BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CRESSKILL BERGEN COUNTY NEW JERSEY

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 2020

- 1. Deputy Chief Domville 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 7:45 P.M.
- 4. Present: Council Members Cleary, Mueller, Olmo, Savas, Spina Also Present: Attorney Diktas, Borough Officials Mitchell, Chief Wrixon, Deputy Chief Domville

Absent: Council Member Kaplan

5. Motion by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Special meeting of October 5 and Mayor and Council Regular meeting of October 7, 2020.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS

6. Council Member Savas said the Library will be extending their hours. The occupancy is 12 people which has not been a problem. There's an Eagle Scout that is going to do some landscaping. He submitted his project for approval. They are going to have the temperature reader installed. Everything is going well with Recreation.

NEW BUSINESS

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 20-06-1556 - Establish the Position of Director of Parks and Recreation

7. Motion at 7:49 PM by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary to introduce Ordinance No. 20-06-1556 - Establish the Position of Director of Parks and Recreation on first reading by title only.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

8. Council Member Savas read the title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, NEW JERSEY, TO ESTABLISH THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION OVERSEEING AND MANAGING THE SENIOR CENTER, COMMUNITY CENTER AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

(Ordinance in full on pages 149A through 149D.)

9. 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. 20-06-1556, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, NEW JERSEY, TO ESTABLISH THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION OVERSEEING AND MANAGING THE SENIOR CENTER, COMMUNITY CENTER AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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, November 18, 2020 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.

Ordinance No. 20-16-1566 – Amend Chapter 53- Police Organization

10. Motion at 7:51 PM by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cleary to introduce Ordinance No. 20-16-1566 – Amend Chapter 53 – Police Organization on first reading by title only.

Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Motion adopted.

11. Council Member Savas read the title:

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, §53, POLICE DEPARTMENT, SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE III, DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION, APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

(Ordinance in full on page 150A.)

12. Resolution by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Spina:

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. 20-16-1566, entitled:

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CRESSKILL, §53, POLICE DEPARTMENT, SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE III, DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION, APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS

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Roll Call: Yes – Unanimous Resolution adopted.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

*Resolutions

14. 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:

<u>TAX</u> <u>PERIOD</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	LOT	QUAL	<u>NAME</u>	AMOUNT
3 rd qtr 2020	1.06	15		Pablo Zarate Fuentes, etal 337 Brookside Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$ 5,712.66
3 rd qtr 2020	116	1		Richard & Kim Borowski 70 Lexington Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$ 2,924.07
4 th qtr 2020	91.06	20		Barbara H. Urback Lissner 113 Hoover Drive Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$19,382.00
3 rd qtr 2020	91.04	13		Ronald & Cynthia Low 35 Huyler Landing Road Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$ 9,851.05

15. WHEREAS, cash escrow deposits have been paid to the Borough of Cresskill for legal fees in connection with Zoning Board applications for variances within the Borough of Cresskill; and

WHEREAS, the applications have been heard and approved by the Zoning Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, balances remain in the escrow accounts which are no longer required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following balances in the Trust Accounts be refunded:

ESCROW #	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
ZE 446	Marbella Apparel LLC 157 Bedford Road Dumont, NJ 07628 (for: 123 Westervelt Place)	\$10.00
ZE 449	Leslie & Merced Espinosa 418 Knickerbocker Road Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$10.00
ZE 453	Matthew & Caitlin Stratton 39 Pershing Place Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$10.00
ZE 454	Matthew Capizzi, Esq. 11 Hillside Avenue, Floor 2 Tenafly, NJ 07670 (for: 138 Brookside Avenue)	\$10.00

ZE 455	William Ullman 135 14 th Street Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$10.00
ZE 459	Carol Florio 304 Brookside Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$10.00
ZE 461	Mark Kim 115 Knickerbocker Road Cresskill, NJ 07626 (for: 116 Magnolia Avenue)	\$10.00
ZE 462	KiJae Chung 26 Willis Avenue Cresskill, NJ 07626	\$10.00

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

October 23, 2020

Current Fund	\$ 349,107.67
Social Security/Medicare	12,918.13
Community Center	2,268.59
Library	11,737.96
Swim Pool	<u>1,530.16</u>
	\$ 377,562.51

17. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Christopher E. Martin, Esq., of the firm of Harwood Lloyd, LLC, be retained as the Tax counsel for the Borough of Cresskill for the hearings, meetings, court appearances and all necessary Tax related legal services effective September 1, 2020, up through the Borough Reorganization Meeting in 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be incorporated into the minutes of this meeting and be forwarded to the Department of Finance and/or the Clerk of the Borough of Cresskill.

Benedict Romeo, Mayor	
Borough of Cresskill	

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution appointing Tax Counsel for the Borough of Cresskill, adopted ________, 2020.

Francesca Maragliano,
Borough Clerk

18. WHEREAS, application has been made to the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill for renewal of liquor license# 0208-33-007-011 and the proper fees have been paid therefor; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has complied with the laws of the State of New Jersey and ordinances of the Borough of Cresskill;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following licensee be approved for the year commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, subject to approval of the Police and Fire Departments:

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE Fee: \$1,320.00

P.B.F.G.T., LLC Lic. No. 0208-33-007-011 Pocket

19. WHEREAS, Brian Drewes was appointed as the Plumbing Sub Code Official in April 2019 for the Borough of Cresskill; and

WHEREAS, Brian Drewes has also been assigned the duties of Mechanical Sub Code Inspector by the Construction Official; and

WHEREAS, the Construction Code Official recommends Brian Drewes receive an increase for the additional duties as Mechanical Sub Code Inspector; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council agree that the salary of \$16,000.00 annually be approved for the additional duties.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Cresskill does hereby approve Brian Drewes salary increase, effective January 1, 2020 for the positions of Cresskill Plumbing Sub Code Inspector and Mechanical Sub Code Inspector for the Borough of Cresskill.

20. BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that the following employees be approved for part time seasonal help as Laborers in the Public Works Department at a salary of \$13.50 per hour.

Anthony Guercio - effective October 20, 2020

Alfred Hess - effective October 21, 2020

21. Cancelling Balances of Completed General Capital Improvement Authorization

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.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Cancel To Account
	General Improvements		
16-12-1491 17-03-1497 19-18-1549	Acquisition of Property Acquisition of Property – BOE Upgrading DPW Fuel Station	\$ 46,207.06 \$ 12,965.49 \$ 3,103.00 \$ 62,275.55	Fund Balance Reserve for Bonds Deferred Charges-Unfunded

22. WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill on December 4, 2019 adopted Resolution No. 13 awarding a bid for the Merritt Fieldhouse to Security Structures Inc. in the amount of \$428,740.00; and

WHEREAS, Security Structures Inc. has requested payment for the current work completed to date; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer of Special Projects, Maser Consulting by way of letter dated October 12, 2020 (a copy of which is attached) has certified that the work is

completed as stated and recommends progress payment #4 in the amount of \$99,234.80; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cresskill that the Borough Treasurer is authorized to make progress payment #4 to Security Structures in the amount of \$99,234.80.

Original Contract Amount	\$ 428,740.00
Change Order to Date	\$ 27,978.00
Adjusted Contract Amount	\$ 456,718.00
Amount Completed to Date	\$ 398,259.00
Less 2% Retainage	\$ (7,965.18)
Subtotal	\$ 390,293.82
Less Progress Payment #1	\$ (22,814.40)
Less Progress Payment #2	\$ (194,971.98)
Less Progress Payment #3	\$ (73,272.64)
Amount due progress Payment #4	\$ 99,234.80

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

- 23. No one wished to be heard.
- 24. 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.

25. 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 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.

26. 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

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

(Resolution in full on pages 154A through 154G.)

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.]

28.	Council Member Mueller thanked Council Member Savas for all the work she put in over the years creating the position of Director of Parks and Recreation.		
	No one else w	vished to be heard.	
29.	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.
30.	O. Motion at 7:56 P.M. by Council Member Savas and seconded by Council Member Cle to adjourn the meeting.		
	Roll Call:	Yes – Unanimous.	Motion adopted.
Bened Mayor	ict Romeo		
			Francesca Maragliano Borough Clerk