

APRIL 3, 2018
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD, NJ

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at the Collingswood Community Center, 30 W. Collings Ave. Collingswood, NJ, on the second floor, at 7:00 P.M. Mayor M. James Maley, Jr. *called the meeting to order*, with Commissioner Joan Leonard *present* and Commissioner Robert Lewandowski *present*.

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

The Tax Collector, Treasurer, Municipal Court and Zoning Official reports were approved and seconded.

The Commissioners called for the Second Reading and Public Hearing of Ordinance 1636

**ORDINANCE 1636
CALENDAR YEAR 2018
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood in the County of Camden finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2018 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners hereby determines that a 1% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$119,473.15 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Mayor and Commissioners hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood, in the County of Camden, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2018 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Collingswood shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 1%, amounting to \$ 119,473.15, and that the CY 2018 municipal budget for the Borough of Collingswood be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

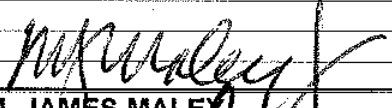


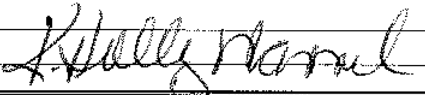
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption

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: Joan Leonard
 Aye: Robert Lewandowski

The Commissioners called for the Second Reading and Public Hearing of Ordinance 1637

2018	
SALARY ORDINANCE	
1637	
AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION OF EACH OFFICER AND EMPLOYEE OF THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD AND METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SUCH COMPENSATION	
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD IN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY DOES ORDAIN:	
SECTION 1. THE RATE OF COMPENSATION OF EACH OFFICER AND EMPLOYEE OF THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD, WHOSE COMPENSATION SHALL BE ON AN ANNUAL, SEMI-ANNUAL, AND BIWEEKLY BASIS, SHALL BE PAYABLE AS FOLLOWS:	
POSITION	ANNUAL SALARY
Finance and Revenue Department	
Chief Finance Officer/QPA	\$38.00 to \$45.00 per hour
SECTION 2. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE ARE HEREBY REPEALED. FULL TIME EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH SHALL IN ADDITION TO THE COMPENSATION PROVIDED FOR HEREIN, SHALL RECEIVE LONGEVITY PAY, WHICH SHALL BE PAYABLE ONCE YEARLY OR AS SET FORTH IN LABOR CONTRACT, RATIFIED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.	
SECTION 3. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE ARE HEREBY REPEALED.	
SECTION 4. THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON ITS PASSAGE AND PUBLICATION ACCORDING TO LAW.	
	 M. JAMES MALEY MAYOR
	 JOAN LEONARD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
	 ROBERT LEWANDOWSKI BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 K. HOLLY MANNEL, BOROUGH CLERK	

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The Following Resolutions were Approved without a Dissenting Vote

63. Certifying Hiring Practices are in compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Guidelines
Signing of Group Affidavit

64. Confirming Compliance with NJAC 5:30-7
Conducting a Local Examination of the 2018 Annual Municipal Budget

65. Authorizing the 2018 Municipal Budget to be Read by Title Only

66. Authorizing Adoption of the 2018 Municipal Budget

Public Hearing on 2018 Municipal Budget as Introduced- No Comment

Mayor Maley talked explained there would be a \$33.00 increase on the average assessed home. Services will be maintained, we are allocation 1 million year dollars from this year's budget to road improvements. This a is a large investment in our infrastructure.

Aye: M. James Maley, Jr.
Aye: Joan Leonard
Aye: Robert Lewandowski

67. Establishing Salaries for Certain Employees in the Borough- Chief Finance Officer

Approve Raffle Licenses

68. 2018-4 Mark Newbie PTA

69. 2018-6 William P Tatem PTA

70. Appointing Melissa Livingstone as Part-time Coordinator for Collingswood Partners

71. Re-Appointing Members to the Collingswood Planning Board
Diane Marini, Edward Fox and Frank Caputo

72. Appointing Christine Celia as a Member to the Collingswood Zoning Board

73. Authorizing to Enter into a Shared Service Agreement with the Borough of Merchantville – Construction Inspection Services

74. Rejecting Bids Received and Authorizing to ReAdvertise - Harrison Avenue Roadway Improvements Project

75. Authorizing a Purchase by State Contract- Fire Department Utility Vehicle

76. Approving the Payment of Bills as Presented by the Treasurer

Commissioner Lewandowski commented on the success of Grant Applications; example Harrison Ave Roadway Project. The budget is also includes an investment in equipment upgrades for the Dept. of Public Works.

Commissioner Leonard commented on some of the improvements over the years such as the work done last year at the pool, road improvements and planting of trees; all of which contribute to the quality of life in our town. Commissioner Leonard also talked about the upcoming Green Festival and the Arbor Day celebration with the Collingswood's 3rd Graders. Commissioner Leonard complimented Collingswood residents on their homes especially in the spring. Everything always looks so beautiful.

Mayor Maley, thanked everyone who worked on the budget especially the Department Heads who work very hard at making sure out departments run efficiently. Mayor Maley also thanked the Police Department for the job they did over the past weekend with an incident involving a missing child. There was a great collaboration of Public Safety enforcement from neighboring towns. The child was found and the perpetrator was arrested.

Mayor Maley opened the meeting to the Public:

Vincent Bellizia 1033 Grant Ave asked about curbside tree planting. Commissioner Leonard advised Mr. Bellizia to reach out to her and they will come out take a look to see what will work best.

Ann Woodcock announced May 1st is the opening day of the Farmers Market and also Comic Book Day at the Library. She explained the many offering the library will have available to patrons on that day such as Star Wars Characters and a collection for the St. Paul's Food Pantry

Mayor Maley added that the May Commissioners meeting will be on May 8th.

With no further comments, Mayor Maley moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:20PM, which was seconded.