

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON**

**May 24, 2021 - 7 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Madison was held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021. Mayor Conley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. via Teleconference in the Council Chamber of the Hartley Dodge Memorial, Kings Road, in the Borough of Madison.

**STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The Borough Clerk read the statement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act:

“In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting of the Council was provided by transmitting a copy of the meeting notice to the Madison Eagle and Morris County Daily Record, posting a copy on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the Hartley Dodge Memorial, and filing a copy in the office of the Clerk, all on January 7, 2021. This Notice was made available to members of the general public.”

**ROLL CALL**

The Borough Clerk called the roll and the following acknowledged their presence:

Mayor Robert H. Conley

Council Members:

Astri J. Baillie  
Maureen Byrne  
John F. Hoover  
Debra J. Coen  
Rachael Ehrlich  
Robert Landrigan

Also Present:

Raymond M. Codey, Borough Administrator  
James E. Burnet, Assistant Borough Administrator  
Elizabeth Osborne, Borough Clerk  
Matthew J. Giacobbe, Esq. Borough Attorney

**AGENDA REVIEW**

There was approval of the Regular and Executive Agenda.

**READING OF CLOSED SESSION RESOLUTION**

Ms. Byrne moved:

**RESOLVED**, that the meeting be adjourned to an Executive Session to consider the following matters:

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MINUTES FOR APPROVAL (1)

April 26, 2021

May 10, 2021

Date of public disclosure 60 days after conclusion, if disclosure required.

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LITIGATION MATTERS (1)

AFFORDABLE HOUSING UPDATE

Date of public disclosure 60 days after conclusion, if disclosure required.

CONTRACT MATTERS (3)

BENCHES

HDM DESIGN SERVICES

DREW UNIVERSITY

Date of public disclosure 60 days after conclusion, if disclosure required.

PERSONNEL MATTERS (3)

LT. FIREFIGHTER INTERVIEWS

P/T OFFICE ASSISTANT-TAX ASSESSOR AND CONSTRUCTION

SENIOR VAN DRIVER

Date of public disclosure 90 days after conclusion, if disclosure required.

Seconded: Ms. Baillie

Vote: Approved by unanimous voice vote

**RECONVENE VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Mayor Conley reconvened the Regular Meeting at 8 p.m. via teleconference with all members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Mayor Conley asked for a moment of silence for lifelong residents Lucia DeCaro and Cento Luscani.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Baillie moved approval of the **Regular Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2021**. Ms. Ehrlich seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous voice call vote recorded.

Ms. Baillie moved approval of the **Regular Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2021**. Ms. Byrne seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous voice call vote recorded

Ms. Baillie moved approval of the **Executive Minutes of April 26, 2021**. Ms. Coen seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous voice call vote recorded.

Ms. Baillie moved approval of the **Regular Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2021**. Ms. Coen seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous voice call vote recorded

Ms. Baillie moved approval of the **Executive Minutes of May 10, 2021**. Mr. Hoover seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous voice call vote recorded.

Ms. Ms. Baillie moved approval of the **Regular Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2021**. Mr. Hoover seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous voice call vote recorded

**GREETINGS TO PUBLIC**

Mayor Conley presented the following proclamations:

**Pride Month June 2021 Proclamation**

*Proclamation  
of the  
Borough of Madison*

*Proclaiming*  
PRIDE MONTH  
JUNE 2021

**WHEREAS**, our nation was founded on the principle of equal rights for all people and some of the most inspiring moments in our history have arisen from the various civil rights movements that have brought one group after another from the margins to the mainstream of American society; and

**WHEREAS**, in the movement toward equal rights for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) people, an historic turning point occurred 52 years ago on June 28, 1969, in New York City, with the onset of the Stonewall Riots. During these riots, LGBTQ citizens rose up and fought against the discriminatory criminal laws that have since been declared unconstitutional; and

**WHEREAS**, all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights and LGBTQ individuals and their allies have had immeasurable impact to the cultural, civic and economic success of our country; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Madison is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equality for LGBTQ people in our diverse community; and

**WHEREAS**, while society at large increasingly supports LGBTQ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that the need for education and awareness remains vital; and

**WHEREAS**, celebrating Pride Month brings awareness and provides support and advocacy for Madison's LGBTQ community and is an opportunity to take action and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance and advance equal rights; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that young people in our community, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, and expression, feel valued, safe, empowered, and supported by their peers and community leaders;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert H. Conley, Mayor of the Borough of Madison, on behalf of the governing body, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2021 as **Pride Month** in the Borough of Madison in support of the LGBTQ community and to recognize all LGBTQ residents whose influential and lasting contributions to our neighborhoods make Madison a vibrant community in which to live, work and visit.

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**National Gun Violence Awareness Day June 4, 2021**

*Proclamation*  
*of the*  
*Borough of Madison*  
*Proclaiming*  
**National Gun Violence Awareness Day**  
**June 4, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, gun suicide claims the lives of over 23,000 people in the United States each year and more than 14,000 people die in gun homicides; and

**WHEREAS**, Americans are 25 times more likely to be killed with guns than people in other developed countries; and

**WHEREAS**, protecting public safety in the communities they serve is a mayor's highest responsibility; and

**WHEREAS**, support for the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens goes hand-in-hand with keeping guns away from dangerous people; and

**WHEREAS**, firearms are the leading cause of death for children and teens in the United States.

**WHEREAS**, in January 2013, Hadiya Pendleton, a teenager who marched in President Obama's second inaugural parade and was tragically shot and killed just weeks later, should be now celebrating her 23rd birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, to help honor Hadiya – and the 100 Americans whose lives are cut short and the countless survivors who are injured by shootings every day – a national coalition of organizations has designated June 4, 2021, the first Friday in June as the sixth National Gun Violence Awareness Day; and

**WHEREAS**, the idea was inspired by a group of Hadiya's friends, who asked their classmates to commemorate her life by wearing orange; they chose this color because hunters wear orange to announce themselves to other hunters when out in the woods and orange is a color that symbolizes the value of human life; and

**WHEREAS**, anyone can join this campaign by pledging to Wear Orange on June 4th, the first Friday in June 2021, to help raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives of gun violence victims and survivors; and

**WHEREAS**, we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the wrong hands and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our children safe;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Robert H. Conley, Mayor of the Borough of Madison, on behalf of the governing body, do hereby proclaim June 4, 2021 as **National Gun Violence Awareness Day** and encourage all citizens to wear orange to support their

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local communities' efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value human lives.

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Robert H. Conley, Mayor  
May 24, 2021

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

#### **Public Safety**

Ms. Byrne, Chair of the Committee, made the following comments:

On May 14th, our 1921 Ahrens-Fox firetruck, "Geraldine" turned 100 years old. It was on this date that Mrs. Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge officially presented the Ahrens-Fox firetruck to the Borough of Madison. A parade was held followed by a town wide celebration and pumping demonstration. This was the first of three fire engines that Mrs. Dodge purchased and gave to Madison over the years. The other 2 fire engines that were presented were a 1949 and 1953 Mack. Geraldine still runs and pumps today and is housed at Fire Department. On May 23rd, the Madison Fire Department celebrated 140 years of protecting Madison citizens, business and property from the ravages of fire. It was on May 23, 1881, in O'Brien's Hall, which was located on Waverly Place that the "Hook & Ladder Co #1" was formally created. One of the founding members of the Fire Department was Fred Bardon. Fred served as president of the fire department from 1889-1912. He created the Madison Eagle which was the Madison Eye Opener first in 1877. Fred was also instrumental in encouraging the incorporation of the Borough of Madison in 1889 through his editorials in the Madison Eagle. Fred also served as the president of the Madison Board of Education as well as the 1st tax collector for Madison. Bardon Street in Madison is named after him. Fred passed away at the young age of 58 on March 17, 1916.

#### **Finance and Borough Clerk**

Ms. Baillie, Chair of the Committee, made the following comments:

The Administration and Finance Department continue to monitor the impact of the pandemic on revenues, reporting that tax collection rates are good, but fees collected remain low. Some good news is that the recycling markets have improved. In the past the Borough received more than \$60,000 annually for curbside recyclables. The last few years the Borough has had to pay to dispose of recycling. With market improvements, the Borough received some income for recycling but continues to pay for garbage tipping fees. The Utility Billing Department encourages residents and businesses to pay their utility bills on line. Ms. Baillie announced that the Borough is working on several grants including trail improvements at Memorial Park and playground equipment for Dodge Field that will be handicapped accessible.

#### **Public Works and Engineering**

Mr. Hoover, Chair of the Committee, made the following comments:

Denville Line Striping completed all Mill & Overlay roads and crosswalks last week. Cifelli & Son started tree removal work at Anthony Drive and Wayne Blvd and expects drainage work to start next week. Hartley Dodge Memorial Plaza restoration general contractor Merrill & Garaguso of Swedesboro, NJ is preparing a construction schedule. Several interesting public hearings have been scheduled by the Madison Land Use Boards. Please stay tuned via the website. The Department of Public Works is working on a Pilot program with neighboring communities. The Senior Citizen Van will once again start daily services on a limited basis. The Shade Tree Management Board planted 90 new trees in and will

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continue to plant in the fall. The Madison community is invited to participate in a walkable, self-guided Environmental Scavenger Hunt sponsored by the Madison Environmental Commission (MEC) with the support of Madison High School volunteers. Starting on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, residents can search for environmental items, such as a butterfly garden or recycling bin. The scavenger hunt is designed to take 30-60 minutes and all 10 clues can be found within and around the downtown district.

### **Community Affairs**

Ms. Coen, Chair of the Committee, made the following comments:  
The next meeting of the Downtown Development Commission is scheduled for June 17, 2021, via Zoom. Residents are reminded that the Farmers' Market is open each Thursday through November. The Taste of Madison will be held soon with a restaurant passport and raffles. The Chamber of Commerce is accepting nomination for the Extra Mile Award, for outstanding customer service. The Spring Ahead into the Arts programs continues. And on June 5<sup>th</sup>, Hidden Figures program will be held at the AME Bethel Church.

### **Utilities**

Ms. Ehrlich, Chair of the Committee, made the following comments:  
The Electric Department replaced the donated Christmas tree from St. Vincent's with a beautiful 8-foot Blue Spruce purchased from Coviellos. The Department set a new pole at 322 Main Street for underground electric service for the two new condominiums. The Department also replaced an old utility pole in front of 18 Madison Avenue and transferred our lines and equipment. American Electrical Testing is replacing the Relays in our James Park substation with our assistance. The Electric Department started utility service work for the 4 Community Place redevelopment and is reviewing plans for future work on Lincoln Place and the Cook Avenue Parking Lot renovation. The Water Department excavated and replaced an older model fire hydrant on Ashland Road. The Department also installed a drain at the dog park to try and dry the area around the fountain. The department reminds us to please refrain from watering lawns during sunlight hours, when 50% of the water used is lost due to evaporation.

### **Health**

Mr. Landrigan, Chair of the Committee, made the following comments:  
Mr. Landrigan noted State issued updates to mask guidelines and capacities, both indoor and out, noting masks are still require in schools, and on public transportation. In Madison there are a total of 868 confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported, with no new cases this week. Residents age 12 and up can now receive vaccines, with same day appointments available.

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

The Borough Clerk announced receipt of the following communications:  
Mayor and Council received emails from the following residents regarding the demolition of the Movie Theatre on Lincoln Place.

Barbara Coppersmith  
Edwin Garubbo  
Cassandra Sledge Kenney  
Scott Kolakowski  
Loraine Sing  
Bob Palladino  
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Larry Wickman  
Joanne O'Neill  
Andrea Ostrom  
Christine McLaughlin  
Robert Fay  
Jackie Frost  
Robert Balascio  
Angela Notari  
Mary Ann Albanese  
Jim Kennedy  
John Hoyt

**INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION (1 of 2)**

Mayor Conley opened the meeting to the public for their opportunity to ask questions and make comments on those items listed on the Agenda only. Mayor asked that, upon recognition by the Meeting Moderator, each person give his/her name and address in an audible tone of voice, for the record. **He/she shall limit his/her statement to three (3) minutes or less.**

**Christine Hepburn; Blairstown**, encouraged Council to approve Resolution R 156-2021, supporting conservation at Drew University.

**Eric Range; Belleau Avenue**, offered his support of Resolution 156-2021, noting the resolution addresses needs of the University and the Borough of Madison.

**Kathleen Caccavale; Central Avenue**, raised concern regarding the purchase of benches, asking that green products be purchased.

**Lydia Chambers; Harding Township**, co-chair of the Garden Club of Madison, endorsed approval of Resolution 156-2021, supporting conservation at Drew University.

**Chris Coultas; Longhill Road**, asked Council to continue preservation of the Drew Forest.

**Gene Cracovia; Barnesdale Road**, Chair of the Shade Tree Management Board, offer support for Resolution 156-2021, and asked Council to continue to partner with Drew University.

**Claire Whitcomb; Fairwood Road**, encouraged Council to approve Resolution R 156-2021, supporting conservation at Drew University.

**Judy Kroll; Laurel Way**, offered support of Resolution R 156-2021, supporting conservation at Drew University.

**Bridget Dailey; Keep Street**, encouraged Council to approve Resolution R 156-2021, supporting conservation at Drew University. Inquired about the energy efficiency of vehicle purchased for the Department of Public Works.

**Tom Haralampoudis; Pomeroy Road**, inquired about discussion with Drew University regarding the Drew Forest and steps to attain funds.

**Chris Schorr; Shady Lawn Drive**, President of Friends of Madison Shade Trees, noted the oldest trees in Madison are in the Drew Forest.

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**Kate Ransom Silliman; Highland Avenue**, encouraged Council to approve Resolution R 156-2021, supporting conservation at Drew University, noting how rare the forest is in New Jersey.

Since no other member of the public wished to be heard, the invitation for discussion was closed.

**AGENDA DISCUSSIONS**

**05/24/2021-1 MADISON HIDDEN FIGURES PRESENTATION**

Ms. Coen introduced a program that grew out of conversations in the community beginning last summer and culminating with a weekend of event to discover the Hidden Figures in the Borough of Madison. Kenesha Tucker started by thanking Ms. Coen and Mayor Conley for continuing the Community Conversation and the committee members working on the Madison Hidden Figures program. A Welcoming reception will be held June 4<sup>th</sup> with events through June 6<sup>th</sup> and a Closing Breakfast at the Nautilus Diner on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Program highlights include projects purpose is to educate the Madison community about the history of Black residents and their contribution to the Madison and Morris County. Teachers will provided research for students to discover the history and impact of these residents. If residents are interested in helping out, there is an Amazon wish list of supplies needed for the project.

**05/24/2021-2 MARIJUANA LEGISLATION UPDATE**

Mr. Codey provide explanation of proposed legislation regarding legalization of marijuana, noting classes of State issued licenses, local tax rates and lack of State regulation regarding types of activities, times, locations, etc. Mr. Codey explained that by opting out at this time, the Borough can at any time opt-in when guidelines are set by the State. Mayor Conley suggested introduction of an ordinance in July.

**ADVERTISED HEARINGS**

The Clerk made the following statement:

The ordinance scheduled for hearing tonight was submitted in writing at a Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council held on May 10, 2021, was introduced by title and passed on first reading, was published in the Madison Eagle and made available to members of the general public requesting same.

Mayor Conley called up Ordinance 20-2021 for second reading and asked the Clerk to read said ordinances by title:

**ORDINANCE 20-2021  
ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON  
APPROPRIATING \$60,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL  
IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF SNOW  
THROWER AND ACCESSORIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC WORKS**

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Public Works has recommended that the Borough appropriate \$60,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of a snow thrower, vehicles and accessories for use by the Public Works Department; and



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**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has attested to the availability of the funds in the General Capital Improvement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00 for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined that the Borough should appropriate \$60,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of a snow thrower and accessories.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The amount of \$60,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of a snow thrower and accessories.

**SECTION 2:** The budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3:** This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Mayor Conley opened up the public hearing on Ordinance 20-2021. Since no member of the public wished to be heard, the public hearing was closed.

Mr. Hoover moved that Ordinance 20-2021, which was read by title, be finally adopted. Ms. Coen seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion, and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan  
Nays: None

Mayor Conley declared Ordinance 20-2021 adopted and finally passed and asked the Clerk to publish notice thereof in the newspaper and file the ordinance in accordance with the law.

***INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION (2 of 2)***

Mayor opened the meeting to the public for their opportunity to ask questions and make comments on any subject. Mayor asked that, upon recognition by the Meeting Moderator, each person give his/her name and address in an audible tone of voice, for the record. **He/she shall limit his/her statement to three (3) minutes or less.**

***Kate Bartley; Prospect Street***, encouraged Council to pass Resolution 156-2021, supporting environmental conservation potential of the Drew Forest.

***Eric Range; Belleau Avenue***, noted his support for the Borough's proposed marijuana legislation, hoping the issue is revisited in the future.

Since no other member of the public wished to be heard, the invitation for discussion was closed.

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**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

The Clerk made the following statement:

Ordinances scheduled for introduction and first reading tonight will have a hearing during the meeting of June 14, 2021 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Council Chamber of the Hartley Dodge Memorial Building, Kings Road, in the Borough of Madison at 8 p.m., or as soon thereafter as practical, for further consideration and final adoption. Said ordinances will be published in the Madison Eagle, be posted at the main entrance to the Borough offices and be made available to members of the public requesting same, as required by law.

Mayor Conley called up Ordinances for first reading and asked the Clerk to read said ordinance by title:

ORDINANCE 21-2021    ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON  
APPROPRIATING \$50,000.00 FROM THE ELECTRIC CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
FUND FOR SIGNALIZATION REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Engineer and Electric Utility Superintendent have recommended that the Borough appropriate \$50,000.00 from the Electric Capital Improvement Fund for signalization repairs and improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has attested to the availability of the funds in the Electric Capital Improvement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined that the Borough should appropriate \$50,000.00 from the Electric Capital Improvement Fund for signalization repairs and improvements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The amount of \$50,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the Electric Capital Improvement Fund for signalization repairs and improvements.

**SECTION 2:** The budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3:** This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Mr. Hoover moved that Ordinance 21-2021, which the Borough Clerk read by title, be adopted. Ms. Coen seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion, and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan

Nays: None

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**ORDINANCE 22-2021 ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON  
APPROPRIATING \$50,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
FUND FOR WORK RELATED TO SPORTS FIELDS REPAIR AND TRAIL  
RESTORATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Engineer and Recreation Director have recommended that the Borough appropriate \$50,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for work related to sports fields repair and trail restoration; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has attested to the availability of the funds in the General Capital Improvement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined that the Borough should appropriate \$50,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for work related to sports fields repair and trail restoration.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The amount of \$50,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the General Capital Improvement Fund for work related to sports fields repair and trail restoration.

**SECTION 2:** The budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3:** This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Mr. Hoover moved that Ordinance 22-2021, which the Borough Clerk read by title, be adopted. Ms. Coen seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion, and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan

Nays: None

**ORDINANCE 23-2021 ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON  
APPROPRIATING \$37,500.00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIREFIGHTER TURNOUT GEAR AND REBUILD  
OF ENGINE #2 FIRE PUMP**

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Chief has recommended that the Borough appropriate \$37,500.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of Firefighter turnout gear and rebuild of Engine #2 fire pump; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has attested to the availability of the funds in the General Capital Improvement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$37,500.00 for this purpose; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined that the Borough should appropriate \$37,500.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of Firefighter turnout gear and rebuild of Engine #2 fire pump.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The amount of \$37,500.00 is hereby appropriated from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of Firefighter turnout gear and rebuild of Engine #2 fire pump.

**SECTION 2:** The budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3:** This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Ms. Byrne moved that Ordinance 23-2021, which the Borough Clerk read by title, be adopted. Mr. Landrigan seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion, and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan

Nays: None

**ORDINANCE 24-2021    ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON  
APPROPRIATING \$380,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF TRUCKS AND ACCESSORIES FOR THE  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Public Works has recommended that the Borough appropriate \$380,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of Trucks and accessories for the Department of Public Works; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has attested to the availability of the funds in the General Capital Improvement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$380,000.00 for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined that the Borough should appropriate \$380,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of Trucks and accessories for the Department of Public Works.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The amount of \$380,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of Trucks and accessories for the Department of Public Works.

**SECTION 2:** The budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance.

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SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Mr. Hoover moved that Ordinance 24-2021, which the Borough Clerk read by title, be adopted. Ms. Coen seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion, and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan  
Nays: None

ORDINANCE 25-2021 ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON  
APPROPRIATING \$18,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LIGHT TOWER, WELDER AND  
ACCESSORIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has recommended that the Borough appropriate \$18,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of a light tower, welder and accessories for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has attested to the availability of the funds in the General Capital Improvement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$18,000.00 for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has determined that the Borough should appropriate \$18,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of a light tower, welder and accessories for the Department of Public Works.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1: The amount of \$18,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of a light tower, welder and accessories for the Department of Public Works.

SECTION 2: The budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Mr. Hoover moved that Ordinance 25-2021, which the Borough Clerk read by title, be adopted. Ms. Coen seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion, and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan  
Nays: None

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ORDINANCE 26-2021 ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON  
APPROPRIATING \$50,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT  
FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS HANDLING BINS AND RELATED  
MATERIALS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Public Works has recommended that the Borough appropriate \$50,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of materials handling bins and related materials for the Department of Public Works; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has attested to the availability of the funds in the General Capital Improvement Fund in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 for this purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined that the Borough should appropriate \$50,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of materials handling bins and related materials for the Department of Public Works.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** The amount of \$50,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of materials handling bins and related materials for the Department of Public Works.

**SECTION 2:** The budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3:** This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Mr. Hoover moved that Ordinance 26-2021, which the Borough Clerk read by title, be adopted. Ms. Coen seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion, and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan

Nays: None

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS**

**The Clerk made the following statement:**

Consent Agenda Resolutions will be enacted with a single motion; any Resolution requiring expenditure is supported by a Certification of Availability of Funds; any Resolution requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Resolutions will be reflected in full in the minutes.

Ms. Byrne moved adoption of the Resolution 145-2021 through 155-202, and Resolutions 157-2021 and 158-2021 listed on the Consent Agenda. Ms. Baillie seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

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Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan  
Nays: None

R 145-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AUTHORIZING  
PURCHASE OF BENCHES FROM KEYSTONE RIDGE DESIGNS, INC.  
THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Madison desires to award a contract for the purchase of benches and accessories through the New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System program; and

**WHEREAS**, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10, et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, Keystone Ridge Designs, Inc. has been awarded the New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System contract number T-16-FLEET-00118, outdoor equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Business Development has recommended that the Borough Council utilize this contract for the purchase of a firearms and accessories; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Madison anticipates entering into contracts, individually or in the aggregate, in excess of \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, funds are available in Ordinance 16-2021, or in any other account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or his designee, and the availability of funds has been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. A contract with Keystone Ridge Designs, Inc. for the purchase of benches and accessories is hereby approved.
2. The Borough Administrator is hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the Borough to execute a purchase order in excess

R 146-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AUTHORIZING A  
CONTRACT WITH CLARK CATON HINTZ FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
REGARDING HARTLEY DODGE MEMORIAL PLAZA

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Engineer has recommended execution of a professional services contract with Clark Caton Hintz, for construction administration services for the Hartley Dodge Memorial Plaza restoration pursuant to a written proposal from Clark Caton Hintz dated May 11, 2021; and

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**WHEREAS**, such services constitute professional services for which a contract may be awarded without the need of competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a); and

**WHEREAS**, Clark Caton Hintz, has submitted to the Borough Acting Purchasing Agent, the required documents to satisfy the requirements of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, since this matter may be awarded without competitive bidding; and

**WHEREAS**, funds are available in Ordinances 56-2016, and 14-2018, or in any other account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or his designee, and the availability of funds has been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute on behalf of the Borough a professional services contract with Clark Caton Hintz, for professional construction administration services for the Borough of Madison/Hartley Dodge Memorial Plaza, in an amount not to exceed \$37,500.00 in a form acceptable to the Borough Attorney.

2. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of the adoption of this resolution in the official newspaper of the Borough of Madison within ten (10) days of its adoption pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.

**R 147-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON APPOINTING SHARON BRUENO TO THE POSITION OF PART-TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT IN THE TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE AND CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Personnel Director has recommended appointing Sharon Brueno to the position of Part-Time Office Assistant in the Tax Assessor's Office and Construction Department effective May 25, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council agrees with this recommendation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of Madison, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that Sharon Brueno is hereby appointed to the position of Part-Time Office Assistant in the Tax Assessor's Office and Construction Department, to be compensated at the hourly rate of \$19.00 for a maximum of 29 hours per week, pending receipt of satisfactory background check results.



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**R 148-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AUTHORIZING EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT – SUMMERHILL PARK TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, George Dailey, a member of Boy Scout of America Troop 25 located in Madison, has offered to volunteer his services to improve trails at Summerhill Park in support of his Eagle Scout project; and

**WHEREAS**, George Dailey is proposing new timber steps up a steep hill on trails in Summerhill Park to improve walkability and reduce erosion; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council wishes to approve such request.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of Madison in the County of Morris in the State of New Jersey that the improvements to trails at Summerhill park as described herein by George Dailey is hereby approved, subject to any safety requirements of the Madison Borough Engineer and any other governmental approvals.

**R 149-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP THEREIN FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2026**

**WHEREAS**, the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (“MCCPC”) was created in 1974 to conduct a voluntary cooperative pricing system with municipalities, boards of education, and other public bodies located in the County of Morris and adjoining counties; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the MCCPC is to provide substantial savings on various goods and services to its members through the cooperative public bidding process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Madison desires to enter into an Agreement with the MCCPC, which is administered by Randolph Township as Lead Agency to renew its membership in the MCCPC for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2026.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Agreement with the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council by the Township of Randolph as Lead Agency dated October 1, 2021 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5). Said Agreement is for renewal of membership in the MCCPC for a five (5) year period from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2026.

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2. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of this adopted Resolution, along with an executed Agreement, to Randolph Township as Lead Agency of the MCCPC.

3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon final passage according to law.

4. All appropriate Madison Borough officials are authorized and directed to perform all required acts to affect the purpose of this Resolution.

**R 150-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON RATIFYING APPROVAL OF A MADISON-CHATHAM JOINT MEETING AGENDA ITEM FROM THE MAY 17, 2021 JOINT MEETING**

**WHEREAS**, the following resolution needs approval from the Madison-Chatham Joint Meeting regularly scheduled meeting agenda of May 17, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the following item of business listed on the agenda now requires approval:

Approval of Resolution #21-34: Approving 2020 Annual Audit for the Madison Chatham Joint Meeting.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the Borough of Madison Council hereby approves the above listed action for the Madison-Chatham Joint Meeting.

**R 151-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AMENDING R 13-2021 TO AUTHORIZE ESTABLISHMENT OF PETTY CASH FUNDS FOR USE BY BOROUGH CUSTODIANS**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Assistant Administrator/CFO has recommended that the Borough amend Resolution 13-2021, authorizing establishment of petty cash funds to reflect changes in personnel; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Borough of Madison in the County of Morris, New Jersey, to amend the following department custodians in the indicated amounts:

John Miscia Acting Chief of Police	\$ 500.00
Sara Murphy Senior Center	\$ 500.00

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**WHEREAS**, all custodians are bonded by a blanket bond pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-34.1; and

**WHEREAS**, each custodian shall maintain records for his or her fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough Council of the Borough of Madison in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey hereby authorizes the establishment of Petty Cash Funds as described herein, and that two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

**R 152-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON ACCEPTING AN AMENDED SPENDING PLAN FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND**

**WHEREAS**, on July 8, 2015, the Borough of Madison (“Borough”) filed a declaratory judgment action with the New Jersey Superior Court, Morris County seeking to declare its HEFSP as being constitutionally compliant and seeking protection and repose against exclusionary zoning litigation for a ten (10) year period; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 10, 2020 the Borough executed a Settlement Agreement with Fair Share Housing Center that identified the Borough’s affordable housing obligation, compliance mechanisms, and other terms intended to promote the production of affordable housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Madison currently has an approved development fee ordinance and affordable housing trust fund in place which includes development fees, payments from developers in lieu of constructing affordable units on-site, barrier free escrow funds, and other funds collected in connection with the Borough’s affordable housing program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough requires approval of an amended spending plan in order to utilize funds within its affordable housing trust fund in accordance with its Settlement Agreement with Fair Share Housing Center (FSHC); and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 5:93-8-9. requires a municipality with an affordable housing trust fund to receive approval of a spending plan from COAH or Superior Court prior to spending any of the funds in its housing trust fund; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.1(c) requires a spending plan to include the following:

1. A projection of revenues anticipated from imposing fees on development, based on pending, approved and anticipated developments and historic development activity;
2. A projection of revenues anticipated from other sources, including payments in lieu of constructing affordable units on sites zoned for affordable housing, funds from the sale of units with extinguished controls, proceeds from the sale of affordable units, rental income, repayments from affordable housing program loans, and interest earned;

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3. A description of the administrative mechanism that the municipality will use to collect and distribute revenues;
4. A description of the anticipated use of all affordable housing trust funds pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-8.16;
5. A schedule for the expenditure of all affordable housing trust funds;
6. If applicable, a schedule for the creation or rehabilitation of housing units;
7. A pro-forma statement of the anticipated costs and revenues associated with the development if the municipality envisions supporting or sponsoring public sector or non-profit construction of housing; and
8. A plan to spend the trust fund balance as of July 17, 2008 within four years of the Council's approval of the spending plan, or in accordance with an implementation schedule approved by the Council;
9. A plan to spend and/or contractually commit all development fees and any payments in lieu of construction within three years of the end of the calendar year in which funds are collected, but no later than the end of third round substantive certification period;
10. The manner through which the municipality will address any expected or unexpected shortfall if the anticipated revenues from development fees are not sufficient to implement the plan; and
11. A description of the anticipated use of excess affordable housing trust funds, in the event more funds than anticipated are collected, or projected funds exceed the amount necessary for satisfying the municipal affordable housing obligation.

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Madison has prepared a Spending Plan consistent with P.L. 2008, c. 46, COAH regulations, and the Settlement Agreement with FSHC.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the Borough of Madison, Morris County requests that Superior Court review and approve Madison's spending plan.

**R 153-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF \$595.68 IN LATE FEES FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Administrator and Tax collector have recommended approval of a request to cancel \$595.68 in late fees due to extraordinary circumstances for delinquent payment of second quarter 2021 taxes on property at 17-33 Madison Avenue, Block 1301, Lot 15; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined to cancel said late fees and interest thereon.

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel the late fees in the amount of \$595.68 for tax Block 1301, Lot 15.

R 154-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON APPROVING THE PERSON-TO-PERSON, PLACE TO PLACE TRANSFER OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE NUMBER 1417-33-017-007

**WHEREAS**, an application has been filed for a Person-to-Person, Place to Place Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License Number 1417-33-017-007 heretofore issued to SALGINO PUB, INC., to MADISON MARKET, LLC, located at 17 Greenwood Avenue, Madison, N.J. 07940; 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 33; and

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

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough of Madison Governing Body does hereby approve, effective May 24, 2021 the Person-to-Person, Place to Place transfer of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption license from SALGINO PUB, INC., located at 30 Cook Plaza, to MADISON MARKET, LLC, located at 17 Greenwood Avenue Madison, NJ 07940 and does hereby direct the Borough Clerk to endorse the license certificate as follows: "This license, subject to all of its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred to MADISON MARKET, LLC, effective May 24, 2021.

R 155-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AUTHORIZING 2021 GRANT APPLICATION BY THE MADISON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION BOND ACT

**WHEREAS**, the Madison Free Public Library intends to submit a 2021 New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act Application for funding for asbestos abatement and repairs and barrier free access improvements; and

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**WHEREAS**, the application documents will include schematic design plans and cost estimates by Acari-Iovino Architects reviewed and recommended by the Library Board of Trustees; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant application requires a fifty (50%) per cent match; and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated project cost is \$1,827,948.00 and the grant application amount is \$914,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough will provide up to \$457,000.00 from the General Capital Improvement Fund contingent upon full funding of the grant request with the Library contributing \$457,200.00 and any additional funds required to complete the project

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that the Council formally supports the grant application for the above stated project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Madison Free Public Library is hereby authorized to submit an electronic funding application to the State of New Jersey on behalf of the Borough of Madison and agree with the terms and conditions of the funding agreement subject to further clarifications and details by the State.

**R 157-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF ANDREW ATCHISON AS LIEUTENANT IN THE MADISON FIRE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE MAY 25, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council, after due consideration, has determined to appoint Andrew Atchison to the position of Lieutenant in the Madison Fire Department effective May 25, 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that Andrew Atchison is hereby appointed to the position of Lieutenant in the Madison Fire Department, effective May 25, 2021, to be afforded a pensionable adjustment in the amount of \$2,250.00 annually.

**R 158-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT DUNNE AS LIEUTENANT IN THE MADISON FIRE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE MAY 25, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council, after due consideration, has determined to appoint Robert Dunne to the position of Lieutenant in the Madison Fire Department effective May 25, 2021.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Madison, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, that Robert Dunne is hereby appointed to the position of Lieutenant in the Madison Fire Department, effective May 25, 2021, to be afforded a pensionable adjustment in the amount of \$2,250.00 annually.

Ms. Baillie moved adoption of the Resolution 156-2021 listed on the Consent Agenda. Ms. Byrne seconded the motion. There was no Council discussion and the motion passed with the following roll call vote recorded:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan

Abstain: Ms. Coen

Nays: None

**R 156-2021 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MADISON SUPPORTING ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION POTENTIAL OF THE DREW FOREST**

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the goals of the 2020 Open Space and Recreation Plan, as adopted as an Element of the Borough’s Master Plan, to preserve and protect the Borough’s unique cultural and historic sites in order to strengthen community assets; preserve natural systems and environmentally sensitive areas for the community and the wildlife it supports; protect the Buried Valley Aquifer; and create opportunities for additional resource-based recreation while fostering the growth and sustainability of the Borough’s urban forest; and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Space Recreation and Historic Preservation Committee voted to recognize the importance of Drew University to the Borough of Madison; and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Space Recreation and Historic Preservation Committee recognized the importance of the Drew Forest as a significant element of the Drew University campus and education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Madison also recognizes the significance of the Drew Forest to the Borough of Madison, Morris County and the Drew University community for the following reasons:

- The Forest provides biodiversity, groundwater recharge and carbon storage;
- The Forest is a living classroom for teaching and research for Drew students and the wider community;
- For the past 12 years, 22 acres of the 45 forested acres known as the Zuck Arboretum and the Hepburn Woods have been restored through the Drew Forest Restoration Project;
- In 2012, Drew University received the Governor’s Environmental Excellence for Healthy Ecosystems for this work;
- Native trees and plants, and habitats for pollinators, birds and other wildlife have been restored;

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A portion of the Forest lies in the Great Swamp Watershed;  
The Forest provides recharge and filtering of Madison’s water supply and the Buried Valley Aquifer and reduces flooding and soil erosion by controlling run-off; and  
The Forest serves as a major cooling zone to offset the urban heat island effect for the Borough.

**NOW THEREFORE BE RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Madison supports the concept of working with Drew University to maximize the conservation potential of the Drew Forest and minimize development in environmentally sensitive areas of the Drew Forest.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

On motion by Ms. Byrne, seconded by Ms. Baillie and carried, the following vouchers of the Borough of Madison were approved for payment, and the supporting documentation of said vouchers was made part of the Supplemental Minute Book.

Current Fund	\$5,245,450.79
General Capital Fund	9,263.45
Electric Operating Fund	662,803.51
Electric Capital Fund	23,393.71
Water Operating Fund	27,807.63
Water Capital Fund	37,270.00
Trusts	<u>43,151.96</u>
Total	<u>\$6,055,141.05</u>

The following roll call vote was recorded approving the aforementioned vouchers:

Yeas: Ms. Baillie, Ms. Byrne, Mr. Hoover,  
Ms. Coen, Ms. Ehrlich, Mr. Landrigan  
Nays: None

**NEW BUSINESS** - None

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Osborne  
Borough Clerk  
Approved August 9, 2021 (EO)