

**CAUCUS MEETING
May 15, 2024**

A REGULAR SCHEDULED CAUCUS 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 15, 2024 at 7:02 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 7:44 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 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.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Zimmermann said we received a letter from the Wildcat Hoop Club. They are asking for an equal amount of financial support from Carlstadt, East Rutherford and Maywood recreation budgets to help offset costs of registering the student/athletes in summer programs. They are asking us to contribute \$450.00 toward this program.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to contribute the amount of \$450.00 to this program. On motion Emerson, seconded by DeBiase, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

A letter was received from the Carlstadt Volunteer Fire Department Board of Fire Officers. William Reeves has retired from the Carlstadt Fire Department.

Antonio Riccardi and Nicholas Romano were accepted as regular members of Engine Two of the Carlstadt Fire Department.

In addition, Chief Robert Ruff, Jr. is inviting the Mayor and Council to the Exempt Firemen's Association Annual Memorial Service, Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 5:00 P.M. at Memorial Park followed by the Annual Inspection of the Carlstadt Fire Department at Fire Headquarters, Jefferson Street.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to accept the resignation of William Reeves with regrets. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Lenoy, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

Mayor Zimmermann said we received a letter from Police Chief Thomas Cox mentioning the resignation of Special Police Officer Gregory Dickman. He would like to thank Special Police Officer Dickman for his service to the Borough of Carlstadt and the Carlstadt Police Department.

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Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to accept the resignation of Special Police Officer Gregory Dickman with regrets.

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

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to appoint Rosa Aponte Medina as an alternate Board member for the Carlstadt Board of Health. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Lenoy, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

**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 and property.

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 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 confidentiality no longer exists.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to go into closed session at 7:10 P.M. On motion by DeBiase, seconded by Fonseca, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M. On motion by Fonseca, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

APPROVED: _____
ROBERT J. ZIMMERMANN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK