

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Severino called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- 2. **"Sunshine Law" Announcement**- Adequate notice of this public meeting has been provided by Annual Notice; published in the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News; posted on the public bulletin board and on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

3. FLAG SALUTE

4. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Mr. Severino	X	
Mr. Hirt	X	
Mr. Sroka	X	
Mr. Stothoff		X
Mr. Mazza	X	

Also present J.P. Jost, Attorney, Robert Clerico, P.E., CFO Grace Brennan and Municipal Clerk Ella M. Ruta.

5. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

- a. Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2017

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Severino			X			
Mr. Hirt		X	X			
Mr. Sroka	X		X			
Mr. Stothoff						X
Mr. Mazza			X			

Motion carried

6. VISITORS

7. REPORTS RECEIVED - Acknowledged

- a. Road Dept.- Week Ending; 10/13/17; 10/20/17
 - b. Public Safety Coordinator
 - c. Engineer's Report
- Municipal Storage Building – Gave a status report.
 - Clinton Quarry LLC: Bock 22, Lot 30, 5 Frontage Road – The 2018 Quarry License was approved by the Planning Board with a condition regarding insurance to be reviewed by Atty. Jost.
 - GreenRock Recycling, Block 22, Lots 15 & 15.01, 3 Frontage Road – The Quarry License application will be heard at the December 14, 2017 Planning Board meeting.
 - Perryville Railroad Crossing – Mentioned detours that will be required during construction.
 - Exit 13 Yield to Stop Sign – Sign has not been installed. Mr. Clerico will contact the State about the timeframe.
 - Pilot Travel Centers LLC: Block 11, Lot 24.03 - The Sign issue/issues have not been resolved.

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- Perryville Estates/Caccavelli: Block 21.2, Lot 32 - Provided a Status Report to the Committee regarding outstanding issues.
- Road Opening Permit – Mr. Clerico noted that the Permit was on a Road the Township has not accepted. Mayor Severino opined that the Permit should be issued.
- MS 4 NJDEP Storm water permits. The issue remains unresolved.

8. CORRESPONDENCE/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Mazza mentioned the following correspondence:

- Stream Clean Up – Mr. Mazza said the Raritan Headwaters 28th Annual Stream Cleanup will be held on April 18, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. CFO Brennan said she will check the amount of the contribution given to the Organization in prior years. Mr. Mazza suggested that UTEC be apprised of the Event.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

10. PUBLIC HEARING – 2nd Reading - none

11. OLD BUSINESS - None

12. NEW ORDINANCE – 1ST Reading

NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following Ordinance was adopted on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, at a meeting held on the 1st day of November, 2017. The Ordinance was then ordered to be published according to law. Notice is hereby given that the said Ordinance will be considered for final passage at a public hearing to be held on the 6th day of December, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached, at the Union Township Municipal Building, 140 Perryville Road, Hampton, New Jersey, at which time all interested parties will be heard.

Ella M. Ruta, Municipal Clerk

ORDINANCE 2017-10

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION,
HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY REGARDING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR
QUARRYING**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Code of the Township of Union, Chapter XX, REGULATIONS FOR QUARRYING, is hereby amended as follows (additions thusly; ~~deletions~~ thusly)

1. Section 20-1.4 g. is hereby amended to read as follows:

g. Certificate of insurance attached to the application or, in the case of an initial application, a certificate of availability of insurance evidencing on-site and off-site comprehensive general liability coverage (including coverage for subcontractors/independent contractors) in amounts of not less than two million (\$2,000,000.00) dollars combined single limit, including bodily injury, death, and property damage. ~~and pollution damage.~~ In addition, the certificate shall evidence Commercial Pollution Legal Liability Insurance with policy limits of \$1,000,000/\$2,000,000, Coverage A. On-Site Clean Up of Pollution Conditions; Coverage B. Legal Liability for Pollution Conditions; Automobile Insurance with a policy limit of \$1,000,000; Workers Compensation and Employers Liability with a limit of \$1,000,000; and Umbrella Insurance with a limit of \$5,000,000. All such insurance certificates shall contain an endorsement naming the Township of Union as an additional insured, utilizing form CG 20 12 05 09 - State or Governmental Agency or Subdivision or Political Subdivision – Permits or Authorizations, Commercial General Liability, or equivalent. In addition, the

applicant shall supply a signed indemnification and hold harmless agreement to the Township of Union in a form acceptable to the Township Attorney, indemnifying and holding the Township of Union harmless from any and all liability or claims in connection with the applicant’s quarrying operations.

Severability. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause of provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Repealer. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with the Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption and publication according to law.

Attest:

Ella M. Ruta, Municipal Clerk

Matt Severino, Mayor

First Reading: November 1, 2017
 Publication: November 9, 2017
 Public Hearing/Adoption: December 6, 2017
 Final Publication: December 14, 2017

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Severino			X			
Mr. Hirt		X	X			
Mr. Sroka			X			
Mr. Stothoff						X
Mr. Mazza	X		X			

Motion Carried

13. NEW BUSINESS

a. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

Resolution #2017-97

UNION TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY
 APPROPRIATION TRANSFER(S)

Be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that there are insufficient funds to meet the demands necessary for the 2017 Appropriations in the following accounts:

TO: General Administration OE	10510020	\$ 5,000.00
Rev Ad. Tax Coll. OE	10514520	2,000.00
Solid Waste Collection Misc.	10530570	11,000.00
Maintenance of Parks OE	10537520	4,000.00
	Total	\$22,000.00

WHEREAS, the following account(s) have sufficient excess funds to meet such demands:

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FROM: Legal Services	10515520	\$10,000.00
Roads OE	10529020	12,000.00
	Total	\$22,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 40A: 4-58 the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the transfer(s) required to meet the obligations of Union Township.

Date: November 1, 2017

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Severino			X			
Mr. Hirt		X	X			
Mr. Sroka	X		X			
Mr. Stothoff						X
Mr. Mazza			X			

Motion carried

b. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION #2017-98
TOWNSHIP OF UNION, HUNTERDON COUNTY
RESOLUTION TO REFUND DELINQUENT WATER CHARGES COLLECTED AT TAX SALE TO
THE TOWN OF CLINTON

WHEREAS, Block 24.02 Lot 2.01 Qualifier C0403 assessed to Dremers, Michael had a delinquent water bill in the amount of \$ 105.90 and,

WHEREAS, Block 24.02 Lot 2.01 Qualifier C0204 assessed to Crouch, Robert C & Margaret A had a delinquent water bill in the amount of \$ 152.62 and

WHEREAS, payments were made by the mortgage companies for both properties to the Township of Union which included the above delinquent water charges in the amount of \$258.52,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 1st day of November by the Township Committee of the Township of Union, Hunterdon County, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Treasurer issue a check in the amount of \$ 258.52 payable to Town of Clinton Water Utility, 43 Leigh Street, P.O. Box 5194, Clinton, NJ 08809.
2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Severino			X			
Mr. Hit		X	X			
Mr. Sroka	X		X			
Mr. Stothoff						X
Mr. Mazza			X			

Motion carried

c. The following resolution was introduced for adoption:

RESOLUTION #2017-99

**TOWNSHIP OF UNION
HUNTERDON COUNTY**

Resolution Urging the State Legislature to approve A-1834/S-178 which requires the Department of Health to license additional angioplasty facilities, with at least one in each county

WHEREAS, heart disease remains the number one cause of death in Hunterdon County; and

WHEREAS, Hunterdon Medical Center is the sole hospital in Hunterdon County providing healthcare services to 26 municipalities and surrounding communities in Mercer, Somerset, and Warren Counties; and

WHEREAS, Hunterdon Medical Center has expert Cardiologists and state-of-the-art facilities where non-elective emergency angioplasty procedures are performed with great success and excellent outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Hunterdon Medical Center does not have state approval to conduct elective angioplasty, a scheduled treatment to open narrowed arteries of the heart, therefore exposing cardiac patients to severe risk; and

WHEREAS, Although national studies have concluded that performing elective angioplasty at facilities without surgical back-up is safe, Hunterdon Medical Center cardiac patients must go to alternate and out of state facilities when the procedure can be conducted successfully at the medical center; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey is one of only a small number of states nationally without regulations allowing for the safe conduction of elective angioplasty at qualified facilities without on-site cardiac surgery; and

WHEREAS; New Jersey has a responsibility to provide comprehensive, preventive cardiac healthcare resources with equal access to all of the state’s citizens and

WHEREAS, Assemblymen Herbert Conaway and Jack Ciattarelli and Senators Christopher Bateman and Jeff Van Drew have introduced A-1834/S-178, which requires the Department of Health to license additional angioplasty facilities, with at least one facility in each county;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Union Township Committee urges the legislature to approve A-1834/S-178 as swiftly as possible, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the members of the New Jersey General Assembly, the New Jersey State Senate, the Commissioner of the Department of Health, the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor of State of New Jersey.

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Severino			X			
Mr. Hirt		X	X			
Mr. Sroka	X		X			
Mr. Stothoff						X
Mr. Mazza			X			

Motion carried

14. REPORTS

a. Attorney’s Report:

- Hoffman Park – Demolition of Buildings – Hunterdon County involved with the process.
- Fair Share Housing – Spoke with Planner McManus regarding the issue. Mr. Jost is waiting for her response.
- Shared Court Agreement – Mr. Jost had a question about insurance. He will contact the Township’s insurer.

b. Committee Report

Mr. Hirt reported the following:

- Said the Pattenburg Volunteer Fire Company K-9 Fundraising Event held at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse was a huge success. The Event raised \$18,000.00.

Mr. Mazza reported the following:

- Spoke with DR&F Foreman Hermann about seasonal worker taking OSHA Classes. The Committee Consensus was to allow the worker to attend the Classes.
- Diesel Tank Removal – The tank was removed from inside the building.
- Hazardous Waste Day – Saturday November 18, 2017 (9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) at the Hunterdon County Site on Route 12. Mentioned that most batteries can be disposed of with regular waste; however, caution should be taken since some batteries can catch on fire.
- Election Day Ballot Question – Resident asked why the Question was not on the Township Website. Information is available on the Website.

c. Mayor’s Report

- Received a call regarding a Food Drive for the Clinton Food Pantry. Caller asked about placing collection bags at homes in the Township. Mayor Severino apprised the caller of US Postal Regulations.
- U.S. Census Bureau Survey – Mrs. Brennan agreed to review.
- Thanked David Stothoff, in his absence, for his service on the Township Committee.
- Quiet Train Zone – Mr. Mazza asked about the Quiet Zone issue. Atty. Jost thought the issue could be handled administratively. Mr. Severino gave a history of Quiet Zone concerns. Mr. Clerico said there was a significant cost associated with creating a quiet zone.

2017 Appreciation Dinner – Mrs. Brennan asked the Committee to select the individual to be recognized as Volunteer of the Year. She also asked the Committee about the date for the Dinner. The date was set for November 30, 2017.

15. PAYMENT OF BILLS

The approved list of bills and all claims against the Township of Union as appearing in the Claims Register of this date paid and that all checks listed hereinafter issued in payment thereof.

Roll Call Vote	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Severino			X			
Mr. Hirt			X			
Mr. Sroka	X		X			
Mr. Stothoff						X
Mr. Mazza		X	X			

Motion carried

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Township Committee at this time Mr. Stothoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Mr. Hirt seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Transcribed by: Grace A. Kocher, Deputy Clerk

Matt Severino, Mayor