

**MINUTES OF THE
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON
FEBRUARY 15, 2022
COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

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

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. Notices of said meeting have been posted on the bulletin board and municipal website."

ROLL CALL: Jenai Johnson, Municipal Clerk/Administrator, called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Mayor Thomas J. Weaver; Councilman Robert Dorsey; Councilwoman Brenda Franks; Councilman Christopher Hammond; Councilman Christopher McKelvey. Absent: Councilwoman Holly Strobl; Council President Thomas Shaw.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Weaver read 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: Mayor Weaver opened the floor to the public. Seeing no members of the public wishing to comment, Mayor Weaver closed the public comment period.

ENGINEER REPORT: Mark Basehore of Bach Associates presented a written report, which has been placed on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk in the appropriate manner.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST: Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve the bill list as presented, upon proper review and certification. Councilman Dorsey seconded the motion, and the bill list was approved upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; McKelvey. Absent: Shaw; Strobl.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Mayor Weaver read the following Resolutions by title:

RESOLUTION R22-63 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 1995 GMC TRUCK ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT.

RESOLUTION R22-64 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 2003 DODGE DURANGO ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R22-65 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 2003 FORD 350 PICKUP ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R22-66 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 2005 ODB TAG ALONG VACTOR ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R22-67 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 2009 CHEVY TRUCK ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R22-68 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 1996 CHEVY CAPRICE ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R22-69 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 2006 FORD CROWN VICTORIA ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R22-70 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 2007 DODGE DURANGO ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R22-71 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 2008 DODGE DURANGO ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION R22-72 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF 2009 FORD CROWN VICTORIA ON GOVDEALS FOR AUCTIONING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve Resolutions R22-63 through and including R22-72. Motion was seconded by Councilman McKelvey and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; McKelvey. Absent: Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-73 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF MERCANTILE LICENSE TO JOSE CARDENAS AND ANNA GARCIA FOR SUPERMARKET LA PLAZITA, LLC, LOCATED AT 168 WHITE HORSE PIKE, IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Franks and carried upon the call of roll. Aye: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; McKelvey. Absent: Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-74 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) CASE 580N BACKHOE THROUGH SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM UNDER CONTRACT 32119-CNH. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, with a second by Councilman Dorsey and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond. McKelvey. Absent: Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-75 AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF A "NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF MAIL-IN BALLOTS" IN ANTICIPATION OF A LEVY CAP REFERENDUM. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Hammond motioned to approve, with a second by Councilwoman Franks. Motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; McKelvey. Absent: Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-76 AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND/LETTER OF CREDIT AND ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC FACILITIES MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE AND LANDSCAPE BUFFER MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE FOR 168 WHITE HORSE PIKE. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, with a second by Councilman Dorsey. Motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; McKelvey. Absent: Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-77 AUTHORIZING BACH ASSOCIATES TO PROCEED WITH REED AVENUE ROADWAY AND WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Franks and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Dorsey; Franks; Hammond; McKelvey. Absent: Shaw; Strobl.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Franks inquired when the Borough would resume in person meetings. Mayor Weaver responded that he intended to return to in person meetings in March as long as COVID did not increase in the area.

Councilman Hammond stated that the Cannabis Committee had reduced the allowable areas for the new businesses, and amended the hours. He noted that changes from the Engineer were being incorporated as well.

Councilman McKelvey stated that he was attempting to obtain the original agreement between the Borough and Library Trustees in an effort to apply for some grant funding for the library.

NEW BUSINESS:

MONTHLY MANDATORY ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF COVID 19 RELIEF MEASURES- Jenai Johnson stated that the announcement of availability of COVID Relief Measures was required, in an effort to ensure residents were available of payment programs.

Councilwoman Franks stated that she had been working on the creation of a Borough calendar and was shooting for a release date of April, with all of the year's scheduled special events included.

Councilwoman Franks also noted that she believed that historical markers were needed within the town. Mayor Weaver stated that he recommended that data be compiled on the history, and that potentially Open Space Trust Funds could be used. Mayor Weaver suggested that the Historical Commission be asked to begin this task.

Councilwoman Strobl noted that interest had been expressed in the creation of a community garden. She noted that she was discussing the possibility with the Environmental Commission. Councilwoman Strobl stated that the Atlantic City Electric Property would be a choice selection.

Councilman Hammond stated that Dina Massey was in attendance and was requesting approval to purchase the Clementonian, with a cost not to exceed \$650 from the Special Events Line. There were no objections to the publishing cost.

Councilman McKelvey stated that the Youth Employment Program through the County, targeting kids 16-24, was in need of slots to employ the individuals.

Solicitor George Botcheos stated that he had been contacted by Chairman Joseph Feldman of the Planning and Zoning Board. He was requesting to rename the board as "the Joint Land Use Board". He also wished to rename the Environmental Commission to "the Environmental and Open Space Committee". There were no objections and Solicitor Botcheos stated that he would prepare the requested Ordinances.

A brief discussion also occurred related to the change in the fence ordinance, which would be discussed at the upcoming Planning and Zoning Board Meeting.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Weaver opened the floor to the public for comment.

Dina Massey, Clementon Borough- Dina Massey stated that the Clementonian was normally on 8 pages, and they were close to decreasing to that number, which would cut the cost to approximately \$432.

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

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman McKelvey motioned to adjourn at 7:44PM. Motion was seconded by Councilman Dorsey. Hearing none opposed, motion was carried and meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,


Jehai L. Johnson,

Municipal Clerk/Administrator