

BOROUGH OF TOTOWA

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

May 14, 2024

PRESENT: Mayor John Coiro, presiding, Council President Lou D'Angelo, Councilman Anthony Picarelli, Councilman John Capo, Councilman Patrick Fierro, Councilman Sanders Reynoso, Municipal Clerk Joseph Wassel and Municipal Attorney Kristin Corrado.

ABSENT: Councilman William Bucher.

Mayor John Coiro called the meeting to order and asked the Municipal Clerk to call the roll.

Municipal Clerk Wassel recited the Prayer of the Meeting followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag with the public participating.

Mayor Coiro asked the Municipal Clerk to read the statement of the meeting.

Municipal Clerk Wassel read the following statement: This meeting of the Mayor and Council held on this day is being held in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 of the State of New Jersey as amended. The agenda for this meeting has been prepared and distributed to the Mayor and Council and a copy has been on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to dispense with the regular order of business in order to hold a public hearing on the 2024 Municipal Budget and to hold a public hearing on Ordinance No. 06-2024 as advertised. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Municipal Clerk Wassel announced that the 2024 Municipal Budget and Ordinance No. 06-2024 have been advertised for public hearing for Tuesday, May 14, 2024.

Municipal Clerk Wassel read the Municipal Budget Notice.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to adopt the following Resolution To Waive The Reading In Full Of The 2024 Municipal Budget. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 68-2024

RESOLUTION TO WAIVE THE READING IN FULL OF THE
2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8 permits that the Budget as advertised may be read by its title providing that at least one week prior to the date of the hearing and at the hearing, a complete copy of the approved budget:

- a) shall be made available for public inspection; and
- b) shall be made available to each person upon request; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa has complied with the aforesaid requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council that the Borough of Totowa is hereby permitted to waive the reading in full, of the Municipal Budget for the year ending December 31, 2024.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to open the public hearing. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Mayor Coiro asked if any citizens wished to be heard on the 2024 Municipal Budget.

CITIZENS HEARD:

There were no citizens who wished to be heard.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to close the public hearing. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Mayor Coiro announced that until the State reviews our Budget, we cannot approve the Resolution To Adopt The 2024 Municipal Budget.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to hold the Resolution To Adopt The 2024 Municipal Budget pending State Review. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Municipal Clerk Wassel read the legal notice and the title of Ordinance No. 06-2024.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to open the public hearing. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Mayor Coiro asked if any citizens wished to be heard on Ordinance No. 06-2024.

CITIZENS HEARD:

There were no citizens who wished to be heard.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to close the public hearing. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Municipal Clerk Wassel read Ordinance No. 06-2024 by title:

ORDINANCE NO. 06-2024

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF TOTOWA
CHAPTER 415 ENTITLED "ZONING AND LAND USE", PART 3, "SUBDIVISION
AND SITE PLAN REVIEW", ARTICLE XIII, "DESIGN STANDARDS", SECTION 98,
"GRADING AND SOIL REMOVAL"**

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to adopt Ordinance No. 06-2024 on second and final reading. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to revert to the regular order of business. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Mayor Coiro asked if any members of the Council, the Municipal Clerk or the Municipal Attorney wished to address the Council.

Councilman Picarelli: Announced that the Shade Tree Commission held their annual Arbor Day Ceremony on Saturday, April 27th at Veteran's Park and honored Chairman Greg Luciano and thanked Mayor Coiro and Councilman Bucher for attending.

Councilman Reynoso: Commented that the new playground at the Pool is coming along and should be completed by next Tuesday.

CITIZENS HEARD:

Eric Madsen, 271 Winifred Drive: Said he spoke to Recreation Director Mark Monteyne and that he would like to request a Dog Park at the Totowa Pool, a conveniently located central location in town. He put together a proposal with his introduction, benefits, location, funding, maintenance and his conclusion and handed out copies to the Mayor and Council. Mayor Coiro: Told him that we had a former Councilwoman who was a dog enthusiast, and she was always for a dog park, but then suggested a dog run instead. Said he asked this question because when he walks the path at the PAL, he always see dog owners walking their dogs on the walking path. Also asked about benches for the owners and if any trees needed to be taken down. Councilman Capo: Asked if the size of the dog park in his proposal was based on anything and also asked if the dog waste would be the owners responsibility. A conversation ensued. Mayor Coiro: Advised that we will start by discussing this with our Board of Recreation and then will ask for a recommendation.

Kerry Vaccaro, 52 Vita Road: 1) Stated that she was here on behalf of Mike Grant, who recently passed away, to discuss possibly having a Mike Grant Day or naming a street after him, or a proclamation, or something, because he was so involved with coaching and the kids. Councilman Reynoso: Remarked that he has already spoken to Julie Alesandrelli, the President of the PAL and the PAL is working on doing something for him.

Mayor Coiro: Informed her that we haven't done any of these things in the past, but that we did have a former coach, Sam Coral, who passed away and the PAL planted a tree and installed a plaque in his honor. Councilman Picarelli: Expressed his sympathies and said that he was his coach at Passaic Valley High School. 2) Said she lives in Echo Glen and noticed that all of the corners have the ramps, except for Vita Road. Mayor Coiro: Explained that the ADA ramps are installed when we pave a road and that Vita Road will be paved this year, so the ramps will be installed.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve the Minutes of the Mayor and Council for the meeting of April 23, 2024. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative. Councilman Fierro abstained from the voting.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to approve Resolution No. 2024-11 for the payment of bills. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to adopt the following resolution authorizing the Treasurer to issue refunds to various property owners pursuant to State Tax Court judgments. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there has been a State Tax Court Judgment to reduce the evaluation on the following.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of the Borough of Totowa is authorized to refund this amount.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Property/Owner</u>	<u>Payable To:</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
174	12	Abill Realty Corp 999 Riverview Dr	Wolf Vespasiano LLC Attorney Trust Acct & Abill Realty Corp	2023	22,365,000	19,750,000	\$67,806.95

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY:

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Capo to approve a grade increase for Patrol Officer Daniel Rinaldi from Grade 2 Patrol Officer to Grade 1 Patrol Officer. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to adopt the following Resolution Authorizing The Purchase And Delivery Of One Ford F-550 Rack Body 4X4 Truck With Plow And Salt Spreader For The Department Of Public Works. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 69-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF ONE
FORD F-550 RACK BODY 4X4 TRUCK WITH PLOW AND SALT SPREADER
FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa Department of Public Works ("DPW") Superintendent has requested the purchase of one Ford F-550 Rack Body 4x4 Truck with Plow and Salt Spreader; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa have determined that there is a need for this multi-function vehicle to be added to the DPW fleet; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa desire to authorize the purchase and delivery of the Ford F-550 Rack Body 4x4 Truck with Plow and Salt Spreader; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey State Contract No. 17-FLEET-00241 has been awarded to Route 23 Automall, 1301 Route 23, Butler, New Jersey 07405 for the purchase and delivery of Ford F-550 Rack Body 4x4 Trucks and all related equipment; and

WHEREAS, Route 23 Automall has submitted a proposal for the purchase and delivery of one new Ford F-550 Rack Body 4x4 Truck with Plow and Salt Spreader in the amount of \$82,520.00, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Borough of Totowa Municipal Clerk; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the applicable New Jersey State laws, the purchase of this vehicle may be authorized without public bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby authorize the purchase and delivery of one new Ford F-550 Rack Body 4x4 Truck with Plow and Salt Spreader from Route 23 Automall in the amount of \$82,520.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby authorize the Municipal Clerk and DPW Superintendent to execute any and all instruments relating thereto.

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to approve Change Order No. 1 for a net decrease of \$30,196.73 and Payment Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$572,526.93 to American Asphalt & Trucking, LLC for the FY2023 NJDOT Municipal Aid and 2023 Road Program. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING & PUBLIC PROPERTY:

There was a motion by Councilman Capo, seconded by Councilman Reynoso to adopt the following Resolution Authorizing The Transfer Switch Replacement At The Lackawanna Pump Station. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 70-2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER SWITCH REPLACEMENT AT THE LACKAWANNA PUMP STATION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa Department of Public Works ("DPW") Superintendent has advised the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa that the transfer switch at the Lackawanna Pump Station is no longer working satisfactorily and must be replaced as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, the Pump Station services the residents of the Borough of Totowa by collecting sanitary sewerage waste from individual users throughout the municipality where it is processed and conveyed to the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners located in Newark, New Jersey for proper treatment and disposal; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa DPW Superintendent has recommended that the Borough of Totowa remove the existing Transfer Switch and replace it with a new automatic Transfer Switch; and

WHEREAS, Academy Electrical Contractors, Inc., 17-A Palisade Avenue, Emerson, New Jersey 07630 has submitted a proposal dated April 5, 2024 for the delivery and installation of a new Asco 200 Amp-Four (4) Pole – 240 Volt Automatic Transfer Switch in the amount of \$9,172.00, a copy of which is on file on the office of the Borough of Totowa Municipal Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa desire to authorize these necessary repairs for the Lackawanna Pump Station for the general health, safety and well-being of the residents of the Borough of Totowa; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Public Contracts Law, the replacement of the Transfer Switch may be authorized by the Borough of Totowa without public bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby accept the proposal submitted by Academy Electrical Contractors, Inc. for the purchase and installation of one new Asco 200 Amp-Four (4) Pole – 240 Volt Automatic Transfer Switch at the Lackawanna Pump Station in the amount of \$9,172.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby authorize Academy Electrical Contractors, Inc. to provide the labor and materials for the purchase and installation of one new Asco 200 Amp-Four (4) Pole – 240 Volt Automatic Transfer Switch at the Lackawanna Station as set forth in their proposal.

There was a motion by Councilman Capo, seconded by Councilman Reynoso to approve Payment Estimate No. 9 in the amount of \$137,652.76 to Pact Two, LLC for the William Place Pump Station Improvements. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

A request was received from the Totowa Board of Recreation to use the Municipal Parking Lot on Saturday, May 18, 2024 for a Bicycle Training Rodeo. There was a motion by Councilman Capo, seconded by Councilman Reynoso to approve the request. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

COMMITTEE ON LIAISON & INSPECTION:

There was a motion by Councilman Reynoso, seconded by Councilman Fierro to adopt the following Resolution Objection To And Condemnation Of The Adopted Revised Fair Housing Act (“FHA”) Of New Jersey Which Sets Forth Unrealistic Deadlines Based Upon Onerous Standards And Was Adopted Without Adequate Input From New Jersey Municipalities. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 71-2024

RESOLUTION OBJECTION TO AND CONDEMNATION OF THE ADOPTED REVISED FAIR HOUSING ACT (“FHA”) OF NEW JERSEY WHICH SETS FORTH UNREALISTIC DEADLINES BASED UPON ONEROUS STANDARDS AND WAS ADOPTED WITHOUT ADEQUATE INPUT FROM NEW JERSEY MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, Governor Murphy signed a Bill into law that radically revised the New Jersey Fair Housing Act (“FHA”); and,

WHEREAS, the revised FHA abolishes the Council on Affordable Housing (“COAH”) and purports to reform municipal responsibilities concerning the provision of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA purportedly reduces potential litigation and municipal expenses; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA details the methodology to be used for determining the fair share numbers of municipalities in Round 4 and in subsequent rounds; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA is premised on the proposition that 40 percent of all households qualify as low or moderate; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA calls for the determination of the prospective need by subtracting the number of households reported in the 2010 Decennial Census from the number of households reported in the 2020 Decennial Census and multiplying that figure by 40 percent; and

WHEREAS, the Borough estimates that number to be 84,690; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA calls for that number to be adjusted by the number of conversions and demolitions; and

WHEREAS, the statewide fair share would be increased from 84,690 to 96,780, if we assume the same number of demolitions and conversions used by Judge Jacobson in her formula for Round 3; and

WHEREAS, the 96,780 fair share compares to the roughly 211,000 Certificates of Occupancy (“CO’s”) issued between 2010 and 2020; and

WHEREAS, the 96,780 fair number divided by 211,000 CO’s equals roughly 46 percent (45.867 percent to be more precise); and

WHEREAS, all municipalities should be able to cure any violations of the prohibition against exclusionary zoning with inclusionary zoning; and

WHEREAS, traditional inclusionary zoning ordinances generally require no more than 20 percent of the units to be affordable; and

WHEREAS, it is mathematically impossible to satisfy a 46 percent problem with a 20 percent solution and, therefore, the number generated by the statutory formula is patently excessive; and

WHEREAS, while this mathematical error conceptually may have existed at COAH, COAH utilized its discretion to reduce the statewide number to roughly 5,000 units per year in Rounds 1-2 (or lower for prospective need in its attempted regulations in 2014); and

WHEREAS, in addition, COAH’s Round 2 regulations had flexible standards, Regional Contribution Agreements (“RCA’s”), an achievable bonus structure, waivers and other flexible standards to further mitigate the problem; and

WHEREAS, had COAH not mitigated the problem, it is likely that the regulations would have been challenged by municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA also, systemically, calcifies the Court process and indeed makes critical changes which severely prejudice municipal interests and undercut the incentive to comply voluntarily; and

WHEREAS, in stark contrast to prior laws that preserved a municipality’s immunity in the absence of proof that the municipality is “determined to be constitutionally noncompliant”, the revised FHA creates multiple opportunities to strip municipalities of immunity and expose them to litigation; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA subjects municipalities to litigation not only as they seek approval of their Housing Element and Fair Share Plans, but also even after they secure approval of those plans; and

WHEREAS, more specifically, while the revised FHA provides municipalities a “compliance certification” if the municipality secures approval of its affordable housing plan; however, that certification does not prevent an interested party from “alleging that, despite the issuance of compliance certification, a municipality’s fair share obligation, fair share plan, housing element, or ordinances implementing the fair share plan or housing element are in violation of the Mount Laurel doctrine”; and

WHEREAS, in stark contrast to the goal of the revised FHA to reduce litigation, the revised FHA dramatically proliferates litigation by providing many opportunities to sue the subject municipality and through other means; and

WHEREAS, even if a municipality, via the adoption of a resolution, accepts the Fourth Round affordable housing obligation numbers that will be promulgated by the Department of Community Affairs (the “DCA”) under the revised FHA, there is still a risk that the affordable housing obligation numbers will increase during the subsequent process required by the revised FHA, as both housing advocates like FSHC and developers can subsequently challenge the fair share number the municipality accepts; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA also creates a judicial entity made up of 3-7 retired Mount Laurel judges called “The Program”, which, unlike COAH, is not comprised of an equal number of municipal and housing representatives, and is not made up of an equal number of Republicans and Democrats, thereby depriving the citizens of our State of the carefully crafted COAH Board that included a diversity of interests and that was the centerpiece of the FHA adopted in 1985; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA does not require the promulgation of affordable housing obligations, or the adoption of substantive regulations, in a way that utilizes an open and transparent process that COAH used and that gave all interested parties an opportunity to comment and receive COAH’s response to their comments; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA reduces, and in some cases completely eliminates affordable housing bonus credits, and creates an overcomplicated and arduous process to obtain the bonus credits that are still available under the bill; and

WHEREAS, an initial version of the revised FHA Bill allowed for municipalities to utilize age-restricted affordable units to satisfy up to thirty-three percent (33%) of its Fourth-Round obligation in recognition that roughly 33 percent of the demand for affordable housing came from this age group; however, the adopted revised FHA unfairly and unceremoniously reduced the cap on age-restricted housing down to twenty-five (25%); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature previously capped the fair share of any municipality down to 1,000 in recognition that any obligation above 1,000 would be “onerous”; the revised FHA applies the 1,000-unit cap only to one component of the municipality’s fair share – the prospective need – and authorizes the imposition of an obligation that is onerous; and

WHEREAS, the revised FHA includes many other provisions and changes to the FHA that are impractical and devoid of any consideration of the burdens created by the statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for all of the above reasons, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa hereby objects to the revised FHA as adopted, and demands that the legislature act swiftly to adopt an amended FHA Bill that includes a collaborative effort with municipalities in an effort to establish realistic affordable housing goals and associated deadlines.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION & ORDINANCES:

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to adopt the following Resolution Calling For The Modernization Of The Open Public Records Act (OPRA) And The Swift Passage Of S-2930/A-4045. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 72-2024

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THE OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT (OPRA) AND THE SWIFT PASSAGE OF S-2930/A-4045

WHEREAS, in the 2002 “lame duck” session the Open Public Records Act (OPRA) was approved to make government records, “readily accessible for inspection, copying, or examination by the citizens of this State, with certain exceptions, for the protection of the public interest” while protecting “a citizen’s right to a reasonable expectation of privacy”; and

WHEREAS, as local leaders we reaffirm our support and commitment to open and transparent government and public access to records, at the same time, we strongly support necessary reforms; and

WHEREAS, in the twenty years since the enactment of OPRA and with the advent of new technologies, we have witnessed unintended consequences and, in some cases, abuses of OPRA that place an unfair burden on local governments and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, municipal staff and budgets are increasingly utilized to accommodate the requestors and commercial entities who inundate municipalities with public records requests to the extent that in some instances, additional personnel are hired primarily to handle such requests; and

WHEREAS, OPRA has become broadly construed in favor of access and the requestor who prevails in any proceeding in appealing a denial of access of records is permitted to collect exorbitant attorney's fees, which impacts the taxpayers and municipalities who must pay these fees; and

WHEREAS, municipalities have seen outside businesses and interests who abuse OPRA for marketing and commercial gains while utilizing municipal employees paid by the taxpayers for this benefit; and

WHEREAS, due to court decisions over the years, reasonable expectations of privacy have been diminished when it comes to the balance of transparency and OPRA perpetuates for-profit data-mining, unsolicited marketing, and uncontrolled publications of records on internet search engines specifically designed to circumvent and bypass what few protective measures currently exist under OPRA, all while allowing the requestor to remain cloaked in anonymity, should they choose to exercise that option; and

WHEREAS, when commercial entities are constantly emailing OPRA requests looking for the latest lists of dogs licensed that month, inground pool permits issued, solar roof permits issued, etc., it causes our residents to not want to license their dogs, comply with permits, or interact with the municipality because they don't want to lose their privacy and/or have their information tracked and monetized for commercial purposes; and

WHEREAS, reforms to modernize OPRA are long overdue, among them: the need to address requests by commercial entities that utilize public records and the services of local government employees to generate profits, mandatory prevailing attorney fees, which created a cottage industry, and to add language so that such fees are based on facts and circumstances and not an automatic granting; and

WHEREAS, Senators Sarlo and Bucco and Assemblyman Danielsen and Assemblywoman Flynn have introduced S-2930/A-4045, which makes commonsense reforms that do not hinder residents or journalists from using OPRA to access public records, but will protect citizens' personal information from disclosure, addresses the burdensome commercial requests and provide discretion when awarding prevailing attorney fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the governing body of the Borough of Totowa in the County of Passaic respectfully request the adoption of much-needed reforms to modernize and strengthen the legislative intent of the Open Public Records Act (OPRA) and urges the swift passage of S-2930/A-4045.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, as local leaders, we reaffirm our support and commitment to open and transparent government and public access to records but at the same time, we strongly support necessary reforms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Senate President Scutari, Assembly Speaker Coughlin, Senator Kristin M. Corrado, Assemblyman Christopher DePhillips, Assemblyman Al Barlas, Governor Murphy, and the New Jersey League of Municipalities.

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve the Application For Social Affair Permit from the State Of New Jersey Division Of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the Passaic Valley Elks BPOE #2111 to be held on May 17, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve the Application For Social Affair Permit from the State Of New Jersey Division Of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the Totowa Board of Recreation to be held on June 8, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Rain Date: June 9, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.). On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve Raffle License Application No. 2378 for the St. James Knights of Columbus Council 6574 for an Off-Premise 50/50 to be held on December 15, 2024. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative. Councilman D'Angelo abstained from the voting.

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve Raffle License Application No. 2379 for St. James of the Marches Church for a Calendar Raffle during August, September, October, November & December 2024. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve Raffle License Application Nos. 2380 & 2381 for St. James of the Marches Church for a Tricky Tray and On-Premise 50/50 to be held on December 1, 2024. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Fierro, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve Raffle License Application No. 2382 for the Totowa Boro Volunteer Fire Co. #1 for a Casino Night to be held on June 28, 2024. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There being no further business to come before the Council, there was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli that the meeting be adjourned. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Joseph Wassel, RMC
Municipal Clerk