

**MINUTES OF THE
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON
October 18, 2016
COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

OPENING: Council President Christine Nucera called the meeting to order at 7:02PM.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT: Council President Nucera read the following statement, "This meeting has been properly advertised and posted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, the Open Public Meetings Act."

ROLL CALL: Jenai Johnson called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Council President Christine Nucera; Councilwoman Carol Andrews; Councilman Mark Armbruster; Councilman Jonathan Fisher; Councilwoman Meghan Milano; Councilman Thomas Shaw. Absent: Mayor Thomas Weaver. Also present was Solicitor George Botcheos and Wayne Roorda of Bach Associates.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Council President Christine Nucera lead in the salute to the flag.

SAFETY ON THE AGENDA PRESENTED BY JOE HENRY: Joseph Henry, of Hardenbergh Insurance Group, presented a brief overview of the 2016 Safety on the Agenda campaign, which is attached to the minutes hereto. Upon conclusion of the presentation, Mr. Henry was excused from the meeting.

ENGINEER REPORT:

Wayne Roorda of Bach Associates was present and provided a written engineer report, which has been filed in the appropriate manner. Mr. Roorda verbally reviewed the following matters:

DOT 2016 FUNDING/OHIO AVENUE PHASE II- Mr. Roorda stated that the NJDOT funding freeze had been lifted by executive order of the governor, but noted that the local Cherry Hill office had not gotten the official notice. Mr. Roorda stated that unfortunately, the release of funds fell at a time when most plants were shutting down for the season, which would delay the projects until after the winter. Mr. Roorda stated that the design could be completed in winter with the bid for Ohio Avenue Phase II improvements occurring in February 2017.

LEEWOOD- Mr. Roorda stated that inspectors from his office had done a site inspection upon the request for issuance of Certificates of Occupancy on two units at the site. It was noted that the Borough was still in the process of assuring that all fees had been paid prior to the issuance of any C.O. Brief discussion occurred related to the status of the engineer review for the release of performance bonds by Mr. Fink. It was noted that the governing body would be considering the release upon receipt of the engineers recommendation at a future meeting.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR A TOTAL TIME NOT TO EXCEED 10 MINUTES FOR ITEMS APPEARING ON THE AGENDA ONLY:

There were no comments from the public related to matters appearing on the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 11, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING- Councilman Fisher motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Milano and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Andrews; Fisher; Milano; Nucera; Shaw. Abstain: Armbruster.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST: Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve the bill list as presented, seconded by Councilman Fisher and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Andrews; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Nucera; Shaw.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2016-10 AUTHORIZING A SPECIFIC EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF \$15,000.00 FOR UPDATE AND DIGITIZATION OF BOROUGH TAX MAP.

Councilwoman Nucera read by title. Councilwoman Milano motioned to adopt on second reading, seconded by Councilman Armbruster. Council President Nucera opened the public hearing. Hearing no comments from the public, motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Andrews; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Nucera; Shaw.

RESOLUTION R16-140 AUTHORIZING ADJUSTMENT OF CERTAIN WATER

ACCOUNTS. Council President Nucera read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Milano and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Andrews; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Nucera; Shaw.

RESOLUTION R16-141 AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY PART TIME HIRE OF MATT MEYERS FOR A PERIOD TO TERMINATE DECEMBER 30, 2016. Council President Nucera read by title and motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Andrews; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Nucera; Shaw.

RESOLUTION R16-142 ESTABLISHING A POLICY REQUIRING THE TAX ASSESSOR TO DELIVER A LIST OF TAX APPEALS TO THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER AND GOVERNING BODY WITHIN THREE DAYS OF RECEIVING THE LIST. Council President Nucera read by title. Councilwoman Milano motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Andrews; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Nucera; Shaw.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Hero's Park Clock- Councilwoman Andrews inquired when the clock located at Hero's Park would be repaired. Melvin Applegate, Public Works Director, advised that he had obtained quotes for the repairs and had unsuccessfully attempting to obtain the additional required quotes, as the work was specific to the vendor who manufactured the clocks. Mr. Applegate also noted that Verdin, the vendor, charged for the estimate to be provided, but that the cost of the estimate would be credited toward the cost of the repair. Solicitor Botcheos stated that since there were no other vendors able to perform this service on the clock, it would be acceptable to move forward with the repairs to be completed by Verdin. Council noted that they did not want to clock remove from the location and shipped out until after the holidays, and recommended that the service be done in January.

NEW BUSINESS:

Purchase of PPE Visibility Jackets/Public Works- Councilman Armbruster stated that the Director of Public Works had requested authorization to purchase high visibility PPE Jackets for employees, which would be the property of the Borough and returned upon separation from employment by each employee. Councilman Armbruster noted that Mr. Applegate had sufficient funds remaining in his 2016 operating budget to cover the costs. There were no objections and Councilman Armbruster noted that he would relay the authorization to Mr. Applegate as the Council liaison to the Public Works Department.

Halloween Trick or Treat and Curfew Hours- Jenai Johnson stated that she was seeking approval of the proposed Trick or Treat Hours, which were scheduled to take place on October 31st from 3pm-8pm. Additionally it was recommended that a temporary curfew be implemented for minors not accompanied by an adult, from October 28 until November 2nd . There were no objections to the matter.

Clementon Fire Rescue Business- Chief John Busch Sr. reported that the ladder truck was out of service and losing residual oil. Chief Busch noted that he believed it to be an issue with the pistons and rings, but was seeking the opinion of a mechanic.

Chief Busch stated that he wished to make the body aware that the two engines were starting to age, with one being a 1991 model, and the other a 1999 model. He noted that it was becoming costly to maintain their function and that consideration for future plans would be upcoming.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

There were no members of the public who wished to speak during the privilege of the floor.

Councilman Armbruster noted that he had one item that he neglected to mention during the other portions of the meeting. Councilman Armbruster stated that the Environmental Commission had requested council approval to dedicate the butterfly garden at the rear of Borough Hall in honor of the late Doctor LaBove. A ceremony for the dedication had been scheduled. There were no objections from Council and authorization was given to proceed with the proposed dedication and naming ceremony. Councilwoman Andrews motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Milano and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

(MEMORIALIZED RESOLUTION R143A)

Councilman Fisher stated that Coffee with a Cop was scheduled for Saturday, from 9AM-11AM jointly with the Clementon and Lindenwold Police Departments at the Dunkin Donuts on the White Horse Pike. Councilman Fisher noted that he would be attending and invited the public to do so as well.

Councilwoman Milano stated that she had received a complaint regarding children jaywalking after school crossing Blackwood-Clementon Road. Jenai Johnson stated that she would inform the Police Chief and request that action be taken to deter this practice and promote the safety of the students.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilwoman Milano motioned to adjourn at 7:51pm, seconded by Councilwoman Andrews and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenai L. Johnson,
Administrator/Municipal Clerk