

COUNCIL MEETING

April 23, 2025

A RESCHEDULED 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, April 23, 2025 at 8:05 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 was present and Joseph Donahue, Borough Attorney was absent.

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, 2025 and the Herald News on January 7, 2025 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 read the following notice which was published in The Record and Herald News on March 26, 2025:

The April 16, 2025 Caucus Meeting at 7:00 P.M. and the 8:00 P.M. Council Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey 07072 has been rescheduled to April 23, 2025 due to a lack of a quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to accept the minutes of 3/5/2025 Caucus/Finance Meeting, 3/19/2025 Caucus Meeting and 3/19/2025 Council Meeting (Open and Closed Sessions). On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

SPECIAL REPORTS

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

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-121
**RESOLUTION CORRECTING SETTLEMENT RECOMMENDATION FOR TAX
APPEAL 240-248 PATERSON PLANK RD. ASSOCIATES (BLOCK 121 LOT 1.02)
APPROVED ON APRIL 10, 2024 FOR THE 2017-2021 TAX YEARS**

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2024, the Governing Body passed a resolution authorizing the tax appeal settlement concerning the property known as 240-248 Paterson Plank Rd. Associates (Block 121 Lot 1.02); and

WHEREAS, the section authorizing the signing of the settlement documents in the resolution for the 2017-2021 tax years references the reduction of the 2021 assessment from \$1,918,100 to \$1,800,000 with the withdrawals of all other years under appeal; and

WHEREAS, the global settlement included the 2022 and 2023 assessments that were to be set at \$1,800,000 and were inadvertently omitted from the settlement recommendation in this matter; and

WHEREAS, the amended settlement recommendation will result in the global settlement of all pending tax years, with an approximate additional amount of refunds of \$2,470 for the 2022 tax year and \$3,885 for the 2023 tax year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The above recitals are incorporated herein.
2. The Resolution adopted on April 10, 2024 is hereby amended to reflect the settlement of the 2022 and 2023 tax years setting the assessments for each of those tax years at \$1,800,000.
3. The Borough's Tax Appeal Attorneys, the Borough's Appraiser and the Borough's Tax Assessor are in agreement with the terms of said correction to the settlement and are authorized to take any action necessary to effectuate this resolution and the settlement referenced herein
4. The Borough's Tax Appeal Attorneys, Chasan Lamparello Mallon & Cappuzzo PC are authorized to execute a Stipulations of Settlement to reflect the global settlement for the withdrawals of the 2017-2020 appeals and the 2021, 2022 & 2023 tax years set at an assessment of \$1,800,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-122

WHEREAS, notification was received that the following handicapped parking spaces are no longer needed and should be removed from these locations:

1. 340 Eighth Street
2. 617 First Street

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Borough Clerk notify the DPW to remove the above-mentioned handicapped parking spaces and that the Police Chief remove same from the certified list of handicapped parking spaces.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-123

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	\$1,126,390.75
Regional Board of Education	677,007.58
County of Bergen 2 nd Quarter of Taxes	1,830,659.00
County Open Space Trust Fund	82,593.00
South Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance Fund 2 nd Quarter	240,606.00

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-124

WHEREAS, Pegasus Transport Service, Inc. has made application to the Borough of Carlstadt for one 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 Pegasus Transport Service, Inc. to operate one additional limousine license at 800 D Central Boulevard, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 be and hereby is approved for VIN # 223185.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue the license to operate one additional limousine at the above referenced location for

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the period of one year, commencing April 23, 2025 and ending on April 23, 2026 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 NO. 2025-125

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Carlstadt Fire Fighters Foundation Inc. be granted permission to hold a poker night fundraiser on Saturday, June 7, 2025 from 5:00 P.M. to 11:30 P.M. at the Carlstadt Borough Hall, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 for which the application, fee and gaming forms shall be forwarded to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-126

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

1. Aswin Aguinaga – Engine Company Three

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 Aswin Aguinaga is hereby appointed as a probationary member of the Carlstadt Fire Department.

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Roseman, unanimous on call of roll.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None

FINANCE/LEGISLATION/INSURANCE – Councilman Emerson reported progress.

POLICE - Councilman Emerson reported progress.

FIRE/WATER/OEM/AMBULANCE - Councilman Stoltz reported progress.

PUBLIC WORKS/PUBLIC PROPERTY – Councilman Lenoy reported progress.

PLANNING/BUILDING – Councilwoman DeBiase read her report. This report will be filed.

ZONING – Councilman Lenoy read his report. This report will be filed.

HEALTH/SOCIAL SERVICES – Councilwoman Fonseca reported progress.

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

BOROUGH EQUIPMENT – Councilwoman DeBiase reported progress.

RECYCLING – Councilman Stoltz reported progress.

PROJECTS – Councilwoman Fonseca reported progress.

HUMAN RESOURCES – Councilwoman Fonseca reported progress.

READING OF BILLS

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-127

MEDICAL BENEFITS ACCT	107,091.70
MEDICAL BENEFITS ACCT	40,150.85
PAYROLL ACCOUNT	449,210.41
PAYROLL ACCOUNT	2,101,270.00
MEDICAL BENEFITS ACCT	136,933.06
PAYROLL ACCOUNT	436,686.54
MEDICAL BENEFITS ACCT	168,464.23
BORO OF CARLSTADT - CURRENT FD	40,412.86
DPW UNION DUES	700.00
FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT	675.04
PBA UNION DUES	1,960.00
BRIAN MONROE	666.05
BORO OF CARLSTADT - CURRENT FD	39,849.91
DPW UNION DUES	640.00
FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT	675.04
PBA UNION DUES	2,100.00
AT&T MOBILITY	470.16
GSB	5,603.46
PSE&G	26,902.27
VEOLIA WATER NEW JERSEY	878.82
UNUM LIFE INS. CO. OF AMERICA	1,060.94
VERIZON	149.00
COMCAST	687.48
B.C. POLICE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION	650.00
CARLSTADT PTA	600.00
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC	181.30
MCI COMM SERVICE	574.79

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PSE&G	71.35
THE STANDARD INSURANCE CO.	6,006.07
VERIZON	1,842.09
GREATAMERICA FINANCIAL SVCS.	440.00
LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC	246.49
NJ ADVANCE MEDIA	346.21
NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP INC	697.52
PSE&G	2,418.17
THE RECORD	5.96
TREASURER, STATE OF NJ	5,425.00
TREASURER STATE OF NJ	258.00
VEOLIA WATER NEW JERSEY	12,266.35
VERIZON	1,564.71
VERIZON	2,087.48
AGGRESSIVE ENERGY LLC	7,132.27
THE STANDARD INSURANCE CO.	6,331.37
VEOLIA WATER NEW JERSEY	873.22
UNUM LIFE INS. CO. OF AMERICA	1,175.49
ADPP ENTERPRISES INC	1,432.53
VERIZON BUSINESS	43.61
AT&T MOBILITY	470.16
PSE&G	12,442.29
ALPHADOG SOLUTIONS, INC.	2,190.00
AMERICANLOCKER	556.00
A.N.D. SERVICE	392.75
ARROW ELEVATOR INC.	250.00
ASHLEY MORRONE	44.99
ATLANTIC UNIFORM CO. INC	2,594.00
AWARENESS PROTECTIVE	590.00
AXON ENTERPRISE INC	68,335.17
BCPWAA	150.00
BELLAQUA INC	160.90
BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE	18,350.00
BERGEN CO. UTILITIES AUTHORITY	240,606.00
B.C. POLICE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION	2,500.00
BERGEN CNTY MUNI CLERK ASSOC.	100.00
BOROUGH OF RUTHERFORD	9,975.71
BOROUGH OF E. RUTHERFORD	20,925.76
BRAEN STONE INDUSTRIES INC	166.75
BRADY INDUSTRIES	1,516.54

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BRUNO ASSOCIATES INC	3,250.00
CANDLEWYCK DINER	26.30
CAROUSEL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH	113.75
CARLSTADT BOARD OF ED.	1,126,390.75
CARLSTADT FIRE DEPARTMENT	8,850.00
CARLSTADT/E. RUTHERFORD JR.	4,000.00
C. ELSTON & ASSOCIATES	1,185.00
CHASAN, LAMPARELLO, MALLON AND	11,294.80
CHOCOLATE DREAMS	225.00
C&H PRECISION LLC	145.98
CHRISTOPHER HASCH	1,200.00
COPYTEXT I LLC	4,500.00
DELGADO INTERPRETING SERVICES	0.00
DELGADO INTERPRETING SERVICES	3,530.00
DENISE OEHLMANN	40.00
DENISE MURRAY	200.00
EAGLE POINT GUN	483.78
ENHANCED WEB SERVICES	29.95
EXTECH BUILDING MATERIALS	264.00
FIRE & SAFETY SERVICES	758.87
FOOD BAZAAR SUPERMARKET	261.79
GARBARINI & CO.	19,700.00
GATES FLAGS AND BANNER INC	357.00
GENERAL CODE, LLC	185.00
GENSERVE, LLC	2,800.00
GFOA OF NJ	165.00
GLOBAL INTERACTIVE SOLUTIONS	278.88
GOLD TYPE BUSINESS MACHINES	4,495.08
GOLD TYPE BUSINESS MACHINES	5,172.40
GRIFFIN AUTOMOTIVE INFO	2,100.00
DOOR WORKS INC	505.00
HACKENSACK MERIDIAN TEAM HLTH	2,400.00
HADDAD ELECTRIC LLC	2,387.00
HOLY NAME MEDICAL CENTER	2,111.27
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS	1,659.00
HOMETOWN AUTO PARTS	0.00
HOMETOWN AUTO PARTS	3,560.80
HUDSON TIRE EXCHANGE	349.68
HUDSON COUNTY MOTORS INC	1,972.13
I.D.A.	67,673.63

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IMPRESSIVE PRINTING INC	822.89
INSTITUTE FOR FORENSIC	1,100.00
INSTITUTE FOR PROFESSIONAL	50.00
INTAPOL INDUSTRIES, INC.	486.93
INTERSTATE WASTE SERVICES INC	23,720.13
JAN PROMOTIONS, INC.	4,378.80
JAXX HOME IMPROVEMENTS LLC	550.00
J.E.M.A.	400.00
JOSEPH R. DONAHUE LLC	9,333.33
JPR CYCLES LLC	2,177.29
KEY TECH	2,010.00
KIMBALL MIDWEST	1,693.75
KIPP & ALLEN, LLC.	1,375.00
LOWE'S BUSINESS ACCT/GEMB	1,590.55
LYNN DIXON	200.00
MARIOLA MLEKICKI	450.00
MARIO'S LOCKSMITH	105.00
MASTERMAN'S LLP	469.05
MASTER PIZZA	255.95
MCNERNEY & ASSOCIATES, INC	7,500.00
MEADOWLANDS HARDWARE	271.84
MERCHANTS ALARM SYSTEMS INC	418.00
MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	588.00
MOMAR INC	483.98
MORRIS COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY	25.00
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.	264.00
MSI TECHNOLOGIES LLC	48,929.69
MY OFFICE ACCOUNTING SERVICES	1,000.00
POWER-FLO TECHNOLOGIES, INC	117.50
NATALE MACHINE & TOOL CO. INC	320.00
NATURE'S CHOICE CORP.	152.00
NEGLIA ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES	0.00
NEGLIA ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES	0.00
NEGLIA ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES	32,170.98
NJ FIRE EQUIPMENT CO., INC.	2,423.20
NJLBHA	95.00
NJ PLANNING OFFICIALS	325.00
NJ STATE ASSN. OF CHIEFS OF	715.00
OGS TECHNOLOGIES, LLC.	537.89
PAC TOOL & SUPPLY CO, INC	175.86

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PANORAMA TOURS INC	1,350.00
PARTAC PEAT CORP.	445.80
PASQUALE & DELEASA LLC	1,425.00
PBA LOCAL 312	262.00
PENNY KAMINSKI-PRELI ESS, INC	1,399.54
PRESTI, ROSARIO JR., ESQ.	893.78
PROGRESSIVE BRICK CO.	1,000.26
PUBLIC WORKS ASSOC. OF NJ	75.00
PYE-BARKER FIRE AND SAFETY LLC	90.00
RCM CEBERIO LLC	2,765.00
REDICARE LLC	7,635.00
REGAL STAMP CO	479.80
REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION	86.50
REMINGTON AND VERNICK	677,007.58
RIEDEL SIGN CO., INC.	9,470.00
ROYAL TOUCH HAND CAR WASH CORP	1,065.00
RUTGERS CENTER FOR GOV'T SERV.	672.00
SECURITAS TECHNOLOGY CORP.	944.00
SNAP-ON INDUSTRIAL	3,228.75
SOME'S UNIFORMS INC.	1,153.94
STAN'S SPORT CENTER, INC	2,700.00
QUALITY AUTO MALL	3,734.00
STAPLES ADVANTAGE	1,028.93
SUMMIT RISK SERVICES	539.87
TETERBORO CHYRSLER JEEP	6,887.53
THE HEIGHTS FLOWER SHOPPE	26.45
THE TURNVEREIN OF CARLSTADT	137.45
THE ACTIVITY GROUP, INC.	2,000.00
TRAFFIC SAFETY & EQUIPMENT INC	1,315.00
TURN OUT UNIFORMS, INC	896.89
ULINE, INC.	399.98
ADPP ENTERPRISES INC	990.10
VERIELLA'S BAKERY	131.40
VESTIS	50.00
VIP CAR WASH & LUBE LLC	624.75
VISUAL COMPUTER SOLUTIONS INC	252.00
WALLINGTON PLUMBING SUPPLY INC	249.00
WESTERN PEST SERVICES	398.10
WOLF VESPASIANO LLC ATTORNEY	125.00
	34,712.94

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WORLD INSURANCE ASSO. LLC		10,471.68
Z & M REALTY MANAGEMENT, LLC.		9,667.02
TOTAL	\$	6,219,315.31

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

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

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Mayor Zimmermann asked if anyone wished to speak.

Donald Molzon, 550 Madison Street – he mentioned to the Mayor and Council that the light on the Historical Society building is still out. He also asked if the Mayor and Council have any updates on the Senior Housing progress. He is also concerned with the amount of traffic that the soccer games at the MetLife Stadium are going to generate. The Police Chief replied the soccer fans are going to be bussed and no tailgating will be allowed.

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

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES

None

MISCELLANEOUS/NEW BUSINESS

None

Mayor Zimmermann entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 P.M. On motion by Roseman, seconded by DeBiase, unanimous on call of roll.

APPROVED: _____
ROBERT J. ZIMMERMANN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK