

- Responsible budgeting with proper planning to ensure sound fiscal policies.
 - Annual review of the operations of all municipal departments to find all possible efficiencies with the goal of bringing the cost of government down.
 - Develop capital spending plans out to 10 years for continuity of long-term budgeting.
 - Explore additional shared service agreements to reduce operating expenses.
 - Commission a management study of the Department of Public Works to determine if outsourcing of trash pickups would provide savings or allow for re-tasking of existing staff to other public works functions such as roadway, park and tree maintenance.
 - Provide annual cost assessments of necessities such as Police, Fire and DPW along with all other current and proposed services to draw direct lines between the budget, where tax dollars are spent and how any proposed tax increases will be used.
- Provide no-charge bulk trash pickup for residents once annually.
 - Service will require pre-registration and have a 500-pound limit.
 - Existing fee-based bulk pickups will be maintained for residents over the free limit.
- Enhance transparency of the municipal government using technology and public budget meetings with department heads.
 - Require all municipal department heads to present justifications for their operating budgets and capital purchase during the public session.
 - Outsource management of the Borough website and maintain an official Facebook account while providing clear policy on the content and timeliness of postings.
 - Stream all open public meetings via Facebook Live to ensure no possibility of editing.
- Ensure support and necessary equipment for the Garwood Fire Department.
 - Creation of an earmarked fund consisting of an annual set-aside from redevelopment fees and/or PILOT agreements to defray cost of equipment upgrades or purchases.
 - Provide necessary funding for firefighter protective equipment.
- Enhance support for the Recreation Commission.
 - Properly fund existing programs to increase capacity and age range for participants.
 - Expand recreation programs which will run throughout the year, such as seasonal sports skills development programs, health promotion programs and social inclusion programs (used for cultural awareness and bullying/inclusion issues in youth).
- Maintain responsible oversight of redevelopment projects as we move Garwood Forward.
 - Ensure all negotiation with property owners/developers is handled through proper channels and with all the transparency which is legally permissible.
 - Work with our professionals and Planning Board to achieve the best possible development outcomes for the Borough.

**RE-ELECT MAYOR CHARLES LOMBARDO
ELECT JENNYFER GUERRERO AND VINCENT KEARNEY TO COUNCIL**