

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES  
November 22, 2022  
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Jakubowski called the meeting to order.

MAYOR JAKUBOWSKI READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: "Notice of this meeting has been provided in a legal notice published in the Courier Post and the Retrospect; and posted in accordance with Title 10 of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, specifying a 7:00 p.m. meeting time; and that formal action may or may not be taken at all Caucus and Commissioners meetings". Those in attendance: Mayor Jakubowski, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Whitman, Borough Administrator David Taraschi, Solicitor Sal Siciliano, Police Chief Tom Tassi and Borough Clerk Bonnie Taft.

Mayor Jakubowski led the audience in the Flag Salute.

Commissioner Whitman made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 2, 2022 seconded by Mayor Jakubowski. All in favor-motion carried. Commissioner Lee abstained as he was not present at the meeting.

**RESOLUTION 2022-135-AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF 3<sup>RD</sup> AND 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER TAXES DUE TO AN OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK 126 LOT 15**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Whitman. Unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2022-136- AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER TAXES DUE TO AN OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK 152.007 Lot 24**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Whitman, seconded by Commissioner Lee. Unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2022-137-AUTHORIZING THE UTILIZATION OF THE CONTRACT FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND SCHOOL FLASHER EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS ELECTRIC SERVICES WITH AN OPTION FOR MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION UNDER THE CHERRY HILL COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Whitman. All in favor-motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2022-138 – AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR PROJECT SAVE**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Whitman, seconded by Commissioner Lee. All in favor-motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2022-139 – AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO RECEIVE RFQ SUBMISSIONS FOR BOROUGH AUDITOR.**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Whitman, seconded by Commissioner Lee. All in favor-motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2022-140 – AUTHORIZING A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED INCREASES TO THE STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PLAN**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Mayor Jakubowski, seconded by Commissioner Lee. All in favor-motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2022-141 – AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR THE PURCHASE AND MAINTENANCE OF A SPEED TABLE SIGN TO BE INSTALLED ON ATLANTIC AVE.**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Whitman. Unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2022-142 – AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2022**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Whitman, seconded by Commissioner Lee. Unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2022-143 – AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER TAXES DUE TO AN OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK 131 LOT 23.01**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Whitman. Unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2022-144 – APPROVING A SOCIAL AFFAIRS PERMIT FOR THE AUDUBON FIRE DEPARTMENT ON 12/3/22**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Whitman, seconded by Commissioner Lee. All in favor-motion carried.

**Commissioner's Comments**

Commissioner Lee-Holiday Parade is this Saturday. Please watch areas that will have no parking signs on the parade route. The meeting with PSE&G went well. Streets that have service openings of five or more will be paved curb to curb. Hopefully all services will be completed by February. PSE&G will maintain all the patchwork until final paving can be done. Police are doing a great job staffing all of the construction. The Fire Department is doing a great job. Response times are up and new volunteers have joined. Everything is going well in the Court.

Commissioner Whitman- The cost increases next year will greatly increase the budget. Happy to see the resolution passed tonight opposing the health benefits increase. Thank you to Chief Tassi for the signs on Ward and Merchant.

Mayor Jakubowski- Glad the resolution was passed tonight opposing the health benefit increase. The State Health Benefits Commission has no local representation and that needs to change. DPW is doing a great job collecting leaves. Trying to at least get to every street once a week. Have had a hard time finding seasonal workers. Saturday is Small Business Saturday. Please support the local businesses in town. Happy Thanksgiving everyone.

Commissioner Lee made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Commissioner Whitman. All in favor- motion carried.

Being there was no discussion, Commissioner Whitman made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Commissioner Lee. All in favor; motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2022-145 – AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION FOR A LITIGATION MATTER**

The foregoing resolution was approved by motion of Commissioner Whitman, seconded by Commissioner Lee. All in favor-motion carried.

Those present: Mayor Jakubowski, Commissioner Lee, Commissioner Whitman, Borough Administrator Dave Taraschi, Solicitor Sal Siciliano and Municipal Clerk Bonnie Taft.

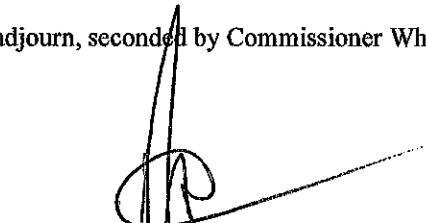
Discussion was had as to an ongoing litigation matter.

Commissioner Lee mad a motion to come out of closed session, seconded by Commissioner Whitman. All in favor, motion carried.

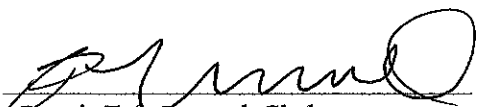
Commissioner Lee made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Whitman. All in favor-motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

  
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Commissioner Whitman

  
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Mayor Jakubowski

  
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Commissioner Lee

ATTEST:   
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Bonnie Taft, Borough Clerk

DATE APPROVED: 12/6/2022