

**NORTH HANOVER TOWNSHIP
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
June 3, 2021, 7:00 P.M.**

**VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Dial In: 1-855-774-8852; Access Code 7589919790
OR
IN PERSON LIMITED TO THE FIRST 13 REGISTERED
TO REGISTER EMAIL: CLERK@NORTHHANOVERTWP.COM**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Doyle called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE: Led by Mayor Doyle

ROLL CALL: Mayor Doyle
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke
Committeeman Forsyth
Committeeman Kocubinski

Absent: Committeeman O'Donnell

Also Present: Township Clerk Picariello and Township Attorney Roselli

SUNSHINE STATEMENT: "The provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met. Notice of this meeting has been transmitted by email to the Courier Post, Burlington County Times and The Trenton Times as well as given to those having requested same and posted on the Township bulletin board located in the foyer of the municipal building".

PUBLIC COMMENT AS IT RELATES TO AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Doyle opened the meeting to the public. There were no public comments this evening.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT

Proposed By: Deputy Mayor DeBaecke
Seconded By: Committeeman Kocubinski

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence this evening.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer Hirsh noted the Township Clerk obtained the pickle ball materials and Chesterfield would be taking care of it shortly. He stated the FY2021 Local Recreation Improvement Grant was submitted and expected award on or about June 11th. He stated the Roof contract was underway and will be accessible for Election Day. Mayor DeBaecke thanked Engineer Hirsh for establishing the Pickleball Court agreement with Chesterfield. Engineer Hirsh noted Provinceline Road would be repaved in the fall.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

- May 20, 2021 – Regular Meeting

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke	X		X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

- May 20, 2021 – Executive Session

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke	X		X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

BILLS AND CLAIMS FOR APPROVAL

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke		X	X			
Committeeman Forsyth	X		X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION

2021-04 Ordinance of the Township of North Hanover, County of Burlington, New Jersey Prohibiting the Operation of Any Class of Recreational or Medical Cannabis Businesses within its Geographical Boundaries and Amending Chapter 16, Section 16-040 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Hanover

**TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER
COUNTY OF BURLINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. 2021-04**

AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER IN BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY PROHIBITING THE OPERATION OF ANY CLASS OF RECREATIONAL OR MEDICAL CANNABIS BUSINESSES WITHIN ITS GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES AND AMENDING CHAPTER 16, §16-040 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER

WHEREAS, in 2020 New Jersey voters approved Public Question No. 1, which amended the New Jersey Constitution to allow for the legalization of a controlled form of marijuana called “cannabis” for adults at least 21 years of age; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2021, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2021, c. 16, known as the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act” (the “Act”), which legalizes the recreational use of marijuana by adults 21 years of age or older, and establishes a comprehensive regulatory and licensing scheme for commercial recreational (adult use) cannabis operations, use and possession; and

WHEREAS, the Act establishes six marketplace classes of licensed businesses, including:

- Class 1 Cannabis Cultivator license, for facilities involved in growing and cultivating cannabis;
- Class 2 Cannabis Manufacturer license, for facilities involved in the manufacturing, preparation, and packaging of cannabis items;
- Class 3 Cannabis Wholesaler license, for facilities involved in obtaining and selling cannabis items for later resale by other licensees;
- Class 4 Cannabis Distributer license, for businesses involved in transporting cannabis plants in bulk from on licensed cultivator to another licensed cultivator, or cannabis items in bulk from any type of licensed cannabis business to another;
- Class 5 Cannabis Retailer license for locations at which cannabis items and related supplies are sold to consumers; and
- Class 6 Cannabis Delivery license, for businesses providing courier services for consumer purchases that are fulfilled by a licensed cannabis retailer in order to make deliveries of the purchases items to a consumer, and which service would include the ability of a consumer to make a purchase directly through the cannabis

delivery service which would be presented by the delivery service for fulfillment by a retailer and then delivered to a consumer.

WHEREAS, section 31a of the Act authorizes municipalities by ordinance to adopt regulations governing the number of cannabis establishments (defined in section 3 of the Act as “a cannabis cultivator, a cannabis manufacturer, a cannabis wholesaler, or a cannabis retailer”), cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services allowed to operate within their boundaries, as well as the location manner and times operation of such establishments, distributors or delivery services, and establishing civil penalties for the violation of any such regulations; and

WHEREAS, section 31b of the Act authorizes municipalities by ordinance to prohibit the operation of any one or more classes of cannabis establishments, distributors, or delivery services anywhere in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, section 31b of the Act also stipulates, however, that any municipal regulation or prohibition must be adopted within 180 days of the effective date of the Act (*i.e.*, by August 22, 2021); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 31b of the Act, the failure to do so shall mean that for a period of five years thereafter, the growing, cultivating, manufacturing, selling and reselling of cannabis and cannabis items shall be permitted uses in all industrial zones, and the retail selling of cannabis items to consumers shall be a conditional use in all commercial and retail zones; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the initial and any subsequent five-year period following a failure to enact local regulations or prohibitions, the municipality shall again have 180 days to adopt an ordinance regulating or prohibiting cannabis businesses, but any such ordinance would be prospective only and would not apply to any cannabis business already operating within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of North Hanover has determined that, due to present uncertainties regarding the potential future impacts that allowing one or more classes of cannabis business might have on New Jersey municipalities in general, and on North Hanover Township in particular, it is at this time necessary and appropriate, and in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of North Hanover Township’s residents and members of the public who visit, travel, or conduct business in North Hanover Township, to amend North Hanover Township’s zoning regulations to prohibit all manner of marijuana-related land use and development within the geographic boundaries of North Hanover Township; and

WHEREAS, officials from two prominent non-profit organizations that have been established for the purpose of advising New Jersey municipalities on legal matters such as have been presented by the Act (those organizations being the New Jersey State League of Municipalities and the New Jersey Institute of Local Government Attorneys) have strongly urged that, due to the complexity and novelty of the Act; the many areas of municipal law that are or may be implicated in decisions as to whether or to what extent cannabis or medical cannabis should be permitted for land use purposes or otherwise regulated in any particular municipality; and the relatively short duration in which the Act would allow such decisions to be made before imposing an automatic authorization of such uses in specified zoning districts subject to unspecified conditions, the most prudent course of action for all municipalities, whether or not generally in favor of cannabis or medical cannabis land development and uses, would be to prohibit all such uses within the Act’s 180-day period in order to ensure sufficient time to carefully review all aspects of the Act and its impacts.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of North Hanover, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 16, §16-040 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of North Hanover is hereby amended as follows: (deleted sections have strikethrough; added sections are bolded and underlined):

SECTION 1. 16-040 Prohibited Use

A. All uses not expressly permitted in this chapter shall be prohibited. The use of trailers as residences, trailer parks and home occupations are specifically prohibited in all uses with the township, except that home occupations are permitted uses in all zones except R1 and R2.

B. **(i)** **All classes of cannabis establishments or cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services as said terms are defined in section 3 of 2021, c.16, whether for medicinal or recreational purposes, and including those establishments that manufacture, sell or dispense cannabis related paraphernalia, are prohibited from operating anywhere in the Township of North Hanover, but not the delivery of cannabis items and related supplies by a delivery service that emanates from a delivery service located outside of the municipal boundaries of** **North Hanover Township.**

or **(ii)** **Marijuana or cannabis cultivation facilities, marijuana or cannabis production or manufacturing facilities, marijuana or cannabis testing facilities, marijuana or cannabis wholesale or retail stores, marijuana or cannabis dispensaries, marijuana or cannabis delivery services which are related to cannabis or marijuana for medical purposes, and such facilities or stores that manufacture, sell or dispense marijuana cannabis related paraphernalia for medical purposes, are prohibited from operating anywhere in the Township of North Hanover, but not the delivery of medical marijuana or medical cannabis related items and related supplies by a delivery service that emanates from a service located outside of the municipal boundaries of North Hanover** **Township.**

SECTION 3: At least three copies of said full Ordinance are on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk for public examination and acquisition. Copies are available for inspection or acquisition during regular weekday working hours and arrangements have been made for the publication of said proposed Ordinance in pamphlet or other similar form which will be available for purchase from the Township Clerk.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

SECTION 5: The Township Clerk is hereby directed to give notice at least ten days prior to the hearing on the adoption of this Ordinance to the County Planning Board, and to all others entitled thereto pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-15. Upon adoption of this Ordinance, after public hearing thereon, the Municipal Clerk is further directed to publish notice of passage thereof and file a copy of this Ordinance as finally adopted with the County Planning Board as required by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16 and with the Township Tax Assessor.

SECTION 6: All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

MOTION TO INTRODUCE

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke	X		X			
Committeeman Forsyth			X			
Committeeman Kocubinski		X	X			
Committeeman O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR JULY 1, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.

CONSENT AGENDA DEFINED:

All Resolutions listed on today's consent agenda are to be considered as one vote by Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

2021-82 Resolution Appointing a Part-Time Police Officer - Mayor Doyle tabled until the June 17th meeting.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

2021-83 Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of 2021 Police Interceptor Utility Vehicle from Winner Ford under State Contract NO. 01189

**RESOLUTION 2021-83
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER
COUNTY OF BURLINGTON**

**AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF 2021 POLICE INTERCEPTOR UTILITY VEHICLE FROM
WINNER FORD UNDER STATE CONTRACT NO. 01189**

WHEREAS, the Township of North Hanover, pursuant to N.J.S.A.40A:11-12(a) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(C), may without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under any contract or contracts for such goods or services entered into on behalf of the State of New Jersey by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed the State contracts for the purchase of a 2021 Police Interceptor Utility Vehicle and related equipment in the amount of \$51,577.00 from Winner Ford having an address at 250 Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 under State Contract #01189 and in accordance with the written quotation received and on file with the Police Department, CFO and Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Township of North Hanover has sufficient funds in place as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officer certification of the availability of funds on file with the Finance Department.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of North Hanover, County of Burlington County, State of New Jersey that is does hereby authorize and approve the purchase of a 2021 Police Interceptor Utility vehicle and related equipment from Winner Ford having an address at 250 Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 under State Contract #01189, in the amount of \$51,577.00 and in accordance with the written quotation of file with the Police Department, CFO and Municipal Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue said purchase order to Winner Ford, 250 Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 to the attention of Michael Drahuschak on behalf of the Township.

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke	X		X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

2021-84 Resolution Accepting quote from BIS Digital for the Purchase and Installation of Gooseneck Microphones for the Liberty Recording System

**RESOLUTION 2021-84
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER**

COUNTY OF BURLINGTON

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING QUOTE FROM BIS DIGITAL FOR THE PURCHASE AND
INSTALLATION OF GOOSENECK MICROPHONES FOR THE LIBERTY RECORDING
SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the Township of North Hanover desires to upgrade the Liberty Recording System located in North Hanover Township; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1, authorizes the solicitation of quotations, if practicable; and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed the quote for the purchasing and installation of Gooseneck Microphones for Sound System, in an amount of \$949.89 from BIS Digital Inc. having an address at 1350 NE 56th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FLA 33334; and

WHEREAS, the Township of North Hanover has sufficient funding in place as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officers certification of the availability of funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of North Hanover, County of Burlington County, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes and approves of the purchase and installation of said equipment from BIS Digital Inc having an address at 1350 NE 56th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FLA 33334, Gooseneck Microphones for Sound System Equipment, in the amount of \$949.89.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue said purchase order to BIS Digital Inc, 1350 NE 56th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FLA 33334 to the attention of Thomas La Fera on behalf of the Township.

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke		X	X			
Committeeman Forsyth			X			
Committeeman Kocubinski	X		X			
Committeeman O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

2021-85 Resolution Amending Resolution 2021-80 entitled “A Resolution to Establish Salaries for Various Officials of the Township of North Hanover, Burlington County, New Jersey

**RESOLUTION 2021-85
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER
COUNTY OF BURLINGTON**

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2021-80 ENTITLED “A RESOLUTION
TO ESTABLISH SALARIES FOR VARIOUS OFFICIALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
NORTH HANOVER, BURLINGTON COUNTY,
NEW JERSEY “**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of North Hanover Township, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The annual rate of compensation, salary, wages of the following officers, appointees, and employees of the Township of North Hanover is hereby fixed in the following schedule payable bi-weekly or annually:

		PER ANNUM
Ronald DeBaecke	Township Committee	4,999.00
David Forsyth	Township Committee	4,999.00
Christopher Doyle	Township Committee	4,999.00
John Kocubinski	Township Committee	4,999.00
Brendan O'Donnell	Township Committee	4,999.00
Mary Picariello	Municipal Clerk	57,412.21
Robert Duff	Officer in Charge	82,636.32
Alexandra Degood	COAH Administrative Agent/Liaison	
	Const Tech Asst/JLUB/Zoning Secy	33,169.34
Mary Picariello	Tax Collector	36,434.67
John Bruno Jr.	Chief Financial Officer	30,474.86
John Bruno, Jr.	Annual Financial Statement	7,000.00
Joseph Greene	Accounting Assistant/Treasurer	38,572.54
Donald Kosul	Tax Assessor	27,420.18
Jeffrey K. Jones	Construction Official	16,679.50
Jeffrey K. Jones	Building Inspector	13,083.60
Harry W. Case	Electrical Inspector	9,233.98
Christopher Rose	Plumbing Inspector	9,025.93
Doug Borgstrom	Fire Inspector	6,595.81
Ryan Donnelly	SubCode	1,171.65
Lewis Korngut	Municipal Judge	22,900.00
Rita Williams	Court Administrator	51,553.01
Jose Mercado	Dpy Court Administrator	35,019.86
Susan Reilly	Police Clerk	36,204.49
Richard Mellor	Emergency Management Coordinator	2,500.00
Benjamin Palombi	Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	1,553.00
Alexandra DeGood	Zoning Officer	2,000.00
Alexandra Degood	Mobile Home Inspector	2,000.00
Alexandra Degood	Clean Communities Coordinator	500.00
Courtney Szymanski	Secretary Recreation	400.00

The hourly rate of compensation, salary, wages of the following officers, appointees, and employees of the Township of North Hanover is hereby fixed in the following schedule payable bi-weekly, monthly, or annually:

		PER HOUR
Ellen Ganopoulos	P/T Court Recorder	14.86
Twan Berben	Custodian	14.65
John Schoch	Custodian Supervisor	19.75
Carl Reynold	Laborer Waste Facility	15.81
John Farrell	Laborer Waste Facility	15.24
Troy Farrell	Laborer Waste Facility	15.07
James Sneddon	Laborer Waste Facility	14.77
Michael Zelinski	P/T Police Officer	19.60
Roger Wilson	P/T Police Officer	14.79
Nandor Palmai	P/T Police Officer	15.39
Raymond Zirilli III	Summer Recreation	
	Director/Bus Driver/Teacher	32.25
Courtney Gauze	Summer Recreation Nurse	25.00
Jennifer Bucko	Summer Recreation Teacher	20.00

The per session or meeting rate of compensation, salary, wages of the following officers, appointees, and employees of the Township of North Hanover is hereby fixed in the following schedule payable bi-weekly, monthly, or annually:

		PER SESSION OR MEETING
Alexandra Degood	JLUB Secretary	52.00
Rita Williams	Call out – Court	25.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above listed salaries shall be effective as of January 1, 2021 for employees on the payroll on January 1, 2021. All employees appointed to a position after January 1, 2021 shall have the salary or wage effective the date of hire or appointment.

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke	X		X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Committeeman O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

2021-86 Resolution Accepting quote from Phil's Painting and Woodworking for Senior Community Center Repair

**RESOLUTION 2021-86
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER
COUNTY OF BURLINGTON**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING QUOTE FROM PHIL'S PAINTING AND WOODWORKING
FOR SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER REPAIR**

WHEREAS, the Township of North Hanover desires to replace the damaged ceiling located in North Hanover Township Senior Community Center; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1, authorizes the solicitation of quotations, if practicable; and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed the quotes received and recommends the lowest quote submitted by Phil's Painting and Woodworking; and

WHEREAS, the Township of North Hanover has sufficient funding in place as evidenced by the Chief Financial Officers certification of the availability of funds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of North Hanover, County of Burlington County, State of New Jersey hereby accepts the lowest quote by Phil's Painting and Woodworking, for ceiling repair located in the North Hanover Township Senior Community Center. in the amount of \$1,564.26.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue said purchase order aforesaid on behalf of the Township.

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke			X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski	X		X			
Committeeman O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

2021-87 Resolution Approving Participation with the State of New Jersey and Secure Communities Program Administered by the Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General

**RESOLUTION 2021-87
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER
COUNTY OF BURLINGTON**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

WHEREAS, the North Hanover Township Committee wishes to apply for funding for a project under the Safe and Secure Communities Grant Program 21-0326 for the period of May 18, 2021 through May 17, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Committee of North Hanover Township has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and North Hanover Township for the purpose described in the application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Township Committee of North Hanover Township that

1. As a matter of public policy North Hanover Township wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
2. The Grant is to be in the amount of \$16,200.00, to which the Township of North Hanover shall make a match of \$16,200.00 for a total project cost of \$32,400.00.
3. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
4. The Township of North Hanover is hereby authorized to accept and does accept the sub award of the grant funds; and
5. The Township of North Hanover accepts the grant funds for the specific purpose described in the Grant Application

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Deputy Mayor DeBaecke	X		X			
Committeeman Forsyth		X	X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Deputy Mayor O'Donnell						X
Mayor Doyle			X			

DISCUSSION

Mayor Doyle noted the batting cage at the Park needs to be addressed. There was a general consensus to move forward.

Committeeman Forsyth stated the County is having Recycling issues with the loss of drivers.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE "COMMENTS"

Deputy Mayor DeBaecke noted he was saddened that the Memorial Day parade was canceled due to the weather.

Mayor Doyle also expressed his disappointment and thanked those involved for organizing.

Committeeman Kocubinski noted the Mayor's Memorial Day speech was well done.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Questions, comments or statements from members of the public in attendance.

Mayor Doyle opened the meeting to the public. There were no public comments this evening.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT

Proposed By: Deputy Mayor DeBaecke

Seconded By: Committeeman Forsyth

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

