Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bogota to be held on Thursday, December 7, 2017, in the Senior Center at 7:30pm.

Salute to the Flag

Roll Call: Mayor Kelemen, council members Fede, Gates-Ferris, Macfarlane, Miranda, Murphy and Napolitano, Other Attendees: Administrator, Attorney, CFO, Payroll and Finance Specialist

The notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Law have been satisfied as notice was sent to two newspapers and posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board on November 27, 2017.

Presentation of Awards to Bogota Recreation Junior Football team Champions

River Development update.

Citizen Remarks: One Five (5) minute time limit per person

Consent Agenda:

17-170 Confirming the Endorsement of the Borough of Bogota Community Development project for Palisade Avenue Road Improvements.

17-171 Confirming Endorsement of the Borough of Bogota Community Development Project for Senior Citizen Activities

17-172 Adopting Annual Mayor and Council Meeting schedule

17-173 Authorizing the Holiday Schedule for 2018

17-174 Urging Governor Christie and Legislature to Enact Legislation to Extend 2%cap on binding interest arbitration awards

17-175 Hiring Recreation After Care Counselor – Matthew Louis Ojeda

17-176 Support Amendment to Endorsement of a Community Endorsement Project Within the Borough of Bogota by Nouvelle LLC and its Request for HOME funds for the property at 360 Larch Avenue

Approval:

Minutes of November 9, 2017 meeting

Reports

Mayor, Council Committees: Five (5) minute time limit per Council Member, Administrator, Attorney, Clerk

Closed Session: Contract Negotiations
Personnel

Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 21, 2017

RESOLUTION # 17-170 DATE 12/7/17

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
D. Fede						
K. Gates-Ferris						
D. Macfarlane						
F. Miranda						
M. Murphy						
T. Napolitano						

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BOGOTA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR PALISADE AVENUE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS FROM EAST MAIN STREET TO KOVAR STREET

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of $139,035.00 has been proposed by the Borough of Bogota for Paving, Sidewalks, and Curbing on Palisade Avenue from East Main Street to Kovar Street in the Borough of Bogota, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project total cost is estimated to be $159,890.25 which includes a contribution of $20,855.25 from the Borough of Bogota, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Borough of Bogota, and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Bogota hereby confirms endorsement of the project for Paving, Sidewalks and Curbing on Palisade Avenue from East Main Street to Kovar Street, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

ATTEST:

Jeanne Cook, Borough Clerk

Christopher Kelemen, Mayor

RESOLUTION # 17-171 DATE 12/7/17

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
D. Fede						
K. Gates-Ferris						
D. Macfarlane						
F. Miranda						
M. Murphy						
T. Napolitano						

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF BOGOTA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of $5,950.00 has been proposed by the Borough of Bogota for various Senior Citizen Activities in the Borough of Bogota, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project total cost is estimated to be $7,350.00 which includes a contribution of $1,400.00 from the Borough of Bogota, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Borough of Bogota, and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Bogota hereby confirms endorsement of the project for Senior Citizen Activities, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

ATTEST:

Jeanne Cook, Borough Clerk

Christopher Kelemen, Mayor

RESOLUTION # 17-172 DATE 12/7/17

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
D. Fede						
K. Gates-Ferris						
D. Macfarlane						
F. Miranda						
M. Murphy						
T. Napolitano						

Yearly Meetings 2018

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bogota, pursuant to provision of the Open Public Meetings Act NJSA 10:4-6, et seq., adopts the following annual schedule of meetings for the year 2018. All meetings will be held on Thursdays, (with some exceptions) beginning at 7:30 PM at Bogota Borough Hall Council Chambers, 375 Larch Avenue, Bogota, New Jersey unless otherwise posted and/or advertised:

January 4, 2017 Sine Die Meeting @ 7:00pm in the Senior Center

2017 Reorganization Meeting will occur immediately following the Sine Die Meeting on January 4th in the Senior Center.

Public Meeting Schedule

January 18	---	---
February 1	February 15	February 22 (Budget)
March 1	March 15	---
April 5	April 19	---
May 3	May 17	---
June 7	* June 28	
July 19	---	
August 16	---	
September 6	September 20	
October 4	October 18	
**November 8	---	
***December 1	December 6	December 20

Formal action will be taken at all sessions.

*Extension of date for liquor licensing
**NJLOM State Convention
***Fire Chief's annual election – 7:00pm – Bogota Sr. Citizen Ctr.

RESOLUTION # 17-173 DATE 12/7/17

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
D. Fede						
K. Gates-Ferris						
D. Macfarlane						
F. Miranda						
M. Murphy						
T. Napolitano						

Holiday Schedule 2018

BE IT RESOLVED the Mayor and council of the Borough of Bogota authorize the following 13 holidays plus one floating holiday for Election Day for the year 2018, with pay, for full time employees of the Borough:

January 1	Monday	New Year's Day
January 15	Monday	Martin Luther King Day
February 12	Monday	Lincoln's Birthday
February 19	Monday	Washington's Birthday
March 30	Friday	Good Friday
May 28	Monday	Memorial Day
July 4	Tuesday	Independence Day
September 3	Monday	Labor Day
October 8	Monday	Columbus Day
November 12	Monday	Veteran's Day
November 22	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day
November 23	Friday	Day after Thanksgiving
December 24	Monday	Floater for Election Day
December 25	Tuesday	Christmas Day

RESOLUTION # 17-174 DATE 12/7/17

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
D. Fede						
K. Gates-Ferris						
D. Macfarlane						
F. Miranda						
M. Murphy						
T. Napolitano						

A Resolution Urging Governor Chris Christie and the New Jersey Legislature to Enact Legislation that will Permanently Extend the 2% Cap on Binding Interest Arbitration Awards before December 31, 2017

WHEREAS, pursuant to the sunset provision contained in P.L. 2014, c. 11 the 2% cap on interest arbitration awards is set to expire on December 31, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, this law empowers local governments throughout the State to effectively control public safety employment salaries and personnel costs by capping interest arbitration awards at 2% for base salaries, which includes step increments and longevity pay; and,

WHEREAS, local governments dedicate a substantial portion of their overall annual operating expenses for employee salaries, wages, health benefits, and other personnel costs; and

WHEREAS, local governments face a restrictive 2% property tax cap levy where counties must prepare two comprehensive cap calculations and use the more restrictive one; and,

WHEREAS, failure to extend the 2% cap on interest arbitration awards will force local governments to further reduce or even eliminate essential services, critical personnel, and long-overdue infrastructure improvement projects; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of local governments and property taxpayers throughout the State struggling to make ends meet to permanently extend the 2% cap on interest arbitration awards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Bogota does in fact hereby urge Governor Chris Christie and the New Jersey State Legislature to enact legislation that will permanently extend the 2% cap on interest arbitration awards before December 31, 2017; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution are forwarded to the Governor of the State of New Jersey Chris Christie, the President of the New Jersey State Senate Steve Sweeney, the Speaker of the General Assembly, and the New Jersey Association of Counties.

ATTEST:

Jeanne Cook, Borough Clerk

Christopher Kelemen, Mayor

RESOLUTION # 17-175 DATE 12/7/17

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
D. Fede						
K. Gates-Ferris						
D. Macfarlane						
F. Miranda						
M. Murphy						
T. Napolitano						

Hiring Recreation After-Care Counselor

WHEREAS, a need arose in the Borough of Bogota Recreation Department for the position of After-Care Counselor – Part-Time Hourly; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Director conducted interviews for the aforesaid position and,

WHEREAS, the Recreation Director has recommended Matthew Louis Ojeda for the position:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Bogota, County Bergen, New Jersey that Matthew Louis Ojeda hereby be hired as a Recreation After-Care Counselor – Part-Time Hourly as follows:

Name:	Matthew Louis Ojeda
Department:	Recreation
Position/Title:	After-Care Counselor
Category:	Part-Time Hourly
Rate:	In accordance with 2017 Salary Ordinance

RESOLUTION # 17-176 DATE 12/7/17

COUNCIL	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
D. Fede						
K. Gates-Ferris						
D. Macfarlane						
F. Miranda						
M. Murphy						
T. Napolitano						

Support Amendment to Endorsement of a Community Development Project
Within the Borough of Bogota by Nouvelle LLC and its
Request for HOME funds for the property at 360 Larch Ave.

WHEREAS, a Bergen County HOME Investment Partnership application of $138,026 (increased from $120,000) has now been proposed by Nouvelle LLC for 360 Larch Avenue in the Borough of Bogota; and

WHEREAS, a previous resolution of the Mayor and Council was adopted supporting this project, however due to recommendations from the County, the project has been amended and as such an increase in the amount being requested is necessary; and

WHEREAS, Nouvelle LLC, was established in 1995 and began working on Affordable Housing projects in 2005 for different federal, state and local agencies in regards to multi-family and group homes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, HOME funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Mayor and Council; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Borough of Bogota; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate any financial resources of the Borough and is intended solely to expedite the aforesaid HOME application filed by Nouvelle LLC and expenditure of any funds received by Nouvelle.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bogota, that the Borough of Bogota hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

Jeanne Cook, Borough Clerk

Chris Kelemen, Mayor