

**MINUTES - TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TOWN OF BELVIDERE**  
**WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**  
691 Water Street  
**FEBRUARY 26, 2024**

Mayor Miers opened the regular meeting of the Belvidere Town Council with the Pledge of Allegiance and the following notice was read in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act: In accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was given by way of notice filed with the Express Times NJ Zone and/or the Express-Times or Newark Star Ledger, filed in the Municipal Clerk's Office and posted in the Belvidere Town Hall, 691 Water Street, Belvidere NJ and on the municipal website, belviderenj.net.

**Roll Call:**

Present - Mayor Miers, Councilman Allen, Councilwoman Koop, Councilman Matlock, Councilman Mitchell, Councilman Roth  
Absent - Councilman Zmigrodski

**Adoption of Minutes:**

A **motion** was made by Councilman Roth, seconded by Councilman Allen and carried to adopt the February 12, 2024 regular and executive meeting minutes of the Belvidere Town Council.

**Public Comment:**

Mayor Miers congratulated the BHS Cheering and Bowling teams on their recent accomplishments. Also a congratulations to Landin Stout on his 300 game and making the top 100 bowlers in the State.

**Committee Reports:**

Councilwoman Koop - budget requests are due by 2/29 and finance will then meet to review the requests.

Councilman Roth - The BOE had nothing new on the sale of the Third Street School but they were informed that the building cannot be insured once it has been vacant for two years. There have been discussions with representatives from Fish and Wildlife regarding the use of property along the river. Progress is being made. The LEO advisor from BHS has advised that the club participants are interested in assisting with snow removal for those individuals in Town that would qualify. Working on getting Historic and Shade Tree to update their pages on the website. The quarterly volunteer meeting is scheduled for March 4<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Mitchell - The Belvidere Ambulance Corps had 148 calls in January and almost 1,500 calls in 2023. The Councilman, Mayor Miers and Tracy Marsh met to discuss some of the Corp's concerns. Good Will Fire has some concerns with the fire lane to the proposed warehouse. Attended a pre-construction meeting with Brightspeed where they discussed the upcoming fiber optic installation. Still trying to locate a local representative for Brightspeed.

Councilman Matlock - DPW has been patching some potholes and they had some trees down.

Councilman Allen - the Shade Tree inventory has been completed. The Planning Board adopted the approval resolution for the BUR warehouse project. Historic will be attending an information meeting for new residents on March 23<sup>rd</sup> at the CCB. CCB sponsoring the West Point Glee Club at the BHS auditorium on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Environmental working on their Bee City resolution.

Teresa Yeisley - FEMA funding has been released totaling approximately \$70,000 for the bridge removal, debris removal, equipment costs and labor costs. Projects including repairs to Seventh Street, Fourth Street underpass and the Second Street drainage pipe repair have been approved and work will commence on those projects as soon as weather permits. There will be a meeting with the FEMA mitigation representatives regarding the Popanduhsing stream bank restoration.

**Correspondences:**

No correspondence was addressed at this time.

**Previous Business:**

No previous business was addressed at this time.

**New Business:**

No new business was addressed at this time.

**Resolutions:**

**A motion** was made by Councilman Mitchell, seconded by Councilman Matlock and carried to adopt Resolution No. R2024x19.

**RESOLUTION NO. R2024x19**

**TOWN OF BELVIDERE**

**WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE COMPLETION OF RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE BELVIDERE SCOUT HOME**

WHEREAS, the Belvidere Scout Home required renovations and repairs as determined by the Risk Management professionals of the Town's insurance carrier; and

WHEREAS, said renovations and repairs have been completed and inspected for use as determined by the Certified Public Works Manager of the Town of Belvidere; and

WHEREAS, an inspection will be completed by the Risk Management professionals of the Town's insurance carrier at a later date;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Belvidere Town Council hereby authorizes the use of the Belvidere Scout Home by and for all Scouting activities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no cooking will be permitted in the facility until a complete inspection has been made by the Risk Management professionals for the Town of Belvidere's insurance carrier.

**Certification**

I, Teresa A. Yeisley, Municipal Clerk/Administrator, Town of Belvidere do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Belvidere Town Council at a public meeting held on February 26, 2024.

**A motion** was made by Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilman Matlock and carried to adopt Resolution No. R2024x20.

**RESOLUTION NO. R2024x20**

**TOWN OF BELVIDERE**

**WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZES THAT SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR FUNDING TO "RESURFACE AND REFURBISH MUNICIPAL TENNIS COURTS"**

WHEREAS, the **Town of Belvidere** desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately **\$100,000.00** to carry out a project to **"Resurfacing and Refurbishment of Municipal Tennis Courts"; resurface, reline and provide new posts and nets for dual tennis courts and also re-fence entire playing area.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

- 1) the Town of Belvidere does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and
- 2) recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount of funding and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the Department of

Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement for the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the

**Town of Belvidere  
and the  
New Jersey Department of Community Affairs**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the persons whose names, titles and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application and that they or their successors in said titles and authorized to sign the agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

Teresa A. Yeisley, Municipal Clerk/Administrator

Kathleen B. Miers, Mayor

**Ordinances:  
ORDINANCE NO. O2024x01  
TOWN OF BELVIDERE  
WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 437 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF  
BELVIDERE ENTITLED “STORMWATER QUALITY”**

**CHAPTER 437  
STORMWATER QUALITY**

**Section I:**  
In furtherance of the Town’s redesignation by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to a Tier A stormwater general permit, the following new Chapter 437 is hereby established to implement mandatory ordinances required by the Tier A designation.

**Article I  
Illicit Connections**

**§437-1. Purpose**

An ordinance to prohibit illicit connections to the municipal separate storm sewer system(s) operated by the Town of Belvidere (Town), so as to protect public health, safety and welfare and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

**§437-2. Definitions**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future words in the plural number include the singular number and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory. The definitions below are the same as or based on corresponding definitions in the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) rules at N.J.A.C. 7:14A-1.2.

- a. Domestic sewage - waste and wastewater from humans or household operations.
- b. Illicit connection - and physical or non-physical connection that discharges domestic sewage, non-contact cooling water, process wastewater or other industrial waster (other than stormwater) to the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) operated by the Town of Belvidere, unless that discharge is authorized under a NJPDES permit other than the Tier A Municipal Stormwater General Permit (NJPDES Permit Number NJ0141852). Non-physical connections may include, but are not limited to, leaks, flows or overflows into the MS4.
- c. Industrial waste non-domestic waste, including, but not limited to, those pollutants regulated under Section 307(a), (b) or © of the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1317 (a), (b) or ©).

- d. MS4 - a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels or storm drains) that are owned and operated by the Town.
- e. NJPDES permit - a permit issued by the NJDEP to implement the NJPDES rules at N.J.A.C. 7:14A.
- f. Non-contract cooling water - water used to reduce temperature for the purpose of cooling. Such waters do not come into direct contact with any raw material, intermediate product (other than heat) or finished product. Non-contact cooling water may however contain algaecides or biocides to control fouling of equipment such as heat exchangers and/or corrosion inhibitors.
- g. Person - any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- h. Process wastewater - any water which, during manufacturing or processing, comes into direct contact with or results from the production or use of any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct or waste product. Process wastewater includes, but is not limited to, leachate and cooling water other than on-contact cooling water.
- i. Stormwater - water resulting from precipitation (including rain or snow) that runs off the land's surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewerage or drainage facilities or is conveyed by snow removal equipment.

### **§437-3. Prohibited Conduct**

No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged through an illicit connection to the MS4 operated by the Town any domestic sewage, non-contact cooling water, process wastewater or other industrial waster (other than stormwater).

## **Article II Improper Disposal of Waste**

### **§437.4. Purpose**

An ordinance to prohibit the spilling, dumping or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal MS4 operated by the Town, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

### **§437.5. Definitions**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future words in the plural number include the singular number and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. MS4 - a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels or storm drains) that are owned and operated by the Town or other public body and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater.
- b. Person - any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Stormwater - water resulting from precipitation (including rain or snow) that runs off the land's surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewerage or drainage facilities or is conveyed by snow removal equipment.

### **§437-6. Prohibited Conduct**

The spilling, dumping or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the MS4 operated by the Town is prohibited. The spilling, dumping or disposal of materials other than stormwater in such a manner as to cause the discharge of pollutants to the MS4 is also prohibited.

#### **§437-7. Exceptions to Prohibition**

- a. Water line flushing and discharges from potable water sources.
- b. Uncontaminated ground water (e.g., infiltration, crawl space or basement sump pumps, foundation or footing drains, rising ground waters).
- c. Air conditioning condensate (excluding contact and non-contact cooling water).
- d. Irrigation water (including landscape and lawn water runoff).
- e. Flows from springs, riparian habitats and wetlands, water reservoir discharges and diverted stream flows.
- f. Residential care washing water and residential swimming pool discharges.
- g. Sidewalk, driveway and street wash water.
- h. Flows from fire fighting activities.
- i. Flows from rinsing of the following equipment with clean water:
  - Beach maintenance equipment immediately following their use for their intended purposes; and
  - Equipment used in the application of salt and de-icing materials immediately following salt and de-icing materials must be removed from equipment and vehicles to the maximum extent practicable using dry cleaning methods (e.g., shoveling and sweeping). Recovered materials are to be returned to storage for reuse or properly discarded. Rinsing of equipment, as noted in the above situation is limited to exterior, undercarriage and exposed parts and does not apply to engines or other enclosed machinery.

### **Article III Yard Waste Collection Program**

#### **§437-8. Purpose**

An ordinance to establish a yard waste collection and disposal program in the Town, so as to protect the public health, safety and welfare and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

#### **§437-9. Definitions**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future words in the plural number include the singular number and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Containerized - means the placement of yard waste in a trash can, bucket, bag or other vessel, such as to prevent the yard waste from spilling or blowing out into the street and coming into contact with stormwater.
- b. Person - any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Street - means any street, avenue, boulevard, road, parkway, viaduct, drive or other way which is an existing State, county or municipal roadway and includes the land between the street lines, whether improved or unimproved and may comprise pavement, shoulders, gutters, curbs, sidewalks, parking areas and other area within the street lines.
- d. Yard Waste - means leaves and grass clippings.

#### **§437-10. Yard Waste Collection**

Sweeping, raking, blowing or otherwise placing yard waste that is not containerized at the curb or along the street is only allowed during the seven (7) days prior to a scheduled and announced collection and shall not be placed closer than 10 feet from any storm drain inlet. Placement of such yard waste at the curb or along the street at any other time or in any other manner is a violation of this ordinance. If such placement of yard waste occurs, the party responsible for placement of the yard waste must remove the yard waste from the street or said party shall be

deemed in violation of this ordinance.

## **Article IV Pet Waste**

### **§437-11. Purpose**

An ordinance to establish requirements for the disposal of pet solid waste in the Town, so as to protect the public health, safety and welfare and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

### **§437-12. Definitions**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future words in the plural number include the singular number and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Immediate - shall mean that the pet solid waste is removed at once, without delay.
- b. Owner/Keeper - any person who shall process, maintain, house or harbor any pet or otherwise have custody of any pet, whether or not the owner of said pet.
- c. Person - any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- d. Pet - a domesticated animal (other than a disability assistance animal) kept for amusement or companionship.
- e. Pet solid waste - waste matter expelled from the bowels of the pet; excrement.
- f. Proper disposal - placement in a designated waste receptacle or other suitable container and discarded in a refuse container which is regularly emptied by the municipality or some other refuse collector or disposed into a system designed to convey sewage for proper treatment and disposal.

### **§437-13. Requirement for Disposal**

All pet owners and keepers are required to immediately and properly dispose of their pet’s solid waste deposited on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by that person.

### **§437-14. Exemptions**

Any owner or keeper who requires the use of a disability assistance animal shall be exempt from the provisions of this section while sad animal is being used for that purpose.

## **Article V Private Storm Drain Inlet Retrofitting**

### **§437-15. Purpose**

AN ordinance requiring the retrofitting of existing storm drain inlets which are in direct contact with repaving, repairing, reconstruction or resurfacing or alterations of facilities on private property, to prevent the discharge of solids and floatables (such as plastic bottles, cans, food wrappers and other litter) to the MS4 operated by the Town so as to protect the public health, safety and welfare and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

### **§437-16. Definitions**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future words in the plural number include the singular number and words used in the

singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

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- b. Person - any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Storm drain inlet - an opening in a storm drain used to collect stormwater runoff and includes, but is not limited to a grate inlet, curb-opening inlet, slotted inlet and combination inlet.
- d. Waters of the State - means the ocean and its estuaries, all springs, streams and bodies of surface or ground water, whether natural or artificial within the boundaries of the State of New Jersey or subject to its jurisdiction.

#### **§437-17. Prohibited Conduct**

No person in control of private property (except a residential lot with one single family house) shall authorize the repaving, repairing (excluding the repair of individual potholes), resurfacing (including top coating or chip sealing with asphalt emulsion or a thin base of hot bitumen), reconstructing or altering and surface that is in direct contact with an existing storm drain inlet on that property unless the storm drain inlet either:

- a. Already meets the design standard below to control passage of solid and floatable material; or
- b. Is retrofitted or replaced to meet the standard in Section 437-18 below prior to the completion of the project.

#### **§437-18. Design Standards**

Storm drain inlets identified in Section 437-17 above shall comply with the following standard to control passage of solid and floatable materials through storm drain inlets. For purposes of this paragraph, “solid and floatable materials” means sediment, debris, trash, and other floating, suspended, or settleable solids. For exemptions to this standard see Section 437-18(c) below.

- a. Design engineers shall use either of the following grates whenever they use a grate in pavement or another ground surface to collect stormwater from that surface into a storm drain or surface water body under that grate:
  - 1. The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) bicycle safe grate, which is described in Chapter 2.4 of the NJDOT Bicycle Compatible Roadways and Bikeways Planning and Design Guidelines (April 1996); or
  - 2. A different grate, if each individual clear space in that grate has an area of no more than seven (7) square inches, or is no greater than 0.5 inches across the smallest dimension.  
Examples of grates subject to this standard include grate inlets, the grate portion (non-curb-opening portion) of combination inlets, grates on storm sewer manholes, ditch grates, trench grates and grates of spacer bars in slotted drains. Examples of ground surfaces include surfaces of roads (including bridges), driveways, parking areas, bikeways, plazas, sidewalks, lawns, fields, open channels and stormwater basin floors.
- b. Whenever design engineers use a curb-opening inlet, the clear space in that curb opening (or each individual clear space, if the curb opening has two or more clear spaces) shall have an area no more than seven (7) square inches or be no greater than two (2) inches across the smallest dimension.
- c. This standard does not apply:
  - 1. Where a municipal engineer agrees that this standard would cause inadequate hydraulic performance that could not practicably be overcome by using additional or larger storm drain inlets that meet these standards;

2. Where flows are conveyed through any device (e.g., end of pipe netting facility, manufactured treatment device or a catch basin hood) that is designed at a minimum to prevent delivery of all solid and floatable materials that could pass through one of the following:
  - i. A rectangular space four and five-eighths inches long and one and one-half inches wide (this option does not apply for outfall netting facilities); or
  - ii. A bar screen having a bar spacing of 0.5 inches.
3. Where flows are conveyed through a trash rack that has parallel bars of one inch (1") spacing between the bars; or
4. Where the NJDEP determines, pursuant to the New Jersey Register of Historic Places rules at N.J.A.C. 7:4-7.2©, that action to meet this standard is an undertaking that constitutes an encroachment or will damage or destroy the New Jersey Register listed historic property.

## **Article VI**

### **Privately-Owned Salt Storage**

#### **§437-19. Purpose**

The purpose of this ordinance is to prevent stored salt and other solid de-icing materials from being exposed to stormwater. This ordinance establishes requirements for the storage of salt and other solid de-icing materials on properties not owned by the municipality (privately-owned), including residences in the Town to protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

#### **§437-20. Definitions**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future words in the plural number include the singular number and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. De-icing - materials means any granular or solid material such as melting salt or any other granular solid that assists in the melting of snow.
- b. Impervious surface - a surface that has been covered with a layer of material so that it is highly resistant to infiltration by water.
- c. Storm drain inlet - the point of entry into the storm sewer system.
- d. Permanent structure - a permanent building or permanent structure that is anchored to a permanent foundation with an impermeable floor, and that is completely roofed and walled (new structures require a door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall). A fabric frame structure is a permanent structure if it meets the following specifications:
  1. Concrete blocks, jersey boundaries or other similar material shall be placed around the interior of the structure to protect the side walls during loading and unloading of de-icing materials;
  2. The design shall prevent stormwater run-off and run through and the fabric cannot leak;
  3. The structure shall be erected on an impermeable slab;
  4. The structure cannot be open sided;
  5. The structure shall have a roll up door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall.
- e. Person - any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- f. Resident - a person who resides on a residential property where de-icing material is stored.

#### **§437-21. De-icing Material Storage Requirements**



- a. Temporary outdoor storage of de-icing materials in accordance with the requirements below is allowed between October 15<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup>:
  1. Loose materials shall be placed on a flat, impervious surface in a manner that prevents stormwater run-through;
  2. Loose materials shall be placed at least 50 feet from surface water bodies, storm drain inlets, ditches and/or other stormwater conveyance channels;
  3. Loose materials shall be maintained in a cone-shaped storage pile. If loading or unloading activities alter the cone-shape during activities, tracked materials shall be swept back into the storage pile and the storage pile shall be reshaped into a cone after use;
  4. Loose materials shall be covered as follows:
    - The cover shall be waterproof, impermeable and flexible;
    - The cover shall extend to the base of the pile(s);
    - The cover shall be secured and weighed down around the perimeter to prevent removal by wind;
    - Weight shall be placed on the cover(s) in such a way that minimizes the potential of exposure as materials shift and runoff flows down the base of the pile. Sandbags lashed together with rope or cable and placed uniformly over the flexible cover or poly-cord nets provide a suitable method. Items that can potentially hold water (e.g., old tires) shall not be used.
  5. Containers must be sealed when not in use.
  6. The site shall be free of all de-icing materials between April 16<sup>th</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup>.
- b. De-icing materials should be stored in a permanent structure if a suitable storage structure is available. For storage of loose de-icing materials in a permanent structure, such storage may be permanent and thus not restricted to October 15<sup>th</sup> - April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- c. The property owner, or owner of the de-icing materials if different, shall designate a person(s) responsible for operations at the site where these materials are stored outdoors and who shall document that weekly inspections are conducted to ensure that the conditions of this ordinance are met. Inspection records shall be kept on site and made available to the municipality upon request.
  1. Residents who operate businesses from their homes that utilize de-icing materials are required to perform weekly inspections.

## **§437-22. Exemptions**

Residents may store de-icing materials outside in a solid-walled, closed container that prevents precipitation from entering and exiting the container and which prevents the de-icing materials from leaking or spilling out. Under these circumstances, weekly inspections are not necessary but repair or replacement of damaged or inadequate containers shall occur within 2 weeks. If containerized (in bags or buckets) de-icing materials are stored within a permanent structure, they are not subject to the storage and inspection requirements in Section III above. Piles of de-icing materials are not exempt, even if stored in a permanent structure. This ordinance does not apply to facilities where stormwater discharges from de-icing material storage activities are regulated under another NJPDES permit.

## **Article VII Wildlife Feeding**

### **§437-23. Purpose**

An ordinance to prohibit the feeding of unconfirmed wildlife in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Town so as to protect public health safety and welfare and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

### **§437-24. Definitions**

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall

have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future words in the plural number include the singular number and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Feed - to give, place, expose, deposit, company, distribute or scatter and edible material with the intention of feeding, attracting or enticing wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.
- b. Person - any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Wildlife - all animals that are neither human or domesticated.

#### **§437-25. Prohibited Conduct**

- a. No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Town any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (e.g. wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers or feral cats as part of an approved Trap-Neuter-Release program).

#### **§437-26. Enforcement**

The provisions of this Chapter may be enforced by the Zoning Official, Municipal Engineer, Police Department, Animal Control Officer, Municipal Clerk/Administrator or other individual designated by the Mayor and Town Council.

#### **§437-27. Penalty**

A violation of this Chapter shall be subject to a fine not exceeding \$25.00.

#### **Section II:**

Severability. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, said provision(s) shall be deemed severable and the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

#### **Section III:**

Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

#### **Section IV:**

Effective date. This Ordinance shall take effect after the second reading, public hearing, adoption and publication in accordance with the law.

#### **NOTICE**

The foregoing ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Belvidere Town Council held on January 22, 2024 and was read for the first time. This ordinance will be further considered for final adoption by the Belvidere Town Council at a meeting to be held on February 26, 2024 at Belvidere Town Hall, 691 Water St., Belvidere at 7:00 PM or at any time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance at that time. Any member of the general public can obtain a copy of said ordinance at no cost at the Municipal Clerk's Office, 691 Water St., Belvidere, Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

Teresa A. Yeisley, RMC/CPM  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

#### **NOTICE**

Be advised that the foregoing ordinance was duly adopted by the Belvidere Town Council at a regular meeting held on February 26, 2024.

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**A motion** was made by Councilman Matlock, seconded by Councilman Roth and carried to open the public hearing for Ordinance No. O2024x01.

**The ordinance brought no public comment.**

**A motion** was made by Councilman Allen and seconded by Councilman Matlock to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance No. O2024x01.

**Roll call:**

**Ayes - Councilman Allen, Councilwoman Koop, Councilman Matlock, Councilman Mitchell, Councilman Roth, Mayor Miers**

**Nays - None**

**Abstentions - None**

**Recusal - None**

**Absent - Councilman Zmigrodski**

**ORDINANCE NO. O2024x03**

**TOWN OF BELVIDERE**

**WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 485, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 485-13 (B) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF BELVIDERE ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”**

BE IT ORDAINED that the Belvidere Town Council hereby amends Chapter 485 of the Code of the Town of Belvidere entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” as follows:

**Chapter 485  
Vehicles and Traffic**

**Article IV  
Vehicle Exclusions**

§ 485-13. Vehicles over designated weights excluded from certain streets; violations and penalties.

B. Violations shall be punished by the following fine: \$750.00

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**NOTICE**

Be advised that the foregoing ordinance was duly adopted by the Belvidere Town Council at a regular meeting held on February 26, 2024.

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**A motion** was made by Councilman Matlock, seconded by Councilwoman Koop and carried to open the public hearing for Ordinance No. O2024x03.

**The ordinance brought no public comment.**

**A motion** was made by Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Councilman Roth to close the

public hearing and adopt Ordinance No. O2024x03.

**Roll call:**

**Ayes - Councilman Allen, Councilwoman Koop, Councilman Matlock, Councilman Mitchell, Councilman Roth, Mayor Miers**

**Nays - None**

**Abstentions - None**

**Recusal - None**

**Absent - Councilman Zmigrodski**

**A motion** was made by Councilman Roth and seconded by Councilman Matlock to introduce Ordinance No. O2024x04.

**ORDINANCE NO. O2024x04**

**TOWN OF BELVIDERE**

**WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 485 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF BELVIDERE ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 485-51 ENTITLED “SCHEDULE XVII: SPEED LIMITS” RELATIVE TO MANUNKACHUNK ROAD**

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend the provisions of Section 485-51 relative to speed limits on Manunkachunk Road to reflect speed limits that are more considerate of pedestrian movements to and from the Municipal Pool property; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Engineer conducted a study on Manunkachunk Road to evaluate the current speed limits and determine new speed limits that are in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare, particularly pedestrians traveling to and from the Municipal Pool property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Belvidere Town Council that Chapter 485, Section 485-51 be amended , revised and supplemented as follows:

**Chapter 485  
Vehicles and Traffic**

**Article XIV  
Schedules**

**§ 485-51 Schedule XVII: Speed Limits**

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Speed Limit (MPH)</u>	<u>Location</u>
Manunkachunk Road Zone 1	25 MPH	From Market Street to a point 2300 feet east of the Market Street intersection just east of the entrance to the Belvidere Pool parking lot.
Manunkachunk Road Zone 2	35 MPH	From a point 2300 feet east of the Market Street intersection to the Belvidere/ White Township municipal boundary

Serverability: If various parts, sections and clauses of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable if any part, section, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Repealer: Any ordinance or parts thereof on conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealer as to their inconsistencies only.

## NOTICE

The foregoing ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Belvidere Town Council held on February 26, 2024 and was read for the first time. This ordinance will be further considered for final adoption by the Belvidere Town Council at a meeting to be held on March 25, 2024 at Belvidere Town Hall, 691 Water St., Belvidere at 7:00 PM or at any time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance at that time. Any member of the general public can obtain a copy of said ordinance at no cost at the Municipal Clerk's Office, 691 Water St., Belvidere, Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

### **Roll call:**

**Ayes - Councilman Allen, Councilwoman Koop, Councilman Matlock, Councilman Mitchell, Councilman Roth, Mayor Miers**

**Nays - None**

**Abstentions - None**

**Recusal - None**

**Absent - Councilman Zmigrodski**

### **Appointments:**

There were no appointments at this time.

### **Authorization to Pay Purchase Orders:**

**A motion** was made by Councilwoman Koop, seconded by Councilman Roth and carried authorizing the payment of the purchase orders, as submitted, in the amount of \$47,686.53.

### **Public Comment:**

Rheva Smickle - thank you for opening the Scout Home.

### **Executive Session:**

No executive session was needed at this time.

### **Adjournment:**

**A motion** was made by Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilman Matlock and carried to adjourn the meeting of the Belvidere Town Council at 7:37 PM.

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