session discussions. More transparency is needed.
- Speaks on water issue.
- Bike Rodeo will be June 3rd and the Fishing Derby will be on June 4th.
- New business in town on Jackson Street, Zeppole Guy.
- Attended the 100th Anniversary of an organization on May 13th.
- Happy Memorial Day.

Councilwoman Balazs

- Monush Street water issues.
- Memorial Day parade.
- Happy Birthday to mom!

Mayor Krenzel

- South River is moving forward, but we need to move faster regarding the water issue.
- There are other places in South River where the water is being drained, not just Monush.
- Green Fair was a great success.
- Bike Rodeo and the Memorial Day Parade will be a great chance for the town to come together.
- The next council meeting is June 12th.

Dori Ann, 24 Riva Ave-Milltown, speaks on the Rain Garden project and the benefits on the project. It is a requirement as of January 1st. Edison Township Board of Education is on board with this project and will be putting them at every school located in Edison. The Rain Gardens will improve the water quality and reduces flooding. Towns like Spotswood and South Brunswick will be installing these rain gardens. It will be a community project where everyone can help out. Councilwoman Meira speaks on the concern that the council had in regards to DPW and that question is answered. Rutgers would map out the area needed to be dug up and will educate the DPW workers. Maintenance will be kept up from the BOE.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business; Mayor Krenzel requested motion to adjourn. Council President Ciulla motioned to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Oliveira. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Guglietti

Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Borough Clerk