BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL BERGEN COUNTY NEW JERSEY

REGULAR MEETING

MAY 4, 2022

- 1. Police Office Banta 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 7:33 P.M.
- 4. Present: Council Members Cleary, Kaplan, Olmo, Savas, Schultz-Rummel, Spina Also Present: Attorney Diktas, Chief Wrixon, Deputy Chief Domville, Mitchell, Members of the Police Dept.
- 5. Resolution by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Olmo:

WHEREAS, Chief Wrixon met with the Police Committee regarding police promotions; and

WHEREAS, the Police Committee reviewed his recommendations and agreed with the promotions proposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that the following persons be promoted to the rank of Sergeant in accordance with Ordinance No. 20-09-1559, effective immediately.

Matthew Banta Paul Connelly John Birnie Charles Franke Niall Bresnan

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Resolution adopted.

- 6. Chief Wrixon said all these officers are unquestionably deserving of this promotion.
- 7. Borough Clerk Maragliano swore in Sergeants Matthew Banta, Paul Connelly, John Birnie, Charles Franke and Niall Bresnan.
- 8. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular meeting of April 20, 2022.

All in Favor. None Opposed.

Motion adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

9. Minutes of the following meeting:

Planning Board

April 12, 2022

Filed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

10. Council Member Spina said we received official notification that Cresskill has been recognized as a Tree City USA.

Council Member Savas said the new gym floor should be ready in a week.

The Library Board voted to replace the Youth Services Librarian position that was recently vacated.

Council Member Olmo said the Pool Commission has hired a new Pool Manager for the 2022 season. The pumps and electrical work from Hurricane Ida have been completed. The inspection is tomorrow and once passed they will start to fill the pool.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

*Resolutions

12. WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill and Bergen County United Way (hereinafter "United Way") are at the point of commencing construction of the East Madison Avenue Fair Share Housing Project/Group Home; and

WHEREAS, the Borough requires Professional Architectural representation during the construction process, to ensure the United Way Developers meet their contractual obligations as expressed in the Plans prepared by Arcari Iovino; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Architects, Arcari Iovino, have presented a proposed Construction Administration Phase Service Agreement to oversee the project known as East Madison Avenue Fair Share Housing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Cresskill's Council does hereby authorize Mayor Benedict Romeo, or his designee, Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon, to execute the Construction Administration Phase Service Agreement between the Borough of Cresskill and Arcari Iovino, for an amount not to exceed SEVENTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$17,000.00); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a certified copy of this Resolution be tendered to: Anthony Iovino, AIA; Thomas Toronto, President of Bergen County United Way; Allison Altano, CFO; Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk; Christos J. Diktas, Esq., Borough Attorney.

13. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY VIA ON-LINE AUCTION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill is the owner of certain surplus property which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill is desirous of selling said surplus property in an "as is" condition without express or implied warranties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, as follows:

1. The sale of surplus property shall be conducted through GovDeals pursuant to State Contract A-70967/T2581 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the State Contract. The terms and conditions of the agreement entered into with

GovDeals is available online at govdeals.com and also available from the Borough of Cresskill.

- 2. The sale will be conducted online and the address of the auction is govdeals.com.
- 3. The sale is being conducted pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2008-9.
- 4. A list of the surplus property to be sold is indicated on Schedule A attached hereto.
- 5. The surplus property as identified shall be sold in an "as is" condition without express or implied warranties with the successful bidder required to execute a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement concerning use of said surplus property.
- 6. The Borough of Cresskill reserves the right to accept or reject any bid submitted.
- 14. BE IT RESOLVED, as recommended by the Municipal Pool Commission, that the following refund, be authorized from the Municipal Swim Club Account:

Juyoung Lee 58 Linwood Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$571.00

15. WHEREAS, a Planning Board application was required for this property; and

WHEREAS, an escrow account was 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 refund of Developer's Escrow account be made:

Account No.	<u>Block</u>	<u>Lots</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DE-1579	41	1.04A, 1.04B, 1.02, 2,3,4	6 Madison Avenue Associates 1000 Portside Drive Edgewater, NJ 07020 (for: 6 & 10 Madison Avenue)	\$5,688.21

16. WHEREAS, Jacek Czernek has applied for a Limo/Taxi Owner's License and has paid the required fees; and

WHEREAS, the vehicle has been inspected and approved by Chief Edward Wrixon;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the license be authorized for term ending December 31, 2022 subject to requirements of Chapter 246 of the Code of the Borough of Cresskill.

License No. 22-437 2017 Mercedes GLS 550 Serial # 4JGDF7DE3HA883253

17. <u>2022 TEMPORARY BUDGET</u>

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen with respect to various Appropriations listed below and no adequate provision has been made in the 2022 temporary appropriations for the aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for the purpose above mentioned, and

WHEREAS, said total emergency temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2022 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S. 40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$3,563,000.00 and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-20:

1. The following temporary appropriations be and the same are hereby made for:

OPERATIONS - WITHIN CAPS

Tax Assessment	
Salaries and Wages	3,000.00
Planning Board	
Salaries and Wages	2,500.00
Zoning Board	
Salaries and Wages	2,000.00
Fire Inspector	
Salaries and Wages	1,000.00
Liability Insurance	20,000,00
Other Expense	20,000.00
Employee Group Insurance	150,000,00
Salaries and Wages	150,000.00
Police Department	200,000,00
Salaries and Wages	300,000.00
Police Department Other Expanses	100,000.00
Other Expenses Aid to Volunteer Fire Companies	100,000.00
Other Expenses	20,000.00
Fire Hydrant Service	20,000.00
Other Expenses	5,000.00
Emergency Medical Services	2,000.00
Salaries and Wages	35,000.00
Municipal Prosecutor	22,000.00
Other Expenses	1,000.00
Streets and Roads Maintenance	,
Salaries and Wages	160,000.00
Recycling	
Other Expenses	45,000.00
Public Health Services	
Other Expenses	40,000.00
Welfare Administration	
Salaries and Wages	1,500.00
Senior Citizens	
Salaries and Wages	5,000.00
Maintenance of Library	130,000.00
Telephone	10,000.00
Water	5,000.00
D. C. Halle A. J. S.	
Bergen County Utilities Authority	170 000 00
Other Expenses	170,000.00
Social Security	20,000.00
Police Dispatch	4.500.00
Other Expenses	4,500.00

2. That said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for in the 2022 budget under the various titles listed above.

Total

\$1,230,500.00

3. That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

Benedict Romeo, Mayor	
Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk	

18. **WHEREAS**, 105 Union Ave LLC is the property owner-taxpayer for real estate known as Block 71 Lot 3 and better known as 105 Union Avenue, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, 105 Union Ave, LLC, has made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessment of the property listed above adjusted for the years 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that after due consideration and analysis, the settlement as set forth below, is reasonable and in the Borough's best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, that the adjustment of the assessments of the Property specified below be and is hereby ratified as follows:

Tax Year: 2018

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	921,100.00		
Improvements	912,000.00		WITHDRAWN
Total	1,833,100.00		

Tax Year: 2019

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	921,100.00		921,100.00
Improvements	1,109,400.00		978,900.00
Total	2,030,500.00		1,900,000.00

Tax Year: 2020

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	921,100.00		921,100.00
Improvements	1,148,100.00		1,028,900.00
Total	2,069,200.00		1,950,000.00

Tax Year: 2021

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court Judgment
Land	921,100.00		
Improvements	1,089,300.00		WITHDRAWN
Total	2,010,400.00		

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Christos J. Diktas, Esq., of Diktas Gillen, P.C., be and hereby are, authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of the matter on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

19. **WHEREAS**, Darren Cohen is the property owner-taxpayer for real estate known as Block 91.04 Lot 21 and better known as 16 Loman Ct., Cresskill, New Jersey 07626 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Darren Cohen has made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessment of the property listed above adjusted for the years 2019, 2020, and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that after due consideration and analysis, the settlement as set forth below, is reasonable and in the Borough's best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, that the adjustment of the assessments of the Property specified below be and is hereby ratified as follows:

Tax Year: 2019

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	371,500.00		371,500.00
Improvements	1,547,500.00		1,428,500.00
Total	1,919,000.00		1,800,000.00

Tax Year: 2020

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	373,000.00		373,000.00
Improvements	1,524,500.00		1,477,000.00
Total	1,897,500.00		1,850,000.00

Tax Year: 2021

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	375,500.00		
Improvements	1,549,200.00		WITHDRAW
Total	1,924,700.00		

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Christos J. Diktas, Esq., of Diktas Gillen, P.C., be and hereby are, authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of the matter on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

20. **WHEREAS**, Gaboury, Pierre & Bui, Loan by Andres Perdomo and Marcela Caycedo As Owners, are the property owners-taxpayers for real estate known as Block 68 Lot 10 and better known as 433 Piermont Road, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Gaboury, Pierre & Bui, Loan by Andres Perdomo and Marcela Caycedo As Owners, have made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessment of the property listed above adjusted for the years 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that after due consideration and analysis, the settlement as set forth below, is reasonable and in the Borough's best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, that the adjustment of the assessments of the Property specified below be and is hereby ratified as follows:

Tax Year: 2020

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	387,800.00		387,800.00
Improvements	353,200.00		181,200.00
Total	741,000.00		569,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Christos J. Diktas, Esq., of Diktas Gillen, P.C., be and hereby are, authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of the matter on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

21. **WHEREAS**, Jill B. Greiss is the property owner-taxpayer for real estate known as Block 91.06 Lot 7 and better known as 372 E. Madison Avenue, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Jill B. Greiss has made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessment of the property listed above adjusted for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that after due consideration and analysis, the settlement as set forth below, is reasonable and in the Borough's best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, that the adjustment of the assessments of the Property specified below be and is hereby ratified as follows:

Tax Year: 2019

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	384,600.00		384,600
Improvements	1,401,300.00		1,265,400.00
Total	1,785,900.00		1,650,000.00

Tax Year: 2020

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	386,100.00		384,600
Improvements	1,377,400.00		1,315,400.00
Total	1,763,300.00		1,700,000.00

Tax Year 2021

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	388,600.00		388,600.00
Improvements	1,352,700.00		1,352,700.00
Total	1,741,300.00		1,741,300.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Christos J. Diktas, Esq., of Diktas Gillen, P.C., be and hereby are, authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of the matter on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

22. **WHEREAS**, Hudson City Sav Bank c/o M&T Bank is the property owner-taxpayer for real estate known as Block 82 Lot 1 and better known as 82 Union Avenue, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Hudson City Sav Bank c/o M&T Bank, has made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessment of the property listed above adjusted for the years 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that after due consideration and analysis, the settlement as set forth below, is reasonable and in the Borough's best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, that the adjustment of the assessments of the Property specified below be and is hereby ratified as follows:

Tax Year: 2018

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	612,500.00		612,500.00
Improvements	1,116,300.00		1,116,300.00
Total	1,728,800.00		1,728,800.00

Tax Year: 2019

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	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	612,500.00		612,500.00
Improvements	1,266,800.00		1,116,300.00
Total	1,879,300.00		1,879,300.00

Tax Year: 2020

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	612,500.00		612,500.00
Improvements	1,301,200.00		1,087,500.00
Total	1,913,700.00		1,700,000.00

Tax Year: 2021

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	612,500.00		612,500.00
Improvements	1,301,200.00		1,087,500.00
Total	1,913,700.00		1,700,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Christos J. Diktas, Esq., of Diktas Gillen, P.C., be and hereby are, authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of the matter on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

23. **WHEREAS**, Stephen & Leslie Jerome are the property owners-taxpayers for real estate known as Block 210 Lot 30 and better known as 18 Johnson Ct., Cresskill, New Jersey 07626 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Stephen & Leslie Jerome have made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessment of the property listed above adjusted for the years 2019, 2020, and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that after due consideration and analysis, the settlement as set forth below, is reasonable and in the Borough's best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, that the adjustment of the assessments of the Property specified below be and is hereby ratified as follows:

Year: 2019

Original Assessment	County Board	Requested Tax Court
	Judgment	Judgment

Land	504,500		
Improvements	1,189,800	Direct Appeal	WITHDRAWN
Total	1,694,300		

Year: 2020

	Original Assessment	County Board	Requested Tax Court
		Judgment	Judgment
Land	507,000		504,500
Improvements	1,151,800	Direct Appeal	1,095,500
Total	1,658,800		1,600,000

Year: 2021

	Original Assessment	County Board	Requested Tax Court
		Judgment	Judgment
Land	509,500		509,500
Improvements	1,078,800	Direct Appeal	990,500
Total	1,588,300		1,500,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Christos J. Diktas, Esq., of Diktas Gillen, P.C., and James Anzevino, Tax Assessor, be and hereby are, authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of the matter on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

24. **WHEREAS**, Dong Sook Park is the property owner-taxpayer for real estate known as Block 210 Lot 10 and better known as 47 Eisenhower Drive, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Dong Sook Park has made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessment of the property listed above adjusted for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that after due consideration and analysis, the settlement as set forth below, is reasonable and in the Borough's best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, that the adjustment of the assessments of the Property specified below be and is hereby ratified as follows:

Tax Year: 2019

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	533,000.00		
Improvements	745,600.00		WITHDRAWN
Total	1,278,600.00		

Tax Year: 2020

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	543,000.00		543,000.00
Improvements	653,000.00		557,000.00
Total	1,196,900.00		1,100,000.00

Tax Year: 2021

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	545,600.00		545,500.00

Improvements	664,200.00	554,500.00
Ť	1,209,700.00	1,100,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Christos J. Diktas, Esq., of Diktas Gillen, P.C., be and hereby are, authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of the matter on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

25. **WHEREAS**, Jonas Steinman is the property owners-taxpayers for real estate known as Block 91.06 Lot 19 and better known as 66 Huyler Landing Road, Cresskill, New Jersey 07626 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Jonas Steinman has made application to the Tax Court of New Jersey to have the assessment of the property listed above adjusted for the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are satisfied that after due consideration and analysis, the settlement as set forth below, is reasonable and in the Borough's best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, that the adjustment of the assessments of the Property specified below be and is hereby ratified as follows:

Tax Year: 2017

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	647,600.00		647,600.00
Improvements	2,111,300.00		1,852,400.00
Total	2,658,900.00		2,500,000.00

Tax Year: 2018

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	383,600.00		383,600.00
Improvements	2,388,900.00		2,316,400.00
Total	2,772,500.00		2,700,000.00

Tax Year: 2019

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	647,600.00		
Improvements	2,111,300.00		WITHDRAWN
Total	2,658,900.00		

Tax Year: 2020

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	647,600.00		
Improvements	2,111,300.00		WITHDRAWN
Total	2,658,900.00		

Tax Year: 2021

	Original Assessment	County Board Judgment	Requested Tax Court
			Judgment
Land	392,600		
Improvements	2,359,300.00		WITHDRAWN
Total	2,751,900.00		

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Christos J. Diktas, Esq., of Diktas Gillen, P.C., be and hereby are, authorized to execute the Stipulation of Settlement memorializing the settlement of the matter on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials be, and hereby are authorized to make the necessary adjustments to the assessments.

26. 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:

Hyojin Kim	Stanislav Cheshenko
(for: Estee Cho)	(for: Anastasia Cheshenko)
7 Evans Road	57 Cresskill Avenue
Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626
Amount: \$120.00	Amount: \$140.00
Andy Park	Soyoun Park
(for: Livia Park)	(for: YooJoon Han)
5 Maple Avenue	158 12 th Street
Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626
Amount: \$120.00	Amount: \$120.00
Ron Dickson	Mikyoung Won
(for: Gal Dickson)	(for: Mikyoung & Daniel Won)
274 Brookside Avenue	112 Jefferson Avenue
Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626
Amount: \$188.00	Amount: \$243.00
	(for: Estee Cho) 7 Evans Road Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$120.00 Andy Park (for: Livia Park) 5 Maple Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$120.00 Ron Dickson (for: Gal Dickson) 274 Brookside Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626

27. Authorizing Increase in Deferred School Taxes for Local District School Taxes

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services requires that the Governing Body of any municipality which has Deferred School Taxes must authorize any increase in the deferral amount, and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to increase the Deferred School Taxes to an amount permitted under State statutes and to be effective at December 31, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill that the following Deferred School Taxes be hereby increased for the year ended December 31, 2021 as follows:

	Deferred Local District School Taxes			
Amount Deferred December 31, 2020 Amount Deferred December 31, 2021	\$6,807,660 			
Amount of Increase	<u>\$ 400,000</u>			
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.				
Introduced by:				
Seconded by:	Approved:, 2022			

ATTEST:		
Borough Clerk	Mayor	

28. WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill is a member of the Riverside Cooperative 35-01-RC; and

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Riverside Cooperative and a contract was awarded to the low bidder, D&L Paving of 675 Franklin Avenue, Nutley New Jersey 07110 on April 7, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Special Projects Engineer, Colliers Engineering & Design by way of letter dated December 9, 2021 (a copy of which is attached) has certified that the work is completed as stated and recommends final retainage payment #3 in the amount of \$11,250.33; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that the Borough Treasurer is authorized to make final retainage payment #3 to D&L Paving in the amount of \$11,250.33.

Payment No. 3 (FINAL) 2021 Riverside Cooperative Paving Program

Contract Amount (5 Roads)	\$ 383,174.85
Change Order No. 1	\$ 398.16
Municipal Lot	\$ 219,960.00
Dogwood Lane	\$ 114,525.00
Adjusted Contract Amount	\$ 718,058.01
Amount Completed to Date	\$ 562,516.55
Adjusted Contract Amount	\$ (155,541.46)
Less 2% Retainage	\$ (0.00)
Subtotal	\$ 562,516.55
Less Payment #1	\$ 375,901.54
Less Payment #2	\$ 175,364.68

Amount due Final Payment #3

\$ 11,250.33

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 Cleary 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 Cleary 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 Cleary 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 75A through 75H.)

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.]

David Spelbrink, 156 South Street said he represents Cougars United Soccer program and thanked the Mayor and Council for the lights for the field. I also want to thank Jason Mitchell and his team for their hard work. At some point I would like to discuss helping each other with some of the fields. Mayor Romeo said we can sit down after the meeting.

Mr. Spelbrink asked for an update on the County Road bridge. Council Member Olmo said it's a county project and it's one of three bridges in the area they need to repair. There are numerous other ones throughout the county. The supply chain, steel, etc. are all delaying it. Chief Wrixon said he was told the bridge is being constructed elsewhere, but we don't know when the job will be complete. Mr. Spelbrink asked if the barricade could be moved further back past the school. Council Member Olmo said that's a main road for trucks, and they cannot cut down the smaller streets.

Mayor Romeo said we've had some complaints about the cropped tree tops that Daibes had done along the train tracks. We're trying to determine who owns the property. They did a terrible job, but we don't think they broke any laws.

No one else wished to be heard.

35. Motion at 8:06 P.M. by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Savas to close the meeting and adjourn.

All in Favor. None Opposed.	Motion adopted.	
Benedict Romeo		
Mayor		
	Francesca Maragliano	
	Borough Clerk	