

CAUCUS/FINANCE MEETING
May 1, 2024

A REGULAR SCHEDULED CAUCUS/FINANCE MEETING of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt was held in the Caucus Room of the Borough Hall, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 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, Suzanne Fonseca and Diane DeBiase were present. Councilman William Roseman arrived at 7:20 P.M.

Joseph Crifasi, Borough Administrator was 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 10, 2024 and the Herald News on January 10, 2024 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 the first thing on the agenda is to open the floor for a public hearing on the submission of the 2024 Bergen County Trust Fund Grant. This is an application for Zimmermann Park. It includes the extension of the existing walking path at Zimmermann Park. It will culminate a terrace and seating area overlooking New York City.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SUBMISSION OF A 2024 BERGEN COUNTY TRUST
FUND GRANT APPLICATION**

Application of Carlstadt Borough for Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Program for Park Development Grant Funding for 2024

TAKE NOTICE: that the Borough of Carlstadt will hold a Public Hearing on submitting the following application to the 2024 funding round of the Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Program for Park Development:

Zimmermann Park Block: 54 Lot: 1
503 6th Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072

This project includes the extension of the existing walking path at Zimmermann Park, which will culminate in a terrace and seating area overlooking New York City.

Date of Public Hearing: May 1, 2024

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 (2nd floor)

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In accordance with the regulation governing the submission of Bergen County Trust Fund Municipal Program for Park Development application, the Borough of Carlstadt will conduct a public hearing to obtain citizen input concerning the grant application.

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

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

Mayor Zimmermann asked if any citizen wished to be heard with regards to this application.

Mayor Zimmermann said to let the record note there were no citizens to speak on this application.

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

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

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to accept the application and the submission of the Bergen County Trust Fund Grant application.

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

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Gregory Polyniak of Neglia Engineering read his report for the month of April on projects that were done and present projects in the Borough of Carlstadt. A copy of his report is on file in the Borough Clerk's office.

Robert Ceberio of RCM Ceberio, LLC Management Consultants read his report for the month of April regarding projects that are being done in the Borough of Carlstadt. A copy of his report is on file in the Borough Clerk's office.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-109

WHEREAS, JoAnne Ramm, retired Senior Transportation Driver and Special Police Officer has filed a request for reimbursement for the purchase of a Medicare Supplement Part B; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2021-66-B, she and her spouse are entitled to the amount equal to the cost of a supplemental coverage plan to Medicare, the amount of said reimbursement for the year 2023 is \$3,739.20.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make payment in the amount of \$3,739.20 representing reimbursement for her Medicare Supplement Part B for the year 2023, pursuant to Resolution 2021-66-B.

Certification as to the availability of funds.

The Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer hereby certifies that sufficient funds are available to pay the amount of Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty-Nine Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$3,739.20) in accordance with the requirements of Resolution 2021-66-B.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-110
**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A 2024 BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST
FUND MUNICIPAL PARK IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“County Trust Fund”), provides matching grants to municipal governments and to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the development or redevelopment of outdoor municipal recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Carlstadt desires to further the public interest by obtaining a matching grant of \$631,851.00 from the County Trust Fund to fund the “Zimmermann Park Improvements Phase 3,” including the extension of the existing walking path at Zimmermann Park, which will culminate in a terrace and seating area overlooking New York City; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt has reviewed the County Trust Fund Program Statement and the Trust Fund Municipal Program Park Improvement application and instructions, and desires to make an application for such a matching grant and provide application information and furnish such documents as may be required; and

WHEREAS, as part of the application process, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt held the required Public Hearing to receive public comments on the proposed park improvements in the application on May 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen shall determine whether the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the County Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the County Trust Fund in accordance with such rules, regulations, and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the County of Bergen for the above-named project and ensure its completion on or about the project contract expiration date.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt:

1. That it is hereby authorized to submit the above completed project application to the County by the deadline of May 3rd, 2024, as established by the County; and
2. That, in the event of a County Trust Fund award that may be less than the grant amount requested above, the Mayor and Council has, or will secure, the balance of funding necessary to complete the project, or modify the project as necessary; and
3. That the Mayor and Council is committed to providing a dollar-for-dollar cash match for the project; and

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4. That only those park improvements identified and approved in the project application, its Trust Fund contract, or other documentation will be considered eligible for reimbursement; and
5. That the Mayor and Council agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and
6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-111

RESOLUTION TO INCREASE 2024 TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, the statutory municipal adoption date has been extended to April 30; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19.1 additional appropriations may be permitted to provide for the period between the date upon which the budget is scheduled for adoption and the actual adoption date and the amounts shall be provided for in the budget as adopted under the correct headings; and

WHEREAS, the total temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2024 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 and 40A:4-19.1 including this resolution total \$ 15,816,980.62 which includes capital and debt service of \$ 13,518,620.87.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19.1 the Governing Body of the Borough of Carlstadt, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the following appropriation be made:

GOVERNING BODY: SALARY AND WAGES	29,400.00
ADMIN & EXEC: SALARY AND WAGES	276,000.00
ADMIN & EXEC: OTHER EXPENSES	61,500.00
ELECTION: SALARY AND WAGES	1,250.00
ELECTION: OTHER EXPENSES	3,250.00
FINANCE: SALARY AND WAGES	115,000.00
FINANCE: OTHER EXPENSES	101,500.00
FINANCE: Annual Audit	18,500.00
TAX COLLECTOR: SALARY AND WAGES	43,400.00
TAX COLLECTOR: OTHER EXPENSES	8,000.00
ASSESSOR: SALARY AND WAGES	16,000.00
ASSESSOR: OTHER EXPENSES	35,000.00
LEGAL: SALARY AND WAGE	51,100.00
LEGAL: OTHER EXPENSES	38,900.00
TAX APPEALS: PROFESSIONAL FEES	75,000.00
ENGINEERING: OTHER EXPENSES	60,000.00
PLANNING BOARD: SALARY AND WAGES	2,600.00

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PLANNING BOARD: OTHER EXPENSES	1,500.00
ZONING BOARD: SALARY AND WAGES	4,500.00
ZONING BOARD: OTHER EXPENSES	750.00
ZONING OFFICIAL: SALARY AND WAGES	48,880.00
ZONING OFFICIAL: OTHER EXPENSES	2,500.00
UCC: SALARY AND WAGES	81,100.00
UCC: OTHER EXPENSES	5,000.00
LIABILITY INSURANCE: OTHER EXPENSES	723,333.00
OTHER INSURANCE: INSURANCE	55,993.50
EMPLOYEE GROUP INSURANCE: INSURANCE	2,400,000.00
SURETY BONDS: SURETY BOND PREMIUM	200.00
UNEMPLOYMENT: S.U.I. CONTRIBUTIONS	15,000.00
POLICE: SALARY AND WAGES	2,440,500.00
POLICE: OTHER EXPENSES	95,000.00
SPECIAL POLICE: SALARY AND WAGES	18,000.00
EMERGENCY MGMT: SALARY AND WAGES	3,300.00
EMERGENCY MGMT: OTHER EXPENSES	16,748.50
FIRE: SALARY AND WAGES	112,500.00
FIRE: OTHER EXPENSES	95,000.00
LOSAP-MISC	47,500.00
FIRST AID: Salaries	55,000.00
FIRST AID: OTHER EXPENSES	17,500.00
FIRE OFFICIAL (UFSA): SALARY AND WAGES	89,300.00
FIRE OFFICIAL: OTHER EXPENSES	9,251.50
MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR: SALARY AND WAGES	6,000.00
STREETS: SALARY AND WAGES	722,700.00
STREETS: BUS DRIVER SALARY & WAGES	13,000.00
STREETS: OTHER EXPENSES	130,000.00
TRASH: SALARY AND WAGES	158,000.00
RECYCLING: SALARY AND WAGES	128,500.00
B&G: SALARY AND WAGES	500,000.00
B&G: OTHER EXPENSES	105,000.00
BORO MECHANIC: SALARY AND WAGES	50,000.00
BORO MECHANIC: OTHER EXPENSES	105,000.00
HEALTH: SALARY AND WAGES	45,000.00
HEALTH: OTHER EXPENSES	2,000.00
ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES	7,500.00
SOCIAL SERVICES: SALARY AND WAGES	5,000.00
FRIENDSHIP CLUB: OTHER EXPENSES	17,500.00

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RECREATION: SALARY AND WAGES	57,500.00
RECREATION: OTHER EXPENSES	30,000.00
LIBRARY: LIBRARY CONTRIBUTIONS	469,723.20
CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS	40,000.00
SALARY AND WAGE ADJUSTMENT	15,000.00
PRIOR YEAR BILLS	1,613.25
ELECTRICITY	90,000.00
STREET LIGHTING	77,500.00
FIRE HYDRANT	67,500.00
TELEPHONE	45,000.00
WATER	20,000.00
GAS (NATURAL OR PROPANE)	17,500.00
BCUA SEWERAGE MISC	480,000.00
GASOLINE	80,000.00
SOLID WASTE REMOVAL	180,000.00
PERS	702,447.85
SOCIAL SECURITY: Misc	230,000.00
PFRS	1,321,180.00
TAX APPEALS: OTHER EXPENSES	40,000.00
HEALTH BENEFIT WAIVER: OTHER EXPENSES	147,642.00
SHARED SERVICE: WALLINGTON OTHER EXPENSES	62,960.00
OTHER EXPENSES	480.62
COURT: SALARY AND WAGES	58,000.00
COURT: OTHER EXPENSES	10,000.00
PUBLIC DEFENDER: Salary	4,000.00
OVEREXPENDITURE OF RECYCLING TRUST (2022)	617.45
CIF: DOWN PAYMENT ON IMPROVEMENTS	400,000.00
DEBT: PRINCIPAL ON BONDS	950,000.00
DEBT: INTEREST ON BONDS	235,000.00
DEBT: INETEREST ON NOTES	713,359.75
TOTAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET:	15,816,980.62

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-112

WHEREAS, BERF, LLC operating from 800 Central Boulevard, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 has made application to the Borough of Carlstadt for one (1) additional limousine license; and

WHEREAS, the application has been filed together with the requisite fee, and proof of insurance and Power of Attorney as required under N.J.S.A. 48:16-14 and 16 and vehicle and driver information as required by the ordinance to the satisfaction of the Borough Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the application of BERF, LLC to operate one (1) additional limousine at 800 Central Boulevard, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 be and hereby is approved for VIN # 67953 nunc pro tunc.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue the license to operate one (1) additional limousine at the above referenced location for the period of one year, commencing April 18, 2024 and ending on April 18, 2025 and a Certificate of Compliance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 48:16-14 and 16, through the period indicated on the proof of insurance as submitted with the application.

RESOLUTION 2024-113

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Carlstadt Recreation Soccer League be granted permission to hold a raffle on Monday, December 2, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. at the Carlstadt Borough Hall, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 for which the application, fee and findings and determination sheet shall be forwarded to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-114

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Carlstadt Fire Department be granted permission to hold a raffle on Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. at the Carlstadt Borough Hall, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 for which the application, fee and findings and determination sheet shall be forwarded to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-115

WHEREAS, Anthony Ventura, retired employee of the Carlstadt Department of Public Works has filed a request for reimbursement for the purchase of a Medicare supplement for his spouse, Antoinette; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the CDPWBA Contract Article XVII D 1. the amount of said reimbursement for the year 2023 is \$822.15.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make payment in the amount of \$822.15 representing reimbursement for Antoinette Ventura's Medicare supplement for the year 2023, pursuant to Article XVII D 1. of the Contract between the Borough of Carlstadt and the CDPWBA.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to accept the Consent Agenda.

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

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**CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES
FINAL READING**

ORDINANCE NO. 24-3

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VI, SECTION 12 "TOWING OF VEHICLES",
OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT, 2002**

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to open the floor to a hearing of citizens.
On motion by Roseman, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann asked is there any citizen that wishes to speak on Ordinance No. 24-3 (Towing of Vehicles)

Mayor Zimmermann said to let the record note there are no citizens here to speak on this ordinance.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-116

BE IT RESOLVED that the ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VI, SECTION 12 "TOWING OF VEHICLES",
OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT, 2002.**

heretofore introduced, does now pass on final reading and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to adopt this ordinance. On motion by Emerson, seconded by DiBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 24-4

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY AND NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,697,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of Carlstadt, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and new communication and signal systems equipment in, by and for said Borough, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance.

It is anticipated that the following government grants shall be received by the Borough: (A) \$229,481 from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation (the "NJDOT") to finance the cost of the improvement of Broad Street (from Monroe Street to Hackensack Street) authorized by Section 4.D hereof; (B) \$730,000 from the NJDOT to finance the cost of the improvement of 16th Street authorized by Section 4.D hereof; and (C) \$146,685 from the County of Bergen Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund to finance the cost of the improvement of 2nd Street Park authorized by Section 4.E hereof. Said grant funds shall be applied as set forth in Section 12 hereof. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Borough.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (3) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (4) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Supplemental funding for the construction of a soccer field, including related facilities, amenities and improvements at Garden, Orchard and Broad Streets. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the aggregate sum of \$9,700,000 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 22-1 adopted on February 2, 2022, as supplemented by Ord. No. 22-8 adopted on September 21, 2022.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 562,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 26,770
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 535,230
Period of Usefulness	15 years

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B. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery for the use of the Fire Department consisting of (i) turnout gear and (ii) various firefighting, rescue and safety equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 110,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,250
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 104,750
Period of Usefulness	10 years

C. Replacement of roofs at the Municipal Building and the Department of Public Works ("DPW") Garage. It is hereby determined and stated that said public buildings being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 120,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,715
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 114,285
Period of Usefulness	15 years

D. Undertaking of the 2024 Road Resurfacing Program (including drainage, sidewalk and curb improvements, where necessary) at various locations in the Borough. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$2,042,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 97,300
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$1,944,700
Period of Usefulness	10 years

E. Undertaking of various improvements to 2nd Street Park.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 622,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 29,620
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 592,380
Period of Usefulness	15 years

F. Installation of safety surfacing at various playgrounds.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 230,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 10,960
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 219,040
Period of Usefulness	15 years

G. Supplemental funding for the installation of surveillance equipment at various locations. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$295,000 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 21-11 adopted on September 2, 2021.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 426,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 20,300
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 405,700
Period of Usefulness	10 years

H. Supplemental funding for the acquisition of radio base station equipment for the use of the Police Department. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$226,500 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 21-11 adopted on September 2, 2021.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 196,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 9,400
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 186,600
Period of Usefulness	10 years

I. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and new communication and signal systems equipment for the use of the Police Department consisting of (i) speed radar equipment, (ii) 9-1-1 system upgrade equipment and (iii) radios.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 68,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,395
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 64,605
Period of Usefulness	10 years

J. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of a street sweeper for the use of the DPW.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 321,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 15,290
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 305,710
Period of Usefulness	15 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$4,697,000
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 224,000
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$4,473,000

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Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$733,486 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$224,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$224,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$4,473,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$4,473,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 11.97 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$4,473,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 14. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 15. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-117

BE IT RESOLVED that the ordinance entitled:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY AND NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,697,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

heretofore introduced, does now pass on first reading, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 15th day of May, 2024 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at the regular meeting place of the Carlstadt Borough Council, and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, and that the Borough Clerk be, and she hereby is, authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of the time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to introduce this ordinance. On motion by Emerson, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from Christopher Venezia. This is his formal resignation from his position of Electrical Sub Code Official for the Carlstadt Building Department. His last day of work will be August 29, 2024.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to accept his resignation with regrets. On motion by Fonseca, seconded by Roseman, unanimous on call of roll.

We received correspondence from Michael O'Neill of the National Association of Letter Carriers. They will be participating in the nationwide food drive to stamp out hunger on Saturday, May 11, 2024. He is asking the Borough for assistance in getting the word out to the citizens.

Mayor Zimmermann said we received a letter of resignation from Kimberly Edone as an alternate on the Carlstadt Board of Health. Previous commitments have made it impossible for her to attend the meetings.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to accept this letter of resignation with regrets. On motion by Fonseca, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to approve two Special Police Officers for the Primary Election and one for the School Picnic and one for the Summer Concerts.

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

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to open the floor to a hearing of citizen of citizens. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann asked if any citizen wished to be heard.

Mayor Zimmermann said to let the record note there were no citizens here to speak.

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 entertained a motion to approve a fruit basket for Jay Murphy as his brother passed away. We only found out about this now. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by DeBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MEEETING 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 and property.

NOW, THEREORE 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 property.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED 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 confidentially no longer exists.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to go into closed session at 7:30 P.M.

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

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to go back into open session at 9:40 P.M. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

Assistant Fire Chief James Schmidt mentioned that the Fire Department Memorial Service is May 18, 2024 5:00 P.M. at the park on Hackensack Street and 6:00 P.M. at the firehouse for the inspection.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to recommend to hire Dillon Caughey as a dispatcher based on a background check. On motion by Emerson, seconded by Lenoy, unanimous on call of roll.

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Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to give Police Chief Cox permission to start a background check on passing the assessment for Anthony Thomas. On motion by Emerson, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to allow the town bus to go from St. Joseph's Church to CPS June 7, 2024 at 11:30 A.M. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Roseman, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to approve the Memorial Day budget for \$12,900.00. On motion by Emerson, seconded by Roseman, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion for permission to sign the grant letter endorsement for Broad Street drainage and roadway improvements. On motion by Emerson, seconded by DeBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to endorse a solar company to put solar panels for two specific addresses in the Meadowlands. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 P.M. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll.

APPROVED: _____
ROBERT J. ZIMMERMANN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK