

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL

October 15, 2019 MINUTES

Mayor Bruce A. Harris called the Regular Council Meeting of the Borough of Chatham to order on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers in Borough Hall, located at 54 Fairmount Avenue, Chatham, New Jersey.

SALUTE TO FLAG

Mayor Harris and the Borough Council led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Harris asked for a moment of silence for those who have given their lives for our country.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Tamar Lawful, Borough Clerk, read the following statement of adequate notice:

Pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by including same in the Annual Notice, copies of which were posted on the official bulletin board on the main floor of Borough Hall, emailed to the Daily Record, the Star Ledger, the Chatham Courier, the Chatham Patch, and TAPinto Chatham and was filed with the Borough Clerk, all on January 17, 2019.

ROLL CALL

On a call of the roll, the following officials were present:

Mayor Bruce A. Harris
Council President James Collander
Council Member Victoria Fife
Council Member Robert A. Weber, Sr.
Council Member Thaddeus J. Kobylarz
Council Member Carolyn Dempsey
Council Member Jocelyn Mathiasen
Stephen W. Williams, Borough Administrator
Tamar Lawful, Borough Clerk
Diane Hickey, Borough Attorney

Council Member Dempsey introduced Kelly Loofbourrow, the coordinator of the Municipal Alliance Committee of the Chathams (MACC) along with committee member Len Resto, to speak briefly about the organization's cause and the Proclamation it received on September 25, 2019, at the Morris County Freeholders meeting, naming the month of October, National Substance Abuse Month.

Ms. Loofbourrow acknowledged Morris County's effort in giving recognition to substance abuse prevention. According to Ms. Loofbourrow, the Committee's initiative aims to educate the public about

underage drinking and opioid use. The Committee is now partnering with local schools to combat the growing concerns with substance abuse and underage drinking. More efforts are being made to educate both parents and students about the danger of drug use (including marijuana and the use of e-cigarettes). An upcoming panel on vaping will be held, tentatively on November 11, 2019, to educate both parents and students about drug use, stated Ms. Loofbourrow.

RECUSALS

Mayor Harris asked if there are any recusals or abstentions to be submitted for the record with respect to any items listed on the agenda.

There were none.

Mayor Harris proceeded with Resolution #19-290.

RESOLUTION #19-290

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that the minutes from the following meeting are approved as prepared and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Borough Clerk's office:

September 9, 2019

And,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that the minutes from the following Closed Session meeting(s) are approved as prepared and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Borough Clerk's office:

September 9, 2019

Council Member Weber moved to approve Resolution #19-290; seconded by Council Member Kobylarz. The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

PRESENTATION

REDEVELOPMENT FOLLOW-UP

Mayor Harris introduced Annie Hindenlang to discuss the River Road Redevelopment project.

Annie Hindenlang, the Borough's redevelopment planner from Topology, acknowledged the presence of John Hague, the redevelopment attorney and Maggie Haight, who will discuss the topic of PILOT.

Ms. Hindenlang explained that the Borough of Chatham has an obligation to provide zoning to permit 337 affordable housing units; however, providing only 36 affordable units is realistic and feasible. Mayor Harris explained that the Borough could only accommodate 36 affordable units due to its actual available open space. The River Road Redevelopment Project targets renters and people who are interested in downsizing, such as senior citizens. It is projected that less than 35 school-aged children will reside at the development, stated Ms. Hindenlang. Mr. Weber expressed concerns about any adverse impact to the

school population as a result of the project. Ms. Hindenlang stated that any adverse impact will be mitigated during the negotiation process.

PRESENTATION

PAYMENT-IN-LIEU- OF -TAXES (PILOT)

Ms. Maggie Haight presented on the topic of PILOT's. According to Ms. Haight, PILOT or payment in lieu of taxes is created to help projects to redevelop in a situation where it otherwise would not be feasible, while also developing an area in need of redevelopment. To qualify for a PILOT, a developer must first demonstrate that the project would not happen without the negotiation of a financial agreement, stated Ms. Hindenlang. Mr. Weber expressed concerns with the notion that a project is not financially feasible "but for" a PILOT agreement.

Most developers use a method known as "pro forma" to calculate financial results using certain projections or presumptions to predict the potential financial profit from their investment over time, stated Ms. Haight.

Ms. Haight demonstrated how funds are distributed through the means of ad Valorem vs. PILOT revenue. According to Ms. Haight, ad valorem tax revenue is split amongst four entities: the library, the county, the borough and the school district. However, through a PILOT program, the revenue is split between the county and the municipality. The municipality may direct funds to the school district and library, on a yearly basis, should it choose to.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Harris read the following statement: Hearing of citizens during the Public Comment section of the Agenda is an opportunity for any member of the public to be heard about issues which are/are not topics scheduled for Public Hearing tonight. To help facilitate an orderly meeting, and to permit all to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to a reasonable length of time. Mayor Harris further reminded the audience that the Public Comment is not a question and answer session.

Tom Ercolano - 19 Hillside Avenue, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Ercolano inquired about the available resources and inquired if there should be a full time Fire Department?

Joseph Treloar - 89 Elmwood Avenue, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Treloar commented on the contribution chart which showed the amount going to the library, school, county and municipality. He stated that the presentation and the contribution chart doesn't accurately depict reality. The municipality will receive less revenue, stated Mr. Treloar.

John Crouthamel – 15 Maple Street, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Crouthamel expressed positive sentiment towards the project. He is pleased that senior residents can downsize and maintain residence in the Borough of Chatham.

Rozella Clyde - 33 Carmine Street, Chatham Borough:

Ms. Clyde voiced her objections with the number of units being proposed by the developer (250 units). However, she supports the idea that the Borough needs more housing units, especially for senior citizens. She requested clarification with respect to affordable housing, the cost, the look and location. She recommends the developer build 60 units as opposed to 250 units.

Michael Dean - 181 N. Passaic Avenue, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Dean inquired about the history of PILOT programs in the Borough of Chatham. Mayor Harris responded that this is the first redevelopment project in the Borough, to his knowledge.

Eric Liotta - 13 Woods Lane, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Liotta inquired whether a plan is in place to measure the economic and environmental impact of the single use plastic bag ban. According to Mr. Liotta, a study conducted by the University of Sydney, by economist Rebecca Taylor, demonstrates an adverse effect from the ban, resulting in more plastic bag use.

Mayor Harris informed Mr. Liotta that the Public Hearing for Ordinance #19-14 is next.

With no one else wishing to make a comment, the public comment was closed.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #19-14

Mayor Harris asks Council Member Mathiasen to proceed with Ordinance #19-14.

Council Member Mathiasen reads Ordinance #19-14 entitled:

ORDINANCE # 19-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM, MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY CREATING CHAPTER 181, SINGLE USE BAGS AT RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS, OF THE CODE OF CHATHAM BOROUGH

Council Member Mathiasen stated that other municipalities are incorporating measures to limit the use of plastic. Chatham Township recently adopted a similar ordinance and the Borough of Madison is in the process of adopting the same. Florham Park Environmental Commission is seeking to recommend a similar ordinance to its governing body. The Borough examined other ordinances domestically and internationally to better understand the consequences as a result of implementing the ban. This ordinance was designed in such a way to avoid unintended consequences, stated Council Member Mathiasen.

Mayor Harris proceeded to open the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rozella Clyde – 33 Carmine Street, Chatham Borough:

Ms. Clyde, who is a member of the Green Team, stated that the ordinance is a good step in the right direction. To ensure sustainability one must reduce, reuse and recycle. However, the best option is to reduce, stated Ms. Clyde.

Leonardo Resto - 35 Center Street, Chatham Borough:

As the Chairperson to the Environmental Commission, Mr. Resto applauded the Borough for taking on this environmental concern. Mr. Resto added that he's working with the County to obtain reusable bags that can be distributed to residents who do not have the financial means.

Council Member Mathiasen stated that "Take a Bag, Leave a Bag" is available at Borough Hall and the Farmer's Market.

Tom Ercolano – 19 Hillside Avenue, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Ercolano advised the Borough to wait for a general rule to be implemented by the state of New Jersey, before enacting this ordinance.

Bill Heap – 108 Hillside Avenue, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Heap agreed with Mr. Weber to not have the Police Department be the leading agent to enforce the ordinance. He also agrees that it will take time for people to change their habits when it comes to maintaining a sustainable environment.

Matthew Wagner - 129 Fairmount Avenue, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Wagner voiced his objection with respect to using water to wash the reusable bags. He considers it an impact to the environment. The reason for washing reusable bags is to limit contamination, stated Mr. Wagner. However, numerous studies from the University of Arizona found that reusable bags traps bacteria such as coliform and E-Coli. The national data from the EPA shows that single use plastic bags makes up .3% of the waste field overall, stated Mr. Wagner.

Joseph Treloar - 89 Elmwood Avenue, Chatham Borough:

Mr. Treloar thanked the entire Council for enacting the ban. He stated that cross-contamination has never been an issue, especially if bags are properly washed and meats are kept separate from other food items.

Yonna Dole – 8 Rose Terrace:

Ms. Dole came forward and thanked the Mayor and Council for proposing this ordinance. The initiative is important for the community and the entire State of New Jersey. There is a concern with the quantity of waste being generated, and as Dr. Clyde stated, it is not just about recycling, but also reducing our use.

Mayor Harris stated that he hopes the State of New Jersey adopts a ban, but nothing is certain. A uniform ordinance is being adopted by multiple municipalities. He encourages other municipalities to adopt the Borough's ordinance.

Seeing no one else wishing to comment, Mayor Harris closed the hearing to the public and proceeded with the second reading of Ordinance # 19-14.

Council Member Weber expressed concerns with respect to the definition of a reusable bag, and the public's ability to easily identify one. According to Mr. Weber, incorporating the measurement of a 10 mils thick reusable bag overcomplicates the matter.

Council Member Weber moved to remove the "10 mils thick" requirement from the ordinance. This was seconded by Council Member Collander.

Council Member Mathiasen stated that she does not object to the removal of the clause, so long as the definition stays intact.

With a voice roll call, the motion was defeated.

Mayor Harris asked Council Member Mathiasen to continue.

Council Member Mathiasen offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:

ORDINANCE #19-14

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BE IT RESOLVED, that this Ordinance as read by title on second reading, and after public hearing at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

Council Member Collander seconds the motion.

Mayor Harris asks the Borough Clerk for a Roll Call Vote:

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Collander			X			
Fife		X	X			
Weber			X			
Kobylarz			X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen	X		X			

Mayor Harris declared this Ordinance adopted and finally passed and request the Borough Clerk to publish the proper notice of adoption of this Ordinance in the official newspapers and to permanently record the Ordinance.

REPORTS

BOARD & COMMISSION MEMBERS & LIAISON REPORTS

Shade Tree Commission - Council President Collander had nothing to report.

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee - Council President Collander had nothing to report.

Traffic & Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee – Council President Collander reported that a total of twelve (12) bikes were stolen in the Borough this year; ten (10) of which occurred at the train station. The thefts started in June, stated Council President Collander. One individual had three bikes stolen; and another had two bikes stolen. The Police Department is working with NJ Transit to investigate the matter since the incident occurred on their property.

Council Member Collander further reported that the paving and curbing program on N. Passaic Avenue is complete. The Police Department and the DPW will install permanent signage to facilitate slowing down traffic within the area. There will be significant enforcement in the area once the signs are installed, stated Council President Collander.

At the corner of Weston Avenue and North Passaic Avenue there is a blinking pedestrian crossing light that is not fully operating. The pedestrian crossing light will be fixed and functioning very soon, stated Council President Collander.

Farmers' Market Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported that the Farmers' Market will open on Saturdays from 8:00am-1:00pm, until November 23, 2019. She encouraged residents to support the market.

Historic Riverside Trail Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported that the first phase of the Historic Trail was complete. The trail runs to Vine Street from Shepard Kollock Park.

Mayor's Wellness Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported that the Committee was invited to participate in a panel hosted by the Morris County Task Force for Conversation of Your Life (COYL) to be attended by Brian George and Janice Piccolo on November 9, 2019.

MyChathamNJ Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported that the Street and Treat Halloween celebration will be held at the Farmers' Market on October 26, 2019 from 10:00am to 12:00pm. There will be craft, music and costume judging followed by a precession on Main Street.

Council Member Fife reported that the holiday tree lighting will take place on December 7, 2019 at 5:00pm.

Municipal Pool Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife had nothing to report.

Project Community Pride - Council Member Fife had nothing to report.

Public Arts Council Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported that the Committee will begin the painting of the Washington Avenue mural. She acknowledged Dreyers Lumber and Village Hardware & Painting who generously donated supplies towards this effort.

Senior Center of the Chathams - Council Member Fife reported that the Senior Center will be holding its biannual paper-shred event. She stated that the event is a great fundraising opportunity for the Senior Center.

Board of Health - Council Member Weber reported that the process to revise the Board of Health ordinances is progressing. The plan is to introduce the revisions at its next scheduled meeting in November, and to hold its second reading and final passage in December.

Joint Recreation Advisory Committee - Council Member Weber, Sr. reported that soccer camp is scheduled for Thursday and Friday during Teacher's Convention Week in November. Recreation basketball registration will begin this weekend; and registration for men's basketball and women's volleyball is currently open and available on Community Pass. In the coming weeks, information will be posted about the ski club and wrestling registration for grades 7th and 8th.

9/11 Memorial Advisory Committee - Council Member Weber had nothing new to report.

Madison-Chatham Joint Meeting - Council Member Weber reported that NJDEP recently granted permission to advertise the upgrade with respect to the sewer plant. Bids are due November 12, 2019. It is anticipated that the contract will be awarded on November 18, 2019.

Undergrounding Advisory Committee - Council Member Kobylarz reported that the Committee continues to work on a feasibility study regarding putting the overhead wires underground. He anticipates the project's duration to be 2-years.

Planning Board - Council Member Kobylarz had nothing to report.

Joint Municipal Court - Council Member Kobylarz had nothing to report.

Joint Community Gardens Advisory Committee - Council Member. Kobylarz had nothing to report.

Council Member Kobylarz stated that emails were sent to residents interested in volunteering to become a member of the Economic Development Advisory Committee. He advised those residents to promptly submit their application, if they haven't done so already.

Historic Preservation Commission - Council Member Dempsey reported the owner(s) of 228-238 Main Street plans to renovate the property. There will be substantial improvements to the façade of the building.

Additionally, efforts are being made to update the ordinances and the design guidelines for anyone interested in refurbishing a historic building. The design guidelines have not been updated in decades, stated Council Member Dempsey.

Board of Education - Council Member Dempsey reported that there was a presentation by the Student Assistance Counselors, with regards to the Student Wellness Survey. The survey is conducted every two years for students in grades 6-12. Students reported a fairly high level of stress, especially among females. It was also reported that students suffer from sleep deprivation, especially those at a higher-grade level, which can lead to behavioral issues, stated Council Member Dempsey.

The CMS auditorium is undergoing refurbishment for some time now. It will be complete in late January 2020.

Member of the Board of Education, Mary Chambers, is stepping down.

Municipal Alliance of the Chathams - Council Member Dempsey reported that the statement made by Kelly Loofbourrow and Leonardo Resto for MACC, which will serve as her report.

Open Space & Historic Preservation Trust - Council Member Dempsey had nothing to report.
Advisory Committee

Environmental Commission - Council Member Mathiasen stated that there is nothing to report except for the passage of the Single Use Plastic Bag, Ordinance #19-14.

Communications & Technology Advisory Committee – Council Member Mathiasen reported that the entire website will be refurbished; and online transaction will be made available for pet licenses, garage sales permits, parking permits, tree removal and street opening permits through an agreement with SDL and Madison Borough.

Efforts are being made to establish a Social Media Policy for the Borough, stated Council Member Mathiasen.

The agenda management software system, Granicus, will be implemented in the near future and will allow the public to easily access agenda attachments.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Harris reported that he participated in the Environmental Congress. He further reported that Candidates Night, hosted by the League of Women Voters will be held on Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 7:00pm, in the Council Chambers. It will be broadcast live and rebroadcast several times.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Williams reported that residents showed interest in the "Do Not Knock" program over the summer. Do Not Knock stickers were obtained and new registrants will receive a sticker in an effort to keep solicitors from knocking. Mr. Williams also reported that PSE&G continues their maintenance program working from Main Street to the end of Hedges Avenue. Leaf collection will begin on October 21, 2019. All zones will be picked up every week. Mr. Williams further reported about complaints at the Shepard Kollock Park, in the off-leash area; where dogs are leaving the designated off-leash area. Some dogs have charged at residents. Mr. Williams advised the residents to keep their dogs on a leash, once they enter the pathway. The Police Department will encourage residents to keep their dogs on leashes.

Mayor Harris proceeded with the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Harris stated that the following items are considered to be routine by the Chatham Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

Resolution #19-291 through Resolution #19-301 have been placed on the Consent Agenda.

RESOLUTION[S] REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION AND VOTE

There were none.

APPOINTMENTS

RESOLUTION #19-291

RESOLUTION APPOINTING LEA CASANO-BORIS TO THE CHATHAM BOROUGH FARMERS' MARKET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Chatham Borough Farmers' Market depends on a volunteer force to assist with the set-up and operation of the Farmers' Market, as well as perform tasks as may be directed by the Farmers' Market Manager; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #19-22, adopted by the Borough Council on January 7, 2019, re-established the Chatham Borough Farmers' Market Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Lea Casano-Boris has expressed interest in being appointed to the Chatham Borough Farmers' Market Advisory Committee and has submitted a Volunteer Application to the Mayor and Borough Council for consideration.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham that Lea Casano-Boris is hereby appointed to the Chatham Borough Farmers' Market Advisory Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-9.2a and the Code of the Borough Chatham, Chapter 3, §3.3.

RESOLUTION #19-292

RESOLUTION APPOINTING JACK CASANO-BORIS TO THE CHATHAM BOROUGH FARMERS' MARKET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Chatham Borough Farmers' Market depends on a volunteer force to assist with the set-up and operation of the Farmers' Market, as well as perform tasks as may be directed by the Farmers' Market Manager; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #19-22, adopted by the Borough Council on January 7, 2019, re-established the Chatham Borough Farmers' Market Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jack Casano-Boris has expressed interest in being appointed to the Chatham Borough Farmers' Market Advisory Committee and has submitted a Volunteer Application to the Mayor and Borough Council for consideration.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham that Jack Casano-Boris is hereby appointed to the Chatham Borough Farmers' Market Advisory Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-9.2a and the Code of the Borough Chatham, Chapter 3, §3.3.

CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION #19-293

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CHRISTMAS DÉCOR BY EBBY FOR THE INSTALLATION AND REMOVAL OF HOLIDAY LIGHTS FOR THE 2019 HOLIDAY SEASON

WHEREAS, the Borough of Chatham enjoys the festive tradition of decorating its' Main Street and public properties with holiday lights during the holiday season; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham wish to continue this tradition for the 2019 holiday season; and

WHEREAS, because the anticipated contract amount is less than the Borough's bid threshold of \$40,000.00, but 15% or more of that amount, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., requires the Borough to solicit at least two competitive quotations for said work; and

WHEREAS, the Borough solicited and received quotations from Christmas Décor by Ebby's, Woodland Park, NJ; and from Christmas Décor, Scotch Plains, NJ; and Visions Outdoor Lighting, Mendham, NJ and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Community Services recommends that a contract be awarded to Christmas Décor By Ebby, Woodland Park, NJ for the installation of holiday lights along Main Street, Borough Hall and Reasoner Park, and Liberty Park on or about November 21, 2019 and to be taken down and removed on or before January 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has provided a certification of availability of funds in the amount not to exceed

\$ 14,303.72 to be appropriated from the following accounts as follows:

Account Description	Account Number	Amount
Operating (Current) Account	9-01-30-420-201	\$ 6,000.00
White Lights	R- 15-56-850-423	\$ 2,000.00
Fishawack Trust Account	T-17-56-000-221	\$ 6,303.72

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham that it hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute a contract with Christmas Décor for the installation and removal of holiday lights in the aggregate contract amount not to exceed \$ 14,303.72 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all other Borough officials and employees are hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

FINANCE

RESOLUTION #19-294

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

WHEREAS, vouchers for payment have been submitted to the Borough Council by the various municipal departments.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that all vouchers approved by the Finance Chairman be paid subject to the certification of the availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer.

RESOLUTION #19-295

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND FOR PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector for the Borough of Chatham has advised that the mortgage company made a duplicate property tax payment for the herein referenced property resulting in an overpayment of property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has further advised that a refund for the property tax overpayment is to be made as follows:

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>OWNERS/PROPERTY LOCATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT YEAR/QTR.</u>
55/6	Skelton, Linda 62 N. Hillside Avenue	\$369.23 overpaid 2019

***Make check payable & mail to:**

Skelton, Linda
62 N. Hillside Avenue
Chatham, NJ 07928

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION #19-296

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE (10) TASER X2 CONDUCTIVE ENERGY DEVICES (TASERS) FROM AXON ENTERPRISE INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$23,963.

WHEREAS, the Police Department seeks to purchase ten (10) Taser X2 conductive energy devices and hardware from Axon Enterprise, Inc. 17800 N 85th Street, Scottsdale, Arizona 85255; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has received a proposal from Axon to purchase these devices and hardware in the amount not to exceed \$23,963; and

WHEREAS, Axon is a NJ State Vendor of Police and Homeland Security Equipment and Supplies, T0106/17-FLEET-00738

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that there is sufficient funding for the purchases of these devices and hardware in the amount not to exceed \$23,963 from the Capital budget (Line Items C-04-55-918-409 (\$9,983.00) & C-04-55-919-603 (\$11,000.00) & T-17-56-000-225 (\$2,980.00)); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that the Chatham Borough Police Department is authorized to purchase ten (10) Taser X2 conductive energy devices and hardware from Axon Enterprise, Inc. 17800 N 85th Street, Scottsdale, Arizona 85255;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a duly executed copy of this Resolution will be filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

PERSONNEL

RESOLUTION #19-297

RESOLUTION TO HIRE MIKE RENZULLI AS A FALL SEASONAL EMPLOYEE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has a need to hire fall seasonal help; and

WHEREAS, the Director of DPW publicly advertised the job opening and applications were solicited and received from interested candidates; and

WHEREAS, after considering all interested and qualified candidates, the Director of Public Works has recommended that Mike Renzulli should be hired for the fall seasonal position in the Department of Public Works at the pay rate of \$15.00 per hour and with a starting date of October 21, 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that they hereby approve and authorize the hiring of Mike Renzulli as a fall seasonal employee in the Department of Public Works at the pay rate of \$15.00 per hour and with the starting date of October 21, 2019.

RESOLUTION #19-298

RESOLUTION TO HIRE NICHOLAS MAZELLI AS A FALL SEASONAL EMPLOYEE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has a need to hire fall seasonal help; and

WHEREAS, the Director of DPW publicly advertised the job opening and applications were solicited and received from interested candidates; and

WHEREAS, after considering all interested and qualified candidates, the Director of Public Works has recommended that Nicholas Mazelli should be hired for the fall seasonal position in the Department of Public Works at the pay rate of \$15.00 per hour and with a starting date of October 21, 2019. **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that they hereby approve and authorize the hiring of Nicholas Mazelli as a fall seasonal employee in the Department of Public Works at the pay rate of \$15.00 per hour and with the starting date of October 21, 2019.

RESOLUTION #19-299

RESOLUTION TO HIRE ANTHONY P. ALBANESE AS A FULL-TIME SERVICE PERSON IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, by Resolution #18-305 adopted on October 9, 2018, Anthony P. Albanese was hired as a temporary fall seasonal employee in the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the temporary fall seasonal position may lead to a full-time position with growth potential for the right candidate; and

WHEREAS, after considering Anthony P. Albanese's performance, the Director of Public Works recommends that he be hired full-time to the position of Service Person in the Department of Public Works, effective November 1, 2019 at the annual starting salary of \$39,603.00 (Step #4) to be pro-rated for the remainder of 2019.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that they concur with the recommendation of the Director of Public Works and hereby approve the hiring of Anthony P. Albanese to the full-time position of Service Person in the Department of Public Works, effective November 1, 2019 at the annual starting salary of \$39,603.00 (Step #4) to be pro-rated for the remainder of 2019.

OTHER

RESOLUTION #19-300

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES TO PLAN AND ORGANIZE THE 2020 FISHAWACK FESTIVAL

WHEREAS, the Fishawack Festival is an annual community event held on the second Saturday in the month of June that has been enjoyed by the community for many years; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Department of Community Services has planned, organized and conducted the Fishawack Festival for the past four years; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council wish to continue the Fishawack Festival as a public event in 2020.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that the Department of Community Services is hereby authorized to begin to plan and organize the 2020 Fishawack Festival; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Department of Community Services shall prepare a budget for the 2020 Fishawack Festival detailing the estimated revenues, expenses and Borough workforce staffing requirements for review and consideration by the Budget and Finance Committee for inclusion in the 2020 operating budget process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other Borough officials are hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

RESOLUTION #19-301

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 15, 2019 AS AMERICA RECYCLES DAY IN CHATHAM BOROUGH

WHEREAS, to focus the nation's attention on the importance of recycling, businesses, industries, government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and individuals have joined together to celebrate America Recycles Day and are encouraging friends, neighbors, and coworkers to pledge to learn more about recycling options in their community and commit to recycle more materials every day of the year; and

WHEREAS, participating in America Recycles Day 2019 is a way citizens can help raise awareness about the many environmental and economic benefits of reducing waste by reusing, recycling, and buying recycled-content products; and

WHEREAS, Chatham Borough residents can also use this as an opportunity to spread the word about the excellent recycling programs that have been established, the growth of recycling, and the importance of buying and job creating recycled products: and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham, New Jersey that Friday, November 15, 2019 is hereby proclaimed as America Recycles Day in the Borough of Chatham

CONSENT AGENDA VOTE:

Mayor Harris asked Council Member Collander to proceed with the Resolutions listed on the Consent agenda, resolutions #19-291 through #19-301.

Council Member Collander made a motion to approve the resolutions placed on this evening's Consent Agenda by consent of the Council, seconded by Council Member Weber. All were in favor.

Mayor Harris requested Council Member Mathiasen to proceed with Resolution # 19-302.

Council Member Mathiasen read Resolution # 19-302.

RESOLUTION #19-302

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION

Council Member Mathiasen read Resolution #19-302

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham that it shall adjourn into closed session to discuss the following subject matter(s) without the presence of the public in accordance

with the provisions of R.S. 10:4-12b:

1. Proposed Acquisition of Real Property – Mrs. Fife

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the matter(s) discussed will be made known to the public at such time as appropriate action is taken on said matter(s), and when disclosure will not result in unwarranted invasion of individual privacy or prejudice to the best interests of the Borough of Chatham, provided such disclosures will not violate Federal, State or local statutes and does not fall within the attorney-client privilege. The Borough Council will not return to public session after this closed session.

Council Member Mathiasen made a motion to approve Resolution #19-302. Council Member Fife seconded the motion. By a unanimous vote, Resolution # 19-302 was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no other business to be conducted in public session, Mayor Harris adjourned into Closed Session at 10:24 p.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:

Tamar Lawful
Borough Clerk
BOROUGH OF CHATHAM