

**TOWNSHIP OF VERONA**  
COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY



**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AGENDA**

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 P.M.

JANUARY 4, 2021

**VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE**

Via the internet, please click the link below to join the meeting:

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

*The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied with respect to this meeting of the Township Council which is being held via Zoom video conferencing due to restrictions on indoor public gatherings resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Specifically, the time and date were included in the public meeting notice. This information, along with the public internet link and telephone call-in information was posted in the Municipal Building, and sent the official newspapers of the Township, the Verona-Cedar Grove Times and the Star Ledger and MyVeronaNJ.com and TAPinto, the official online news source(s) of the Township, at least 48 hours preceding the start time of this meeting. The agenda and public handouts for this meeting can be viewed online at [www.veronanj.org/councilmeetings](http://www.veronanj.org/councilmeetings). A public comment period will be held in the order it is listed on the meeting agenda and instructions on how to comment will be provided at the appropriate time.*

**B. ROLL CALL**

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**D. REPORT OF THE MAYOR**

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| 1. | Julius N. Coltre, Essex County Liaison                     |                     |
| 2. | Appointments ( <i>with Advice and Consent of Council</i> ) | <b>Term Expires</b> |
|    | a. Library Board of Trustees                               |                     |
|    | i. Chris Barrows   | Regular Member      |
|    |  | 12/31/2025          |

**E. REPORT OF THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER**

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|----|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1. | Appointments             |                   | <b>Term Expires</b> |
|    | a. Shade Tree Commission |                   |                     |
|    | ii. Michael Broadwell    | Alternate #2      | 12/31/2025          |
|    | b. Planning Board        |                   |                     |
|    | iii. Steven Neale        | Class II Member   | 12/31/2021          |
|    | c. NJIIF                 |                   |                     |
|    | iv. Matthew Cavallo      | Commissioner      | 12/31/2021          |
|    | v. Steven Neale          | Alt. Commissioner | 12/31/2021          |
|    | d. BMED                  |                   |                     |
|    | vi. Matthew Cavallo      | Commissioner      | 12/31/2021          |
|    | vii. Matthew Laracy      | Alt. Commissioner | 12/31/2021          |

**F. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS**

**G. HEARING ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCES**

**H. PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

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|----|-----------------------|--|
| 1. | Ordinance No. 2021-01 | Sunset Avenue Redevelopment Area<br>Redevelopment Plan |
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**I. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AGENDA**

**January 4, 2021**

**### CONSENT AGENDA**

**J. MINUTES**

1. December 21, 2020 – Regular Meeting

**### K. PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS**

1. Resolution No. 2021-002 Cash Management Plan
2. Resolution No. 2021-003 Fixing Depositories
3. Resolution No. 2021-004 Budget Transfers\*\*\*
4. Resolution No. 2021-005 Cancel 2016 Tax Overpayments
5. Resolution No. 2021-006 Designating Official Newspaper of the Township and Designating Two Newspapers to Meeting Notices
6. Resolution No. 2021-007 Designating MyVeronaNJ, Patch Cedar Grove/Verona, And TAPinto Verona/Cedar Grove as Electronic News Sources
7. Resolution No. 2021-008 Setting the Rate of Penalties and Grace Period for Receipt of Delinquent Taxes
8. Resolution No. 2021-009 Authorizing Tax Collector to Make Corrections and/or Adjustment Not Exceeding \$10.00
9. Resolution No. 2021-010 Authorizing Tax Collector to Refund Overpayments
10. Resolution No. 2021-011 Temporary Appropriations for Operating Expenses
11. Resolution No. 2021-012 Authorizing Settlement of Tax Appeals Resulting in a Reduction Not Exceeding \$10,000
12. Resolution No. 2021-013 Authorizing the Filing of Assessor’s Tax Appeals, Answers, Counterclaims, Appeals and Cross Appeals in Tax Matters
13. Resolution No. 2021-014 Appointment of Public Agency Compliance Officer
14. Resolution No. 2021-015 Authorizing Participation in the Law Enforcement Support Office Program
15. Resolution No. 2021-016 Approving Contract – Township Attorney (*Aloia Law Firm LLC*)
16. Resolution No. 2021-017 Approving Contract – Special Counsel (*Tax Appeals - Law Offices of Michael A. DeMiro, Jr.*)
17. Resolution No. 2021-018 Approving Contract – Special Counsel (*Special Litigation and Bond Counsel – McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC*)
18. Resolution No. 2021-019 Awarding Contract 20-09 – Demolition of Structures at 860 Bloomfield Avenue, Verona
19. Resolution No. 2021-020 Refund Tax Lien Redemption – 26 Crestmont Road
20. Resolution No. 2021-021 Executive Session

**### L. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

1. Municipal Clerk – Quarterly Raffle Report
2. Municipal Clerk – Quarterly Rent Increase Report

**M. ADDENDUM**

**N. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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|---|--|---------------------|
| 1. Council Appointments                         |  | <b>Term Expires</b> |
| a. Township Attorney<br>(N.J.S.A. 40A:9-139)    | Brian J. Aloia, Esq.<br><i>Aloia Law Firm, LLC</i> | 12/31/2021          |
| b. Municipal Prosecutor<br>(N.J.S.A. 40A:9-139) | Brian W. Mason, Esq.                               | 12/31/2021          |
| c. Municipal Public Defender                    | William R. Fried, Jr., Esq.                        | 12/31/2021          |

**O. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**P. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Q. ADJOURNMENT**