

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2023
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING NO. 17**

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 November 13, 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

POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER OATH OF OFFICE

Police Chief Mark Tinitigan introduced new Police Officer Jonathan Torres and Mayor Krenzel administers the Oath of Office and Mr. Torres thanks the Mayor and Council.

Virginia Street

Ronald Louque, 85 Darrow Street, congratulates everyone on the election. Mr. Louque requests to possible have Virginia Street to be renamed to the woman who passed away and offers up his services to help with the process of making Virginia Street better.

Mayor Krenzel states this topic will be brought up again during the Agenda Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION 2023-314

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ENTRANCE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 permits the exclusion of the general public from a meeting of the Governing Body under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River are of the opinion such circumstances presently exist.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey, that the public be excluded upon the hereinafter specific subject matter and that such subject matter to be so discussed is as follows:

- Litigation
- Contract Negotiations

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such record of the above discussion will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.

Adjourn to Executive Session at 7:09 pm

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			

Reconvene to Public Session at 7:43 pm

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

AGENDA SESSION

- Environmental Commission

Councilwoman Meira speaks on the membership of the Environmental Commission, specifically Junior members. Possibly to have students from private schools be able to join the commission. Councilwoman Meira speaks on the application fee to remove trees and would like to know if it is done. Councilwoman Meira also speaks on the ongoing process of filling all the seats and if the terms are up to date.

- Vacant Property Ordinance

Councilwoman Meira would like an update on the Vacant Property Ordinance and speaks on the ordinance itself. Councilwoman Meira states that we need to continue to collect the fees and to make sure the list is up to date with commercial properties also listed. Borough Attorney Wyatt makes a comment regarding what vacant pertains to. Discussions ensue regarding amending the ordinance. Business Administrator Londensky makes a comment regarding regulations being changed and to possibly hire a third party to maintain and enforce the list of vacant properties.

- Virginia Street Traffic Study

Mayor Krenzel requests any comments regarding the study. Mayor Krenzel would like the recommendations to be put into place.

ORDINANCE-- FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2023-28 by title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 –28

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 258 ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex,

and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 258 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Property Maintenance," is hereby amended and supplemented so as to create Article VIII entitled, "Privately-Owned Salt Storage," so as to read entirely as follows:

Article VIII -Privately-Owned Salt Storage.

§ 258-35 Purpose.

The purpose of this ordinance is to prevent stored salt and other solid de-icing materials from being exposed to stormwater. This ordinance establishes requirements for the storage of salt and other solid de-icing materials on properties not owned or operated by the municipality (privately-owned)* in the Borough of South River protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

§ 258-36 Definitions.

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- A. "De-icing materials" means any granular or solid material such as melting salt or any other granular solid that assists in the melting of snow.
- B. "Impervious surface" means a surface that has been covered with a layer of material so that it is highly resistant to infiltration by water.
- C. "Storm drain inlet" means the point of entry into the storm sewer system.

- D. "Permanent structure" means a permanent building or permanent structure that is anchored to a permanent foundation with an impermeable floor, and that is completely roofed and walled (new structures require a door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall).

A fabric frame structure is a permanent structure if it meets the following specifications:

1. Concrete blocks, jersey barriers or other similar material shall be placed around the interior of the structure to protect the side walls during loading and unloading of de-icing materials;
2. The design shall prevent stormwater run-on and run through, and the fabric cannot leak;
3. The structure shall be erected on an impermeable slab;
4. The structure cannot be open sided; and
5. The structure shall have a roll up door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall.

- E. "Person" means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.

§ 258-37 Deicing Material Storage Requirements.

- A. Temporary outdoor storage of de-icing materials in accordance with the requirements below is allowed between October 15th and April 15th, but no longer than 30 days without prior written approval from the Department:

1. Materials shall be placed on a flat, impervious surface in a manner that prevents stormwater run-through;
2. Materials shall be placed at least 50 feet from surface water bodies, storm drain inlets, and/or ditches or other stormwater conveyance channels;
3. Materials shall be formed in a cone-shaped storage pile;
4. All storage piles shall be covered as follows:
 - a. The cover shall be waterproof, impermeable, and flexible;

- b. The cover shall extend to the base of the pile(s);
- c. The cover shall be free from holes or tears;
- d. The cover shall be secured and weighed down around the perimeter to prevent removal by wind;
- e. Weight shall be placed on the cover(s) in such a way that minimizes the potential of exposure as materials shift and runoff flows down to the base of the pile.

(1) Sandbags lashed together with rope or cable and placed uniformly over the flexible cover, or poly-cord nets provide a suitable method. Items that can potentially hold water (e.g., old tires) shall not be used.

5. The site shall be free of all de-icing materials between April 16th and October 14th.

- B. De-icing materials should be stored in a permanent structure if a suitable storage structure is available. For storage of solid deicing materials in a permanent structure, such storage may be permanent, and thus not restricted to October 15 - April 15.
- C. The property owner shall designate a person(s) responsible for operations at the site where these materials are stored, and who shall document that weekly inspections are conducted to ensure that the conditions of this ordinance are met.

§ 258-38 Exemptions.

This ordinance does not apply to facilities where the stormwater discharges from salt storage activities are regulated under another NJPDES permit.

§ 258-39 Enforcement.

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Borough of South River Police Department and/or the Borough Code Enforcement Officer during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

§ 258-40 Violations and Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall have 72 hours to complete corrective action. Repeat violations and/or failure to complete corrective action shall be punishable as provided in Chapter 1, Article I, General Penalty.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by 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 November 13th, 2023, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 4th day of December, 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 11-13-23

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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<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			

ALYSSA HAGER, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK

The Borough Clerk reads Ordinance 2023-29 by title only.

ORDINANCE 2023-29

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO CREATE CHAPTER 261 WHICH SHALL BE ENTITLED "REDEVELOPMENT"

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

SECTION 1. The Borough Code of the Borough of South River is hereby amended and supplemented so as to create Chapter 261 which shall be entitled "Redevelopment," and which shall read as follows:

§ 261-1 Establishment.

The Governing Body of the Borough of South River is hereby established as the Borough of South River Redevelopment Entity, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-4.

§ 261-2 Redevelopment Areas.

Redevelopment Areas have been designated by the Mayor and Borough Council and are subject to the specific redevelopment regulations as adopted by the Borough Council for the particular redevelopment area. These specific regulations set forth in the applicable Redevelopment Plans take precedence over the underlying zoning district regulations and are only available to redevelopers. The regulations for each redevelopment area may be obtained from the Borough Clerk.

§ 261-3 Fees.

A. The following fees shall be established by the Borough Council for review of proposals by parties seeking to be recognized as a designated redeveloper for any property located within a duly designated redevelopment area, for Redevelopment Agency/Entity review of preliminary concept proposals, and/or for re-examination of any Borough Redevelopment Plan that may be adopted or amended in furtherance of a related redevelopment proposal. Said fee shall be nonrefundable and shall be used solely for purposes of processing said application or review. It shall include all work done in connection with said application or review other than those fees charged for professional services. The escrow fee charged for review shall be used exclusively for professional reviews by the "architects, engineers, planners and/or attorneys"

employed by the municipality. Said escrow fees shall be so segregated for each application so that the fee to be paid shall be utilized only for the particular project. In the event any of the escrow remains unused at the conclusion of the application, said amount that is not utilized shall be returned to the applicant upon written request. If the escrow fee charged is insufficient so as to cover the professional fees applicable to that particular project, then that applicant shall be required to pay all deficiencies within his or her individual account. When it has been determined that an escrow account has been depleted by two-thirds of the original fee, same shall be replenished by an additional one-third of the original escrow fee.

B. The following fees shall be established for review by the Borough Council for projects within a duly designated redevelopment area.

1. Application Fee. \$5,000.00

2. Redeveloper Fee. Upon execution of a developer agreement, developers will make a nonrefundable payment of 1% of the total estimated assessed value of the project, up to a maximum of \$100,000 to the Borough at the time agreements are signed. These funds will be applied to economic development programs and other business attraction projects.

C. Escrow fee. Upon conditional designation, the developer shall execute an escrow agreement posting an escrow in an initial amount, subject to replenishment if and as necessary, according to the following schedule:

1. \$5,000.00 for projects with a total estimated project cost less of than \$3,000,000;
2. \$10,000.00 for projects with a total estimated project cost of greater than \$3,000,000 and less than \$10,000,000; and
3. \$15,000.00 for projects with a total estimated project cost of greater than \$10,000,000.

D. Any escrow fees remaining on account after the conclusion of review by the Borough's redevelopment agency may be utilized for purposes of escrow deposits for applications before the Borough Planning Board or returned to the applicant at the applicant's option. All such escrow fees shall be maintained in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

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Introduced 11-13-23

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 HAGER, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2023-30 by title only.

ORDINANCE 2023-30

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 155, ENTITLED "FEES"

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

SECTION 1. The Borough Code of the Borough of South River is hereby amended and supplemented so as to amend Chapter 155 entitled "Fees," so as to create a new section **§ 155-19.2**, which shall be entitled "Chapter 261 Redevelopment" and which shall read as follows:

§ 155-19.2 Redevelopment.

A. The fee for a Redeveloper application shall be \$5,000.00

B. Upon execution of a developer agreement, redevelopers will make a nonrefundable payment of 1% of the total estimated assessed value of the project, up to a maximum of \$100,000.

C. Escrow fee for professional review of redevelopment projects shall be as follows:

1. \$5,000.00 for projects with a total estimated project cost less of than \$3,000,000;
2. \$10,000.00 for projects with a total estimated project cost of greater than \$3,000,000 and less than \$10,000,000; and
3. \$15,000.00 for projects with a total estimated project cost of greater than \$10,000,000.

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Introduced 11-13-23

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

ALYSSA HAGER, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK

DEPARTMENTAL/PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Engineers Report

- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Aid Program**
 - The borough received a \$681,405.00 grant Leonardine Ave. from the OBT to Grand Ave., Prentice Ave. from Willett Ave. to Sheldon Ave. & Beryl St. from Cleaveland Ave. to Wilcox Ave. We are working on the project design.
- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Transportation Projects Grant**
 - We applied for Albourne Street from Ferris Street to Seppi Avenue, Franklin Street from Wilson Avenue to Pulawski Avenue and Olchaskey Avenue from Kamm Avenue to Prentice Avenue.
- **NJDOT FY 2024 Local Aid Program**
 - The NJDOT has awarded the Borough a grant in the amount of \$606,980.00 for the Improvements to Darrow Street from Virginia Street to Bright Street, Dailey Street from Ferris Street to John Street and John Street from Colfax Street to George Street. We are submitting a proposal to our professional services associated with same.
- **2023 Electrical Substation Maintenance**
 - We sent the contracts to the contractor for execution. Once we receive them we will schedule a Pre-Construction meeting.
- **NJDEP Stormwater Assistance Grant Application**
 - Our survey department is working on this year's portion of the project.

- **NJDOT FY 2024 Local Transportation Projects Grant**
 - According to the NJDOT SAGE site, applications are being accepted for the above project. Applications must be submitted by June 30, 2024.

Councilwoman Meira would like an update on Fitz Park handicap ramps and Mr. Koch answers. Councilwoman Meira would like another update on the drainage issue at Fitz Park and Mr. Koch answers.

Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga

- Resolutions 2023-315, 2023-316, 2023-319, and 2023-321.

Fire Chief Scott Wolf

- The Fire Department will be helping for Thanksgiving at Sts. Peter and Paul with the Ladies Auxiliary.
- Santa Claus Sunday will be the Sunday before Christmas. Gifts will be collected the weekend prior.
- The Grinch will be making his appearance with help from the Police Department.

Councilwoman Meira follows up on the fire on Herman Street and Mr. Wolf answers that it is still under investigation.

DPW Director Adriano Soares

- Office will be closed for Thanksgiving holiday, 11/23 and 11/24.
- No bulk pick up on Friday, November 24th. If your garbage normally gets picked up on Thursday, it will be collected on Wednesday.

Councilwoman Meira would like to know why some equipment at Fitz Park was taped off and CFO Zanga answers. Councilwoman Meira would like to know if there are pick up dates for leaves for when residents put the bags on the side of the street and Mr. Soares answers.

Police Chief Mark Tinitigan

- The Police Department is still looking for a part-time Crossing Guard.
- On November 1st, the Police Department went through an assessment for re-accreditation.
- There will be someone wearing the Grinch costume.

Councilwoman Meira would like a status on the Whitehead Traffic Study and the Police Chief answers.

Borough Clerk

- No report.

Mayor Krenzel makes a comment regarding the election and thanks everyone who helped.

Borough Attorney

- No report

Business Administrator

- Resolutions 2023-318, 2023-320, 2023-322, and speaks on the DEP to put in the application for chemical changes.

Councilwoman Meira wants a status update on the recodification and Borough Attorney Wyatt answers.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Councilman Guindi

- No report

Councilwoman Balazs

- South River Food Bank is doing their Holiday food drive. Anything that anyone would need to make their own holiday meal or have food delivered. They are accepting donations at 98 Jackson Street and the South River Public Library located at 55 Appleby Avenue. The Food Bank hours are 10 am-12 pm every Wednesday and the first two Saturdays of the month. Please call 732-238-3020.

Councilman Gurchensky

- The OOA will be closed tomorrow at 2:30 and for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- The Monthly Mingle is going to be this Friday. It is a prepaid event. Call the office for any space available.
- The OOA is having a Fix Up Winter Prep Program for Seniors. The application is at the office.
- The Christmas Mingle will be at the Ria Mar on 12/6. It is \$15 and the signup is from 11/2-11/22.
- There will be a Tacky Christmas Tree Decoration on 11/30 at the OOA.

Councilwoman Meira

- Had the last meeting with The Environmental Commission.
- The Library had their book sale last week and they have a lot of events coming up for the end of the year.

Councilman Oliveira

- Tree Lighting will be held at 12/1 at Daley's Pond. There will be a big surprise.
- Wrestling and basketball signups are open for registration at 55 Reid Street.

Council President Ciulla

- Summit Firehouse is holding sales on 11/13, 11/15, 11/17, 11/20, 11/22, and 11/24. Checks are accepted and on Saturday from 11 am to 1 pm for sales.
- The Fire Department are looking for Junior Cadets and Firefighters. Applications are available. Email kherzig@southriverfire.org or call 732-735-5120. Cadets are 14/15 years of age, Junior Members 16/17 years of age, and if you are 18 years old you can join as a member. Please call the station 732-257-9217.

Mayor Krenzel

- No report

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Krenzel opened the floor for Public Comment.

Richard Byrne, 11 Bissett Place, the Environmental Commission has planted 8 trees, paid for by the Tree Replacement Fund, which makes a total of 10 trees. Mr. Byrne speaks on the \$25 application fee and discussions ensue regarding this topic. Mr. Byrne thanks Emily Grasso for taking the lead on the Tree Planting project.

Emily Grasso, 13 Darrow Street, speaks on the \$25 application fee. Ms. Grasso thanks the DPW Director for keeping 3 of the new trees watered. Ms. Grasso also thanks Councilwoman Meira as the Liaison of the Environmental Commission. Ms. Grasso also extends her gratitude to Adam Dehanes for his help with the Free Cycle event. There were 50 residents that participated. Ms. Grasso went to the New Jersey Tree Federation Conference and obtained a lot of helpful tips and information.

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

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

- None

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS 2023-315 TO 2023-331

"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 2023-315

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT FROM ELITE VEHICLE SOLUTIONS VIA STATE CONTRACT #17-FLEET-00749 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,642.10 FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, there exists a need to purchase Various Equipment and Mobile Data Terminal for the Borough of South River Police Department in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, there exists a State Contract with a registered vendor known as Elite Vehicle Solutions, under vendor contract #17-FLEET-00749 through which contract municipalities are authorized by law to acquire same without meeting the requirements of the public bidding laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is the governing body's desire to purchase Various Equipment from Elite Vehicle Solutions via the said State Contract authorized vendor in the amount of \$21,642.10; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has advised that funds are available for the purchase of tasers in Account C-06-22-009-101; 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 execute the appropriate documents in order to acquire the Various Equipment from the above referenced vendor.

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
<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	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 November 13, 2023

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-316
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF DENTAL COVERAGE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the coverage for the dental plan with Horizon ends on December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River wishes to renew the agreement with the aforesaid vendor.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that the funds will be provided in 2024 municipal budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the Borough Administrator is authorized to renew the agreement for dental coverage with Horizon for the period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024.

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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-317
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICER JONATHAN TORRES TO THE
BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River Police Department interviewed candidates for the opening of a Police Officer position; and

WHEREAS, the South River Police Chief, Mark Tinitigan, recommends Jonathan Torres for said Police Officer position pending successful completion of a comprehensive medical and psychological exams as well as the mandatory substance abuse test; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River Mayor and Council desire to appoint Jonathan Torres as a Borough of South River Police Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough of South River Mayor and Council, do hereby authorize the appointment of Jonathan Torres as Police Officer of the Borough of South River Police Department to be paid an annum salary pursuant to the South River Police Department current contract and the effective start date is November 6, 2023.

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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-318
RESOLUTION DECLARING EMERGENCY REPAIR FOR TILE YARD PUMP STATION AND AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PUMPING SERVICES, INC.

WHEREAS, the Borough's Sewer Operator has declared an emergency repair necessary to the Tile Yard Pump Station; and

WHEREAS, it was determined by Resolution 2023-60 that the pumps at the Tile Yard Pump Station failed and were in need of replacement. When preparing to install the pumps, the vendor discovered the electrical equipment was damaged and in need of repair, requiring immediate attention; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 the governing body hereby determines that such an emergent condition affects the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Borough as described above and such circumstances and substantial expense could not have reasonably been foreseen; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate municipal officials have obtained an estimate from Pumping Services, Inc. for the cost to replace the electrical equipment at the Tile Yard Pump Station in order to relieve this emergency situation and provide essential services to borough residents; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in account 3-01-31-455-213; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the award of a contract to Pumping Services, Inc. for \$21,558.00 and is hereby ratified since bid submissions for such replacements could not and cannot be effectuated due to the circumstances recited above and the appropriate officials of the Borough are hereby authorized make payment to Pumping Services, Inc. for said replacement.

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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-319
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PARKING
METERS FROM NOVEMBER 23, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 25, 2023

WHEREAS, in support of the downtown businesses during the 2023 holiday season and in an effort to help attract shoppers, the governing body of the Borough of South River would like to temporarily suspend the requirement to pay parking meter fees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey, that any requirement to pay parking meter fees shall hereby be suspended from Thursday, November 23, 2023, through Monday, December 25, 2023, with all meters to be bagged or otherwise covered during this period of time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that parking enforcement shall begin on Tuesday, December 26, 2023.

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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-320

**RESOLUTION OF LOCAL SUPPORT FOR SUITABILITY OF CANNABIS BUSINESS TO CEDAR
FAIRMONT HEALTH CULTIVATORS**

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, Cedar Fairmont Health Cultivators, has submitted Borough license to operate a licensed Cannabis Class 2 Manufacturer license facility at the address 141-143 Russell Ave, Area 2, South River, NJ 08882, Block 305 Lots 3 and 4; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, Cedar Fairmont Health Cultivators, was approved by the South River Zoning Board of Adjustment by a unanimous vote on April 25, 2023, such vote will be memorialized in a resolution on May 23, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has approved the application of Cedar Fairmont Health Cultivators to convert its conditional license to an annual license; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to authorize the issuance of the Borough of South River Class 2 Manufacturer license to Cedar Fairmont Health Cultivators for the 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 the Borough of South River Class 2 Manufacturer license to Cedar Fairmont Health Cultivators for the facility at the location proposed herein.
2. That the Clerk is directed to provide the annual license to Cedar Fairmont Health Cultivators for the location.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Municipal Clerk to the applicant, Cedar Fairmont Health Cultivators 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			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2023-321
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE PURCHASE OF A ROLL OFF TRUCK IN THE**

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AMOUNT OF \$246,000.00

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 purchase of a Roll Off Truck in accordance with specifications approved and filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk; and

WHEREAS, said bids were received on November 1, 2023 and opened and read aloud in public and an examination thereof shows that Cambria Automotive Companies, Inc. was the apparent low bidder thereon with a bid of \$246,000.00; 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 C-06-22-022-101; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River previously authorized the purchase of a Roll Off Truck on Resolution 2023-205, but due to the vendor's inability to complete the purchase, the Borough is rescinding the authorization.

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 Cambria Automotive Companies, Inc., 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 Guindi</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2023-322
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby make the following appointment:

Daniel Celidonio – Acting Building Subcode Official- \$35 per hour effective 11/14/23

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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-323

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF 2023-2024 WINTER RECREATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

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 positions for the 2023-2024 Winter Recreation Department Employees effective as of December 1, 2023.

Employees: Basketball

Eric Clays (First Aid/Supervisor/Score Keeper)	\$30.00/game
Darren Barberio (Referee)	\$15.00/game
Amiya Osbourne (Referee)	\$15.00/game

Referees: Basketball

Gregory Patton	\$40.00/game
Ralph Johnson	\$40.00/game
Lee Cadel	\$40.00/game
Dennis Lupo	\$40.00/game

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			

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

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RESOLUTION 2023-324
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF CULTURAL ARTS AND HERITAGE MEMBERS

I, John M. Krenzel, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as members of the Cultural Arts and Heritage Commission:

Randy Lundi, Term: 11/13/2023 – 12/31/2025
Peter Barna, Term: 11/13/2023- 12/31/2025

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<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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-325
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT TO THE MEXICAN COMMITTEE FOR DIA DE LOS MUERTOS EVENT TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2023

WHEREAS, the Mexican Committee, located at 79 Darrow Street, South River New Jersey, has applied for a Special Events Permit for a Dia de los Muertos event to be held at 40 Thomas Street, South River on Saturday, October 28, 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 Mexican Committee for a Dia de los Muertos event to be held at 40 Thomas Street, South River on Saturday, October 28, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. is hereby approved contingent upon the following:

1. There must be at least five (5) identifiable non-drinking members either by tag, badge, shirt, etc. assigned by the organization to provide security.
2. Proof of Liability Insurance provided to the Borough of South River.
3. Said event must follow all the rules, regulations of State, County, and Local Government.
4. Subject to approval by the South River Police Department and compliance with any condition included in their approval.
5. No parking in the area of the entrance and driveway of the picnic area from front to back.
6. Entrance gate to the picnic area is to remain unlocked from the start time to the finish time.
7. 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
<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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-326
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>
66-999-976-910 WATER CURRENT	IDEAL TITLE	\$2812.49

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	7717 VICTORY LANE, SUITE B NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OH 44039	
66-999-919-237 WATER PREVIOUS	INTACT TITLE 314 NELSON AVE STATEN ISLAND, NY 10308	\$69.04
65-999-904-091 ELEC CURRENT	ARNOLDO FERNANDES 123 CAUSEWAY SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$159.11
65-999-001-034 ELEC CURRENT	MARIA CLARA FERNANDES 144 TAYLORS MILLS RD MANALAPAN, NJ 07726	\$823.38
65-999-997-206 CD	DOLORES GRAMANZINI 336 RUSTIC ACRES LN BRODHEADSVILLE, PA 18322	\$182.05
66-999-984-016 WATER PREVIOUS	PRIMITIVO I & LISA M GUZMAN	\$871.84
65-999-976-559 ELEC CURRENT	60 GLENDALE AVE EDISON, NJ 08817	\$142.98
65-999-930-029 CD	VYTAS KRASAUSKAS	\$119.61
65-999-930-029 ELEC CURRENT	43 MAIN ST APT 3 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$28.45
65-999-008-986 CD	JEAN PAUL ROMO LEROUX 44 WILLIAM ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$49.77
65-999-966-670 ELEC CURRENT	CHARLES PRYOR 919 WINDSAIL CT GARDEN CITY BEACH, SC 29576	\$15.58
65-999-006-467 CD	LIDIA & DYANN ROMERO 6 TREEMAN DR UNIT 306 HILLSBOROUGH, NJ 08844	\$100.78

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			

Councilman Oliveira		X	X			
Council President Ciulla			X			

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RESOLUTION 2023-327
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROPERTY TAX REFUND

WHEREAS, the following property listed below applied for tax exempt status under the provisions for a total disabled veteran status in accordance with N.J.S.A 54:4-3et seq, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor reviewed and approved the application for the remainder of the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year for Jarrod Isaac-Wright, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is recommending a partial refund taxes for the 2nd quarter 2023 (based on the date of application) and the 3rd and 4th quarter 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector refund partial taxes for the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th quarters of 2023 in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
355	1.09	Jarrod Isaac-Wright 20 Congress Lane South River NJ 08882	\$8014.31 – Refund (partial 2 nd , 3 rd , & 4 th qtrs. 2023)

Pay to: Corelogic Centralized Refunds
PO Box 9202
Coppel TX 75019-9760

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

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RESOLUTION 2023-328
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 October 23, 2023, Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes are approved.

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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-329
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 \$635,852.98 and previously paid claims in the amount of \$2,415,855.17 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			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>					X	

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RESOLUTION 2023-330

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMISSION TO THE SOUTH RIVER HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB TO CONDUCT A VOLUNTARY CANNING FUNDRAISER

WHEREAS, the South River High School Booster Club has requested permission to conduct a voluntary Canning fundraiser to support athletes at the intersections of Prospect Street and Old Bridge Turnpike on Saturday, November 25, 2023, and Sunday November 26, 2023, with a rain date of Saturday December 2, 2023 and Sunday December 3, 2023, Saturday December 16, 2023 and Sunday December 17, 2023, with a rain date of Saturday December 23, 2023 from 9:30 am to 2 pm; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the South River High School Booster Club has permission to conduct a voluntary Canning fundraiser at the intersections of Prospect Street and Old Bridge Turnpike on Saturday, November 25, 2023, and Sunday November 26, 2023, with a rain date of Saturday December 2, 2023 and Sunday December 3, 2023, Saturday December 16, 2023 and Sunday December 17, 2023, with a rain date of Saturday December 23, 2023 from 9:30 am to 2 pm subject to the following:

1. That the individuals conducting the Canning fundraiser shall wear a reflective safety vest while coin tossing.
2. That there will be no interference with the flow of traffic on the roadway.
3. All fundraising shall be conducted by individuals having attained at least the age of eighteen (18) years.

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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2023-331
RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

I, John Krenzel, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Sylvia Garcia to the position of Code Enforcement Officer of the Borough of South River, at a salary of \$40,000.00 per year, effective November 14, 2023.

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	X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

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**Councilman Guindi abstained from voting on Resolution 2023-328.

**Council President Ciulla abstained from voting on Resolution 2023-329.

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

Councilwoman Meira

- Both Primary and Elementary Schools have half days all week. The Middle and High School have full days, and everyone has a half day on Friday.
- The Portuguese Club will be sponsoring and hosting a spaghetti dinner for the Rec Cheerleaders. It will be on Saturday, November 18 from 4 pm to 7 pm. Pre-sale tickets are \$8 and tickets at the door at \$10.
- South River went from having 2 teams last year to now having 5 teams for cheerleading. The program is expanding and has a great group of kids. The season will be starting in January.
- Congrats to the new police officer.
- Happy Veterans Day, thank you to Councilman Gurchensky for all you do.
- Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Gurchensky

- Thank you to all our public safety officers.
- It is getting darker outside, please be careful.
- Happy Thanksgiving.
- Thank you to all who came out for Veterans Day.

Councilman Oliveira

- Great job for all candidates who ran in the election.
- The Tree Lighting will be on December 1st.
- Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Guindi

- Thanks everyone that came out to support Councilman Gurchensky, Hank Dziemian, and himself during the election. Also extends gratitude towards Shawn Haussermann, Joseph Donato, and Councilwoman Meira on their efforts during the election.
- Congratulation to the new Police Officer.
- Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilwoman Balazs

- Congrats to the new Police Officer.
- Extends condolences to the recent passing teacher in South River.
- Happy Thanksgiving.

Council President Ciulla

- Congrats to the new Police Officer.
- Happy Birthday to our Borough Attorney, Andrea Wyatt.
- Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Krenzel

- Reads a quote from Theodore Roosevelt. Congrats to the winners for the election and condolences to those who lost.
- Congrats to the new police officer.
- Veterans Day was a great chance for South River to come together, it was a nice ceremony.
- Happy Thanksgiving.
- The day before Thanksgiving, there will be a service at 7 pm at the Reformed Church on Thomas Street.
- Tree Lighting on 12/1 at Daleys Pond.
- Mayor Krenzel speaks on the being Mayor during Hurricane Sandy, COVID, and the water.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business; Mayor Krenzel requested motion to adjourn. Councilman Guindi motioned to adjourn; seconded by Councilwoman Balazs. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Guglietti

Alyssa Guglietti, RMC
Borough Clerk