

**STAFFORD TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

Mayor Myhre calls the Stafford Township Council Meeting to order with the Salute to the Flag and the reading of the Open Public Meeting Statement. Time: 7:00 PM

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT:** “THIS MEETING COMPLIES WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH MEETING DATES FOR 2020. NOTIFICATION AND PUBLICATION OF THESE MEETINGS WERE GIVEN TO THREE LOCAL NEWSPAPERS AND POSTING OF SAME ON THE MUNICIPAL BULLETIN BOARD”.

**ROLL CALL:**

Dr. Guariglia-present, Mr. Henken-present, Mr. Krier-present, Mr. Pfancook-present, Mr. Steadman-present, Mr. Williams-present, Mayor Myhre-present

**PROCLAMATION**

**CONSTITUTION WEEK-SEPTEMBER 17-23**

**MARKS THE TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY- THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF THE DRAFTING OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION**

**ORDINANCES FIRST READING & INTRODUCTION**

**BOND ORDINANCE 2020-25**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE BEACH HAVEN WEST WATER TREATMENT PLANT FILTER MEDIA REPLACEMENT PROJECT, APPROPRIATING \$325,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$325,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**Motion to introduce Bond Ordinance 2020-25 on first reading was made by Mr. Krier and seconded by Mr. Pfancook**

**RCV: All in favor-Dr. Guariglia, Mr. Henken, Mr. Krier, Mr. Pfancook, Mr. Steadman, Mr. Williams, Mayor Myhre  
PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE ORDINANCE WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AT THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE AND WILL BE ENACTED WITH A SINGLE MOTION. ANY ITEMS REQUIRING EXPENDITURE ARE SUPPORTED BY A “CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS” BY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. ANY ITEM REQUIRING DISCUSSION WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA. ALL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE REFLECTED IN FULL IN THE MINUTES**

**RESOLUTION 2020-304**

**AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF CLUB LICENSE-ITALIAN AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB**

**RESOLUTION 2020-305**

**APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE LOAN REPAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNER OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT LOCATED IN PERRY’S LAKE-38 PERRY’S LANE**

**RESOLUTION 2020-306**

**AUTHORIZING A VETERAN’S DISABILITY TAX EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 ON BLOCK 44.59, LOT 6-323 GOLFVIEW DRIVE**

**RESOLUTION 2020-307**

**AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF TAXES PAID ON PROPERTY WHERE AN EXEMPTION CLAIM HAS BEEN ALLOWED PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32, TO RODRIGUEZ, THEODORE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,239.35 FOR A PORTION OF 2020 TAXES**

**RESOLUTION 2020-308**

**AUTHORIZING A VETERAN'S DISABILITY TAX EXEMPTIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 ON VARIOUS PROPERTIES**

**RESOLUTION 2020-309**

**AUTHORIZING A VETERAN'S DISABILITY TAX EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 ON BLOCK 44.60, LOT 18-359 LIGHTHOUSE DRIVE**

**RESOLUTION 2020-310**

**AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF TAXES PAID ON PROPERTY WHERE AN EXEMPTION CLAIM HAS BEEN ALLOWED PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32 , TO BURRELL, JOSEPH F JR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,009.14 FOR A PORTION OF 2019 & 2020 TAXES**

**RESOLUTION 2020-311**

**AMENDING RESOLUTION 2020-284 AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS FROM BARNEGAT BAY DREDGING CO.**

**RESOLUTION 2020-312**

**AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD THROUGH THE STAFFORD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE 1033 PROGRAM TO ENABLE THE STAFFORD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST AND ACQUIRE EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT**

**RESOLUTION 2020-313**

**AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR UPGRADING BUILDING, ZONING, AND CONSTRUCTION SOFTWARE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020 TO SPATIAL DATA LOGIC, INC.**

**RESOLUTION 2020-314**

**AWARDING A CONTRACT THROUGH THE SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM TO PETERBILT MOTORS COMPANY AUTHORIZED DEALER-HUNTER, ROBERT L & DAVE J. & JEFFREY A & W d/b/a HUNTER JERSEY PETERBILT**

**RESOLUTION 2020-315**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FROM TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION IN THE EMERGING LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERS 2020 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COHORT**

**RESOLUTION 2020-316**

**AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE TO THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE EGG HARBOR PARKERTOWN FIRE COMPANY**

**RESOLUTION 2020-317**

**AUTHORIZING MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM**

**RESOLUTION 2020-318**

**APPROVING SUCCESSOR COLLECTIVE NEGOTIATIONS AGREEMENT WITH UTILITY WORKERS UNION OF AMERICA AFL-CIO AND ITS LOCAL 503 AND AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD**

**APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL**

**COUSINS MAINE LOBSTER**

**ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEE-PREEMINENT SOLUTIONS**

## MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

### **Council Meeting Minutes-08/11/2020**

**Motion to adopt the consent agenda of September 8, 2020 was made by Mr. Pfancook and seconded by Mr. Henken**

RCV: All in favor-Dr. Guariglia, Mr. Henken, Mr. Krier, Mr. Pfancook, Mr. Steadman, Mr. Williams, Mayor Myhre

## VOUCHER RESOLUTION

**AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TOWNSHIP BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,447,264.95**

**Motion to adopt the Voucher Resolution of September 8, 2020 was made by Mr. Henken and seconded by Mr. Krier**

RCV: All in favor-Dr. Guariglia, Mr. Henken, Mr. Krier, Mr. Pfancook, Mr. Steadman, Mr. Williams, Mayor Myhre

## GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

Mayor Myhre welcomed all back to the Township Council Meeting. Today marked the first day of school for most students in town. This will be a very usual year for students. We have been working very closely with the School Districts in town throughout the entire pandemic and will continue to help and support schools and students in any way we can moving forward. We will continue to keep everyone informed as to what is going on in town with our weekly calls. Mayor reminded residents to be mindful of the school buses now running in town. He also wished everyone a great school year. There has been a few Executive Orders issued since the last meeting. Executive Order 180, which extends the public health emergency. Executive order 181 allows gyms to operate. Executive order 183 allows for indoor dining at 25% capacity. Executive order 177 sends every registered voter an absentee ballot. If you should have any questions regarding voting please contact the Ocean County Board of Elections at 732-2929-2167. At the bi-weekly tri-county, Governors call with the Deputy Chief of Staff, many of the people on the call pushed for in person voting. Also working to suspend the 10 cents increase on the Gas Tax. On Friday September 11 the Township will be holding a ceremony at Town Hall courtyard at 7:00 pm to remember those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

Councilman Williams wished all a happy ampersand day. Dial a ride service is in operation and will provide transportation to west side of town on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The east Side on Tuesday and Thursday. Dial a ride is operating at 50% capacity. Riders must wear a mask while riding the bus. No same day service at this time. Rides are scheduled by appointment only. Cleaning is done before, between, and after each run. Please call 609-597-1000 ext. 8222 to schedule a ride. There has been 208 rides for August. The Green Team recently submitted the certification application for the Sustainable NJ program and expects to hear results by mid of October. The Green Team will be meeting again 7 pm in the Township Council room on September 14 2020. Councilman thanked the Green Team for all their hard work during the certification process. Stafford Township was awarded the 2020 innovation award for creating a program for internship with Stockton University students. A boat parade was held to support Law Enforcement Officers and Veterans. The parade had just over 2000 boats and spanned from Mantoloking to Beach Haven. It was covered by Fox News and the New York Post.

Councilman Pfancook-With the weather changing please do not rake leaves into the road. Place at the edge of your property so that the vacuum trucks and pick up. Make sure there is no debris in the leaves so it does not close up the vacuum trucks.

Councilman Krier The Township pumped over 79.7 million gallons of water during the month of August to residents. There were 308 utility mark outs, Inspections and operations of plants and stations. Vehicle service and maintenance. Water meter readings and repairs.

Councilman Henken reported on the Stafford Recreation Department. Summer Camp is pleased to announce that Summer Camp of 2020 was a great success. Thanking all campers and families for their cooperation. He also thanked the Stafford Township Counselors for going beyond every day to insure campers had the best summer possible and look forward the 2021. The Garden Club will meet on Wednesday September 9 to hold an in person monthly meeting. Will be meeting for a tour of Community Garden at the Manahawkin Lake and will hold a question and answer session. Afterward a cleanup of the Park around Heritage Park. The annual Town Wide yard sale will be held on September 12 and 13<sup>th</sup> rain or shine. Stafford Townships SHIP program is still available to anyone needing assistance. Contact Deb Budesa at 609-597-1000 ext. 8583.

**Councilman Steadman** updated residents on new business coming into town. New Tenants at the old Kmart building. Old Navy, Ross, Michaels and Home Goods. Burlington will be taking over the Michaels store and Ulta will be moving from Stafford Park complex. Chic- Fil-A and Panera site plan is still an active application and is in the developers hands at this time. Councilman thanked Alan Wilkins for 22 years of service to Stafford Township. He went beyond to execute his duties as an Electric Sub-code official. Wished him a happy and health retirement.

**Councilman Guariglia** reported on the Stafford Township EMS. As of January 1<sup>st</sup> they have had over 2200 calls with 804 of those calls occurring in June, July and August. Visit the Stafford Emergency Medical Service website for information on volunteering.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: 5 MINUTE LIMIT PER INDIVIDUAL**

Mayor Myhre opened public comment

There being none Mayor Myhre closed public comment

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL AND LEGAL MATTERS FOLLOWING WITHIN THE ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVLEDGE NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion to recess to Executive Session** was made by Mr. Pfancook and seconded by Mr. Williams

All in favor: AYE

Time: **7:23 PM**

Motion to close Executive Session was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Dr. Guariglia

All in favor: AYE

Time: **9:18 PM**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Henken

All in favor: AYE

Time: **9:20 PM**

Respectfully submitted

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Linda Martin, Municipal Clerk

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Mayor Gregory E. Myhre