

July 5, 2022  
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD, NJ

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held remotely, at 7:00 P.M. Mayor M. James Maley, Jr. called the meeting to order, with Commissioner Robert Lewandowski present and Commissioner Morgan Robinson present.

Mayor Maley read the Sunshine Notice stating that the Borough has complied with provisions of the Sunshine Law by adopting before January 10 of this year, a resolution prescribing the dates, times and locations of all regular meetings of the Commission. Mayor Maley explained the meeting is also being live streamed. Mayor Maley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Commissioners approved a motion to approve the following reports: Tax Collector, CFO and Municipal Court

**Recognition: Odyssey of the Mind**

Commissioner Lewandowski talked about the success of this recreation program and the opportunities the kids have that participate in the program. Commissioner Lewandowski asked Program Leader Ben Garvy to talk about the program and invited the kids up for a group photo. Mayor Maley praised the parents, kids and community members that support the program.

**THE COMMISSIONERS CALLED FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF  
ORDINANCE 1740 AMENDING SECTION 293 OF THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD CODE  
REGARDING VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Commission of the BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD, that the following Chapter of the Borough Code be amended as follows:

**I. ENACTMENTS**

- A.) **Chapter 293, Section 61 Schedule XII** "Parking Prohibited at all Times" shall be amended to remove the following street:

Name of Street	Side	Location
Ogden	South	From Haddon Avenue to North Atlantic Avenue

**II. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Mayor Maley opened the Ordinance to the public:**

***With no comments Mayor Maley moved the public hearing closed and the ordinance be adopted on second and final reading which was seconded and approved by the call of the roll:***

**Aye: M. James Maley, Jr.**  
**Aye: Robert Lewandowski**  
**Aye: Morgan Robinson**

**THE COMMISSIONERS CALLED FOR FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 1741 OF  
THE BOROUGH CODE REGARDING VARIOUS FEES**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners for the Borough of Collingswood that the following chapter of the Borough Code shall be amended as follows:

**I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to increase fees for various Borough applications and services.

II. ENACTMENTS

A.) Article V shall be amended as follows:

- 1.) the fee for a residential zoning permit as provided in §141-13 E(1) shall be increased from \$10.00 to \$35.00;
- 2.) the fee for a commercial zoning permit as provided in §141-13 E(2) shall be increased from \$25.00 to \$50.00;
- 3.) the fee for a sign permit application as provided in §141-93 shall be \$35.00.

B.) Article I shall be amended as follows:

- 1.) the fee for each individual street opening permit as provided in Section B shall be increased from \$100.00 to \$375.00 inclusive of fee by the Borough Engineer for review of the submitted plan and inspection of the road closure.
- 2.) Section C shall be deleted.
- 3.) Section D shall be now designated as Section C.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

***Mayor Maley moved the ordinance be approved on first reading, published, and the second reading and public hearing to be held on August 1, 2022 which was seconded and approved by the following call of the roll:***

***Aye: M. James Maley, Jr.  
Aye: Robert Lewandowski  
Aye: Morgan Robinson***

**THE COMMISSIONERS CALLED FOR FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1742  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD  
AMENDING THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD CODE REGARDING  
PARKING RESTRICTIONS**

**WHEREAS**, Section 293-61, Schedule XII of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Collingswood provides that a permanent parking restriction currently exists for 1.) the south side of Ogden Avenue from Haddon Avenue to South Atlantic Avenue and 2.) for the south side of Washington Avenue from Haddon Avenue to Maple Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been recommended to the Commissioners by the Chief of Police that the parking restrictions on Ogden Avenue are no longer necessary for that location and that removal of the restriction should not cause any traffic issue at that location; and

**WHEREAS**, it has also been recommended to the Commissioners by the Chief of Police that parking on the north side of Washington Avenue from Haddon Avenue to Maple Avenue should also be subject to a permanent parking restriction but that it should also be eligible for a parking permit exception as provided in Borough Ordinance Section 293-24; and

**WHEREAS**, it has also been recommended to the Commissioners by the Chief of Police that parking on the south side of Collings Avenue from the westerly curb line of Champion Avenue to a point 150 feet easterly thereof.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners for the Borough of Collingswood as follows: 1.) the parking restrictions on Ogden Avenue as cited herein and as provided in Section 293-61, Schedule XII of the Borough Code shall be removed and parking shall be permitted on both sides of Ogden Avenue from Haddon Avenue to North Atlantic Avenue; 2.) the north side of Washington Avenue from Haddon Avenue to Maple Avenue shall be subject to a permanent parking restriction pursuant to Section 293-6 but shall also be eligible for a parking permit exception as provided in Borough Ordinance Section 293-24; and 3.) the south side of Collings Avenue from the westerly curb

line of Champion Avenue to a point 150 feet easterly thereof shall be subject to a permanent parking restriction pursuant to Section 293-61.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication according to law.

**Mayor Maley moved the ordinance be approved on first reading, published, and the second reading and public hearing to be held on August 1, 2022 which was seconded and approved by the following call of the roll:**

**Aye: M. James Maley, Jr.**  
**Aye: Robert Lewandowski**  
**Aye: Morgan Robinson**

**THE COMMISSIONERS CALLED FOR FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1743  
 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD AMENDING SECTION 163 OF THE  
 MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 163 of the Municipal Code (“Code”) of the Borough of Collingswood (“Borough”) provides that the New Jersey Uniform Fire Safety Act shall be locally enforced; and

**WHEREAS**, the local enforcement agency for the Borough is the Bureau of Fire Prevention of the Municipal Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, following a review of the applicable Borough ordinances relating to the Fire Department’s responsibilities as a local enforcement agency with representatives of the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety, the Chief of the Fire Department has recommended amendments to the ordinance regarding the following sections:

- I. Section 9, subsection C, paragraph (3) titled “Business Use Group” shall have the table title amended to the following title: “Non-Life Hazard Use Commercial Property”.
- II. The table of fees set forth in Section 9, subsection C. paragraph (3) shall be amended to provide as follows:
- III.

NLHUC-1	Buildings 2,999 square feet and less	\$80
NLHUC-2	Buildings equal to or in excess of 3,000 square feet but not exceeding 4,999 square feet.	\$125
NLHUC -3	Buildings equal to or in excess of 5,000 square feet but not exceeding 9,999 square feet	\$195
NLHUC -4	Buildings equal to or in excess of 10,000 square feet but not exceeding 14,999 square feet	\$255
NLHUC -5	Buildings equal to or in excess of 15,000 square feet but not exceeding 24,999 square feet	\$355
NLHUC -6	Buildings equal to or in excess of 25,000 square feet but not exceeding 49,999 square feet	\$480
NLHUC -7	Buildings equal to or in excess of 50,000 square feet but not exceeding 99,999 square feet	\$605
NLHUC -8	Buildings equal to or in excess of 100,000 square feet but not exceeding 199,999 square feet	\$755
NLHUC -9	Buildings equal to or in excess of 200,000 square feet but not exceeding 299,999 square feet	\$905
	Each additional 100,000 square feet	\$355

**WHEREAS**, the Borough’s Board of Commissioners have reviewed the recommendations of the Fire Chief and wish to adopt them as proposed

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY** the Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood that Chapter 163 of the Borough Code (entitled “Fire Prevention”) shall be amended as follows:

- I. Section 9, subsection C, paragraph (3) titled “Business Use Group” shall have the table title amended to the following title: “Non-Life Hazard Use Commercial Property”.
- II. The table of fees set forth in Section 9, subsection C. paragraph (3) shall be amended to provide as follows:

NLHUC-1	Buildings 2,999 square feet and less	\$80
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	Each additional 100,000 square feet	\$355

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication according to law.

**Mayor Maley moved the ordinance be approved on first reading, published, and the second reading and public hearing to be held on August 1, 2022 which was seconded and approved by the following call of the roll:**

- Aye: M. James Maley, Jr.**  
**Aye: Robert Lewandowski**  
**Aye: Morgan Robinson**

**Public Comment on Resolution Items:**

Wim Schrieke 22 Crestmont Terrace asked how the Bid Budget is funded. Mayor Maley explained the Bid Budget has been funded for 25 years through a special assessment through property taxes on business properties. The special assessment is put into a separate fund. The fund is used for improvements, crossing guards, events, advertising and more. Commissioner Lewandowski explained history of the BID.

***The Following Resolutions were Approved without a Dissenting Vote***

120. Appointing Domenic Urzillo as a Full Time Police Officer for the Borough of Collingswood Police Department  
*Oath of Office -Domenic Urzillo*
121. Appointing of Kevin Dugan as a SLEO Class II for the Borough of Collingswood Police Department
122. Appointing Henry Smith III as Interim Electrical Inspector
123. Second Reading and Public Hearing of the 2022 Collingswood Business Improvement District Budget  
No Public Comment  
Aye: *M. James Maley, Jr.*  
Aye: *Robert Lewandowski*  
Aye: *Morgan Robinson*
124. Authorizing Shared Service Agreement with Camden County – Recycling Disposal
125. Authorizing Grant Application for the 2022 American Rescue Plan- Firefighter Grant
126. Authorizing to Amend the Agreement with the Merchantville Pennsauken Water Commission
127. Approval of Payment Due from National Opioids Litigation
128. Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation-2022 Clean Communities Grant Program
129. Authorizing Settlement of Tax Appeal for Property Located at 445 White Horse Pike and Identified as Block 140 Lot 5
130. Authorizing the Renewal of a Contract with the Collingswood Board of Education for Janitorial Services
131. Approving Payment of Bills as Presented by Treasurer

Commissioner Robinson reminded residents to continue to support our businesses in the summer months.

Commissioner Lewandowski thanked all the Borough Departments that make our Fourth of July Celebration a safe and successful event., mentioning the bike parade in the morning, the games at Roberts Pool and the fireworks display in the evening. Commissioner Lewandowski also thanked the Borough volunteers for their work with the Bike Parade and the American Legion for the ice cream donation for the participants of the bike parade. Commissioner Lewandowski talked about the Library’s Summer reading programs for kids and adults. Commissioner Lewandowski explained the Library not only has copies of summer reading books for our students they also have copies for Woodlynne students. He stated how grateful he is for our little library that does it all.

Mayor Maley also commented on the fireworks display stating it was the greatest show we ever had. Mayor Maley encouraged residents to be careful because COVID numbers are again on the rise in the County.

***Public Comment***

Elizabeth Gould, Parkview tenant expressed her maintenance problems with the new management. Ms. Gould explained she requested new carpet and blinds. Here request was denied. She explained she was then fined for \$200.00 damages for trash in the hallways. Ms. Gould explained she was told they have video of the offense. Mayor Maley referred Ms. Gould to Fire Chief Joyce. Mayor Maley explained Chief Joyce has been working very closely on the complaints Parkview tenants are submitting to the Borough. Ms. Gould continued to explain the issues she and others are experiencing with Premier Management. The Commissioners thanked Ms. Gould for coming in and informing them of her concerns.

Robert Nemes 735 Linwood Ave. expressed a concern about a curb cut and parked car safety hazard in the area Dayton Avenue and PATCO parking. Mayor Maley and Commissioner Lewandowski  
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explained that there is an approved agreement giving the Borough the authority to make changes in that area and we are looking to what improvements can be made.

Wim Shrieks 22 Crestmont Ter. Asked why the Borough Offices were open on Juneteenth. Mayor Maley explained that there are several holidays the Borough offices are open to accommodate our residents. Mr. Schrieks expressed some confusion with the holiday trash pick up schedule. Commissioner Lewandowski said we will do better with communication. A discussion ensued about trash collection.

Richard Klingerman 743 Maple Terrace, reported several dead trees in town. Mayor Maley said DPW will take a look. Mr. Klingerman also reported the grass also needs to be cut in the memorial garden. Mayor Maley agreed and said it will be taken care of.

With no additional comments, Mayor Maley moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:21PM, which was seconded.

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