BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL

BERGEN COUNTY

NEW JERSEY

JANUARY 20, 2021

REGULAR MEETING

- 1. Jim Noseworthy 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, Mueller, Olmo, Savas, Spina Also Present: Attorney Diktas, Chief Wrixon, Acting DPW Supt. Noseworthy
- 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 6, 2021.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

6. Council Member Spina said Bill Celentano, chair of the CEC is going to be a representative on the Northern Valley Greenway project.

Council Member Mueller said some of our tax appeals have been withdrawn because of our no pay policy.

Council Member Savas said Recreation basketball has started. The Library Board moved their meeting to Monday, January 25th.

NEW BUSINESS

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

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

 Motion at 7:36 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 first reading by title only.

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

8. 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.)

9. 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

does now pass on first reading and remain on file with the Borough Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof.

Such hearing shall be held at the Borough Hall in Cresskill on Wednesday, February 3, 2021, at 7:30 P.M., or as soon thereafter as it can be reached, at which time and place all persons interested in said ordinance will be heard.

The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish said ordinance in full, with the notice of hearing thereon, in an official newspaper according to law, also to mail copies of said ordinance when and as required by law.

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

*Resolutions

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

WHEREAS, the following participant was unable to attend;

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

Brenda Hermann (for: Hannah Hermann) 135 13th Street Cresskill, NJ 07626 Amount: \$100.00

12. WHEREAS, redemption money has been received to redeem Tax Sale Certificate 20-00003, Block 123, Lot 142, also known as 271 Madison Avenue, Cresskill, NJ in the amount of \$16,674.85.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that, effective immediately, the amount of \$16,674.85 and premium paid by lienholder in the amount of \$47,100.00 for total of \$63,774.85 be paid to:

U.S. Bank as Custodian for ActLien Holding, Inc. 50 South 16th Street – Suite 2050 Philadelphia, PA 19102 13. 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>	BLOCK	<u>LOT</u>	QUAL NAME	<u>AMOUNT</u>
4 th qtr 2020	91.06	10	Robert Cummins 771 Riverview Avenue Teaneck, NJ 07666 (for: 388 E. Madison Avenue)	\$ 3,317.25
4 th qtr 2020	75	46	Joel Sneed etal 64 Churchill Road Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$ 1,021.44

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:

Code Sec.	Permit #	Name	<u>Amount</u>
132-27	4308	Harry McCormick, Jr. 177 Blackburn Street Galloway, NJ 08205 (for: 46 Heather Hill Road)	\$50.00

15. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that the following employees change and promotion in the Public Works Department be approved, effective January 1, 2021, in accordance with Ordinance No. 20-07-1557:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Michael McNamara	Equipment Operator	Foreman
David Philpot	Laborer- 6 th Step	Foreman

- 16. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that Ryan Glynn be, and hereby is, appointed as Maintenance Custodian, at an annual salary of \$35,000.00, effective January 18, 2021, in accordance with Ord. No. 20-11-1561.
- 17. WHEREAS, a Sewer Extension Agreement was signed between the Borough of Cresskill and the Borough of Alpine and Rio Vista Associates, Inc. on August 25, 1980; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Utilities Authority increased its maintenance and operation charges to the Borough of Cresskill; and

WHERAS, Paragraph 7 of the above mentioned contract states as follows:

"In the event the Borough of Cresskill determines that the costs for such operation, maintenance, repair or replacement exceed the amount contemplated when the fees for the current year were set, the Borough of Cresskill, in its sole discretion may incur such costs and charge them to the benefited homeowners in the Borough of Alpine either as an assessment or may add the cost to the current fees in which event the Borough of Cresskill shall have a lien for such additional costs upon the property served until such charge is paid"; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the Cresskill-Alpine-Rio Vista Associates, Inc. Sewer Extension Agreement, Paragraph 7, the maintenance fee to be charged to the residents of Alpine is increased from a yearly sum of \$1,100.00 per residential dwelling to \$1,300.00 per residential dwelling; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Paragraph 10 of the Agreement, the increased charge to the residents of Alpine shall become effective January 1, 2021.

18. WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L.1987, c. 102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grants may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is promulgating recycling regulations to implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; 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, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for the 2021 Recycling Tonnage Grant will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and indicate the assent of the Borough of Cresskill to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

WHEREAS, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure that the application is properly completed and timely filed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that Cresskill endorses the submission of a Municipal Recycling Tonnage Grant Application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Recycling and designates James Noseworthy, 325 Piermont Road, to ensure that the said application is properly filed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

19. WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill, pursuant to Ordinance, has created the Cresskill Volunteer Ambulance & Emergency Services Company (hereinafter "CVAES"); and

WHEREAS, the CVAES Members are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council; and

WHEREAS, fulfilling the Membership requirements, as established by the Mayor & Council and the Rules and Regulations of the Cresskill Fire Department and Cresskill Emergency Services Department, plus the requirements annotated in Ordinance §15-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the following individual:

Anthony Padilla - FIRE

have petitioned the Mayor seeking to become a Member of the CVAES; and

WHEREAS, each Petition/Application has been submitted to the Board of Fire Officers and approved by same, subject to the final approval and appointment by the Mayor and Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above individuals are hereby appointed by Mayor Benedict Romeo and each respective appointment is confirmed by the Council, subject to the respective appointee complying with the Cresskill Revised General Ordinances, specifically, §15-1 et seq., specifically §15-5, Requirements of the Volunteer Division; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Certified to be True Copy of this Resolution be served upon each Appointee; Fire Chief Christopher Ulshoefer; Harold Laufeld, CFO; Edward Wrixon, Borough Administrator; Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk

20. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that the following be appointed as part-time Police Dispatcher in the Cresskill Police Department effective January 20, 2021, at salary in accordance with Ordinance No. 20-07-1557.

<u>Name</u> Christopher Reissner

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

- 21. No one wished to be heard.
- 22. 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.

23. 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.

24. 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

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

(Resolution in full on pages 5A through 5L.)

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.]

26. Council Member Savas asked if the traffic light at the corner of Piermont and Madison has been repaired. Chief Wrixon said the electronics have been repaired. The timing is

off but Alan Brightway will fix that tomorrow. We're looking at setting up a maintenance program.

No one else wished to be heard.

27. 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.

28. Motion at 7:42 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