

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at 8:10 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Joseph Delaney presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act and that adequate notice was provided by mail and fax to the official City newspapers and to other interested parties and by posting the meeting notice on the bulletin boards in City Hall.

Councilmembers Present: Frank J. Calandriello, Louis G. Aloia, Tana M. Raymond and Joseph Delaney

Absent: Glenn A. Mati

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Representative Robert Ferraro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John J. Bruno) and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

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Councilmember Raymond moved to approve the Reports of the Cabinet as presented orally and in writing during the Work Session held earlier this evening. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

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Resolution No. 14-209

WHEREAS, the Pelicans are the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Boys Senior Basketball Champions, and

WHEREAS, the team is comprised of Joseph Brown, Djorkaeff Campbell, Riccardo Malleo, Kelvin Rodriquez, Adam Gacek, Rodrigo Taipe, Denis Ahmemulic, Stanley Romero, Lenny Rodriquez, Michael Pillot under the direction of their outstanding coaches Steve Knezevic and Denzel Robinson, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of publicly recognizing the outstanding accomplishments of the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Boys Senior Basketball Champions, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that CONGRATULATIONS are hereby extended to the Pelicans on being the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Boys Senior Basketball Champions.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Tana M. Raymond

At this time, CERTIFIED copies of Resolution No. 14-209 were presented to the Pelicans Basketball Team.

Resolution No. 14-210

WHEREAS, the Heat are the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Boys Junior Basketball Champions, and

WHEREAS, the team is comprised of Jarred George, Melvin Arias, Nash Barnes, Ian Vega, Kevin Ortiz, Khalil Barnes under the direction of their outstanding coaches Matt Furfaro, Diego Campo and Diego Vega, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of publicly recognizing the outstanding accomplishments of the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Boys Junior Basketball Champions, and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that CONGRATULATIONS are hereby extended to the Heat on being the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Boys Junior Basketball Champions.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Tana M. Raymond

At this time, CERTIFIED copies of Resolution No. 14-210 were presented to the Heat Basketball Team.

Resolution No. 14-211

WHEREAS, the Lakers are the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Girls Basketball Champions, and

WHEREAS, the team is comprised of Ghunwah Melham, Natalie Ramirez, Gianne Ventura, Daileen Pena, C’Arah Fatone, Jenica Camacho, Raneem Abuharchieh, Brittany Hicswa, Victoria Vucak, Maria Soares, Elianna Cedeno, Ariana Calamia under the direction of their outstanding coaches Michael Marella, Joseph Vucak and Robyn Morella, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of publicly recognizing the outstanding accomplishments of the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Girls Basketball Champions, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that CONGRATULATIONS are hereby extended to the Lakers on being the 2014 Garfield Recreation Department Girls Basketball Champions.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Tana M. Raymond

At this time, CERTIFIED copies of Resolution No. 14-211 were presented to the Lakers Basketball Team.

Resolution No. 14-212

WHEREAS, Frank M. Passucci, the Principal of Abraham Lincoln School No. 6, since November 1993, has decided to conclude a career spanning thirty-six years in the Garfield Public School System, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Passucci is a 1972 graduate of Garfield High School, is a December 1976 graduate of Glassboro State College (now Rowan University), and holds a Masters Degree from William Paterson University, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Passucci was hired in the Garfield School District in 1978, and worked at the High School and Washington Irving School No. Four, until becoming a Principal in 1993, and

WHEREAS, he and his wife, Dianne, have two daughters, Dana and Camille, and in his retirement he should have much more time to enjoy fishing and follow the New York Mets and New York Jets,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that CONGRATULATIONS and BEST WISHES are hereby extended to FRANK PASSUCCI upon the occasion of his retirement from an outstanding tenure of service to the Garfield School System during which he has earned the deepest respect and admiration of many and has had a positive impact on countless school children.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 14-213

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, March 12, 2014, Keith Kopacz and his sons, Joseph Kopacz and Nick Kopacz, rescued an unconscious woman from a burning car on Route 46 in Elmwood Park, and

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WHEREAS, the 200 Club of Bergen County, Valor Committee, will honor all three men with their highest award, the Valor Award, at their 28th Annual Valor Awards Luncheon to be held Thursday, May 15, 2014 at the Glenpoint Marriott Hotel in Teaneck, and
WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield are desirous of publicly recognizing the presentation of this much deserved award to these three men,
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that Keith Kopacz, Joseph Kopacz and Nick Kopacz are hereby CONGRATULATED on being honored with the coveted VALOR AWARD from the 200 Club of Bergen County.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 14-214

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2014, the Garfield Police Department is participating in the Bergen County “Chief for a Day” initiative; and
WHEREAS, the members of the Garfield Police Department play an integral role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of the City of Garfield; and
WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties and responsibilities of law enforcement in their community; and
WHEREAS, as an honorary “Chief for a Day” Jerel M. Johnson will learn about the inner-workings of law enforcement and explore the important work that Garfield Police Officers face on a daily basis; and
WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the City of Garfield along with our community observe June 6, 2014 as Jerel M. Johnson Appreciation Day to honor her interest in law enforcement.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, on behalf of its citizens, do hereby proclaim June 6, 2014 as: JEREL M. JOHNSON APPRECIATION DAY.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Tana M. Raymond

City Manager Thomas Duch read the following resolution:

Resolution No. 14-215

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provision of New Jersey Law, the proposed budget for the continued operation of the City of Garfield school district was submitted to the voters of the City of Garfield at the regular school election on April 23, 2014; and
WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of law, the budget submitted to the voters proposed a District Tax Levy, current expense portion, in the amount of \$25,441,100.00; and
WHEREAS, at the regular school board election on April 23, 2014, the voters of the City of Garfield rejected said proposed current expense Tax Levy; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to NJSA, 18A:22-37, the municipal Governing Body received, within two (2) days after the annual school election, a copy of the proposed school budget which was defeated; and
WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of the aforementioned Statue, meeting was held between Governing Body and the Board of Education as well as between representatives of these two Bodies, in order to determine the amount which, in the judgment of the Bodies, is necessary to be appropriated for each item appearing in the budget; and
WHEREAS, said meeting took place on May 13, 2014; and
WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Garfield has reviewed the school board budget, in detail, and has made recommendations to the Governing Body as to recommend reductions in the said budget which, in his opinion, could be made without compromising the efforts of the school system and while allowing the Board of Education the necessary funds in order to provide a thorough and efficient education for the students in the City of Garfield school district; and

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WHEREAS, the Board of Education has provided extensive documentation to the Governing Body and did, in fact, meet with the members of the Governing Body and the Administration at which time the Governing Body recommended certain actions which resulted in the Tax Levy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield school district has a minimum Tax Levy in the amount of \$24,520,588.00 which has been designated, the Department of Education. As the minimum Tax Levy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to provisions of law, the Governing Body may not reduce the amount of school board current Tax Levy unless it can be determined that any reductions will not adversely affect the district’s ability to provide a through and efficient education and maintain stability given the needs for long term planning and budgeting; and

WHEREAS, the reduction set forth in this Resolution is based upon such determination; and

WHEREAS, the reductions set forth below will not adversely affect the education or the well- being of the students of the City of Garfield

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

The original Tax Levy on the ballot for current expense portion of the Board of Education was \$25,441,100.00

The amount of reductions to the current expense of the Tax Levy shall be \$208,630.00

The amount of Tax Levy being certified by city of Garfield for the base, current expense shall, therefore, be \$25,232,470.00.

The specific line item reductions which are recommended by the Mayor and Council are as follows:

Utilities	\$106,000.00
Custodial Supplies	\$102,630.00

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the school budget, as reviewed and revised, presents sufficient funds to provide a through and efficient education within the district as required by law and the reductions set forth herein will not adversely affect the district’s ability to provide such a thorough and efficient education and maintain stability given the need for long term planning and budgeting;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Garfield Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution no later than Tuesday, May 27, 2014, to the City of Garfield Board of Education, the Bergen County Superintendent of Schools, and the Bergen County Board of Taxation as well as to the City of Garfield Tax Assessor;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Garfield Clerk is hereby directed to prepare based upon the contents of this Resolution, the necessary forms for submission to the County of Bergen, including Form A-4F or other forms reasonably required in order to effectuate the provisions of the Resolution.

On call of roll, Ayes 3,
Abstain 1 – Councilmember Raymond,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

City Manager Duch said that proper legal notice had been given of this joint meeting between the Board of Education and City Council, allowing both governing bodies to proceed. Mayor Delaney then called upon School Board Secretary/Business Administrator Edward Izbicki to reconvene the Board of Education. Board President Richard Giacomarro called the Board of Education Meeting back to order and asked for a roll call to establish a quorum. Secretary Izbicki read an amendment to the school board resolution into the record and the board voted to accept the cut in the defeated school budget proposed by the City Council. The School Board then adjourned their meeting.

During the City Council vote, Councilmember Calandriello said that he was against creating positions for past board members and he was compromising on the budget cut and was regretfully voting for the School budget cut resolution because administration salaries are so high, although some administrators cut their salaries. He commented on Deputy Mayor Raymond’s salary as an employee of the Garfield School System. He commented that during the Work Session, when Deputy Mayor Raymond spoke on the good job being done by the Garfield School District

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employees at the Sacred Heart School in Clifton, he inquired about all created jobs in this year's School Budget. He said that he inquired if the Assistant Facilities position was created or introduced again in this School Budget or if it was not created.

Deputy Mayor Raymond explained that she was advised that she could not vote on the School Budget cut resolution and she claimed that Councilmember Calandriello said her salary was \$169,000.00 when it actually is \$148,000.00 per year.

Resolution No. 14-216

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 2 has advised that they have expelled Pamela Janitz of 30 Park Avenue as an active member effective April 7, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 2 with respect to the above matter, is hereby accepted.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 14-217

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 13-302, Joseph Delaney was appointed to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency for a term that expired May 13, 2014,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that pursuant to Ordinance No. 2338 codified as Chapter 56 of the Code of the City of Garfield that: Mayor Joseph Delaney of 15 Garden Court North is hereby appointed as a Commissioner to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency, to succeed himself, for a one year term, said term to commence May 14, 2014 and expire May 13, 2015.

On call of roll, Ayes 3,
Abstain 1 – Councilmember Calandriello,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Tana M. Raymond
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-218

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 13-303, Ernest P. Rosolen was appointed to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency for a term that expired May 13, 2014,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that pursuant to Ordinance No. 2338 codified as Chapter 56 of the Code of the City of Garfield that Ernest P. Rosolen of 25 Pershing Street is hereby appointed as a Commissioner to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency, to succeed himself, for a one year term, said term to commence May 14, 2014 and expire May 13, 2015

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 14-219

WHEREAS, Renee Buchanan, 321 Malcolm Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1228873, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at her address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for "Handicapped Parking", located on the west curb line of Malcolm Avenue commencing 222 feet north of the intersection of Malcolm Avenue & Arnot Street, and run an additional 25 feet north from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Tana M. Raymond

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Resolution No. 14-220

WHEREAS, Nora Cisneros, 111 Elizabeth Street, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1053572, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at her address, and WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the north curb line of Elizabeth Street commencing 62 feet west of the intersection of Elizabeth Street & MacArthur Avenue, and run an additional 21feet west from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 14-221

WHEREAS, Thelma Dolores Vetri, 72 Plauderville Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P721731, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at her address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the south curb line of Plauderville Avenue commencing 32 feet west of the intersection of Plauderville Avenue & Wood Street, and run an additional 22 feet west from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution NO. 14-222

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
CONDEMNING THE ACTIONS OF A PERSON WHO RECENTLY THREW A GLASS
BOTTLE AT A FIRE TRUCK INJURING A GARFIELD VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER

WHEREAS, The Volunteer Firefighters of the City of Garfield serve the community by responding to a wide variety of situations that threaten the life and property of the citizens of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, The Volunteer Firefighters of the City of Garfield bravely perform their duties out of a sense of duty, loyalty, and love for the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, there was recently a reprehensible act by a person who threw a glass bottle at a moving fire truck which fire truck was in the process of responding to an alarm; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Victoria Kovacs, a five-year volunteer with the fire department, suffered corneal abrasions when the thrown bottle shattered the rear window of the fire truck, propelling pieces of glass into both of her eyes;

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield recognizes the service of the City’s firefighters and seeks to protect its volunteers in all events;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, as follows:

The Mayor and City Council hereby condemns the recent actions of the person who threw the bottle that injured Volunteer Firefighter Victoria Kovacs; and

The Mayor and City Council pledges full support to the Volunteer Firefighters of the City of Garfield and commends them for their bravery and service to the City; and

This Resolution is effective on this 13th day of May, 2014.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Tana M. Raymond

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Resolution No. 14-223

Grant Agreement between Garfield City and the State of New Jersey by and for the Department of Environmental Protection Grant Identifier:FS14-052

Governing Body Resolution

The governing body of Garfield City desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of approximately \$20,000.00 to fund the following project: Community Stewardship Incentive Program (CSIP).

Therefore, the governing body resolves that Thomas Duch, Esq. of the successor to the office of City Manager is authorized (a) to make application for such a grant, (b) if awarded, to execute a grant agreement with the State for a grant in an amount not less than \$20,000.00 and not more than \$20,000.00, and (c) to execute and any amendments thereto X any amendments thereto which do not increase the Grantee's obligations.

*The authorizes and hereby agrees to match 50% of the Total Project Amount, in compliance with the match requirements of the agreement. The availability of the match for such purposes, whether cash, services, or property, is hereby certified. 50% of the match will be made up of in-kind services (if allowed by grant program requirements and the agreement).

The Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable federal, State, and municipal laws, rules, and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

*The portion of this form between the asterisks should only be completed if matching funds are required under the terms of the agreement. Where in-kind services are allowed and are stipulated by the Grantee, an attachment must be provided and appended hereto, breaking out the in-kind services to be provided by the Grantee.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 14-224

A Resolution Authorizing Environmental Remediation and Financial Services, LLC (ERFS) to install One Groundwater Monitoring Well and Five Injection Wells Within the Right of Way Along MacArthur Avenue On Behalf of Mr. Charles Lynch residence.

WHEREAS, ERFS is undertaking an environmental investigation regarding the Lynch (aka Florkevicz Residence), 199 MacArthur MacArthur Avenue, Garfield, Bergen County, N.J., and;

WHEREAS, A 1,000 gallon heating oil underground storage tank (UST) was removed from beneath the sidewalk of the Site on October 4, 2012. Evidence of a petroleum discharge was noted during the UST removal and a limited soil excavation was completed.

WHEREAS, Analytical results of post excavation soil samples collected along the excavation sidewall adjacent to the on-site building (199-1) and adjacent roadway (199-3) exceeded the NJDEP soil cleanup guideline of 5,100 for extractable petroleum hydrocarbon (EPH). As part of remediation of the heating oil release at the Site a proposal was submitted to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to discharge to ground water in accordance with the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, N.J.A.C. 7:14A; the Ground Water Quality Standards, N.J.A.C. 7:9C; and the Technical Requirements for Site Remediation N.J.A.C. 7:26E. The NJDEP's Site Remediation Program has approved the Discharge to Groundwater Permit-by-Rule (PBR). A copy of the approved PBR is provided as Attachment 1, and;

WHEREAS, the discharge to groundwater involves the in-situ remediation of heating oil impacted soil and groundwater utilizing the On-Contact Process. The On-Contact Process is a proprietary in-situ technology which involves the application of physical and chemical methods to degrade organic contamination in soil and groundwater into harmless compounds like carbon dioxide and water. Chemical reagents are injected into the soil and groundwater through injection wells within the impacted area. The chemical reagents used in the On-Contact Process are food grade materials that pose no harmful effects to the environment. The active chemical oxidant used in the On-Contact Process will dissociate into oxygen, carbon dioxide, and water. Residual elevated oxygen conditions in the groundwater and saturated soils will enhance naturally occurring attenuation of the dissolved phase contaminants, and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, ERFS, on behalf of Mr. Charles Lynch, is hereby authorized to install 1 monitoring well and 5 injection wells within the sidewalk adjacent to the on-

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site building (199 MacArthur Avenue). The locations of the proposed injection and monitoring wells are depicted on Figure 3 and Figure 4 in Attachment 2 respectively. Each injection/monitoring well will be 2-inches in diameter and constructed of schedule 40 PVC well screen and casing and will be installed by a NJ licensed well driller. The injection/monitoring wells will be finished to grade with a secure 8-inch diameter flush mounted manhole and will not pose a trip hazard to pedestrians. These injection/monitoring wells will remain in place for the duration of the remediation project (approximately 18 months). At the completion of the project the injection/monitoring wells will be sealed by a NJ licensed well driller and the concrete core within the sidewalk will be patched. ERFS completed soil borings within the right-of-way of MacArthur Avenue under Resolution No. 13-202 (Attachment 3) and therefore a refundable bond of \$2,500 is already in place for ERFS' work. ERFS will obtain all required permits through the Garfield Building Department. ERFS will contact Lt. Ron Polonkay of the Garfield Police Department to arrange pedestrian and vehicular traffic control during drilling work. ERFS' current insurance certificate is included as Attachment 4. Subject to the following conditions:

1. ERFS shall hold the City harmless from any actions concerning their operation and all appropriate permits are secured.
2. Copies of all test results shall be forwarded to the City Clerk at the time this information is transmitted to the NJDEP.
3. At the conclusion of this operation, the location shall be fully restored with either asphalt or concrete depending on location and subject to the approval of the City Engineer.
4. ERFS will contact the Garfield Police Department to arrange traffic control.
5. ERFS shall be responsible for the maintenance of this location until proper closure is completed.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-225

A Resolution Authorizing The Payment Of \$23,883.05 For Environmental Consulting Services In Connection With The Former Jim's Cars (779 River Drive), Green Acres Diversion Of Park Land And Remedial Action Oversight In Connection With The Testing Manifesting And Disposal Of Stockpiled Soil Along River Drive.

WHEREAS, the City Engineer was directed to perform environmental consulting services at the former Jim's Cars property at 779 River Drive, and;

WHEREAS, detailed estimates were prepared in 2008 of the anticipated costs to remove various UST's, conduct sampling and file requisite reports, and;

WHEREAS, disposal of certain materials required environmental testing, manifesting and oversight.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Engineer is hereby authorized payment for the following invoices:

GF-1020B	Jim's Cars/UST removal - \$931.00
GF-1224G	A Green Acres Diversion of Parkland - \$6,355.05
GF-1279B	Remedial Action Oversight/RAW Preparation - \$1,469.50
GF-1279X	River Dr. Improvements/Environmental Assessment - \$15,127.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Engineer's Office is further authorized LSRP services to complete the remaining environmental work at the former Jim's Cars. The fees for the laboratory, contractors and LSRP shall not exceed \$7,100.00, \$11,800.00 and \$19,500.00 respectively

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

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Resolution No. 14-226

A Resolution Authorizing the City Engineer to Provide Environmental Engineering Services in Connection with the Reactivation of Well 1A and Perform Hydrological Evaluation of the Elmwood Park Well Field.

WHEREAS, the City has performed a detailed hydrological evaluation in connection with a major modification submission to NJDEP, and;

WHEREAS, the City continues to pursue the reactivation of Well 1A with a detailed submission for treatment and control systems within the well house.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Engineer is hereby authorized to perform said services for a total fee not to exceed \$20,000.00.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-227

AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO APPLY TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDING

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield, State of New Jersey desires to apply to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for grant funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program; and

WHEREAS, the Garfield Neighborhood Revitalization Streetscape and Pedestrian Safety Project (Phase 1) project meets all the criteria necessary to receive funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program; and

WHEREAS, the Garfield Neighborhood Revitalization Streetscape and Pedestrian Safety Project (Phase 1) project will encourage alternative modes of transportation, enhance the travel experience, improve open space and smart growth, and improve the quality of life for the residents of City of Garfield and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield agrees to assume a commitment for maintenance of the project after construction is completed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield fully supports the proposed Transportation Alternatives project, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Garfield, State of New Jersey authorizes the Mayor to submit an electronic grant application identified as TA-2014-Garfield Neighborhood Revitalization and Pedestrian Safety Project (Phase 1)-00004 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program on behalf of the City of Garfield.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-228

Supporting the Click It or Ticket Mobilization of May 19 – June 1, 2014

Whereas, there were 545 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2013; 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 death 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 19 – June 1, 2014 in an effort to raise awareness and increase seat belt usage through a combination of enforcement and 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 91% to 92%; and

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

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Therefore, be it resolved that City of Garfield declares its support for the Click It or Ticket seat belt mobilization both locally and nationally from May 19 – June 1, 2014 and pledges to increase awareness of the mobilization and the benefits of seat belt use.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-229

Whereas, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, has created an Event Planning and Recreation Committee and;
Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and has recommended that donations and checks be deposited into a Trust Bank Account entitled “Event Planning and Recreation Trust Fund”, and;
Whereas, the City of Garfield, Treasurer is hereby authorized to open a checking account at Spencer Savings Bank entitled “Event Planning and Recreation Trust Fund” and;
Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer is hereby authorized to contact and open at Spencer Savings Bank, a checking account entitled “Event Planning and Recreation Trust Fund.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-230

RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION
NJS 40A:4-87

WHEREAS, NJS 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Service to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2014 in the sum of \$4,000.00, which is now available from the State of New Jersey Drive Sober Get Pulled Over Grant and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$4,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption (Superbowl) Drive Sober Get Pulled Over Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from the State of New Jersey, (Superbowl) Drive Sober Get Pulled Over Grant, in the amount of \$4,000.00

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 12-231

RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION
NJS 40A:4-87

WHEREAS, NJS 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government

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Service to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2014 in the sum of \$2,500.00, which is now available from the Amerigroup Corporation, Amerigroup Grant and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$2,500.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Amerigroup Grant; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from the Amerigroup Corporation, Amerigroup Grant, in the amount of \$2,500.00.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

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RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION
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WHEREAS, NJS 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Service to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2014 in the sum of \$4,400.00, which is now available from the State of New Jersey, Year End Drive Sober Get Pulled Over Grant and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$4,400.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Year End Drive Sober Get Pulled Over Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from the State of New Jersey, Year End Drive Sober Get Pulled Over Grant, in the amount of \$4,400.00.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-233

RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION
NJS 40A:4-87

WHEREAS, NJS 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Service to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2014 in the sum of \$3,374.25 which is now available from the County of Bergen, Municipal Alliance Grant and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$3,374.25 is hereby appropriated under the caption Municipal Alliance Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from the County of Bergen, Municipal Alliance Grant, in the amount of \$3,347.25.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-234

RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION
NJS 40A:4-87

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WHEREAS, NJS 40A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Service to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2014 in the sum of \$5,000.00, which is now available from the State of New Jersey, Hepatitis B Grant and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$5,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Hepatitis B Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from the State of New Jersey, Hepatitis B Grant, in the amount of \$5,000.00.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 14-235

WHEREAS, a resident of the City of Garfield and the owner of the property located at 135 Orchard Street, City of Garfield is desirous of having a tree located on the on the adjacent property owned by the City of Garfield trimmed and/or removed;

WHEREAS, the City is unable to provide such a service due to access concerns and said tree does not present a danger to the general public or property;

WHEREAS, the City is amenable to permitting the resident to have the tree trimmed at his/her own expense subject to an agreement between the City and the resident that fully addresses the City's concerns;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and enter into a written agreement with the resident of 135 Orchard Street to permit the resident to have the tree trimmed and/or removed by a licensed tree contractor acceptable to the City of Garfield with all costs for such work to be borne by the resident.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Frank J. Calandriello

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 14-236

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following bills No. 1676 to 1678 covering, Dog Trust Fund, Building Dedicated Trust and Police ICE Trust Account totaling \$63,533.70, the Current Fund Reserve totaling \$16,392.74 and the Current Fund totaling \$4,747,091.67 and the Current Water Fund Reserve totaling \$10,016.00, and the Current Water Fund totaling \$188,530.24 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$314,406.50 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$64,416.61 per attached Computer Lists, be ordered paid and the proper officers are hereby authorized to issue checks for same provided there are funds in the respective appropriations, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer in issuing checks in payment on the Ratification List, which includes twenty two (22) items prior to the meeting be ratified.

See

The
Following Pages Numbered _____

For Bills And Claims

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Mrs. Judith Mutchler, 43 Orchard Street, complained about an application before the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a multifamily building at 442 River Drive. She made a property maintenance complaint regarding 47 Orchard Street.

EXIT OF MAYOR DELANEY AND
INTERIM CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER RIGGITANO

At 9:15 PM, Mayor Joseph Delaney left the Regular Meeting and Deputy Mayor Tana Raymond chaired the Regular Meeting from this point forward. At 9:20 PM, Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano left the Regular Meeting. It was duly noted for the record.

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Mr. Ciro Disclafani, 47 Orchard Street, made a property maintenance complaint concerning the other people living at 47 Orchard Street. He complained about a soccer field having been approved by the Zoning Board of Adjustment at 517 River Drive. He spoke about pedestrian safety on River Drive. He asked that Orchard Street be made a one-way street between Belmont Avenue and Van Winkle Avenue. He asked for more street signs around town. He asked that street signs be made in Polish and Macedonian. He complained about dog owners who do not pick up after their dogs.

Mr. John Easom, 103 Gaston Avenue, spoke on people who walk their dogs in City parks when it is prohibited by City Ordinance.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Calandriello spoke on receiving noise complaints regarding dumpsters being picked up in the middle of the night in violation of City Ordinances. He thanked the Garfield High School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee for honoring him with the Community Service Award along with Pat Gallagher of the Garfield YMCA who does so much for the community. He spoke on the reasons he took his positions regarding cutting the defeated School Budget. He said it was based upon issues and principles.

Councilmember Aloia spoke on community respect.

Deputy Mayor Raymond spoke on the proposed moving of the School Board Elections from April to November and how, if this was implemented, the public would not be allowed to vote on the School Budget. She spoke on how Councilmembers should not receive Health Benefits.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:50 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Aloia moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Calandriello duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati