

**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**November 17, 2021**

**A REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING** of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt was held in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 8:01 P.M.

Mayor Robert Zimmermann asked Claire Foy, Borough Clerk to call the roll: Council members David Stoltz, James Lenoy, Joseph Emerson, William Roseman, Suzanne Fonseca and Diane DeBiase were present.

Joseph Crifasi, Borough Administrator and Joseph Donahue, Borough Attorney were also present.

Mayor Zimmermann led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Zimmermann called for a moment of silence for Dana Lahullier, former Mayor Craig Lahullier's daughter.

Mayor Zimmermann – This meeting has been called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law and in accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting having been provided in the annual notice schedule which contained the time, date and location of the meeting, copies of which were sent and advertised in the following official newspapers of Carlstadt: The Record on January 7, 2021 and the Herald News on January 7, 2021 a copy of which is on the Bulletin Board in the Borough Hall and a copy on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

Mayor Zimmermann said at this time he would like to change the regular order of business to administer the oath of office to the new Deputy Police Chief, Thomas Cox, Jr. On motion by Roseman, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann mentioned some of his career accomplishments with the Police Department and also as a member of the community.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-273**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, Bergen County, New Jersey that Mayor Robert Zimmermann, with the advice and consent of the Borough Council, has appointed Thomas Cox, Jr. as Deputy Chief of the Carlstadt Police Department. Appointment to be effective November 18, 2021.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to ratify the appointment. On motion by Emerson, seconded by Roseman, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann called upon Thomas Cox, Jr. and family to administer the oath of office.

Thomas Cox, Jr. thanked the Mayor and Council for their trust and confidence and for the opportunity to lead a great department.

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Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to return to the regular order of business. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to accept the minutes of 10/6/2021 Caucus/Finance Meeting (Open and Closed Sessions)

On motion by Roseman, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

**REPORT OF THE MAYOR**

None.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to approve the use of the town bus for the Vic Hoofers' Group on December 2, 2021.

On motion by Fonseca, seconded by DeBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

**SPECIAL REPORTS**

The Construction Official's report was read for the month of October. This report will be filed.

The Borough Clerk's report was read for the month of October. This report will be filed.

The Tax Collector's report was read for the month of October. This report will be filed.

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

**FINANCE** – Councilman Emerson said we have resolutions.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-274**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council that the proper Borough Officials are hereby authorized and directed to make the following disbursements:

Carlstadt Board of Education	\$ 1,063,866.41
Regional Board of Education	611,012.42

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-275**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following payments made by the Chief Financial Officer from Valley Bank during the month of October, 2021 be ratified:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Ck#</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10/21/2021	502690	Current	Donald Pomponio	\$ 232.32
10/22/2021	502691	Current	Medical	52,000.00
10/22/2021	502692	Current	Comcast	34.87
10/22/2021	502693	Current	Suez Water	65.24

10/25/2021	502694	Current	Postmaster	265.00
10/25/2021	502695	Current	Comcast	724.06
10/25/2021	502696	Current	Lowe's	971.11
10/27/2021	502697	Current	PSE&G	74.24
10/27/2021	502698	Current	Verizon	24.19
10/28/2021	502699	Current	Medical	44,000.00
10/28/2021	502700	Current	Payroll	19,410.26
10/28/2021	502701	Current	Payroll	391,501.59

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-276**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, Bergen County, New Jersey that the contract for the **Monroe Street Improvements (CDBG Funded)** is currently in construction by **4 Clean Up, PO Box 5098, North Bergen, New Jersey 07047** in accordance with the Plans and Specifications, as directed by the Project Engineer. The said construction is hereby accepted for Payment No. 1 in the amount of **Eighty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighteen Dollars and One Cent (\$80,918.01)** is hereby approved.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-277**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER № 1 FOR  
Additional work due to changes in the scope of the project and  
reduction of unused quantities**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of the Borough Capital Improvements Engineer that the Change Order for the Contract listed below be and is hereby approved.

**TITLE OF JOB:** Monroe Street Improvements (CDBG Funded)

**CONTRACTOR:** 4 Clean Up

**CHANGE ORDER No.:** 1

**AMOUNT OF CHANGE THIS RESOLUTION:** \$361.50 Decrease: 0.11%

This Resolution to take effect upon certification of this Resolution by the Borough Treasurer that sufficient funds are available.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-278**

**WHEREAS**, Corelogic paid the fourth (November) quarter 2021 property taxes on 422 Madison Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey 07072 Block 57 Lot 16.01 in the amount of \$4,118.74; and

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**WHEREAS**, Salvatore & Josephine Davi the property owners of 422 Madison Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey 07072 Block 57 Lot 16.01 also paid the fourth (November) quarter 2021 property taxes in the amount of \$4,118.74 due to a refinancing obligation creating a double payment for the fourth (November) quarter 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, Salvatore & Josephine Davi have requested a refund of the overpayment.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Borough of Carlstadt that a refund in the amount of \$ 4,118.74 is hereby approved and the Tax Collector shall adjust his books accordingly.

The check shall be made payable to Salvatore & Josephine Davi and mailed to:

Salvatore & Josephine Davi  
422 Madison Street  
Carlstadt, NJ 07072

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-279**

**WHEREAS**, Title 40A:4-58 of the New Jersey Statutes provides that should it become necessary, during the last two months of the fiscal year to expend for any of the purposes specified in the budget an amount in excess in any appropriation over and above the amount claimed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation the Governing Body may by resolution setting forth the facts (adopted by not less than 2/3 vote of the full membership thereof), transfer the amount of such excess of those appropriations deemed to be insufficient.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Borough Carlstadt that the Borough Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the 2021 Budget appropriation:

<b>CURRENT FUND</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>
Governing Body		
Salaries & Wages	\$ 4,000.00	
Administrative & Executive		
Salaries & Wages		\$ 38,000.00
Election		
Salaries & Wages		500.00
Other Expenses	620.00	

Financial		
Salaries & Wages		7,000.00
Other Expenses		16,000.00
Assessment of Taxes		
Salaries & Wages	1,500.00	
Other Expenses		10,000.00
Tax Appeals/Professional Fees		
Other Expenses		50,000.00
Zoning Official		
Salaries & Wages		20,000.00
Construction Code Official		
Salaries & Wages		20,000.00
Other Expenses		5,000.00
Liability Insurance		
Other Expenses		20,000.00
Police Department		
Salaries & Wages		131,630.00
Emergency Management		
Other Expenses	10.00	
Fire Department		
Clothing Allowance		40,000.00
Other Expenses	40,000.00	
LOSAP		
Other Expenses	12,000.00	
First Aid Ambulance		
Salaries & Wages		21,200.00
Other Expenses	21,200.00	
Streets & Roads		
Other Expenses	80,000.00	
Buildings & Grounds		
Other Expenses	120,000.00	

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Borough Mechanic

Other Expenses 50,000.00

Gasoline

Other Expenses 20,000.00

Solid Waste Disposal

Other Expenses 30,000.00

**TOTAL \$379,330.00 \$379,330.00**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-280**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT**  
**FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT**

**WHEREAS**, it is upon the advice and recommendation of the Borough Counsel, Tax Assessor, Special Tax Appeal Counsel, Appraisal and Financial Consultants to seek formal approval of the here within settlement as follows:

The Property is located as follows:

**Block 18, Lot 2 447 Garden St.**

- As noted on the Borough Tax Map and owned by Plaintiff, Grella-Presto Enterprises.
- The within Resolution relates to the settlement of the pending tax appeal matter entitled Grella-Presto Enterprises v. Borough of Carlstadt, filed in the Tax Court of New Jersey under Docket Nos. 007734-2017 & 006808-2019.
- The proposed settlement terms and conditions related to this matter are noted on the attached Settlement Recommendation Correspondence.

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to approve the proposed settlement to avoid the cost and uncertainty of litigation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Borough Tax Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to further prepare, execute any and all documents necessary in order to facilitate the further processing for the above stated tax appeal settlement, with copies of same to the Borough Clerk, Borough Attorney, Borough Tax Collector and Borough Tax Assessor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-281**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT**  
**FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT**

**WHEREAS**, it is upon the advice and recommendation of the Borough Counsel, Tax Assessor, Special Tax Appeal Counsel, Appraisal and Financial Consultants to seek formal approval of the here within settlement as follows:

The Property is located as follows:

**Block 123, Lot 13     111 Amor Avenue**

- As noted on the Borough Tax Map and owned by Plaintiff, DGL Realty Assoc.
- The within Resolution relates to the settlement of the pending tax appeal matter entitled DGL Realty Assoc. v. Borough of Carlstadt, filed in the Tax Court of New Jersey under Docket Nos.000255-2014, 000792-2015, 004342-2016, 007514-2017 & 006023-2018.
- The proposed settlement terms and conditions related to this matter are noted on the attached Settlement Recommendation Correspondence.

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to approve the proposed settlement to avoid the cost and uncertainty of litigation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Borough Tax Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to further prepare, execute any and all documents necessary in order to facilitate the further processing for the above stated tax appeal settlement, with copies of same to the Borough Clerk, Borough Attorney, Borough Tax Collector and Borough Tax Assessor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-282**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT**  
**FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT**

**WHEREAS**, it is upon the advice and recommendation of the Borough Counsel, Tax Assessor, Special Tax Appeal Counsel, Appraisal and Financial Consultants to seek formal approval of the here within settlement as follows:

The Property is located as follows:

**Block 123.01, Lot 15     540 Gotham Parkway**

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- As noted on the Borough Tax Map and owned by Plaintiff, AMB Prologis 2, L.P., Owner and AMB.
- The within Resolution relates to the settlement of the pending tax appeal matter entitled AMB Prologis 2, L.P., Owner v. Borough of Carlstadt, filed in the Tax Court of New Jersey under Docket Nos. 001961-2016 and AMB v. Borough of Carlstadt, filed in the Tax Court of New Jersey under Docket Nos. 002357-2017 & 003113-2018.
- The proposed settlement terms and conditions related to this matter are noted on the attached Settlement Recommendation Correspondence.

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to approve the proposed settlement to avoid the cost and uncertainty of litigation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Borough Tax Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to further prepare, execute any and all documents necessary in order to facilitate the further processing for the above stated tax appeal settlement, with copies of same to the Borough Clerk, Borough Attorney, Borough Tax Collector and Borough Tax Assessor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-283**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT**  
**FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT**

**WHEREAS**, it is upon the advice and recommendation of the Borough Counsel, Tax Assessor, Special Tax Appeal Counsel, Appraisal and Financial Consultants to seek formal approval of the here within settlement as follows:

The Property is located as follows:

**Block 124, Lot 42    283 Veterans Blvd.**

- As noted on the Borough Tax Map and owned by Plaintiff, Kenbar Realty/Barbara Neuhaus.
- The within Resolution relates to the settlement of the pending tax appeal matter entitled Kenbar Realty/Barbara Neuhaus v. Borough of Carlstadt, filed in the Tax Court of New Jersey under Docket Nos.005372-2019, 006474-2020, 004547-2021.

- The proposed settlement terms and conditions related to this matter are noted on the attached Settlement Recommendation Correspondence.

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to approve the proposed settlement to avoid the cost and uncertainty of litigation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Borough Tax Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to further prepare, execute any and all documents necessary in order to facilitate the further processing for the above stated tax appeal settlement, with copies of same to the Borough Clerk, Borough Attorney, Borough Tax Collector and Borough Tax Assessor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-284**  
**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT**  
**FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT**

**WHEREAS**, it is upon the advice and recommendation of the Borough Counsel, Tax Assessor, Special Tax Appeal Counsel, Appraisal and Financial Consultants to seek formal approval of the here within settlement as follows:

The Property is located as follows:

**Block 130, Lot 11    495 Meadow Lane**

- As noted on the Borough Tax Map and owned by Plaintiff, AMB Prop. By Prologis by L.P.
- The within Resolution relates to the settlement of the pending tax appeal matter entitled AMB Prop. By Prologis L.P. v. Borough of Carlstadt, filed in the Tax Court of New Jersey under Docket Nos.004761-2014, 001699-2015, 001975-2016, 001907-2017 & 003093-2018.
- The proposed settlement terms and conditions related to this matter are noted on the attached Settlement Recommendation Correspondence.

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to approve the proposed settlement to avoid the cost and uncertainty of litigation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Borough Tax Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to further prepare, execute any and all documents necessary in order to facilitate the further processing for the above stated tax appeal settlement, with copies of same to the Borough Clerk, Borough Attorney, Borough Tax Collector and Borough Tax Assessor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-285**  
**BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)**  
**APPLICATION SMALL STREET ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS**  
**MUNICIPAL ENDORSING RESOLUTION**  
**BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT**

**WHEREAS**, a Bergen County Community Development Block Grant totaling \$411,576.00 has been proposed by the Borough of Carlstadt for the Small Street Roadway Improvements in the Borough of Carlstadt; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

**WHEREAS**, aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of Carlstadt; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development application; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough of Carlstadt Mayor and Council hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development (Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development; One Bergen County Plaza, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor; Hackensack, N.J. 07601) so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-286**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that permission is granted to the following for the use of facilities on the specified date:

**Community Center:**

1. Carlstadt Little League – Thursday, November 18, 2021 from 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. to have a board meeting.
2. PTA Hispanic Heritage Committee – Friday, December 3, 2021 from 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. to display traditional dishes from different countries.
3. Carlstadt Girl Scouts – the second Wednesday of the month from December 8, 2021 to June 8, 2022 from 5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. to have a meeting.

4. PTA – 8<sup>TH</sup> Grade Dance Committee – Friday, December 10, 2021 from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. to have a meeting.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-287**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Officers has approved the membership of the following person as a probationary member of the Carlstadt Fire Department:

1. Dylan Kronyak – Bergen Engine Company One

and

**WHEREAS**, said individual has satisfactorily passed the required physical examination.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that Dylan Kronyak is hereby appointed as a probationary member of the Carlstadt Fire Department.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-288**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that St. Dominic Academy Alumnae Association, 2572 Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City, NJ 07304 be granted permission to have an off-premise 50/50 raffle at IL Villaggio, Route 17 North, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 on Saturday, April 23, 2022 for which the application, fee and findings and determination sheet shall be forwarded to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-289**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that a handicapped parking space is hereby approved at the following location:

1. 628 Center Street

all in accordance with the requirements as stated in Chapter 10-3.10 and with the recommendation of the Police Chief of the Carlstadt Police Department.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said location shall be added to the certified list of designated handicapped parking spaces.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

On motion by Emerson, seconded by Stoltz. Council members Stoltz, Lenoy, Emerson, Roseman and Fonseca voted yes. Councilwoman DeBiase voted yes but abstained on Resolution No. 2021-274.

**POLICE** – Councilman Emerson read his report. This report will be filed.

**FIRE/AMBULANCE/OEM** – Councilman Roseman read his reports. These reports will be filed.

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**PUBLIC WORKS/PUBLIC PROPERTY** – Councilman Lenoy reported progress.

**PLANNING/BUILDING** – Councilman Roseman read his report. This report will be filed.

**ZONING** – Councilman Lenoy read his reports. These reports will be filed.

**HEALTH** – Councilwoman Fonseca read her report. This report will be filed.

**RECREATION** – Councilman Emerson read his report. This report will be filed.

**BOROUGH EQUIPMENT** – Councilwoman DeBiase read her report. This report will be filed.

**RECYCLING** – Councilman Stoltz read his report. This report will be filed.

**PROJECTS** – Councilwoman DeBiase read her report. This report will be filed.

**HUMAN RESOURCES** – Councilwoman Fonseca reported progress.

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

None.

**READING OF BILLS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-290**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the following bills having been approved by the Finance Committee are approved herewith for payment:

<b><u>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</u></b>	
Beyer Bros. Corp.	\$ 138,955.00
4 Cleanup	80,918.01
Rogut McCarthy LLC	1,968.31
Neglia Engineering Associates	19,280.43
<b><u>TRUST ACCOUNT</u></b>	
Barco Products	8,359.65
Monarch Greenhouses	12,500.00
Current Account	83,876.10
Barco Products	4,025.34
<b><u>DOG WARDEN TRUST</u></b>	
Smart Web Apps, LLC	850.00
NJ Dept. of Health & Senior Services	23.40
Tyco Animal Control Services	816.66

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**CURRENT ACCOUNT**

AGGRESSIVE ENERGY LLC	7,303.22
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1,047.03
AMERICAN PAPER & SUPPLY	606.90
A.N.D. SERVICE	10,942.20
ARAMARK UNIFORM SERVICES	240.24
ARROW ELEVATOR	223.00
BALCO INDUSTRIES	116.00
BERGEN COUNTY ASSOCIATION	130.00
BECTON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL	300.00
BELLAQUA INC.	169.90
BEN SHAFFER RECREATION INC.	1,714.33
BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE	17,310.00
BEYER BROTHERS CORP.	2,452.26
BILL O'SHEA'S	306.95
BOROUGH OF RUTHERFORD	8,114.14
CARLSTADT AMBULANCE CORP.	22,500.00
CARLSTADT BOARD OF EDUCATION	1,063,866.41
CHASEN, LAMPARELLO, MALLON	7,649.35
CHEEMA OIL CORPORATION	322.44
CHOCOLATE DREAMS	240.00
CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR	9,505.00
CINTAS	30.81
CLIFFSIDE BODY CORP	4,485.08
CONTENT PARTY RENTALS INC	11,365.00
CROSS COUNTY BERGEN LLC	564.60
CUMMINS SALES & SERVICE	2,103.47
DAVID LEE CONSULTING LLC	1,145.00
DENISE MURRAY	100.00
DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS	149.05
DISASTER GROUP	15,500.00
D & L PAVING CONTRACTORS	49,477.90
DR. ROBERT PURNELL	487.00
E & M AUTO REPAIRS INC.	557.00
EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT SALES	1,580.79
ENVIRONMENTAL RENEWAL L.L.C.	1,140.00
FIRE & SAFETY SERVICES	426.30
FOLEY INC	2,349.51
FRONTIN, MARTIN	528.56
GADALETA HEATING & COOLING LLC	1,250.00
GARBARINI & CO.	555.00

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GATES FLAGS AND BANNER INC	51.90
HADDAD ELECTRIC LLC	1,250.00
HARRIS UNIFORMS	215.55
HOMETOWN AUTO PARTS	1,647.47
HUDSON TIRE EXCHANGE	1,495.00
I.D.A.	10.00
IMPRESSIVE PRINTING INC	537.00
INST.FOR PROFESS. DEVEL.	50.00
INSTITUTE FOR FORENSIC	2,000.00
INTERSTATE WASTE SERVICES INC	30,487.92
JOSEPH M. SANZARI INC	91,534.32
JOSEPH R. DONAHUE LLC	10,604.16
KEEHN POWER PRODUCTS INC.	64.50
KIMBERLY KOZIEL	100.00
KYLE MCMANUS ASSOCIATES LLC	142.50
LANGUAGE LINE SERVICE	93.10
LEGACY PROMOTIONS LLC	547.00
LEGACY PROMOTIONS LLC	2,263.00
LIFESAVERS INC	1,578.00
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC.	192.02
MARIO'S LOCKSMITH	90.00
MCNERNEY & ASSOCIATE	2,500.00
MEADOWLANDS HARDWARE	2,321.22
MEADOWLANDS AREA YMCA	560.00
MEDICAL BENEFITS ACCT	58,000.00
MERCHANTS ALARM SYSTEMS INC	90.00
METRO FIRE & SAFETY EQUIP	133.25
MID BERGEN REG. COMMISSION	7,077.00
MODERN	670.10
MSI TECHNOLOGIES LLC	6,150.08
NEGLIA ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES	4,004.84
NICK'S TOWING SERVICE	5,464.88
NJ DIV. OF ALCOHOLIC BEV. CONT	66.00
NJ EMERGENCY VEHICLES	1,139.96
NJ FIRE EQUIPMENT CO.	81.33
NORTHEASTERN ARBORIST SUPPLIES	316.51
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	301.65
OUTDOOR LIVING	8,700.00
PAC TOOL & SUPPLY CO	31.95
PANORAMA TOURS INC	895.00
PAYROLL ACCOUNT	21,329.54
PENGUIN MANAGEMENT INC	1,074.00
PLAID MOTORS	12,277.98

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PRESTI, ROSARIO JR., ESQ.	1,254.99
PROGRESSIVE BRICK CO.	441.19
PSE&G	17,725.60
RCM CEBERIO LLC	3,000.00
REDICARE LLC	53.17
REGAL STAMP CO	464.00
REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION	611,012.42
REMINGTON AND VERNICK	600.00
RICHARD S. CEDZIDLO	1,000.00
RIEDEL SIGN CO., INC	1,050.00
ROBERT T. REGAN ESQ.	1,736.35
ROOF 4ROOF	4,650.00
SALVATORE & JOSEPHINE DAVI	4,118.74
SALOMONE REDI MIX LLC	620.00
SBI MATERIALS LLC	474.25
SIRCHIE FINGERPRINT LAB	68.47
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	3,058.46
STATE TOXICOLOGY LABORATORY	135.00
TCTA OF BERGEN COUNTY	40.00
TESSCO TECHNOLOGIES INC.	990.77
TIMOTHY MOTTO	514.36
TRAFFIC SAFETY & EQUIPMENT INC	792.50
TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	91.00
UNDERWRITERS LABORATORIES	3,279.50
UNITED SITE SERVICES	616.00
VALTEK INC.	5,441.40
V.E. RALPH & SON	356.90
VERIZON BUSINESS	43.92
WESTERN PEST SERVICES	2,125.00
WITMER ASSOCIATES INC.	799.24
WORLD INSURANCE ASSOC. LLC	12,978.00
ILONA DOVIAK	274.92
MCI COMM SERVICE	648.77
TROPICANA HOTEL & CASINO	5.55
VERIZON	129.99
VERIZON	1,820.99
MEDICAL BENEFITS ACCT	36,000.00
PSE&G	1,418.91
MEDICAL BENEFITS ACCT	28,400.00
VERIZON	1,176.65
VERIZON	899.21
SUEZ WATER NEW JERSEY	75.81
VERIZON	889.72

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MEDICAL BENEFITS ACCOUNT	75,000.00
SUEZ WATER NEW JERSEY	10,653.44
PAYROLL ACCOUNT	529,717.00

**TOTAL** \$ 2,893,132.36

**TOTAL BILLS FOR THE MONTH** \$ 3,244,843.01

The Chief Financial Officer certified there are sufficient funds available for payment of the aforementioned bills.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to approve the bills. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to approve the expenditure of \$900.00 to have a Petting Zoo at the Winter Festival for November 28, 2021 and also to have Cliffhanger Productions, Inc. provide the Borough of Carlstadt with a Float and some Christmas Characters for the December 18, 2021 Christmas Parade at a cost of \$7,500.00. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

**HEARING OF CITIZENS**

None to be heard.

**CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES**

None.

**MISCELLANEOUS AND NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Zimmermann entertained to send the new hired dispatchers to the Bergen County Communication Center for training at a cost of \$105.00 for person. On motion by Roseman, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

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RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION**

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Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to go into closed session at 8:45 P.M. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Lenoy, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to go back to open session at 11:07 P.M. On motion by Roseman, seconded by DeBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to adjust Michael Sabia's hourly salary to \$15.00 per hour with retroactive pay from July 1, 2021. On motion by Emerson, seconded by Stoltz, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to have all Crossing Guard medicals as discussed by the Mayor and Council. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-265**

**WHEREAS**, Chief Thomas Berta has advised the Borough of Carlstadt of his intent to retire from the Carlstadt Police Department effective April 1, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the pension laws of the Police and Firemen Retirement System state that a party is eligible for retirement after serving twenty-five years in the system; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Berta has requested and been granted three months of terminal leave as a leave of absence along with twelve months of severance the latter of which is provided under the current Agreement Between the Borough of Carlstadt and Police Chief Thomas Berta (the "Chief's Contract"). This twelve months of severance shall be paid in two lump sum payments to be paid on June 1, 2022 and January 1, 2023; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, Bergen County, New Jersey that the retirement of Chief Thomas Berta, effective April 1, 2022, be and hereby is accepted;

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**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Chief Berta's last day of work shall be December 31, 2021 and his retirement shall be effective April 1, 2022. Chief Berta shall be granted three months terminal leave as a leave of absence with full pay and benefits for the period January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022;

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Payroll Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed and authorized to pay Thomas Berta twelve months severance plus retroactive pay for the years 2020 and 2021 and shall further pay Thomas Berta 113.5 hours of unused vacation time through December 31, 2020, less certain longevity overpayments.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in recognition of the past service of Chief Thomas Berta that upon retirement he will be permitted to retain his service weapon, a Glock Model 43X, Serial #BRSL155.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to vote on the revised Resolution No. 2021-265 for the Police Department Chief. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Roseman, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to post on the bulletin board for the promotions of Police Sergeants, Lieutenants and SLEO positions. On motion by Emerson, seconded by DeBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to appoint an alternate hearing officer, Catherine Alston. On motion by Fonseca, seconded by Roseman, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:09 P.M. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
ROBERT J. ZIMMERMANN, MAYOR .

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK

**CAUCUS MEETING**  
**November 17, 2021**

**A REGULAR SCHEDULED CAUCUS MEETING** of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt was held in the Council Chamber of the Borough Hall, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 7:04 P.M.

Mayor Robert Zimmermann asked Claire Foy, Borough Clerk to call the roll: Mayor Robert Zimmermann, Council members David Stoltz, James Lenoy, Joseph Emerson, Suzanne Fonseca and Diane DeBiase were present. Councilman William Roseman arrived at 7:22 P.M. Joseph Crifasi, Borough Administrator and Joseph Donahue, Borough Attorney were also present.

Mayor Zimmermann led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Zimmermann – This meeting has been called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law and in accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting having been provided in the annual notice schedule which contained the time, date and location of the meeting, copies of which were sent and advertised in the following official newspapers of Carlstadt: The Record on January 7, 2021 and the Herald News on January 7, 2021 a copy of which is on the Bulletin Board in the Borough Hall and a copy on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

**SPECIAL REPORT**

Fire Chief Dennis Kronyak, Jr. said they have been talking again about the Santa run for December. It will be December 18, 2021 before dusk around 4:00 P.M. There is one other thing he and his chiefs will be looking into. It seems we are getting more storms with more heavy rain and flooding. There are many programs out there to get army surplus high-water vehicles. There are ways to get them basically cost free, for planning in the future and actually save having to take any of our engines into certain areas. They will be working with OEM and will talk to the Chief of Police and hopefully in the future get something donated. Their thought would be someplace to keep it. It would have to stay outside. They are very low maintenance as they are military vehicles. You just have to start it up every few weeks. Their thought is to store it outside by the DPW garage.

Chief Kronyak mentioned that Friday night, November 19, 2021 is the Chief's election. You all are welcome to stop in afterward for refreshments. They are also set for the Tree Lighting on December 1, 2021 outside the Borough Hall at 6:30 P.M.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to open the floor to a hearing of citizens.

On motion by Emerson, seconded by DiBiase, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

Mayor Zimmermann asked if any citizen wished to be heard.

William Kirchgessner, 712 Ninth Street and 315 Fourteenth Street, Carlstadt - he had a question about Sixteenth Street. He has been told there is going to be a hotel on Sixteenth Street. Councilman Stoltz replied it was in the past. The resident commented it is now going to be a trucking terminal of 47,000 sq. ft. plus a fully paved yard. His question is about flooding and where the water is going to go.

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Mayor Zimmermann said the plans have come up to the Council for the hotel. The resident said he gave Councilwoman DeBiase and Councilman Roseman a copy of this paper. He passed this around to the Council. He mentioned he called the lawyer for these people and he could not answer the questions he asked him. Mayor Zimmermann said he will follow up with Robert Ceberio and will have him reach out to him. He has been in contact with the NJSEA to see what the status is on this.

Gunter Kuprat, 504 Washington Street – he congratulated Councilwoman DiBiase and Councilman William Roseman for getting re-elected. They had the Memorial Service for the veterans and it was a success. The speeches from Senator Sarlo and Mayor Zimmermann were wonderful. Mayor Zimmermann replied all of you did a wonderful job as well. Gunter also mentioned they went to the school and the children enjoyed the program as well. He feels we should do this again next year.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to close the floor to a hearing of citizens.  
On motion by Fonseca, seconded by Stoltz, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

### **COUNCILMAN JOSEPH EMERSON**

He had nothing to discuss at this time.

### **COUNCILWOMAN SUZUANNE FONSECA**

She had a few things for recreation. She had a walk through for the Winterfest on November 28, 2021 on Sunday. There are a few minor things they are going to need such as more port-a-potties. They are going the full day with the DJ from 11:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. The Recreation Department would like four Special Police on that day. She wanted to know if we have electric as one of the food vendors needs electric. Joseph Crifasi said there is electric at Broad and Third Street, also Broad and Fourth and also Third Street where the trellis is. Christmas trees will be purchased and put around the Village Green.

Speaking with the Recreation Committee during December, they would like to purchase some solo stoves. They are fire pits that are self-contained. They can then purchase ten solo stoves and two to three nights a week in December each sponsored by a different group in town. This would be to bring your own chairs and smores to get the residents to come out and enjoy the holiday season. Joseph Crifasi said he would like Robert Moore, Fire Official to advise us as what procedure has to be followed to do this. You may have to get a permit for this outside burning.

Councilman Emerson made a motion to approve to have four Special Police Officers and the DJ for November 28, 2021, seconded by Stoltz, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

### **COUNCILMAN DAVID STOLTZ**

He mentioned he went to the senior meeting today. They are requesting the use of the senior bus for December 8, 2021 for their Christmas Party at the Fiesta.

Mayor Zimmermann said he had other miscellaneous items he needed to get approved as follows: ratify the phone poll of November 13, 2021 regarding a personnel issue, ratify a phone poll of November 15, 2021 regarding a charity drive collection, ratify a dish garden for the Lopez and Lahullier families, approve the town bus for the Senior Christmas Party at the Fiesta from 4:30 to 11:00 P.M. and also a Special Police Officer for the Tree Lighting on December 1, 2021. On motion by Emerson, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

**COUNCILMAN JAMES LENOY**

He had nothing to discuss at this time.

**COUNCILWOMAN DIANE DeBIASE**

She had nothing to discuss at this time.

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY, JOSEPH DONAHUE**

He had nothing to discuss at this time.

**BOROUGH CLERK, CLAIRE FOY**

She had nothing to discuss at this time.

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The meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M. On motion by Fonseca, seconded by DeBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
ROBERT J. ZIMMERMANN, MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK