

**MINUTES OF THE
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON
MARCH 5, 2019
CAUCUS MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

OPENING: Council President Armbruster called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT: Council President Armbruster 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, Municipal Clerk/Administrator, called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Council President Mark Armbruster; Councilman Melvin Applegate; Councilman Jonathan Fisher; Councilwoman Meghan Milano; Councilman Thomas Shaw; Councilwoman Holly Strobl.
Absent: Mayor Thomas Weaver.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Council President Armbruster 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: Council President Armbruster opened the floor to the public for comment. Hearing no comments from the public, the floor was closed.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2019-02 AMENDING SALARIES AND WAGES OF EMPLOYEES AND OTHER OFFICIALS RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2019. Council President Armbruster read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve on first reading, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

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ORDINANCE 2019-03 TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:4-45.14. Council President Armbruster read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve on first reading, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2019-04 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 26 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON ENTITLED, "FIRE RESCUE". Council President Armbruster read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve on first reading, seconded by Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R19-53 AUTHORIZING REFUND OF CERTAIN FEES. Council President Armbruster read by title. Councilman Applegate motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Fisher and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Fisher; Milano; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R19-54 APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY FOR YEAR 2019. Council President Armbruster read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Applegate and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Applegate; Armbruster; Fisher; Shaw; Strobl.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilman Fisher reported that he had received a request from Clementon Fire Rescue for the purchase of batteries, in a dollar amount not to exceed \$100.00. Councilman Fisher asked if there were any objections to the requested purchase, and none were noted.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Council President Armbruster opened the floor to the public for comment.

Christopher McKelvey, 28 Harwood Lane- Mr. McKelvey stated that Clean Communities was scheduled for April 13 and 14 and asked if the Borough was able to place signs around the municipality to advertise the event. Robert Freiling reported that the signs were being updated at Signs and Lines to amend the dates, and then would be erected.

Council President Armbruster reported that the Borough had received estimates for relocating the electronic sign at Railroad Park, due to the view being obstructed by newly installed equipment from Conrail. Council President Armbruster noted that the cost estimates had come in significantly higher than expected. Discussion continued and it was noted that the significant cost of relocating the sign would be wasted funding if the Borough Hall were ultimately relocated due to the environmental concerns of the property. Council President Armbruster stated that the relocation of the municipal building would be several years in the future, if it were to actually occur.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There were no matters for discussion during closed session.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Fisher motioned to adjourn at 7:15PM, seconded by Councilman Applegate and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jenai L. Johnson,
Municipal Clerk/Administrator