

**BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON  
MARCH 6, 2018  
COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**OPENING:** Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

**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; Councilwoman Milano; Councilwoman Christine Nucera; Councilman Shaw; Councilwoman Strobl.

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

**PRESENTATION BY DEPETRO REAL ESTATE GROUP AND CAMDEN COUNTY  
IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY REGARDING 152 OHIO AVE REDEVELOPMENT.R**

Richard Depetro of Depetro Real Estate Group and Bob Harris from the CCIA presented their idea for redevelopment of 152 Ohio Ave to include Senior Housing.

**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 BILL LIST:** Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve the bill list dated February 20, 2018 as presented upon proper review and certification, seconded by Councilman Fisher. Motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl

**ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:**

*Councilwoman Milano reported that the Special Events Committee hosted a craft night with good attendance and is trying to plan an event once a month. Brunch with the Easter Bunny is scheduled for March 24<sup>th</sup> and the Borough will also be hosting a Veteran's Club meeting Tuesday night at 6pm. Councilwoman Milano will be handing out flyers and posting on social media to promote the meeting. The 1<sup>st</sup> Community Business meeting will be held at Harper's Pub on March 27<sup>th</sup>, trying to get local businesses together to get more of a sense of community. In April the Special Events committee will be having another craft night.*

*Councilwoman Nucera and John Fisher met with Greg Powell from Ben Shaffer to discuss putting a park on the Albertson Ave property. Looking to reuse certain aspects of the park, including the basketball courts and revitalize the shuffle board areas. They are trying to utilize the big space that is available to keep it natural with some equipment and some hardscaping. Using a new mulch product that compacts' itself on the walkway to keep with the natural look. In the future would like to talk about taking money from Open Space and how much the council is willing to put into refurbishing the park. The estimated cost for the equipment and installation will be approximately \$75,000.00 to \$100,000.00 which is in line with what has been spent on other parks. Neighbors seem excited to be seeing something done in that area. Once a definite number is available Councilwoman Nucera will present to the rest of Council. Councilwoman Nucera also reported the she and Councilwoman Milano meet with Clementon Lake Park in regards to the upcoming Clean Communities Weekend to pair up with them to get more adults involved instead of just the children. Clementon Lake Park also wants to get the businesses involved so they are offering a sponsorship by the business with a cost of \$100.00 which includes the business listed on a t-shirt, up to five participants in the clean-up with t-shirts and lunch provided. All participants would meet at Clementon Park, proceed to the Clean-up and then return to the park for lunch. Mayor Weaver asked if the these groups will be separate from the normal groups involved, Councilwoman*

*Nucera said no all the other groups will still be involved just trying to get more people involved. Councilwoman Nucera asked the Mayor if he would like to help with the clean-up and the Mayor stated he always lends a helping hand loading items into the dumpster. Councilwoman Nucera said that this is their goal this year to having more involvement. Mayor Weaver asked if any children involved were going to be chaperoned, Councilwoman Nucera said yes they have to be.*

*Councilman Armbruster - no report*

*Councilman Fisher nothing to report just wanted to review with Chief Grover about the upcoming road construction and wanted to make sure everyone is aware of the date, the Chief stated March 12<sup>th</sup> and the project will last 6-8 weeks and there will be portable traffic lights to help avoid traffic issues. Councilman Fisher wanted to make sure that the Clementon Police Officers will be out with the construction crews and the Chief said yes.*

*Councilman Shaw reported the Special Budget meeting will be Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 in the Court Room and the Mayor advised all councilmembers to attend*

*Councilwoman Strobl there will be a St Patrick's Day Party at the Senior Center on March 24<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3, with food and music. There will be a Senior Luncheon on April 26<sup>th</sup> from 11 to 1:30 with a speaker going over medicine safety, drug interactions especially with alcohol. There are also looking for new groups at the senior center, so if anyone knows anyone with special talents they are willing to share please let her know. Councilwoman Strobl would like to find a volunteer to teach yoga to the seniors. Councilwoman Nucera said that Danielle Aubry volunteered to do a painting project with the seniors. Councilwoman Milano will look into a date to do that with the seniors.*

*Mayor Weaver stated that at the engineers meeting earlier in the evening and the Borough Engineer Wayne Roorda from Bach Engineering stated that the Camden County Open Space application for \$25,000.00 will be due on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Since no other projects are ready, Mr. Roorda will apply for this money for Albertson Avenue and will be presenting a Resolution at the next meeting to apply for the funding. Other than that the Mayor will be attending the Veteran's Club meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> to try to get a Veteran's committee/club together to get the veteran's more involved in the parades in town.*

## **ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

### **INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING**

**ORDINANCE 2018-04 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 134 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON ENTITLED "FIRE SAFETY"** Mayor Weaver read by title and opened the hearing to the public. Hearing no comments from the public, Councilwoman Milano motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Nucera and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

**ORDINANCE 2018-05 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 134 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON ENTITLED "FIRE SAFETY"** 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, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

**RESOLUTION 18-50 AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AMENDED SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON AND THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD FOR ELECTRICIAN-SUB-CODE OFFICIAL /INSPECTOR AND CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:65-1 ET SEQ** – Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilwoman Milano motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Nucera and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION 18-51 AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF MERCANTILE LICENSE TO SHARMAINE JERIKA CARTE FOR I STILL DANCE, LLC. LOCATED AT 328 WHITE HORSE PIKE Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-52 AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF MERCANTILE LICENSE TO DEANNA L. MACKLIN/ALEXANDER MACKLIN FOR LONDYN DIOR SALON, LOCATED AT 3289 WHITE HORSE PIKE. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-53 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT #1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,053.00 TO TORTORICE CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR THE LIBRARY ROOF PROJECT 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, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-54 AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES ON A TAX EXEMPT PROPERTY, BLOCK 88, LOT 18 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, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-55 TO CONFIRM INTEREST NOT CHARGED FOR BLOCK 59, LOT 1.6. OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 38 SHETLAND DRIVE 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, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-56 AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF OPEN SPACE TRUST FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000.00 FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE DANIEL DOUGHERTY SPORTS COMPLEX, INCLUDING STUMP REMOVALS AND HARDSCAPING Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Milano and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-57 AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF USE OF BOROUGH OWNED FIELDS AND WAIVER OF ASSOCIATED FEE Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Nucera motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Milano and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-58 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 THE PERIOD 10/1/17 THRU 9/30/18 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, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-59 AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF DEREK LEARY TO THE OFFICE OF BUILDING SUBCODE OFFICIAL/BUILDING INSPECTOR, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2018 Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Milano and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R18-60 AUTHORIZING PART TIME SEASONAL HIRE OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO THE UNCLASSIFIED POSITION OF CROSSING GUARD IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster, Fisher, Milano, Nucera, Shaw and Strobl.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.



**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

**Carmen Renninger, 2 Dover Court** last time she was before the council was July 11, 2017 when she was discussing Soltera and now she is discussing Republic Services. She is disappointed on how it has been rolled out. She has sent several emails to Mr. Freiling and he is non-communicative. She spent a whole year monitoring Soltera. The new contract has been in effect since February and she knows there will be some glitches to work out but the situation is not getting any better. Anytime they do have a conversation or get a hold of Mr. Freiling they do not get any real answers. The pickup dates have changed; the bulk trash is not being picked up, no consistency and still getting subpar service. Her question to Mayor and Council is why Mr. Freiling is not responding to her. He is a public official and is basically blowing her off. Councilman Fisher stated that she is doing the right thing by coming to the meeting and is not sure why Rob Freiling is not getting back to her. She does not want to spend another year sending reports. Melvin Applegate at least responded to her. Mr. Freiling does not respond and she is irritated. Councilman Fisher stated that a meeting with Republic Services got cancelled due to the weather. Mayor Weaver wasn't aware that he was not responding to Ms. Renninger and he will speak to the Administrator to find out why Mr. Freiling has not responded. Ms. Renninger said it's not as if Mr. Freiling has not gotten to her reports. At some point this needs to run more smoothly. The Mayor Weaver said that they will look into this and with taking on his new role, Mr. Freiling has a lot on his shoulders. Councilman Fisher stated that she should copy Jenai Johnson on the emails.

**John Martorana 118 Chelsea Circle**, in reference to the previous complaint, he lives in the same development and he wants to know if she had contacted the board of Heritage Square and Ms. Renninger stated yes, she is married to him. Mr. Martorana stated people park in front of the cans and they can't be picked up. He stated that Mr. Freiling did email that one truck was down and also mentioned in the email that the date pickup has changed and that he is responding to emails. He said that the committee installed new landings to make trash pickup more accessible. Mr. Martorana said he has seen a little improvement.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Discussion regarding personnel matter/employment relationship with Deputy Municipal Clerk (to be discussed in open session per written request of Deputy Clerk). Mayor Weaver asked for discussion, Councilwoman Nucera asked Solicitor Botcheos to clarify what needed to be done. Solicitor Botcheos said that in order to make a motion that the council would have to go out of executive session. Solicitor Botcheos said that there was a RICE notice sent out to the individual councilman Fisher said yes there was. But before you can vote you have to go out of the executive session. Mayor Weaver stated that he was waiting for someone to start the discussion regarding personal matters and the relationship with the deputy municipal Clerk. Councilwoman Nucera said she was ok to go back into open session and Councilman Fisher agreed. Councilman Shaw asked why there wasn't a discussion held last year for a yearly appointment and what they were going to go back into open to vote on. Councilwoman Nucera said that they can back into open and make a motion to reappoint Adrienne Guernon as Deputy Clerk. Councilwoman Nucera said she wasn't there to air anyone's dirty laundry. Mayor Weaver asked each councilperson individually if they had anything to discuss all replied no. At 7:57pm Councilman Armbruster left the meeting. At 8:01 pm, Councilman Fisher motioned to close executive session and go back into open session, Councilwoman Nucera seconded, Mayor Weaver asked all in favor and none were opposed. The Mayor asked if there was any type of action before adjournment. Councilwoman Nucera made a motion to appoint Adrienne Guernon as Deputy Clerk for 2018, seconded by Councilwoman Milano. Roll call: Armbruster abstained; Councilman Fisher no; Councilman Milano no; Councilwoman Nucera no; Councilman Shaw yes; Councilwoman Strobl yes. The Motion was denied 3-2. No other business

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilman Fisher motioned to adjourn at 8:04 PM, seconded by Councilwoman Nucera and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Giordano

