

**STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER:
STATEMENT OF
ADVERTISEMENT: Notice of this meeting has been provided to the Courier Post, and Record Breeze
PRAYER & PLEDGE: along with being posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board
OF ALLEGIANCE: stating the time and place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL: ROLL CALL:
PRESENT
MAYOR THOMAS D. ANGELUCCI
JOHN GENTLESS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT
PHIL MESISCA, COUNCILMAN
JULIE GALEZNIAK, COUNCILWOMAN
WALT BAXTER, COUNCILMAN
STEVE VENUTO, COUNCILMAN
JEFFREY BARON, SOLICITOR
JOHN D. KEENAN, JR. BOROUGH CLERK
ABSENT
MATT REBECCA, COUNCILMAN (WORK)

PRESENTATION: Fire Chief Mike Meyers made a presented a plaque to Mayor and Council for their
service and support.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC: Meeting is opened to the public for a maximum of 10 minutes to discuss anything
appearing on tonight's agenda. You may also speak at the end of the meeting
under Good and Welfare.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 02, 2007 Reorganization Meeting
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak with
all ayes on the vote, the minutes were approved.

January 04, 2007 Agenda Meeting
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman S. Venuto with all
ayes on the vote, the minutes were approved.

January 09, 2007 Regular Meeting
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak with
all ayes on the vote, the minutes were approved.

REPORTS:
FINANCE &
REVENUE: Councilman John Gentless read the report as submitted by the CFO as follows:
BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2007 \$2,528,268.34
Total Receipts 1,312,147.89
Total Disbursements 1,403,201.65
BALANCE JANUARY 31, 2007 2,437,214.58
SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNT BALANCES JANUARY 31, 2007
Municipal Alliance 31,567.54
Animal Control 7,059.44
Public Assistance I 2,400.13
K-9 617.35
General Capital 1,285,753.58
Developers Escrow 10,217.62
POAA 1,388.20
Special Law Enforcement Trust 9,235.61
UCC/LEA Trust 38,068.26
Uniform Fire Safety 8,539.68

Tax Title Lien 274,242.31
 Trust Other 26,225.67

He also gave Tree Grant status on the three (3) Grants received to date.

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

Councilman P. Mesisca read the Ambulance report as submitted by the Ambulance Association as follows:

The Volunteer Crew responded to eighteen (18) Alarms. The Paid Crew responded to sixty-four (64) calls and held one drill for the month of January, 2007.

He also read the Fire Department report submitted by the Fire Captain as follows:

The Fire Department responded to thirty-seven Alarms and held three (3) drills for the month of January, 2007.

PUBLIC EVENTS:

Councilman Matt Rebecca was absent and Councilwoman J. Galezniak reported that Councilman Rebecca is working with the committee to start reserving dates for events. She also read a Thank You note from Karen Jennings.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Councilman Steve Venuto read the Police Activity for the month of January, 2007 as submitted by Police Chief as follows:

Adult Arrests	50	Juvenile Arrests	05
Assaults to Police	--	Simple Assault Complaints	04
Criminal Mischief Complaints	06	Harassment Complaints	08
Other Investigations & Complaints	35	Burglaries	02
Robberies	03	Thefts \$26,642.00	17
Stolen Property Recovered	\$3,187.	Motor Vehicle Thefts	01
DWI Arrests	07	Narcotics Arrests	12
Traffic Summonses issued	382	Motor Vehicle Accidents	19
Injuries from car accidents	04	Alarm Activations	28
Manpower hours worked	2140	Total crime reports taken	87
Total Calls for Police Service	671		

PUBLIC WORKS & LIGHTING:

Councilwoman Julie Galezniak reported that all the plows were ready for the snow. The Christmas trees are done being picked up, and the leaf machine service is being done to be sure the machines are ready for Fall 2007. A clean up is being done by the Girl Scouts. Municipal Alliance funding has been approved for this year.

ORDINANCE & PROPERTY:

Councilman Walt Baxter reported that there are five (5) Ordinances and twenty (22) Resolutions on for tonight's meeting. The Department of Public Works painted the hallways in the court and fixed the bathroom door. He also reported that the new Park equipment has arrived.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ord.2007:01

Ordinance 2007:01 – Rate CAP Ordinance 3.5%

Clerk presented proof of publication. Meeting was opened to the public and after ample time and no questions were asked, the meeting was closed to the public. Motion to finally adopt was made by Councilman W. Baxter, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak, with all eyes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes	Councilman W. Baxter	yes
Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman P. Mesisca	yes
Councilman S. Venuto	yes	Councilman M. Rebecca	absent

ORDINANCE 2007:01

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford in the County of Camden, finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY2007 budget by up and 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby determines that a 1% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$29,333.66 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, THE Mayor and Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, in the County of Camden, a majority of the full authorized membership of the governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY2007 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Stratford shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 1%, amounting to \$29,333.66 and that the CY2007 municipal budget for the Borough of Stratford be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced to be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Mayor Thomas D. Angelucci

Attest:

John D. Keenan, Jr., Borough Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at the meeting of the Governing Body held on the 9th of January, 2007 and will be considered for final passage on the 13th day of February, 2007 at a meeting at the Stratford Justice Facility, 315 Union Avenue, Stratford, NJ,.

John D. Keenan, Jr., RMC

Ord.2007:02

Ordinance 2007:02 – Amending Bond Ordinance 2005:16

Clerk presented proof of publication. Meeting was opened to the public and after ample time and no questions were asked, the meeting was closed to the public. Motion to finally adopt was made by Councilman S. Venuto, seconded by Councilwoman P. Mesisca, with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes	Councilman W. Baxter	yes
Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman P. Mesisca	yes
Councilman S. Venuto	yes	Councilman M. Rebecca	absent

ORDINANCE 2007:02

AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE 2005:16

FINALLY ADOPTED ON JUNE 14, 2005

AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 2005:18

FINALLY ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2005

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), as follows:

Section 1. Section 3, Item (a) of Bond Ordinance Number 2005:16 adopted on June 14, 2005. Appropriating the Amount of \$2,100,000.00 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,000,000.00 Bonds or Notes of Financing (the "Ordinance") is hereby amended to read as follows:

Purpose	Appropriation & Estimate Cost or Notes	Period of Maximum Amount of Bonds	Average Period of Usefulness
Roadway Reconstruction Including curbs And handicap Ramps	\$1,983,000.00	1,884,904.00	10 years
New Ford Crown Victoria Police Vehicle	\$ 32,000.00	32,000.00	10 years
New Ford Dump Truck for Public Works	\$ 40,000.00	38,096.00	10 years
Computer Hardware Software Installation.	\$ 20,000.00	20,000.00	10 years
Air Conditioning Replacement at Senior Hall	\$ 15,000.00	15,000.00	10 years
Matching NJ CSIP Maintenance Grant Match	\$ 10,000.00	\$10,000.00	5 years

Section 2. All other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain unchanged.

Section 3. This Bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Thomas D. Angelucci, Mayor

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body held on the 9th day of January, 2007 and will be considered for final passage on the 13th day of February, 2007 at a meeting at the Stratford Justice Facility, 315 Union Avenue, Stratford, NJ.

John D. Keenan, Jr., R.M.C.

Ord.2007:03

Ordinance 2007:03 – Amend Borough Code 2.04 Councilmanic Departments
 Clerk presented proof of publication. Meeting was opened to the public and after ample time and no questions were asked, the meeting was closed to the public. Motion to finally adopt was made by Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak, with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes	Councilman W. Baxter	yes
Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman P. Mesisca	yes
Councilman S. Venuto	yes	Councilman M. Rebecca	absent

ORDINANCE 2007:03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BOROUGH CODE 2.04 COUNCILMANIC DEPARTMENTS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to amend Borough Code 2.04 Councilmanic Departments as follows:

SECTION 1. Amend the Section 2.040.010 Departments enumerated. To read as follows:

The Councilmanic Departments are determined to be:

- A. Department of finance and revenue (Library);
- B. Department of public works and lighting;
- C. Department of police;
- D. Department of Emergency Services
- E. Department of ordinance (license and inspection) and property (parks and recreation);
- F. Department of public events.

SECTION 2.

Repealer

All ordinances and provisions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3:

Severable

If any section, subsection or part, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, such section, subsection, part, clause or phrase shall be deemed to be severable from the remainder of the ordinance.

SECTION 4:

When Effective

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication as required by law.

Mayor Thomas D. Angelucci

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, John D. Keenan, Jr., Clerk of the Borough of Stratford, do hereby certify the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and approval at a Regular meeting held of Stratford Borough Council held on the 9th day of January, 2007, and will be considered for final passage after a public hearing at a meeting of Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford to be held on the 13th day of February, 2007 at 8:00 pm.

John D. Keenan, Jr., R.M.C.

Res.2007:23

Resolution 2007:23 – Economic Development Commission Appointment

On motion of Councilman S. Venuto, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak with all eyes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:23

WHEREAS, there exist a vacancy on the Economic Development Commission;
WHEREAS, an appointment is required to fill the term to expire on December 31, 2008;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to appoint Terry Harmer to the Economic Development Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS:

Res.2007:30

Resolution 2007:30 – Change Order #4 – Vassar Avenue

On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman S. Venuto with all eyes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:30

CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 (FINAL)

WHEREAS, it was necessary to make changes in the scope of work to be done in completing the Year 2005 Street Improvement Program (Vassar Avenue & Colby Avenue) (Funded by the NJDOT FY2004 and FY2005 and CDGB YR26 and YR27) in the Borough of Stratford, Camden County, New Jersey;
WHEREAS, Change Order No. 4 (Final) was developed to itemize and authorize those changes.
WHEREAS, certification has been received by the Treasurer/Finance Director that sufficient funds have been allocated for this Change Order;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Stratford that Change Order No.4 (Final) is hereby authorized and approval is hereby granted to revise the contract amount from \$662,441.13 to \$651,261.50 (decrease of \$11,179.63).

- Res.2007:31 Resolution 2007:31 – Authorize and Endorse 2006 Recycling Grant Application
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak with all ayes on the vote.

**RESOLUTION 2007:31
TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L. 1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to Implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants for the calendar year 2007 will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of Stratford Borough Council to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

WHEREAS, such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that Stratford hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates John Keenan, to ensure that the application is properly files; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purpose of recycling.

- Res.2007:32 Resolution 2007:32 – Close Office December 24 and 31, 2007
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak with all ayes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:32

WHEREAS, the seasonal Holiday of December 25, 2007 and January 1, 2008 are on Tuesday, and;

WHEREAS, the Borough finds it more practical to close the offices on the Monday before the holidays;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council to have the Administrative Offices, Public Works, and Municipal Court closed on Monday, December 24th and December 31st ;

FURTHERMORE, BE ITR ESOLVED that the employees are able to use their vacation, comp, or personal time for these days in order to get paid.

- Res.2007:33 Resolution 2007:33 – Authorize Engineer to Design, Spec and Bid Parking Lot
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman S. Venuto with all ayes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:33

WHEREAS, the Borough has demolished the old fire hall complex allowing space for a new parking lot; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has provided the Governing Body with a plan for a new parking lot; and

WHEREAS, feedback was received from the Governing Body and the Fire Chief regarding certain issues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to authorize the Borough Engineer to design, create bid specs and advertise the new parking lot project.

Res.2007:34 Resolution 2007:34– CDBG Yr. 29 Project Designation – Washington Avenue
On motion of Councilwoman J. Galezniak, seconded by Councilman W. Baxter with all ayes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:34

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford is entitled to Community Development Block Grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to submit an application for Program Year 29 (2007-2008); and

WHEREAS, the grant allocation for YEAR 29 (2007-2009) for the Borough of Stratford is \$32,904.00; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has agreed to apply for funding for the following activity:

WASHINGTON AVENUE

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the project Description Form for Program Year 29 (2007-2008).

Res.2007:35 Resolution 2007:35 – Public Sale 1995 Mitsubishi Galant and Samsung 42”Plasma TV
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman S. Venuto with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman S. Venuto	yes
Councilman P. Mesisca	yes	Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes
Councilman M. Rebecca	absent	Councilman W. Baxter	yes

RESOLUTION 2007:35

WHEREAS, the Borough Police Department has possession of property from criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has no use for this property; and

WHEREAS, the following property is recommended by the Police Chief for Public Sale:

1995 Mitsubishi Galant	VIN 4A3AJ56G9SE043886	\$250.00
42” Samsung Plasma TV		\$800.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to authorize the Clerk to hold a Public Sale to liquidate these items on February 26, 2006 at 7:30 PM at the Stratford Justice Facility, 315 Union Avenue, Stratford, NJ.

Res.2007:36 Resolution 2007:36 – Endorse Safe and Secure Grant 2007
On motion of Councilman S. Venuto, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak with all ayes on the vote.

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM
RESOLUTION OF PARTICIPATION**

2007:37

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford wishes to apply for a project under the Safe and Secure Communities Program, and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has reviewed the application and has approved said request, and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Applicant Local Unit of Government, for the purpose described in the application;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council that

1. As a matter of public policy the Applicant’s Unit of Government wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
2. The Attorney General of New Jersey will receive funds on behalf of the Applicant.

- 3. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipts and review of the applications for said funds.
- 4. The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to the applicant as authorized by law.

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM
CERTIFICATION OF RECORDING OFFICER**

This is to certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution which was duly and regularly introduced and finally adopted at the meeting of the Stratford Borough Council held on the 13th day of February, 2007 and duly recorded in my office; that all requirements of law pertaining to the conduct of said meeting and the passage of this resolution were observed; and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

DATED: This 13th day of February, 2007

SEAL

Signature of Certifying Officer

Title of Certifying Officer

Grant #P-_____

Name of Certifying Officer

- Res.2007:37 Resolution 2007:37 – Authorize Execution of Material Certification Form
On motion of Councilwoman J. Galezniak, seconded by Councilman J. Gentless with all ayes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:37

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford disposes of leaves at the Gloucester Township Compost Facility; and
WHEREAS, annually the Borough must sign a Material Certification Form certifying materials being disposed of at the site,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to authorize the Mayor and Borough Clerk to sign the Material Certification Form for the Gloucester Township Municipal Utilities Authority Leaf and Grass Composting Facility.

- Ord.2007:04 Ordinance 2007:04 - Amend Chapter 6.04 – Increase Dog Fees to \$15.00
The Ordinance was read by title. A motion was made to approve on the first reading by Councilman S. Venuto, seconded by Councilman J. Gentless with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman S. Venuto	yes
Councilman P. Mesisca	yes	Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes
Councilman M. Rebecca	absent	Councilman W. Baxter	yes

MOTION CARRIED

- Res.2007:38 Resolution 2007:38 – Public Hearing for Ordinance 2007:04
On motion of Councilwoman J. Galezniak, seconded by Councilman J. Gentless with all ayes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:38

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 2007:04

BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Members of Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the 13th day of March, 2007 8:00 PM be set for the date and time of the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2007:04 and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that final reading and adoption shall be set for the 13th day of March, 2007 at 8:00 PM.

- Ord.2007:05 Ordinance 2007:05 – Amend Chapter 10.16 – Prohibit Motor Homes
R-2 Zone Parking in Front Driveway Only

The Ordinance was read by title. A motion was made to approve on the first reading by Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman S. Venuto with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman S. Venuto	yes
Councilman P. Mesisca	yes	Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes
Councilman M. Rebecca	absent	Councilman W. Baxter	yes

MOTION CARRIED

Res.2007:39 Resolution 2007:39 – Public Hearing for Ordinance 2007:05
On motion of Councilwoman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman W. Baxter with all ayes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:39

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 2007:05

BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Members of Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the 13th day of March, 2007 8:00 PM be set for the date and time of the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2007:05 and; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that final reading and adoption shall be set for the 13th day of March, 2007 at 8:00 PM.

Res.2007:40 Resolution 2007:40 – Provisional Appointment of Deputy Court Administrator
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman P. Mesisca with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman S. Venuto	yes
Councilman P. Mesisca	yes	Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes
Councilman M. Rebecca	absent	Councilman W. Baxter	yes

RESOLUTION 2007:40

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has a vacancy of a Court Administrator; and WHEREAS, the position is currently posted with the Department of Personnel for the Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the current Deputy Court Administrator has been provisionally appointed as the Court Administrator pending the Civil Service process for the new appointment; and WHEREAS, pending the Civil Service process for the position of Court Administrator the Court Office is in need of a provisional Deputy Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee Director Councilman Gentless has interviewed and makes the recommendation of appointment of Christina Rauer-Clement as Provisional Deputy Court Administrator pending the successful placement of the previous Deputy Court Administrator to the position of Court Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the rate of pay will be \$15.00 an hour for the provisional position;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford to appoint Kristina Rauer-Clement as Provisional Deputy Court Administrator at the rate of pay of \$15.00 an hour.

Res.2007:41 Resolution 2007:41 – Authorize Clerk to Sell 1978 Young Fire Pumper at Public Auction
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman S. Venuto with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman S. Venuto	yes
Councilman P. Mesisca	yes	Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes
Councilman M. Rebecca	absent	Councilman W. Baxter	yes

RESOLUTION 2007:41

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has committed to purchasing a new Fire Pumper for the Stratford Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has no use for the old Fire Pumper which the new one will replace; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief has recommended the Public Sale of the following vehicle:

1978 Ford Chassis Cab Pumper VIN D80DVAJ9183 Min. Bid \$15,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford to authorize the Clerk to sell at Public Auction the 1978 Fire Pumper listed above for a minimum price of \$15,000.

Res.2007:42 Resolution 2007:42 – Authorize Participation in State Cross Acceptance Process
On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilwoman J. Galezniak with all ayes on the vote.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION OF
STARTFORD BOROUGH IN THE STATE
DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT PLAN
CROSS-ACCEPTANCE PROCESS**

RESOLUTION 2007:42

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act of 1985 (N.J.S.A. 52:18A-196 et. seq.) created a State Planning Commission and an Office of Smart Growth for the purpose of establishing a cooperative planning process that involves the full participation of state, county and local governments; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act states that New Jersey needs integrated and coordinated planning in order to conserve its natural resources, to revitalize its urban centers, to provide affordable housing and adequate public facilities at a reasonable cost, to promote equal social and economic opportunity for New Jersey's citizens, and to prevent sprawl and promote the suitable use of land; and

WHEREAS, the primary duty and responsibility of the State Planning Commission under the State Planning Act is the preparation of a State Development and Redevelopment Plan" (or State Plan); and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act also provides that the State's municipalities are to have an essential role in the development of the State Plan through their participation in the Cross-acceptance process to be conducted under the Act; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Commission released a Preliminary State Plan and Map on April 28, 2004, thus beginning the Cross-acceptance process; and

WHEREAS, the Cross-acceptance process is the primary vehicle under the Act for promoting vertical coordination and integration of state, county and local plans by affording county and municipal governments a full and open opportunity to be involved in reconciling inconsistencies between state and local policies; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Camden County has concluded that it is appropriate, necessary and in the County's interest to fully participate in the development of the State Plan through the full and active participation of the County government, including its Planning Board, in the Cross-acceptance process as the designated county negotiation entity; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Commission unilaterally amended the Preliminary State Planning Map without proper notice and procedure on July 19, 2006 and again on August 1, 2006 and compelled all municipalities and counties to re-open the Cross-acceptance map comparison phase and to amend their local Cross-acceptance Reports and county Negotiation Reports; and

WHEREAS, the Camden County Planning Board has agreed, under protest, to provide Camden County municipalities with information about the Commission's amendments to the Preliminary State Plan Map and its staff's recommendations as to the applicability of the Commission's proposed map amendments, and to amend its County Negotiation Report to reflect these map amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Stratford Borough has concluded that it is necessary in the municipal interest to provide comment on these map amendments and to fully participate in the development of the State Plan through the full and active participation of the Municipal government, including in particular its Planning Board, in the Cross-acceptance process,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning Board of Stratford Borough of the County of Camden, as follows:

1. That the Stratford Municipal Planning Board is hereby authorized and directed to carry out the Cross-acceptance process pursuant to the State Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 52:18A-196 et.seq. and the State Planning Rules, N.J.A.C. 17:32 and any other rules promulgated by the State Planning Commission for this purpose;
2. That the Stratford Municipal Planning Board shall coordinate with the Camden County Planning Board in its preparation their preparation of an amended County Negotiation Report;
3. That a copy of this resolution, with any other pertinent information, be sent to the Camden County Planning Board for inclusion in the County’s amended Negotiation Report.

CFO RESOLUTIONS:

Res.2007:43 Resolution 2007:43 – Refund Tax Overpayment B. 6, L. 1-2 \$1387.50

RESOLUTION 2007:43

WHEREAS, an overpayment was received in the Tax Collector’s office for Block 6, Lot 1 – 2 Cooper Avenue;
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that the amount of \$1,387.50 be disbursed to John Merlino for the overpayment.

Res.2007:44 Resolution 2007:44 – Refund Tax Overpayment B. 13, L. 14 \$1316.38

RESOLUTION 2007:44

WHEREAS, an overpayment was received in the Tax Collector’s office Block 13, Lot 14 – 113 Wright Avenue;
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that them amount of \$1,316.38 be disbursed to David Roi for the overpayment.

Res.2007:45 Resolution 2007:45 – Apply Tax Overpayment to 2007 Tax B. 14, L. 8

WHEREAS, an overpayment was received in the Tax Collector’s office for Block 14, Lot 8 – 112 Wright Avenue;
 WHEREAS, Yvonne Damiani, the property owner, requested the overpayment be applied to 1st and 2nd quarter taxes in 2007;
 WHEREAS, the total overpayment was in the amount of \$1,396.84, the Borough of Stratford will apply \$1,293.92 to the 1st quarter 2007 and \$102.92 to the 2nd quarter 2007.
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that the overpayment in the amount of \$1,396.84 be applied to open 2007 taxes.

Res.2007:46 Resolution 2007:46 – Refund Tax Overpayment B. 73, L. 2 \$1557.20

RESOLUTION 2007:45

WHEREAS, an overpayment was received in the Tax Collector’s office for Block 73, Lot 2 – 34 Swarthmore Avenue;
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that the amount of \$1,557.20 be disbursed to Debra Rybeck for this overpayment.

On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman W. Baxter for all CFO resolutions and with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman S. Venuto	yes
Councilman P. Mesisca	yes	Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes
Councilman M. Rebecca	absent	Councilman W. Baxter	yes

Res.2007:47 Resolution 2007:47 – Accepting \$1000. Intl. Assoc. of Chiefs of Police Grant

On motion of Councilman S. Venuto, seconded by Councilman W. Baxter with all ayes on the vote.

RESOLUTION 2007:47

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police of the Borough of Stratford has applied for a Grant from the International Association of Police Chiefs for \$1000.00; and
 WHEREAS, the Grant will be utilized for Sex Crimes Training of the Stratford Police Department; and

AN BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body enthusiastically endorses *NEA's Read Across America* and *Read Across America-NJ*, and recommits our community to engage in programs and activities to make America's children the best readers in the world.

Mayor Thomas D. Angelucci
February 13, 2007

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Be it resolved to approve payment of bills numbered from #16527 to #16638; Animal Control #1192 to #1195.

On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman S. Venuto with all ayes on the roll call vote as follows:

Councilman J. Gentless	yes	Councilman S. Venuto	yes
Councilman P. Mesisca	yes	Councilwoman J. Galezniak	yes
Councilman M. Rebecca	absent	Councilman W. Baxter	yes

GOOD AND WELFARE: -Susan Overpeck of Webster Avenue asked is she could put a box at the Borough Hall for the collection of Silly String and other items for the troops. The Mayor stated there would be no problem.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of Councilman J. Gentless, seconded by Councilman P. Mesisca with all ayes on the vote, the meeting was cancelled.

John D. Keenan, Jr., Borough Clerk