

**MINUTES OF THE
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON
SEPTEMBER 20, 2022
COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

OPENING: Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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 bulletin board and municipal website.

ROLL CALL: MAYOR WEAVER, COUNCILMAN DORSEY, COUNCILWOMAN FRANKS, COUNCILMAN MCKELVEY, COUNCILMAN SHAW, COUNCILWOMAN STROBL

Lisa West called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Mayor Thomas J. Weaver; Councilwoman Brenda Franks. Councilman Christopher McKelvey and Councilwoman Holly Strobl. Councilman Robert Dorsey and Councilman Shaw were absent. Also present was Solicitor George J. Botcheos.

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 only. Hearing no comments from the public, Mayor Weaver closed the public comment portion.

ENGINEER REPORT: Mark Basehore from Bach Associates reported the following:

NJDOT FY2022 MUNICIPAL AID – WADE & FULTON AVENUES – Design of the roadway improvements is complete and they are currently drafting the construction plans and preparing the project specifications. They are also coordinating with DPW regarding the bidding schedule in order to accommodate the Borough upgrades to the water system. They are also coordinating with DPW in regard to possible options for addressing cars cutting the corner at the sharp turn from Wade Avenue onto Naylor Avenue.

EAST ATLANTIC AVENUE SPEED REDUCTION – Bach Associates is coordinating with the Borough and Camden County Engineer regarding requirements to reduce the speed limit on E. Atlantic Avenue and possibly W. Atlantic Avenue.

2021 AND 2022 RECREATION FACILITY ENHANCEMENT GRANT – BOTTOM'S LAKE RECREATION AREA – The Camden County Division of Open Space and Farmland Preservation has announced the 2021 and 2022 grants have been awarded for this project totaling \$50,000.00. DPW received a quote utilizing the Voorhees shared services agreement, but the costs were too high for clearing the site. The Engineering Committee met on site to review clearing limits. DPW to do some underbrush clearing and then obtain quotes for tree removals. Bach Associates to provide assistance as requested by the Borough.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP FUNDING) – Preliminary discussions were held between DPW and the CFO regarding potential funding uses including \$250,000.00 for the water main project on E. Atlantic Avenue Phase 2, Norway Avenue, Reed Avenue, Koller Avenue and Francis Avenue and \$150,000.00 for borough installed water main improvements on Wade and Fulton Avenues. It is our understanding that allocation of funds will be required by ordinance. Bach Associates forwarded a sample ordinance used by another municipality to accept ARP Funds and install the funds into the budget. Bids received for the water main replacement on E. Atlantic, et al may affect allocation of the ARP funding. The first reading of the ordinance was held on September 6 and the second reading will be advertised for public comment at the October 4, 2022 meeting. Upon adoption, the funds can be utilized for various projects as outlined in the ordinance.

WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT – BERLIN CLEMENTON ROAD, GIBBSBORO ROAD AND ERIAL ROAD – Bach Associates submitted a proposal for engineering services on July 15, 2022 as requested by the borough. Our office is prepared to begin work immediately upon receipt of council authorization.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST – Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve the bills upon proper review and certification, seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and motion carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Councilwoman Cantwell, Councilwoman Franks, Councilman McKelvey and Councilwoman Strobl.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:
INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2022-17 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 198 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON ENTITLED, "PEACE AND GOOD ORDER". Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to table, seconded by Councilman McKelvey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Franks, McKelvey and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-171 AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF MERCANTILE LICENSE TO FRANK P. PASSERO FOR THE TREASURE CHEST, LOCATED AT 14 BERLIN ROAD, CLEMENTON, NEW JERSEY. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman McKelvey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Franks, McKelvey and Strobl.

RESOLUTION R22-172 CONFIRMING AUTHORIZATION OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CHARGES. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman McKelvey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Franks, McKelvey and Strobl.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Councilman McKelvey advised that Clementon Day is October 1, 2002 with a rain date of October 2nd. Councilwoman Cantwell advised that the community town wide yard sale is this upcoming weekend.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: Mayor Weaver opened the public comment period for anyone in virtual attendance who wished to speak.

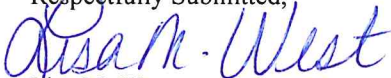
Tammy Ross – 24 Chelsea Circle – Introduced herself to Mayor and Council as a new food truck owner. Advised that she had applied for a mercantile so that she may do business in Clementon.

George Boyle – 46 California Avenue – Mr. Boyle stated that the light was changed but the problem still exists and he has been waiting for seven (7) months for it to be resolved. Also, he inquired about putting speed bumps on California Avenue.

Christopher Taylor – 48 Higgins Avenue – Was inquiring what he can do to get the library open and how to get volunteers.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilwoman Franks motioned to adjourn at 7:40 p.m., seconded by Councilwoman Strobl and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lisa M. West

Deputy Municipal Clerk