September 17, 2018

Minutes of the public meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen held on September 17, 2018.

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 Baudendistel, Kenneth Bayer, Jason Cilento, Jessica Dunne, Jeremy Lowder and Joseph Petracca

Carl Taylor, Esq., in lieu of Mr. Bruder, served as legal counsel for this meeting.

On the motion of Mr. Baudendistel and seconded by Mr. Cilento it was moved to accept the Minutes of September 4, 2018:

Yes: Baudendistel, Cilento, Dunne and Petracca
Abstain: Bayer and Lowder, due to their absences

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

**ORDINANCE 2018-09**

The following Amendment to the Dunellen Downtown Redevelopment Plan is being Introduced for first reading on September 17, 2018. It will be presented for Public Hearing and Adoption on October 1, 2018 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.

This ordinance amends the Dunellen Downtown Redevelopment Plan, Phase One, that was adopted in February 2003 and revised on July 12, 2004, with further Amendments in June 2011, August 2013, November 2014, February 2016, November 2017 and September 4, 2018.

 Proposed Amendment to Amended and Restated Dunellen Downtown Redevelopment Plan Phase 1

Proposal is to amend Section 7 to add a new provision for a new site as follows:

**7.4.5 Site #4. North Avenue (Block 34/Lots 31, 32, 33 & 34)**

**Principal Permitted Uses:**
**Residential.** This land use designation contemplates a residential development not exceeding three (3) stories. Residential development shall be permitted on all floors in any building with the maximum number of residential units in all buildings not to exceed forty-one [41] in number. The residential development may include an activity center and other typical uses and structures accessory to residential uses. Any residential development may be for sale or rental, or a combination thereof, at the option of the developer, except as may be otherwise provided in a redevelopment agreement.

**Building Requirements:**

1. **Building height requirements.** The maximum building height shall be three (3) stories.

2. **Materials.** Materials used shall be conducive to creating a Railroad Town (Transit Village) environment encouraging the use of brick, awnings, planters and wrought iron railings.

3. **Density Requirement.** The maximum dwelling unit density shall be sixty-five (65) per acre.

4. **Front, side and rear Setback Requirements.** There shall be no front yard, side yard or rear yard setback requirements to existing property lines or to new property lines created by a subdivision. All new structures or buildings shall generally be located at the front property line to provide a continuous street wall.

5. **Landscape Requirements.** The minimum area devoted to landscaped open space shall be ten (10) percent of the total lot area.

6. **Lighting.** Decorative lighting in accordance with Borough specifications shall be used. The specifications are in the process of being developed.

7. **Walkways.** All walkways shall use decorative pavers.

8. **Trash receptacles and benches.** Both trash receptacles and benches are required and shall be of materials complementing the buildings and the Railroad Town theme.

9. **Parking.** The parking requirements applicable to residential uses within Site #4 shall be 1.5 spaces per residential unit. Tandem parking spaces shall be permitted.

10. **Affordable Housing Requirements.** A minimum of fifteen (15%) percent of all residential units shall be affordable to low and moderate income individuals and households. Non-age-restricted rental units shall be provided on the site in accordance with the Borough’s 2016 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and the provisions of the plans, agreements, statutes and codes referenced therein. Rental units may be utilized to satisfy the entire number of affordable housing units that are required based upon the total number of rental and for-sale residential units.
Mr. Baudendistel briefly described a tentative proposal to build residential units on the site of two burned out buildings on Bound Brook Road and the relation of this ordinance to that plan.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

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

ORDINANCE 2018-10

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, 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 September 17, 2018. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Municipal Council Chambers, in the Borough on October 1, 2018 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 will be available at no cost and during regular business hours at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REPAVING OF MADISON AVENUE AND PROSPECT AVENUE IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING $220,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $209,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

Purpose: The repaving of Madison Avenue and Prospect Avenue, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto

Appropriation: $220,000
Bonds/Notes Authorized: $209,000
Grant Appropriated: N/A
Section 20 Costs: $49,000
Useful Life: 10 years

Mr. Olsen explained that though we had a bond for Prospect Avenue and some left over monies from the Madison Avenue project, the bids for this project came in over what we have, so this mechanism will allow us to award the bid, subject to the approval of the Division of Local Government Services because this debt will put us over the 3% threshold, though he does not think that will be a problem. Mayor Seader noted that the state gave us $300,000, but the entire project will cost over $1,000,000, which includes new handicapped ramps at all corners.
Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

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

09-17-2018: #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: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

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

09-17-2018: #2

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

A contract is awarded to CME Associates that authorizes professional engineering services for Columbia Park Improvements, at a cost not to exceed $92,250.50.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

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

09-17-2018: #3

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $220,000 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:4-49 TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPAVING OF MADISON AVENUE AND PROSPECT AVENUE.

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen requiring the appropriation of funds of the Borough of Dunellen, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough"), in the amount of $220,000 to provide for the repaving of Madison Avenue and Prospect Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of emergency appropriations created, including the appropriation to be created by this resolution, is $420,000, and 3% of the total current and utility operating appropriations in the budget for CY 2018 is $204,483.94; and
WHEREAS, the foregoing emergency appropriation, together with prior emergency appropriations, exceeds 3% of the total operating appropriations (including utility operation appropriations) in the budget for CY 2018.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-49, petition shall be made to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for permission to exceed the statutory limitation of 3 percent for the creation of one or more appropriations for the purposes set forth in the preamble in accordance with this resolution.

Section 2. Said emergency appropriation shall be provided in full pursuant to a bond ordinance entitled, “BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REPAVING OF MADISON AVENUE AND PROSPECT AVENUE IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING $220,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $209,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF” to be introduced on September 17, 2018 and finally adopted thereafter.

Section 3. An emergency note not in excess of $220,000 is hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51.

Section 4. The emergency note authorized herein, if issued, shall be executed by the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk.

Section 5. The Chief Financial Officer of the Borough is hereby delegated the authority to sell and award the note, if any, and such note, if issued, may be renewed from time to time by the Chief Financial Officer, provided that any such renewals shall be payable on or before December 31, 2019.

Section 6. Two certified copies of this resolution shall be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

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

09-17-2018: #4

Whereas, the Dunellen Downtown Redevelopment Plan, Phase One, was adopted in February 2003 and revised on July 12, 2004, with further Amendments in June 2011, August 2013, November 2014, February 2016, November 2017 and September 2018; and
Whereas, on September 17, 2018, the Dunellen Borough Council introduced for first reading Ordinance 2018-09, a proposal to amend Section 7 to add a new provision for a new site: Site #4. North Avenue (Block 34/Lots 31, 32, 33 & 34).

Whereas, the entirety of this amendment reads:

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**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. The Redevelopment Plan is hereby amended to include an amended Section 7.4.5; and
3. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with applicable law following final adoption and publication thereof.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen, that Ordinance 2018-09 be forwarded to the Dunellen Planning Board for review and a report containing its recommendation regarding the proposed amended ordinance.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

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

**09-17-2018: #5**

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

Whereas, the Borough of Dunellen is in need of professional advice and guidance in determining its bond rating; and

Whereas, the Borough of Dunellen solicited quotes and qualifications for this service; and

Whereas, the Borough received two quotes, at hourly rates, below:

Acacia Financial Group, Inc., Mount Laurel, NJ

- Co-President $195.00
- Managing Director $185.00
- Senior Vice President $175.00
- Assistant/Associate $165.00
- Analyst/Associate $150.00
- Administrative $50.00

At an amount not to exceed $3,500.00.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Dunellen, that a contract be awarded to Acacia Financial Group, Inc., to assist the borough in obtaining a bond rating, at the hourly rates stated in their proposal, and in an amount not to exceed $3,500.00.

Mr. Olsen reported that we are trying to use funds from the Environmental Infrastructure Trust Fund for the Railroad Culvert Project and this requires our obtaining a bond rating.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

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

09-17-2018: #6

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

Daniel Heron, a part-time worker in the Dunellen Department of Public Works, is terminated for cause, effective September 10, 2018.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

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

09-17-2018: #7

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

Whereas, in accordance with provisions of NJSA 40A:11 any expenditure of public funds in excess of $17,500 requires the advertisement for proposals for delivery of said services or goods, and

Whereas, a need has been determined for improvements to Prospect Avenue and Madison Avenue; and

Whereas, the following bids were solicited and opened on Thursday, September 6, 2018:
P&A Construction  
PO Box 28, Colonia, NJ 07067  $918,381.50

Jads Construction Company  
PO Box 513, South River, NJ 08882  $971,860.35

Topline Construction Corporation  
22 Fifth Street, Somerville, NJ 08876  $988,988.80

Black Rock Enterprises, LLC  
1316 Englishtown Road, Old Bridge, NJ 08857  $1,040,864.55

Whereas, it is the recommendation of the Borough Engineer that the bid of P&A Construction be accepted and a contract be awarded, and

Whereas, funds for said contract have been certified as available from the Chief Financial Officer. This award is subject to New Jersey Department of Transportation approval, as well as the approval of the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the necessary agreement with P&A Construction for improvements to Prospect Avenue and Madison Avenue at a cost not to exceed $918,381.50.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

Consent Agenda. A single motion and second for all resolutions:

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

09-17-2018: #8

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received third quarter tax payments from lenders on installments prepaid, thereby causing an overpayment, and

WHEREAS, the Lenders have given permission to refund the monies.

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

That the proper Municipal officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue a check(s) as follows:

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Check payable and Mail to:
Matthew Hoff
300 New Market Rd.
Dunellen NJ 08812

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**Total to be refunded**

$4,117.24

Check payable and Mail to:
Corelogic Real Estate Tax Serv.
Attn: Refund Department
PO Box 961250
Fort Worth TX 76161-9887

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**09-17-2018: #9**

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

WHEREAS, it has been determined by information obtained from the Clerk’s Office that the following sewer units are to be cancelled because no structure exists

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

That the proper Municipal officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cancel 2017 and 2018 sewer units.

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**Amount to Refund**

$350.00

Check payable to:
Note: Mr. Baudendistel abstained from voting on this matter due to a potential conflict of interest.

**09-17-2018: #10**

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 SLS 1, LLC  
21 Robert Pitt Drive # 207  
Monsey NY 10952

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| 18-11 | 43  | 1   | Feldstein Properties LLC  
703 Second St | 6,546.19 | 303.42 | 22,000.00 | 28,849.61 |

**TOTAL REFUNDED** $28,849.61

**09-17-2018: #11**

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 Trystone Capital Assets  
P O Box 1030  
Brick, NJ 08723

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| 17-25 | 78  | 21  | Watters, Gerald & Kristie  
245 Maple Ave | 889.04 | 26.12 | 800.00 | 1,715.16 |

**TOTAL REFUNDED** $1,715.16
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Resolution 09-04-2018: #12 is rescinded.

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

Resolution 09-04-2018: #18 is rescinded.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca

Reports:

Mr. Petracca: no report.
Mr. Baudendistel: 1) North Avenue decorative lighting project should be starting in October; 2) Shade Tree Commission received a grant for $30,000 and the contract was mailed today. It will be for 74 trees. He polled residents if they wanted a tree; 3) the downtown benches approved last meeting have been ordered; 4) no update on the Strip Joint property; 5) the park signs, “Avellino’s” was misspelled and is now corrected.
Mr. Bayer: DPW looking for a new part-time worker.
Dr. Dunne: inquired whether there is any way to extend hours at the Yard for grass clippings drop off? Mr. Baudendistel noted that this would influence the Budget. Mayor Seader noted that Piscataway uses a coupon system with restricted hours. Mr. Bayer thought the existing hours were working. Mr. Safar noted that many residents are bringing their clippings early in the morning, before work.
Mr. Cilento: 1) there are 42 signed up for flag football; 2) he distributed a Cablevision Franchise Agreement renewal survey. This survey is now on the web site and copies will be mailed to residents in the tax mailings. Mr. Robins directed the Council to the appropriate page on the web site and noted that there will be a public hearing before the Agreement/Ordinance is formulated.
Mr. Lowder: 1) reported that there was a fox in the fire house that caused some damage; 2) recent rains have caused pooling in front of the Fire House. Mayor Seader noted that a number of streets in Middlesex were closed due to flooding. The cause of the localized flooding appears to be downstream; 3) Fire Company uses streetfairs.org for the Street Fair on 9/30, and they are having some issues with the organization and are rethinking having that company organize the Fair.
Mayor Seader: 1) Reporting on the Railroad Culvert project, the property is being sold so that has put a small snag into the easement process; 2) the building next door to the Municipal Building is being sold and the tenants are now leaving.

Mayor Seader: using a large poster board provided by our engineers, CME Associates, Mayor Seader made a presentation on the Columbia Park project that is being funded 50% through a
Middlesex County Open Space Grant. The first stage will be a total reconstruction of the four tennis courts. These courts will be concrete and will last much longer than the current ones made of asphalt. Construction costs for the tennis courts are estimated at $625,000. He also showed an illustration of what the new paver pathway leading to a Gazebo in front of the Senior Center might look like. Along the paver pathway will be a memorial to former Council President Frank T. Bieniek. All sections of the project are in the planning stage and no final drawings have been accepted. There are different ways to approach the project: bid the whole thing; bid parts of the project separately; or bid with deletions. That way decisions on discrete sections can be made after the bids come in and we ascertain if we can fund it, in whole or in part. A factor to keep in mind is that bids for projects often come in higher than projected costs. He also reported that the Dunellen School District will be paying 50% of the cost for the new synthetic turf football field (the other half being paid for by Middlesex County from the grant). The borough’s engineers will oversee the project and he noted that he will be meeting with District officials and the engineers to begin the planning process. The entire project is projected to cost about $2.2 million.

PUBLIC PORTION

Janine, 219 Gertrude Terrace. Inquired about localized flooding and asked if the storm drains are being cleaned? Mayor Seader responded that the drains are being cleaned at least once a year. Mr. Safar stated that her email from last week was the first he had heard of a problem on Gertrude Terrace. Janine noted that the flooding had never been so bad, and she wondered why now? Mayor Seader noted that the brooks used to be 5-6 feet deep, but the NJ DEP will not allow us to dredge them. If we do unauthorized cleaning, deepening, we risk heavy fines. He reviewed some of the ongoing culvert projects designed to move the water faster downstream and he shared the many measures we take in advance of wet weather events. There is little else the borough can do other than the culvert projects. She asked if there were any other agencies she could contact? Mr. Robins offered to put together a list of names and numbers (federal, state, county, other agencies) and provide it to her.

Stacey Narvesen, 317 Prospect Avenue. 1) asked if the curbs by Faber School could be repainted so cars would not park for so long illegally?; 2) during Halloween, could there be increased police presence or crossing guards when the children do trick-or-treat? She is concerned about traffic safety issues. Mr. Robins asked if there were particular streets and he will speak with the police tomorrow? Prospect and Walnut. Dr. Dunne noted that the same issue came up last year at Madison Avenue and North Washington Avenue. Mr. Robins responded that his intention would be to raise the awareness of the police to this issue and noted that the police probably only have 3-4 men on a shift so that puts constraints on their coverage. Dr. Dunne asked if there were any groups in town that might help with the children crossing streets. It was noted in response that there might be liability issues if they themselves were injured.

Tremaine Reed, 721 Walnut Street, a new resident, asked if there was a PTO that might help? He volunteered to stand on the corner of South Madison and Walnut. He asked if there was a way he could notify the Shade Tree commission about not receiving a tree? Mr. Baudendistel acknowledged his request. Asked about the scope of the new paving project. He was informed that it will be Prospect Avenue and the remainder of Madison, with a grant application for South
Madison Avenue to be made to the NJ DOT for next year. Mr. Tremaine asked if “school zone” signs could be placed near Faber School? A status update on the Art Color Complex was also provided. He was informed that much information could be found on the Dunellen web site.

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

09-17-2018: #14

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

The Dunellen Borough Council Meeting of September 17, 2018 is adjourned.

Yes: Baudendistel, Bayer, Cilento, Dunne, Lowder and Petracca