

CAUCUS/FINANCE MEETING

January 7, 2022

A REGULAR SCHEDULED CAUCUS / FINANCE 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 Friday, January 7, 2022 at 7:00 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 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 – In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Meetings Act, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt is giving notice of the following meeting which was published in The Record on January 4, 2022 as follows:

**BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT
MEETING NOTICE**

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Friday, January 7, 2022

7:00 P.M. – Borough Hall Council Chambers

Purpose: Caucus/Finance Meeting

8:00 P.M. Borough Hall Council Chambers

Purpose: Carlstadt Fire Department Installation of Officers

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-25

WHEREAS, the Borough of Carlstadt operates a street sweeper Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday to clean the Borough's streets; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wallington has a need for street cleaning services however lacks the equipment to conduct those operations; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wallington and the Borough of Carlstadt believe that their citizens and communities would be best served financially and operationally through the continuation of the shared services agreement for street sweeping services; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of the shared services agreement would not detract from

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servicing the needs of Carlstadt's citizens due the street sweeper being operated in Wallington on days it is not scheduled for operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Carlstadt's need for the use of the street sweeper will supersede any scheduled operation in Wallington; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of the shared services agreement with Wallington initiated in 2016 would provide continued revenue for the Borough of Carlstadt.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, Bergen County, New Jersey, approve the continuation of the shared services agreement entered into in 2016 pursuant to NJSA40A:65-5 with the Borough of Wallington to continue to provide street sweeper services at the rate of \$360.00 per day for the year 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-26

Mutual Aid Plan & Rapid Deployment Force Interlocal Service Agreement

WHEREAS, the Police Departments in Bergen County have a day-to-day responsibility to provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order; and

WHEREAS, Law enforcement officials also have a responsibility to provide for the preparedness against natural emergencies, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, major storms, etc., manmade causes, civil unrest, and civil disobedience such as riots, strikes, jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, ethnic disorder riots, terrorism incidents and bombings, State and National emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association has proposed a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force to deal with these emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Plan is adopted in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A.40A.:14-156, N.J.S.A.40A:14-156.1, N.J.S.A.40A:14-156.4, and N.J.S.A. App. A: 9-40.6; and

WHEREAS, this Plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of an emergency, riot, or disorder in order to protect life and property; and

WHEREAS, it is also recognized that the Carlstadt Police Department Chief of Police, in

accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A 40A: 14-118 and under the authority of the Bergen County Prosecutor, has the authority to assign officers to a task force, Rapid Deployment Team or Regional SWAT Team operated in conjunction with the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt to participate in a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force in accordance with the plan submitted by the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Carlstadt Police Department, under the direction of the Chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association to create an Interlocal Services Agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen in order to put into place the Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County Prosecutor, the County Sheriff and all Bergen County Municipalities.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-27

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Recycling Enhancement Act (REA) P.L. 2008, Chapter 6, beginning 2012 each New Jersey municipality is required to submit an Annual Recycling Tonnage Report to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) signed by a Certified Recycling Professional (CRP) on or before April 30th of each year; and

WHEREAS, as part of the BCUA's Certified Recycling Professional Tonnage Grant Assistance Program, the BCUA will provide the services of a CRP to sign and submit the Annual Recycling Tonnage Report to the NJDEP at no cost to a Municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough Carlstadt does hereby approve the BCUA Service Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign said agreement.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-28

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, Bergen County, New Jersey that the Borough Clerk be and hereby is authorized and directed to advertise for bids for recreation equipment for the 2022 recreation program.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

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Mayor Zimmermann said we have a request from Becton Project Graduation for a donation. This is for their 2022 Fashion Show. This will be their biggest fundraiser and are asking for our support in making it a huge success.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to donate \$1,000.00 for Project Graduation.

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

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to appoint our Borough Administrator, Joseph Crifasi.

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

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion for the Borough Clerk to obtain quotes for the 2023 Fire Department Testimonial Dinner.

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

Mayor Zimmermann seeks a motion to approve \$250.00 for the Fire Chief's gift.

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

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

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

Mayor Zimmermann asked if there is any citizen that wished to be heard.

Don Molzon, 530 Madison Street – he wanted to congratulate Diane DeBiase and William Roseman on their re-election. Mr. Molzon said he doesn't understand in the town of Carlstadt where he has served a number of years on the Senior Housing Committee and for one reason or another that fell through. The last thing that broke the camels back was that Bergen County got involved with this and they drew up plans to build a senior housing structure on the old Lincoln School property on Seventh Street. It went before the residents down there. At the time he was a little upset and looked at the plans again and he said yes they are right, it does look like a fort. So the people spoke and that ended the senior housing.

Mr. Molzon said the other day he was at the Carlstadt Post Office and he noticed the old Cornerstone property has this monstrosity being built. How do these people get away with this? Who approves this? It does not belong there. The Council replied they did not approve this. Councilman Roseman said regarding the Mt. Laurel Agreement for affordable housing is that Judge Harris many years ago appointed a Special Master by the name of Robert Regan to act as a Special Master to find places. He has authority over our Planning Board, Governing Body and Zoning Board in regards to anything that has to do with land use. This went into a lengthy discussion.

Councilman Roseman said we are in the process of trying to recertify in our low income so that Robert Regan would be released from his job.

Gunter Kuprat, 507 Washington Street – he is the liaison for the Carlstadt Turn Hall. He found an American Turner stamp which is a three-cent stamp uncirculated and he got one for each member of the Council. The Council and Claire Foy thanked him for his thoughtfulness.

Mayor Zimmermann asked if any other citizen wished to be heard.

No other citizen wished to be heard.

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

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

Mayor Zimmermann said we need to select dates for the Police promotion interviews. Councilman Emerson said we can discuss this tonight to get them in place.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING ACT
RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION**

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Governing Body of the Borough of Carlstadt to conduct an executive session closed to the public in order to discuss one or more of the following subjects: personnel

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt hereby moves to go into executive session in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et. Seq. for the purpose of discussing one or more of the following subjects: personnel

AND, BE IT FURTHER RSOLVED that the public will be informed either later this evening after reconvening the public meeting or at a future public meeting said date is not predictable at the present time.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters discussed in and minutes of the closed session shall be disclosed to the public when the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to go into closed session at 7:15 P.M. On motion by Fonseca, seconded by DiBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to go back into open session and adjourn the meeting at 7:53 P.M.

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

APPROVED: _____
ROBERT J. ZIMMERMANN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK

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SPECIAL MEETING

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Mayor Zimmermann wished everyone a Happy New Year and said it's good to see everybody here today to celebrate and thank all of the men and women of the Fire Department for all that they do for us.

Mayor Zimmermann presented Past Chief Kronyak with his past Chief's badge. He wanted to thank him for everything he has done. It was absolutely an incredible job.

Chief Kronyak said it has been an honor for not only serving his department and members of the Fire Department but working with the present members of the Council and the Mayor and the previous administration. He thanked everybody for working with him and supporting them.

All of the Council members had something to say to Chief Kronyak. Councilman Stoltz noted that Chief Kronyak was the third Kronyak to be Chief of the Fire Department in 150 years.

The Installation of Fire Officers of the Borough of Carlstadt for 2022 was as follows:

CHIEF MATTHEW MORAN – His nephew, Nick, held the Bible and presented him with his badge.

ASSISTANT CHIEF JOHN HARR – His daughter, Ashley, held the Bible and his son, Dylan, presented him with his badge.

DEPUTY CHIEF ROBERT RUFF JR. - His wife, Andrea, held the Bible and his son, Ryan, presented him with his badge.

BATTALION CHIEF JAMES SCHMIDT – His mother, Irene, held the Bible and his father, Frank, presented him with his badge.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF OFFICERS ROBERT BROWN – He was not present for his swearing in.

2022 COMPANY OFFICERS

LADDER COMPANY 1

Captain Bartlomie Pachuki
1st Lieutenant David Llewellyn
2nd Lieutenant Jason Roughgarden

ENGINE COMPANY 1

Captain Steven Lahullier
1st Lieutenant Steve Capuano
2nd Lieutenant (open)

ENGINE COMPANY 2

Captain Anthony Silletto
1st Lieutenant Walter Stankiewicz
2nd Lieutenant John Sanzari III

ENGINE COMPANY 3

Captain Jay Murphy
1st Lieutenant Mark Dunn
2nd Lieutenant Joe Taylor

RESCUE COMPANY

Captain Joseph Biggy Jr.
1st Lieutenant Jarret Milligan
2nd Lieutenant Michael Popejoy

Mayor Zimmermann congratulated everyone and thanked them for their service and attending the ceremony.

Past Chief Kronyak said normally at this time Matthew Moran would say everyone is welcome to go downstairs for refreshments.

Mayor Zimmermann thanked everyone for coming and to be safe.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 P.M. On motion by Fonseca, seconded by Lenoy unanimous on call of roll.

APPROVED: _____
ROBERT J. ZIMMERMANN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK