March 21, 2022

Note: This meeting was in a hybrid format, with limited seating in the Council Chambers supplemented by teleconference for the public who could not attend.

Minutes of the public meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen held on March 21, 2022.

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, Teresa Albertson, Jessica Dunne, Joseph Paltjon, Trina Rios, Daniel Sigmon and Harold VanDermark

On the motion of Mr. Sigmon and seconded by Mrs. Rios it was moved to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of March 7, 2022.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

At this point, the following Proclamation Honoring the Third Monday in March as COVID-19 Memorial Day:

PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY HONORING THE THIRD MONDAY IN MARCH AS COVID-19 MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2021, Mayor Jason F. Cilento and the Dunellen Borough Council designated the third Monday in March as COVID-19 Victims and Survivors Memorial Day; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) is an illness caused by a virus that can transmit from person to person and has spread across the world, having created a global pandemic that is has had a catastrophic effects on human life, our community, and our economy; and

WHEREAS, local and state governments, health departments, and public servants had to take bold actions to protect residents, support struggling local economies, and find innovative ways to provide services; and

WHEREAS, in response to the spread of COVID-19 and stay-at-home orders, essential workers stepped up to provide critical services to help protect their communities and save lives, sacrificing their own health and safety; and

WHEREAS, in usual fashion, the Dunellen community came together to support each other during these difficult times with food drives, COVID-19 diagnostic testing, the Miracle Mile fund raiser to assist small downtown businesses, and providing rides to Seniors to supermarkets and doctors; and

WHEREAS, public health guidance and policies targeted at prevention, such as social distancing, wearing masks in public, and staying home helped mitigate the spread of COVID-19, prevent illness, and lessen the burden on individuals and society; and
WHEREAS, the symptoms and severity of COVID-19 can vary dramatically by individual and the long-term health implications for survivors is largely unknown, as many survivors suffer with lingering side-effects of the disease long after they no longer test positive; and
WHEREAS, fifteen residents of Dunellen have died, each one a brother or sister, a husband or wife, father or mother, a grandparent, all precious lives gone from us forever.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that Mayor Jason F. Cilento and Council of the Borough of Dunellen, New Jersey make this proclamation to continue honoring the third Monday in March as COVID-19 Memorial Day, in remembrance of those who have lost their lives and in honor of those who are forever marked by COVID and continue to suffer from the impact of this virus.

At this point, a Proclamation Recognizing March as Youth Art Month:

PROCLAMATION
YOUTH ART MONTH 2022

WHEREAS, art education contributes powerful educational benefits to all elementary, middle, and secondary students including the following:
• Art education develops students’ creative problem-solving and critical thinking abilities;
• Art education teaches sensitivity to beauty, order, and other expressive qualities;
• Art education gives students a deeper understanding of multi-cultural values and beliefs;
• Art education reinforces and brings to life what students learn in other subjects; and
• Art education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism, and aesthetics.

WHEREAS, our national leaders have acknowledged the necessity of including arts experiences in all students’ education; and
WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen, in conjunction with the Dunellen Arts and Culture Commission, strives to provide and encourage programs which afford the public great opportunities to experience arts and culture in Dunellen; and
WHEREAS, March is officially recognized as YOUTH ART MONTH, I proclaim the observance of Youth Art Month and encourage the support of quality school art programs for children and youth.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Jason F. Cilento, of Dunellen, NJ, do hereby endorse March 2022 as YOUTH ART MONTH

Mayor’s Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Authorities
Accept resignation of Robert Berg from the Dunellen Shade Tree Commission
Appoint John Finney to the Dunellen Shade Tree Commission

Dr. Robins administered the Oath of Allegiance to John Finney.

At this point, Professor David Listokin of the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy presented a PowerPoint on a project on murals in downtown Dunellen that his class
undertook, in conjunction with students from the Mason Gross School of the Arts. The PowerPoint can be found on the Borough’s website at:

http://www.dunellen-nj.gov/about_dunellen/dunellen_mural_project.php

The presentation can also be seen on the YouTube video of tonight’s Council Meeting, from minutes 10:32 through 32:00.

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

ORDINANCE 2022-10

BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN

The following Amendment to Dunellen Municipal Code, Chapter 115, Zoning, is being Introduced for first reading on March 21, 2022. It will be presented for Public Hearing and Adoption on April 4, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dunellen Borough Municipal Building, 355 North Avenue, Dunellen, New Jersey, or at an appropriate time thereafter subject to Dunellen Planning Board review. Notice will be given in advance of the date for the Public Hearing and Adoption. Copies of this ordinance will be posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and will be available at the Office of the Borough Clerk for any interested members of the public.

Dunellen Municipal Code, Chapter 115, Zoning, is amended to read as follows:

Article II

Zoning Districts; Zoning Map

115-3. Enumeration of Districts

The Borough of Dunellen is hereby divided into various zoning districts as follows:

RA Single-Family Residential
RB Single-Family and Two Family Residential
B Business
M Municipal
I Industrial

Article VI

District Regulations
115-36.1 I Industrial Zone
A. Permitted Principal Uses. No building, structure or premises shall be used, and no building or structure shall be erected or structurally altered, except of the following uses:

1. Offices for executive, administrative, professional, and business purposes.

2. Light Industrial manufacturing, processing and assembling of products.

3. Warehousing, receiving, or shipping of materials provided that such materials are not of a hazardous nature.

4. The manufacturing, compounding, processing, or packaging of food, cosmetics, perfumes, plastics of a type not producing odors.

5. Research institutions and laboratories or industrial research, testing and product development providing there is no use of hazardous materials or testing on animals.

6. Wholesale facilities.

7. Brewery.

8. Distillery.

9. Winery.

10. Recreational and Amusement facilities operated for profit including:

    a. Indoor Theaters.


12. Public uses and facilities, recreational uses, community centers, and parks.

13. Film Studios.

15. Other uses that are determined by the Board to be of the same character as the above types of permitted principal uses which are not objectionable due to odor, dust, noise, vibration, smoke, or similar causes but excluding uses specifically prohibited in this chapter.

B. Permitted accessory uses and buildings. Uses and buildings incidental to the above uses shall be permitted as provided:

1. Off street parking, loading and ramp areas.

2. Outdoor storage provided such storage is not situated within a front yard and is sufficiently screened from view from any public or private street or residence or residential zone.

3. Tractor and trailer storage as accessory to warehouse and distribution uses provided the trailers are not utilized for the long-term storage of goods.

4. Other uses deemed to be accessory uses that are normally ancillary to the permitted principal uses, except that factory outlet type retail stores and sales shall not be considered an accessory use.

C. Conditional Uses. The following conditional uses may be permitted, provided all terms and conditions specified for the particular use in 115-37 are complied with:


2. Public Garages and Automotive Repair Facilities.

3. Cellular towers and Cellular communications Equipment (40:55D-46.2 of the MLUL regulates the colocation of wireless communication equipment. The Borough retains jurisdiction for the installation of new towers and equipment.)

D. Prohibited Uses. The following uses are specifically prohibited:
1. Any use not specifically permitted or determined by the Board to be of the same character as permitted principal uses listed previously are prohibited.

2. Residences of any type permitted in the RA and RB Zones.

3. Trucking Depots or terminals or truck maintenance facilities.

4. Slaughterhouses and/or the keeping of farm animals.

5. The manufacturing, processing, storage of chemicals, liquids, gases, or other products that are considered hazardous and/or regulated by the NJDEP or EPA.

E. Height, area, and yard requirements for the I-Industrial zone: as specified in the schedule of regulations, 115-6 except as hereinafter provided:

1. Minimum lot area-10,000 square feet.

2. Maximum building height-40 feet. The height of any structure within the I-Industrial Zone may be increased up to 50 feet provided for any increase of in 5 foot increments an additional 5 feet shall be added to each required setback. No parapet, false façade, rooftop, or mechanical equipment may exceed 40 feet in height except with the increase of all setbacks as provided above.

3. Minimum front setback-20 feet. For any structure existing prior to the establishment of this code provided the structure is not demolished, modified, or added onto may maintain the existing front setback.

4. Minimum side setback-5 feet. When adjacent to a residence or residential zone, the required side setback shall be a minimum of 25 feet.

5. Minimum rear setback-10 feet. When adjacent to a residence or residential zone the required rear setback shall be a minimum of 25 feet.

6. Maximum Building Coverage-40%

7. Maximum Lot Coverage-75%
8. Minimum parking/driveway setback- 5 feet. When adjacent to a residence or residential zone the required setback shall be a minimum of 25 feet.

F. Off-street parking requirements: as specified within 115A-15.

G. Loading requirements: as specified within 115A-15.

H. Fencing requirements: as specified within 115-40.

I. Buffers and landscaping requirements: as specified within 115-40 except provided below:

1. All new parking areas are required to have a minimum of 1 deciduous shade tree planted for every 10 parking stalls or part thereof. The shade trees must be installed within parking area islands or within 5’ of the perimeter of the new parking area.

2. All new parking areas are required to have 1 curbed landscaped island for each 30 parking stalls or part thereof.

3. When adjacent to or abutting a residence or residential zone a minimum planted buffer of 25 feet shall be provided. The planted buffer shall include solid fencing and evergreen plantings a minimum of 8 feet in height at time of planting. The minimum planting size may be increased at the discretion of the Board. Structures or uses such as, but not limited to, sheds, storage, refuse enclosures and curbing are not permitted within the buffer area.

J. Sign Requirements: All new signs shall conform to the requirements of the latest adopted sign ordinance.

Chapter 115A-Land Development

115A-15.1 Off-street parking and loading

115A-15.1C. Minimum space requirements for off street parking areas

(27) Gyms, Health Clubs and Physical Training Facility: one (1) space per each 200 square feet of gross floor area, plus one additional space for each 300 square feet of
additional gross floor area. Floor area shall not include areas used for storage which
are not accessible to the public.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

ORDINANCE 2022-11

BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN

The following ordinance is being 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 21,
2022. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of
said governing body to be held in the Municipal Building, 355 North Avenue, Dunellen, New
Jersey, in said County, on April 4, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. During the week prior to and up to and
including the date of such meeting copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and
during regular business hours, at the Clerk’s office for members of the general public who have
requested the same.

Dunellen Borough Code Chapter 217-3 is amended as follows:

Ch. 217-3. Duties and responsibilities of owners and operators.

Section E. Refuse and Recycling Container Storage.
(1) Refuse container storage.
   (a) Garbage and other organic waste shall be stored in watertight receptacles of metal or
       other approved material. Such receptacles shall be provided for each dwelling unit.
   (b) In dwellings of two-family size or larger, the landlord shall be responsible to provide
       separate approved refuse containers for each dwelling.

(2) Roll-off containers.
   (a) Temporary roll-off containers. The temporary placement of roll-off containers is
       permitted when required; however, they can only remain on site while active
       construction, renovation or cleanup is ongoing. They must be removed within one
       week of completion of the project or the cessation of the project for other reasons.
       Anytime a container becomes full, regardless of whether or not the project is
       completed, it must be removed within one week.
   (b) Permanent roll-off and commercial type wheeled refuse containers. Permanent roll-off
       and commercial type wheeled refuse containers of the type that must be mechanically
       lifted and emptied by a refuse contractor are permitted but must be enclosed in a six-
       foot-high solid fence with closable solid gates. The fence shall be chain link with slats
       installed that prevent an exterior view of the container or of the wooden stockade
       variety. The gates must remain closed except when the container is being emptied.
Every attempt must be made to have these containers not visible from the street. The fences and gates must be maintained in good order.

Section F. Rubbish, Garbage, Trash and Debris.

(1) Accumulation of rubbish, garbage, trash and debris. Exterior property and premises, and the interior of every structure, shall be free from any accumulation of rubbish, garbage, trash and debris.

(2) Disposal of rubbish. Every occupant of a structure shall dispose of all rubbish in a clean and sanitary manner by placing such rubbish in approved containers.

(3) Rubbish storage facilities. The owner of every occupied premises shall supply approved covered containers for rubbish, and the owner of the premises shall be responsible for the removal of rubbish. Such containers must be stored in a neat manner on the side near the rear of the structure or in the rear of the property. No containers may be stored on the front side of the property.

(4) Appliances, furniture, mattresses, and discarded items. Appliance, furniture and other discarded items may not be stored outside or at the curb.

(5) Disposal of garbage. Every occupant of a structure shall dispose of garbage in a clean and sanitary manner by placing such garbage in an approved garbage disposal facility or approved garbage containers. Approved garbage containers may be placed at the curb for pickup no earlier than 5:00 p.m. the evening before schedule pickup. Garbage containers must be removed from the curb/front of property no later than 8:00 p.m. the evening of trash pickup.

(6) Garbage facilities. The owner of every dwelling shall supply an approved leak-proof, covered, outside garbage container.

(7) Containers. The operator of every establishment that produces garbage shall provide, and at all times cause to be utilized, approved leak-proof containers provided with close-fitting covers for the storage of such materials until removed from the premises for disposal.

(8) Filing of summons and/or complaint. The Code Enforcement Officer may file a summons and/or complaint in the municipal court or cause the issuance of the same, whether or not a notice of violation or order shall have been served.

(9) Removal of rubbish, garbage, trash and debris by Borough. Upon failure of the owner or agent having charge of a property to comply with this Section 217-3(F) after five days of the issuance of a summons, the Borough will have the right to remove rubbish, garbage, trash and debris from property as detailed in the following procedure:
In the event that the owner or agent having charge of the property in question has failed or refused to abate or remedy the violation set forth in the summons after the fifth day from date of issue, the Director of Code Enforcement is directed to arrange for abatement of the condition complained of and shall keep a record of all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the removal or abatement and shall certify it to the Mayor and Council, who shall examine the certificate and, if found correct, cause the cost of removal or abatement to be charged against the land benefited. The amount charged shall become a
lien upon the land benefited and shall be added to and become part of the taxes next assessed upon that land, and shall bear interest to be collected and enforced in the same manner as taxes. The remedy provided by this subsection shall be in addition to any penalty which may be imposed for a violation of this section.

Section G. Violations and penalties.
Every person convicted of a violation of this article shall be subjected to a fine of not more than $500.00 or imprisonment for a term of not more than 15 days or both.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

Ordinance 2022-09

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

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

The bond 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 7, 2022. It is now being further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held in the Dunellen Borough Council Chambers, 355 North Avenue, Dunellen, NJ 08812 on March 21, 2022 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 for the members of the general public who have requested the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR REPAIRS TO THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING ROOF IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING $250,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $238,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

Purpose: Repairs to the Municipal Building roof, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto

Appropriation: $250,000
Bonds/Notes Authorized: $238,000
Grant Appropriated: N/A
Section 20 Costs: $37,600

At this point, Mayor Cilento opened the meeting to the public. No one from the public spoke. This portion was closed.
Dr. Dunne inquired of the next steps. Dr. Robins replied that this ordinance provides the funding mechanism. After the 20-day estoppel from adoption publication in the newspaper, the engineers will be awarded a contract to create bid specifications, bid the project, and oversee the project. Award of contract will be by Council resolution.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #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: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #2

Central Jersey Joint Insurance Program
2022 Safety Incentive Program
Acceptance Resolution

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE CENTRAL JERSEY JOINT INSURANCE FUND’S 2022 SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen is a member of the Central Jersey Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (CENTRAL JIF); and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the CENTRAL JJIF to achieve the best and most practical degree of freedom from accidents and / or injuries; and

WHEREAS, the CENTRAL JJIF endeavors to ensure that all of their members’ employees, volunteers and public are provided with a safe and healthy environment, free from any recognized hazards; and

WHEREAS, the CENTRAL JJIF endeavors to ensure that all of their members are in compliance with applicable safety and health requirements; and
WHEREAS, the CENTRAL JJIF’s Safety Committee is made up of representatives of the Fund’s Municipalities, along with the professionals employed by the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the new Program will assist all the Central JJIF members in becoming or maintaining compliance with all Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health (PEOSH) Requirements; and

WHEREAS, the CENTRAL JJIF has adopted the new 2022 SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM which should succeed in providing a safe, healthful and pleasant environment; and

NOW; THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of Dunellen, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM be adopted by the Borough of Dunellen.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #3

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

SHI International Corp. is awarded a contract for the provision of SDL Enterprise Licensing software for use in the Construction Office, for an amount not to exceed $12,350.00. This award is made under NJ State contract NAME: NASPO Computer Equipment, Contract #s: MNWNC-109, 117, 119 and others.

In reply to a question from Dr. Dunne, Mr. Luthman stated that SDL software will manage all permits and inspections in the Construction Office.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #4

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

WHEREAS, The Interlocal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:8-1 et seq. authorizes municipal local units to enter into contracts with one another for the purpose of providing shared services; and
WHEREAS, The Borough of Dunellen is desirous of procuring Animal Control Shelter Services for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024 inclusive, to comply with the laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, The Township of Edison is desirous of supplying and undertaking the duties of Animal Control Shelter Services and fulfilling the obligations thereof as prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen represents that the funds to meet the costs of this contract are included in the current budget of appropriations, or in the alternative, that there has been and there will continue to be an Ordinance authorizing the appropriation sufficient to meet the costs of carrying out the provisions of the contract.

WHEREAS, the cost of this Agreement is $17,696.16 in 2022; $18,050.04 in 2023; and $18,411.00 in 2024, payable in monthly installments equal to one twelfth (1/12) of the total contract price for the respective year. Payment in future years is subject to the availability of funds.

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

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the attached interlocal service agreement with the Township of Edison for the purpose of providing Animal Control Services to said Borough.

2. The Municipal Clerk is directed to forward and execute interlocal service agreement to the Township Clerk, at 100 Municipal Boulevard, Edison, N.J. 08817, with the instructions to return a fully signed copy to the Borough for its records.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

On the motion of Mrs. Rios and seconded by Mrs. Albertson, amended to add SUV/Minivan with a motion by Dr. Dunne and seconded by Mr. Sigmon, it was moved to accept the following:

03-21-2022: #5

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

Approval is granted for the Dunellen Department of Public Works to conduct an additional Roll-off Day in June, 2022. Subject to favorable weather conditions, roll-off will be held at the DPW Yard on a Wednesday in June, from 2:30 pm to 7:30 pm, and a Saturday, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, with rain dates the following week. Actual dates to be determined. Allowed material for drop-off will be restricted to household waste. Debris or waste from contractors will not be permitted. The fee for property owners will be: $25.00 per carload; $50.00 per SUV/Minivan; and $75.00 per pick-up truck or van. The Municipal Clerk’s Office will receive payment and issue permits.
Mayor Cilento stated that we currently have a Roll-off program in the Fall. This action will establish a Pilot program to gauge public interest in adding additional roll-off days.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #6

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

Natural Green of Bridgewater, NJ, is awarded a contract for field, lawn, and landscaping of Columbia Park for 2022, at a cost not to exceed $6,115.00. The contract is awarded per New Jersey State Contract, through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, Co-op # 65MCESCCPS, contract # ESCNJ 20/21-49. The Dunellen School District will contribute one-half of the cost of this contract.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #7

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

Natural Green of Bridgewater, NJ, is awarded a contract for field, lawn, and landscaping of McCoy Park for 2022, at a cost not to exceed $2,225.00. The contract is awarded per New Jersey State Contract, through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, Co-op # 65MCESCCPS, contract # ESCNJ 20/21-49.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #8

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

Caffrey Tree and Landscape is awarded a contract for the purchase and installation of trees for the Dunellen Shade Tree Commission, at an amount not to exceed $44,000.00.
On the motion of Mr. VanDermark and seconded by Mr. Sigmon it was moved to accept the following:

**03-21-2022: #9**

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

The resignation of Scott Luthman as Construction Official and Building Inspector is accepted, effective April 4, 2022. Scott Luthman will continue as an employee of the Borough of Dunellen, working on various Planning Board and Construction Office projects, as well as other duties assigned by Mayor, Council and Borough Administration, with final resignation as a Borough of Dunellen employee on August 26, 2022.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

**03-21-2022: #10**

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

Susan Quispe is hired as a Technical Assistant to the Construction Official (TACO) effective April 4, 2022. Her annual salary is set at $45,000.00.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

**03-21-2022: #11**

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

Michael Rossi is hired as the Dunellen Construction Official and Dunellen Plumbing Inspector, effective April 4, 2022, at an annual salary of $29,000.00. This is a part-time position without benefits.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark
On the motion of Dr. Dunne and seconded by Mr. Sigmon it was moved to accept the following:

03-21-2022: #12

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

Scott Brescher is hired as the Dunellen Building Subcode Official, effective April 4, 2022, at an annual salary of $12,000.00. This is a part-time position without benefits.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #13


Whereas, the entirety of this revision is contained below.

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

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth at length; and
2. That Dunellen Municipal Code Section 115 is hereby amended to permit Film Studios and Production Facilities in the Industrial Zone; and
3. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with applicable law following final adoption and publication thereof.

Dunellen Municipal Code, Chapter 115, Zoning, is amended to read as follows:

Article II

Zoning Districts; Zoning Map

115-3. Enumeration of Districts

The Borough of Dunellen is hereby divided into various zoning districts as follows:

RA Single-Family Residential
RB Single-Family and Two Family Residential
B Business
M Municipal
I Industrial

Article VI

District Regulations
115-36.1 I Industrial Zone

K. Permitted Principal Uses. No building, structure or premises shall be used, and no building or structure shall be erected or structurally altered, except of the following uses:

16. Offices for executive, administrative, professional, and business purposes.

17. Light Industrial manufacturing, processing and assembling of products.

18. Warehousing, receiving, or shipping of materials provided that such materials are not of a hazardous nature.

19. The manufacturing, compounding, processing, or packaging of food, cosmetics, perfumes, plastics of a type not producing odors.

20. Research institutions and laboratories or industrial research, testing and product development providing there is no use of hazardous materials or testing on animals.

21. Wholesale facilities.

22. Brewery.

23. Distillery.

24. Winery.

25. Recreational and Amusement facilities operated for profit including:

   c. Indoor Theaters.

27. Public uses and facilities, recreational uses, community centers, and parks.

28. Film Studios.

29. Production Facilities.

30. Other uses that are determined by the Board to be of the same character as the above types of permitted principal uses which are not objectionable due to odor, dust, noise, vibration, smoke, or similar causes but excluding uses specifically prohibited in this chapter.

L. Permitted accessory uses and buildings. Uses and buildings incidental to the above uses shall be permitted as provided:

5. Off street parking, loading and ramp areas.

6. Outdoor storage provided such storage is not situated within a front yard and is sufficiently screened from view from any public or private street or residence or residential zone.

7. Tractor and trailer storage as accessory to warehouse and distribution uses provided the trailers are not utilized for the long-term storage of goods.

8. Other uses deemed to be accessory uses that are normally ancillary to the permitted principal uses, except that factory outlet type retail stores and sales shall not be considered an accessory use.

M. Conditional Uses. The following conditional uses may be permitted, provided all terms and conditions specified for the particular use in 115-37 are complied with:


5. Public Garages and Automotive Repair Facilities.

6. Cellular towers and Cellular communications Equipment (40:55D-46.2 of the MLUL regulates the colocation of wireless
communication equipment. The Borough retains jurisdiction for the installation of new towers and equipment.)

N. Prohibited Uses. The following uses are specifically prohibited:

6. Any use not specifically permitted or determined by the Board to be of the same character as permitted principal uses listed previously are prohibited.

7. Residences of any type permitted in the RA and RB Zones.

8. Trucking Depots or terminals or truck maintenance facilities.

9. Slaughterhouses and/or the keeping of farm animals.

10. The manufacturing, processing, storage of chemicals, liquids, gases, or other products that are considered hazardous and/or regulated by the NJDEP or EPA.

O. Height, area, and yard requirements for the I-Industrial zone: as specified in the schedule of regulations, 115-6 except as hereinafter provided:

9. Minimum lot area-10,000 square feet.

10. Maximum building height-40 feet. The height of any structure within the I-Industrial Zone may be increased up to 50 feet provided for any increase of in 5 foot increments an additional 5 feet shall be added to each required setback. No parapet, false façade, rooftop, or mechanical equipment may exceed 40 feet in height except with the increase of all setbacks as provided above.

11. Minimum front setback-20 feet. For any structure existing prior to the establishment of this code provided the structure is not demolished, modified, or added onto may maintain the existing front setback.

12. Minimum side setback-5 feet. When adjacent to a residence or residential zone, the required side setback shall be a minimum of 25 feet.
13. Minimum rear setback-10 feet. When adjacent to a residence or residential zone the required rear setback shall be a minimum of 25 feet.

14. Maximum Building Coverage-40%

15. Maximum Lot Coverage-75%

16. Minimum parking/driveway setback- 5 feet. When adjacent to a residence or residential zone the required setback shall be a minimum of 25 feet.

P. Off-street parking requirements: as specified within 115A-15.

Q. Loading requirements: as specified within 115A-15.

R. Fencing requirements: as specified within 115-40.

S. Buffers and landscaping requirements: as specified within 115-40 except provided below:

4. All new parking areas are required to have a minimum of 1 deciduous shade tree planted for every 10 parking stalls or part thereof. The shade trees must be installed within parking area islands or within 5’ of the perimeter of the new parking area.

5. All new parking areas are required to have 1 curbed landscaped island for each 30 parking stalls or part thereof.

6. When adjacent to or abutting a residence or residential zone a minimum planted buffer of 25 feet shall be provided. The planted buffer shall include solid fencing and evergreen plantings a minimum of 8 feet in height at time of planting. The minimum planting size may be increased at the discretion of the Board. Structures or uses such as, but not limited to, sheds, storage, refuse enclosures and curbing are not permitted within the buffer area.

T. Sign Requirements: All new signs shall conform to the requirements of the latest adopted sign ordinance.

Chapter 115A-Land Development
115A-15.1 Off-street parking and loading

115A-15.1C. Minimum space requirements for off street parking areas

(27) Gyms, Health Clubs and Physical Training Facility: one (1) space per each 200 square feet of gross floor area, plus one additional space for each 300 square feet of additional gross floor area. Floor area shall not include areas used for storage which are not accessible to the public.

Now, Therefore, be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen, that Ordinance 2022-10 be forwarded to the Dunellen Planning Board for review and a report containing its recommendation regarding the proposed revised and amended ordinance.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

**03-21-2022: #14**

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

Whereas, emergent conditions have arisen with respect to either funds being needed for salaries and wages and/or payments being due to various vendors, and

Whereas, adequate provisions were not made in the 2022 Temporary Budget, and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides for creation of emergency temporary appropriations, and

Whereas, the total emergency temporary appropriations adopted in the year 2022 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 (Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 as amended) including this resolution total $2,083,725 for the Current Fund and $151,000 for the Sewer Utility,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Dunellen (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmingly concurring):

Then, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20:

1. The emergency temporary appropriations listed below will be provided for in the 2022 budget under the titles shown and for the amounts given be and the same are hereby made as follows:
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Department</th>
<th>Account</th>
<th>Salaries &amp; Wages</th>
<th>Other Expenses</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Administration and Executive</td>
<td>20-100-000</td>
<td>$12,500.00</td>
<td>$4,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Legal Advertising</td>
<td>20-100-003</td>
<td>2,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Telephone</td>
<td>20-100-004</td>
<td>8,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Financial Administration</td>
<td>20-130-000</td>
<td>20,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessment of Taxes</td>
<td>20-150-000</td>
<td>4,000.00</td>
<td>5,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Collection of Taxes</td>
<td>20-145-000</td>
<td>9,500.00</td>
<td>4,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Legal Services</td>
<td>20-155-000</td>
<td>13,500.00</td>
<td>6,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Borough Clerk</td>
<td>20-120-000</td>
<td>12,500.00</td>
<td>2,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Engineering Services</td>
<td>20-165-000</td>
<td>7,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Municipal Planner</td>
<td>21-181-299</td>
<td></td>
<td>4,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Public Buildings &amp; Grounds</td>
<td>26-310-000</td>
<td>2,500.00</td>
<td>13,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Electric &amp; Gas</td>
<td>31-461-000</td>
<td>35,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Planning Board</td>
<td>21-180-000</td>
<td>2,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group Health Insurance</td>
<td>23-220-000</td>
<td>175,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mayor &amp; Council</td>
<td>20-110-000</td>
<td>5,000.00</td>
<td>1,400.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gasoline</td>
<td>31-460-299</td>
<td>6,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Water</td>
<td>31-445-000</td>
<td>2,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Postage</td>
<td>20-100-001</td>
<td>1,500.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Information Technology</td>
<td>20-140-000</td>
<td>10,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fire</td>
<td>25-265-000</td>
<td>9,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fire Hydrant Service</td>
<td>25-265-001</td>
<td>18,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Police</td>
<td>25-240-000</td>
<td>410,000.00</td>
<td>22,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Police - Overtime</td>
<td>25-240-001</td>
<td>10,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>School Crossing Guards</td>
<td>25-240-002</td>
<td>16,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Emergency Management</td>
<td>20-252-000</td>
<td>1,000.00</td>
<td>1,200.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Road Repairs</td>
<td>26-290-000</td>
<td>120,000.00</td>
<td>18,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tree Maintenance</td>
<td>26-290-002</td>
<td>12,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transit Village</td>
<td>26-297-000</td>
<td>500.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Garbage &amp; Trash</td>
<td>32-465-000</td>
<td>6,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Board of Health</td>
<td>27-330-000</td>
<td>9,000.00</td>
<td>4,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Recreation</td>
<td>28-370-000</td>
<td>14,000.00</td>
<td>2,600.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Senior Citizens Activities</td>
<td>28-370-001</td>
<td>600.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Construction Code</td>
<td>22-195-000</td>
<td>24,000.00</td>
<td>750.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)</td>
<td>36-471-000</td>
<td>154,660.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social Security</td>
<td>36-472-000</td>
<td>40,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Police and Firemen’s Retirement Syst (PFRS)</td>
<td>36-475-000</td>
<td>577,015.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Municipal Court</td>
<td>43-490-000</td>
<td>31,000.00</td>
<td>3,000.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Free Public Library</td>
<td>29-390-000</td>
<td>52,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Municipal Prosecutor</td>
<td>25-275-000</td>
<td>5,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Intergovernment/Dispatching</td>
<td>42-305-001</td>
<td>30,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Intergovernment/Recycling</td>
<td>42-305-000</td>
<td>40,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Intergovernment/Middlesex Health Services</td>
<td>42-305-002</td>
<td>10,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Capital Improvement Fund</td>
<td>44-901-299</td>
<td>5,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Subtotal $771,500.00 $1,312,225.00

Grand Total Current Fund $2,083,725.00

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Account</th>
<th>Title</th>
<th>S&amp;W</th>
<th>Other Expenses</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sewers - Postage 55-500-212</td>
<td>$1,000.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sewers - PARSA 55-500-235</td>
<td>150,000.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Subtotal $151,000.00

Grand Total Sewer Utility $151,000.00

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

**03-21-2022: #15**

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 2021 Appropriation Reserve 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 Appropriation Reserves” be made:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>From Account</th>
<th>Title</th>
<th>S&amp;W</th>
<th>Other Expenses</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>23-220-299</td>
<td>Group Insurance</td>
<td></td>
<td>$16,675</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Subtotal 16,675

Total $16,675

Whereas, there appears to be insufficient funds in the following 2021 Appropriation Reserve Accounts over and above the demands to be necessary; viz:
To:  

| 20-130-299 | Financial Administration | $10,000 |
| 20-155-299 | Legal Services           | 2,000  |
| 21-180-220 | Planning Board           | 1,175  |
| 25-240-299 | Police                   | 1,000  |
| 43-490-299 | Municipal Court          | 2,500  |

Subtotal 16,675

Total $16,675

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #16

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AWARD OF RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Dunellen has joined the Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund, following a detailed analysis; and

WHEREAS, the bylaws of said Funds require that each Governing Body appoint a Risk Management Consultant to perform various professional services as detailed in the bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fund Commissioners established a fee equal to six percent (6%) of the Municipal assessment which expenditure represents reasonable compensation for the services required and was included in the cost considered by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, Acrisure, LLC., (“Risk Management Consultant”) is qualified to provide the various professional Risk Management services as detailed in the bylaws and its response was deemed the most advantageous to the Borough, price and other factors considered; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Borough of Dunellen does hereby appoint Acrisure, LLC., as its Risk Management Consultant in accordance with the Fund's bylaws, effective January 1, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER resolved that the Governing Body is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Risk Management Consultant's Agreement annexed hereto and to cause a notice of this decision to be published according to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1) (a) (i).

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

On the motion of Mrs. Rios and seconded by Mrs. Albertson it was moved to accept the following:
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, RECOGNIZING NEW JERSEY LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK, APRIL 3rd, 2022, AND ENCOURAGING ALL CITIZENS TO SUPPORT THE CELEBRATION AND CORRESPONDING ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS, local government is the government closest to most citizens, and the one with the most direct daily impact upon its residents; and

WHEREAS, local government provides services and programs that enhance the quality of life for residents, making their municipality their home; and

WHEREAS, local government is administered for and by its citizens, and is dependent upon public commitment to and understanding of its many responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, local government officials and employees share the responsibility to pass along the understanding of public services and their benefits; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Local Government Week offers an important opportunity for elected officials and local government staff to spread the word to all citizens of New Jersey that they can shape and influence this branch of government; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities and its member municipalities have joined together to teach citizens about municipal government through a variety of activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen that all residents, school students, local government officials and Borough employees are encouraged to participate in events to be held in the Borough between April 3rd and April 9th, 2022 that recognize and celebrate New Jersey Local Government Week and promote the services and programs that enhance the quality of life for all Borough residents.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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 FIG CUST FIGNJ119LLC & SEC PTY
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>TSC</th>
<th>Block</th>
<th>Lot</th>
<th>Owner/Address</th>
<th>Principal</th>
<th>Interest</th>
<th>Premium</th>
<th>Total</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>20-11</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>MENDEZ, ARMANDO &amp; ORSOLYA 316 SECOND ST</td>
<td>$1,226.53</td>
<td>$45.45</td>
<td>$1,500.00</td>
<td>$2,771.98</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**TOTAL REFUNDED $2,771.98**

03-21-2021: #19

**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  US BANK CUST FRO PRO CAP 8

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>TSC</th>
<th>Block</th>
<th>Lot</th>
<th>Owner/Address</th>
<th>Principal</th>
<th>Interest</th>
<th>Premium</th>
<th>Total</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>21-04</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>4.01</td>
<td>US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION 319 FOURTH ST</td>
<td>$6,490.97</td>
<td>$180.89</td>
<td>$19,400.00</td>
<td>$26,071.86</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**TOTAL REFUNDED $26,071.86**

03-21-2022: #20

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

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue checks to DMR Architects, from the Dunellen Planning Board Escrow Account(s) listed below, for architectural work towards the following application(s):

**545 FOURTH STREET - SWITZER**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>20220330</td>
<td>PB263</td>
<td>Architectural Review</td>
<td>$836.24</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

03-21-2022: #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 checks to McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, from the Dunellen Planning Board Escrow Account(s) listed below, for legal work towards the following application(s):

### 120-126 NORTH AVENUE - WOODBURY PORTFOLIOS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>187991</td>
<td>PE110</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>$1,575.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 501 NORTH AVENUE PORTFOLIOS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>187992</td>
<td>PE111</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>$3,300.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>188745</td>
<td>PE115</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>3,731.88</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### SOUTH SIDE TRAIN STATION

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>182706</td>
<td>PB262</td>
<td>Resolution Compliance Review</td>
<td>$112.50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>185796</td>
<td>PE104</td>
<td>Resolution Compliance Review</td>
<td>4,837.50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>186551</td>
<td>PE105</td>
<td>Engineering</td>
<td>4,987.50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>187275</td>
<td>PE113</td>
<td>Engineering</td>
<td>1,950.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>$11,887.50</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**03-21-2022: #22**

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

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue checks to CME Associates, from the Dunellen Planning Board Escrow Account(s) listed below, for legal work towards the following application(s):

### 216-34 NORTH AVENUE (VILLANI)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>298657</td>
<td>PB262</td>
<td>Resolution Compliance Review</td>
<td>$322.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 745 BOUND BROOK ROAD (SRV)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>298658</td>
<td>PE104</td>
<td>Resolution Compliance Review</td>
<td>$230.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### BRUDNER REDEVELOPMENT (FORCE MAIN)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>298659</td>
<td>PE105</td>
<td>Engineering</td>
<td>$6,193.50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>299640</td>
<td>PE113</td>
<td>Engineering</td>
<td>6,727.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>$12,920.50</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 100 SOUTH WASHINGTON AVENUE (PRISM ASSOCIATES)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>298660</td>
<td>PE106</td>
<td>Engineering</td>
<td>$4,585.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue checks to NW Financial Group, LLC, from the Dunellen Planning Board Escrow Account(s) listed below, for financial work towards the following application(s):

**120-126 NORTH AVENUE (WOODBURY PORTFOLIOS)**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>28670</td>
<td>PE107</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>$666.25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28601</td>
<td>PE109</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>1,230.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28737</td>
<td>PE109</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>2,007.50</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>$3,903.75</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**745 BOUND BROOK ROAD – SRV**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>28671</td>
<td>PE108</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>1,045.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**501 NORTH AVENUE – 501 NORTH AVENUE PORTFOLIOS**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>28738</td>
<td>PE112</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>615.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

03-21-2022: #23

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

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue checks to King Moench Hirniak & Mehta LLP, from the Dunellen Planning Board Escrow Account(s) listed below, for legal work towards the following application(s):

**370-372 NORTH AVENUE – LILY YIP**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inv.</th>
<th>P.O. Number</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>92455</td>
<td>PB259</td>
<td>Professional Services</td>
<td>48.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark
FIRE DEPARTMENT CONSENT AGENDA

Fire Chief Jonathan Scott presented an overview of the contracts being awarded at this Council Meeting. He concentrated on the three trucks, all of which were totaled in the fire. After interviewing six different vendors, he is recommending Absolute of South Plainfield, based on price and past performance.

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

03-21-2022: #25

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of LIFELINER Black Nomex, at a cost not to exceed $2,550.00.

03-21-2022: #26

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of SUPER VAC 18” DeWalt Battery PPV and STREAMLIGHT portable scene lights, at a cost not to exceed $13,134.00.

03-21-2022: #27

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of Dragonfire X-2 leather gloves, at a cost not to exceed $3,200.00.

03-21-2022: #28

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of GLOBE 1201400 Supreme 14” leather pull on boots, at a cost not to exceed $3,696.00.
03-21-2022: #29

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of various model CAIRNS helmets, at a cost not to exceed $18,272.00.

03-21-2022: #30

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of five CAIRNS B-LTH311M51221A Black N5A New Yorker helmets, at a cost not to exceed $5,860.00.

03-21-2022: #31

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of 10 RNR #RKWRS-WXYZ Water Rescue Swimmer Kits, at a cost not to exceed $14,500.00.

03-21-2022: #32

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of various model fire hooks and accessories, at a cost not to exceed $1,100.00.

03-21-2022: #33

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

A contract is awarded to New Jersey Fire Equipment Company of Green Brook, NJ, for the purchase of 32 RANGER rubber bunker boots, at a cost not to exceed $7,360.00.
03-21-2022: #34

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

A contract is awarded to Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc., for six various Akron model nozzles, at a cost not to exceed $5,290.00.

03-21-2022: #35

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

A contract is awarded to Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc., for various model hoses, at a cost not to exceed $79,372.00. These items are purchased on the Sourcewell E-One #022818-EOI contract.

03-21-2022: #36

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

A contract is awarded to Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc., for E-ONE TYPHOON NWI RESCUE TRUCK, at a cost not to exceed $541,455.00. This item is purchased on the Sourcewell E-One #022818-EOI contract.

03-21-2022: #37

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

A contract is awarded to Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc., for E-ONE eMAX PUMPER, at a cost not to exceed $735,302.00. This item is purchased on the Sourcewell E-One #022818-EOI contract.

03-21-2022: #38

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

A contract is awarded to Absolute Fire Protection Co., Inc., for E-ONE HP95 MID-MOUNT PLATFORM Ladder Truck, at a cost not to exceed $1,349,911.00. This item is purchased on the Sourcewell E-One #022818-EOI contract.
03-21-2022: #39

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

A contract is awarded to Wireless Communications and Electronics of Metuchen, NJ, for the purchase of consolettes and accessory equipment, at a cost not to exceed $37,513.50.

03-21-2022: #40

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

A contract is awarded to Skylands Area Fire Equipment & Training, LLC., for 40 Tails and 40 Pants (turnout gear), at a cost not to exceed $118,995.60. These items are purchased under New Jersey State Contract #17-FLEET-00810.

03-21-2022: #41

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

A contract is awarded to Team Life, Inc., for automated external defibrillators (AEDs) and accessories, at a cost not to exceed $6,938.00. These items are purchased under New Jersey State Contract #A84690.

03-21-2022: #42

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

A contract is awarded to First Battalion Fire Fighting Equipment, LLC., for TFT Blitzfire package with stacked tips, fog nozzle, and bracket, at a cost not to exceed $3,357.00.

03-21-2022: #43

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

A contract is awarded to Electronic Measurement Labs, Inc., for BW Gas Alert Micro Clip XL O2/EX/CO/H2S, at a cost not to exceed $2,912.00.
03-21-2022: #44

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

A contract is awarded to Continental Fire & Safety for various cutters and spreaders, at a cost not to exceed $43,030.00.

03-21-2022: #45

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

A contract is awarded to Continental Fire & Safety for a Paratech 22-796850 Standard VSK and accessories, at a cost not to exceed $4,220.85.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDemark

Reports:

Mrs. Albertson: As you can see from tonight's agenda regarding the Fire Department, they are slowly getting to where they need to be; 2) Dunellen Senior Club--e have been very busy at Senior Club. We are working with Helen Evans from the Middlesex County Culture office. We had a wonderful time with Victor Marshall who shared stories and music from Africa with us. We all had the opportunity to use a musical instrument and participate in music and dance. In April we will have an origami program. We have potluck lunches once a month. Aristacare has partnered with us to provide educational programs and fun events. If you are interested in joining and are at least 55 please stop in at the Senior Center any Friday at 10:30 am.

Mrs. Rios: the Dunellen Public Library will be participating in a program called NJHealthConnect@ your library which will provide iPads for patrons to use for Telehealth appointments and interviews at the library, or to borrow and use in their homes. The iPads include apps for Google Meet and Zoom to meet with a doctor virtually or conduct a job interview. iPads will be available starting March 27th?

Additional upcoming special programs include:

- A first-time home buyers seminar tomorrow, Tuesday March 22 at 7pm at the library.
- A pottery workshop for adults on Saturday March 26th.
- A miniature art show for students - any school aged person can submit artwork that is small in scale to be displayed at the library on March 29th at 6pm. Students can pick up supplies to create paintings in water color, acrylic or tempera paint, from the library while supplies last. The deadline for submissions is Friday, March 25th.
• Musical Story time activities with Ms. Karin will resume in April, information with dates, times and locations will be available on the library's website.

• The library will offer a Manga style drawing workshop for teens on Saturday April 9th.

• On April 10th American Folk Artist Spook Handy will perform at the Open Air Market kickoff at its new location in Washington Park as part of the library's grant funded Cultural Heritage Series.

• For a complete list of programs or for additional information please call the library or visit us online. Please visit the library's website to participate in a brief survey to help us design the types of programs we would like to see more of in our community.

Friends of the Library--as mentioned, our First Open Air market will be April 10th at Washington park. We are still looking for vendors, if you are interested, please contact us.

Dunellen Arts and Culture, congrats to our new chair Maryanne Meyers. The Yarn Bomb display is accepting donations. Those may be dropped off at the library. This installation will to be ready in the beginning of April.

Dunellen Downtown Management Organization will be hosting Spring into Wellness on April 23rd from 11-3. This is an event promoting all things wellness in our town and surrounding towns. If you are interested in participating or for more information, please reach out to us.

Municipal Alliance will start up their SUDS program at Faber next month.

Mr. VanDermark: Recreation Report—Registration is still open for Softball & Baseball, Tennis, Track and Summer Camp. Opening Day Softball & Baseball Parade & Ceremony will be held on Saturday April 23 starting at 10 am at Washington Park. Tennis will start on the same day. Track will begin on April 21st and will run for 6 Thursdays from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. There’s a Spring Soccer Program being started by resident Rose Russ for 3rd - 5th graders starting April 19th. Contact the Recreation Department for registration. The Easter Egg Hunt is returning to Dunellen, at Columbia Park on April 10th @ 1:00 and is open to Dunellen residents only. Rain Date will be April 16th at 11:00. Rumor has it the Easter Bunny may be making an appearance. Registration for Hometown Heroes Banner Program will be closing on March 27th. Anyone interested in getting a banner for a loved one should contact Alex Miller at amiller@dunellenborough.com. Last Fall, 51 Banners adorned the Downtown, it looked great and is a great Tribute to all those who served and so far, an additional 21 banners have been ordered. The Banners will be up this year from Memorial Day in May through Veterans Day in November.

Dr. Dunne:

1) Shade Tree Commission meeting was held on March 8th. Thanks to Bob Berg for his longtime service to the Commission and welcome to John Finney and thanks for volunteering. The Commission will likely be participating in the Spring into Wellness program at Washington Park and also discussed plans for 2022, including more ways to
engage the public, so stay tuned! Next meeting will be held April 13\textsuperscript{th} at 7 pm in the Senior Center.

2) The Parking Authority meeting was held on March 9\textsuperscript{th}. Parking in the public lots is picking up, but still not to pre-COVID levels. The Authority remains hopeful that they will be able to bounce back as COVID numbers slow. The next meeting will be held May 11\textsuperscript{th} at 7 pm in the Parking Authority office.

3) I also attended the Board of Education meeting on March 15\textsuperscript{th}. Of note, the budget was approved to be submitted to the County. The spring musical, Willy Wonka, will be held April 7-9. The next BoE meeting will be held in the LMS Cafetorium on April 5\textsuperscript{th} at 7 pm.

4) Along with Councilwoman Albertson, we attended the Diversity & Inclusion Committee on March 17\textsuperscript{th}. Please like and share our Facebook page, @DunellenDiversityInclusion, and special thanks to Councilwoman Albertson for taking charge of the posting. We are planning our first event for Pride month in June, so stay tuned for more details. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the Committee, please fill out the volunteer form on the website. Our next meeting will be virtual on April 21\textsuperscript{st} at 7 pm.

5) After discussions with a few individuals with gardening expertise, we are pivoting the idea of the community garden to possibly a butterfly garden. If you are interested, please reach out for planning.

6) As I’ve mentioned at a few previous meetings, I have been working with two residents on a water safety program along with County reps. May is water safety month and we’ve been in contact with the schools to bring some programs to both the schools and the community. We are also potentially partnering with the Middlesex Borough Pool to bring programs there this spring/summer.

Mr. Sigmon:

DPW Report:

DPW crew has been maintaining daily cleaning of the downtown and all our Borough Properties & Parks.

- Continuing spring park maintenance in our Parks, removing dead brush, cleaning up leaves and starting to mulch (Columbia Park, Gavornik Park, McCoy Park, and Morecraft Park).

- Set tennis court nets and start spring prep for ball fields for spring sports with the school field maintenance work (part of shared services with DHS).

- Removed the old playground at Morecraft Park.

- Catch basin cleaning, we have now cleared out 45 basins, we will continue to clean catch basins until we clean all.

- Salted roads and walks from the Saturday March 12th snow event prior to temps dropping to the teens.
• Serviced all mowers, repaired the DPW Tahoe, serviced truck #2, cleaned Salter prior to the snow on 3/14.

Mr. Paltjon:

Buildings and Grounds Report:

We already discussed in our Agenda earlier the report from RVE in regard to the Borough Hall roof. Our committee will review once all information and more details come from that report.

PARSA Report:

PARSA will be videoing the sewer main that runs under the railroad tracks from Grove Street to Railroad Avenue. Mayor Cilento approached PARSA about how to access this sewer main and the Mayor will discuss more about this in a few minutes. PARSA will also continue the videoing of all streets that are lined up to be paved in 2022.

Dunellen Rescue Squad Report:

Mayor Cilento and I had a meeting this past Wednesday, March 16th, with David Achinstein, the Dunellen Rescue Squad’s Vice President and Jeff Best, Chief of the Dunellen Rescue Squad. The meeting was another open conversation in continuing our conversation on the details of the benefits of a merger with River Road as well as their ideas and plans. There are a lot of good things that are hopefully coming together and they look forward to sharing them with a presentation at one of our upcoming Council meetings.

I also would like to thank Jeff and his wife Janna and David for their participation in this past Saturday’s Stream Cleanup. Jeff geared up and jumped right in the water to what he coined, Live Streaming it, and he successfully hauled out a mattress, a bicycle and a stroller amongst other things. A big thanks to them and all of those that were there to volunteer and help clean out the waterway!

The following was delivered by Mr. Paltjon in response to a statement made by Councilwoman Dunne:

I wanted to comment in response to Council Member Dunne’s “report” from our Meeting on March 7th, 2022. During her Report / Statement she said, and I quote: “Not only have I experienced all these micro and macro aggressions in my scientific career, but I have also experienced them all in my time on Council.” I was not going to comment on this, but because now that she chose to have this on the public record, I can’t sit back quietly and be falsely accused. I was also very hesitant because I don’t want my response to appear like an attack on her. It is just my response to her statement, to clear my name. I had noticed that she had accused me of one of these microaggressions and chose to put it out there in another public forum. This is from Council Member Dunne’s Twitter Account dated January 10th, 2022. In her tweet she accused, and I quote, “a new councilman of one of these microaggressions.” It was regarding me referring to her as Ms. Dunne
and not Dr. Dunne in my Council Report. This being my first Council meeting and first Council report, it was done in error and certainly not as any micro-aggression. In one of my very first conversations with Councilmember Dunne after our First Board of Education meeting together on January 4th, I said to her that what happened in the past is in the past and that I look forward to working together with her on this Council, moving forward, with the best interest of this Borough. I applaud her on her Doctorate and the important work that she does within the scientific community, but I will not be accused of any microaggressions against you and you insinuating that I did so because you are a woman. That is just not true and not who I am. I have a house full of women with a wife and 3 daughters and stress to them every day that they can do and be anything that they want, and they will not be held back by their gender. Also, in case you haven’t noticed there are the same number of women as men on this Council, looks like equal representation to me, yet you are the only one here feeling that you are being targeted with micro and macro aggressions because you are a woman.

So, being that you felt the need to not only accuse me, but all council members that you have worked with during your time as a council member, I feel that it is my turn to point out a history of some of your actions. I will not need to rehash what transpired during the months prior to last year’s election with what you had put my family through and the fear that you have created in my daughters. Yet you are the one giving a statement about aggression. After your actions, you had time to speak, to offer an apology or even give your side of the story at multiple council meetings and you chose to sit there, silent. Now when asked for your Council Report, instead of just keeping the information presented to borough related reports, you chose to create platforms, most recently about your work life as a woman and your accusations of both current and former council members about micro and macro-aggressions against you. But again, when you were the aggressor, you chose silence.

As you know and everyone else that knows me, I am not about toeing the line for one’s political party. I don’t see a Republican or Democrat. You speak highly of being a Democrat and the Democratic party, which is your right, but when you had an opportunity to run with a fellow African-American Democrat on the same ticket you chose to combine your ticket with a Republican, yet again you speak about Diversity. A female mutual friend of ours chose to have a Republican lawn sign last election and was unwilling to remove that sign. You went ahead and placed a Democratic lawn sign in their yard at no request from them. In which she returned that sign that you had placed in her yard and then ultimately resigned from the Democratic committee, but again you speak about inclusion and micro aggressions.

And at our Borough Council Reorganizational Meeting, on a vote to be a part of history to appoint the First Woman of Color to be the Dunellen Borough Council President, you chose to be the only Council Member to vote No, but again you are the one that speaks about the need for more Diversity.

After being elected, I came here hoping to work together with not only you but the rest of this Council as a Team, one goal, and do what is best for our community. I am not here to build anything about me, but about We. Regarding this current Council, I believe we all have a lot of resources to bring to the table, to work together, to accomplish great things for this town and our
residents. A continued narrative of negativity is not conducive to this environment and false accusations are just not acceptable. I for one will not be accused of any micro-aggressions, because that is not who I am, and I don’t need these tweets and statements on the public record even linked to my name.

This continued narrative is not productive towards accomplishing goals for this community. I ask that you look at what your intention is and if you feel these continued actions of yours are productive to creating a TEAM environment or are in the best interest of this Council and especially for the residents of the Borough of Dunellen. Honestly, I am not sure how accusations like this can be made without any ethics violation or even possible slander.

And yes, we, as a Mayor and Council, do have the ability to effectuate change here in Dunellen and that “Change is Necessary,” not in the context of your statement, but for one to look at themselves, to see if they are here for oneself, to create certain narratives and push agendas or are they here as a member of this Council for the best interest of this Borough and the residents of Dunellen?

Mayor Cilento:

Covid-19 Update:

Since my last report on 3/7/2022, we have been made aware of 11 more new cases added to Dunellen’s cumulative total of 1,798 since March 2020; 3 of these new cases have been within the last 24 hours. Dunellen’s cumulative death total is fifteen.

Dunellen and Middlesex County’s cumulative totals can be found at www.discovermiddlesex.com/total-cumulative-cases/


<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>At Least One Dose</th>
<th>Dunellen Borough</th>
<th>Middlesex County</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>All Ages:</td>
<td>75%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12 through 17:</td>
<td>72%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12 and over:</td>
<td>87%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18 and over:</td>
<td>89%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30 and over:</td>
<td>89%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>65 and over:</td>
<td>98%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Vaccine Courses Complete  
Dunellen Borough  
Middlesex County

All Ages: 65%  
12 through 17: 63%  
12 and over: 75%  
18 and over: 77%  
30 and over: 78%  
65 and over: 87%


New Jersey American Water and PSE&G Improvements:

New Jersey American Water will have two crews working in Dunellen this week.

Crew #1: Continuation of new water services on Third Street (from Sanford Avenue to North Washington Avenue).

Crew #2: Continue installing new water mains on Pulaski Street on the north side of the train track and then move towards south of railroad tracks.

For questions or concerns on the NJAW project, you may contact Mike Rinaldo, Construction Inspector at 908-205-3471. They can also be reached at our Customer Service Center: 1-800-272-1325 Hours: 7 a.m.–7 p.m., M-F. For emergencies, we’re available 24/7.

PSE&G will continue main and service installation on Sanford Avenue (from Bound Brook Road to Dunellen Avenue). Once this is completed, the crew will start on Schwartz Place on or around Friday, 3/25.

For more information on this PSE&G project, as well as a video about the upgrade work, please visit pseg.com/gaswork. If you have any questions, please call 1-833-661-6400.

As with any construction project, you may experience an increase in traffic, loud noise, and presence of heavy equipment and machinery. If anyone in the household has a serious medical condition that may be aggravated by an interruption in gas service, please contact PSE&G immediately at 1-800-436-7734 (PSEG).

More information on the NJAW project can be found on our website where we have been posting regular updates: https://www.dunellen-nj.gov/news_detail_T30_R28.php

Borough Sewer Repairs:
The emergency sewer repair in the parking lot of the Columbian Club is completed except for the final restoration of their parking area. The Railroad Avenue sewer repairs have commenced. This may take upward of two weeks. Once this is completed, PARSA will video the sewer main that runs under the railroad embankment from Grove Street to Railroad Avenue to see if we can reline the pipe to avoid a future break and expensive cost.

**Lincoln Avenue Road Improvement Project:**

Bids for Lincoln Avenue will be received by Thursday, March 24th. After that, our engineers will review and make their recommendations to Mayor and Council so we may begin award phase.

**Dunellen Station Project:**

There have been 25 townhouses pre-sold to date. Developer estimates the apartments being available to rent by late summer or early fall of this year.

**NJ Redistricting Correction:**

I would like to correct the record from our February 22, 2022, Council Meeting. In my report to the Borough Council, I indicated that the change in our NJ Legislative District would occur on January 1, 2023. However, that change will not occur until January 1, 2024. This change will result in candidates running for LD21 and CD12 in 2023 for their respective offices and term beginning in 2024.

**Green Brook Clean-up March 19th:**

Thank you to the Lower Raritan Watershed Partnership, Central Jersey Stream Team, Union County Clean Communities Program, Mayor’s Alliance for a Cleaner Green Brook Waterway, the municipalities of Dunellen, Green Brook, Middlesex, Plainfield, North Plainfield, the Dunellen Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, as well as the Council Members Rios, Sigmon, Paltjon, and VanDermark, Dunellen EMS members, Dunellen DPW, and all the residents who volunteered together on a big clean-up day. We had near 70 volunteers. Thank you to all our volunteers in Dunellen, working hard to keep our community clean.

Mayor Cilento also reported on a meeting with NJ Transit regarding upgrades of the Train Station. And he reported on a conversation with Cave Kitchen (food truck) about having a DJ and music in a space at Skinner Plaza on Saturdays. Cave Kitchen is in conversation with the Parking Authority. It is a Council decision. He asked for Council consent to speak with Cave Kitchen and arrange for proper insurance.

Homer Mosley of the Office of Emergency Management reported on an adjustment in FEMA funding reimbursement from a 75/25% to a 90/10% contribution by the borough. He also reported that the CERT Team has been taking training and can now be participants during accidents. They are also Shelter Trained. And, there was the first Local Emergency Planning Committee which needs to meet quarterly.
Public Comment

Jack Green, North Avenue Extension, noted that his street needs catch basin cleaning and pothole filling. He has reported this to the DPW.

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

03-21-2022: #46

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

Whereas, the Open Public Meetings Act (NJSA 10:4-6) permits the closing of meetings to the public under certain circumstances; and

Whereas, there exists such a circumstance; and

Whereas, the Governing Body wishes to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters concerning contract negotiations; and

Whereas, minutes of the Executive Session will be kept and will be released when the matters under discussion during the Executive Session are no longer confidential.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Borough Council will enter into Executive Session.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

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

03-21-2022: #47

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

The Dunellen Borough Council will return to Regular Session.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

On the motion of Mr. Sigmon and seconded by Mrs. Rios it was moved to accept the following:
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

The Dunellen Borough Council Meeting of March 21, 2022 is adjourned.

Yes: Albertson, Dunne, Paltjon, Rios, Sigmon and VanDermark

The YouTube presentation of this Council meeting can be found at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spqlp0ePSBw