BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL BERGEN COUNTY NEW JERSEY

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 5, 2020

- 1. Bernard Yoo 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 7:39 P.M.
- 4. Present: Council Members Cleary, Kaplan, Mueller, Olmo, Savas, Spina Also Present: Attorney Diktas, Chief Wrixon, Deputy Chief Domville
- 5. Motion by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular meeting of January 15, 2020.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

6. Minutes of the following meeting:

Planning Board

January 14, 2020

Filed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

7. Council Member Spina said they are getting good resident participation for the Environmental Commission. A new member will be appointed tonight.

Council Member Savas said we have a new Library Director and a Recreation & Facilities Director.

Council Member Kaplan said he met with the Senior Center Board of Trustees and reviewed their programs. Perhaps we can have the non-residents make a contribution to use our facility and programs. Also, they have some paintings they would like to donate to the Tallman House. I also attended the Board of Health meeting and suggested some possible activities they could include.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCE ON FINAL READING

Ordinance No. 20-01-1551 – Ordinance Amending the General Ordinance Specifically, Chapter 263-39, Schedule VIII; Stop Intersections

8. Motion at 7:43 PM by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary to introduce Ordinance No. 20-01-1551 – Ordinance Amending the General Ordinance Specifically, Chapter 263-39, Schedule VIII; Stop Intersections on final reading by title only.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

9. Council Member Savas read the title:

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, COUNTY OF BERGEN, SPECIFICALLY, CHAPTER 263, § 263-39. SCHEDULE VIII: STOP INTERSECTIONS

(Ordinance in full on page 17A in Minutes of Regular Mayor and Council Meeting held January 15, 2020.)

- 10. The Borough Clerk announced the Ordinance was published in <u>The Record</u> on January 20, 2020, posted in Borough Hall, and copies made available to the public.
- 11. Mayor Romeo opened the meeting to the public. [Reported by Deputy Borough Clerk Patricia A. McKim.]
- 12. Mayor Romeo said this ordinance is to put a stop sign where Lambs Lane meets Engle Street.

No one else wished to be heard.

13. Motion by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary to close the public hearing.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Motion adopted.

14. Resolution by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Olmo:

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. 20-01-1551, entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, COUNTY OF BERGEN, SPECIFICALLY, CHAPTER 263, § 263-39. SCHEDULE VIII: STOP INTERSECTIONS

pass its second and final reading, is hereby adopted and shall be published according to law.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous

Resolution adopted.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

*Resolutions

16. WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill is authorized by law, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-11(5), to purchase goods or contract for services through the use of a Cooperative Purchase Group in this instance the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ, Co-op); and

WHEREAS, the ESCNJ, Co-op, provides group purchasing, marketing and administrative support for its members, including governmental entities, without cost or fee for membership or the support services it provides; and

WHEREAS, the ESCNJ, Co-op, has instituted a cooperative purchasing program under which its members may utilize Master Price Agreements made between a Public

Procurement Authority and certain vendors of goods and services solicited and selected by Public Procurement Authority by means of a formal competitive process; and

WHEREAS, the Master Price Agreements made between a Public Procurement Authority, for example, State Contract or Purchasing Cooperative and its selected vendors provide that all qualified governmental entity-members, in this instance the Borough purchasing from the ESCNJ, Co-op, may purchase goods and services on the same terms, conditions and pricing pursuant to a Public Procurement Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill is petitioning to become a Member and will become a Member of the ESCNJ, Co-op; and

WHEREAS, the Council hereby finds and determines that, in order to obtain the benefits and savings associated with the use of a Cooperative Pricing Agreement, it is in the interest of the Borough of Cresskill to become a member of the ESCNJ, Co-op; and

WHEREAS, the Council hereby finds and determines that, in order to obtain the benefits and savings associated with the use of an Cooperative Pricing Agreement for Affiliated Membership, it is in the interest of the Borough of Cresskill to execute and authorize a Contract with a Cooperative Purchase Group, which regulates use of its Master Price Agreements and reserves to the Borough of Cresskill complete and absolute discretion over whether it will purchase any goods or services available to it pursuant to the ESCNJ, Co-op; and

WHEREAS, no contract award to a vendor pursuant to the ESCNJ, Co-op, may be made by the Borough of Cresskill unless and until the notice requirements and cost savings determination required by 40A:11-11(5) have been satisfied; and

WHEREAS, any contract award to a vendor pursuant to a Cooperative Pricing Agreement for Affiliated Membership shall require the approval of the Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Cresskill in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon to enroll the Borough of Cresskill as a member of the ESCNJ, Co-op; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby authorizes Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon to execute the Cooperative Pricing Agreement for Affiliated Membership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council hereby authorizes Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon to perform the due diligence as to any contract proposed to be awarded pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement as required by N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) and to present his findings and recommendations thereon to the Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the ESCNJ, Co-op, shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contract Law (40A:11-11(5)) and all other Statutes of the State of New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Council authorizes the Purchase of three (3) 2019 Chevrolet Tahoe LS 4WD vehicles with additional equipment upfit each totaling \$40,294.07; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) has verified the availability of funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified true copy of this Resolution be tendered to the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey, Patrick M. Moran; Borough Clerk Francesca Maragliano; Borough Administrator Edward Wrixon, Borough CFO Harold Laufeld, and Borough Attorney Christos J. Diktas.

17. WHEREAS, a soil permit application and Planning Board application was required for this property; and

WHEREAS, an escrow account was established for the work; and

WHEREAS, the work has been completed and inspected;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill that the following refund of Developer Escrow account be made:

Account No.	Block	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	Amount
DE-361	84	69	Steven Reger Reger Realty LLC 26 Laurence Court Closter, NJ 07624 (for: 21 New Street)	\$ 2,049.50

18. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that the following January 2020 payroll be ratified and approved:

January 31, 2020

Current Fund	\$ 315,242.67
Social Security/Medicare	14,412.54
Community Center	4,295.24
Library	11,031.34
•	\$ 344,981.79

19. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council, Borough of Cresskill, that pursuant to the recommendation of the Library Board of Trustees, the following full-time employment be made:

Rebecca Morel Youth Services Librarian Effective: January 1, 2020 Annual Salary: \$52,000

20. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY VIA ON-LINE AUCTION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill is the owner of certain surplus property which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Cresskill is desirous of selling said surplus property in an "as is" condition without express or implied warranties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill, as follows:

- 1. The sale of surplus property shall be conducted through GovDeals pursuant to State Contract A-70967/T2581 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the State Contract. The terms and conditions of the agreement entered into with GovDeals is available online at govdeals.com and also available from the Borough of Cresskill.
- 2. The sale will be conducted online and the address of the auction is govdeals.com.

- 3. The sale is being conducted pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2008-9.
- 4. A list of the surplus property to be sold is indicated on Schedule A attached hereto.
- 5. The surplus property as identified shall be sold in an "as is" condition without express or implied warranties with the successful bidder required to execute a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement concerning use of said surplus property.
- 6. The Borough of Cresskill reserves the right to accept or reject any bid submitted.
- 21. 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:

TAX PERIOD	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	QUAL	<u>NAME</u>	AN	<u>MOUNT</u>
1st qtr 2020	25	26		Lereta, LLC Attn: Central Refunds 1123 Park View Drive Covina, CA 91724 (for: 111 Madison Avenue)	\$ 2	,134.00
4th qtr 2018	136	291		Mee Jung Sue Kim 281 Magnolia Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$	61.64

22. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that the following transfers be made in the 2019 budget appropriation reserves:

CURRENT ACCOUNT

	Account	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Group Insurance for Employees – O/E Audit Services – O/E	220-020 130-010	3,000.00	3,000.00
Group Insurance for Employees – O/E Senior Citizens – S/W	220-020 372-010	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total		4,000.00	4,000.00

23. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council, of the Borough of Cresskill wish to enter into a Bergen County Trust Fund Project Contract ("Contract") with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using a \$240,000.00 matching grant award from the 2019 Funding Round of the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund ("Trust Fund") for the municipal project entitled Merritt Field Improvements – Phase 2, located on Piermont Road located in Blocks 169, 173, 175, Lots 20, 89, 2 on the tax maps of the Borough of Cresskill;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize Mayor Benedict Romeo to be a signatory to the aforesaid grant agreement CONTRACT; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby acknowledge that, in general, the use of this Trust Fund grant towards this approved park project must be completed by or about December 31, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant will be disbursed to the municipality as a reimbursement upon submittal of certified Trust Fund payment and project completion documents and municipal vouchers, invoices,

proofs to payment and other such documents as may be required by the County in accordance with the Trust Fund's requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council acknowledge that the grant disbursement to the municipality will be equivalent to fifty (50) percent of the eligible costs incurred (not to exceed total grant award) applied towards only the approved park improvements identified in the aforesaid Contract in accordance with the Trust Fund's requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that should there be an unexpended balance at the completion of the project, Professional Services Costs will be reimbursed from grant award's unexpended balance in accordance with the Municipal Park Improvement Program Rules & Procedures Manual.

This resolution was adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill at a meeting on February 5, 2020.

Motions

24. Appoint Joe Ulrich to the Environmental Commission for term ending December 31, 2020.

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

25. Council Member Mueller asked what kind of vehicles we are purchasing in Resolution #1 (#16). Deputy Chief Domville said the Police package is a special bid, so we're getting (3) 2019 Chevy Tahoes.

No one else wished to be heard.

26. 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.

27. 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.

28. 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

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

(Resolution in full on pages 31A through 31H.)

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.]

30. Michele Kreisel, 92 Knickerbocker Road said a month ago, she was trying to cross the road and had to step over a pile of wet leaves in the road. She fell twice and was injured. I think this could be avoided if residents bagged their leaves and not put them in the street. Mayor Romeo thanked Ms. Kreisel for her input.

Bernard Yoo, 81 Rose Street asked for the timeline of the Merritt Field project. Mayor Romeo said all that's left is the fieldhouse. Administrator Wrixon said we're waiting for the builder to give us his schedule and final drawings for permits.

Deputy Chief Domville advised that due to the new kindergarten at Bryan School, access to the St. Therese lower parking lot will be barricaded during school hours for traffic flow along Prospect Avenue.

Simone Tsigounis, 10 South Pond Road shared photos of Amsterdam, New York's 9/11 Memorial. Their column is very similar to ours and the budget was \$25,000. It was all done in-house.

No one else wished to be heard.

31. 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.

32. Motion at 8:00 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		

Francesca Maragliano Borough Clerk