August 13, 2020

The Mayor and Common Council convened in open session via teleconference in the Municipal Building at 215 Stiger Street, Hackettstown, New Jerseyat 7:00 PM on August 13, 2020. The special meeting opened with a salute to the Flag.

Mayor DiGiovanni announced that adequate notice of the time, place and manner of this remote public Council meeting, being conducted via teleconference, including the means by which the public may observe and participate, has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by:

1. posting said notice on the municipal building bulletin board and front window of the

Municipal Building;

(2) emailing said notice to the press and all others who have requested it;

(3) posting on the official Town website; and

(4) transmission to residents via nixel notification.

Roll Call Vote: Present – Mayor DiGiovanni, Councilpersons DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz,

 Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion as made (Sheldon) and seconded (Kunz) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 23, 2020 as submitted.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner and Sheldon

 Abstain – Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Meichsner) to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a Person-to-Person Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License Number 2108-33-003-012, hereto issued to William Max, LLC t/a Bea McNally’s Irish Pub and Eatery for premises located at 109 Grand Avenue, Hackettstown, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions consistent with Title; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed and the issuing authority reviewed the sources of all funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the license business.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hackettstown, the County of Warren, and the State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. It hereby does authorized, effective immediately, the Person-to-Person Transfer of the Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License Number 2108-33-003-012 from William Max, LLC t/a Bea McNally’s Irish Pub and Eatery to Bea McNally’s Irish Pub & Catering, Inc. located at 109 Grand Avenue, Hackettstown, New Jersey, 07840;
2. The Town Clerk shall endorse the license certificate to the new ownership as follows: “This License, subject to all its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred to Bea McNally’s Irish Pub & Catering, Inc.”
3. Any and all conditions placed on the previous owner, William Max, LLC t/a Bea McNally’s Irish Pub and Eatery, are hereby rescinded;
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the following:
	1. Town of Hackettstown Chief of Police
	2. State of New Jersey, Division of ABC
	3. Bea McNally’s Irish Pub & Catering, Inc.

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Roll Call Vote: Yes -DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Tynan) to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Hackettstown has been paid the amount necessary to redeem with interest calculated in accordance with the New Jersey Statutes on property known on the Tax Map and in the Tax Duplicate as the following municipal lien:

 Block 44, Lot 3 859 Willow grove St.

 Tax Sale Certificate #19-00140

 Assessed to: 859 Willow Grove Associates LLC

 859 Willow Grove Street

 Hackettstown, NJ 07840

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED on this 13th day of August 2020 that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue a check for $161,082.52 to the lienholder:

 Bala Partners, LLC

 17 W. Cliff St.

 Somerville, NJ 08876

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Engelau) to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, NJS 40Ad:-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budge of any county or municipality when such an item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hackettstown in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget year 2020 in the sum of $1,600.00 titled “Purchase of Defibrillators Donation”, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of $1,600.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption “purchase of Defibrillators other expense, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds received through private donation from Hackettstown Moose Lodge 816, Hackettstown, NJ.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Kunz) to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there are stale dated checks outstanding in the Town of Hackettstown Municipal Court Bail Account and Municipal Court General Account, and

WHEREAS, every avenue has been extinguished to trace these checks,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Hackettstown that the following stale dated checks be cancelled and credited to the Town of Hackettstown Surplus;

 Check # Issue Date Amount

 2822 8/26/19 $4.00 (General Account)

 3340 12/30/19 $10.00 (Bail Account)

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Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (DiMaio) to approve the Police Department computer upgrade/replacement through Pascack Data Services, Inc. Hawthorne, NJ in the amount of $11,184.56 to be taken from the 2020 Capital Ordinance Account.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Engelau) and seconded (Sheldon) to approve check register #2020-13 in the amount of $142,078.19 and check register #2020-14 in the amount of $3,812,261.50.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (DiMaio) to hire Kathleen Block as a full time Administrative Assistant at an annual salary of $30,160.00 ($14.50 per hour).

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Sheldon and Tynan

 No -Meichsner

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Meichsner) to approve taxicab owners license for Tia’s Taxi, for a 2005 Toyota, VIN# 35T02A22C354376316 through May 1, 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Meichsner) to approve the following taxicab driver’s licenses through May 1, 2021: Sergio Rojas, Maria Abad-Rojas, Anahyde Mejicanos, Allan Quesada and Robert Seiler.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (DiMaio) to approve the special event license application for the Hackettstown Elks Lodge 2331 to hold a Corn Hole Tournament on September 26, 2020 (rain date to be September 27, 2020), to waive the $50.00 application fee and to charge no Town costs.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (DiMaio) to approve the special event license application for the Hackettstown Elks Lodge 2331 to hold a Motorcycle Run on September 19, 2020 (rain date to be September 20, 2020) to waive the $50.00 application fee and to charge no Town costs and.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (DiMaio) to approve the special event license application for Czig Meister Brewing Co. to hold a Live Acoustic Music Thursdays event from August 13, 2020 through October 1, 2020, to waive the $50.00 application fee and charge no town costs.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

Mayor DiGiovanni asked if anyone from the public would like to speak at this time.

Ron Broking, 12 The Trail, thanked Paul Sterbenz and Councilperson Sheldon for meeting with him to review additional options for a sidewalk on a portion of Willow Grove Street.

Lori Chiesa, Lopatcong Township, spoke about the County website upgrade and any need for an upgrade of the Town website.

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Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Meichsner) to adjourn this meeting at 7:35 PM.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – DiMaio, Engelau, Kunz, Meichsner, Sheldon and Tynan

This is to certify that the This is to certify that all

ordinances and resolutions proper notices, postings and

contained herein have been filings required by the Open

approved by me in accordance Public Meetings Act (Chapter

with law. 231, P.L. 1975) were provided

 for this meeting.

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Maria DiGiovanni, Mayor William Kuster, Jr., Town Clerk