

STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
AGENDA MEETING AGENDA
AUGUST 9, 2018
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT:

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR JOSH KEENAN
COUNCIL PRESIDENT FRANK HARTMAN
TOM COLLINS, COUNCILMAN
PATRICK GILLIGAN, COUNCILMAN
PATRICK GREEN, COUNCILMAN
LINDA HALL, COUNCILWOMAN

TINA LOMANNO, COUNCILWOMAN
ALEN ARNAUTOVIC, SOLICITOR
MARK BASHORE, BOROUGH ENGINEER
RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF
BEN ANGELI, BOROUGH CLERK

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

POLICE REPORT:

ENGINEER REPORT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

APRIL 5, 2018	AGENDA MEETING
APRIL 10, 2018	REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 10, 2018	EXECUTIVE SESSION
JUNE 7, 2018	AGENDA MEETING
JUNE 7, 2018	EXECUTIVE SESSION

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

REPORT #1	SALARY ORDINANCE SECOND READING ON TUESDAY
REPORT #2	INTRO OF NEW AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE ON TUESDAY
REPORT #3	DISCUSS ORDINANCES FOR CLASS 3 OFFICERS AND INCREASING FINES
REPORT #4	DISCUSS FEE SCHEDULE ORDINANCE
REPORT #5	VETERANS HOME AT VINELAND DONATIONS
REPORT #7	WORD FELLOWSHIP VOLUNTEER WORK

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTIONS 2018:157 THROUGH 2018:167 WILL BE DONE AS A CONSENT AGENDA
Council can at this time request to remove any of the resolutions from the consent agenda and they can be voted on separately.

RES. 2018:157 APPLY OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES TO THIRD QUARTER

- RES. 2018:158 CANCEL TAXES BILLED AND ADD PROPERTY TO EXEMPT LIST
- RES. 2018:159 REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT
- RES. 2018:160 REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT
- RES. 2018:161 APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS CLASS II
(PATRICK DIETZ, MICHAEL WILLIAMS)
- RES. 2018:162 AWARD ELECTRIC CONTRACT THROUGH SOUTH JERSEY POWER
COOPERATIVE
- RES. 2018:163 REFUND TAX PAYMENT AND ADD PROPERTY TO EXEMPT LIST
- RES. 2018:164 AUTHORIZE TREE REMOVAL SERVICES WITH A CUT ABOVE LLC (\$4,850.00)
- RES. 2018:165 AUTHORIZE RELEASE OF CERTAIN EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING
MINUTES
- RES. 2018:166 AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT FOR DEER CARCASS REMOVAL THROUGH
COUNTY OF CAMDEN COOPERATIVE
- RES. 2018:167 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC
MEETINGS ACT, NJSA 10:4-12
These items are for #7 of the Executive Session Resolution for matters relating to
litigation, negotiations, and the Attorney-Client Privilege. The approximate time of this
session should be 30 minutes. Action may be taken after the session.

FIREMAN APPLICATION:

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

GOOD AND WELFARE:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURN:

RESOLUTION 2018:157

APPLY OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES TO THIRD QUARTER

WHEREAS, Trimont Real Estate Advisors is the owner of record for Block 62, Lot 2 – 222 S White Horse Pike;

WHEREAS, Trimont Real Estate Advisors paid two payments of \$529.75 for the 1st & 2nd quarters of 2018 to Block 62 Lot 2 BLDG in error;

WHEREAS, Trimont Real Estate Advisors has requested the total payments made in error for Block 62, Lot BLDG be applied to the 3rd quarter of Block 62, Lot 2;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council that the tax credit of \$1,059.50 be applied from Block 62, Lot 2 BLDG to Block 62, Lot 2.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018:158

CANCEL TAXES BILLED AND ADD PROPERTY TO EXEMPT LIST

WHEREAS, an application has been received from Michael F. McCurdy at 19 Rolling Road, Block 102, Lot 10, for an exemption from the payment of property taxes; and

WHEREAS, Michael F. McCurdy suffered from a service-connected disability and has been declared 100% permanently and totally disabled by the U.S. Veterans Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has determined that Michael F McCurdy. has submitted the required documentation and is entitled to an exemption from property taxes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to place Mr. McCurdy's property on the Exempt Property List effective January 1, 2018.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that property taxes billed for the 3rd & 4th quarter 2018 in the amount of \$3,689.03 be canceled.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018:159

REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, an overpayment was received in the Tax Collector's office for Block 91, Lot 10 - 18 Green Tree Road for the 4th quarter 2018;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford the amount of \$275.73 be disbursed to Frank E & Barbara J Hartman for the overpayment.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018:160

REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, an overpayment was received in the Tax Collector's office for Block 102, Lot 10 - 19 Rolling Road for the 2nd & 4th quarter 2018;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford the amount of \$550.46 be disbursed to Michael and Maria McCurdy for the overpayment.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018:161

APPOINTMENT OF – SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS CLASS II

Whereas, the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford finds that for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Municipality, that the appointment of Special Law Enforcement Officers Class II's are required to assist the regular police force of the Borough of Stratford. And whereas a Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers is required to serve the Stratford School District as a School Resource Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford to appoint as Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers in accordance with 40A:14-146.14

Patrick Dietz (Trainee) to attend the Gloucester County Police Academy

Michael Williams

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2017-162

AWARD ELECTRIC CONTRACT THROUGH SOUTH JERSEY POWER COOPERATIVE

WHEREAS, the Camden County South Jersey Power Cooperative publicly advertised bids for the purpose of procuring electric energy services and received bids in July, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Direct Energy Business, LLC refuses to honor it's bid prices for Bid Groups 1,2,3,4,5, and 6; and

WHEREAS, Aggressive Energy, the second low bidder for group 6 is above the Price to Compare; and

WHEREAS, Aggressive Energy, the low bidder for group 7 refuses to honor it's bid prices for Group 7; and

WHEREAS, Constellation New Energy, Inc is the second lowest responsible bidder for electric generation service for groups 1,2,4 and 7 for a term of 24 months at the following rates:

Group 1 - \$07289 per kWh
Group 4 - \$04569 per kWh

Group 2- \$07774 per kWh
Group 7 - \$07197 per kWh

And

WHEREAS, South Jersey Energy Company is the lowest responsible bidder for electric generation service for groups 3 and 5 for a term of 24 months at the following rates:

Group 3 - \$08132 per kWh

Group 5- \$09272 per kWh

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford to execute all documents necessary to effect the agreement described herein with Constellation New Energy, Inc., 100 Constellation Way, Baltimore, MD and South Jersey Energy Company, One North White Horse Pike, P.O. Box 152, Hammonton, NJ, be and the same awarded by the Camden County Freeholders.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, hereby certify the above noted Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Governing Body on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018:163

CANCEL TAXES BILLED AND ADD PROPERTY TO EXEMPT LIST

WHEREAS, an application has been received from Gregory L Mirenda at 93 Saratoga Road, Block 87.03, Lot 22, for an exemption from the payment of property taxes; and

WHEREAS, Gregory L Mirenda suffered from a service-connected disability and has been declared 100% permanently and totally disabled by the U.S. Veterans Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has determined that Gregory L Mirenda. has submitted the required documentation and is entitled to an exemption from property taxes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to place Mr. Mirenda's property on the Exempt Property List effective May 29, 2018.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that property taxes billed for the 2nd, 3rd, & 4th quarter 2018 in the amount of \$4,834.69 be canceled and the amount of \$2,785.54 refunded to Gregory L Mirenda.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018:164

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TREE REMOVAL SERVICES
WITH A CUT ABOVE LLC.**

WHEREAS, the Borough was in need of third-party tree removal services for trees located on Borough property or in the Borough right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Borough obtained two (2) quotes for the tree removal services, the lowest of which was \$4850.00 from A Cut Above, LLC, located at 84 Kelly Driver Rd. Clementon, New Jersey 08021; and

WHEREAS, the monetary amount for the tree removal services was below the bid threshold, thus exempting them from formal bidding under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the tree removal services are necessary to promote the public health, safety and welfare in the Borough of Stratford.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden and State of New Jersey that the tree removal services performed by A Cut Above LLC in the amount of \$4850.00 is hereby approved.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018:165

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF CERTAIN EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES

WHEREAS, the Stratford Council, as permitted by the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, *et seq.* conducts portions of municipal meetings closed to the public from time to time if permitted by one of the enumerated exceptions in the law; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, the Borough Council conducted such meetings on the following topics:

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Exemption:</u>	<u>Topic</u>
April 10, 2018	Personnel/Litigation	Litigation concerning Colby Rd and Laurel Mills Employee matters
June 7, 2018	Security issues, and purchase Personnel	Swim club purchase, School security, employee matters

* Redactions remain on minutes to be released. Attorney to annually review minutes to determine when/if information may be released.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, minutes of closed session meetings must be released to the public when:

- With respect to litigation, negotiations, collective bargaining and attorney-client privileged matters, at the conclusion of said litigation or negotiations where, in the opinion of the solicitor, release is appropriate and will not compromise the Borough's ability to engage in future negotiation, reveal litigation tactics or otherwise violate the attorney-client privilege;
- With respect to the acquisition of property at such time as the property is acquired or the acquisition is abandoned;
- With regard to personnel and/or employment relationship matters at such time as the affected employee shall authorize the release of such information, and/or in accordance with South Jersey Pub. Co. v. N.J. Expressway Auth., 124 N.J. 478 (1991);
- With respect to matters required by law to be confidential, public safety, which may affect the receipt of government funds or the imposition of a penalty at such time as the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

WHEREAS, the Borough Solicitor reviewed the minutes of closed sessions involving the matters identified above and authorizes release of same, recognizing that certain matters continue to remain confidential for the reasons indicated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that Executive Session Meetings heretofore held on the foregoing subjects be and they are hereby released to the public unless redactions have been identified by the Borough Solicitor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Solicitor shall review the above-indicated minutes annually to determine if the need for confidentiality remains and the same shall be released without further action of this Council if and when the Solicitor determines that release is appropriate.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2017:166

DEER CARCASS REMOVAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the County of Camden has received bids for Deer Carcass and Removal Services under the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, System Identifier #57-CCCPS; and

WHEREAS, the only bidder was Deer Carcass Removal Service, LLC of Cream Ridge, NJ for the third (3rd) year option of Bid A25/16 at the rate cost of \$65.00 per deer carcass removal for the term commencing on or about August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford wants to participate in this Camden County Cooperative Agreement for Deer Carcass Removal Service, LLC in the amount of \$65.00 per removal; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Council to authorize the participation with the County of Camden Cooperative Agreement for Deer Carcass Removal Service, LLC of Cream Ridge for the amount of \$65.00 per deer carcass.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018:167

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NJSA 10:4-12

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford is subject to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act*, NJSA 10:4-6 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the *Open Public Meetings Act*, NJSA 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b and designated below:

_____ (1) ***Matters required by Law to be Confidential:*** Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

_____ (2) ***Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds:*** Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.

_____ (3) ***Matters Involving Individual Privacy:*** Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including, but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

_____ (4) ***Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements:*** Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

_____ (5) ***Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds:*** Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

_____ (6) ***Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property:*** Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations of possible violations of the law.

 X (7) ***Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege:***
The topic of discussion is related to Attorney/Client Privilege. These items are for #7 of the Executive Session Resolution for matter relating to litigation, negotiations, and the Attorney-Client Privilege.

_____ (8) *Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship:* Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.

_____ (9) *Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty:* Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party bears responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford, assembled in public session on August 9, 2018 that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on August 9, 2018 at approximately 7:00 p.m. in the Justice Facility, 315 Union Avenue, Stratford, NJ for the discussion of matters relating to the specified items designated above. It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in Closed Session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Governing Body that public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

I, Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on August 9, 2018.

Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk