

December 16, 2019

Minutes of the public meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen held on December 16, 2019.

Mayor Robert J. Seader 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: Robert Seader, Kenneth Bayer, April Burke, Jason Cilento, Jessica Dunne, Stacy Narvesen and Joseph Petracca

Mayor Seader, seeing the large number of his friends and family who were in the audience for his final Council Meeting as Mayor, thanked everyone for attending.

On the motion of Mr. Petracca and seconded by Mr. Cilento it was moved to accept the Minutes of December 2, 2019:

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

Mayor Seader accepted the resignation of Trina Rios from the Dunellen Public Library Board of Trustees, effective December 31, 2019. He thanked her for her hard and dedicated work on the Board.

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

12-16-2019: #1

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, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

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

12-16-2019: #2

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

The following companies are hereby awarded a Tow Operator's License and placed on the Borough's towing rotation for 2020.

West 7th Corporation, T/A as Piscataway Auto and Truck Repair, Piscataway
Majestic Towing and Transport, Inc., South Plainfield
J&L Auto Center, South Plainfield
SHT Corp, T/A as Somerset Hills Towing, Bridgewater
Mike's Towing & Recovery, Bridgewater
JVD Towing Service, LLC, South Plainfield
M&W Towing Service, LLC., Plainfield

The term of this award is from January 1, 2020 until December 31, 2020.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

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

12-16-2019: #3

**CENTRAL JERSEY JOINT INSURANCE FUND
RESOLUTION TO JOIN
SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF ASSESSMENT**

WHEREAS, a number of municipalities in the state of New Jersey have joined together to form a Joint Insurance Fund as permitted by chapter 372 Laws of 1983 (40A:10-36) and;

WHEREAS, said Fund was approved to become operational by New Jersey Department of Insurance and the Department of Community Affairs and has been in operation since that date, and;

WHEREAS, the statutes and regulations governing the creation and operation of a Joint Insurance Fund contain elaborate restrictions and safeguards concerning the safe and efficient administration of the public interest entrusted to such a Fund;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen do hereby agree to join the Fund subject only to the right to approve the initial assessment when the same is received from the Fund following processing of the application, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough of Dunellen is applying to the Fund for the following types of coverages:

1. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability;
2. Liability, other than motor vehicle;
3. Property Damage, other than motor vehicle;
4. Motor Vehicle.
5. Public Officials Liability/Land/Use/ Cyber

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipality hereby adopts and approves of the bylaws of the Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Robert J. Seader is authorized to execute the application for membership and the accompanying certification on behalf of the Municipality; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized and directed to execute the Indemnity and Trust Agreement and such other documents signifying membership in the Fund as are required by the Fund's bylaws and to deliver same to the Executive Director of the Fund with the express reservation that said document shall become effective only upon the applicant's admission to the Fund following approval by the Fund, passage by the Municipality of a Resolution Accepting Assessment and approval by the New Jersey Department of Insurance and the Department of Community Affairs.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

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

12-16-2019: #4

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A FUND COMMISSIONER AND SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CENTRAL JERSEY JOINT INSURANCE FUND

WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen has joined the Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund to provide Liability, Auto, Workers Compensation, Property, Public Officials, Land Use, Cyber and Pollution insurance coverage as part of our insurance program; and

WHEREAS, each year the governing body must identify a Fund Commissioner, alternate and safety representative,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen that the following be appointed:

1. William Robins shall serve as the fund commissioner for the year 2020.
2. William Robins shall serve as the safety delegate to the JIF.
3. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided by the Municipal Clerk to the Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

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

12-16-2019: #5

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

Resolution by the Borough of Dunellen, New Jersey Authorizing an Application to the Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation Complete Streets Design Guide defines complete streets as follows: “Complete Streets are streets designed for all users, all modes of transportation, and all ability levels. They balance the needs of drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, emergency responders, and goods movement based on the local context”; and

WHEREAS, while the primary benefit of complete streets is improved safety, particularly for people who walk or bike who are the most vulnerable users of the street, there are other positive outcomes. Complete streets create better places to live, work, and do business. They can help improve the health of a community by encouraging people to walk and bike, bolster the local economy by generating foot traffic in business districts and provide greater mobility options for residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, through the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority’s FY2020 Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program, Sustainable Jersey will coordinate and the Voorhees Transportation Center at Rutgers University will provide planning-level technical assistance services to municipalities for a specific project related to advancing a complete streets initiative in their communities; and

WHEREAS, although no direct funding is provided, selected municipalities will receive free direct technical assistance services to complete a specific task related to advancing a complete streets initiative in their communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Mayor and Borough Council of Dunellen, New Jersey authorizes the Borough Administrator to submit an application to the Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program to receive free direct technical assistance services to complete a specific task related to advancing complete streets, and also commits pertinent municipal staff to coordinate and collaborate with Sustainable Jersey, Voorhees Transportation Center and the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority to support the successful and timely delivery of technical assistance services.

Mr. Cilento and Mrs. Narvesen distributed a handout on the program. The study is to explore a walking corridor on Madison Avenue to Faber School. Recommendations will be made on traffic and pedestrian safety. The workshop will be open to all stakeholders and we will partner with the Board of Education, the

Police Department and Keep Middlesex Moving, as well as members of the public.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

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

12-16-2019: #6

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

Whereas, there appears to be a surplus in the following CY 2019 Operating Accounts over and above the demands to be necessary, and

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides for the transfer of unexpended balances in those appropriations having an excess over the amount required to those deemed to be insufficient.

Now, therefore be it resolved that the following “Transfer of Appropriations” be made:

From

Current Account	Title	S&W	Other Expenses
20-100-299	Telephone (004)		\$1,000
20-150-227	Assessment of Taxes		800
20-150-229	Assessment of Taxes		200
25-240-101	Police	\$9,000	
25-265-299	Fire Hydrants (001)		300
31-461-000	Electric & Gas		14,000
43-490-101	Municipal Court	2,000	
	Subtotal	\$11,000	\$16,300
	Total	<u>\$27,300</u>	
Sewer Account			
55-500-103	Sewer Salaries & Wages O/T	\$5,000	
55-540-299	Employee Retirement System		\$7,000
55-590-282	Root Control		8,000
	Subtotal	\$5,000	\$15,000
	Total	<u>\$20,000</u>	

To:

Account	Title	S&W	Other Expenses
20-100-299	Legal Advertising (003)		\$1,500

20-110-299	Mayor & Council		200
20-155-299	Legal Services		4,400
21-180-111	Planning Board	\$500	
23-220-299	Group Insurance		4,400
26-290-299	Road Repairs		7,000
26-290-299	Tree Maintenance (002)		7,100
26-310-101	Public Buildings and Grounds	500	
28-370-101	Recreation	1,700	
	Subtotal	\$2,700	\$24,600
	Total	\$27,300	
	Sewer Account		
55-500-235	PARSA		\$20,000
	Subtotal		\$20,000

BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Resolution #11-04-2019: , adopted on November 7, 2019, transferring \$20,000 into a line item outside CAPS (Intergovernment/Middlesex Recycling) be and is hereby rescinded, with the transfer instead to inside CAPS line 26-290-101 (Road Repairs, Salaries and Wages).

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

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

12-16-2019: #7

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN AMENDING THE CONTRACT WITH P&A CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR THE "MADISON AVENUE AND PROSPECT AVENUE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS" 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 P&A Construction, Inc., on a project entitled Madison Avenue and Prospect Avenue Roadway Improvements," in the amount of \$918,381.50; 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 (\$149,103.36) under the Closeout Change Order, for a final contract amount of \$769,278.14; 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 P&A Construction, Inc., to reduce the contract amount by \$149,103.36 (Closeout Change Order) for a revised contract of \$769,278.14; and

WHEREAS, the revised contract amount reflects a retainage for contract work required on Prospect Avenue that the contractor is unable to perform at this time due to the winter season, but which the contractor shall perform under appropriate weather conditions during the Spring, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 16th day of December, 2019, the Council of the Borough of Dunellen does hereby accept the work and approve the Closeout Change Order for a final contract amount of \$769,278.14 reflecting a reduction in the contract amount by \$149,103.36; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT A FINAL PAYMENT BE AUTHORIZED OF \$145,119.45.

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 December 16, 2019.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

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

12-16-2019: #8

**BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE TRI-PARTY TRAFFIC SIGNAL AGREEMENT FOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH WASHINGTON AVENUE AND NEW MARKET ROAD IN THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen and Redeveloper, Brudner Redevelopment Partners Urban Renewal, LLC, previously entered into a Redevelopment Agreement dated July 13, 2017 for the redevelopment of property otherwise known as the Art Color site, located at or near the intersection of South Washington Avenue and New Market Road in the Borough of Dunellen; and

WHEREAS, upon completion, the redevelopment area shall consist of numerous new residential units as well as retail commercial space; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the redevelopment project, when completed, shall increase the density of traffic flow at and around the intersection of South Washington Avenue and New Market Road; and

WHEREAS, those portions of New Market Road and South Washington Avenue located in the Borough of Dunellen are county roads owned, operated and/or maintained by the County of Middlesex; and

WHEREAS the Borough of Dunellen, Brudner Redevelopment Partners Urban Renewal, LLC, and the County of Middlesex have each determined and recognized the desirability of installing a traffic signal at the intersection of South Washington Avenue and New Market Road to improve traffic flow and increase traffic safety at the aforesaid intersection; and

WHEREAS, towards that end, a Tri-Party Traffic Signal Agreement has been drafted to set forth the respective responsibilities, obligations and benefits of the three parties; namely, the County of Middlesex, Brudner Redevelopment Partners Urban Renewal, LLC, and the Borough of Dunellen, for the construction and installation of a traffic signal at the intersection as aforesaid;

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen has determined that it is in the best interests of the residents of the Borough of Dunellen and all others who travel through or near the intersection of South Washington Avenue and New Market Road, for a traffic signal to be installed and operating at said intersection;

WHEREAS, the Mayor has reviewed the Tri-Party Traffic Signal Agreement and it appearing that it is appropriate and necessary for the Mayor to sign same.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Dunellen that it hereby authorizes the Dunellen Mayor to execute the relevant portion of the Tri-Party Traffic Signal Agreement on behalf of the Borough.

Dr. Dunne asked if this traffic light will be coordinated with the one on North Avenue and Washington Avenue. Mr. Robins responded that traffic studies have been made on volume and pedestrian safety. Traffic studies are now quite scientific.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

CONSENT AGENDA

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

12-16-2019: #9

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 Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP., from the Interim Cost Agreement Escrow Account for work done toward **Dunellen Stations** redevelopment, subject to the refunding of the Account:

<u>Windels Marx File Number</u>	<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0305764-0000001	29202	\$14,965.96
	Total	<hr/> \$14,965.96

12-16-2019: #10

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 Windels Marx Lane & Mittendorf, LLP., from the Interim Cost Agreement Escrow Account for work done toward “**528 North Avenue LLC**” redevelopment, subject to the refunding of the Account:

<u>Windels Marx File Number</u>	<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0305764-0000004	29263	\$1,440.00
	Total	<hr/> \$1,440.00

12-16-2019: #11

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

AUTHORIZE 2020 MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS

That, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A.40A:4-19, the following appropriations for Interest and Debt Redemption charges for the year 2020 be and the same are hereby appropriated as follows:

Municipal Debt Service

Principal – Middlesex County Improvement Authority (2012)	\$278,914.93
<u>Interest – Middlesex County Improvement Authority (2012)</u>	<u>27,296.29</u>
Total	\$306,211.22
Principal – Middlesex County Improvement Authority (2017)	\$116,816.97
Principal – Middlesex County Improvement Authority (2017 Sewer)	18,484.90
Interest – Middlesex County Improvement Authority (2017)	37,786.44
<u>Interest – Middlesex County Improvement Authority (2017 Sewer)</u>	<u>8,451.14</u>
Total	\$181,539.45
NJ Environmental Infrastructure – Trust Loan	\$74,825.00
<u>NJ Environmental Infrastructure – Fund Loan</u>	<u>48,905.71</u>
Total	\$123,730.71
Bond Anticipation Note	94,300.00
Interest on Bond Anticipation Note	51,197.39
Special Emergency Note	49,000.00
Interest on Special Emergency Note	2,592.78
<u>Interest on Sewer Note</u>	<u>7,040.39</u>
Total	204,130.56
Grand Total	<u>\$815,611.94</u>

12-16-2019: #12

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

CANCEL OUTSTANDING CHECKS

WHEREAS, there exists outstanding checks on the reconciliation of the Current and Payroll Funds, and

WHEREAS, these checks have been investigated and it has been determined that these checks should now be canceled.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN:

That the following outstanding checks in the amount of \$500.00 be and are hereby canceled:

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>
Current	33339	\$500.00	8/6/18	Without Limits

Total - Current \$500.00

12-16-2019: #13

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

WHEREAS, the last council meeting of the year 2019 is December 16, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the first and second payrolls of 2020 are January 3 and 17, 2020, respectively and the last check run is December 31, 2019, and

WHEREAS, some payments are owing and due prior to the first regular meeting in 2020, and

WHEREAS, there is no subsequent council meeting scheduled to approve the transfer of appropriations from surplus accounts to salary and wages and other expenses requiring additional funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN:

That the Borough CFO be and is hereby authorized and directed to transfer funds as needed such that all the accounts that are charged for the January 3 and 17, 2020 payrolls, December 31, 2019 check run and all subsequent payments that are owed and due prior to the first regular meeting in January are properly funded.

FURTHER RESOLVED that an itemized list of appropriation transfers be provided to the Mayor and Council members by the first regular meeting in January 2020.

12-16-2019: #14

TRANSFER 2018 APPROPRIATION RESERVES TO ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

WHEREAS, the 2018 Appropriation Reserves contains unexpended balances of certain appropriations that will not be paid in 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN:

That the following appropriation reserve balances be transferred to an Accounts Payable in the amount set forth below:

20-165-000-220	Engineering	\$843.00
25-265-000-202	Telephone	50.00
<u>26-310-000-205</u>	<u>Buildings & Grounds</u>	<u>2,775.00</u>
	Total	<u>\$3,668.00</u>

12-16-2019: #15

CANCEL GRANT RECEIVABLE BALANCES

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel receivable balances from the balance sheet for grants that have expired, and

WHEREAS, the Borough CFO is hereby directed to cancel such receivables to Operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN:

That the following receivable balances be canceled:

Municipal Alliance	<u>\$20.75</u>
Total	\$20.75

12-16-2019: #16

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

CANCEL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE BALANCES

WHEREAS, it is necessary, from time to time, to formally cancel Accounts Payable balances from the balance sheet from which encumbrances will not be paid, and

WHEREAS, the Borough Finance Officer is hereby directed to cancel such receivables to Operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN:

That the following Accounts Payable balances in the amount of \$11,837.77 are hereby cancelled:

Accounts Payable (2016)	\$11,837.77
<u>Total</u>	\$11,837.77

12-16-2019: #17

SCHEDULE OF SCHOOL LEVY PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, it has been agreed to turn over to the Board of Education its total monthly allotment as close to the beginning of the month as is reasonable,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN:

That the Borough Treasurer be and she is hereby authorized and directed to draw checks and issue same to the Custodian of School Monies, in accordance with the following schedule:

Levy of \$6,401,244 from January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020

<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
January 13, 2020	1,006,620.00
February 3, 2020	1,187,382.50
March 1, 2020	1,006,620.00
April 6, 2020	1,006,620.00
May 4, 2020	1,187,382.50
June 1, 2020	<u>1,006,619.00</u>
 Total	 <u>\$6,401,244.00</u>

12-16-2019: #18

CANCEL IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS IN THE CAPITAL FUND

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel Improvement Authorizations from the General Capital Fund that are no longer active, and

WHEREAS, the Borough CFO is hereby directed to cancel such Improvement Authorizations to Capital Fund Balance or to Deferred Charges to Future Taxation Unfunded,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN:

That the following Improvement Authorization balances be and they are hereby canceled:

Ord. No.	Description	Total	Fund Balance	Deferred Charges
2014-03	Various Capital Improvements	\$19,556.18		\$19,556.18
2015-07	Acquisition of Fire Pumper	18,975.77		18,975.77
2016-11	Various Improvements	340.00		340.00
2016-12	Parking Lot Improvements	105,238.00		105,238.00
	Total Canceled	\$144,109.95	\$0.00	\$144,109.95

12-16-2019: #19

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

The following establishment be issued a tattoo parlor license by the Municipal Clerk as they have met the requirements and paid the proper fee:

Capital Ink, 12 South Washington Avenue

12-16-2019: #20

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 Interim Cost Agreement Escrow Account for work done toward Dunellen Stations redevelopment, subject to the refunding of the Account:

<u>CME Associates</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0251225	Redevelopment	\$253.50
0252395	Redevelopment	\$754.50
	Total	<u>\$1,008.00</u>

12-16-2019: #21

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 “376 North Avenue Escrow Account” for engineering work done for the Dunellen Planning Board:

<u>CME Associates</u>	<u>Amount</u>
0245918	\$661.25
Total:	<u>\$661.25</u>

12-16-2019: #22

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 check to the Law Offices of John E. Bruder, from the Interim Cost Agreement Escrow Account for work done toward Dunellen Stations redevelopment, subject to the refunding of the account:

<u>John E. Bruder</u>	<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
January 1, 2018 – March 31, 2018	RD-01-03-18	\$640.00
July 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018	RD-07-09-18	\$720.00
Total		<u>\$1,360.00</u>

12-16-2019: #23

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 the Law Offices of John E. Bruder for work done regarding litigation in the Matter of Edelman & Penn v. Borough of Dunellen.

<u>John E. Bruder</u>	<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
January 1, 2019 – March 31, 2019	D/E&P-01-03-19	\$384.00

April 1, 2019 – June 30, 2019

D/E&P-05-19

\$2,416.00

Total

\$2,800.00

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca

Reports:

Mr. Petracca: Thanked Mayor Seader and the people of Dunellen for the opportunity to serve on the Council since 2004.

Mrs. Burke: 1) Fire Department will be escorting Santa Claus on December 24th; 2) she thanked Mayor Seader and Joe.

Mr. Bayer: 1) Tree Lighting went well on December 8th, thanks to Karl Geiger and the Fifth Grade Choir; 2) Columbia Park playground is nearly complete; 3) the Senior Party will be at St. John's Church on January 5th; 4) he thanked Mayor Seader. Mayor Seader noted that there was a second tree lighting in Columbia Park where the School District permitted some children to decorate the tree. Sgt. Chin marched them from Faber School to Columbia Park. Kelly Seader spear-headed the idea with the assistance of Mr. Lubisco. The kids had a great time and Alex Miller and the Recreation Commission provided refreshments.

Dr. Dunne: 1) she attended the recent Green Brook Flood Control Commission meeting and noted the levees being built on Lincoln Avenue in Middlesex. It will still take a few years to get to Dunellen; 2) thank you from the PBA which hosted a toy drive on December 6 and 7. Many people from the Police Department and public attended and they collected over 1,000 toys; 3) thanked Mayor Seader for graciously welcoming her two years ago and thanked Joe.

Mr. Cilento: 1) no formal report but he thanked Joe and enjoyed working with him. He thanked Mayor Seader for "teaching him the ropes" and he will be calling him in the future.

Mrs. Narvesen: 1) the School Bond question passed; 2) she thanked Joe and Mayor Seader. The town was lucky to have you both.

Mayor Seader: 1) thanked Karen Seader for her help with the tree lighting in Columbia Park; 2) noted Karen's very hard work on the Maurer House, especially with the tremendous annual Haunted Trail which takes in more money each year and is very popular; 3) asked Mike and Lou (CME, in the audience) for help in getting a cost estimate for the South Madison Avenue Roadway Improvement project; 4) he thanked everyone for coming. He was very surprised and grateful. He recognized Cheryl O'Neill and thanked her for her friendship, and especially thanked former Police Chief Gerard Cappella. Finally, he thanked Joe Petracca for being his friend, in Council and outside of Council, for the past 15 years. His financial expertise was invaluable.

Council Discussion on Citizen of the Year/Lifetime Achievement.

Margie Dornbierer was nominated for Citizen of the Year and Rosemary Deene and Elizabeth Hixon were nominated for Lifetime Achievement Awards. Approved.

PUBLIC PORTION

No one from the public spoke on governmental matters; however, at this point Mayor Robert J. Seader was honored for his long service to Dunellen, first as a Councilman and then as mayor for 22 years. The following groups or people made presentations or made personal remarks on the many ways Bob Seader was their friend and a friend to Dunellen:

- Police Department saluted him
- Gene Mosley, Superintendent of Dunellen Schools
- Gerard Cappella, former Dunellen Chief of Police
- William Robins presented a plaque on behalf of the Dunellen Borough Council and residents
- Commander Keith Jarvis from the Dunellen American Legion Post 119 presented a plaque
- Laura Ruskuski on behalf of the Dunellen Recreation Commission
- Kelly Seader showed a slide show that she put together of Mayor Seader's tenure as mayor. She thanked CME Associates for their help.
- Karen Seader: "The best mayor in the history of Dunellen."
- Dave Morgan on behalf of the Dunellen Defender Fire Company #1

Refreshments were served.

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

12-16-2019: #25

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

The Dunellen Borough Council Meeting of December 16, 2019 is adjourned.

Yes: Bayer, Burke, Cilento, Dunne, Narvesen and Petracca