

**MINUTES OF THE  
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON  
APRIL 4, 2017  
CAUCUS MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**OPENING:** Mayor Thomas Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:04PM.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT:** Mayor Weaver 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, Administrator/Municipal Clerk, called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Mayor Thomas Weaver; Councilman Mark Armbruster; Councilman Jonathan Fisher; Council President Christine Nucera; Councilman Thomas Shaw; Councilwoman Holly Strobl. Absent: Councilwoman Meghan Milano. Also present was Solicitor George J. Botcheos.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG:** Mayor Weaver led 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:**

*Keith Cybulski, Clementon Borough-* Mr. Cybulski stated that he had previously brought his concerns to the Borough related to increasing licensing fees for various purposes within the borough in order to generate more revenue. Mr. Cybulski suggested that the fireworks permit fee be increased for the park. It was noted by the Borough that the Solicitor would need to look into the ability of the Borough to increase the fees, as the permit was regulated by a state agency as well.

Hearing no further comments from the public, the floor was closed.

**ADMINISTRATOR/COUNCIL REPORTS:**

*Councilwoman Holly Strobl-* Councilwoman Strobl reported that she had been in communication with the public works director, Melvin Applegate, related to the repair of the roof at the library. She noted that she would continue reporting to the remainder of council as the project moved forth. Councilman Armbruster stated that he had previously spoken to the engineer, Wayne Roorda, related to the project, and it was determined that there was no need to preserve the copula. Preservation would increase the cost of the project significantly.

*Councilman Jonathan Fisher-* Councilman Fisher stated that an application was being submitted for Camden County Open Space Grant Funding for the acquisition of a property located on Albertson Avenue, for the installation of a playground at that location. Councilman Fisher stated that the resolution and ordinance for acquisition of the property appeared on the current agenda and he was excited to move forward with the project.

*Councilman Mark Armbruster-* Councilman Armbruster reported that the Public Works Department had busily been attempting to rectify a water main break on Erial Road. He noted that he had met with the Public Works Director to review the safety plans for the time of repair, which was scheduled for the following day. Councilman Armbruster commended the department for the efficient and effective handling of the anticipated repair.

*Council President Christine Nucera-* Councilwoman Nucera announced that Clementon Clean Communities would be held on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup>, noting that the dumpsters would be located behind the library facility as in past years.

Councilwoman Nucera also noted that the Clementon Youth Athletic Association would be holding their opening day on April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

*Mayor Thomas Weaver-* Mayor Weaver stated that he had spoken to the Director of Public Works and directed that the waterway at Hero's Park be cleaned prior to the Memorial Day Ceremony, as debris continuously collected in that area of the stream.

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

### *INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING*

ORDINANCE 2017-07 AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 109, LOT 5, ON THE TAX MAP OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, BY WAY OF PURCHASE PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:12-5(a)(1). Mayor Weaver read by title.

Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve on first reading, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

Public Hearing was scheduled for May 2, 2017.

RESOLUTION R17-74 AUTHORIZING ENDORSEMENT OF A GRANT AGREEMENT FOR YEAR 39, FY 2017-2018, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

RESOLUTION R17-75 TO ADJUST CERTAIN WATER ACCOUNTS IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Fisher and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

RESOLUTION R17-76 TO AVERAGE TAX COLLECTION RATE FOR USE IN THE 2017 MUNICIPAL BUDGET. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Nucera and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

RESOLUTION R17-77 SUPPORTING SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

RESOLUTION R17-78 AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF OPEN SPACE TRUST FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.00 FOR ACQUISITION OF LAND IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Milano; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

RESOLUTION R17-79 GRANTING A FIREWORKS PERMIT TO CLEMENTON LAKE AMUSEMENT PARK/SPLASH WORLD FOR JULY 3, 2017. Jenai Johnson noted that the approval would be based upon successful submission of fees and approval of proper documentation and inspection by the Fire Marshal. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Fisher and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

RESOLUTION R17-80 APPROVING LEGALIZED GAMES OF CHANCE AMUSEMENT LICENSES FOR THE 2017 SUMMER SEASON AT CLEMENTON LAKE PARK/SPLASH WORLD. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Nucera and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

RESOLUTION R17-81 AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO BE FILED WITH CAMDEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE/FARMLAND PRESERVATION DIVISION, FOR RECREATION FACILITY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT-ALBERTSON AVENUE PLAYGROUND. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Fisher; Nucera; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Milano.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** There were no discussions regarding unfinished business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*PURCHASE OF DEFIBRILLATOR DEVICES FOR BOROUGH FACILITIES- Councilman Armbruster stated that he wished to add the purchase of defibrillator devices to the capital ordinance for 2017. The specific locations that he recommended were the Public Works Garage, Borough Hall, and Fire Dept/Community Center. Councilman Armbruster stated that the state contracted with Phillips and would cost an estimated 10-15 thousand. Councilman Armbruster noted we would need to purchase between 7-10 devices, and cabinets estimated to cost \$200 each.*

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

*John Busch, Clementon Borough- Chief John Busch stated that he had sent an email to the Public Safety Committee related to concerns with communication and interaction with Public Safety. Chief Busch noted that he did not feel that the line of communication was open and that his department needs were being taken seriously. Councilman Armbruster recommended a meeting be scheduled for the following Tuesday with the members of Public Safety. Chief Busch agreed that this would be beneficial.*

Hearing no further comment from the public, the floor was closed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilman Armbruster motioned to adjourn at 7:32PM, seconded by Councilwoman Nucera and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jenai L. Johnson,  
Administrator/Municipal Clerk