

BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL

BERGEN COUNTY

NEW JERSEY

REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 19, 2022

1. Chief Wrixon 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 The Record and delivery to all members of the governing body.
3. Mayor Romeo called the meeting to order at 7:39 P.M.
4. Present: Council Members Cleary, Olmo, Savas, Schultz-Rummel, Spina
Also Present: Attorney Diktas, Chief Wrixon, Deputy Chief Domville
Absent: Council Member Kaplan
5. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Sine Die and Annual Meetings of January 5, 2022.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

6. Council Member Savas said although our Library is small, you can still get any book you want with a library card. Books are available for free online with e-books or you can request a hard copy and the library can get it through the Bergen County cooperative. Recreation's winter sports are going well. Mayor Romeo said you can stream the high school sports online now and the quality is very good.

Council Member Olmo said he spoke to our insurance representative today and we received some money for the damage to the pool and trailer from the storm.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

*Resolutions

8. WHEREAS, the Community Center Gym and Dance Floors were in need of repair; and

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to Thor Performance Products Inc. in the amount of \$139,883.44; and

WHEREAS, additional work was performed to accommodate the color scheme of the Cresskill Athletic logo; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has verified that the funds are available.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill authorizes change order No. 1 in the amount of \$11,711.95 to Thor Performance Products Inc. be approved to complete the work contracted.

Community Center-Gym and Dance Floor

Contract Amount (5 Roads)	\$ 139,883.44
Change Order No. 1	\$ 11,711.95
Subtotal	\$ 151,595.39
<u>Less Previous Payment</u>	<u>\$ 11,045.27</u>
Amount due	\$ 140,550.12

9. 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 refund due to overpayment of taxes:

<u>TAX</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>QUAL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	1 st qtr 2022	11	4.01		Victor & Christine Fontana 115 Baltimore Blvd Sea Girt, NJ 08750 <i>(for: 19 Gilmore Avenue)</i>	\$ 6,371.33

10. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, the following be appointed as full-time Police Dispatcher in the Cresskill Police Department effective Nunc Pro Tunc to January 15, 2022, at step 5 salary in accordance with Ordinance No. 20-07-1557.

Name
Brian Coyman

11. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that interim employment of Rona Gil DeLeon as Violations Clerk in the Cresskill Municipal Court is hereby ratified and confirmed at an hourly salary of \$18.00, effective January 21, 2022.
12. WHEREAS, commencing in 2012, New Jersey Municipalities are required by the New Jersey Recycling Enhancement Act (REA) P.L. 208, Chapter 6, to have the mandatory Annual Recycling Tonnage Reports approved and signed by a Certified Recycling Professional (CRP); and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Local Public Contracts law (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) authorizes and permits contracting units, such as the Bergen County Utility Authority and the Municipality to enter into services contemplated herein without competitive bidding for the same, pursuant to an in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-5(2); and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of entering into a Service Agreement for retaining and providing CRP services of the Bergen County Utilities Authority for signing of said Annual Recycling Tonnage Reports; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure that the Annual Recycling Tonnage Grant is properly completed and timely filed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill hereby endorses the services of the Bergen County Utilities Authority to certify the municipalities Annual Recycling Tonnage Report recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and designates James Noseworthy, 325 Piermont Road, to ensure that the said application is properly filed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the terms of this Service Agreement shall be for a term of one (1) year, commencing March 1, 2022.

- 13. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council, of the Borough of Cresskill wish to enter into a Bergen County Trust Fund Project Contract (“Contract”) with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using a \$70,592.00 matching grant award from the 2021 Funding Round of the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) for the municipal project entitled Third Street Recreational Complex: Pre-Engineered Pedestrian Bridge, located on 100 Third Street, located in Block 65, Lot 41 on the tax maps of the Borough of Cresskill;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize Mayor Benedict Romeo to be a signatory to the aforesaid grant agreement CONTRACT; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby acknowledge that, in general, the use of this Trust Fund grant towards this approved park project must be completed by or about December 15, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant will be disbursed to the municipality as a reimbursement upon submittal of certified Trust Fund payment and project completion documents and municipal vouchers, invoices, proofs to payment and other such documents as may be required by the County in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant disbursement to the municipality will be equivalent to fifty (50) percent of the eligible costs incurred (not to exceed total grant award) applied towards only the approved park improvements identified in the aforesaid Contract in accordance with the Trust Fund’s requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that should there be an unexpended balance at the completion of the project, Professional Services Costs will be reimbursed from grant award’s unexpended balance in accordance with the Municipal Park Improvement Program Rules & Procedures Manual.

This resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill at a meeting on January 19, 2021.

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

WHEREAS, the Property Maintenance Officer and Superintendent of Public Works 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:

<u>Code Sec.</u>	<u>Permit #</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
132-27	4346	Ajay Jetley 55 Merritt Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$50.00

Motions

- 15. Appoint Alix Grubbs to the Pool Commission for term ending December 31, 2023.

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

- 16. No one wished to be heard.

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

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

18. 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.

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

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

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

(Resolution in full on pages 18A through 18J.)

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.]

21. Mayor Romeo said a letter endorsing the BOE referendum will be distributed to residents and posted on our website. Also, the Council approved the banner to be placed near the school's electronic sign in the center of town.
Mayor Romeo asked how many volunteers they have to go door to door distributing the letter.
Ana Solano, 11 Maple Street said they have 42 volunteers and started canvassing last weekend. We should be able to get to all but 1000 people.

Deputy Chief Domville said there was a motor vehicle crash at County and Union Sunday night during the snow involving a new 17-year-old driver. Officers Solow, Basket and Vigorita responded and did such a great job, the young lady came in the next day to thank them.

No one else wished to be heard.

22. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to close the meeting to remarks from the public.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

23. Motion at 7:51 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