This is the meeting of the Re organization of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens held on January 11, 2022. Held over from 1/4/22.

Mayor Holeman called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Our Country. Please remain standing for a moment of silence for our military.

This meeting has been advertised in one newspaper, the Daily Record, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act.

STATEMENT OF DETERMINATION -

Ondria Garcia Montes and Kendyll Hedgepath was elected into office for Borough Council each for a three year term.

At this time both Councilpersons were sworn in by Senator Bucco.

ATTENDANCE:

Councilwoman Cheatham, Councilman Glass, Councilwoman Hedgepath, Councilman Hale, Councilman Lorenzo, Councilwoman Garcia Montes.

ABSENT:

None

Council President for 2022 - Counilwoman Cheatham voted in Councilman Lorenzo. Councilman Lorenzo did not want to do it this year. Motion was made to appoint Councilwoman Montes as the Council Preseident for 2022.

Motion made by Councilwoman Hedgepath, seconded by Councilman Lorenzo and approved on on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
Councilman Glass Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
Councilman Hale Yes
Councilman Lorenzo Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes

Councilman Glass said that with the appointments he has spoken to the Attorney, the Auditor, and the Engineer and we will bring them on at the same rate as last year until we do our budget.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE BOROUGH ATTORNEY FOR 2022 -

RESOLUTION # 1

WHEREAS, THERE EXISTS A NEED FOR AN ATTORNEY for the Borough of Victory Gardens, and

WHEREAS, funds are available for the purpose, and

WHEREAS, the local public contracts law requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitve bids must be publically advertised.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens for the year 2022

- 1. Philip Feintuch from the firm of Feintuch, Porwich & Feintuch is hereby appointed as Borough Attorney for the year 2022.
- 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Services" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law.

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Motion to appoint the Boroug hAttorney by Councilman Glass, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call: Councilwoman Cheatham Yes Councilman Glass Yes Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes Councilman Hale Yes Councilman Lorenzo Yes Councilwoman Garcia Montes Yes RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE BOROUGH AUDITORS -RESOLUTION # 2 WHEREAS, THERE EXISTS A NEED FOR AUDITORS, for the Boruogh of Victory Gardens, and WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose, and WHEREAS, the local public contracts law requires that the Resolution authorizing the awardof contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bidding must be publically advertised. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens for the year 2022 from the firm <u>Nisivoccia & Company</u> Man Lee is hereby appointed as the Borough Auditor for the year 2022 2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Serivces" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law. BOROUGH OF VICTORY GARDENS

Motion to approve the Auditors for the year 2022 by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

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Councilwoman Cheahtam Yes
Councilman Glass Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
Councilman Hale Yes
Councilman Lorenzo Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE BOROUGH ENGINEER FOR THE YEAR 2022 -

RESOLUTION # 3

WHEREA	AS, THERE EXISTS A NEED FOR AN ENGINEER for the Borough of Victory Gardens, and
WHEREA	AS, funds are available for such purpose, and
WHEREA	AS, the local public contracts law requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bidding must be publically advertised.
NOW, T	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens for the year <u>2022</u>
1. I	eon Hall from the firm Anderson & Denzler
i	is hereby appointed as Borough Engineer for the year 2022
2. 7	This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as
	'Professional Services" under the provisions of the Local Public
	Contracts Law.
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	n to approve the Borough Engineer for 2022 made by Councilwoman Montes, nded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:
	Councilwoman Cheatham Councilman Glass Councilwoman Hedgepath Councilman Hale Councilman Lorenzo Councilwoman Garcia Montes Yes Yes Yes Yes No
RESOL	JUTION APPOITING THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR 2022 -
	RESOLUTION # 9
	RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF VICTORY GARDENS
WHE	REAS, the Borough of Victory Gardens, Morris County, New Jersey is obligated to maintain an Emergency Management Coordinator; and
WHE	REAS, said position must be filled by a resident of the Borough; and
WHE	REAS, <u>David Holeman</u> , <u>Jr.</u> has met the requirements of the position
	THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens that <u>David Holeman</u> , Jr. be appointed to the position of Emergency Management Coordinator for the Borough of Victory Gardens for a three (3) year appointment beginning and ending on <u>December 31</u> , 2024

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ATTEST:

Motion on the appointment by Counilwoman Montes, seconded by Coucnilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
Councilman Glass Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
Councilman Hale Yes
Councilman Lorenzo Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes

RESOLUTION FOR A CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE YEAR 2022 -

Motion to approve the cash management plan for hte Borough for 2022. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheahtam Yes
Councilman Glass Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
Councilman Hale Yes
Councilman Lorenzo Yes
Councilwoman Garcia montes Yes

RESOLUTION FOR THE MULTI JURISDICTIONAL HAZARDOUS MITIGATION PLAN FOR 2022 -

Moiton on the Resolution by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman CheathamYesCouncilman GlassYesCouncilwoman HedgepathYesCouncilman HaleYesCouncilman LorenzoYesCouncilwoman Garcia MontesYes

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RESOLUTION # 10 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MULTI JURISDICTIONAL

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF VICTORY GARDENS, MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

- WHEREAS, the Borough of Victory Gardens is vulnerable to damages from natural hazard events which pose a threat to public health and safety and could result in property loss and economic hardship;
- WHEREAS, a multi jurisdictional hazard mitigation plan has been developed through the work of the Morris County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee, the Boruogh of Victory Gardens Hazard Working Mitigation Group and the interested parties within the Borough of Victory Gardens.
- WHEREAS, the plan recommends hazard mitigation actions that will protect any property affected by natural hazards that face the Borough of Victory Gardens, that will reduce future public, private, community and personal costs of disaster response and recovery; and that will reenforce the Borough of Victory Gardens leadership in emergency preparedness efforts;
- WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-390) (DMA2000) and associated federal regulations published under 44CFR Part 201 requires the Borough of Victory Gardens to formerly adopt a hazard mitigation plan subject to the approval of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be eligible for federal funds for hazard mitigation projects and activities.
- WHEREAS, public meetings were held to receive comment on the Plan as required by DMA 2000;
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens that:
- The plan is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Borough of Victory Gardens.
- The Borough of Victory Gardens officials identified in the mitigation action plan are hereby directed to implement the recommended actions assigned to them. These officials will report quarterly on their activities, accompliahments, and progress to the Borough of Victory Gardens hazard mitigation working group.
- The Borough of Victory Gardens hazard mitigation working group will provide annual progress reports on the status of implementation of the plan to the Mayor and Council. This report shall be submitted to the Mayor and Council by March 15th of each year.
- 4. The Borough of Victory Gardens hazard mitigation group will undertake periodic updates of the plan as indicated in the Plan Maintenance
- Program (section 10) but no less frequently than every 5 years.

 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens adopts the Morris County, New Jersey Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, dated as this jurisdictions natural hazard mitigation plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the plan.

ADOPTED:	
MAYOR:	
CLERK:	

RESOLUTION # 8

RESOLUTION APPOINTING PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase & Property requires that the Borough of Victory Gardens appoint a designated Public Agency Complaince Officer (PACO);

NOW THEREFORE, and in accordance of this requirement and within the powers afforded the Borough of Victory Gardens, the Mayor on this January 4m 2022 hereby appoints David Holeman, Jr. to the position of P.A.C.O. effective immediately.

Mayor, Borough of Victory Gardens

I,		, Clerk of the Borough of Victory Gardens,
do hereby	certify that	this is a true and exact copy of the Resolution the Mayor and Council, that was held on
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Borough Clerk

Motion on the Resolution by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
Councilman Glass Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
Councilman Hale Yes
Councilman Lorenzo Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes

Coucnils confirmation of Gerald Flatt for Animal Control Officer for the year 2022.

Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Hale and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
Councilman Glass Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
Councilman Hale Yes
Councilman Lorenzo Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes

APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING BOARD/ADJUSTMENT BOARD - All professionals will be appointed when the Planning Board has their re organization meeting. The following are appointed to the Board -

Class I Mayor Holeman
Class II Kevin Lewthwaite
Class III James Glass
Class IV John Cegelka
Hari Bami
Manny Venerio
Jeannine Adams

Motion on the appointments to the Planning Board by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Hale	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

APPOINTMENTS FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES -

Administration - Garcia Montes & Hedgepath
Public Works - Glass & Hale
Recreation - Hedgepath & Cheatham

Em. Management - Mayor and Barrella Finance & Budgeting - Lorenzo, Garcia Montes & Hale

RVRSA & Sewer Liason - John Cegelka Municipal Alliance - Councilman Lorenzo

Motion on all appointments by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Hale and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Hale	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

RESOLUTION FOR NEWSPAPER PUBLICATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2022 -

RESOLUTION # 4

BE I	TT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens,
	County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, that the newspaper,
	The Daily Record be used for publications
	and legal materials for the year 2022

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Motion on the Resolution by Councilwoman Hedgepath, seconded by Councilman Hale and approved on roll call:

Counciwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Hale	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

RESOLUTION # 6

WHEREAS, 40A: 4-19 Local Budget Act provides that where any contracts, committments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2022 budget, temporary appropriations be made for purposes and amounts required in the manner and time, therein provided, and

WHEREAS, the date of the Resolution is within the first 30 days of January 2022 and

WHEREAS, the total general appropriations in the 2021 budget, exclusinve of any appropriations made for interests and principal of debt, capital improvements and public assistance is the sum of 1471,552.00

WHEREAS, 26.25% of this total is the sum of \$386,282

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, County of Morris, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial officer for his records.

I, Deborah Evans

Clerk of the Borough of Victory Gardens do hereby certify that this is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted at a meeting held on January 4, 2022

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Motion on the Resolution by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
Councilman Glass Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
Councilman Hale Yes
Councilman Lorenzo Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes

RESOLUTION FOR INTEREST ON DELINQUENT TAXES .-

RESOLUTION # 7

- BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that pursuant to the authority contained in Chapter 46 of the laws of 1970, the rate of interest to be charged for delinquent taxes or assessments in the Borough of Victory Gardens be and the same is hereby fixed at 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00;
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the establishment of the aforesaid rates be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Chapter 435 of the laws of 1970 as set forth more therein:
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tax Collector of the Borough of Victory Gardens be authorized to process the cancellation of any delinquencies of less than \$10.00 for any charges and fees imposed.

Mayor	

Motion to approve the Resolution for delinquent taxes by Councilwoman Cheatham, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Hale	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

Motion to open the meeting to the public by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Jim Janone - In regards to the fees for dog and cat licensing what is the cost? \$7.20 if the animal is spayed or neutered and \$10.20 if it isn't. What is the late fee? After January 31 the late feee is \$10 for February and then every month after that it is \$1 more per month. Why is that? The prices on the licenses are State fees. We can't do anything about that. The Council raised the fee for late licenses. Councilwoman Montes said she was late one year and had to pay the fees and she hasn't been late again. Also if you owe a credit card payment and you are late you are charged fees. How can you say that you are appoointing professionals at the same rate as last year and will think about raises once the budget talks begin? Councilwoman Montes said they had to be appointed so we are covered and we know what they are asking for in raises, if it can be done it will be otherwise they will remain at the saem fee as last year. If someone comes back and says they want a \$5,000 raise what do you do? If they want they can give it to them and if they don't then they won't.

Motion to close the meeting to the public by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on verbal vote. None opposed,

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

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Deborah Evans Borough Clerk