BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL BERGEN COUNTY NEW JERSEY

REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 17, 2021

- 1. Denise Villani led the Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. The Deputy 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 7:34 P.M.
- 4. Present: Council Members Cleary, Savas, Spina Absent: Council Members Kaplan, Mueller, Olmo
- 5. Motion by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Spina to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular meeting of November 3, 2021.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

6. Minutes of the following meeting:

Planning Board

October 28, 2021

Filed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

- 7. Council Member Savas said the cheerleading showcase, and everyone enjoyed it. Jason Mitchell met with Beth Del Vecchio about helping the schools with use of the gyms. Fall sports is wrapping up and registration for indoor soccer, wrestling and basketball is ongoing.
- 8. Council Member Mueller joined the meeting by phone.

NEW BUSINESS

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 21-32-1582 - An Ordinance Entitled Electric Vehicle Parking Regulations Supply/Service Equipment (EVSE) & Make Ready Parking Spaces

9. Motion at 7:37 PM by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Spina to introduce Ordinance No. 21-32-1582 - An Ordinance Entitled Electric Vehicle Parking Regulations Supply/Service Equipment (EVSE) & Make Ready Parking Spaces on first reading by title only.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

10. Council Member Savas read the title:

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING REGULATIONS SUPPLY/SERVICE EQUIPMENT (EVSE) & MAKE-READY PARKING SPACES

(Ordinance in full on pages 147A through 147G.)

11. Resolution by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary:

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. 21-32-1582, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING REGULATIONS SUPPLY/SERVICE EQUIPMENT (EVSE) & MAKE-READY PARKING SPACES

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, December 1, 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 – Unanimous Resolution adopted.

12. Deputy Borough Clerk McKim explained all items on the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Michal Azoulav

NEW BUSINESS

*Resolutions

13. 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:

Ester Chung

Sangwoo Park

Tritonal Tizoulay	Duil 5 WOO T ullk	Dotter Chang
(for: Nadav Azoulay)	(for: Wonyul Park)	(for: Ethan Chung)
442 11 th Street	181 14 th Street	82 Linwood Avenue
Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626
Amount: \$96.88	Amount: \$143.50	Amount: \$143.50
Hwajo Kim	Arie Matzliah	Eukyeong Ryu
(for: Aiden Kim)	(for: Guy Matzliah)	(for: Jun Park)
159 Broadway	107 East Madison Avenue	133 Lexington Avenue
Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626
Amount: \$153.75	Amount: \$333.13	Amount: \$153.75
Hyunjeong Kim	Jason Schwartz	Hyo Kim
(for: Ian Kim)	(for: Drew Schwartz)	(for: Daniel Kim)
39 Park Avenue	72 Adams Drive	39 Milton Street
Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626	Cresskill, NJ 07626
Amount: \$164.00	Amount: \$153.75	Amount: \$97.19

Yaara Kaufman Juhyun Han

(for: Ofri Kaufman)(for: Youngjoon Shin)31 7th Street704 Cottonwood CourtCresskill, NJ 07626Cresskill, NJ 07626Amount: \$49.00Amount: \$49.00

14. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that Heiddy Martin be approved as Pool Recording Secretary at a rate of \$23.00 per hour.

15. AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE OF THE DIRECTOR OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A DEDICATED TRUST BY RIDER FOR ELEVATOR FEES PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:27D-119

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonably accurate estimates in advance: and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 52:27D-119 provides for receipt of funds for the acceptance of third party elevator fees by the municipality to provide for the operating costs to administer this act: and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-39 provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the Borough of Cresskill Third Party Elevator Fees are hereby anticipated as revenue and to expend are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Cresskill, County of Bergen, New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The Governing Body does hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to pay expenditures for fund entitled Third Party Elevator Fees as per N.J.S.A 40A:4-39.
- 2. The Borough Clerk of the Borough of Cresskill is hereby directed to forward two certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.
- 16. RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE MASTER CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY WATER MAIN AND/OR STORM AND SANITARY SEWER REPAIRS FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR WITH J. FLETCHER CREAMER & SONS, INC.

WHEREAS, the above contract was approved on November 13, 2019 with J. Fletcher Creamer & Sons Inc., 101 East Broadway, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601: and

WHEREAS, the term of the contract was December 1, 2019 through November 30, 2021: and,

WHEREAS, at the September 16, 2021 Riverside Coop meeting, the members voted to have the contract extended a year to expire November 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Riverside Coop, the Borough of Cresskill would like to extend the contract to expire November 30, 2022.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Master Contract for Emergency Water Main and/or Storm and Sanitary Sewer Repairs be extended for one year effective December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Borough Clerk shall forward a copy of the Resolution to lead agency of the Riverside Coop and to J. Fletcher Creamer & Sons, Inc.

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

November 5, 2021 Current Fund Community Center Library	\$ 359,840.72 2,595.13 <u>13,407.29</u>
	\$ 375,843.14
November 19, 2021 Current Fund Community Center Library	\$ 363,467.70 2,224.38 <u>13,227.58</u>
	\$ 378.919.66

18. WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill and the Cresskill Police Department have submitted an application to the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Office of the Attorney General for the SFY21 Body-Worn Camera Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the application has been submitted by Cresskill's Police Department with the Approval of the Mayor and Council who will honor any mandatory cash amount as may be required pursuant to the Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has petitioned the Office of the Attorney General for a grant to be expended by the Department to purchase Police Officer Body Cameras through the calendar years commencing on January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Cresskill Police Department is authorized to accept the grant award 21-BWC-111 in the amount of \$32,608.00 for the specific purpose of purchasing the SFY21 Body-Worn Cameras for distribution to Departmental Officers who have not been issued or who have nonfunctioning Body Cameras;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Council of the Borough of Cresskill does hereby authorize the Cresskill Police Department to accept the Office of the Attorney General's Grant for the purchase of the SFY21 Body-Worn Camera; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Council and the Department do hereby accept the grant award in the amount of \$32,608.00 for the specific purpose of purchasing the SFY21 Body-Worn Cameras pursuant to a State Contract through WatchGuard for distribution to the members of the Cresskill Police Department through the Calendar years 2021 to December 31, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, A Certified to be True Copy of this Resolution be served upon the State of New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Office of the Attorney General; Police Chief Edward Wrixon; Deputy Police Chief James Domville; and Chief Financial Officer Allison Altano.

19. <u>Cancelling Balances of Completed General Capital Improvement Authorization</u>

WHEREAS, certain General Capital Improvement Authorization balances remain dedicated to projects which have been completed, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances in the General Capital Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that the following balances of unexpended General Capital Improvement Authorizations be cancelled as follows:

Ord. No. Description Amount Cancel To Account

General Improvements

15-04-1472	Police Dept. Equipment	\$ 18,310.29	Fund Balance
15-06-1474	2015 Road Program	\$170,685.45	Fund Balance
15-11-1497	Various Equip/Vehicles	\$ 31,569.09	Fund Balance
16-08-1487	Various Improvements	<u>\$119,828.68</u>	Fund Balance

\$340,393.51

20. 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 individuals:

Elliott Soto - EMS Alejandro Vasquez - EMS

have petitioned the Mayor seeking to become a Members 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; Alison Altano, CFO; Edward Wrixon, Borough Administrator; Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk

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

On the question: The Deputy 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 Savas 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 Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary:

(Resolution in full on pages 151A through 151F.)

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. Eric Wein, 254 Jefferson Avenue said the BOE submitted their plans to the Borough for approval from Engineer Paul Azzolina regarding the ongoing sewer issue at the school, but we've had no response. Mayor Romeo said he would call Paul tomorrow.

Stephanie Cropper, 217 9th Street asked if there could be more crossing guards at the Madison & Jefferson as well as Grant & Brookside intersections. There are a lot of kids walking and biking to school at St. Therese.

Sanjeev Chotirmall, 86 Heather Hill Road said regarding the flooding on Heather Hill, Paul Azzolina found several problems like a garbage can inside the drain, and a block in the drain. Also, the drainpipe on Douglas Drive is still opened. Mrs. Chotirmall said there must be some diversion for the water to go somewhere else. Mayor Romeo said you live in the valley and the water has to go to the lowest point and that is the brook. The water comes from the east and west side and gathers there. Mr. Chotirmall said Mr. Azzolina has some suggestions and was going to present them to you.

Elaine DelVecchio, 85 Heather Hill Road said the water goes into the drain in front of her house and comes out to her backyard. With Hurricane Ida, for the first time in the 23 years of living there, it gouged out that area in my backyard. The water came up to the first step of my front door. Like the Chotirmalls we lost a car to the flooding. The debris in the brook area was incredible. The fire dept. was there, and I asked for help, and they said there was nothing they could do because it was still raining. There's something wrong with the structure underground. Could a reverse 911 be done when a rainstorm is coming to not put your garbage or recyclables out? All that garbage and recycling gets into the sewer. Mayor Romeo said there's been a water problem in that area for many years. If Paul Azzolina has a solution to the drainage problem, I'll find out what it is.

Sue Park, 89 Heather Hill Road asked if the pipe on Douglas Drive can be meshed off to stop the garbage and debris. Mayor Romeo said he will ask Paul.

Anthony Scianna, 62 Park Avenue said knowing what we know about the areas that flood, if someone is going to rebuild, the town should put something in place that you get flood insurance. Mayor Romeo said flood insurance is federal, we can't require anyone get it. Mr. Scianna said last meeting we were advised to reach out to our Senators about the flooding. I contacted them, and their office said I should get in touch with the Governor, and I was the third Cresskill resident they heard from that day. The letter writing campaign is also getting out there. Also, can we be notified of any updates regarding the repair of County Road. Council Member Savas said the problem is in Demarest and it's a County Road. The Deputy Chief said the County will be working on the Grant Avenue bridge tomorrow, and he's going to speak to them about the County Road bridge.

Mayor Romeo said the Governor's office called him to schedule a meeting with him, Supt. Mike Burke and FEMA to discuss how to get the problems with the Middle/High School solved and get the school opened.

Denise Villani, BOE President said perhaps we can get some County Sheriff officers to help with the traffic problems around St. Therese due to all the surrounding road detours caused by county road projects. Mayor Romeo said he would check with Deputy Chief Domville.

No one else wished to be heard.

27. Motion by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary to close the meeting to remarks from the public.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

28. Motion at 8:19 P.M. by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

Benedict Romeo Mayor

> Patricia McKim Deputy Borough Clerk