

**MINUTES OF THE  
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON  
APRIL 18, 2023 7:00 P.M.  
MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

**OPENING:** Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:02PM.**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT:** Mayor Weaver read the following announcement, "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 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; Councilwoman Holly Strobl. Councilman Thomas Shaw was absent.

**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 members of the public in attendance wishing to speak.

**ENGINEER REPORT:** Jennifer Harris reported that she had met onsite with 2021 Road Program contractor and noted that they would be starting this project in the next 2 weeks. She additionally noted that Leewood was making progress. Ms. Harris reported that the Bottoms Lake Grant was still in progress. She reported that the Gibbsboro Water Main Replacement Project was waiting on Kevin to do a field investigation, to find the exact location of the Water Main prior to proceeding with the design for the project.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILL LIST:** Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Strobl motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MINUTES OF THE APRIL 4, 2023 CAUCUS MEETING.** 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, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:**

*SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING*

ORDINANCE 2023-06: TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:4-45. Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilman Dorsey motioned to adopt with a second by Councilman McKelvey. Mayor Weaver opened the floor to the public.

Hearing no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed. Motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw

*INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING*

ORDINANCE 2023-07: AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 281 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON ENTITLED "SPEED LIMITS ESTABLISHED". Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman McKelvey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw

*INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING*

ORDINANCE 2023-08: AMENDING SALARIES AND WAGES OF EMPLOYEES AND OTHER OFFICIALS RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2023. Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw

RESOLUTION R23- 72: AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF VETERANS DEDUCTION TO 2023. Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman McKelvey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw.

RESOLUTION R23-73: AUTHORIZING FILING OF MUNICIPAL RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman McKelvey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw

RESOLUTION R23-74: CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE PURSUANT TO P.L. 2017, C. 183 OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S "*Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964*"- Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman McKelvey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Cantwell and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, McKelvey, Strobl. Nays: Franks. Absent: Shaw

RESOLUTION R23-75: AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF NJDEP STORMWATER GRANT APPLICATION. Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw

RESOLUTION R23-76: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE 1033 PROGRAM TO ENABLE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST AND ACQUIRE EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT. Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman McKelvey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw

RESOLUTION R23-77: INTRODUCING THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET (PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED FOR MAY 16,2023 AT 7:00PM). Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman McKelvey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Dorsey and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Strobl. Absent: Shaw

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Councilman McKelvey reported that the Literacy Event was scheduled for Thursday, 4/20/23. He noted that he wished to thank everyone involved in getting the Library functioning and ready for the event.

Discussion occurred related to the Community Center. It was reported that the Hall Rental Committee has come up with a new form of contract and procedure, which tentatively was set to go active June 1, 2023. Some small grammatical errors and details were noted. Mayor Weaver asked that all comments and concerns be emailed to Jenai by Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup>, with the hope of adopting the changes as the following meeting.

Councilwoman Cantwell stated that she had received a complaint related to the condition of Erial Road. Mayor Weaver stated that Erial Road was a county road, and Camden County was responsible for the maintenance and repair of same.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There were no matters for discussion under new business.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

*Howard Morgan- 565 First Ave.-* Mr. Morgan requested a second Handicapped Parking spot in the vicinity of his home. The Mayor and Council referred the matter to the Chief of police for application, and noted that the had no objections, with the understanding that the borough would not be responsible for the marking and maintenance of the signage and paint. The Chief of Police was instructed to follow up with the appropriate paperwork, with formal consideration at a future meeting.

*Ken Thomas- 34 Clementon Ave.-* Mr. Thomas noted that he had some property damage last year that occurred due to trees blowing down onto his property from Borough owned property. Mr. Thomas stated that the Borough insurance was unable to cover the damage because he had not notified of the condition of the trees. Mr. Thomas stated that he was in attendance to officially notify the Borough of his concerns with the conditions of the trees adjacent to his property. The mayor stated that Public Works would go out to the property and investigate the issue.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilwoman Franks motioned to adjourn at 7:28 PM, seconded by Councilman McKelvey and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

