

JUNE 4, 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, CFO Municipal Court and Zoning Official reports were approved and seconded.

Unit Citation Award for the Rescue of Occupants at 1106 Haddon
Captain Robert Fox
Firefighter Stephen Ruestle
Firefighter Kyle Jarozynski
Firefighter Adam Stuhlemmer

The Commissioners called for the Second Reading and Public Hearing of Ordinance 1640

ORDINANCE NO. 1640

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 217 OF THE
BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD CODE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood that the Borough Code is hereby amended as follow:

I. **PURPOSE.**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Chapter 217, Recreation Fees of the Borough Code. The Borough has determined that amending the membership fees is in the best interest of the Borough's residents.

II. **AMENDMENTS.**

1. In Section 217-25 Recreation Program Fees:

Odyssey of the Mind	\$60
Summer Field Hockey K-4	\$35
Summer Field Hockey 5-8	\$50
Lacrosse Camp	\$25
Playground	\$50/wk;\$20/day
Preschool Playground	\$40/wk
Fall Mini Soccer	\$25
Fall Soccer	\$40 for 1 st child; \$35 each additional
Fall Field Hockey	\$40 for 1 st child; \$35 each additional
Wrestling	\$40 for 1 st child; \$35 each additional
Boys Basketball	\$40 for 1 st child; \$35 each additional
Girls Basketball	\$40 for 1 st child; \$35 each additional
Lacrosse	\$40 for 1 st child; \$35 each additional
Travel Field Hockey K-2	\$50
Travel Field Hockey 3-4	\$100
Travel Field Hockey 5-6	\$120
Travel Field Hockey 7-8	\$140

III. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

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 1641

Ordinance No. 1641

APPROPRIATING \$1,450,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND REPAIRS TO BOROUGH ROADS
AND
APPROPRIATING \$225,000.00 FROM THE SEWER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND IMPROVMENTS TO SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE
AND
APPROPRIATING \$450,000.00 FROM THE WATER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER PLANT AND INFRASTRUCTURE AND PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT
AND
APPROPRIATING \$10,000.00 FROM THE PARKING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, (not less than 2/3 of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

SECTION 1. The Borough Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood hereby authorizes the following General Capital improvements:

A. Improvements to Roads	\$1,100,000.00
B. Purchase of Equipment	350,000.00

SECTION 2. The Borough Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood hereby authorizes the following Sewer Capital improvements:

A. Improvements to Roads	\$155,000.00
B. Purchase of Equipment	70,000.00

SECTION 3. The Borough Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood hereby authorizes the following Water Capital improvements:

A. Various Improvements to Buildings and Infrastructure	\$415,000.00
B. Purchase of Equipment	35,000.00

SECTION 4. The Borough Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood hereby authorizes the following Parking Capital improvements:

A. Purchase of Equipment	10,000.00
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The useful life of this equipment is at least five (5) years. No Supplemental Debt Statement is required since there is no authorization of any debt within this Capital Ordinance. The gross debt of the Municipality as defined by law is not increased by this ordinance, and no obligation in the matter of bonds or notes are authorized by this ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Capital Ordinance shall take effect immediately after publication following the final adoption as provided by law.

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 Following Resolutions were Approved without a Dissenting Vote

Appointing Nathaniel Blair as Part –Time Inspector/Firefighter/EMT for the Collingswood Fire Department

Appointing Andrew Marker as Safety Coordinator

Appointing Anita Schoeffling as Part Time Municipal Court Clerk

Appointing Lisa Valora as Part Time Administrative Assistant to the Department of Public Works

Reappointing Keith Haberern as a Member to the Collingswood Historic Commission

Authorizing the Ratification Award of an Emergency Contract for Water Repair-Steffan Drilling

Approving a Purchase by State Contract- Vehicle

Approving E-JIF Release

Authorizing a Construction Management Contract with CCIA

Approving the Payment of Bills as Presented by the Treasurer

Commissioner Lewandowski talked about the upcoming Roberts Pool season. Commissioner Lewandowski thanked the many volunteers, borough staff and organizations who have made the Mayfair a great success

Commissioner Leonard talked about some tree issues the borough has faced over the last few years; such as storms and blight. She asked residents to reach out with any tree questions or requests to have a tree planted. Commissioner Leonard talked about the Mayfair and how wonderful it is and it keeps getting better. Commissioner Leonard wished everyone a happy healthy and safe summer.

Mayor Maley announced the Public Forum being held on June 26th for information and to ask questions about the construction of the Public Safety Building. Mayor Maley talked about the status of the opening of McFarland's Market, he has been told two weeks.

Mayor Maley opened the meeting to the Public:

Barbara Thomas an Eldridge Ave. talked about the recent Forum hosted by folks who are in favor of the Backyard Chicken Pilot Program. She expressed her hopefulness for a decision approving the Pilot program.

Chrissy Spallone, 18 Bellevue Terrace expressed her support of Air B&B Hosts. She explained that she has hosted since 2013. She talked about some of the benefits and possible misunderstandings of the concept.

Mayor Maley explained the Borough has done work for many years dealing with issues from the 1970's -1980's when single family homes were split into duplexes. Mayor Maley explained neighbors have complained about Airb&b's. Mayor Maley continued to explain some folks are renting rooms for three months or more, similar to a Boarding Homes. Commissioner Leonard explained Airb&b hosts may not know what they are doing is not lawful. Commissioner Leonard added it is a slippery slope; with the possibility of rooms for rent, boarding homes and absentee landlords. The discussion continued about short term rentals, regulations and the effects of on neighborhoods

Ann Woodcock, 121 E Palmer suggested that Backyard Chickens could be at the Community Garden. A discussion ensued.

Gwen Baile, Haddon Twp. resident stated her support for a Backyard Chicken Pilot and added to the discussion of chickens being at the community gardens or in schools and stated some thoughts on why she does not believe it would work.

With no further comments, Mayor Maley moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 PM, which was seconded.