

**MINUTES OF THE
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON
OCTOBER 18, 2022
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. 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 Weaver; Councilwoman Gwen Cantwell; Councilman Robert Dorsey; Councilwoman Brenda Franks; Councilman Christopher McKelvey; Council President Thomas Shaw; Councilwoman Holly Strobl.

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: Mayor Weaver opened the floor to the public for matters appearing on the agenda. Hearing no interested parties, the floor was closed.

ENGINEER REPORT: Mark Basehore of Bach Associates provided a written report, which has been filed in the appropriate manner in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Mr. Basehore gave a brief update on the status of the Wade Avenue and Fulton Avenue Projects. It was noted that the plans and specifications were complete and would be sent to NJDOT Local Aid for review, and the project was anticipated to be bid in the spring of 2023.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST: Councilwoman Strobl 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: Cantwell; Dorsey; Franks; McKelvey; Shaw; Strobl.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION R22-176 AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CERTAIN RAFFLE LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve. Motion was seconded by Councilman Dorsey and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell; Dorsey; Franks; McKelvey; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-177 APPROVING PERSON TO PERSON TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve. Motion was seconded by Councilman Dorsey and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell; Dorsey; Franks; McKelvey; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-178 AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK 130, LOT 1. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell; Dorsey; Franks; McKelvey; Shaw; Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-179 AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON TO PROCESS AN INVOLUNTARY DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATION. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Shaw motioned to approve. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell; Dorsey; Franks; McKelvey; Shaw; Strobl.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Franks reported that she had been working with Supervisor of Public Works, Robert Freiling, on the development of policy changes for the rental of the community center, and the creation of a Community Center Coordinator Position. Councilwoman Franks provided a written document with suggested changes to the hall rental procedure, and salary for the position of Coordinator. Discussion occurred on the matter and it was determined that a council committee would develop a job description/duties for the position. It was also noted that the salary would need to be inserted into the salary ordinance of the Borough of Clementon, and into the budget for 2023. With those conditions, it was suggested that the changes be incorporated and effective in the 2023 calendar year. Councilwoman Franks stated that she was seeking confirmation of intention by mayor and council to implement these changes in 2023. Councilwoman Franks motioned to confirm the intent of council to amend the fees and terms for the rental of the community center and develop a job description for the creation of the position when the funds were available in 2023. Motion was seconded by Councilman McKelvey and approved upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell; Franks; McKelvey; Weaver. Nays: Dorsey; Shaw; Strobl. (MEMORIALIZED BY RESOLUTION R22-180).

Councilwoman Franks reported that the Eva Busch dedication had a nice turnout of approximately 50 people.

Councilwoman Franks noted that she wished to move forward with the time clock acquisition. Councilwoman Franks stated that there would be an initial cost of \$250 and approximately \$1,980 a year for the number of employees included. It was advised that the CFO had recommended awaiting the new calendar year for the potential purchase, when funds could be incorporated into the budget. After brief discussion, Councilwoman Franks motioned to move forward with the implementation of the digital time clock system upon approval of the budget and funds in 2023. Motion was seconded by Councilman McKelvey and approved upon the call of roll. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell; Dorsey; Franks; McKelvey; Shaw; Strobl. (MEMORIALIZED BY RESOLUTION R22-181).

Councilman McKelvey stated that he wished to thank Dave Cornwell for his efforts.

NEW BUSINESS:

ESTABLISHMENT OF TRICK OR TREAT HOURS AND TEMPORARY CURFEW IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON- Jenai Johnson stated that she had consulted with the Police Chief and it was their recommendation that a temporary weekend curfew be approved for unaccompanied minors, and Halloween Trick or Treat hours be set for 4pm-7pm. There were no objections to the recommendations.

It was reported that Trunk or Treat was being held at Clementon Park on October 30th. The report time for cars was determined to be 6pm, with kids arriving at 7pm.

Councilman Dorsey reported that Kevin Garretson wished to get the backhoe sold, and that Camden County College was interested in the acquisition of the equipment for the Fire Academy. Councilman Dorsey was instructed to obtain a price for the sale, and report back at an upcoming meeting.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Weaver opened the floor to the public for anyone wishing to speak.

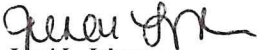
Nancy Cadarette, 34 Monmouth Avenue- Ms. Cadarette stated that she was disappointed in the attitudes of some of the members of the Governing Body. She also noted that Erial Road was in need of attention for safety reasons. She stated that speeding was dangerous and the roadway was not conducive to the safety of the residents. Ms. Cadarette also stated that there were issues with property maintenance with renters adjacent to her property. It was noted that the Chief would take measures to attempt to address the speeding issues on her street.

David Cornwell, 13 Silver Lake Drive- Mr. Cornwell stated that he had been made aware that the food pantry was accused of feeding and drawing the homeless population to the area. Mr. Cornwell stated that he wished to clarify that there were 21 homeless sheltered through connections with his food pantry organization, and their goal was to assist the population. The members of the Governing Body all thanked Mr. Cornwell for all his efforts in the community.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilwoman Franks motioned to adjourn at 8:14PM, with a second from Councilman Dorsey and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jenai L. Johnson
Municipal Clerk/Administrator