

TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY



TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 P.M.

MAY 17, 2021

VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

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

<https://zoom.us/j/95262662770>

Via telephone, please dial 1(312)626-6799 or 1(646)558-8656

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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, TAPinto and the Patch, 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. 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

1. Julius N. Coltre, Essex County Liaison
2. Proclamation - Asian American and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Heritage Month
3. Proclamation - Emergency Medical Services Week (May 17-23, 2021)

E. REPORT OF THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER

1. 2021 MUNICIPAL BUDGET
 - a. Resolution No. 2021-072 2021 Municipal Budget to be Read by Title
 - b. Resolution No. 2021-073 Cancelling a Portion of the 2020 Special Emergency for the Expected Deficit in Operations Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic
 - c. Public Hearing on 2021 Municipal Budget
 - d. Resolution No. 2021-074 Resolution to Amend the Approved 2021 Municipal Budget
 - e. Resolution No. 2021-075 Adoption of 2021 Municipal Budget

F. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

G. HEARING ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance No. 2021-16 Repealing Chapter 390 "Property Maintenance" in its Entirety and Establishing a new Chapter 390 "Property Maintenance"

H. PROPOSED ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance No. 2021-17 Chapter 156 Blasting

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I. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA

J. MINUTES

1. May 3, 2021 - Regular Meeting

K. PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution No. 2021-076 PRIDE Month Flag Resolution
2. Resolution No. 2021-077 Authorizing Contract with Cougar Aquatic Swim Team for the use of the Verona Community Pool
3. Resolution No. 2021-078 Authorize Contract with JEV Construction LLC
4. Resolution No. 2021-079 Tax Lien Redemption - Wedgewood Drive (Behind Bldg. 8)
5. Resolution No. 2021-080 Executive Session

L. LICENSES AND PERMITS

1. Limousine License Corina Transportation, 62 Otsego Road

M. ADDENDUM

N. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

O. PUBLIC COMMENT

P. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pending, Ongoing, or Anticipated Litigation and Contract Negotiations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (7)
 - Docket No. ESX-L-4773-15
(In All Declaratory Judgement Actions Filed by Various Municipalities, County of Essex, Pursuant to the Supreme Court's Decision in In re Adoption of N.J.A.C. 5:96, 221 N.J. 1 (2015))
 - Docket No. ESX-L-3739-19
(First Ridge Alliance v. Verona)
 - Docket No. ESX-L-8973-20
(Mikelle Bliss v. Kompan, et. al.)
 - Docket No. ESX-L-2705-21
(Marie Simpson v. Verona)
 - Docket No. ESX-L-3530-21
(First Ridge Alliance v. Verona)
 - Essex Fells Water
 - Municipal Agreement Reimbursement
 - Water Utility

Q. ADJOURNMENT

*The Public Comment period for the public hearing for ordinances and the Consent Agenda is limited to just those specific items. However, the public may speak on any matter during the Hearing Adoption or Amendment of Ordinance (listed on the agenda as item "G"), Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items (listed on the agenda as item "I") or general Public Comment (listed on the agenda as item "O") on this agenda. At that time, anyone from the public wishing to speak will be prompted to raise his/her virtual hand. You may do so by pressing the "raise hand" button on your monitor or, if dialing in by phone, press *9. You will be recognized and advised that you are unmuted. Your comments will be limited to four (4) minutes.*

Any member of the public may submit written communication in lieu of addressing the Township Council live during the Hearing Adoption or Amendment of Ordinance (listed on the agenda as item "G"), Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items (listed on the agenda as item "I") or general Public Comment (listed on the agenda as item "O") by sending comments to the Township Clerk via electronic mail at TownshipClerk@VeronaNJ.org or by written letter delivered to the Township Clerk by 4:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting. All written comments shall be read aloud during the public meeting at the appropriate time.