

April 20, 2020

Note: This meeting was held by teleconference.

Minutes of the public meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen held on April 20, 2020.

Mayor Jason F. Cilento called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Municipal Clerk William Robins read the Sunshine Statement and called the Roll.

Present: Jason Cilento, Kenneth Bayer, April Burke, Jessica Dunne, Stacy Narvesen, Trina Rios and Daniel Sigmon

Mayor Cilento asked the public to be patient during this first ever teleconference, to mute their telephones when not speaking, and to keep their questions or statements to the topic at hand.

On the motion of Mrs. Rios and seconded by Mrs. Narvesen it was moved to accept the Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 16, 2020.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mrs. Rios and seconded by Mr. Sigmon it was moved to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 16, 2020.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mr. Sigmon and seconded by Dr. Dunne it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #1

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CY 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AND SEWER UTILITY BUDGET TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen, in the County of Middlesex, *by majority vote of the full membership*, does hereby determine that the **CY 2020 Municipal Budget and Sewer Utility Budget** shall be read by its title only, and we further declare that the conditions set forth in **N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8(1A & 1B)** of said section have been met.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

Public Hearing on the CY 2020 Municipal Budget and the CY 2020 Sewer Utility Budget

Mayor Cilento opened the meeting to the public for comment on the CY 2020 Budget. No one from the public spoke. This portion of the meeting was closed.

On the motion of Dr. Dunne and seconded by Mr. Bayer it was moved to accept the following:

Resolution 04-20-2020: #2

PRO FORMA RESOLUTION

**BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION TO AMEND BUDGET

WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2020 was approved on the 16th day of March, 2020, and;

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and;

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said approved budget;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen, County of Middlesex, that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2020 be made:

	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
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CURRENT FUND - ANTICIPATED REVENUES

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section A: Local Revenues		
Fines and Costs:		
Municipal Court	223,000.00	183,000.00
Interest and Costs on Taxes	<u>74,000.00</u>	<u>56,000.00</u>
Total	381,400.00	323,400.00
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section B: State Aid Without Offsetting Appropriations		
Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Act	19,644.00	4,674.00
Energy Receipts Tax (P.L. 1997, Chapters 162 & 167)	<u>583,310.00</u>	<u>598,280.00</u>
	602,954.00	602,954.00
3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees Offset with Appropriations (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-36 and N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.17)		
Uniform Construction Code Fees	<u>122,900.00</u>	<u>92,900.00</u>
Total Section C: Dedicated Uniform Construction Code Fees Offset with Appropriations	122,900.00	92,900.00

3. Miscellaneous Revenues - Section G: Special Items of Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services - Other Special Items

Redevelopment Agreement - Art Color	80,000.00	87,000.00
Total Section G: Special Items of Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of the Division of Local Government	210,300.00	217,300.00
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	<u>1,394,901.69</u>	<u>1,313,901.69</u>
5. Subtotal General Revenues	<u>2,091,901.69</u>	<u>2,010,901.69</u>
6. Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget:		
a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including		
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	5,385,142.00	5,452,642.00
Total Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget	<u>5,600,439.00</u>	<u>5,667,939.00</u>
7. Total General Revenues	<u>7,692,340.69</u>	<u>7,678,840.69</u>

CURRENT FUND APPROPRIATIONS

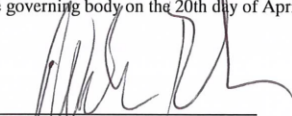
	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
(A) Operations - within "CAPS"		
STREETS AND ROADS		
Road Repairs		
Salaries and Wages	416,700.00	409,200.00
Recreation		
Salaries and Wages	68,200.00	62,200.00
Total Operations {Item 8(A)} within "CAPS"	4,995,170.00	4,995,170.00
Total Operations Including Contingent within "CAPS"	4,996,670.00	4,996,670.00
(H-1) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes within "CAPS"	<u>5,750,959.00</u>	<u>5,750,959.00</u>
(L) Subtotal General Appropriations {Items (H-1) and (O)}	7,192,340.69	7,192,340.69
(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	<u>500,000.00</u>	<u>500,000.00</u>
9. Total General Appropriations	<u>7,692,340.69</u>	<u>7,692,340.69</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for certification of the 2020 local municipal budget so amended.

It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of a resolution amending the budget, adopted by the governing body on the 20th day of April, 2020.

Certified by me

Date: April 20, 2020


William Robins, Municipal Clerk

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mr. Bayer and seconded by Mrs. Narvesen it was moved to accept the following:

Resolution 04-20-2020: #2-A

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen, County of Middlesex, that the budget herein set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

- (a) \$5,452,642.00 (Item 2 below) for Municipal Purposes
- (e) \$215,297.00 (Item 3 below) Minimum Library Tax

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

1. General Revenues	
Surplus Anticipated	\$ 387,000.00
Misc. Revenue Anticipated	\$ 1,313,901.69
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	\$ 310,000.00
2. Amt. to be Raised by Taxation for Mun. Purposes (Item 6 {a}, Sheet 11)	\$ 5,452,642.00
3. Amt. to be Raised by Taxation Min. Library Levy	\$ 215,297.00
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 7,678,840.69</u>

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

1. General Appropriations	
Within "CAPS"	
(a&b) Operations Including Contingent	\$ 4,983,170.00
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Charges	\$ 754,289.00
Excluded from "CAPS"	
(a) Operations	\$ 633,744.69
(c) Capital Improvements	\$ 25,000.00
(d) Municipal Debt Service	\$ 732,637.00
(e) Deferred Charges – Municipal	\$ 50,000.00
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	\$ 500,000.00
Total Appropriations	<u>\$7,678,840.69</u>

SEWER UTILITY FUND

Operating Surplus Used	\$ 100,198.00
Sewer User Fees	\$ 827,649.00
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 927,847.00</u>
Total Appropriations	<u>\$ 927,847.00</u>

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mr. Sigmon and seconded by Mrs. Rios it was moved to accept the following:

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-07

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A LONG-TERM TAX EXEMPTION AND FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN AND 528 NORTH AVE URBAN RENEWAL, LLC

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, *et seq.*, as amended and supplemented (the “**Act**”), provides a process for municipalities to participate in the redevelopment and improvement of areas in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Act, the Borough Council (the “**Borough Council**”) of the Borough of Dunellen (the “**Borough**”), acting as the Borough’s redevelopment entity pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-4, designated certain properties identified on the Borough’s tax map as Block 69, Lots 1, 1.01, 2, 2.01 and 3; Block 70, Lots 13 and 13.01; Block 85, Lots 1 and 2; Block 83, Lot 1; Block 1, Lots 14, 15.01, 15.02, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23; Block 2, Lots 10, 11.01, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20; Block 32, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.01, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24.01, 25, 26, 27 and 28; Block 33, Lots 14, 14.01, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23; Block 34, Lots 10.01, 22, 23, 24, 24.01, 25, 26, 27.01, 27.02, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 38.01 and 38.02; Block 48, Lots 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28; Block 49, Lots 25, 26, 27.01, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39.01, 39.02, 40, 41, 43 and 44; Block 50, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6; Block 51, Lots 1, 2 and 3 (NJ Transit Property); Block 65, Lot 1; Block 66, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.01, 7, 8, 9, 10.01, 10.02, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15.01, 15.02, 16, 17, 17.01, 18, 19 and 20; and Block 86, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 4.02, 4.03 and 5 as an area in need of redevelopment under N.J.S.A. 40A:12A 5 (collectively, the “**Redevelopment Area**”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7, the Borough Council adopted by ordinance on May 16, 2016, the Restated and Amended Dunellen Downtown Redevelopment Plan, Phase 1, and subsequently amended by ordinance on November 6, 2017 and September 4, 2018 (the “**Redevelopment Plan**”) for the Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, 528 North Ave Urban Renewal, LLC (the “**Entity**”) is the owner of certain parcels within the Redevelopment Area commonly known as 528 North Avenue and identified on the Borough’s tax map as Block 34, Lots 31, 32, 33 and 34 (collectively, the “**Property**”); and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Borough Council passed a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of that certain Redevelopment Agreement (the “**Redevelopment Agreement**”), which sets forth the respective obligations for the Borough and the Entity with respect to the redevelopment of the Property in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agreement provides for, *inter alia*, a residential rental redevelopment project at the Property consisting of 40 rental housing units, of which 34 will be market-rate rental housing units and 6 rental housing units will be low income and moderate income housing units, as those terms are defined by N.J.S.A. 52:27D-304, allocated per the Uniform Housing Affordability Control regulations, N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 *et seq.*, as well as

infrastructure improvements and related remediation (collectively, the “**Project**”); and

WHEREAS, the Project as set forth in the Redevelopment Agreement conforms to the Redevelopment Plan and the master plan of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, improvements to property located within an area in need of redevelopment may qualify for long term tax exemptions under the Long Term Tax Exemption Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 et seq. (the “**LTTE Law**”); and

WHEREAS, the Entity is authorized to do business as an urban renewal entity under the laws of the State of New Jersey pursuant to the provisions of the LTTE Law; and

WHEREAS, despite the Entity’s substantial investment of equity and borrowed funds, such amounts are insufficient to pay for all of the costs associated with the development and construction of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Act and such other statutes as may be sources of relevant authority, if any, authorize the Borough to accept, in lieu of real property taxes, an annual service charge paid by the Entity to Borough as set forth in such laws; and

WHEREAS, in order to enhance the economic viability of and opportunity for a successful project, the Entity has submitted an application for the approval of a long term tax exemption for the Project (the “**Exemption Application**”), attached hereto as Exhibit A, and a form of financial agreement (the “**Financial Agreement**”), attached hereto as Exhibit B, to the Borough, all in accordance with the LTTE Law; and

WHEREAS, the mayor of the Borough has provided his recommendations with respect to the Exemption Application to the Borough Council; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the proposed Project, the Exemption Application and the Financial Agreement, the Borough has made the following findings with respect to the Project pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:20-11:

1. The development and construction of the Project, including infrastructure improvements as set forth in the Redevelopment Agreement and the Redevelopment Plan will be beneficial to the overall community; will achieve the goals and objectives of the Redevelopment Plan; will help revitalize the Property; will improve the quality of life for the community; will serve as a catalyst for further private investment in areas surrounding the Property; will facilitate the remediation of environmental contamination and the revitalization and productive reuse of land currently in a blighted, stagnant, unproductive and fallow condition; will enhance the economic development of the Borough by alleviating existing blight conditions of the Property; and will further Redevelopment Plan objectives and contribute to the economic growth of the Borough in general and specifically the Property;
2. The Project will result in the creation of six (6) units of affordable housing;

3. The aforesaid benefits of the Project exceed the cost, if any, associated with granting the tax exemption provided by the Financial Agreement;
4. The Financial Agreement is a material inducement to the Entity to undertake the Project in the Borough and facilitate the redevelopment of the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is agreeable to granting a long term tax exemption to the Entity for the Project and, in connection therewith, the Borough and the Entity will utilize the Act and such other statutes as may be sources of relevant authority, if any, to facilitate financing of the Project; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the LTTE Law, the Borough desires to approve the Project, the Exemption Application and the Financial Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Recitals are incorporated by reference as if set forth in full.

Section 2. The Exemption Application submitted by the Entity is hereby approved in accordance with Section 8 of the LTTE Law.

Section 3. The Mayor, in consultation with counsel to the Borough, is hereby authorized to execute the Financial Agreement following the execution thereof by the Entity and prepare, amend or execute any other agreements necessary to effectuate this ordinance, subject to modification or revisions, as deemed necessary and appropriate, with such execution to occur only simultaneous with the full execution of a redevelopment agreement for the Project.

Section 4. The Clerk of the Borough is hereby authorized and directed, upon execution of the Financial Agreement by the Mayor, to attest to the signature of the Mayor and to affix the corporate seal of the Borough upon such document.

Section 5. An exemption from taxation as set forth in the Financial Agreement is hereby granted to the Entity, with respect to the Project for the term set forth in the Financial Agreement; provided that in no event shall the term of the Financial Agreement exceed the earlier of (i) thirty-five (35) years from the date of execution of the Financial Agreement or (ii) thirty (30) years from the Annual Service Charge Start Date, as said term is defined in the Financial Agreement, and only so long as the Entity remains subject to and in compliance with the Financial Agreement and the LTTE Law.

Section 6. The executed copy of the Financial Agreement shall be certified by and filed with the Office of the Borough Clerk. Further, the Clerk shall file certified copies of this ordinance and the Financial Agreement with the Tax Assessor of the Borough and the Director of the Division of Local Government Services with the Department of Community Affairs, in

accordance with Section 12 of the LTTE Law. Further, the Borough Clerk shall, within ten (10) days of the later of (i) the effective date of this Ordinance, or (ii) execution of the Financial Agreement, transmit certificated copies of this Ordinance and the Financial Agreement to the chief financial officer of, and legal counsel for, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Section 7. The Project shall conform with all federal, state and Borough laws, ordinances, regulations, the Redevelopment Plan and the Redevelopment Agreement relating to its construction and use.

Section 8. The Entity shall, in the operation of the Project, comply with all laws so that no person of race, religious principles, color, national origin or ancestry will be subject to discrimination.

Section 9. Without limiting the terms of the Financial Agreement, the Entity shall submit Auditor's Reports to the Borough in accordance with Article V of the Financial Agreement.

Section 10. This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with all applicable laws.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mrs. Rios and seconded by Mrs. Narvesen it was moved to accept the following:

ORDINANCE 2020-05

This ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced for first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Borough of Dunellen, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, on March 16, 2020. It is now being further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body being held at the Borough Council Chambers, in the Borough on April 20, 2020 at 7 o'clock p.m. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of the full bond ordinance have been available at no cost and during regular business hours at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 269 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN TO DESIGNATE PARK PLACE AS A ONE-WAY STREET AND TO PERMIT ANGLED PARKING ON BOTH SIDES OF PARK PLACE IN THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

WHEREAS, Park Place in the Borough of Dunellen is a public roadway under municipal jurisdiction, and it is one block in length, running north and south between Dunellen Avenue and First Street in the Borough; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39: 4-137 and N.J.S.A. 39:4-138, a municipality may, in the case of any street under municipal jurisdiction, and without the approval of the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation, make, amend, repeal and enforce ordinances designating one-way streets as well as ordinances establishing angled parking on such streets within municipal control, as it may deem necessary and proper for the good of the government, order and protection of person and property, and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants, and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed by these subtitles, or by any law; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has considered the issue of converting Park Place into a one-way street going north, as well as the separate issue of designating angled parking on both sides of Park Place; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Dunellen has determined that the designation of Park Place as a one-way street going north, as well as the designation of angled parking along both sides of Park Place is consistent with the current standards prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for streets and highways; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Dunellen has also determined that the designation of Park Place as a one-way street going north, and separately that the designation of angled parking along both sides of Park Place to each be in the interests of safety and the expedition of traffic on the public roadways including both Park Place and surrounding roadways, and further that such designations shall not place an undue traffic burden or impact on streets in any adjoining municipality or negatively affect the flow of traffic on the State highway system;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Chapter 269-18 of the Borough of Dunellen Municipal Code entitled “One-Way Streets” is hereby supplemented to read as follows:

Name of Street	Direction	Limits	Parking Permitted
Park Place	North	Entire length (between Dunellen Avenue and First Street)	Diagonal Angle parking Both Sides where designated

2. Chapter 269-9 of the Borough of Dunellen Municipal Code entitled “Angled Parking” is hereby added and shall read as follows: Angled parking is hereby permitted on Park Place in all spots so designated on both sides of the street.

3. Should any provisions of this ordinance be inconsistent with the provisions of any prior ordinances, the inconsistent provisions of such prior ordinances are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of the inconsistencies.

4. In the event that any provision of this ordinance is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this ordinance which may be given effect, and, to realize this intent, the provisions and applications of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

5. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon final adoption, approval and publication in accordance with law.

At this point, Mayor Cilento opened the meeting for public comment on this ordinance. No one from the public spoke. This portion was closed.

Dr. Dunne asked when this ordinance will go into effect? Dr. Robins responded that it is effective immediately. She then asked when striping would occur. Dr. Robins replied that the contract would need to be awarded, but we could act on that now.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mrs. Burke and seconded by Dr. Dunne it was moved to accept the following:

ORDINANCE 2020-06

The following ordinance was Introduced for first reading on March 16, 2020, and a second reading and public hearing is now being held at 7:00 p.m. in the Dunellen Borough Municipal Building, 355 North Avenue, Dunellen, New Jersey on the 20th day of April, 2020, and copies of this Ordinance have been posted on the public bulletin board prior to the date for second reading and final passage and copies of this Ordinance have been available at the Office of the Borough Clerk for any interested members of the public.

BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

CALENDAR YEAR 2020 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2020 budget by up to 3.5 % over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council hereby determines that a 1.0 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$55,593.84 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized herein above that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to the final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2020 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Dunellen shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40 A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$194,578.44 and that the CY 2020 municipal budget for the Borough of Dunellen be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years: and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

At this point, Mayor Cilento opened the meeting for public comment on this ordinance. No one from the public spoke. This portion was closed.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mrs. Narvesen and seconded by Mr. Bayer it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #3

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

The bills, as per the attached list, are hereby authorized for payment.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mr. Bayer and seconded by Mrs. Burke it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #4

Resolution Authorizing the release of cash retainage to P&A Construction from the Madison Avenue and Prospect Avenue Roadway Improvement projects

WHEREAS, Resolution 12-16-2019: #7 amended the contract with P&A Construction, Inc., for a closeout change order and final payment for the Madison Avenue and Prospect Avenue Roadway Improvements; and

WHEREAS, \$15,385.00 from that contract was withheld from the payment due to P&A Construction to ensure that the work was completed by the contractor; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated March 31, 2020, the borough's engineers, CME Associates, informed the borough that the corrective and restorative work has now been completed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen, that the \$15,385.00 held in retainage per this contract be released to P&A Construction, Inc.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mrs. Rios and seconded by Mr. Bayer it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #5

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN AMENDING THE CONTRACT WITH AA BERMS, LLC., FOR THE "WASHINGTON AVENUE STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT" CLOSEOUT CHANGE ORDER AND FINAL PAYMENT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen has entered into a Contract with AA Berms, LLC., on a project entitled Washington Avenue Streetscape Improvements Project in the amount of \$198,548.08; and,

WHEREAS, the project has been satisfactorily completed and due to increases and decreases in quantities within the project, there is a reduction in the contract amount by (\$15,891.87) under the Closeout Change Order, for a final contract amount of \$182,656.21; and

WHEREAS, CME Associates, Engineers for this project, has indicated that the Closeout Change Order reflects reductions and increases in certain as-built quantities incorporated into this project; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Council of the Borough of Dunellen to amend the contract with AA Berms, LLC., to reduce the contract amount by \$15,891.87 (Closeout Change Order) for a revised contract of \$182,656.21.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 20th day of April, 2020, the Council of the Borough of Dunellen does hereby accept the work and approve the Closeout Change Order for a final contract amount of \$182,656.21 reflecting a reduction in the contract amount by \$15,891.87; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A FINAL PAYMENT BE AUTHORIZED OF \$10,377.88.

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Council of the Borough of Dunellen, County of Middlesex, at its meeting held on April 20, 2020.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Dr. Dunne and seconded by Mr. Sigmon it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #6

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN AMENDING THE CONTRACT
WITH AA BERMS, LLC., FOR THE
"NORTH AVENUE STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT"
CLOSEOUT CHANGE ORDER AND FINAL PAYMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF
DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen has entered into a Contract with AA Berms, LLC., on a project entitled North Avenue Streetscape Improvements Project in the amount of \$318,381.51; and,

WHEREAS, the project has been satisfactorily completed and due to increases and decreases in quantities within the project, there is a reduction in the contract amount by (\$3,615.06) under the Closeout Change Order, for a final contract amount of \$314,766.45; and

WHEREAS, CME Associates, Engineers for this project, has indicated that the Closeout Change Order reflects reductions and increases in certain as-built quantities incorporated into this project; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Council of the Borough of Dunellen to amend the contract with AA Berms, LLC., to reduce the contract amount by \$3,615.06 (Closeout Change Order) for a revised contract of \$314,766.45.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 20th day of April, 2020, the Council of the Borough of Dunellen does hereby accept the work and approve the Closeout Change Order for a final contract amount of \$314,766.45 reflecting a reduction in the contract amount by \$3,615.06; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A FINAL PAYMENT BE AUTHORIZED OF \$16,354.54.

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the Council of the Borough of Dunellen, County of Middlesex, at its meeting held on April 20, 2020.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mrs. Burke and seconded by Mr. Bayer it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #7

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

CME Associates is awarded a contract to undertake engineering services associated with the requirements of the Tier A Municipal Stormwater General Permit renewal, at a cost not to exceed \$8,784.00.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mrs. Narvesen and seconded by Mrs. Rios it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #8

CME Associates is authorized to prepare and advertise bid specifications for the Grove Street Roadway Improvement Project.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mrs. Burke and seconded by Mr. Bayer it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #9

Resolution Establishing the Rate of Interest for Delinquent Sewer Utility Fees

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-67a permits the governing body by resolution to fix the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes, assessments, or other municipal liens or charges, including Sewer Utility fees, on or before the date when they would become delinquent; and

WHEREAS, the statute fixing the rate of interest cannot exceed 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00, to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date that actual payment to the tax collector is made; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen adopted Resolution 01-01-2020: #21 setting the Rate of Interest for Delinquent Taxes at 8% up to \$1,500 and 18% over \$1,500 per annum on January 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the State and Federal declarations of a major disaster throughout New Jersey, the governing body of the Borough of Dunellen wishes to change the rate of interest for future delinquent Sewer Utility fee payments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Dunellen in the County of Middlesex that the 1st half Sewer Utility fees will accrue interest at 0.000001% if paid and received by the tax office between April 26 and June 1, 2020. If 1st half Sewer Utility fees are not received on or before June 1, then interest would accrue back to the due date of April 15, 2020 at the rate of interest adopted in Resolution 01-01-2020: #21.

Mayor Cilento spoke about how this resolution is a tool available to municipalities to relieve some of the financial stress in these difficult times.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

On the motion of Mr. Sigmon and seconded by Mr. Bayer it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #10

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
APPROVING REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN BOROUGH AND
528 NORTH AVE URBAN RENEWAL, LLC, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL
REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.**

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq., as amended from time to time (the “**Redevelopment Law**”) authorizes municipalities to determine whether certain parcels of land in a municipality constitute areas in need of redevelopment or rehabilitation, and to adopt a redevelopment plan for such areas, pursuant to which redevelopment projects are to be undertaken; and

WHEREAS, on or about May 5, 2003, the Borough Council (the “**Borough Council**”) of the Borough of Dunellen (the “**Borough**”), acting as the Borough’s redevelopment entity pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-4, designated certain properties identified on the Borough’s tax map as Block 69, Lots 1, 1.01, 2, 2.01 and 3; Block 70, Lots 13 and 13.01; Block 85, Lots 1 and 2; Block 83, Lot 1; Block 1, Lots 14, 15.01, 15.02, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23; Block 2, Lots 10, 11.01, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20; Block 32, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.01, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 24.01, 25, 26, 27 and 28; Block 33, Lots 14, 14.01, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23; Block 34, Lots 10.01, 22, 23, 24, 24.01, 25, 26, 27.01, 27.02, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 38.01 and 38.02; Block 48, Lots 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28; Block 49, Lots 25, 26, 27.01, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39.01, 39.02, 40, 41, 43 and 44; Block 50, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6; Block 51, Lots 1, 2 and 3 (NJ Transit Property); Block 65, Lot 1; Block 66, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.01, 7, 8, 9, 10.01, 10.02, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15.01, 15.02, 16, 17, 17.01, 18, 19 and 20; and Block 86, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 4.02, 4.03 and 5 as an area in need of redevelopment under N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 (collectively, the “**Redevelopment Area**”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7, the Borough Council adopted by ordinance on May 16, 2016, the Restated and Amended Dunellen Downtown Redevelopment Plan, Phase 1, and subsequently amended by ordinances on November 6, 2017 and September 4, 2018 (the “**Redevelopment Plan**”) for the Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, redeveloper 528 North Ave Urban Renewal, LLC (the “**Redeveloper**”) is the owner of certain parcels within the Redevelopment Area, otherwise identified on the Borough’s tax map as Block 34, Lots 31, 32, 33 and 34, and commonly known as 528 North Avenue (the “**Project Site**”); and

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper proposes to construct a residential rental building consisting for forty (40) units, of which thirty-four (34) will be market-rate units and six (6) will be affordable units (the “**Project**”), on the Project Site; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council, acting as the Borough’s redevelopment entity pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-4 and N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8, may exercise all powers, duties and functions relating to redevelopment in the manner of a redevelopment entity under the Redevelopment Law, which powers include contracting with redevelopers for the planning, replanning, construction, or undertaking of any project or redevelopment work under N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8.f; and

WHEREAS, a form of the proposed Redevelopment Agreement (the “**Redevelopment Agreement**”) is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A, setting forth the terms and conditions by which the Redeveloper will carry out the development of the Project at the Project Site, including associated infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Borough Council have considered the proposed form of Redevelopment Agreement, finding that the Project conforms to the Redevelopment Plan and furthers the public purposes that the Redevelopment Plan addresses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen, acting as redevelopment entity for the Borough of Dunellen, hereby approves the proposed form of Redevelopment Agreement with Redeveloper for the Project contemplated therein, and that the Mayor and the Clerk of the Borough are hereby authorized to execute and attest to, respectively, the Redevelopment Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto, with any revisions that the Mayor may deem necessary or desirable upon consultation with the Borough's professionals, and along with other documents and/or agreements that may be necessary to implement the Redevelopment Agreement in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mayor Cilento noted that this is an agreement with the developers of the 528 North Avenue project which will consist of 40 apartments (six of them affordable) and we will be receiving \$55,000 in development fees that will be used to improve Morecraft Park. The complex will be environmentally friendly with electric vehicle charging stations and the building will have LED lighting.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Dr. Dunne and seconded by Mrs. Narvesen it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #11

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Whereas, there exists a need for certain air card telecommunications requirements for the laptop computers installed in Borough of Dunellen Fire Department vehicles; and

Whereas, the Local Public Contracts Law (NJSA 40A:11-1 et. seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of the contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids must be publicly advertised.

Now therefore be it resolved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Dunellen as follows:

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Verizon for telecommunications regarding the laptop computers in Fire Department motor vehicles.

2. The cost of this service for 5 laptop computers is \$38.01 each per month, for a total yearly amount of \$2,280.60, with \$50.00 overages, for a total yearly amount of \$2,330.60.
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contract Law because the services rendered are professional services of a recognized profession whose practice is regulated by law.
4. Further be it resolved that the cost of this Professional Services Contract will not exceed \$2,330.60. Payment is from Account # 9-01-25-265-000-202
5. Be it further noted that the contract is a one-year contract and funds are hereby authorized only for the term April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021.
6. A copy of this resolution shall be published in The Courier as required by law within ten days of its passage.

04-20-2020: #12

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue the following proceeds for tax sale redemption(s):

Payable to Bala Partners LLC
 17 W. Cliff Street
 Somerville NJ 08876

TSC	Block	Lot	Owner/Address	Principal	Interest	Premium	Total
19-15	66	8	M & M Home Investors 391 North Ave	9,962.47	153.27	12,400	22,515.74

TOTAL REFUNDED \$22,515.74

04-20-2020: #13

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Be it resolved by the governing body of the Borough of Dunellen, New Jersey, that:

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue the following checks to CME Associates from the "Chelsea Builders Escrow Account" for engineering work done for the Dunellen Planning Board:

<u>CME Associates</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0229964	\$125.00
Total:	<u>\$125.00</u>

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon

At this point, Mayor Cilento asked that we have a moment of silence for those impacted by the COVID-19.

Reports:

Mayor Cilento: Good evening everyone, thanks for joining us this evening for this virtual Council meeting. Before we go on to tonight's council reports, I would like to make my Mayor's Report. I want to take this moment to recognize a few people and agencies who have been vital throughout this entire crisis. First and foremost, our emergency services who are at the frontline of this COVID-19 pandemic. We extend our gratitude to the Dunellen Rescue Squad who is on call 24/7 during this crisis and has been doing an exceptional job under unprecedented circumstances. We extend our thanks to the Dunellen Fire Department and Police Department for their service and protection. I would like to extend appreciation to the Dunellen Office of Emergency Management and its coordinator, Homer Mosley and his team of volunteers. I believe Homer has been doing a great job for only having been OEM Coordinator for two months before COVID-19 hit us. I applaud his patience and willingness to learn and execute on the job. A big thank you should be given to Alex Miller, our Recreation Director and Senior Coordinator, who since day one has been by my side to ensure we continue to provide services to Dunellen's most vulnerable: our senior citizens and disabled individuals, and later in my report you will hear how he has stepped up once again. A thanks should be given to our borough administration under the management of Bill Robins, our Clerk's Office, Tax Office, Court, Construction/Zoning and DPW, all of whom have been working remotely and on alternating schedules to ensure government still functions the best it can under these circumstances. I also extend thanks to each of the council members who have stepped up to the plate to assist throughout this pandemic, whether it be volunteering to drop off groceries to seniors, assisting the various emergency service agencies you are liaisons to, helping me with scientific information, or starting volunteer initiatives around town, all while making sure committee assignments are getting done or answering constituents questions and concerns; we have all pulled together as team for the betterment of our constituents and community. Thank you for that.

We should also recognize all the nurses, doctors, and healthcare workers who are fighting COVID-19 every day. We thank you, as well as essential workers who are helping make the world go around for all of us. We should also recognize our teachers and school administration, who had to quickly adjust to a remote learning system, adapting at a very rapid rate to ensure our students not only in Dunellen, but across the state receive the education they so rightfully deserve. Another recognition I would like to give is to the Dunellen School District who assisted the Borough on IT matters during this crisis, including this meeting this evening. We thank them for helping us in this area. We also thank the local businesses who gave us PPE equipment and cash donations. They

include Ray's Pharmacy, Gentle Family Dentistry, WeatherTek, Ponti's Petals, and Lowder Electric and Construction. We thank the residents for practicing social distancing.

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases in Dunellen:

To date, there have been 86 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Dunellen. Middlesex County Public Health Department is the lead Agency in all investigations regarding confirmed COVID-19 cases, including all close contacts. If it is determined that a member of the community has been in close contact with any individual who has tested positive for COVID-19, the County will reach out to the individual(s).

Please note that the State of New Jersey is not currently releasing recovery data, and therefore, neither is the Middlesex County Public Health Department. Middlesex County will be reconciling the cases recorded so the number of confirmed cases in Dunellen may change. Furthermore, the Middlesex County Public Health Department has confirmed that they will be releasing confirmed deaths this week to municipalities. However, as a community we have become aware recently through social media posts and through communication with neighbors, that there have been death(s) possibly related to COVID-19. We extend our deepest condolences to these families.

Middlesex County officials, in partnership with the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, have been operating drive-through COVID-19 testing for Middlesex County residents. These sites are in South Brunswick and Edison. Those wishing to be tested will be required to make an appointment and meet a set of criteria. For more information, go to: middlesexcountynj.gov/COVID19testing to register and receive a time to report to the testing site. If a resident wishing to be tested does not have access to the Internet or has connectivity problems, he is instructed to call 732-745-3100 to make an appointment.

My office will continue to be in contact with the Middlesex County Public Health Department and will share whatever information is permitted by law. If residents should have questions regarding COVID-19, they are encouraged to call the NJ State Health Call Center at 1-800-222-1222 or you may call the Middlesex County Health Department 24/7 at (732) 745-3100. You may also visit the New Jersey COVID-19 Information Hub at: www.covid19.nj.gov.

Also, during this time of emotional and yes, physical crisis, I remind you that your family, friends and neighbors are also frightened and confused. Keep an eye out for them; call them regularly by telephone or Skype or Facebook; let them know that if they are in trouble, to let you know and you can make a call. You can also reach the crisis text line by texting "NJ" to 741741; call the family helpline at 1-800-843-5437; the domestic violence hotline at 1-800-572-7233; or the mental health line at 1-866-202-4357. We encourage you to utilize these resources during this challenging time. You matter, and we want you to be safe. Also, join the Dunellen Municipal Alliance for their "It's ok to not be okay" virtual town hall on April 30th. More information can be found on their Facebook page.

Please continue to consult our Coronavirus web page on the borough's official website for the latest information: www.dunellen-nj.gov

As a reminder, the deadline to file federal and state income taxes has been extended to July 15. In addition, the state has extended the deadline to file an appeal for property taxes from April 1 to May 1.

The State has launched a job portal to help residents who have lost their jobs as a result of COVID-19; to find and apply for a new job at essential workplaces: <https://jobs.covid19.nj.gov/>

The American Red Cross is facing a blood shortage. Please consider donating blood. For more information visit: redcrossblood.org.

Today I was on a conference call with Senator Corey Booker. It was noted that the PPP program under the last stimulus bill was exhausted quickly. The new bill being negotiated plans to have up to \$250 billion in stimulus and about \$50 billion directly allocated to small businesses.

I encourage small businesses and non-profits in Dunellen that once the bill is passed and these funds are available to please go to your bank and apply immediately as these funds will go quickly but will be available to smaller businesses. The last round of stimulus did not make it directly to smaller businesses and were instead eaten up by bigger businesses, mainly due to the banks not being prepared for SBA lending at the time. So, this is a glimmer of light, that money will be available to the small business owner. It was also noted that there may be another bill in the coming weeks that will provide funding to state and local governments. So, fingers crossed on relief coming to the towns soon.

Dunellen Updates:

Borough Directives During COVID-19:

- Municipal buildings remain closed to the public until further notice.
- All public events and borough programs are on hold until further notice.
- Our senior bus services are still suspended.
- We commercially cleaned all borough facilities and plan to do this at least one more time upon opening these facilities back up to the public.
- We have worked with businesses in Dunellen to provide hours for seniors and the disabled so we may limit the most vulnerable in our community's contact with the general public.
- Our Dunellen Senior Coordinator is working with volunteers to provide pick-up/drop-off grocery shopping for immobile seniors and disabled residents. To volunteer and/or find out more information, email: amiller@dunellenborough.com
- All playgrounds, fields and courts remain closed to the public to discourage public gatherings and promote social distancing until further notice.
- And I have been working with faith leaders in the community, and Alex Miller, to set up a Pop-up food drive for Dunellen residents in need. More information will be released this week.

Dunellen Arts and Culture Commission: Let me end on an upbeat note. The Dunellen Arts & Culture Commission Yarn bombed the parking meters downtown to encourage public displays of art and community pride, and painted signs in Washington Park to thank our frontline. The Commission is also promoting activities for kids on its Face Book page. Thank you, guys, for doing these beautiful projects.

We also continue to promote Eat Local Fridays in which we promote eating locally curbside or delivery at one of Dunellen's find food establishments. You can follow this information on my Mayor's Face Book page at @mayorcilento and you can find a Dine in Dunellen guide on the Dunellen Downtown Management Organization's Face Book page. Let's support our local businesses in town through take-out, delivery or purchasing gift cards. They are family owned and they have supported so many causes through donations throughout the year.

Please do not forget to fill out your Census 2020 form. We will have an informational video in the next few weeks funded by a Middlesex County grant.

We will be celebrating New Jersey Local Government Week April 19 through April 25 with Infographs which promote local services and volunteer opportunities.

Furthermore, we can all look forward to flags decorating our downtown, placed there courtesy of the American Legion. We do not know if we will be having a Memorial Day Parade, but Dunellen will on that day show what it means to be an American!

Finally, please always know I am just a phone call away. Please do not hesitate to use me, any council member or borough staff member as a resource. My contact information is jcilento@dunellen-nj.gov or phone (732-882-4551). You can always contact me with questions. If I don't know the answer, I will help connect you to the right agency or authority that will provide you the right answer. We will get through this, no matter how hard it may seem right now. Please stay in contact with me. Also, please stay at home and stay safe and practice social distancing. Thank you.

Dr. Dunne: 1) The DPW has instituted a rotating schedule so there is no more than a three-man crew at any one time. Leaf bags and tree limbs are being picked up regularly. The Yard is currently closed to residents. Our paramount concern is the health and safety of our employees and the residents of Dunellen; 2) though we had zero confirmed cases in Dunellen today, we must not take too much comfort as these things tend to go up and down. Please continue to maintain social distancing and wearing masks. There is some evidence that up to 15% of the population is asymptomatic. So, even if you feel OK, it does not mean that you do not have the virus; 3) thank you to Mayor Cilento for his leadership and the hard work undertaken by department heads.

Mrs. Narvesen: the Municipal Alliance will have a "It's OK not to be OK" virtual meeting on April 30th; 2) the track should be done in just a few days as well as a leaf-gate and steps at the tennis courts; 3) over 15 food deliveries were made to seniors in the past couple weeks and she thanked all who assisted in this endeavor.

Mrs. Burke: no report.

Mrs. Rios: 1) the Municipal Alliance is suggesting you register for their program; 2) the Library is offering their wi-fi to anyone who needs it. Check out their web site for crafts and other activities; 3) please like the flag page on Face Book (flag2020.org).

Mr. Bayer: thanked everyone for all their hard work.

Mr. Sigmon: 1) thanked all the emergency services people and Homer in OEM; 2) he has been in contact with the Dunellen Rescue Squad and he is very impressed with their spirit and dedication. The Squad is looking for volunteers including a driver.

Homer Mosley: 1) thanked Mayor Cilento; 2) he is working with the County OEM to stock-pile essential equipment. He found a company in Edison that can decontaminate N95 masks.

Chief Smith: thanked the front-line people for their hard work as well as the businesses who have made donations of equipment and food.

Alexander Miller: thanked everyone and especially Ray's Pharmacy which donated \$650.00 of supplies.

PUBLIC PORTION

No one from the public spoke.

On the motion of Mr. Bayer and seconded by Mrs. Rios it was moved to accept the following:

04-20-2020: #14

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN,
NEW JERSEY, THAT:**

The Dunellen Borough Council Meeting of April 20, 2020 is adjourned.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Dunne, Narvesen, Rios and Sigmon
