



**VIII. HEARING ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY – 3 minutes per resident**

Comments are welcome during the public comment period during this meeting on any agenda item. However, if an ordinance is listed for its own public hearing on the agenda, please hold your comments for that particular public hearing. To make your comment, the speaker must come forward to the microphone and state his/her name and address for the record. Each speaker is limited to 3 minutes. The (Mayor/Council President) will keep time. Please promptly yield on the floor when time is called and return to your seat. Your cooperation in adherence to these rules of order will ensure an orderly and respectful meeting.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS- RESOLUTIONS**

**OFFICIAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ON THE FOLLOWING:**

**A. RESOLUTIONS**

- 1. Resolution approving Bill List dated September 6, 2016 in the amount of \$473,284.39.
- 2. Resolution authorizing a matching grant from Union County in the amount of \$100,103.60 for renovations and improvements to Memorial Park, Columbia Park and Peppertown Park.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA** – All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Township Council and will be enacted upon by one motion; there will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

a. Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund the following 2016 tax overpayment:

1. David & Tammy Karelus	14 Pine Grove Road	\$2,215.87
2. Berkeley Development Co.	372-82 Springfield Ave.	\$39,470.00
3. Dhiren & Piya Shah	24 Hamilton Avenue	\$2,660.49
4. Saleh,Sara,Dina Amami	59 Hillside Avenue	\$361.57
5. Kathy Kashani	11 Debbie Place	\$205.07
6. Haicong Fu	39 Upper Drive	\$174.88.

b. Resolution authorizing redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #15-00002 to US Bank Cust BV Trust for Block #2006, Lot #24, located at 637 Mountain Avenue in the amount of \$23,372.85.

c. Resolution authorizing a block party on Baker Avenue, on September 17, 2016 from 3:00 p.m.–10:00 p.m.

d. Resolution authorizing a block party on Mercier Place on September 24, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., with a rain date of October 8, 2016.

e. Resolution authorizing a block party on Rutgers Avenue on October 1, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with a rain date of October 8, 2016.

f. Resolution authorizing a release of a Street Opening performance bond in the amount of \$700.00, for work done at 206 Rutgers Avenue

- g. Resolution adding Michael Tomich to the active roster of the Berkeley Heights Fire Department.
- h. Resolution declaring September 16, 2016 “POW/MIA Remembrance Day” in the Township of Berkeley Heights.

**XI. CITIZENS HEARING - 3 minutes per resident**

Comments are welcome during the public comment period during this meeting on any matter over which the Township has jurisdiction. To make your comment, the speaker must come forward to the microphone and state his/her name and address for the record. Each speaker is limited to 3 minutes. The Mayor and/or Council will keep time. Please promptly yield the floor when time is called and return to your seat. Your cooperation in adherence to these rules of order will ensure an orderly and respectful meeting.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**

**Mayor's Correspondence**

**August 2016**

1. **NJDOT** – announcing that applications are being accepted for 2016 Transportation Alternatives Program
2. **NJ Manufacturer's Insurance Co** – marketing letter
3. **NJLM** – Annual Audit Statement
4. **Inroads to Opportunities** – July newsletter
5. **Anonymous** – letter asking for street sign replacement
6. **NJLM** – invitation to Mayor's Committee on Life Sciences forum
7. **Dawood Farahi** – invitation to Kean University's Opening Day Address
8. **The Rotarian** – September issue
9. **YWCA** – Invitation to Empowering Women Cocktail Reception
10. **Rutgers** – County Visions newsletter Fall 2016
11. **UC Human Relations Commission** – announcing educational forum for distressed homeowners facing foreclosure
12. **Eugene Deutsch** – letter with suggestion for Memorial Day activity
13. **Rehabco** – marketing letter for affordable housing administration program
14. **UC Office of Public Information** – information and publicity posters on "Thank you for Your Service" an award winning documentary
15. **Patti Gasparini** – copy of student book "Operation We Remember"
16. **Partnership for Drug Free NJ** – info on community drug awareness campaign
17. **ANJEC** – invitation to Responding to Climate Change Locally information session
18. **Applied Service Corp** – letter from remediation professional stating that remediation at 96 Snyder Avenue has been completed in accordance with NJDEP regulations
19. **Bruce Meringolo Mayor Long Hill** – invitation to participate in The Picnic in the Park celebrating Long Hill's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary
20. **Sandra Huber** – letter stating that the Clean Communities Statistical Report is Open cc: Joe Steiner, Suburban Chamber of Commerce
21. **Lucille Caparoso** – letter from resident upset about the 4 way stop signs on Summit Avenue and the erection of the new no parking signs on Summit Avenue

## **TOWNSHIP COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE**

**August 2016**

1. Correspondence received on August 3<sup>rd</sup> regarding a 30 day extension for a flood hazard area application review period for Block 301, Lot 18 on Kuntz Avenue.
2. Correspondence received on August 3<sup>rd</sup> from Jersey Central Power & Light regarding a copy of the Notice of Filing and Public Hearings on the proposed transfer of JCP&L Company transmission assets and lease of real property assets to MAIT (Mid-Atlantic Interstate Transmission, LLC;)
3. Correspondence received on August 8<sup>th</sup> from State of NJ DOT, regarding applications being accepted for the 2016 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP).
4. Correspondence received on August 15<sup>th</sup> from the State of NJ DEP (cover letter only,) regarding a Letter of Interpretation for Applicant, Berkeley Heights YMCA, and Block 1901, Lots 1.01 and 1.03.
5. Correspondence received on July 28<sup>th</sup> from Nic Cocuzza of the CoCo Family Trust regarding recent Planning Board approval and a parking stall for 482 Springfield Avenue, Laura's Dance Studio/Sublime Salon.
6. Letter and flier received on August 22<sup>nd</sup> from Mr. Michael Guarino of the Columbus Parade Association regarding the Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> Christopher Columbus Celebration in Linden.
7. A recently-adopted Township Committee Resolution, received on August 24<sup>th</sup>, from the Township of Cranford, regarding the shutdown of the Transportation Trust Fund.
8. Correspondence received on August 29<sup>th</sup> from Applied Service Corp regarding a Response Action Outcome for 96 Snyder Avenue.
9. Correspondence received on August 25<sup>th</sup> regarding the City of Elizabeth's First Amended Complaint appealing the Order of the Acting Director of the Division of Taxation, dated April 4, 2016, Ordering a Municipal-Wide Revaluation for the City of Elizabeth.

Agenda Item # 1

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, State of New Jersey, in meeting assembled, authorizes and directs the Township Treasurer to make payment of vouchers listed on the Bill List dated 9/6/16, in the amount of \$473,284.39 such vouchers having been received by the Township Council, having been satisfied that appropriate procedure has been followed in the processing of said vouchers.

**APPROVED** this 6th day of September, 2016.

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

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**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTON AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR "KIDS RECREATION  
TRUST FUND" GRANT FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union and State of New Jersey desires to apply for and obtain a matching grant from Union County for \$100,103.60 for renovations and improvements to the Memorial Park, Columbia Park and Peppertown Park.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights does hereby authorize the filing of such a grant application and, upon receipt of the grant agreement from Union County, does further authorize the execution of the grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from Union County, does further authorize the expenditure of funds, pursuant to the terms of said agreement between the Township of Berkeley Heights and Union County.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** matching dollars for the grant will come from the following sources:

Township Recreation Trust Fund:	\$39,003.60
Donations for Peppertown Park	\$61,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Recreation Director, is hereby authorized to file the grant application.

**APPROVED this 6th day of September 2016.**

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

Agenda Item  
# 30(1)

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has advised that there was an overpayment of a portion of 2016 property taxes for property known as Block #2201 Lot #2 also known as 14 Pine Grove Road, which requires a refund in the amount of \$2,215.87; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to refund the overpayment for 2016 taxes in the amount of \$2,215.87 to David M. and Tammy P. Karelus, 14 Pine Grove Road, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to David M. and Tammy P. Karelus, Treasurer and Tax Collector.

**APPROVED** this 6th day of September, 2016.

**Attest:**

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**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**

Agenda Item

# 3 a(2)

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has advised that there was an overpayment of a portion of 2016 property taxes for property known as Block #701 Lot #2 also known as 372-82 Springfield Avenue, which requires a refund in the amount of \$39,470.00; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to refund the overpayment for 2016 taxes in the amount of \$39,470.00 to Berkeley Development Co. L.P., P.O. Box 62, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Berkeley Development Co. L.P., Treasurer and Tax Collector.

**APPROVED this 6th day of September, 2016.**

**Attest:**

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**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**

Agenda Item

# 3 a(3)

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has advised that there was an overpayment of a portion of 2016 property taxes for property known as Block #1103 Lot #5 also known as 24 Hamilton Avenue, which requires a refund in the amount of \$2,660.49; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to refund the overpayment for 2016 taxes in the amount of \$2,660.49 to Dhiren Dharamdas and Piya A Shah, 24 Hamilton Avenue, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Dhiren Dharamdas and Piya A Shah, Treasurer and Tax Collector.

**APPROVED** this 6th day of September, 2016.

**Attest:**

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**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**

Agenda Item

# 32(4)

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has advised that there was an overpayment of a portion of 2016 property taxes for property known as Block #2506 Lot #23 also known as 59 Hillside Avenue, which requires a refund in the amount of \$361.57; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to refund the overpayment for 2016 taxes in the amount of \$361.57 to Saleh & Sara & Dina R. Amami, 59 Hillside Avenue, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Saleh & Sara & Dina R. Amami, Treasurer and Tax Collector.

**APPROVED** this 6th day of September, 2016.

**Attest:**

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**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**

Agenda Item

# 39(5)

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has advised that there was an overpayment of a portion of 2016 property taxes for property known as Block #2505 Lot #13 also known as 11 Debbie Pl., which requires a refund in the amount of \$205.07; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to refund the overpayment for 2016 taxes in the amount of \$205.07 to Kathy F. Kashani, 11 Debbie Pl., Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Kathy F. Kashani, Treasurer and Tax Collector.

**APPROVED this 6th day of September, 2016.**

**Attest:**

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**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**

Agenda Item

# 3a(6)

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has advised that there was an overpayment of a portion of 2016 property taxes for property known as Block #3905 Lot #18 also known as 39 Upper Drive, which requires a refund in the amount of \$174.88; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to refund the overpayment for 2016 taxes in the amount of \$174.88 to Haicong Fu, 39 Upper Drive, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Haicong Fu, Treasurer and Tax Collector.

**APPROVED this 6th day of September, 2016.**

**Attest:**

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**Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk**

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Berkeley Heights issued Tax Sale Certificate #15-00002 to lien holder: US Bank Cust BV Trst 2015-1 for Block #2006, Lot #24, located at 637 Mountain Avenue, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the owner of such property has now redeemed such certificate and the lien holder: US Bank Cust BV Trst 2015-1 is entitled to receive redemption in the amount of \$23,372.85 to be paid by or on behalf of the homeowner.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights, that the Treasurer is authorized to pay out the sum of \$23,372.85, in redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #15-00002 upon the submission of a properly completed voucher and surrender of such certificate.

Copies of this Resolution are to be forwarded to US Bank Cust BV Trst 2015-1, Tax Collector and the Treasurer.

**APPROVED this 6th day of September, 2016.**

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, a request was made by Thomas Pirone requesting permission from the Township Council to hold a neighborhood block party on Baker Avenue, for the road to be closed which would involve erecting barricades on a public street; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council wishes to support the request for a neighborhood block party subject, however, to the special requirements of the appropriate local Township Officials.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights that it does hereby approve of a neighborhood block party on Baker Avenue on Saturday, September 17, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said approval is subject and contingent upon the approval of the Berkeley Heights Police Department, Fire Department and other appropriate officials; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution is to be forwarded to Thomas Pirone, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, and the Director of Public Works.

**APPROVED this 6th day of September, 2016.**

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, by letter dated August 24, 2016 a request was made by Susanne E. Chiefa requesting permission from the Township Council to hold a neighborhood block party on Mercier Place, for the road to be closed off at the intersection of Orchard and Mercier and the intersection of Old Farm and Mercier which would involve erecting barricades on a public street; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council wishes to support the request for a neighborhood block party subject, however, to the special requirements of the appropriate local Township Officials.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights that it does hereby approve of a neighborhood block party for Mercier Place on Saturday, September 24, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m., with a rain date of October 8, 2016.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said approval is subject and contingent upon the approval of the Berkeley Heights Police Department, Fire Department and other appropriate officials; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution is to be forwarded to Susanne E. Chiefa, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, and the Director of Public Works.

**APPROVED this 6th day of September, 2016.**

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, by letter dated August 19, 2016 a request was made by Christine DelDuca requesting permission from the Township Council to hold a neighborhood block party and to have Rutgers Avenue blocked off from Oakland Street to Hamilton Avenue, which would involve erecting barricades on a public street; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Council wishes to support the request for a neighborhood block party subject, however, to the special requirements of the appropriate local Township Officials.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights that it does hereby approve of a neighborhood block party on Rutgers Avenue on Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., with a rain date of October 8, 2016.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said approval is subject and contingent upon the approval of the Berkeley Heights Police Department, Fire Department and other appropriate officials; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution is to be forwarded to Christine DelDuca, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, and the Director of Public Works.

**APPROVED this 6th day of September, 2016.**

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

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**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, John Hutton was required to post a Performance Bond, in the amount of \$700.00, in connection with a street Opening permit at 206 Rutgers Avenue, the Township Engineer has recommended a full release of the bond in the amount of \$700.00, Account #S-17-48-827-250, by letter dated August 26, 2016.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council, Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, hereby authorizes the Township Treasurer to release and return the performance bond posted by John Hutton in the amount of \$700.00, together with any applicable interest.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution is to be forwarded to, Township Treasurer and Township Engineer.

**APPROVED** this 6th day of September, 2016.

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Berkeley Heights, Union County, New Jersey, that the following firefighter be removed from the inactive roster and added to the Active Roster of the Berkeley Heights Fire Department;

**Mike Tomich, 92 Cornell Avenue, Berkeley Heights**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Mike Tomich and the Fire Chief.

**APPROVED** this 6th day of September, 2016.

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk

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**TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS  
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the county of Union, on Friday, September 16, 2016 call on all Union County residents to gather in front of the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth, New Jersey, to remember and honor the men and women who have given so much to make and keep us free and secure in this country, and

**WHEREAS**, Friday, September 16, 2016 has been declared "POW/MIA Remembrance Day" in the Township of Berkeley Heights, a recognition day to give thanks and to remember the sacrifices rendered to us by all our POW/MIA Veterans, and

**WHEREAS**, in honor of this special day, a ceremony will be held in front of the Union County Courthouse, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, beginning at 11:15 a.m. All residents of Berkeley Heights are urged to make a special effort to give thanks and remember the sacrifices made.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Berkeley Heights that Friday, September 16, 2016 be declared "POW/MIA Remembrance Day" in the Township, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to VFW Post 6259.

**APPROVED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.**

**ATTEST:**

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Ana Minkoff  
Township Clerk