

**MINUTES OF THE  
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON  
MAY 19, 2020  
COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**OPENING:** Mayor Thomas J. Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

**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. Notice has been posted on the Municipal Website of the change to the remote meeting format pursuant to the executive orders of the Governor of the State of New Jersey."

**ROLL CALL:** Jenai Johnson, Municipal Clerk/Administrator, called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Mayor Thomas J. Weaver; Councilman Mark Armbruster; Councilman Christopher Hammond; Councilwoman Meghan Milano; Councilman Thomas Shaw; Councilwoman Holly Strobl. Absent: Councilman Melvin Applegate. Also present was Solicitor George J. Botcheos.

**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 related to matters appearing on the agenda. Hearing no comments, Mayor Weaver closed the public comment period.

**ENGINEER REPORT:** Mark Basehore of Bach Associates provided a written monthly report which has been filed in the appropriate manner at the municipal building. Mr. Basehore reported that the FY 2021 application had been submitted the previous Thursday.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 21, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING- Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST:** Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve the bill list upon proper review and certification. Motion was seconded by Councilman Shaw and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Applegate.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

RESOLUTION R20-88 ADOPTING THE 3-YEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACTIVITIES. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Milano motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes; Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Applegate.

RESOLUTION R20-89 TO READ BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Milano motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Applegate.

**PUBLIC HEARING 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:** Mayor Weaver opened the public hearing for the 2020 Municipal Budget. Hearing no comments or parties interested in speaking, Mayor Weaver closed the public hearing.

RESOLUTION R20-90 ADOPTING 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded y Councilman Shaw and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Applegate.

RESOLUTION R20-91 AUTHORIZING ADJUSTMENT OF CERTAIN WATER ACCOUNTS IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. 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; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Applegate.

RESOLUTION R20-92 AUTHORIZING REFUND OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES FOR 39 ATLANTIC AVENUE IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Armbruster; Hammond; Milano; Shaw; Strobl. Absent: Applegate.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilman Armbruster reported that there had been homeless campers off of Scott Avenue, and the officers had removed them and provided assistance through Volunteers of America. He also noted that the public works department had removed the debris from the property.

Mayor Weaver reported that there would not be an outdoor Memorial Day service, but that he anticipated a small video on the Clementon Facebook page would run in honor of the day.

Councilman Shaw reported that he had met with Chief Freiling relating to the Clementon Fire Rescue. Councilman Shaw stated that he had communication with several chiefs of surrounding departments who had noted that there was a definite improvement in the operation over the past year.

Brief discussion occurred and it was noted that the Borough Engineer had submitted a FY2021 application for the Borough.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Robyn Mello, 51 Woodland Avenue- Ms. Mello stated that the Signal Hill residents had issues with the homeless in the area, as well as illegal ATV issues. Ms. Mello stated that the residents in the area did not wish to call the police and had reached out to the Environmental Commission relating to the ATV's in the area.

Jeremy Save, 21 Woodland Avenue- He stated that he had been a resident for 6 years and appreciated the trash clean up by the Borough and the governing body addressing all of the recent resident concerns. Councilman Armbruster suggested that Mr. Save consider becoming involved in the Environmental Commission as it appeared he was interested and energetic on the topic.

Alyssa and Jeremy Hunt, 40 Rancocas- Mr. and Mrs. Hunt noted that they also witness the ATV's and dirt bikes ravaging the area and noted that they would be interested in obtaining more information on participating in the Environmental Commission.

Robyn Mello, 51 Woodland Avenue- Ms. Mello state dthat she had been in touch with the Venuti's in the last 24 hours and the Commission was not holding meetings at the present due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

Dave Cornwell, 13 Silver Lake Drive- Mr. Cornwell stated that he believed that the police needed to step up their presence at the Signal Hill location. Mr. Cornwell stated that Gloucester Township had an accelerated program for quads. Mr. Cornwell noted that he had met with Robert Freiling and spent two hours cleaning up trash at the property. Mr. Cornwell stated that he wished to utilize Clementon Fire Rescue volunteers for the food pantry and asked for permission to store refrigerated materials in the community center for the pantry. There were no objections to utilization of the refrigerators while the hall was not being utilized and Councilman Hammond was charged with access and securing the facility.

Bri Barton, 21 Woodland Avenue- Mr. Barton stated that she wished to volunteer at the food pantry and assist if she was able to do so.

Seeing no further participants interested in commenting, Mayor Weaver closed the public portion of the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilman Armbruster motioned to adjourn at 8:01PM. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and hearing none opposed, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenai L. Johnson,  
Administrator/Municipal Clerk