

Borough Solicitor conducted a hearing for an abandoned and unsafe property located at 913 Elm. He provided the history of the property including the difficulty in serving the owners of violation. Property has been foreclosed and is now owned by Ditect Financial. The original owner was in the process of obtaining quotes for remediation or demolition. The Borough Solicitor swore in the Construction Official regarding his inspections of this property. The Construction Official reported his findings from his inspections and the list of violations and safety issues. He recommends demolition. Councilman Strippoli questioned the location of the property which is behind Linden Town. Council voted to accept recommendation for demolition and a lien to be placed on the property. The Construction Official updated Council regarding other properties in Lindenwold. The property formerly known as Fairway Pharmacy has applied for permits and is moving forward. The Repair Shop on Laurel Road has removed the proposed second floor. Property on West Park was demo by the bank and the environmental study has been completed on two properties, one on the White Horse Pike and one on Linden, with specifications to be prepared for bids for demolition. He estimates that the former cleaners on the White Horse Pike will cost approximately \$100,000. Mayor asked if a lien will then be placed on the property which the Official confirmed. The Construction Official is hoping to complete three demolition projects for unsafe structures this year.

Executive Session 2018:90

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold that the Mayor and Council are now going into closed session to discuss legal matters, Personnel-Court, Budget meeting, Heathers Waiver, Sewer Fees Motion was made by Councilman Strippoli, second by Councilman DiDomenico that Resolution 2018:90 be adopted as read. Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Strippoli to go out of executive session. Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Sunshine Law - Notice of this meeting has been duly advertised in compliance with the provisions of the open public meetings law. Please be advised that this meeting will be audio and video recorded for possible later playback.

Flag Salute

Roll Call of Council Members Present: DiDomenico, Hess, Jackson, Sinon, Strippoli, President Randolph-Sharpe, and Mayor Roach

8. The following reports have been filed and are available in the respective offices for review and will be included in the minutes:

a. Tax Collector's	November	\$4,590,797.66
	December	\$ 549,219.18
	January	\$2,424,306.66
b. Sewer Report	November	\$ 31,011.99
	December	\$ 220,141.63
	January	\$ 37,042.54

CONSENT AGENDA: The items listed below are considered routine by the Borough of Lindenwold and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Resolution 2018:91-98

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Jackson that Resolution 2018:91 to 2018:98 be adopted as read. Roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2018:91 Award Purchase of Kubota Excavator

A resolution of the Borough of Lindenwold, in the County of Camden and the state of New Jersey, authorizing the purchase of a Kubota Excavator with accessories through Education Services Commission of New Jersey(formerly known as Middlesex Regional Education Services) # 65MCESCCPS

Whereas, the Borough of Lindenwold, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (B) (3) may, by Resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services through the Education Services Commission of New Jersey(formerly known as Middlesex Regional Education Services), and

Whereas, the Borough of Lindenwold desires to purchase a S Kubota Excavator with accessories, through the Education Services Commission of New Jersey entitled bid number ESCNJ 15/16-08 and ESCNJ 15/16-53, and

Whereas, Cherry Valley Tractor Sales has been awarded the contract for one Kubota Excavator with accessories, and

Whereas, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold recommend the utilization of this contract on the grounds as the best means available to obtain the vehicles; and

Whereas, the Kubota Excavator with accessories, shall not exceed the amount of \$43,624.25; and

Whereas, funding for this resolution is available by Ordinance 2017-12.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold, County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Borough of Lindenwold hereby authorizes the purchase of the one Kubota Excavator with accessories from Cherry Valley Tractor Sales through Education Services Commission of New Jersey #65NCESCCPS
2. The total fee also authorized for this contract shall not exceed \$43,624.25 without prior written approval from the Borough Council.
3. The Mayor, Borough Clerk and/or such other officials as is necessary and proper are hereby authorized to execute documents necessary to implement this resolution.
4. A copy of this resolution shall be provided to the Borough Treasurer and the Cherry Valley Tractor Sales for their information and guidance.

RESOLUTION 2018:92 STATE CONTRACT VENDOR New Jersey Business Systems

Whereas, the Borough of Lindenwold, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

Whereas, the Borough of Lindenwold has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

Whereas, the Borough of Lindenwold intends to enter into contracts with the attached Referenced State Contract Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State contracts;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Borough of Lindenwold authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from those approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors on the attached list, pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the governing body of the Borough of Lindenwold ) pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Chief Finance Officer; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the duration of the contracts between the Borough of Lindenwold and the Referenced State Contract Vendors shall be from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018.

Referenced State Contract Vendors

<u>Commodity/Service Vendor State Contract #</u>		
Communication Eq. & Access.	NJ Business Systems	#83899
Communications Wiring Serv.	NJ Business Systems	#88738

RESOLUTION 2018:93 Award New Jersey Business Systems for Camera Maintenance

Whereas, the Borough of Lindenwold, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), by Resolution 2018:92 approved the State Contract Vendor New Jersey Business Systems, Inc. for maintenance for the camera system; and

Whereas, the state contract number for New Jersey Business Systems, Inc. is #88738; and

Whereas, the Borough of Lindenwold has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Borough of Lindenwold authorizes the Purchasing Agent to award the camera maintenance system to New Jersey Business Systems, Inc., pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the governing body of the Borough of Lindenwold pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Chief Finance Officer; and

Camera System Maintenance	\$4,500
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RESOLUTION 2018:94 Extend Paper Pricing with Camden Co.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration, and

WHEREAS, the County of Camden hereinafter referred to as the Lead Agency originally offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for copy, computer paper and envelopes as awarded to the vendors, W.B. Mason, Office Basics and Paper Mart, for a term commencing on or about September 1, 2016 through February 28, 2017 with the option of an additional six months extension, and

WHEREAS, the County of Camden adopted the additional extension for a term commencing on March 1, 2018 through August 31, 2018 under Bid A-26/2017 with W. B. Mason, Office Basics, and Paper Mart, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lindenwold as follows:

1. This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Borough of Lindenwold.

2. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency

3. The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

RESOLUTION 2018:95 Participate with Camden County for Office Supplies

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration, and

WHEREAS, the County of Camden hereinafter referred to as the Lead Agency originally offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for office supplies to the vendors, Office Basics, W.B. Mason, CVR Computer Supplies, Tera Consulting, Inc. and The Office Pal, for a term commencing on or about March 1, 2018 through February 29, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the County of Camden awarded this contract to Office Basics under Bid A-1/2018 , and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lindenwold as follows:

1. This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Borough of Lindenwold.
2. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency
3. The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

#### RESOLUTION 2018:96 Appoint Municipal Judge

WHEREAS, Nicholas Trabosh was appointed as Municipal Judge for the Borough of Lindenwold under Resolution 2018:33 for a three year term ending December 31, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold accepted his letter of resignation effective February 28, 2018, and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Municipal Judge for the Borough of Lindenwold, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold accepts the recommendation that N. Ryan Trabosh be appointed to fulfil the unexpired term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Lindenwold, New Jersey that:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with N. Ryan Trabosh to be Municipal Judge for the Borough of Lindenwold for the unexpired three year term beginning February 28, 2018 and ending December 31, 2020.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bids as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because this contract is to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and it is not possible to obtain competitive bids.
3. A copy of this resolution shall be published as required by law within 10 days of its passage.

#### RESOLUTION 2018:97 Property Waiver

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold dissolved the Lindenwold Borough Solid Waste Management Utility by Ordinance, effective December 31, 2015, and

WHEREAS, The Heathers maintains an arrears for service fees due and owing pursuant to the Borough of Lindenwold Solid Waste Management Utility in the principal amount of \$99,360 and interest amount of \$29,304.68, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed in the best interest of the Borough to waive and discharge the Heather's arrearage for solid waste utility fees due and owing, and all penalties incurred as a result thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018 that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to waive and discharge the Solid Waste Management Utility fees, and all penalties incurred as a result thereof, due and owing from The Heathers in the total amount of \$128,664.68.

#### RESOLUTION 2018:98 Demolition of 913 Elm

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold having notified the owner of the real property located at Lot 4 Block 50, Located At 913 Elm Ave., Lindenwold, NJ 08021 of a potential violation of Borough Code Chapter 160, Article VII,, which prohibits dangerous, damaged, and unfit structures, and

WHEREAS, notice was provided to the owner of the property, and all lien holders, mortgage holders, and interested parties maintaining an encumbrance and/or lien on the property, consistent with the requisites of Chapter 160, Article VII, and

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2018, the Mayor and Council heard testimony from the Construction Official concerning the real property located at Lot 4 Block 50, Located At 913 Elm Ave., Lindenwold, NJ 08021 concerning the conditions and circumstances of the real property, and no interested party having appeared or otherwise filing opposition to the Notice and Complaint, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold after hearing the testimony of the Construction Official, having made a factual determination that Lot 4 Block 50, 913 Elm Ave., Lindenwold, NJ 08021, is in violation of Borough Code Chapter 160, Article VII,, and maintains conditions on the property to include without limitation the following:

Defects increasing the hazard of accident, fire, or other calamities.

Dilapidation.

Disrepair or structural defects.

Lack of adequate light, sanitary facilities or ventilation.

Uncleanliness.

Failure to comply with the property maintenance code.

Failure to comply with applicable Health Ordinances Rules and Regulations.

Is otherwise in violation of N.J.S.A. 40:48-1 et seq., and the provisions of Borough Ordinance 160; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold, County of Camden, State of New Jersey on this 28th day of February, 2018 that Lot 4 Block 50, located at 913 Elm Ave., Lindenwold, NJ 08021 is in violation of Borough Code Chapter 160, Article VII,. The Borough further finds that it is

unreasonable and untenable to remediate the property, given the dilapidated and damaged status of the property. The Borough finds that it is in the best interest of the Community to demolish the property, for the safety and general welfare for the residents of the Borough of Lindenwold, and the public in general. The Construction Official is authorized to obtain bids to demolish the property, and a lien for all costs associated with demolition and this application shall be placed upon the property to indemnify the Borough for all costs associated with the violation of Borough Code Chapter 160, Article VII.

Mayor Roach personally and on behalf of Council thanked the retiring Judge Trabosh for his years of service. He welcomed the new judge, Nicholas Trabosh. The Mayor also announced the award for funding for Chews Landing Road Sidewalks.

Mayor Roach opened the meeting to the public.

Hank Urban, resident, stated that Lindenwold has housing issues not just at the apartments. He presented pictures to Council. Mayor explained that the Borough has actively handling unsafe properties with its current program. The resident continued to state problems on State Avenue including vacant properties, Comcast cutting wires and leaving these wires laying on the ground and the house that is a junk yard. Mayor and resident continued to discuss areas of concern. The resident is also upset about a loose dog that has not been handled despite numerous calls to police. Mayor recommended contacting Animal Control. Resident stated that no one seems to care. Code Enforcement Supervisor will look into these matters.

Joe Amodio, resident, questioned the fire budget that passed excluding the hiring of full time employees. He expressed how impressed he was that they were able to purchase a new truck without raising taxes. The Mayor commented how economically they try to operate and that they were also able to join with a grant to get new air packs. The resident thanked everyone for going above and beyond to help residents.

Melvin Atkinson, new business owner, explained his new security business that he opened in Lindenwold. President Randolph-Sharpe asked how he found his employees. Owner stated through job fairs. Council welcomed him to Lindenwold.

Former Judge Trabosh, thanked Mayor and Council. He spoke of the dedication of the Court Administrator and the support he has received over the years that has been incredible. He commented on the respect shown by all the employees of the Borough and that Lindenwold has the best Court Administrator. President Randolph-Sharpe asked what he will be doing which he responded that he will continue with his law practice. He also stated that the new judge has been substituting and will do well.

Christopher Barker, resident, has questioned about the cars that continue to fly up and down Gibbsboro Road. The Mayor responded that the Police Department recently monitored the area and that the traffic study has been completed. The Police Chief added that the department is currently working near Park Avenue due to construction. President Randolph-Sharpe commented on the added lights that have helped. The Police Chief explained how they were able to operate in order to keep traffic flowing. The Police Chief informed Council of the next phase that will be starting soon.

There being no one desiring the floor, the Mayor closed the meeting to the public.

Motion was made by President Randolph-Sharpe, second by Councilman Strippoli that the meeting be adjourned. Voice vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Motion carried.

DATED: March 14, 2018

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Deborah C. Jackson, RMC  
Borough Clerk