

## BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

## MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL

BERGEN COUNTY

NEW JERSEY

REGULAR MEETING

JULY 17, 2024

1. Michael Sutera 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 7:35 P.M.
4. Present: Council Members Kaplan, McLaughlin, Olmo, Savas, Schultz-Rummel, Spina  
Also Present: Attorney Diktas, Administrator Lavin, Chief Domville
5. Motion by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Olmo to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular meeting of June 26, 2024.

All in Favor. None Opposed.

Motion adopted.

## COMMUNICATIONS

6. Minutes of the following meeting:

Planning Board

June 25, 2024

Filed.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

7. Council Member Savas said summer recreation is half through and going well. The July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities were very successful. Thanks to Jason and his staff.

Council Member Olmo said the swim club is running well and hopefully it will be a profitable year. Thanks to the Police and Fire Depts. for their aid in Tenafly house fire.

Council Member Kaplan thanked Norma Shalhoub for her years of service to the community.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## ORDINANCE ON FINAL READING

Ordinance No. 24-13-1649 – Amend Chapter 80 Establishing Article II Live Poultry, Pigeons or Other Fowl Prohibited

8. Motion at 7:39 PM by Council Member Spina and seconded by Council Member Olmo to hear Ordinance No. 24-13-1649 on final reading by title only, Amend Chapter 80 Establishing Article II Live Poultry, Pigeons or Other Fowl Prohibited.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

(Ordinance in full on pages 92A through 92C in Minutes of Regular Mayor and Council Meeting held June 26, 2024.)



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

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CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

\*Resolutions

17. Approval to submit a FY25 Municipal Aid grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Reconstruction of Pierce Avenue, Fenway Court & Deacon Place within the Borough of Cresskill.

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation has funds available for transportation infrastructure projects through its FY25 Municipal Aid Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Cresskill formally approves the grant application for the above-stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as application# 00525 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Cresskill, and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

My signature and the Clerk’s seal serve to acknowledge the above resolution and constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement as authorized by the resolution above.

ATTEST and AFFIX SEAL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Clerk) (Presiding Officer)

18. BE IT RESOLVED, as recommended by the Municipal Pool Commission, that the following refund be authorized from the Municipal Swim Club Account:

Kimber Choi  
30 Robinhood Avenue  
Closter, NJ 07624  
Amount: \$226.00

19. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that the following be appointed as School Crossing Guards at a salary of \$20.06 per hour, effective September 2, 2024.

Robert Wynkoop  
Susan Wynkoop  
Peter Caruso

20. WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill, pursuant to Ordinance, has created the Cresskill Fire Department EMS; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department EMS 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

WHEREAS, the following individuals:

Firefighter Volunteer Division  
Esteban Colon  
Steven Anthony Minkler

has petitioned the Mayor seeking to become a Member of the Cresskill Fire Department EMS; 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 individual is 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 Firefighter Volunteer Division and Per Diem EMT EMS 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; Dianne Lavin, Administrator; Francesca Maragliano, Borough Clerk

#### Motions

21. Appoint Janet Wehle to serve on the Senior Center's Board of Trustees for a term ending December 31, 2026.

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

22. No one wished to be heard.
23. Motion by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Olmo to close the meeting to remarks on agenda items.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

24. Motion by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Olmo 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.

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

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

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#### PRESENTATION OF BILLS

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

(Resolution in full on pages 102A through 102L.)

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.]

27. Alexander Fomin, 261 Concord Street asked if the message on social media this past week that the 911 emergency phone system was down was accurate. Chief Domville said a truck crashed in Orangetown, NY taking out fiber lines. Our 911 is through the county and when we say it's down it just means that when the county receives the call, they can't transfer via phone. They can still communicate through radio, so we were never out of service. Mike Hamlett was able to get our lines back up.

Mike Sutera, 386 Knickerbocker Road thanked the DPW and Police for helping when a large branch broke off a tree taking out his power.

No one else wished to be heard.

28. Motion at 7:51 P.M. by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Olmo to close the meeting and adjourn.

All in Favor. None Opposed.

Motion adopted.

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Benedict Romeo  
Mayor

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Francesca Maragliano  
Borough Clerk