

BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL

BERGEN COUNTY

NEW JERSEY

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 3, 2021

1. Council Member Spina 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 7:33 P.M.
4. Present: Council Members Cleary, Kaplan, Mueller, Olmo, Savas, Spina
Also Present: Attorney Diktas, Chief Wrixon, Deputy Chief Domville
5. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular meeting of January 20, 2021.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

6. Minutes of the following meetings:

Planning Board
Board of Health

January 12, 2021
November 23, 2020

Filed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

7. Council Member Kaplan said the Historical Committee wants to display pictures on the Borough website.

Council Member Savas said the basketball and soccer programs have good participation and are running well. Due to Covid regulations families cannot be in the gym so we are live streaming the games.

Council Member Spina said he attended the virtual Board of Health meeting and Dr. Morgan is doing a good job. They want to work with the Cresskill Education Foundation and partner on a 5k run in the fall.

The Environmental Commission is working with the DPW on doing some replanting in the park near the Cresskill High School sign. Mayor Romeo said the CEC is also going to enroll in the Mayor's Wellness Program.

Council Member Cleary said they had a meeting today regarding a new phone system.

Council Member Olmo said the Pool applications will going out soon and I believe early registration will be through April 5th.

The Fire Department had a chimney fire on Chestnut Street last week and did a good job. DPW, Police, Fire and EMS all did a great job with the snowstorm. We need to remind the residents with fire hydrants on their property to keep them clear of snow. Also, within 48 hours of a storm, residents are supposed to have their sidewalks cleared of snow.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE ON FINAL READING

Ordinance No. 21-18-1568 – 2021 Salary Ordinance

8. Motion at 7:42 PM by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to introduce Ordinance No. 21-18-1568 – An Ordinance to Fix the Salaries, Wages and Compensation of the Officers and Employees of the Borough of Cresskill – Year 2021 on final reading by title only.

Roll Call: Yes – Council Members Cleary, Kaplan, Mueller, Olmo, Savas, Spina
 No – None
 Absent – None
 Abstain – None
 Motion adopted.

9. Council Member Olmo read the title:

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES AND
 COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES
 OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL - YEAR 2021

(Ordinance in full on pages 2A through 2E in Minutes of Regular
 Mayor and Council Meeting held January 20, 2021.)

10. The Borough Clerk announced the Ordinance was published in The Record on January 25, 2021, posted in Borough Hall, and copies made available to the public.
11. Mayor Romeo opened the meeting to the public. [Reported by Deputy Borough Clerk Patricia A. McKim.]
12. No one wished to be heard.
13. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to close the public hearing.

Roll Call: Yes – Council Members Cleary, Kaplan, Mueller, Olmo, Savas, Spina
 No - None
 Absent – None
 Abstain – None
 Motion adopted.

14. Resolution by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Spina:

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. 21-18-1568, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES AND
 COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES
 OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL - YEAR 2021

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

Roll Call: Yes – Council Members Cleary, Kaplan, Mueller, Olmo, Savas, Spina
 No - None
 Absent – None
 Abstain – None
 Resolution adopted.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

*Resolutions

16. WHEREAS, the Council on February 20, 2019 awarded the Construction Contract for the project known as Merritt Field Improvements, to Your Way Construction Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Your Way Construction Inc. has requested final progress payment for the work completed to date; and

WHEREAS, the Special Projects Engineer, Maser Consulting by way of letter dated January 14, 2021 (a copy of which is attached) has certified that the work is completed as stated and recommends final progress payment # 5 in the amount of \$35,557.84; and

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that the Borough Treasurer is authorized to make final progress payment #5 to Your Way Construction Inc. in the amount of \$35,557.84.

Payment No. 5 (FINAL)
MC Project No. 18008371A

Original Contract Amount	\$ 1,157,866.61
Change Order to Date	\$ 91,115.39
<u>Adjusted Contract Amount</u>	<u>\$ 1,248,982.00</u>
Total Completed to Date	\$ 1,248,982.00
<u>Retainage 2% Withheld</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Subtotal	\$ 1,248,982.00
<u>Less Previous Payments</u>	<u>\$ (1,222,934.11)</u>
Total Amount due Payment #5 (Final)	\$ 35,557.84

17. BE IT RESOLVED that the following solicitor’s license, which has been approved by the Chief of Police, be issued under the provisions of Chapter 140 of the Code of the Borough of Cresskill for the term ending December 31, 2021:

Home Run Ice Cream
25 South Prospect Avenue
Bergenfield, NJ 07621
Purpose: Ice Cream Sales
#21-1008 – George A. Corbo

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 taxes:

<u>TAX</u>	<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>QUAL</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
	4 th qtr 2020	91.06	35		Paul & Joyce Schmidt 222 Grand Avenue Englewood, NJ 07631 (for: 190 Vaccaro Drive)	\$ 2,432.00

4 th qtr 2020	6	17.01	Ofer Harari & Maayan Sorek 34 Merrifield Way Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$ 1,169.79
4 th qtr 2020	91.08	4	Arlene Horowitz 7 East Hill Court Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$ 1,685.10

19. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that the following January 2021 payrolls be ratified and approved:

January 15, 2021

Current Fund	\$ 324,310.97
Social Security/Medicare	12,934.65
Community Center	2,645.19
Library	<u>11,531.68</u>
	\$ 351,422.49

January 29, 2021

Current Fund	\$ 788,557.96
Social Security/Medicare	32,742.92
Community Center	7,066.48
Library	<u>20,419.48</u>
	\$ 848,786.84

20. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that the following transfers be made in the 2020 budget appropriation reserves:

CURRENT ACCOUNT

	<u>Account</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Tax Administration – O/E	150-020	5,000.00	
Legal – O/E	155-020		5,000.00
Buildings and Grounds – S/W	310-010	1,000.00	
Buildings and Grounds – O/E	310-020		1,000.00
Group Insurance Plans for Employees	220-020	15,000.00	
PERS	471-000		15,000.00
Total		21,000.00	21,000.00

21. 2021 TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen with respect to various Appropriations listed below and no adequate provision has been made in the 2021 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 2021 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S. 40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$150,000.00 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:

WHEREAS, any contract award to a vendor pursuant to a Cooperative Pricing Agreement for Affiliated Membership shall require the approval of the Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Cresskill in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon to enroll the Borough of Cresskill as a member of the ESCNJ, Co-op; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby authorizes Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon to execute the Cooperative Pricing Agreement for Affiliated Membership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby authorizes Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon to perform the due diligence as to any contract proposed to be awarded pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement as required by N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) and to present his findings and recommendations thereon to the Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the ESCNJ, Co-op, shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contract Law (40A:11-11(5)) and all other Statutes of the State of New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Council authorizes the Purchase of one (1) 2021 Chevrolet Blazer LT AWD vehicle totaling \$34,676.90 and one (1) 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe LS 4WD vehicle totaling \$39,962.48 each with additional equipment upfit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) has verified the availability of funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified true copy of this Resolution be tendered to the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, Patrick M. Moran; Borough Clerk Francesca Maragliano; Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon, Borough CFO Harold Laufeld, and Borough Attorney Christos J. Diktas.

Motions

23. Appoint Cheryl Furio to the Planning Board as Alternate I for term ending December 31, 2022.

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

24. No one wished to be heard.
25. 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.

26. Motion by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Spina 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.

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

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS

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

(Resolution in full on pages 13A through 13E.)

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.]

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 from the public.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

31. Motion at 7:46 P.M. by Council Member Olmo and seconded by Council Member Cleary to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous. Motion adopted.

Benedict Romeo
Mayor

Francesca Maragliano
Borough Clerk