

Borough of Pine Hill
Council Meeting
September 14, 2020
Pine Hill Borough Hall
7:30 P.M.

Mayor Green called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Patricia Hendricks, Borough Clerk

Borough Clerk, Patricia Hendricks delivered the Sunshine Law and the awareness for the town.

Councilman Warrington-present, Councilman Knott-present, Councilman Jaxel-present, Councilman Robb-present, Councilman Burke-present, Councilwoman Corry-Gaft-present, Mayor Green-present, Mr. Greer-present, Mrs. Hendricks-present, Mr. Patterson-present, Mr. Magill-present, Mr. Cardis-absent

Approval of Minutes: August 17, 2020

Motion to Approve: Councilman Robb, 2nd Councilman Knott
All in Favor: 4 yes votes Councilman Warrington / Councilman Burke Abstained

August 17, 2020 – Closed Session

Motion to Approve: Councilman Robb, 2nd Councilman Knott
All in Favor: 4 yes votes Councilman Warrington / Councilman Burke Abstained

Mayor Green and Council discussed Halloween Trick or Treat.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-125

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL
COUNTY OF CAMDEN

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL
AUTHORIZING A REFUND DUE TO POSTING ERROR

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Tax Collector that Mr. Thomas Walls made a tax payment using WIPP online payment system and posted a payment to the wrong property address 202 Mason Run, Block 1, Lot 9-C0202 and he does not reside in Pine Hill, and;

WHEREAS, the actual homeowner has been notified of the error and informed to make the payment for her August taxes due, and:

WHEREAS, Mr. Walls has requested the refund in the amount of \$1,029.72 and has shown proof of payment, is entitled to the refund;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Governing body to have this payment refunded to the respective taxpayer;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Pine Hill, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that for the reasons set forth hereinabove, it hereby authorizes overpayment refund in the amounts shown below and to authorize the Tax Collector to adjust the tax records accordingly.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Block	Lot	Homeowner	Amount
1	9-C0202	Mr. Thomas Walls 909 Third Ave, Floor 16 New York, NY 10022	\$1,029.72

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL

BY: _____
CHRISTOPHER J. GREEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA HENDRICKS, BOROUGH CLERK

	WARRINGTON	KNOTT	JAXEL	ROBB	BURKE	CORRY-GAFT
YES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ABSTAIN						
NO						
ABSENT						

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL

BY: _____
CHRISTOPHER GREEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA HENDRICKS, BOROUGH CLERK

	WARRINGTON	KNOTT	JAXEL	ROBB	BURKE	CORRY-GAFT
YES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ABSTAIN						
NO						
ABSENT						

CERTIFICATION

I, Patricia Hendricks certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pine Hill at a meeting of said Council held on the 14th day of September 2020.

Patricia Hendricks, Borough Clerk

54:4-99. Adjustment of past due taxes and interest charges; lien unaffected

The governing body of a municipality may, subject to the provisions of section 54:4-100 of this title, make such abatement, revision, alteration, adjustment and settlement of any past due taxes, assessments and other municipal charges, both of principal and of any and all interest and penalties thereon, as it shall deem equitable and just and be for the best interests of the municipality, but none of the provisions of this section or sections 54:4-100 to 54:4-102 of this title shall in any wise affect or impair the right, title, interest or estate, or the lien of any purchaser, other than such municipality, acquired under any sale made or to be made for past due taxes, assessments or other municipal charges

54:4-3.30. Disabled veteran's exemption

a. The dwelling house and the lot or curtilage whereon the same is erected, of any citizen and resident of this State, now or hereafter honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances, from active service, in time of war, in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United

States, who has been or shall be declared by the United States Veterans Administration or its successor to have a service-connected disability from paraplegia, sarcoidosis, osteochondritis resulting in permanent loss of the use of both legs, or permanent paralysis of both legs and lower parts of the body, or from hemiplegia and has permanent paralysis of one leg and one arm or either side of the body, resulting from injury to the spinal cord, skeletal structure, or brain or from disease of the spinal cord not resulting from any form of syphilis; or from total blindness; or from amputation of both arms or both legs, or both hands or both feet, or the combination of a hand and a foot; or from other service-connected disability declared by the United States Veterans Administration or its successor to be a total or 100% permanent disability, and not so evaluated solely because of hospitalization or surgery and recuperation, sustained through enemy action, or accident, or resulting from disease contracted while in such active service, shall be exempt from taxation, on proper claim made therefor, and such exemption shall be in addition to any other exemption of such person's real and personal property which now is or hereafter shall be prescribed or allowed by the Constitution or by law but no taxpayer shall be allowed more than one exemption under this act.

Motion to move Resolution 2020-126 Councilman Knott, 2nd Councilman Jaxel
Roll call: 6 yes votes

RESOLUTION NUMER 2020-128

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL
COUNTY OF CAMDEN

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL AWARDING QUOTE TO
ROOT24 INC. TO RELOCATE THE SEWER LINE LOCATED
ON 123 E. CLEARVIEW AVENUE

WHEREAS, a sewer line presently exists on 123 E. Clearview Avenue owned by the Borough of Pine Hill which sewer line services the adjoining property identified as 119 E. Clearview Avenue; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined necessary to relocate said sewer line on 123 E. Clearview Avenue in closer proximity to the adjoining property at 119 E. Clearview Avenue; and

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited for undertaking this work with the lowest and only quote submitted by Root24 Inc. in the amount of Four Thousand, One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$4,159); and

WHEREAS, funds are available for the award of this quote as set forth on the Certification of Funds attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Pine Hill, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that for the reasons set forth in the preamble hereinabove it hereby awards the quote for the relocation of the sewer line on 123 E. Clearview Avenue to Root24 Inc. in the amount of \$4,159.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate Borough officials are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents for the award of the quote to Root24 Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL

BY: _____
CHRISTOPHER J. GREEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA HENDRICKS, BOROUGH CLERK

	WARRINGTON	KNOTT	JAXEL	ROBB	BURKE	CORRY-GAFT
YES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ABSTAIN						
NO						
ABSENT						

CERTIFICATION

I, Patricia Hendricks, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Pine Hill, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by Borough of Pine Hill at a meeting of said Council held on the 14th day of September 2020 at the Borough Municipal Building.

Patricia Hendricks, Borough Clerk

Motion to move Resolution 2020-128 Councilman Robb, 2nd Councilman Knott
Roll call: 6 yes votes

Mayor Green opened the floor to the Public:
There was no one participating in the meeting.

Motion to close the floor to the public: Councilman Knott, 2nd Councilwoman Corry-Gaft
All in Favor: 6 yes votes

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-127

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL
COUNTY OF CAMDEN

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION OF THE
BOROUGH OF PINE HILL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Pine Hill (hereinafter the “Pine Hill”) is subject to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.A. 10:4-1 et seq. (“Act”) which requires that its meetings be open to the general public; and

WHEREAS, Section 10:4-12 of the Act permits Pine Hill to go into closed session, which is not open to the general public, for certain limited purposes enumerated in the Act; and

WHEREAS, Pine Hill hereby desires to adopt this Resolution to go into closed session at this time in order to: [*Check all that apply*]

_____ Discuss matters deemed confidential by express provision of Federal or State Law or Rule of Court;

_____ Discuss matters in which release of the information would impair a right to receive funds from the United States Government;

_____ Discuss matters the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, including but not limited to, information relative to an individual’s personal or family circumstances and any material relating to medical, rehabilitation, custodial, or child protection issues;

_____ Discuss Collective Bargaining Agreements;

_____ Discuss any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if disclosed;

Discuss any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public if disclosure would impair such protection and/or any investigations or violations or possible violations of the law;

 X Discuss any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation (other than collective bargaining) in which Pine Hill is or may become a party and/or any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege; and/or

 X Discuss any matter involving the appointment, termination, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance of, any specific prospective or current public officer or employee of Pine Hill;

Related to: Personnel – Contracts - Litigation

WHEREAS, Pine Hill believes that the matters discussed in closed session can be disclosed to the general public at such time when the Mayor and Borough Council have determined the matters discussed are no longer required to be maintained as confidential and adopt a further resolution to place the Closed Session Minutes into the Public Minutes Record Book.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pine Hill hereby resolves to go into closed session for the reasons articulated above immediately after passage of this Resolution. This Resolution shall be kept on file for public inspection in accordance with statutory provisions.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL

BY: _____
CHRISTOPHER J. GREEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA HENDRICKS, BOROUGH CLERK

	WARRINGTON	KNOTT	JAXEL	ROBB	BURKE	CORRY-GAFT
YES						
ABSTAIN						
NO						
ABSENT						

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Motion to move Resolution 2020-127 Councilman Robb, 2nd Councilman Knott
All in favor: 6 yes votes

Closed Session began at 7:40pm:
Closed Session ended at 7:57pm:

Roll Call Vote to return into open session
Roll Call: 6 yes votes

Mr. Patterson reported that the first decision made in closed session was 2020-129 Resolution of the Borough of Pine Hill Authorizing a Separation Agreement and General Release with Employee 3203.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-129

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL
COUNTY OF CAMDEN

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL
AUTHORIZING A SEPARATION AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE
WITH EMPLOYEE 3203

WHEREAS, Employee 3203 has been employed by the Borough of Pine Hill as its Municipal Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Employee 3203 and the Pine Hill Mayor and Borough Council desire to settle various aspects of her employment rights and benefits by executing the attached Separation Agreement and General Release; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Pine Hill, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that it hereby approves the attached Separation Agreement and General Release with Employee 3203 in accordance with the terms set forth in that document subject to the following conditions:

1. The signature of Employee 3203 to the Separation Agreement and General Release and the passing of the legally required seven (7) day time period subsequent to the signature of her right to rescind that signature.
2. Should said signature not be rescinded, the appropriate Borough officials are authorized to execute the Separation Agreement and General Release on behalf of the Borough.
3. Should the employee not sign the Separation Agreement and General Release or rescinds her signature to it, then this resolution shall be rescinded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

BOROUGH OF PINE HILL

BY: _____
CHRISTOPHER J. GREEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA HENDRICKS, BOROUGH CLERK

	WARRINGTON	KNOTT	JAXEL	ROBB	BURKE	CORRY-GAFT
YES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ABSTAIN						
NO						
ABSENT						

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Patricia Hendricks, Borough Clerk

Motion to move Resolution 2020-129 Councilman Warrington, 2nd Councilman Knott
Roll call: 6 yes votes

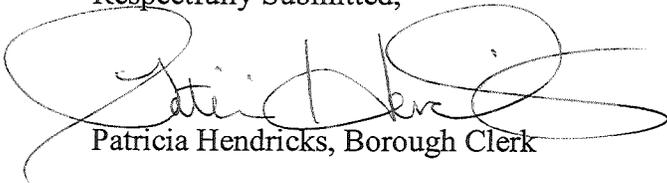
Mr. Patterson reported that the second decision made in closed session was to hire an employee for the Public Works Department.

Motion to hire employee for the Public Works Department:
Councilman Knott, 2nd Councilman Robb
Roll call: 6 yes votes

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Warrington, 2nd Councilwoman Corry-Gaft
All in Favor: 6 yes votes

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia Hendricks, Borough Clerk