

BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS
WORK SESSION MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020
MAYOR THOMAS A. BARBERA PRESIDING

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE was led by Mayor Barbera

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW – Mayor Barbera stated that adequate notice of this meeting was given by emailing the Retrospect and the Courier-Post on January 7, 2020 and posting on the Borough Website and bulletin board in the Borough Hall.

ROLL CALL recorded as present: Cruz, DiGregorio, DelPidio, DiMarco, Riondino and Redstreake. Absent: none.

MATTERS REQUIRING OFFICIAL ACTION

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Recessed Meeting of Monday, January 6, 2020– the motion to approve by Councilman Redstreake.
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Reorganization Meeting of Monday, January 6, 2020– the motion to approve by Councilman Redstreake.

RESOLUTIONS

- **#029-2020- AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR AN INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

WHEREAS, a need exists for the services of an INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR on behalf of the Borough of Laurel Springs, County of Camden, in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the law firm of Phoenix Advisors, LLC is a firm authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey;

WHEREAS, Phoenix Advisors, LLC has warranted that he is ready, willing and able to perform all necessary services and that it and/or members of its firm hold in good standing all of the necessary licenses for the lawful performance of said services within the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to retain Phoenix Advisors, LLC for the purpose of providing legal services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:II-5(1)(a)(i) of the Local Public Contracts Law, this Contract will be awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Services" Contract and as such, the Contract itself and the authorizing Resolution will be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for this purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Laurel Springs, a body corporate and politic, as follows:

- The Borough's Mayor and Municipal Clerk, are hereby authorized to execute an Agreement for Professional Services with the law firm of Phoenix Advisors, LLC
 - The term of this contract shall be January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020
 - This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(l) (a) (i) of the Local Public Contracts Law, since the Contract involves services performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
 - This resolution shall be published as required by law.
- The motion to approve by Councilman Redstreake was seconded by Councilman DelPidio, with Cruz, DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino, DelPidio and Redstreake in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

- **#030-2020- CANCELLING OUTSTANDING CHECKS**

WHEREAS, upon review of the financial records of various bank accounts maintained by the Borough of Laurel Springs, it was determined that there are stale-dated outstanding checks; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to cancel these outstanding checks;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs, that the following outstanding check be cancelled:

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ACCOUNT & CHECK #	DATED	PAYEE	AMOUNT
Payroll Fund			
#7577	05/09/19	Laurel Springs Police Assoc.	\$ 270.00
Recreation Trust Fund			
#1893	05/21/19	Max Bliem	\$ 50.00
#1895	05/28/19	Allyson Smith	25.00
• The motion to approve by Councilman Redstreak was seconded by Councilman DelPidio, with Cruz, DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino, DelPidio and Redstreak in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.			
• RESOLVED TO PAY \$173,877.82 FROM CURRENT ACCOUNT AND \$44,687.52 FROM TRUST AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS			
• The motion to approve by Councilman Redstreak was seconded by Councilman DelPidio, with Cruz, DiGregorio, DiMarco, Riondino, DelPidio and Redstreak in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.			

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/CORRESPONDENCE-

- 2020 POL/EPL Deductible Options – Borough Administrator Ken Cheeseman had just returned from the JIF Fund Commissioners meeting and had discussed the matter with JIF administrators who expressed no need to change the current arrangement. Council concurred and was content, therefore, to leave the current arrangement in place.

ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER THE AGENDA WAS PRINTED-

- Councilwoman Susan DiGregorio asked that the Rec Center Rental Fee for this Saturday, February 1st be waived for the benefit of a Fund Raiser to send a resident athlete to Slovakia for a competition. The motion to approve by Councilman DelPidio was seconded by Councilman Redstreak, with Cruz, DiGregorio, DelPidio, DiMarco, Riondino, and Redstreak in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- LSYA Baseball Signups- Tuesdays, February 4th, 11th, 18th @Rec Center 6-8PM
- There is no Recreation Commission Meeting in February
- Pet Licenses were due in January. February is a grace period before late fee incurred.
- Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council, Monday, February 10th @Rec Center @7PM

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – None.

MOTION TO ADJOURN by Councilman Redstreak was seconded by Councilwoman DiGregorio to adjourn at 7:11pm with all in favor and none opposed.

Respectfully submitted

Dawn T. Amadio, RMC, Municipal Clerk