

**BOROUGH OF CLAYTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 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.

PROCLAMATIONS

PROCLAMATION Honoring Clayton Building Supplies, Hardware and U-Haul
M/Simon S/Saban (All)

OATH OF OFFICE – was administered to Chaplains Felix Annise and Rick McMullen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Council meeting 8/11/22
M/Saban S/Rollo (All)

Special Council meeting 8/18/22
M/Simon S/Saban (All)

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VETERAN AFFAIRS / HISTORIC – Councilman Rollo – Historic was added to the County website. Next meeting September 15. Veterans meeting will be September 20.

PUBLIC SAFETY/MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE/SP EVENTS – Councilwoman Vondran – Police Department report for August was given. Scarecrow Contest is underway. Special Events is planning other activities.

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

PUBLIC WORKS / PUBLIC BLDGS / JIF – Councilman Saban – Public Works reports for July and August were given.

SCHOOL AFFAIRS / PARK & REC – Councilwoman Moorhouse – Board of Education meeting is September 13. Watch for children, sports are back in action. Park & Rec. – Baseball season September 12 through November. Soccer opening day is this Saturday.

ENVIRONMENTAL / BOARD OF HEALTH – Councilman Chapes – no report.

OTHER REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATOR – Sue Miller – no report.

BOROUGH CLERK – Christine Newcomb – Reminder to license your dogs and cats. Tickets are going to be issued.

ENGINEER – Mark Brunermer – Finishing up the CDBG projects. S. Broad Phase II pre-construction meeting at the end of September. Waiting for authorization for Cenco Blvd. Vine and Center intersection in review. Drainage issue on Academy.

SOLICITOR – Timothy Scaffidi – no report.

MAYOR – Tom Bianco – house on Hillside is abandoned. Need cost to demolish.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

APPLICATIONS:

None

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE **16-2022** – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 74, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, ARTICLE III, ABANDONED AND VACANT PROPERTY, SECTION 74-23, REGISTRATION OF ABANDONED PROPERTY, OF THE CODE BOOK OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

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CLOSE TO PUBLIC

M/Rollo S/Vondran (All)

Tim Scaffidi advised that the ordinance needs amending to add a late fee. Will need to be re-advertised.

MOTION TO TABLE

M/Saban S/Simon (All)

ORDINANCE **17-2022** – AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$140,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

OPEN TO PUBLIC
M/Moorhouse S/Saban (All)
CLOSE TO PUBLIC
M/Vondran S/Rollo (All)
MOTION TO ADOPT
M/Rollo S/Saban

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

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION **180-22** – AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND VOUCHERS

RESOLUTION **181-22** – RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION 179-2022
AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL CLERK TO REQUEST A NON-BINDING
REFERENDUM QUESTION ON THE TOPIC OF APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM
THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON PARKS AND RECREATION ESCROW ACCOUNT

RESOLUTION **182-22** – AUTHORIZING A SENIOR CITIZEN OR DISABLED
PERSON DEDUCTION FOR TAX YEAR 2022

RESOLUTION **183-22** – CANCELING TAXES ON A PROPERTY OWNED BY A
TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

RESOLUTION **184-22** – APPROVING THE PLACEMENT OF MUNICIPAL LIENS
AGAINST PRIVATE PROPERTY

RESOLUTION **185-22** – PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM
OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87

RESOLUTION **186-22** – RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING CROSSING GUARDS
AND SUBSTITUTE CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON
SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:9-154.1

RESOLUTION **187-22** – RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING SPECIAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (SLEO III) FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON
SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.14

RESOLUTION **188-22** – MEMORIALIZING THE HIRING OF DENISE SICKELS,
SUB-CROSSING GUARD FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION **189-22** – MEMORIALIZING THE HIRING OF KATHLEEN
SAWYER, SUB-CROSSING GUARD FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION **190-22** – AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIRE
DEPARTMENT TURN OUR GEAR

RESOLUTION **191-22** – AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIRE DEPARTMENT PARATECH RESCUE SYSTEM

RESOLUTION **192-22** – AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON COUNCIL AT THE END OF THE REGULAR MEETING
– Contractual – Silver Lake Academy House

RESOLUTION **193-22** – AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF AN OVERPAYMENT BY AN INDIVIDUAL FOR TAX YEAR 2022

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MOTION to approve Resolutions 180-22 through 194-22
M/Saban S/Moorhouse

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

OLD BUSINESS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION to authorize Chief to look into SLEO II process based on budget
M/Vondran S/Rollo

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

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Robert Abate – 6 Hillside Avenue – Thanked Mayor and Council for looking into taking care of 4 Hillside. Abandoned for 10 years. A lot of wildlife is living there. Thank you to whoever cut the grass. Pictures were handed in.

Jeanne Schoellkopf – 340 Aura Road – Asked for a status on the trailer at 12 W. Academy. Concerned for the health of the individual in it. Chief Davis advised that no one is living in there. Jeanne also mentioned a tree at Atlantic and W. Academy. Leaning pine tree. If it falls it will take out house and power lines.

Kathy O'Hara – Coyle Road – asked for an update on Coyle Road project. She was advised that Carvin is next week and the cul-de-sac late October.

Michael Flowers – President of Silver Lake Association. Complained about speed limit. Five accidents in 5 years. Pictures were handed in showing the accident scenes.

Marcie – Emerson Green HOA president. Bus stop across from Emerson Green is a danger to the children. Councilwoman Moorhouse suggested that she attend a BOE meeting. Mayor Bianco added that he will call the Superintendent.

Michael Flowers – houses have been affected.

Connie Latham – car drove through fence and into neighbor's garage.

Phil Concetti – Silver Lake – gave the history of Emerson Green development. 80' guardrail is needed. Traffic study by the borough is needed. Flashing light signal and police presence would also help.

Chris – 7 Silver Lake – Manager – something has to be done. Empty bottles of liquor being picked up every day. Speeding is also an issue.

Michael Flowers – wants speed reduced to 25 mph.

CLOSE TO PUBLIC

M/Vondran S/Moorhouse (All)

MOTION to contact County for a speed study

M/Simon S/Rollo

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

MOTION to go into Closed Session

M/Simon S/Moorhouse (All)

MOTION to go into Open Session

M/Saban S/Moorhouse (All)

MOTION to approve water credit for Silver Lake Academy House as explained by CFO

M/Saban S/Rollo

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

MOTION to authorize Solicitor to get title report for 4 Hillside

M/Moorhouse S/Saban

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

OPEN TO COUNCIL:

Mayor and Council sang Happy Birthday to Sue Miller

MOTION TO ADJOURN

M/Vondran S/Moorhouse (All)

Submitted by:



Christine Newcomb, Municipal Clerk