

TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG
COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 pm

May 24, 2018

The Council Meeting of the Lopatcong Township Council was called to order by Mayor Mengucci. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building located at 232 S. Third St., Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865.

Mayor Mengucci stated “adequate notice of this meeting has been provided indicating the time and place of the meeting in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 by advertising a Notice in The Star Gazette and The Express-Times and by posting a copy on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.”

A moment of silence was offered followed by the Oath of Allegiance.

Present: Councilman Belcaro, Councilman Palitto, Councilman Wright, Council President Pryor, Mayor Mengucci.

Motion to come out of Executive Session by Council President Pryor seconded by Councilman Belcaro. All in favor.

Consent Agenda:

Mayor Mengucci asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda – Motion by Councilman Wright, seconded by Council President Pryor. Roll call vote:

AYES: Councilman Belcaro, Councilman Palitto, Councilman Wright, Council President Pryor, Mayor Mengucci.

NAYS: None

Resolution No. 18-115 – Authorize New Jersey Dept. of Transportation to undertake the design and Construction of Draining Improvements from Rt. 22, Bates St., to Rt. 57 within the Town of Phillipsburg and the Township of Lopatcong.

R 18-115

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWNSHIP OF
LOPATCONG AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is about to undertake the design and construction of Drainage Improvements from Rt. 22 Bates Avenue to Rt. 57 within Town of Phillipsburg and Township of Lopatcong, Warren County; and

WHEREAS, the project may require the relocation of certain public works facilities in connection with the project.

WHEREAS, the State Department of Transportation and the Township of Lopatcong wish to enter a Utility Engineering and Construction Agreement UECA-06-Rt. 22 Bates Ave. to Rt. 57-113690 covering the understandings for the verification, design, protection and/or relocation of certain public works facilities in connection with the design and construction of the above referenced project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren in the State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to enter into an agreement with New Jersey Dept. of Transportation for the UECA-06 Rt. 22 Bates Ave. to Rt. 57-113690.

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 18-116 – Authorize Change fund for Pool Snack Bar, Gate Office and Recreation Program for \$1,000.00.

R 18-116

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING CHANGE FUND FOR POOL GATE/SNACK
BAR AND RECREATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey want to make available a small quantity of currency for Pool/Snack Bar and Recreation Program; and

WHEREAS, these funds are to be carried on the municipality's balance sheet as an asset and checks are to be written on the general checking amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby approve this Change Fund in the amount of \$1,000.00 for Pool Snack Bar/Gate Office and Recreation Program.

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 18-117 – Supporting Click It or Ticket Mobilization from May 12 to June 3, 2018.

R 18-117

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING THE CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION OF
MAY

WHEREAS, there were 626 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2017; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of the motor vehicle occupants killed in traffic crashes were not wearing a seat belt; and

WHEREAS, use of a seat belt remains the most effective way to avoid health or serious injury in a motor vehicle crash; and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 135,000 lives were saved by safety belt usage nationally between 1975-2000; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide Click It or Ticket seat belt mobilization from May 21 – June 3, 2018 in an effort to raise awareness and increase seat belt usage through a combination of high visibility enforcement and public education; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Highway Traffic Safety has set a goal of increasing the seat belt usage rate in the state from the current level of 94% to 95.5%; and

WHEREAS, a further increase in seat belt usage in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Lopatcong declares its support for the Click It or Ticket seat belt mobilization both locally and nationally from May 21 – June 3, 2018 and pledges to increase awareness of the mobilization and the benefits of seat belt use.

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Wednesday, May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC

Resolution No. 18-94 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 114, Lot 7.

RESOLUTION #18-94

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 114 LOT 7.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 114, Lot 7 which were not applied to the taxpayer’s account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 114, Lot 7:

5/18/2015	\$314.17
12/28/2016	\$192.00
10/13/2016	\$180.97

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-95 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 35, Lot 1.04.

RESOLUTION #18-95

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 35 LOT 1.04.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 35, Lot 1.04 which were not applied to the taxpayer’s account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 35, Lot 1.04:

4/10/2017	\$195.68
7/20/2017	\$97.67
11/21/2017	\$220.18

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-96 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 38, Lot 10.

RESOLUTION #18-96

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 38 LOT 10.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 38, Lot 10 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 38, Lot 10:

3/28/2016	\$45.00
10/3/2016	\$45.00
12/20/2016	\$45.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-97 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 116.04, Lot 3.

RESOLUTION #18-97

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 116.04 LOT 3.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 116.04, Lot 3 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 116.04, Lot 3:

4/7/2017	\$117.28
12/22/2016	\$168.72
12/1/2017	\$221.07

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-98 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 104, Lot 10.

RESOLUTION #18-98

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 104 LOT 10.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 104, Lot 10 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 104, Lot 10:

4/21/2017	\$82.97
7/25/2017	\$79.50
11/17/2017	\$87.88
12/7/2017	\$32.57

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-99 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 123, Lot 2.

RESOLUTION #18-99

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 123 LOT 2.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 123, Lot 2 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 123, Lot 2:

4/25/2017	\$116.05
12/28/2017	\$333.77

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-100 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 135, Lot 7.

RESOLUTION #18-100

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 135 LOT 7.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 135, Lot 7 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 135, Lot 7:

4/21/2017 \$52.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-101- Correct Sewer Account on Block 105, Lot 12.

RESOLUTION #18-101

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 105 LOT 12.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 105, Lot 12 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 105, Lot 12:

12/27/2017 \$285.10

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-102 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 85, Lot 29.

RESOLUTION #18-102

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 85 LOT 29.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 85, Lot 29 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 85, Lot 29:

12/14/2017 \$207.83

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-103 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 15, Lot 4.

RESOLUTION #18-103

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 15 LOT 4.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 15, Lot 4 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 15, Lot 4:

4/12/2017	\$79.30
11/20/2017	\$45.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-104 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 46, Lot 11.

RESOLUTION #18-104

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 46 LOT 11.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 46, Lot 11 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 46, Lot 11:

12/21/2017 \$615.40

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18- 105 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 69, Lot 7

RESOLUTION #18-105

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 69, LOT 7.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 69, Lot 7 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 69, Lot 7:

3rd Quarter 2017 \$253.25

11/8/2017 \$90.00
1/5/2018 \$365.95

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-106 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 32, Lot 18.

RESOLUTION #18-106

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 32, LOT 18.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 32, Lot 18 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 32, Lot 18:

11/1/2017 \$457.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-107 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 46, Lot 14.

RESOLUTION #18-107

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 46, LOT 14.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 46, Lot 14 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 46, Lot 14:

1/24/2017	\$750
2/10/2017	\$66.52

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-108 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 79, Lot 9.

**RESOLUTION #18-108
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 79, LOT 9.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 79, Lot 9 which were not applied to the taxpayer's account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 79, Lot 9:

3/31/2017

\$127.07

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-109 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 106, Lot 40.

RESOLUTION #18-109

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO CORRECT THE SEWER ACCOUNT FOR BLOCK 106, LOT 40.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has been provided with receipts for payments to the sewer account for Block 106, Lot 40 which were not applied to the taxpayer’s account; and,

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to apply these payments to the account and cancel any interest associated with the failure to timely post these payments; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong hereby authorizes the Township Tax Office to apply the following payments to the sewer account for Block 106, Lot 40:

12/29/2017

\$232.11

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lopatcong Township Tax Office shall cancel any and all interest resulting from the failure to timely post these payments.

DATED: May 24, 2018

Attest:

Approved:

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

James E. Mengucci, Mayor

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Lopatcong Township Council at a meeting held on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk

Resolution No. 18-110 – Authorize cancellation of Third Party Lien on Block 116.04, Lot 3.

Resolution 18-110

RESOLUTION OF TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE CANCELATION OF A THIRD-PARTY LIEN ON BLOCK 116.04, LOT 3

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that a third-party lien was placed on Block 116.04, Lot 3 on December 6, 2017 was done so in error and must be cancelled; and,

WHEREAS, Township records show that a lien (Cert # 2017-026) in the amount of \$4,427.64 was sold to Stuart Lasher, PO Box 83, Milltown, NJ 08850-0083; and

WHEREAS, Block 116.04, Lot 3 was not listed on the Tax Sale notice advertised on December 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Township was not permitted to include this property on its December 6, 2017 tax sale, because it was not advertised in accordance with state statute; and

WHEREAS, the Township contact Mr. Lasher and he confirmed that he does hold Tax Sale Certificate 2017-026; however, that lien is on Block 58.01, Lot 4 and not Block 116.04, Lot 3 ; and

WHEREAS, a review of Block 58.01, lot 4 confirms that Ms. Lasher's lien (Cert 2017-026) is against this property; and

WHEREAS, the TSC number was used for two different liens and therefore the lien on Block 116.04, Lot 3 should be canceled; and

WHEREAS, the Township is currently working with the taxpayer to confirm that any delinquencies are listed correctly on his account; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 24th day of May 2018 that the Tax Collector's Office staff is hereby authorized to cancel TSC 2017-026 on Block 116.04, Lot 3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector's Office shall confirm that TSC 2017-026 remains on Block 58.01, Lot 4.

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted by the Township of Lopatcong Council on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts
Township Clerk

Resolution No. 18-111 – Authorize cancellation of Municipal Lien on Block 116.04, Lot 3.

R 18-111

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF MUNICIPAL LIEN ON BLOCK 116.04, LOT 3

WHEREAS, the Township of Lopatcong has determined that municipal liens placed on Block 116.04, Lot 3 on September 22, 2015, October 11, 2016 and December 5, 2017 were done so in error and must be cancelled; and

WHEREAS, Block 116, Lot 3 was not listed on the 2015 Tax Sale notice advertised on September 18, 2015, 2016 and 2017 Tax Sale notice advertised on October 7, 2016 or the 2017 Tax Sale notice advertised on December 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Township was not permitted to include this property on its 2015, 2016 and 2017 tax sale because it was not advertised in accordance with state statute; and

WHEREAS, the Township is currently working with the taxpayer to confirm that any delinquencies are listed correctly on his/her account.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 24th day of May 2018, that the Tax Collector's Office staff is hereby authorized to cancel all municipal liens (UTL) on Block 116.04, Lot 3.

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted by the Township of Lopatcong Council on May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts
Township Clerk

Resolution No. 18-112 – Correct Sewer Account on Block 49, Lot 2.

18-112

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF AN OVERPAYMENT ON A TAX ACCOUNT FOR TAX YEAR 2017.

WHEREAS, due to an error on this tax account, the property owner's mortgage company made a duplicate payment on this property in 2017 in the amount of \$1,210.86.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes a refund of an overpayment of taxes for the tax year 2017 for the following property to the mortgage company.

<u>Block & Lot</u>	<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Block 49, Lot 2	Fifth Third Bank c/o Elizabeth Draper 5050 Kingsley Drive MD 1MOCOP Cincinnati, OH 45263	\$1,210.86

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey have approved the refunds made rather than applying these payments to the 2018 taxes due.

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Thursday, May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, RMC

RESOLUTION NO. 18-113 -

18-113

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF AN OVERPAYMENT ON A SEWER ACCOUNT FOR TAX YEAR 2017.

WHEREAS, the Township received two payments for the fourth quarter sewer bill for Block 116.08, Lot 5: one payment was from the owners and the other was from the owners' escrow account; and

WHEREAS, both payments were applied to the property's fourth quarter 2017 sewer account which resulted in a credit of \$582.65 carrying over into 2018; and

WHEREAS, the sewer charges for the first quarter of 2018 for this property was \$62.15 which was deducted from the 2018 credit; and

WHEREAS, the current credit on the account is \$520.50 and the property owners have requested a refund; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes a refund of an overpayment of sewer for the tax year 2017 for the following property.

<u>Block & Lot</u>	<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Block 116.08, Lot 5	Rizwan and Maleeha Ali 10 Dogwood Lane Phillipsburg, NJ 08865	\$520.50

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey have approved the refunds made rather than applying these payments to future 2018 sewer charges due.

CERTIFICATION

I, Margaret B. Dilts, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on Thursday, May 24, 2018.

Margaret B. Dilts, RMC

Council President Pryor – Township Attorney asked Council to take certain actions from Executive Session to which Council President Pryor made a motion, seconded by Mayor Mengucci. Roll call vote:
AYES: Councilman Belcaro, Councilman Palitto, Councilman Wright, Council President Pryor, Mayor Mengucci.
NAYS: None

Audience Participation:

Pamela Trent – Spoke to Council with regard to her taxes and that she had come in to speak to the Tax Collector over the last four years regarding her taxes. She has paid on time, every time and had not been credited.

Tony Guarino – Addressed Council with the same complaint – his taxes and sewer accounts are not credited with his payments and now his mortgage company is making demands on him regarding establishment of escrow. He requested a letter to the mortgage company by the Township attorney.

Karen Kosar – 8 Haze Way – She mentioned that her payments to her sewer account were not credited properly.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilman Belcaro, seconded by Council President Pryor.
All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret B. Dilts, CMC
Clerk/Administrator

James E. Mengucci
Mayor