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Roll Call: 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.”

Mayor Kovach welcomed the public to the meeting and explained how the meeting will be run by reading the following statement :

N.J.S.A. 10:4-8 (b) authorizes municipalities to conduct public meetings through use of streaming services and other online meeting platforms.

The Town of Clinton is using ZOOM Video Meetings, which are also live-streamed to Facebook Live on the Town’s Facebook Page at @clintonnjgov

Please be aware that this meeting is being recorded for the public record.

Both ZOOM and Facebook Live are imperfect, so if glitches pop-up, please be patient.

We will be addressing all questions and general comments after the governing body has conducted business and shared reports. We will take comments during the public hearing of any Ordinances on the agenda.

Councilman Mike Humphrey will be moderating questions and comments on ZOOM and Facebook. Please use the chat feature in Zoom to indicate that you wish to be recognized for a comment. You can also type in questions.

You must provide you name and address to be recognized for comment.
We ask that you keep your device muted until called upon by the council.
The Mayor and Council will respond to all votes using chat.

Please feel free to reach out with a note at jkovach@clintonnj.gov for any reason after the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Intrabartola, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to approve the council meeting minutes of June 10, 2020 as submitted.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Karsh, to approve the special council meeting minutes and the executive session minutes of June 10, 2020.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to approve the minutes of the special council meeting of June 15, 2020.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Laura Coughlin, 9 Rupell's Road, reached out to Mayor and Council to request bussing to Clinton Public School for the reason sidewalks do not go as far as Rupell's Road. Sidewalks are on Union Road for the walking school children but end there. Mayor Kovach said she talked to CPS Superintendent Dr. Cohen and learned that the school is not legally required to provide bussing to homes unless they are more than two miles away or for children with disabilities. The decision to have bussing is through the Board of Education. Mayor Kovach suggested Mrs. Coughlin to contact Dr. Cohen and asked the Road's Committee to take extending sidewalks under consideration. The next Board of Ed meeting is July 22, 2020.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Kovach was present on a virtual press conference with the League of Municipalities and three other mayor. They discussed the impact of COVID-19, the tax rate collection and what can be expected in lost revenue this year and next year. Mayor Kovach also took part in a zoom meeting with Speaker Coughlin to discuss the impact to municipalities and legislation that is being worked on. DCA will be certifying budgets and towns should we should be getting funding through energy tax receipts.

The re-start committee has broken into sub-committees. We are now in Phase II with more changes coming this week and next week. Mayor Kovach will update council as updates are made available.

SPEED HUMPS – DISCUSSION CONTINUED

Town Engineer, Robert Clerico, returned to Haver Farm Road to look at the signage associated with the speed humps. Ms. Dineen summarized Mr. Clerico's recommendations. Speed hump "A" Northbound approach – left side – remove 1 warning sign and 1 speed advisory plate. Southbound approach requires property owner to assume responsibility for pruning of existing tree on right side and left side – remove 1 warning sign and 1 speed advisory plate. Speed Hump "B" northbound approach, left side, remove 1 warning and southbound approach left side remove 1 warning sign. Speed hump "C" Northbound approach, left side – remove 1 warning sign and 1 speed advisory plate or southbound approach left side – remove 1 warning sign and 1 speed advisory plate. Ms. St. Angelo pointed out the north side where trees will need pruning on private property. Mr. Humphrey asked if property owners were contacted following discussion at the last meeting? Mr. Phelan was directed to contact property owners tomorrow, Thursday, June 25.

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Intrabartola, to accept Mr. Clerico's recommendations.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

WATER REFUND

Water Collector, Nancy Burgess, is requesting a water refund in the amount of \$1,000.00. A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to refund the amount requested.

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

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

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INTRODUCTION OF BOND ORDINANCE #20-14

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to introduce Ordinance #20-14 on first reading:

ORDINANCE #20-14

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWN OF CLINTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$213,250 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$202,588 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 several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Clinton, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "Town") as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$213,250, and further including the aggregate sum of \$10,662 as the several down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments have been made available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$202,588 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. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation & Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds & Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) Acquisition of a pickup truck and a snow blower tractor for the Department of Public Works, acquisition of a computer server and an upgrade for the alcotest machine and the painting of 47 Leigh Street, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.			

	\$111,450	\$105,877	5500 5 years
b) Acquisition of a sport utility vehicle, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$5,050 (supplements the \$42,000 appropriated by Bond Ordinance #19-09 finally adopted June 11, 2019 ("Bond Ordinance #19-09"))	\$4,798 (supplements the \$39,000 authorized by Bond Ordinance #19-09)	5 years
c) Various capital improvements, including grandstand repairs, sidewalk repairs at the Route 78 overpass, the replacement of siding and windows at the Community Center, the acquisition of handguns and an upgrade for lights and new sights, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.			
	\$76,500	\$72,675	10 years
d) Electronic door lock replacement and electrical repairs at the grandstand, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.			
	<u>\$20,250</u>	<u>\$19,238</u>	15 years
TOTAL:	<u>\$213,250</u>	<u>\$202,588</u>	

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the down payment for each purpose.

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 are permitted to 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

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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 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 improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the Town may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 7.74 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 \$202,588, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$2,000 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 purposes or improvements.

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 or improvements described in Section 3 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 purposes or improvements described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements 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

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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.

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 summary of this ordinance will be published in the July 2, 2020 edition of the Hunterdon Review. A public hearing will be held July 22, 2020.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE #20-15

A motion was made by Ms. Intrabartola, seconded by Ms. Karsh to introduce #20-15 on first reading as submitted:

ORDINANCE #20-15

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS WATER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWN OF CLINTON, IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$122,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$122,000 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 several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Town of Clinton, in the County of Hunterdon, New Jersey (the "Town"). For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$122,000. No down payments are required as the several improvements or purposes authorized herein are deemed self-liquidating and the bonds and bond anticipation notes authorized herein are deductible from the gross debt of the Town, as more fully explained in Section 6(e) of this bond ordinance.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$122,000 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. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the

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estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation & Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds & Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) Acquisition of a pickup truck, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$40,750	\$40,750	5 years
b) Acquisition of well meters for Wells #11 and #15, valve actuators and automatic hydrant flushers, exterior cleaning of the water tanks and the installation of a valve, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$81,250	\$81,250	15 years
TOTAL:	<u>\$122,000</u>	<u>\$122,000</u>	

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 are permitted to 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 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 improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the Town may lawfully undertake as a self-liquidating purposes of a municipal public utility, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 11.65 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 \$122,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$2,000 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 purposes or improvements.

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(e) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Town solely for purposes described in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h). The obligations authorized herein are to be issued for a purpose that is deemed to be self-liquidating pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-47(a) and are deductible from the gross debt of the Town pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44(c).

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 or improvements described in Section 3 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 purposes or improvements described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements 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.

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.

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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 summary of this ordinance will be published in the Hunterdon Review on July 2, 2020. A public hearing will be held July 22, 2020.

RESOLUTION #105-20 – SAGE GRANT

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to adopt Resolution #105-20 as submitted:

RESOLUTION #105-20

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT
WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CENTER
STREET SIDEWALK EXTENSION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town are desirous to submit a grant application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the purposes of extending the sidewalks on Center Street East toward the municipal boundary; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administrator and Engineer are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2021-Center Street Sidewalk Extension -00155 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of Town of Clinton.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of Town of Clinton and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #106-20 – HOLIDAY INN LIQUOR LICENSE

A motion was made by Mr. Traphagen, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to adopt Resolution #106-20 as submitted:

RESOLUTION #106-20

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton Governing Body is in receipt of an Application for the renewal of PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE (HOTEL/MOTEL EXCEPTION), #1005-36-004for:

HUNTS MILL ASSOCIATES LLC

111 ROUTE 173

CLINTON, NEW JERSEY 08809

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, fees have been paid and clearance has been received from the New Jersey Department of the Treasury;

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Clinton Governing Body does hereby approve, effective July 1, 2020, renewal of the above captioned license for the 2020-2021 year and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #107-20 – CHAPTER 159 – CLEAN COMMUNITIES

A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Mr. Traphagen, to adopt Resolution #107-20 as submitted:

RESOLUTION – #107-20

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton has received \$5,297.52 from the State of New Jersey and wishes to amend its 2020 budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for they year 2020 in the sum of \$5,297.52 which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues

Special Item of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written

Consent of the Director of Local Government Services:

Public and Private Revenues Off-Set with Appropriations:

Clean Communities Grant Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$5,297.52 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

(a) Operations Excluded from the .5% Cap

Public and Private Programs Off-Set by Revenues:

Clean Communities Grant:

Other Expenses

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

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

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RESOLUTION #108-20 – HIRING OF A LABORER

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to adopt Resolution #108-20 as submitted:

RESOLUTION # 108-20

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton Water/Road Department requires the hiring of one replacement laborer, and;

WHEREAS, the position was advertised for, applications accepted and interviews performed, and;

WHEREAS, the Public Works/Business Administrator, Water/Road Superintendent and Road/B&G Foreman recommend that the following person be hired to fill the open position at a rate of \$18.40 per hour;

Anthony Duarte

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton hire Anthony Duarte to fill the open position at the Town of Clinton Water/Road Department effective July 13, 2020.

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

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

INGERMAN PRESENTATION – REDEVELOPMENT OF THE A & P SITE

Geoff Long, of Ingerman, in Collingswood, updated Council on a change in design of the property.

The property was originally going to be redeveloping the area into 111 apartments and 6,000 square feet of retail space, helping the town to fulfill 59 units of its 300 unit affordable housing requirement. Ingerman planned two buildings of one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments. Each building will have a retail suite on the first floor open to Route 173 aka Old Highway 22.

Long presented a revised proposal to the council showing design changes including changing the two-building concept to one, u-shaped building and taking away the three-bedroom market rate units and replacing them with one bedroom units. The change in units will give the town, one additional, one bedroom affordable housing unit. This will also increase the payments to the town that they will receive from Ingerman, and will have less of an impact on the schools.

Long said he plans to meet with the historic preservation commission, the neighbors on Center Street, the council and anyone else interested in helping to create an architectural design that is in line with the town's historic culture.

"It's a big honor for me to be doing this project," Long said. "I want this grand opening to be a celebration and a something everyone is happy with."

The Town Council will have to amend the redevelopment plan to be in line with the new unit count. Then Mr. Long will need to go before the Land Use Board, the Highlands Council and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to begin work on the site.

Councilwoman Johnson expressed disappointment in the building design saying it looked very institutional. Councilman Humphrey said he would like to see more work on the retail section making it a "Main Street" front to the building and large sidewalks that directly abut the building, less to parking in front of the building, and the roof design.

Mr. Long stated that Ingerman would like to go before the Land Use Board in late August or September so they will actively continue working on the design.

CORRESPONDENCE – NONE

REPORTS OF COUNCIL

Councilwoman Johnson

Board of Recreation – activities are being planned for the summer months, a possible drive in movie night. The fields are being rented for exercise groups but the Community Center remains closed. The commission contacted Garden State Fireworks for a display this summer and are working on dates.

Councilwoman Johnson reported that she is working with the Communications Committee, Mr. Humphrey and Ms. Intrabartola, to get a blast prepared to announce a grant has been granted to the Town for the revitalization of the playground. Volunteers will be needed in every category to work at the playground so spread the word!

Councilman Humphrey

The newsletter has been sent out.

Clinton Fire Department has set up on line donation service because fund raising this year is going to be difficult with Grill Nights and other functions.

Elders Committee is targeting a monthly walk with the Mayor on Saturdays at 8:00 a.m. The first is scheduled for July 25, 2020.

Attorney St. Angelo

Due to the change in the redevelopment of the A&P site, an amendment to the Fair Share Housing settlement must be completed. Therefore, the hearing for Friday will have to be adjourned because of the change and the Land Use Board will need to adopt a new housing plan within the next month or two.

Councilwoman Karsh

The Guild will be meeting next week.

Economic Development Commission – The Highlands had a meeting and passed a resolution to move forward with Economic Sustainability Study for the Highlands region. The study will be able to provide ideas and a plan for the region.

Water Committee – hydrant flushing continues. The Committee is also working on provisions and updating to the Code Book. The Committee is finalizing the ordinance and will review at the July meeting before submitting to Council.

Councilwoman Dineen

Land Use Board scheduled for July 7, 2020.

Roads – the sidewalks and curbing in front of the Clinton House have been completed.

APPROVAL OF STANDBY AND OVERTIME

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to approve the standby and overtime attached to these minutes for May 29 through June 11, 2020.

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

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

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PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Ms. Karsh, seconded by Ms. Intrabartola 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

Mayor Kovach announced that the next regular council meeting is July 8, 2020 and expected to be held in the Council Room. The Town ordered new technology called OWL, which will allow Council to meet and still transmit the meeting to the public.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Karsh to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 P.M.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

Mayor Janice Kovach