

June 3, 2019
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD, NJ

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at the Collingswood Community Center 30 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 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 before 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, Municipal Court Treasurer and Zoning Officer reports were approved and seconded.

The Commissioners called for the Second Reading and of Ordinance 1663

**APPROPRIATING \$25,000.00 FROM THE
GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR
ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS
AND
APPROPRIATING \$115,000.00 FROM THE SEWER
CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF
EQUIPMENT
AND
APPROPRIATING \$120,000.00 FROM THE WATER
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR IMPROVEMENTS
TO THE WATER PLANT AND GIS MAPPING**

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 \$ 25,000.00

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

A. Purchase of Equipment \$ 115,000.00

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

A. Improvements to the Water Plant	\$ 80,000.00
B. GIS Mapping	40,000.00

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

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 1664

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REHABILITATION PLAN
FOR THE BOROUGH OF COLLINGSWOOD**

WHEREAS, redevelopment and rehabilitation projects must be undertaken pursuant to a "redevelopment plan" adopted by a municipal ordinance pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7, and said plan must include an outline for the planning, development, redevelopment or rehabilitation of the project area; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood ("Borough"), pursuant to Resolution No. 06-186 determined that the entire Borough is an area in need of rehabilitation since it meets the statutory criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14 in that more than half of the housing stock is at least 50 years old and a majority of the water and sewer infrastructure is at least 50 years old and is in need of repair or substantial maintenance and that a program of rehabilitation may be expected to prevent further deterioration and promote the overall development of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Commissioners by Ordinance No. 1417 adopted a Plan for Rehabilitation prepared by Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc. (the "Rehabilitation Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough requires an amendment to the Rehabilitation Plan in order to provide additional zoning requirements for the property known as 434 Haddon Ave. Collingswood, N.J. 08107 (Block 112, Lot 17 of the Collingswood Tax Map) which is owned by the Borough in order to facilitate the development of such property for a new public safety building; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Rehabilitation Plan is set for in an amendment document prepared by Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc. dated _____ that is attached as Exhibit A (the "Amendment to Rehabilitation Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Amendment to Rehabilitation Plan was referred to the Collingswood Planning Board for review and comment which review and comment was provided by the Planning Board in a report to the Borough Commissioners which report was considered by the Borough Commissioners prior to the adoption of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Amendment to Rehabilitation Plan meets the requirements of the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et. seq. and is consistent with the Borough's Master Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood that the Amendment to Rehabilitation Plan attached as Exhibit A prepared by Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc. is hereby approved and adopted as an amendment to the Rehabilitation Plan of the Borough of Collingswood; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Commissioners of the Borough of Collingswood that the Rehabilitation Plan adopted by the Borough pursuant to Ordinance No. 1417 shall remain in full force and effect except as modified by the Amendment to Rehabilitation Plan attached as Exhibit A.

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

Mayor Maley opened the Ordinance to the Public

Rob Carlson 21 Gorman Ave asked how many revisions are here. Mayor Maley explained there are not many, there is a change to the side yard, the total lot area, and a change in the front yard set back. There are various bulk variance requirements and we are adopting this ordinance to conform. Mayor Maley added we are making these changes officially as a municipal building but as a municipality we are not subjected to zoning laws.

With no further 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 Lewandowsk**

The Commissioners called for the First Reading of Ordinance 1665

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 As of January 1, 2019
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	
Tree Official	\$1,500.00 to \$5,000.00
Crew Chief	\$50,000.00 to \$60,000.00
Mechanic	\$40,000.00 to \$55,000.00
Laborers	\$40,000.00 to \$50,000.00
Safety Coordinator Stipend	\$500.00
Recycling Coordinator Stipend	\$500.00
Stormwater Management Coordinator Stipend	\$500.00
WATER DEPARTMENT	
Assistant Water Superintendent	\$55,000.00 to \$70,000.00
Clerk	\$27,000.00 to \$40,000.00
Meter Reader	\$40,000.00 to \$55,000.00
Part Time help as needed	\$8.85 to \$15.00 per hour

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Crew Chief	\$50,000.00 to \$60,000.00
Clerk	\$27,000.00 to \$40,000.00
Laborers	\$40,000.00 to \$55,000.00
Part-time help as needed	\$8.85 to \$15.00 per hour

ON CALL AND OVERTIME TO BE PAID AS SET FORTH IN CONTRACT RATIFIED BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

As of July 1, 2019

Hall Attendants	\$125.00 per event
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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.

Mayor Maley moved the ordinance be approved on first reading, published, and the second reading and public hearing to be held on July 1, 2019 which was seconded and approved by the following call of the roll:

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

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Richard Klingerman, 743 Maple Terr., asked if there were any minutes. Mayor Maley explained that there were not any.

With no further comments, Mayor Maley moved closed the public comment on the Agenda items

The Following Resolutions were Approved without a Dissenting Vote

111. Appointing Michael Mannion as Fire Fighter / EMT for the Collingswood Fire Department

OATHS:

Michael Mannion-Fire Fighter EMT

Nicole Berry -Police Officer Appointed in May 6, 2019

Mayor Maley excused any members of the public that wished to leave after the oaths were administered

112. Appointing James Gifford as Part Time Code and Fire Inspector for the Collingswood Fire Department

113. Authorizing the Renewal of the Shared Services Agreement between Cherry Hill Fire District 13 and the Borough of Collingswood

114. Approving the Collingswood Little League's Application to the Camden County Open Space Committee for Recreation Facility Enhancement Project Fundin

115. Approving a Lien Certification

Block 53 Lot 10.02

Block 44 Lot 18

116. Authorize to Issue RFP's for Engineering Inspection Services for Safe Routes to Schools Grant

117. Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation – Clean Communities Grant

118. Approving a Contract to Rio Supply Inc.-Water Meters

119. Approving Purchase Under State Contract-Live Scan Fingerprint Machine

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

Commissioner Lewandowski excused himself from the meeting to attend an awards ceremony

Commissioner Leonard congratulated Bob Fox on his retirement and thanked him for his years of service. Commissioner Leonard also congratulated and thanked Jerry Chambers for all he has done over the years as a volunteer for the Borough and as a borough employee. Commissioner Leonard talked about the wildlife certifications at the schools and on many of the borough properties around town and the benefit those areas have on the environment. Commissioner Leonard thanked all the residents that had trees planted on their properties this year and all of those who help with this year's May Fair.

Mayor Maley, also thanked Jerry Chambers, as we are celebrating our 20th year at the Scottish Rite. Jerry single handedly held together a really big building that had not been used for many years and made it a center of attraction for the arts in Collingswood. Mayor Maley added Jerry owned a business in town for a long time and helped organize and run the Mayfair from the start. Mayor Maley added that Chambers can retire from the Scottish Rite but not from the Mayfair. Mayor Maley talked about the upcoming Construction Bid for the New Public Safety Building, Mayor Maley said they are hoping construction starts the end of the summer. Mayor Maley said there is a lot of road work being done and we are hoping the Safe Streets Projects get started soon.

Mayor Maley opened the meeting to the Public:

Suzanne Cloud 241 Haddon Ave. asked for the status of an Air B&B Ordinance would be introduced. Mayor Maley said they do not have a timeline.

Rob Carlson 21Gorman Ave. asked when Commissioner Leonard last voted in a Primary. Commissioner Leonard said he hasn't. Mr. Carlson asked Mayor Maley about an endorsement letter from the Commissioners supporting a local political organization. A discussion ensued about political conversations and official Borough business.

Suzanne Cloud asked about a phantom candidate. Mayor Maley directed Ms. Cloud to Mr. Carlson.

Anne Woodcock, 121 E. Palmer Ave. invited residents to the Friends of the Library fundraiser being held at Cabana. Mayor Maley also reminded residents of the upcoming Collingswood Blood Drive. Ms. Woodcock asked if street striping had started. Mayor Maley said it had and there would be some new crosswalk applications in addition to the normal striping.

With no further comments, Mayor Maley moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 PM, which was seconded.