

**BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON
SEPTEMBER 20, 2016
COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES**

OPENING: Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

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

ROLL CALL: Margaret Giordano called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Mayor Thomas Weaver; Councilman Mark Armbruster; Councilman Jonathan Fisher; Councilman Gordon Schaeffer; Councilwoman Christine Nucera; Councilwoman Milano. Absent: Councilwoman Andrews.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Weaver lead in the salute to the flag

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. The floor was closed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MINUTES OF September 6, 2016 CAUCUS Meeting: Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Schaeffer and motion was carried upon the call of the roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Absent: Andrews

MINUTES OF September 6, 2016 EXECUTIVE SESSION Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilman Schaeffer and motion was carried upon the call of the roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Absent: Andrews

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST: : Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve the bill list as presented upon proper review and certification, seconded by Councilwoman Milano. Motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Absent: Andrews

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

FIRST READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2016-10 AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF \$15,000.00 FOR UPDATE AND DIGITIZATION OF BOROUGH TAX MAPS Mayor Weaver read by title and opened the hearing to the public. Hearing no comments from the public, Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Milano and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Absent: Andrews

RESOLUTION R16-132 AUTHORIZING SUPPORT OF SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SAFE TO SCHOOL PROGRAM Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Schaeffer and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Absent: Andrews

RESOLUTION 16-133 AUTHORIZING AWARD CONTRACT OF FIRE INVESTIGATION VEHICLE TO MALL CHEVROLET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$89,880.00 – Mayor Weaver read by title, and after discussion, council decided to get more information regarding the specs of the vehicle. Councilman Schaeffer motioned to Table resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Nucera and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Absent: Andrews.

RESOLUTION R16-134 AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF 72" LAZER REAR DISCHARGE LAWNMOWER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,499.00 FROM LAUREL LAWNMOWER. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Schaeffer motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Absent: Andrews

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BONDS FOR SANITARY SEWER AND WATER
Solicitor Botcheos stated Mr. Frink came to the last meeting and asked the governing body to release the performance bonds for the water and sewer improvements, Wayne Roorda of Bach Engineering advised against releasing bonds. Solicitor Botcheos said the Borough Municipal Land Use Law states that upon substantial completion of the work the Mr. Fink Could make a written request to the Borough Clerk via certified mail, requesting release of the bonds. Within 45 days of receiving the request, the Engineer has to prepare a detailed report documenting what has been or not been acceptably completed. Within 45 days after the report has been completed, the Mayor and Council must, by Resolution, either agree to release the bonds or specify specifically why they do not wish to release the bonds.

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION REGARDING INSTALLATION OF WATER METERS AT CERTAIN UNMETERED LOCATIONS. There is a water main that is unmetered at Clementon Lake Park. It appears that the Park is receiving a utility from the Borough that they are not paying for. Melvin Applegate said there was a leak in the middle of the parking lot a few years and when fixing the leak, it was discovered there was a 4" main that was not metered. Mayor stated that they are going to inform the general manager that they must install a meter before the start of business next year. Councilman armbruster asked that after a year or two of service if the Borough would be able to back charge the Park for water usage. Mel Applegate said that it was done previously when the CCMUA had a similar issue with the Borough and was back charged for 5 years of service. The cost of the installation of the meter falls on the Park.

AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE NOT TO EXCEED \$700.00 FOR HEARING AND EYE EXAMS FOR CROSSING GUARDS OF CLEMENTON BOROUGH. Exams to be done the same day as the Volunteer Firefighters annual physicals on November 2, 2016. Councilman Armbruster asked if the Borough needs to set minimums for the Vision and Hearing standards, Mayor Weaver answered that the MEL/JIF does set the minimum standards for both and that the Borough would go by those. Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve this as Resolution R16-135; Councilman Schaeffer motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Fisher and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Absent: Andrews

AUTHORIZING FUNDING FOR 2 INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND SLEO CLASS 1 TRAINING. Mayor Weaver stated the Borough is trying to effectively have a safer environment for residents and motorists for the Erial Road Corridor. Two main areas are Erial Road at Highland Ave and Erial Rd at Audubon Ave. The Borough is looking to have 2 trained individuals at those locations. The Borough has tried to have the on duty Police Officers at these locations to assist the crossing guards, but on many occasions the Officers are called away for police issues. If a Class 1 officer would be stationed at these locations to ensure the safety of students. Councilman Armbruster stated that the Position would have to be created in the Borough. Mayor Weaver asked for the motion to create Resolution R16-136 to **AUTHORIZE FUNDING FOR 2 INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND FOR SLEO CLASS 1 TRAINING NOT TO EXCEED \$500.00** Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Fisher and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Schaeffer. Abstain: Armbruster, Absent: Andrews

Councilman Gordon Schaeffer announced that effective October 1, 2016 would be resigning from his position as Councilperson due to his moving to a new residence outside of the municipality. Mayor Weaver thanked Mr. Schaeffer for his service and wished him well.

Councilwoman Nucera asked for permission for the CYAA Soccer teams to have their photos taken inside of the Community Center in the event of inclement weather on September 29, 2016. Mayor and Council approved.

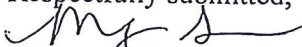
PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: *Fred Busch, Mohawk Ave*, expressed his concern of to what is being built at the ballfields from Mohawk Avenue all the way back to the water tower, that is chasing the animals out of the fields. The council advised Mr. Busch that soccer fields were being built for the town and Clementon Elementary School. Mr. Busch asked why new fields are being constructed as the current ballfields are rarely used. Councilwoman Nucera stated that the fields are used almost year round. Mr. Busch disagreed that the fields are rarely used. Councilwoman Nucera stated she knows that the fields are used almost daily during the season. Mr. Busch asked about the fill that is being used. Melvin Applegate stated that the fill was donated, and being scanned for any debris. Mr. Busch stated he has seen terracotta pipe, and pvc pipe in the fill being dumped. Mr. Busch asked where the dirt is coming from, Melvin Applegate said he was unsure where the fill was coming from. Mr. Busch asked the name of the contractor dumping the fill. Melvin Applegate stated the contractor's name, Ken Weber. Mr. Busch then asked if there have been any engineering reports on the topography of the area that is being filled. Mr. Busch asked if any of the Council has stopped by the area, Councilman Fisher stated that he stops by there almost everyday. Mr. Busch asked if Councilman Fisher is "okay" with how the project looks – Councilman Fisher stated that he is unable to give an answer as the project is not yet completed. Mr. Busch is fearful that project will cause damage to the area should there be heavy rainfalls. Councilman Fisher said there is a natural ravine there and that any water will continue to follow the path to the ravine. Councilman Armbruster stated that Mr. Busch is bringing up some valid points, and that it would be appropriate for the Borough Engineer to take a look at it.

Sheila Freiling, Lincoln Avenue, Wanted clarification of the SLEO Class 1 training – Councilman Armbruster stated crossing guards with limited training going out to direct traffic. The council thought it would be more appropriate to have two people, whomever they may be, be trained to direct traffic to ensure the safety of the Borough's children. Ms. Freiling then asked if this was going to be an advertised position – Councilman Armbruster said there were going to look into it to see who was the best for the position. Ms. Freiling said the Resolution stated two crossing guards to be put through the class, Mayor Weaver stated that the resolution was changed to state 2 individuals. Ms. Freiling stated that these positions are not listed in the salary ordinance. Councilman Armbruster stated that the resolution was just to approve sending individuals to the class. Ms. Freiling asked about the Rate of pay for this position. Councilman Armbruster stated none was discussed as of yet but that it would be higher than the crossing guard and lower than the Class II officer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Councilman Armbruster stated that he show no need to discuss EMS services in Executive Session and Solicitor Botcheos agreed. Councilman Armbruster asked for there to be an research into the contract with Kennedy EMS services and if they were in violation of our current contract to have two vehicles on call as now they only have one. And if they are in violation is the Borough allowed to look into other options. Councilman Armbruster stated he believed Gloucester Twp would be able to provide the Borough with 2 vehicles at no cost. Mayor Weaver said that the Chief of the Gloucester Twp EMS reached out to him via text saying that they would like to discuss their EMS services with him. Solicitor Botcheos said he reviewed the contract with Kennedy EMS and they need to provide 2 ambulances, one that they provide and the other leased from Pine Hill. Councilman Armbruster stated that Pine Hill is no longer using Kennedy EMS Services, therefore, they no longer have access to Pine Hill's Ambulance. Solicitor Botcheos stated that if Kennedy is not providing the services stated in the contract the Borough has to give them 30 written notice to cure. If they do not cure within the 30 days then the Borough is able to leave the contract. Mayor Weaver said that he would look into the matter and inform Solicitor Botcheos of his findings.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Armbruster motioned to adjourn at 8:00 PM, seconded by Councilwoman Nucera and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,


Margaret Giordano