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Mayor Janice Kovach called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Present – Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mayor Kovach read the following statement: “Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided, indicating the time and place of the meeting and the proposed agenda, which notice was posted, made available to newspapers, and filed with the Clerk of the Town of Clinton in accordance with Section 3(d) of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to approve the council meeting minutes of February 26, 2020 as submitted.

Vote all ayes
1 Abstention (Intrabartola)
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF BUDGET MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Karsh, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to approve the council meeting minutes of February 20 and 25, 2020 as submitted.

Vote all ayes
1 Abstention (Johnson) 2-20-2020
1 Abstention (Intrabartola) 2-25-2020
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS – FEBRUARY

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to accept the Monthly Reports for the month of February as submitted: Administrator’s Report, Clerk’s Account, Cat and Dog Licensing Accounts, Construction Control / Inspection Report, Police Report, Tax Collector’s Report, Treasurer’s Report, Zoning Officer

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

1. Mayor Kovach stated that Governor Murphy issued a State of Emergency regarding COVID-19. By doing so, it will allow the State to receive funding if needed and the ability to receive medical supplies, etc. North Hunterdon and Voorhees sending district is having an in-service day for teachers on Monday, March 16, 2020, to discuss how to create virtual classrooms for students at home so they may conduct the 180 days of schooling. Mayor Kovach said more information on the pandemic can be found on the Town website or Facebook page or on the State website nj.gov/health

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CLINTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Jeff Hedden came before Council this evening with other members of the fire department. A presentation was made to Council and the public regarding their intent to develop a fire district which could help with funding. The department is seeking Council's support prior to going through the process of getting a petition signed by 5% of the voters in Clinton which then gets submitted to the State for approval. The fire department is currently supported by the town and run by all volunteers. With current restrictions on budgets and the time constraints for volunteers, the creation of a fire district would help the department acquire necessary personnel and equipment with a separate tax levy from the town.

Council requested the men draw up a preliminary budget and run several scenarios to present when they return to further discuss the proposition. Chief Hedden also said he would be willing to speak at a town hall meeting and answer questions residents may have.

BANNER REQUEST

A motion was made by Ms. Karsh, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to approve the banner request for the Town Picnic, to be held June 6, rain date June 13, 2020.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #70-20 – 2020 SALARY RESOLUTION AMENDMENT II

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to adopt Resolution #70-20 as submitted:

RESOLUTION # 70-20

2020 SALARY RESOLUTION – AMENDMENT II

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clinton in the County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey as follows:

That the following position titles within the Town of Clinton in the County of Hunterdon, the respective salaries or compensation set forth below are hereby fixed as the maximum amounts to be paid for the year 2020:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Water Superintendent (Dysart)	88,059.27
Water Utility Foreman (Burdge)	40.80/Hr.
Sewer Utility Foreman (Mess)	26.92/Hr.
Streets & Roads Foreman (Higgins)	26.44/Hr.
Building/Plumbing Inspector (Niro)	9,586.87
Fire Sub-Code Official/Fire Inspector (Williamson)	2,988.88
Building Sub-Code Official (Krupsky)	4,000.00

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

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RESOLUTION #71-20 – PREPAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE EVENT OF A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to adopt Resolution #71-20 as submitted:

RESOLUTION #71-20

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PRE-PAYMENT OF CERTAIN BILLS IN THE EVENT OF A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) is a contagious, and at times fatal, respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 103, Governor Phil Murphy declared a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency exist in the State of New Jersey as a result of an outbreak of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton (the “Town Council”) may find it necessary in the interest of protecting the public health, safety, and welfare, to cancel public meeting of the Town Council as a result of such public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Town has budgeted funds for payment of obligations including, utilities, payroll, debt service, governmental fees and other statutory payments, insurance, and for the advertising, printing and mailing costs of the Town; and,

WHEREAS, the Town’s Chief Financial Officer and Town Attorney have advised that the governing body may provide for the pre-payment of these items, so that they may be paid in a timely manner without penalty in the event public meetings are cancelled due to a public health emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized and directed to make pre-payment of the following items prior to the same appearing on the next meeting’s list of bills and claims:

1. Utilities (electric, gas, water, sewer and telephone, cellular telephone, gasoline, diesel fuel, internet providers, etc.).
2. Town payroll and payroll agencies.
3. Debt service as evidenced by pre-authorized bonds and/or notes.
4. Health, dental and other insurance premiums and/or claims.
5. Governmental fees and other statutory payments (school, county, sewage authority, state and county fees).
6. Bills pertaining to the advertising, printing and mailing costs of the Town.
7. Third party fees collected through pre-authorized credit/debit card processing.
8. Bills where vendor discounts are granted for timely payment. (Example 2% discount for payments made within 10 days.) Maximum dollar amount allowed is \$20,000.
9. Inter-fund Obligations
10. Purchase of Investments

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

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PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #20-02 – AMENDING LAND USE

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to open the public hearing on Ordinance #20-02 as submitted:

Ordinance No. 20-02

Affordable Housing Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND USE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON TO ADDRESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FAIR HOUSING ACT AND THE UNIFORM HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CONTROLS (UHAC) REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE TOWN'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

There being no public comment, a motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Karsh to close the public portion of the meeting.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to adopt Ordinance #20-02 on final reading.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #20-03 – CONSTRUCTION RECORDS CLEARANCE POLICY

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to open the public hearing of Ordinance #20-03:

ORDINANCE #20-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON AMENDING CHAPTER 88 OF THE CODE OF CLINTON TO ADD A NEW SECTION CREATING A CONSTRUCTION RECORDS CLEARANCE POLICY

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

John Kashwick, 21 Water Street, asked what this clearance policy is? Mayor Kovach explained that in two separate instances last summer when a property was being sold, pools were installed without permits creating problems for the seller and the buyer. This new policy will ensure that all permits obtained through the building department for a particular Block and Lot have been inspected and closed by the appropriate sub-code inspector. It also ensures that the seller took out the necessary permits for work that might have been performed such as finished basements, water heaters, furnaces, wood stoves, etc.

There being no further public comment, a motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to close the public portion of the meeting.

Vote all ayes

Motion carried

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A motion was made by Mr. Traphagen, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to adopt Ordinance #20-03 on final reading.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #20-04 – TOWING AND STORAGE OF VEHICLES

A motion was made Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Karsh, to open the public hearing of Ordinance #20-04:

ORDINANCE # 20 - 04
ORDINANCE ADOPTING FEE SCHEDULES FOR TOWING
AND STORAGE OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

There being no public comment, a motion was made by Ms. Karsh, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to close the public portion of the meeting.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to adopt Ordinance #20-04 on final reading.

ROLL CALL: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE # 20-05 – AMENDMENTS TO C-3 ZONE

A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to open the public hearing of Ordinance #20-05:

ORDINANCE # 20-05

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 88-5 OF THE TOWN CODE TO ALLOW COFFEE
SHOPS AS ACCESSORY USES TO MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE STATIONS IN THE C-3
HIGHWAY ORIENTED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

There being no public comment, a motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to close the public portion of the meeting.

Vote all ayes

Motion carried
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A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to adopt Ordinance #20-05 on final reading.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #20-06 – AMENDMENT TO INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

A motion was made by Ms. Karsh, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to open the public hearing on Ordinance #20-06:

ORDINANCE # 20-06

**ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 88-56, ENTITLED “INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT” OF THE
TOWN CODE TO PROVIDE ENHANCED SCREENING AND BUFFERING FOR THE
LANDSDOWN TRAIL FROM INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

John Kashwick, 21 Water Street, questioned the buffer area to be increased? Mayor Kovach explained it will be increased from 25 feet to 100 feet.

There being no further questions, a motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to close the public portion of the meeting.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Mr. Humphrey to adopt Ordinance #20-06 on final reading.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE #20-09 – AMENDMENT TO FILTER & RESIDUAL
BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

A motion was made by Ms. Karsh, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to introduce Ordinance #20-09 on first reading:

ORDINANCE #20-09

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BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 FOR THE FILTER AND RESIDUALS BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IN AND BY THE TOWN OF CLINTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$500,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance has heretofore been authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Clinton, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "Town") as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a), there is hereby appropriated the supplemental amount of \$500,000, such sum being in addition to the \$3,389,400 appropriated therefor by bond ordinance #19-13 of the Town finally adopted October 22, 2019 (the "Original Bond Ordinance"). Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c), no down payment is provided for the cost of the improvement since the project described in Section 3(a) hereof is being funded through the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank.

Section 2. In order to finance the additional cost of the improvement or purpose, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$500,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement heretofore authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is the the Filter and Residuals Building Improvement Project for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, including, but not limited to, cleaning and mobilization and final cleanup of the site, building related improvements, improvements to the electrical/HVAC systems and other electrical and mechanical related improvements and the removal and replacement of the sludge belt press, screen filters, belt conveyors and other equipment, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto and further including all planning and design, engineering, administrative and other related costs incidental thereto, as described in the Original Bond Ordinance.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is \$3,889,400, including the \$3,389,400 authorized by the Original Bond Ordinance and the \$500,000 bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized herein.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is \$3,889,400, including the \$3,389,400 appropriated by the Original Bond Ordinance and the \$500,000 appropriated herein.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date, unless such bond anticipation notes mature at such later date in accordance with applicable law. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law or other applicable law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing

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to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Town hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Town is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the Town may lawfully undertake as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 15 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Town as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$500,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$625,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement. Of this amount, \$525,000 was estimated for these items of expense in the Original Bond Ordinance and an additional \$100,000 is estimated therefor herein.

Section 7. The Town hereby declares the intent of the Town to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of the Treasury Regulations.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Town is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Town and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Town. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Town pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Town and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Town fails to comply with its undertaking, the Town shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

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Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Town are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Town, and the Town shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

A copy of this ordinance will be published in the Courier News edition of March 14, 2020. A public hearing will be held March 25, 2020.

PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #20-01 – REDEVELOPMENT OF A & P SITE

Councilwoman Karsh recused herself from the hearing and the dais due to a conflict of interest.

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to open the public hearing of Ordinance #20-01.

ORDINANCE #20-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE FORMER A&P SUPERMARKET, BLOCK 21, LOTS, 6, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 30.01, 31, 32, 33 AND 34

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

Geoff Long, development principal from Ingerman, attended the meeting to answer questions for the Mayor and Council as well as the press and the public. Ingerman is planning two buildings of one, two and three bedroom apartments. Each building will have a retail suite on the first floor open to Route 173. The building must be as close to the road as the zoning allows because of the need for buffer of the stream at the back of the property. Mayor Kovach explained that this is the first step in allowing Ingerman to begin redeveloping the property, the next step will be Ingerman going to the Land Use Board for site plan approval.

Mr. Long also explained his plan to meet with the Historic Commission to present architectural designs and get input from the commission. Mr. Humphrey suggested inviting the Environmental Commission and the Shade Tree Commission as well. A meeting with the commission was suggested for Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Mellick, 64 Center Street, asked is there room to look at the design of the buildings and yes, definitely willing to work with the Town. Willows at Annandale Village is the work of Ingerman if anyone wanted to see their work.

John Kashwick, 21 Water Street, first thanked Mayor Kovach for officiating at his wedding ceremony on Tuesday, March 10, 2020. Mr. Kashwick then referred to a question he posed at the original meeting held at the library in January, what impact will this development have on property values, rental values on the historic homes in town. Jim Kyle, Town Planner, is working on getting those figures. Mr. Kashwick asked if the Town considered eminent domain if negotiations would break down with this developer? Mr. Kashwick was concerned with the town having their hands tied if that should happen. Attorney for I Ingerman, Kate Coffey, assured everyone that if a developer did not follow through on proposed plans, in

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other words breached the agreement, the town could go back of re-open the redevelopment. It would not be pre-closed if they did not follow through on the agreement.

Therefore, following the comments and there being no further public comments, a motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to close the public portion of the meeting.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to adopt Ordinance #20-01 on final reading.

ROLL CALL Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Hunterdon County Electronics Recycling will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at the Route 12, Flemington location.
2. Notification from the New Jersey General Assembly urging counties and municipalities to create 2020 Census Complete Count Committees and to educate residents of the importance of completing the census.
3. Community Hope hosting the 19th Annual Veterans Flag Day 5K and Fun Walk on Thursday, June 11, 2020 at the Lyons VA Campus in Bernards Township.
4. Resignation of Michele Snyder from the Communications Committee effective March 17, 2020. A motion was made by Ms. Intrabartola, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to accept the resignation with regrets.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried
5. March 28, 2020 Elected Official Seminar in the municipal building.
6. Hunterdon County Library hosting the 6th Annual New Jersey Makers Day on March 21 at the North and South Branch of the County and at the Headquarters Library on March 8, 2020.
7. HER FIGHT / HER VOTE Women's Suffrage Centennial Celebration at the Apple Tree House, Tuesday, March 24, 2020 5:30 p.m. 298 Academy Street
8. Hunterdon Preparatory School will be hosting their first "Outside the Box" Music and Arts Festival at the Historic Red Mill Museum in Clinton, NJ from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The festival is a fundraising event to support the school's arts related scholarships and after-school programs and to celebrate the transformative role that music and art plays in the lives of our students.

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REPORTS FROM COUNCIL & TOWN OFFICIALS

Councilwoman Johnson

Clinton Public School and North Hunterdon/Voorhees High Schools will be closed beginning Monday, March 16, 2020 due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

Board of Recreation extended the registration for Summer Rec. March 19 was the intended date for trip sign ups but that will be rescheduled as well.

Councilman Humphrey

Chief Hedden reported for the Clinton Fire Department 32 calls for the month of February in various categories. Fire Department Chaplin Coyne's son, Garrett, graduated Marine boot camp and Bob Hoffman's step son will graduate soon. The department held a large drill with the Rescue Squad of saw cutting tools. The department will also be involved with the St. Patrick's Day parade this coming weekend and a mandatory Fit testing that must take place once a year.

The new Elder's Committee meeting was a great success with 12 interested people attending. Plans are to elevate activities and health services for seniors.

Environmental Commission – Clinton's longtime residents Kathy and John Madden will be moving to Hackettstown. The River Clean Up is scheduled for April 18, 2020.

Attorney St. Angelo

New Jersey League of Municipalities recommended municipalities adopting the Resolution #71-20 which authorizes the prepayment of bills in the event of a public health emergency and the process of attending meetings electronically. Updates are daily to officials of how to deal with the virus. State guidelines regarding quarantine and working on a policy regarding closure and limited staffing.

Councilwoman Karsh

Economic Development Committee held a virtual meeting. The 78/22 coalition continues to discuss transportation and the one seat rides. Working in conjunction with the Raritan Valley Coalition to bring development to the region.

Clinton Guild excited to host the egg hunt April 11 at the Community Center. Ladies night May 7; Flag Day June 12 and sidewalks sales July 17 and 18. The Distrx app is also very exciting in promoting town businesses.

Water committee – will be held next week, discussing water supply and the Master Plan work is moving forward.

Councilwoman Dineen

Land Use Board – no March meeting. Holiday Inn on the agenda for April 21, 2020.

Roads committee - Meenan Oil on West Main Street has determined a permanent fix for the leak and is working with DOT to complete it.

Stormwater Management rules, the amendments have been approved by the coordinator.

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Councilwoman Intrabartola

Communications committee – a red banner has been set up across the home page of the website regarding updates to the COVID-19, closures, cancellations and shelter-in-place.

Councilman Traphagen

Rescue Squad has prepared their first set of new by laws. A Board of Trustees will oversee leadership, based on the transition and a merger date expected for summer of 2020. Attorney St. Angelo asked if the LOSAP issues were addressed but Kathy Olsen, CFO, said they have not been figured out yet.

Buildings and Grounds – projected projects - repainting of 47 Leigh Street, repairs on wood, and siding and refinishing the floors at the community center will take place March 25 and the center will be closed for two weeks. Mayor Kovach mentioned she received a complaint that the port-o-john was missing from the park.

APPROVAL OF STANDBY AND OVERTIME

A motion was made by Ms. Karsh seconded by Ms. Johnson, to approve the standby and overtime pay attached to these minutes for the period of January 24 through February 6 and February 21 through March 5, 2020.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson seconded by Ms. Karsh to approve the voucher list as attached to these minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Intrabartola to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 P.M.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

Mayor Janice Kovach

