BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL

BERGEN COUNTY

NEW JERSEY

SEPTEMBER 4, 2019

REGULAR MEETING

- 1. Deputy Chief Domville led the Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. The Borough Clerk announced that this is a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of which at least 48 hours' notice has been given by posting in the Borough Hall, publication in <u>The Record</u> and delivery to all members of the governing body.
- 3. Mayor Romeo called the meeting to order at 7:43 P.M.
- 4. Present: Council Members Cleary, Mueller, Olmo, Savas, Tsigounis Also Present: Attorney Diktas, Deputy Chief Domville Absent: Council Member Spina
- 5. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to give an excused absence to Council Member Spina.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

6. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular meeting of August 14, 2019.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

7. Minutes of the following meeting:

Planning Board

August 13, 2019

Filed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

8. Council Member Tsigounis said Historian Tom Sites will be conducting the historic homes tour on Saturday, September 14th at 10am and 1pm.

Council Member Savas said Recreation is ready for the fall sports programs and getting ready for winter sports.

Council Member Olmo said the DPW is getting ready for leaf season. The Swim Club had a successful season.

Council Member Mueller said the rolling reassessment program is working well. Congratulations to Appraisal Systems, Inc. and our defense teams.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE ON FINAL READING

Ordinance No. 19-11-1543 – An Ordinance Amending the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Cresskill, Specifically Chapter 101-3 Fees.

9. Motion at 7:47 PM by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to introduce Ordinance No. 19-11-1543 – An Ordinance Amending the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Cresskill, Specifically Chapter 101-3 Fees on final reading by title only.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

10. Council Member Olmo read the title:

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, SPECIFICALLY §101-3 FEES

(Ordinance in full on page 122A in Minutes of Regular Mayor and Council Meeting held August 14, 2019.)

- 11. The Borough Clerk announced the Ordinance was published in <u>The Record</u> on August 16, 2019, posted in Borough Hall, and copies made available to the public.
- 12. Mayor Romeo opened the meeting to the public. [Reported by Deputy Borough Clerk Patricia A. McKim.]
- 13. No one wished to be heard.
- 14. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas to close the public hearing.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

15. Resolution by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that Ordinance No. 19-11-1543, entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, SPECIFICALLY §101-3 FEES

pass its second and final reading, is hereby adopted and shall be published according to law.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Resolution adopted.

16. Borough Clerk Maragliano explained all items on the Consent Agenda.

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CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

*<u>Resolutions</u>

17. WHEREAS, Planning Board applications, soil permit applications and tree escrow were required for several properties; and

WHEREAS, escrow accounts were established for this work; and

WHEREAS, the work has been completed and inspected;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that the following refunds of Developer Escrow accounts be made:

Account No.	<u>Block</u>	Lots	Applicant	<u>Amount</u>
DE-324	61	1096	Matkal Realty 150 East Fairmont Avenue Maywood, NJ 07607 (for: 72 7 th Street)	\$ 628.05
DE-325	61	1102	Matkal Realty 150 East Fairmont Avenue Maywood, NJ 07607 (for: 72 7 th Street)	\$1,271.85
DE-378	194	7	Ilan Doron 12 Knoll Road Tenafly, NJ 07670 (for: 27 Clark Street)	\$2,896.15
DE-343	54.01	73-74	Avi Lavon 477 11 th Street Cresskill, NJ 07626 (for: 73 Cedar Street)	\$2,052.75
DE-364	164	25	MA Real Estate Holdings LLC 37 New Street Cresskill, NJ 07626 (for: 61 Park Ave.)	\$ 500.00
DE-300	33	337.01	Jane Lee 245 Lourdes Court Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 (for: 182 Madison Avenue)	\$ 252.75

18. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that the Tax Collector be, and hereby is, authorized to effect the following tax refunds due to overpayment of 2019 3rd quarter taxes:

<u>BLOCK</u>	LOT	NAME	<u>AMOUNT</u>
91.04	9	Dalia Offer 23 North Pond Road Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$13,037.66
1.04	4	Nuco Title Insurance Agency, Inc. 429 Page Avenue Lyndhurst, NJ 07071	\$ 3,653.22
148	29	Abhiraman Anantharaman 38 Willis Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$ 9,752.07

19. WHEREAS, the International Fireworks Mfg. Co. Inc. (IFM), has requested that the Borough of Cresskill modify its Insurance Requests and grant IFM a Release and Hold Harmless Indemnity Agreement for any damage it may cause during the September 22, 2019, Pyrotechnical Show to the Cresskill Municipal Pool Structure and Trailer housing Sporting Good Equipment; and

WHEREAS, after consultation with the Borough's Insurance Carrier (JIF) and coupled with the fact that the Cresskill Pool Complex will be closed for the Season, that no

covering has ever been installed over the Pool and that the probability of damage to the concrete pool from burning embers will, in all probability, not occur;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough does hereby authorize Mayor Benedict Romeo or his Designee, Edward Wrixon, Borough Administrator, to execute a Release and Hold Harmless Agreement to IFM, as further described and limited in the attached Hold Harmless Agreement, which is incorporated herein as if set forth in its entirety;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Certified to be True Copy of this Resolution be served upon Edward Wrixon, Borough Administrator International Fireworks Mfg. Co., Inc., Geraldine Serpico, Vice President; Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk; Frank Cavelli, JIF; and Christos J. Diktas, Esq., Borough Attorney.

20. WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill advertised for receipt of bids, as required by law, and received bids on July 30, 2019 for the Merritt Field Fieldhouse; and

WHEREAS, as per the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2, a contracting unit may reject a bid or all bids if the lowest bid substantially exceeds the cost estimates for the proposed goods or services; and

WHEREAS, the Merritt Field Fieldhouse is an integral part of the Merritt Field Rehabilitation Project and the Borough Administrator recommends that the bids be rejected as exceeding initial estimate and re-bid.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of the Borough Administrator and as reviewed by the Borough Attorney, that the bids for the Merritt Field Fieldhouse be rejected and that the Council does hereby authorize Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk, to re-advertise for bids pursuant to the Open Public Contracts Law for the Merritt Field Fieldhouse Construction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Certified to be True Copy of this Resolution be Served upon to Andy Hipolet, Maser Consulting P.A.; Edward Wrixon, Acting Borough Administrator; Harold Laufeld, III, Chief Financial Officer; and Christos J. Diktas, Esq., Borough Attorney.

21. WHEREAS, the Recreation Committee has scheduled various programs; and

WHEREAS, the following participants were unable to attend;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the recreation fees be returned to:

Jane Jee (*for: Declan Jee*) 5 Tenakill Park Drive East, Apt. 324 Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$160.00

Tali Almog (for: Ofir Almog) 170 Hardenburgh Avenue Demarest, NJ 07627 Amount: \$240.00

Wataru Bonkohara (for: Yu Bonkohara) 145 Hillside Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$170.00 Nishant Kumar (for: Veer & Vihaan Kumar) 46 Gilmore Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$350.00

Janet Kwon (for: Leah & Isaiah Kwon) 388 11th Street Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$60.00 22. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that pursuant to the recommendation of the Library Board of Trustees, the following part time employment be made retroactively:

Junhong Yi	Library Assistant	\$13.00/per hour	Eff. August 12, 2019
Rebecca Ascione	Library Assistant	\$13.00/per hour	Eff. August 20, 2019
Daniel Shen	Emerging Tech. Asst.	\$13.00/per hour	Eff. August 22, 2019

23. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that the following August 2019 payroll be ratified and approved:

August 30, 2019

Current Fund	\$ 309,025.56
Social Security/Medicare	12,274.97
Community Center	3,083.01
Library	12,064.07
Swim Pool	21,492.51
	\$ 357,940.12

24. BE IT RESOLVED, as recommended by the Municipal Pool Commission, that the following refund be authorized from the Municipal Swim and Dive Team Account:

Seungjoon Jeon (for: Erin & Ellie Jeon) 162 4th Street Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$120.00

- 25. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that Joshua J. Basket be appointed as a permanent Police Officer for the Borough of Cresskill, effective from September 4, 2019, as recommended by Police Chief Edward Wrixon.
- 26. WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill has requested that Maser Consulting, P.A. (Maser Consulting) present a proposal for professional services regarding Coordination with the Riverside Cooperatives 2019 Road Resurfacing program for Kennedy Road and Truman Drive; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill is a member of the Riverside Cooperative and wishes to enter into the bid contract for paving; and

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting has presented a Flat Fee Service Proposal identified as follows:

1.	Construction Observation & Review pay estimates	\$18,000.00
	TOTAL LUMP SUM FEE	\$18,000.00

WHEREAS, the corresponding completion dates are noted in the attached July 17, 2019, Maser Proposal, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if set forth in its entirety;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Cresskill does hereby award Maser Consulting a Professional Service Contract to review pay estimates and perform construction observation in accordance with the Riverside Cooperative bid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Certified to be True Copy of this Resolution be tendered to Andrew Hipolet, Maser Consulting P.A.; Edward Wrixon, Acting Borough Administrator; Harold Laufeld, III, Chief Financial Officer; and Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk.

27. WHEREAS, the following permit has been issued under Sections 132-91 of the Code of the Borough of Cresskill and cash bond deposited therefor; and

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Officer has inspected the work and found it to meet all requirements of the applicable Section;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the proper officials be and hereby are directed to return the bond held under the following permit:

Code Sec.	Permit #	Name	<u>Amount</u>
132-91	4263	Y&K Stream Properties, LLC 206 E. Madison Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$50.00

28. WHEREAS, by resolution of the Mayor and Council, the Borough Clerk was authorized to advertise invitations to bidders in connection with the East Madison Avenue Improvements pursuant to Documents and Specifications entitled; "East Madison Avenue Improvements", and

WHEREAS, after due advertisement, bids were received at the Borough Hall on August 13, 2019 at 11:00 AM; and

WHEREAS, JA Alexander, Inc., 130-158 John F. Kennedy Drive North, Bloomfield, NJ 07003, submitted a quotation in the amount of \$288,000.65, which appears to be the lowest responsible bid received; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer and Qualified Purchasing Agent have reviewed the said bid and are satisfied that the same can be accepted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, that the East Madison Avenue Improvements contract be awarded to JA Alexander, Inc., and that the Mayor and Borough Clerk be, and hereby are, authorized to sign an agreement for same, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Availability of sufficient funds, as determined by the Borough's Chief Financial Officer.
- 2. Compliance with all provisions of the Notice to Bidders and applicable Plans and Specifications.
- 3. Execution of a contract.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill hereby waive any informality or irregularity in the bid of the East Madison Avenue Improvements.

REMARKS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CONCERNING THE CONSENT AGENDA ONLY [Reported by Deputy Borough Clerk Patricia A. McKim.]

29. No one wished to be heard.

30. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas to close the meeting to remarks on agenda items.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

31. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas to consider all items marked with an asterisk as a single question.

On the question: The Borough Clerk announced that copies of all items marked with an asterisk have been posted in the Borough Hall and made available to the public.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

32. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas to adopt all items with an asterisk as a single question.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

33. Resolution by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary:

(Resolution in full on pages 136A through 136J.)

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Resolution adopted.

REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR THE GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE BOROUGH [Reported by Deputy Borough Clerk Patricia A. McKim.]

34. Deputy Chief Domville thanked Superintendent Terhune and the DPW for the great job they did getting the flashing signs up on Grant Avenue before school started. Patrolman Grubecki did a great job putting it all together. The crossing guards will be trained on them tomorrow. They are manual, so a button has to be pressed to turn on, which is immediate and are solar operated LED's.

No one else wished to be heard.

35. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas to close the meeting to remarks from the public.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

36. Motion at 7:54 P.M. by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous.

Motion adopted.

Benedict Romeo Mayor

> Francesca Maragliano Borough Clerk