

# **REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **June 8, 2020 MINUTES**

Mayor Thaddeus J. Kobylarz called the Regular Council Meeting of the Borough of Chatham to order on Monday, June 8, 2020 at 6:05 p.m. in the Council Chambers in Borough Hall, 54 Fairmount Avenue, Chatham, New Jersey.

*Note: The start time of this meeting was moved from 7:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to accommodate the emergency measures in place due to the coronavirus pandemic.*

### **SALUTE TO FLAG**

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

### **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mayor Kobylarz asked for a moment of silence for those who have given their lives for our country. He also gave recognition to the following professionals during the existential health pandemic caused by the coronavirus, COVID-19: First Responders, EMS personnel, Police Officers, Fire Fighters, Office of Emergency Management (OEM), nurses, doctors, long-term care workers, home care workers, other medical personnel, local government professionals, employees and volunteers, and research scientists working diligently to develop a vaccine to combat the existing global health crisis and those afflicted by it. He further acknowledged all school teachers, administrators and educational staff who have been working diligently educating students via digital means for extended hours under trying circumstances, and to the parents of school children having to add to their daily workload and oversight of their children's school assignments. Mayor Kobylarz further gave recognition to essential workers ensuring the continuity of our food production, food chain, and other essential businesses that are open during the crisis. Appreciation was extended to those working to maintain community services, such as electric power, garbage pickup and other sanitary services. He acknowledged the passing of one 90-year-old female resident who died since the last Mayor and Council Meeting held on May 26, 2020. Finally, two weeks ago, George Floyd and others like him suffered an untimely death as a result of excessive force by Police Officers in Minneapolis, Minnesota, an act that has shocked the conscience of many and led to calls for reform throughout the country and other parts of the world.

### **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 08, 2020.

Pursuant to the requirements of R.S. 10:4-10, adequate notice of the change in time of tonight's virtual meeting was provided to the press on June 02, 2020, a copy of which was posted on the Borough website, including the front and side entrance of Borough Hall.

### **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Thaddeus J. Kobylarz  
Council President Jocelyn Mathiasen (*Attended Virtually*)

Council Member Robert A. Weber, Sr.  
Council Member Carolyn Dempsey (*Attended Virtually*)  
Council Member Karen Koronkiewicz (*Attended Virtually*)  
Council Member Irene Treloar (*Attended Virtually*)  
Council Member Leonard Resto (*Attended Virtually*)  
Stephen W. Williams, Borough Administrator  
Tamar Lawful, Borough Clerk (*Attended Virtually*)  
James L. Lott, Jr., Borough Attorney (*Attended Virtually*)

Mayor Kobylarz proceeded with Resolution # 20-174.

## **RESOLUTION #20-174**

### **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:

May 26, 2020

Council Member Resto moved to approve Resolution # 20-174, seconded by Council Member Treloar. By a unanimous voice vote, Resolution # 20-174 was approved.

## **RECUSALS**

Recusals or abstentions submitted for the record.

There were none.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM:**

### Facility Use

Borough Administrator, Mr. Williams and Borough Attorney, Mr. Lott presented on the use of parks and fields by businesses during the coronavirus pandemic. Governor Murphy issued Executive Order #149 which relaxed the restrictions for outdoor recreational use, effective June 22, 2020. Mayor Kobylarz stated that regulations must be in place to ensure the use of public parks and fields does not preclude residents from enjoying the open space. Mayor Kobylarz recommended Mr. Lott communicate with Madison Borough about their handling on this unprecedented matter.

Council President Mathiasen concurred with Mayor Kobylarz with respect to understanding how other communities are handling this matter and the legal guidelines being used. She is also in support of regulating the use of parks and fields to ensure adequate access by residents. The council unanimously agreed to permit Mr. Lott to draft a resolution to permit the public to utilize Borough parks and fields to conduct business and to outline the details and regulations of the process.

With respect to imposing a fee to utilize Borough parks and fields, Council Present Mathiasen recommended waiving the fee for Borough businesses and residents, but to impose those fees onto non-Borough businesses and residents.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT I:**

Mayor Kobylarz proceeded to open the meeting to the public; however, prior to doing so, he delivered a portion of his Mayor's Report as follows:

### Statistical Update on the Coronavirus:

There are 59 positive cases in the Borough. Of the fifty-nine (59) residents who have tested positive for COVID-19, eight (8) have been hospitalized and sadly eight (8) have passed away. The age range of those testing positive for COVID-19 is 5 to 95 years-of-age. Morris County has reported 6,602 positive cases, with 625 reported deaths. The State of New Jersey reported 164,497 confirmed cases, with 12,214 reported deaths.

We are trending in the right direction; however, the infection rate per day must be reduced considerably. He reminded the public to maintain social distancing and to wear facial masks, which are essential measures in reducing the infection rate and preventing the virus from resurging.

### Extension of Public Health Emergency by Governor Phil Murphy:

Mayor Kobylarz reported that the current health emergency was extended for an additional 30 days. The State of New Jersey's viral reproduction rate is .85 to .95. The infection rate is leveling off. However, because the viral reproduction rate is close to 1, the viral reproduction can rebound, causing a rapid proliferation of the coronavirus (COVID-19). When the viral reproduction is less than 1, the threat of transmittal is less. Currently, the decline in infectious cases per day is gradual, but can result in a resurgence if precautions are not taken. Each resident must employ safety measures which includes social distancing and mask wearing to ensure the continuing decline of the spread of the virus.

#### ➤ Stage II Multiple Phase Reopening Plan of the State of New Jersey:

- Outdoor dining will be permissible, effective June 15, 2020.
- Non-essential businesses will be permitted to welcome customers at a reduced capacity, effective June 15, 2020.
- Hair salons and barbershops are able to open under specified guidelines beginning June 22, 2020.
- Gyms, libraries, museums, and some government offices (such as the Division of Motor Vehicles or DMV) are expected to reopen in the near future. However, DMV will open to provide limited services by June 15, 2020; and by June 29, 2020 they will begin to issue new licenses, permits, and provide driving tests.

### Discussion Item (June 22, 2020): Policing in Chatham Borough:

In light of the tragic death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota which resulted in marches throughout the country, Mayor Kobylarz reported that Police Chief Gibbons will present on the following items at the next scheduled Mayor and Council meeting (June 22, 2020):

- The present culture of Chatham Borough Police Department;
- The system in place to ensure fairness and accountability in police practices; and
- The commitment to prevent racial biases, profiling and use of force in policing.

In response to a “distorted” 2018 enforcement report in the Star Ledger, Mr. Gibbons will provide data that will support the Police Department’s and the Borough’s commitment to ensure fairness and accountability in policing, prevention of racial profiling, other forms of bias and the prevention of excessive use of force in Chatham Borough policing practices.

Mayor Kobylarz stated that there is a zero tolerance for any act of bigotry by any member of the Police Department or any employee of Chatham Borough. It is the fundamental right of every individual who enters the Borough to be treated with fairness and respect.

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Council Member Resto echoed the Mayor’s revulsion on what happened to the late George Floyd who passed away from asphyxiation during an arrest. He told a poignant story of his personal experience of prejudice. We have more in common than our differences. Internal salvation, and a better life for future generations is what we all seek. Despite one’s gender or race, we all bleed the same blood as humans. In order to heal from this divide, dialogue is necessary to understand that which divides us. Millions are rising and protesting in unity from many different racial and sexual backgrounds in a fight for fundamental justice and equality for all races. This attempt at dialog did not exist in the 1960’s. We will get past this, but it starts by talking and working with each other.

## **MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

*Residents wishing to make public comments may dial 929-205-6099 (859- 1372- 3739) or obtain online access of the meeting using the following URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85913723739>. The Mayor and Council meeting will be televised as usual.*

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT TIME LIMIT**

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 or are not matters scheduled for Public Hearing tonight. In light of the emergency, discussions and actions by the Chatham Borough Mayor and Council related to discretionary municipal actions and/or other non-emergent matters including redevelopment planning will be deferred until further notice. Accordingly, I would respectfully request that the public try to limit its comments to matters primarily related to the COVID-19 response and/or the continued operations of the Borough government during the emergency. While the Chatham Borough Mayor and Council welcome public participation and comment on any topic, 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.

### **Rozella Clyde – 33 Carmine Street:**

Ms. Clyde called and thanked Council Member Resto for his honesty and openness about his personal life experiences.

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With no one else from the public wishing to be heard, Mayor Kobylarz closed the public session of the meeting and permitted the Council to make a comment should they desire.

Council President Mathiasen stated that the Council is comfortable with how the Chatham Borough

Police Department operates. She spent hours with the Police Chief discussing how police officers' activities are measured, investigated, and held accountable, if necessary. The Council's obligation is to ensure the safety and comfort of the public. At this time, it is critical that we listen to minorities and to ensure they are heard. As humans, we can make judgments about others; and pretending that we do not judge will not bring forth a solution. We must notice our own biases and work towards addressing them. She recalled the riots in the 1960's. Very little has changed. However, what is transpiring now, may propel the change that is needed for the future.

Council Member Treloar echoed the sentiment of Council President Mathiasen. We cannot allow this opportunity to pass without rectifying the hundreds of years of wrongful injustice in this country. She was pleased knowing the Police Department will have the opportunity to reassure residents that unacceptable practices as seen in the media do not exist within the Chatham Borough Police Department.

Council Member Dempsey also concurred with the sentiment expressed by the Council. On Saturday, June 6, 2020, Reverend Craig Dunn conducted a Circle of Prayer event at the First Baptist Church in Madison. In attendance was Police Chief, Brian Gibbons. Everyone came together and prayed peacefully. Reverend Dunn, through one of his messages, believes that this is an opportunity to be united and to move forward together. On a final note, Council Member Dempsey stated that her parents allowed foreign exchange students around the world to live in their home. As a result, she was fortunate to have been exposed to cultural diversity and ethnicity during her childhood. Through conversation, sharing and learning from one another is how we can move forward, together.

Police Chief Gibbons stated that he started his career in the City of Orange. Born and raised in the City of Orange, he lived in diversity. His experience with the City of Orange shaped the way he wanted to police and manage how policing is done. The essential pillar in the 21<sup>st</sup> century of policing is building trust with the citizens of the community. In order to build trust, police officers must interact positively with the public. Positive interaction diminishes fear and builds trust. He believes in fairness, transparency, accountability and treating people with respect. The Chatham Borough Police Department is committed to practicing fundamental fairness. The system in place in the Chatham Police Department does not exist in other municipal police departments. The police officers have invested over 11,000 hours in training. Most of the training conducted focuses on the use of force, mental illness, and cultural diversity. Efforts are made to ensure what happened in Minneapolis, Minnesota and in other parts of the country does not take place in Chatham Borough.

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Mayor Kobylarz reopened the public comment to accommodate a Borough resident wishing to make a comment.

**Fran Drew – 32 Inwood Road:**

Mrs. Drew read a letter she wrote, which was published in the Chatham Courier in 2013. In the letter, she stated two black young men from Rutgers University were canvassing the area requesting support via a petition to restore the Jersey Shore devastated by Hurricane Sandy. However, the presence of the young black men in the neighborhood resulted in a police officer showing up on Inwood Road. When she inquired about the police presence, the officer informed Mrs. Drew that a neighbor contacted the Police Department. Mrs. Drew stated that she was embarrassed and angry to see such prejudice tolerated in Chatham Borough. On a final note, she would welcome any black family to the community, should one move next door.

With no one else from the public wishing to be heard, Mayor Kobylarz closed the public session of the meeting and proceeded to the Mayor's II report and Administrator's Report.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT II**

Mayor Kobylarz had nothing further to report.

## **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Williams reported that the tennis courts at Garden Park are now open.

Chatham Borough OEM conducted a successful meeting on June 2, 2020.

On June 16, 2020, the Borough Clerk's Office will hold a late-night voter registration for Borough residents who are not registered to vote.

The Planning Board meeting scheduled on June 3, 2020 was canceled. However, the board will conduct a virtual meeting via Zoom on June 17, 2020.

The Morris County Community College test site is open for all Morris County residents wanting to get tested for COVID-19.

Mr. Williams concluded his report by informing residents of the following areas in which PSE&G will conduct gas main replacements: Broadview Terrace, Bridge Street, Raymond Street, Hillside Avenue, Washington Avenue, Girard Avenue and Chestnut Street.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

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 #20-175 through Resolution #20-182 have been placed on the Consent Agenda.

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

There were none.

## **FINANCE**

### **RESOLUTION #20-175**

### **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.

## **PERSONNEL**

### **RESOLUTION #20-176**

#### **RESOLUTION APPOINTING TEMPORARY SUMMER EMPLOYEES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Public Works Department has a need to hire three (3) additional temporary summer employees for a 12-week period for the 2020 summer season; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Public Works Department has recommended the hiring of three temporary employees for the 2020 summer season.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that it hereby concurs with the Public Works Director's recommendation and approves the hiring of the following individuals as temporary summer employees for the Public Works Department, effective June 9, 2020 the respective rate of pay:

Luke Andrew	DPW Temporary Summer Employee	\$15.00/hour
Ryan Lonergan	DPW Temporary Summer Employee	\$15.00/hour
John Mahoney	DPW Temporary Summer Employee	\$15.00/hour

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

## **RECREATION**

### **RESOLUTION #20-177**

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF RECREATION FEES**

**WHEREAS**, Governor Murphy's Executive Order 104 and 107, implemented stay-at-home orders and social distancing requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the participants were not able to partake in the scheduled recreation programs due to the Governors' Executive Order; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough's Director of Community Services advised that the fees collected for the Spring Recreation Program be refunded.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that the Borough Administrator upon the recommendation of the Director of Community Services is hereby authorized to refund the Spring Recreation Program fees collected upon request; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that 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.

## **OTHER**

### **RESOLUTION #20-178**

#### **RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT BLOCK 42, LOT 5 DOCKET NOS. 006851-2015; 000319-2016; 000900-2017; 000174-2018; and 000467-2019**

**WHEREAS**, appeals of the real property tax assessments for tax years 2015 through 2019 for the property located at Block 42, Lot 5 on the Official Tax Map of the Borough of Chatham have been filed by the taxpayer and are pending in the Tax Court of New Jersey bearing Docket Nos. 006851-2015; 000319-2016; 000900-2017; 000174-2018; and 000467-2019; and

**WHEREAS**, a settlement has been negotiated with the taxpayer resolving the tax appeals; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the proposed settlement, the appeals bearing Docket Nos. 006851-2015; 000319-2016; 000900-2017; and 000174-2018 are withdrawn and the assessment for 2019 is reduced as follows:

<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>Revised Assessment</u>
2015 through 2018	\$2,850,000.00	Withdrawn
2019	\$2,850,000.00	\$2,150,000.00

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Stipulation of Settlement, a copy of which is incorporated herein as if set forth at length, has been reviewed and recommended by the Borough Tax Assessor and Borough Appraisal Consultant; and

**WHEREAS**, upon the recommendation of the Borough Tax Assessor and Borough Appraisal Consultant, the Borough Council believes that this settlement is in the best interest of the Borough and secures fairness and uniformity in the assessment process.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham that the Borough Council hereby approves of the above settlement of the real property tax appeals bearing Docket Nos. 006851-2015; 000319-2016; 000900-2017; 000174-2018; and 000467-2019.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council that the Borough Tax Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the Stipulation of Settlement, which is attached and made a part of this Resolution, and to file the Stipulation and such other documents as required to implement this settlement with the Tax Court of New Jersey.

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

### **RESOLUTION #20-179**

#### **RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY WAIVING THE APPLICATION FEE OF CHAPTER 221, ARTICLE II, ENTITLED "SIDEWALK DINING LICENSES" FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR 2020**

**WHEREAS**, the coronavirus, (COVID-19) has become a global health pandemic that has resulted in the negative financial impact of Borough businesses:

**WHEREAS**, there is a decrease in the rate of reported new cases of COVID-19 in the State of New Jersey; and



**WHEREAS**, the State is implementing its reopening process and has begun relaxing restrictions on certain businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council wishes to implement a temporary easing of the Borough's Sidewalk Dining License regulations in order to help the Borough's restaurants and eateries; and

**WHEREAS**, to facilitate promotion of good financial health for local businesses impacted by the coronavirus and as the state begins to reopen, the Borough Council wishes to waive the annual Sidewalk Dining License fee for the remainder of the year 2020 as outlined in Chapter 221, Article II, Sidewalk Dining.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The Mayor and Council hereby waives the application fee for Chapter 221, Article II for the remainder of 2020.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Borough's Zoning Official and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to approve all applications submitted for a Sidewalk Dining License.

#### **RESOLUTION #20-180**

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO APPROVE ABC COVID-19 EXPANSION PERMIT**

**WHEREAS**, as per Executive Order 150 (2020), the State of New Jersey has begun to implement a process to allow restaurants, bars, and other food or beverage establishments to provide in-person service at areas, designated for food and/or beverage consumption for "outdoor dining" in accordance with CDC and Department of Health regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control has determined it necessary to create a temporary permit, known as the COVID-19 Expansion of Premises Permit, to enable licensees and permittees to expand their licensed premises into outdoor areas, either contiguous or non-contiguous to their permanently licensed premises and to offer food service on the expanded premises; and

**WHEREAS**, expansion areas are not limited to: decks, patios, sidewalks, and parking lots adjacent to or contiguous with the licensed premises, or "parklets" established by a municipality, and other public rights-of-way, as long as these areas are accessible from the licensed premises and comply with all provisions of the Governor's Executive Orders, New Jersey Department of Health regulations, and other Administrative Orders concerning public health and social distancing requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to expedite the application process, the Borough Council authorizes the Borough Administrator to approve any ABC COVID-19 Expansion Permit applications on behalf of the governing body.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Borough Council authorizes the Borough Administrator in conjunction with the Chief of Police and Borough Clerk to approve applications submitted for any COVID-19 Expansion Permit and to further ensure order is maintained and to enhance public safety.

## **RESOLUTION #20-181**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY PERMITTING CHATHAM BOROUGH DOWNTOWN RETAIL STORES TO PROMOTE THE CHATHAM BOROUGH DOWNTOWN AND THEIR BUSINESSES ON THE PUBLIC, EDUCATIONAL AND GOVERNMENTAL (PEG) ACCESS CHANNEL**

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 public health emergency has had a huge economic impact on small businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Borough Council recognize that small businesses are the lifeblood of a community and desire to promote and strengthen the Chatham Borough downtown during this difficult time; and

**WHEREAS**, accordingly, the Borough will permit downtown retail stores to submit a brief video promoting the Chatham Borough downtown and their businesses to air on the public, educational and governmental (PEG) access channel; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough does not guarantee any placement or run time for a promotion video on the PEG access channel.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham, in the County of Morris and the State of New Jersey, that the Borough hereby permits downtown retail stores to submit a brief video promoting the Chatham Borough downtown and their businesses to air on the public, educational and governmental (PEG) access channel subject to the minimum standards set forth in this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, videos promoting the Chatham Borough downtown and their businesses shall meet the following minimum standards:

- Videos shall run on a first-come, first-served basis
- Videos shall be less than three (3) minutes in length
- Videos shall not include profanity or vulgarity; and

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

## **RESOLUTION #20-182**

### **GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of

Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964,” *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit’s hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual’s criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit’s hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA VOTE:**

Mayor Kobylarz asked Council Member Koronkiewicz to proceed with the Resolutions listed on the Consent agenda. Resolutions #20-175 through #20-182.

Council Member Koronkiewicz made a motion to approve the resolutions placed on this evening’s Consent Agenda by consent of the Council, seconded by Council Member Treloar. By a unanimous voice vote, the resolutions on the Consent Agenda were approved.

#### **ADD-ON RESOLUTION[S]**

There were none.

#### **ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING**

Mayor Kobylarz asked Council Member Weber to introduce Ordinance # 20-08.

Council Member Weber introduced Ordinance # 20-08 by title as follows:

#### **ORDINANCE # 20-08**

#### **AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ACCEPTING THE GRANT OF SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT AND AUTHORIZING EASEMENT AGREEMENT**

Council Member Weber explained the purpose of the Ordinance and moved its introduction on First Reading.

Council Member Weber read:

**WHEREAS**, the above Ordinance was introduced and read by title at this Council meeting held on June 8, 2020.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that at the Council meeting to be held on June 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. prevailing time, at Borough Hall, the Chatham Borough Council will further consider this Ordinance for a second reading, public hearing and final passage; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Clerk is hereby requested to publish the proper notice thereof, including this Ordinance, post the Ordinance on the bulletin board in Borough Hall and make copies available to members of the general public.

Council Member Weber offered Ordinance # 20-08 and moved its adoption on first reading.

Council President Mathiasen seconded the motion.

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

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Weber, Sr.	X		X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen		X	X			
Koronkiewicz			X			
Treloar			X			
Resto			X			

### **ADD-ON PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Kobylarz reopened the public comment to accommodate a Borough resident wishing to make a comment.

#### **Michael Dean – 191 North Passaic Avenue**

Mr. Dean inquired of the date the Council will discuss the redevelopment agreements. He further inquired about the resolution Council Member Resto pulled from the agenda Proclaiming the Month of June 2020 as LGBTQ Pride Month in Chatham Borough and the cost associated with the flags. Mr. Dean requested Chief Gibbons to clarify the report in the newspaper was intended for the Township of Chatham and not the Borough of Chatham. He further commented that prejudice does exist within the Borough and is beyond the reach of Chief Gibbons to resolve. Therefore, the Mayor and Council must work towards resolving the issue.

With no one else from the public wishing to be heard, Mayor Kobylarz closed the meeting from any further comment and proceeded to adjourn the meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Having no other business to be conducted in public session, Council Member Resto made a motion to adjourn the Regular Mayor and Council Meeting, seconded by Council President Mathiasen. On a unanimous voice vote, the motion to adjourn was approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted on July 13, 2020 by:

Tamar Lawful, RMC  
Borough Clerk  
BOROUGH OF CHATHAM