

**BOROUGH OF CLAYTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 8, 2022 – 6:30 PM
MINUTES**

The Regular Council meeting of the Borough of Clayton was called to order with Mayor Bianco presiding.

Invocation was given, followed by the flag salute.

ROLL CALL: Rollo here, Vondran here, Simon here, Saban here, Moorhouse here, Chapes here, Mayor Bianco here

Notice of Time and Date for this meeting appeared in Resolution 14-22 of the annual schedule of meetings for the year 2022, dated January 6, 2022, which was published in the Sentinel Newspaper and the South Jersey Times. Copies are also posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building in compliance with the Sunshine Law.

SUNSHINE LAW:

- A. Posting written notice on the Official Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building.
- B. Mailing written notice to the South Jersey Times and the Sentinel.
- C. Filing written notice with the Clerk of the Borough of Clayton.

MOTION to go into Closed Session
M/Vondran S/Chapes (All)

MOTION to go into Open Session
M/Vondran S/Chapes (All)

PRESENTATION:

2022 Scarecrow Winners were presented with a Trophy:

Neri's Tex-Mex Café – Most Spooky
Upscale Flowers – Most Traditional
Sean Newlin, Most Community Spirit
Christina Posey – Most Whimsical

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Council Work Session 10/27/22
M/Saban S/Chapes (All)

Work Session meeting 11/10/22
Regular Council meeting 11/10/22
M/Saban S/Chapes (All) C. Simon abstained

Special Council meeting 11/22/22
M/Saban S/Moorhouse (All)

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VETERAN AFFAIRS / HISTORIC – Councilman Rollo – Veterans will discuss summer programs at their next meeting on December 20th. Historic display case is Toys. Their next meeting is December 15.

PUBLIC SAFETY/MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE/SP EVENTS – Councilwoman Vondran – Police monthly report for November was given. Special Events has the tree lighting and parade. Boy Scouts will be selling hot chocolate and cookies. There will be roving Caroler from 6-7:15pm.

FINANCE / ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT– Councilman Simon – Finance report for November was given.

PUBLIC WORKS / PUBLIC BLDGS / JIF – Councilman Saban – Public Works report for November was given. Leaf machines are broken down.

SCHOOL AFFAIRS / PARK & REC – Councilwoman Moorhouse – no report.

ENVIRONMENTAL / BOARD OF HEALTH – Councilman Chapes – Environmental – asked about PFOS – Greg has information on it. No trace of it in Clayton. Also asked the term on contract with NJ American Water. Mark Brunermer said it will continue. Environmental would like to get a larger sign for the Salem Oak. They were advised to get a quote and contact the CFO. D. Chapes also asked if public works could work on the poison ivy at Autumn Pasquale Park walking trail while it's dormant.

OTHER REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATOR – Sue Miller – no report.

BOROUGH CLERK – Christine Newcomb – no report.

ENGINEER – Mark Brunermer – South State will be milling on Thursday, and paving on Friday. NJDOT for E. High Street received authorization to go out to bid.

MOTION to authorize

M/Saban S/Simon

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

Need authorization to bid Well 6 work

M/Saban S/Simon

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

SOLICITOR – Timothy Scaffidi – no report.

MAYOR – Tom Bianco – asked Chief Davis to discuss the complaint from Brown Lane. Chief Davis advised that large vehicles over 4 tons or over 2 axels are prohibited from parking on the streets. Many pods and vehicles have been removed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Letter of Resignation – Joe Abate from Environmental Commission effective 1/1/23
Joe will continue on the Commission, but not as Chairman.

Letter – Historic Committee request to replace Trish Dettra with Tammette Latona as an
alternate member
M/Rollo S/Moorhouse

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes
yes

Email – American Rescue Plan Firefighter grant of \$43,000 received from NJ Dept. of
Community Affairs

Email – 2023 DOT State Aid Application Award – \$208,873.00 for West Linden Street

APPLICATIONS:

None

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE 18-2022 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 88, UNIFIED
DEVELOPMENT, ARTICLE III, ZONING DISTRICTS, SECTION 11, R-B
MEDIUM/HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS, SUB-SECTION B, USES,
OF THE CODE BOOK OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

OPEN TO PUBLIC

M/Saban S/Simon (All)

CLOSE TO PUBLIC

M/Vondran S/Chapes (All)

MOTION to Adopt

M/Vondran S/Saban

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes
yes

ORDINANCE 19-2022 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 76, RENTAL
PROCEDURES, OF THE CODE BOOK OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON TO
INCLUDE LEAD BASED PAINT HAZARD INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

OPEN TO PUBLIC

M/Moorhouse S/Saban (All)

CLOSE TO PUBLIC

M/Chapes S/Moorhouse (All)

MOTION to Adopt

M/Saban S/Simon

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes
yes

ORDINANCE **22-2022** - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 85 "TAXATION" TO ADD ARTICLE IV ENTITLED "DISABLED VETERAN'S AND SURVIVING SPOUSE TAX EXEMPTION"

OPEN TO PUBLIC

M/Simon S/Saban (All)

CLOSE TO PUBLIC

M/Rollo S/Moorhouse (All)

MOTION to Adopt

M/Rollo S/Moorhouse

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

ORDINANCE **23-2022** – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 76, RENTAL PROCEDURES, OF THE CODE BOOK OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE TO BE ENTITLED "PROOF OF LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR OWNERS OF RENTAL UNIT(S)"

OPEN TO PUBLIC

M/Simon S/Moorhouse (All)

CLOSE TO PUBLIC

M/Vondran S/Chapes (All)

MOTION to Adopt

M/Vondran S/Chapes

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE **24-2022** – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 93 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON (WATER)

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE **25-2022** – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING 78 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON (SEWERS)

M/Saban S/Simon

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

RESOLUTIONS:

CONSENT AGENDA: The items listed below are considered to be routine by the Borough of Clayton and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, then an item or items will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTION **243-22** – AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND VOUCHERS

RESOLUTION **244-22** – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT RENEWAL TO VISUAL COMPUTER SOLUTIONS INC., FOR POLICE EXTRA DUTY DETAIL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS FOR THE CLAYTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION **245-22** – APPROVING PLACEMENT OF MUNICIPAL LIENS AGAINST PRIVATE PROPERTY

RESOLUTION **246-22** – AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF STREET OPENING PERFORMANCE BOND – 336 E. Linden Street

RESOLUTION **247-22** – PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87

RESOLUTION **248-22** – APPROVING 2023 TOW OPERATORS FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION **249-22** – ADOPTING A CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION **250-22** – APPOINTING JOSEPH TRAVERS AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER-RECRUIT

RESOLUTION **251-22** – AWARDING BID FOR ONE NEW FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE, HEAVY-DUTY PICK-UP TRUCK FOR THE CLAYTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION **252-22** – AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS IN BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

RESOLUTION **253-22** – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON AND DANZIGER & MARKHOFF, LLP

MOTION to approve Resolutions 243-22 through 253-22
M/Saban S/Simon

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION to remove Block 2002, Lot 4 and Block 1101, Lot 8 from the Land Sale to be held on December 20, 2022 at 4:00pm
M/Moorhouse S/Saban

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

MOTION to withdraw appeal of Liquor License renewal for Deptford Beverage Co.
M/Vondran S/Rollo

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

Mayor Bianco advised that there are requests for LED signs. We need to address guidelines.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION to authorize 2022 JIF Dividend and AELCT balance be taken as a credit towards the 2023 JIF Assessment
M/Rollo S/Saban

ROLL CALL: Rollo yes, Vondran yes, Simon yes, Saban yes, Moorhouse yes, Chapes yes

OPEN TO PUBLIC

M/Simon S/Chapes (All)

Steve Latham – 703 W. Academy Street – Silver Lake – Thanked Mayor and Council and Chief Davis. Asked about guardrails and speed study. Mark Brunermer advised that the County is working on it.

Jeanne Schoellkopf – 340 Aura Road – asked about W. Linden paving. Mark advised that they will be doing curbing and drainage as well. Historic wants the slate curbing if allowed. She also advised that there is still graffiti at two places.

Dave Deegan – 729 Royal Avenue, Franklinville. Representative of Clayton Baptist Church. Trying to have sign replaced. Zoning denied them and referred them to Planning Board for a variance. It's a high cost to go before Planning Board. He asked if there was anything that could be done to assist them. Mayor Bianco suggested that they meet to address and Ordinance change. The committee will be Tim, Mark Sue, Donna, Rose and Chief.

CLOSE TO PUBLIC

M/Vondran S/Moorhouse (All)

OPEN TO COUNCIL:

Mayor and Council gave closing remarks.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

M/Vondran S/Moorhouse (All)

Submitted by:



Christine Newcomb
Municipal Clerk