The Mayor and Common Council convened in open session via teleconference in the Municipal Building at 215 Stiger Street, Hackettstown, New Jersey at 7:00 PM on November 23, 2020. The special meeting opened with a salute to the Flag.

Mayor DiMaio 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 DiMaio, Councilpersons Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

 Absent – Councilperson Tynan

The Oath of Office was administered by Mayor Jerry DiMaio to Councilperson Jody Becker for a term expiring December 31, 2021.

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Engelau) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 12, 2020 as submitted.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

 Abstain – Becker

Resolution

WHEREAS, the Town of Hackettstown (hereinafter “Local Unit”) has joined the Statewide Insurance Fund (hereinafter “Fund”), a joint insurance fund as defined in NJSA 40A:10-36 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws require participating members to appoint a Risk Management Consultant, as those positions are defined in the Bylaws, if requested to do so by the “Fund”; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit has complied with relevant law with regard to the appointment of a Risk Management Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the “Fund” has requested its members to appoint individuals or entities to that position; and

WHERE, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of “Local Unit”, in the County of Warren and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Town of Hackettstown (Local Unit) hereby appoints Randall W. May its Risk Management Consultant.
2. The Mayor (authorized representative of the public entity) and Risk Management Consultant are hereby authorized to execute the Risk Management Consultant’s Agreement for the year 2021 in the form attached hereto.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

 Abstain – Becker

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

Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town of Hackettstown (hereinafter “Local Unit”) is a member of the statewide Insurance Fund (hereinafter “Fund”), a joint insurance funds as defined in NJSA 40A:10-36 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Fund’s Bylaws require participating members to appoint a Fund Commissioner;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Town of Hackettstown that Eric Tynan, Councilperson, is hereby appointed as the Fund Commissioner of the Local Unit of the Fund Year 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that William Kuster, Town Clerk/

Administrator, is hereby appointed as the Alternate Fund Commissioner for the Local Unit for the Fund Year 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Local Unit’s Fund Commissioner is authorized and directed to execute all such documents as required by the Fund.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

 Abstain – Becker

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Lambo) to approve the Risk Management Consultant Agreement for 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

 Abstain – Becker

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

Resolution

WHEREAS, certain bills have been presented for payment for which there are insufficient funds in the 2020 budget to pay, and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-58 permits the transfer of funds from accounts with a surplus to cover such demands,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

Transfer From: Transfer To:

COAH S/W $6,085.00 PFRS O/E $8,002.00

ECONOMIC COMM O/E $5,000.00 PERS O/E $1,583.00

 AUDIT O/E $1,500.00

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

 Abstain – Becker

Motion was made (Engelau) and seconded (Sheldon) to approve check register #2020-21 in the amount of $323,863.03.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

 Abstain – Becker

Robert Goldsmith, Esquire and other associates of Jade Associates spoke regarding the Bergen Tool Phase II proposed project and their request to the Town for consideration of a PILOT.

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Lambo) to approve the Social Permit application for Apple Food Service of Hackettstown, LLC for a COVID-19 expansion of premises permit and the Social Permit application for Mamas Pizza, Inc. for a COVID-19 expansion of premises permit.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Becker, Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Kunz) to waive the outside dining tents/membranes fees the the Town between December 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Becker Engleau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

Motion was made (Sheldon) and seconded (Lambo) to approve raffle license #1236 for the Hackettstown Rotary Foundation to hold a calendar raffle.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Becker, Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

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

No one wished to speak at this time.

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

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Becker, Engelau, Kunz, Lambo and Sheldon

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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Gerald DiMaio, Jr., Mayor William Kuster, Jr., Town Clerk