

**MINUTES OF THE
BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON
MAY 16, 2023 7:00PM
CAUCUS MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AGENDA**

OPENING: Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order at 7:01 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." 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; Councilwoman Robert Dorsey; Councilwoman Brenda Franks; Councilman Christopher McKelvey; Councilman Thomas Shaw. Councilman Holly Strobl was absent.

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: There were no members of the public in attendance wishing to speak.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING: Mayor Weaver read by title. Councilwoman Franks motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman McKelvey and motions was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey. Abstain: Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

ENGINEER REPORT: Jennifer Harris reported that work began on the 2021 Road Program project on May 15, 2023. She additionally noted that there was a meeting at Bottom's Lake on May 15th with the County, to check on the progress of the project. A concept design is anticipated be ready by the end of the month.

SAFETY PRESENTATION: Joe Henry of Hardenbergh Insurance gave a brief presentation on "Complacency in the Workplace".

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION R23-78: ADOPTING THE 3 YEAR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN. 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, Shaw. Absent Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-79 AUTHORIZING CORRECTION OF CERTAIN WATER ACCOUNTS IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-80 AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF MERCANTILE LICENSE TO DOM & NICOLE'S EBAY STORE, LOCATED AT 14 BERLIN ROAD IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-81 AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLY MISSION COMMUNICATION SUPERVISORY CONTROL DATE ACQUISITION (SCADA) TO REPLACE AGING TELEMETRY EQUIPMENT IN THE SEWER DEPARTMENT PUMPING STATIONS. Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-82 AUTHORIZING REFUND OF PERMIT FEES TO SUNRUN INSTALLATION SERVICES, INC. FOR CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. Mayor Weaver read by title, Councilman Dorsey motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Franks and motion was carried upon the call of roll. Ayes: Cantwell, Dorsey, Franks, McKelvey, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-83 AUTHORIZING LOCAL EXAMINATION OF THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-84 AUTHORIZING THE BUDGET TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

PUBLIC HEARING OF 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET was open to the floor and seeing and hearing no discussion, the hearing was closed.

RESOLUTION R23-85 ADOPTING 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET 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. Nays: Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-86 AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF OPEN SPACE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN BOROUGH OWNED PROPERTIES. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-87 AUTHORIZING THE HIRE OF JASON FLADE TO THE POSITION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-88 AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF FEES FOR CLEMENTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR USE OF MUNICIPAL FACILITIES ON JUNE 2, 2023. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-89 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT BLACKWOOD CLEMENTON ROAD (CR 534). 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-90 AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE (SANITARY SEWER) FOR ROWAND POND/LEEWOOD PHASE 111, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MUNICIPAL ENGINEER. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-91 AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE (WATER), FOR ROWAND POND/LEEWOOD PHASE 111 IMPROVEMENTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MUNICIPAL ENGINEER. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-92 AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE (SITE) FOR ROWAND POND/LEEWOOD PHASE 111 IMPROVEMENTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MUNICIPAL ENGINEER. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-93 AUTHORIZING PRECISE SALARIES OF EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. 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. Nays: Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-94 AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF OPEN SPACE TRUST FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

RESOLUTION R23-95 AUTHORIZING VARIOUS APPOINTMENTS TO THE CLEMENTON BOARD OF HEALTH. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2023-07 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 281 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON ENTITLED, "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" A Public hearing was open to the floor and seeing and hearing no discussion, the hearing was closed. 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, McKelvey, Shaw. Nays: Franks. Absent: Strobl.

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2023-08 AMENDING SALARIES AND WAGES OF EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2023. A Public hearing was open to the floor and seeing and hearing no discussion, the hearing was closed. 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. Nays: Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2023-09 AUTHORIZING THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$772,500 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$733,875; ;MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2023-10 AUTHORIZING THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT FOR THE WATER UTILITY IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$545,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$517,750; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2023-11 AUTHORIZING THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE SEWER UTILITY IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$250,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$237,500; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

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ORDINANCE 2023-12 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 125, ENTITLED "FEES" AND CHAPTER 277, ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL FACILITIES", OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON. 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, Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2023-13 AMENDING SALARIES AND WAGES OF EMPLOYEES AND OTHER OFFICIALS RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 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. Nays: Shaw. Absent: Strobl.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There were no matters for discussion under unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS: Councilwoman Brenda Franks reported that there are 2 vendors who have applied for Mercantile Licenses within Clementon Park and were denied based on Clementon Park not having paid their tax bill. A motion to approve 30-day temporary Mercantile Licenses to “Handmade Fashions by Laly” and “Cool Breeze Water Ice” was proposed and approved by all.

Councilwoman Gwen Cantwell brought a concern from the public about whether the swing will be replaced at Niagra Park. The swing was damaged over year ago, removed and never replaced. Robert Freiling from Public Works will check into replacing the swing.

Robert Freiling was asked to send a complete list of products for sale at the Public Works Garage in order to form a Resolution to approve the sale of these items at the next meeting.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Alesha Rimby & Donna Rimby – 251 White Horse Ave, Clementon Ms. Rimby and Ms. Rimby read a letter to the Mayor and Council on behalf of Library Trustees concerning the Library Book Sale which recently took place. Councilwoman Cantwell spoke with them and agreed that there will be a separate meeting scheduled to address these matters between Councilwoman Cantwell, Councilwoman Strobl, the Mayor and The Library Trustees Committee.

Sherry Tribble, Mike Gillespie (Eatery Association)- Essie’s Café Garfield Ave- Essie’s would like to host a block party to celebrate the one-year anniversary of the store on Saturday June 24th and asked for the town’s approval to close off Garfield Ave. Mayor Weaver has contacted the county about stage on their behalf and family friendly entertainment is permitted. No alcohol is to be served outside. No objections were noted.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Dorsey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 PM, seconded by Councilman Shaw and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jenai L. Johnson,
Administrator/Municipal Clerk