

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Keenan called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Keenan said the Pledge and an opening prayer.

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT: The Mayor read the following statement:

Notice of this meeting has been provided to the Courier Post and the Central Record and is posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR JOSH KEENAN - PRESENT

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FRANK HARTMAN- PRESENT

TOM COLLINS, COUNCILMAN - PRESENT

PATRICK GILLIGAN, COUNCILMAN - PRESENT

PATRICK GREEN, COUNCILMAN- PRESENT

LINDA HALL, COUNCILWOMAN- ABSENT

TINA LOMANNO, COUNCILWOMAN - PRESENT

ALEN ARNAUTOVIC, SOLICITOR- PRESENT

MARK BASEHORE, BOROUGH ENGINEER- PRESENT

RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF - PRESENT

BEN ANGELI, BOROUGH CLERK - PRESENT

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Hartman motioned to open the public portion on agenda items only. Lomanno seconded the motion, which passed with all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

There were no questions or comments from the public.

Collins motioned to close the public portion for agenda items. Lomanno seconded the motion, which passed with all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Morello gave his report as follows:

**Council Report**  
**July 2018**

- 7/5/18      2 teens were found by police to be highly intoxicated after an afternoon of binge drinking at a home on Arlington avenue. Both teens were transported to the hospital where they had their stomachs pumped. The teenagers were fortunate that police stumbled upon them while performing their patrols.
- 7/6/18      Just after midnight we were called again to the ER for a report of a man brought in who had a gunshot wound to his face. The witness stated that the man was shot in the face on a street corner in Camden City. The victim was in very bad shape and was ultimately medavacced backed to Camden and to Cooper Trauma. This case was turned over to Camden PD.
- 7/15      Extreme Auto on Warwick Road was charged with a host of ordinances after they were found dropping 6 junk cars off of their lot in the parking lot of Incollingos. They had received warnings for running a junk yard so in response they dumed some of their cars in Incollingos behind the illegal industrial work yard the gas company has set up.
- 7/17      Patrol officers began to notice various signs of activity at a vacant house at 124 Stratford Avenue. Therafer we discovered the garage was being used by drug addicts to sleep and do their drug activity. Over a few days, two people were charged with criminal trespassing and drug offenses. DPW later secure the home by screwing the doors shut.
- 7/18      Another overdose in the Burger King bathroom, female from Blackwood revived with a double dose. (8<sup>th</sup> Narcan save this year).
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- 7/19      We were called to a home on Temple Avenue to check on the well-being of an elderly resident whom had not retrieved her oxygen deliver from her door step for a few days. (piling up) Officers knocked, rang the door bell and called the house. All to no avail. Thereafter they found an open window and made entry. The female resident was found in her bed not responsive. As the officers called in the death, they felt the females arm and she sprung out of bed. Alive and well, simply hard of hearing and she was asleep. Apparently she had no immediate need

for her O2 and never brought them inside. Not sure who was more alarmed the elderly female or the young officers.

7/23 In response to a Business License application to run the Desi Pharmacy, I responded to the owner in writing notifying him that I was not recommending his license be issued, since he lacked DEA and NJ DCA approval to operate the location as a pharmacy. He was informed to resubmit his application when his paperwork and security requirement are met.

7/24 During the morning hours, we were called to the Metro PCS store on White Horse Pike for a report of a burglary in progress. Officer arrived and found the front door smashed out. A search of the building discovered the actors were already gone. A review of the video revealed the crime occurred overnight where the actor threw a rock thru the front door and proceeded to pry open the high end phone cabinets making off with thousands of dollars on cell phones. Pretty good video, and a promising lead.

7/24 Same afternoon, down the street, we were called to the PNC Bank for a bank robbery in question. In this case, male actor entered the bank and announced that he was there to rob the bank (but really did not want to do it) Subject had a note and a brown bag in his possession. Bank employees stalled the subject and hit the hold up alarm.....(mix coffee... get away driver...

7/30 During the evening, a burglary occurred at the SJ Pretzel. In this case, while the business was open, a masked man crept in the rear door and made off with the money box from the establishment while other employees were helping customers. A review of the video revealed the actor's build, gait and most of all his sneakers looked familiar (white powder on black sneakers) inside job, an employee was the actor. Detectives located and arrested him the next day. They recovered the money box but the money was spent. Other arrests are expected.

Also this month:

7/1, 15, 31 The owner of 22 West Vassar was charged with about 20 ordinance violations for his property. During the middle of the month,

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a young girl driving down the sidewalk on her bike, was injured when tree branches hanging over the sidewalk cut her face. Needless to say there are some unhappy residents about this property. ✓

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My department handled a car crash at Warwick & Laurel where the driver took out the controller causing \$10K in damage. My department took the lead in filing the claim with the insurance company and ultimately they acknowledged responsibility for the damage. The 10K bill was forwarded to them and the reimbursement is expected anyday.

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~~The Family Dollar~~ code issues reached a breaking point for council and residents of the town. Folks had every right to be upset. My department had to take some warranted radical enforcement efforts to solve the proble, As we spoke about last month Corporate Legal Officers were contacted and within 12 hours of realizing their business license was on the chopping block they responded. Since that moment in time they have been compliant to the point that I'm tired of talking to them. Grass cutting has been regular and ongoing, weeds pulled, dead trees removed, fresh mulch and trash cans were added. I think we resolved this situation for the foreseeable future. Fines were levied in the amount of \$2500.00

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In addition, right up the street at Incollingos, my department engaged to resolve the industrial Camden County Gas Line yard that was set up in the shopping center. What started as a place to stack pipe for the Stratford project turned into a "for profit" 2k per month illegal yard for heavy vehicles, tar, and dirty fill that could not be placed back in the ground. Again, the parties were slow to respond and the property owner sent his very nice letter asking for us to ignore the hazards for the good of the gas company. Obviously safety trumped profits and our enforcement action caused that 6-7 month lease to be cut 6 months short. Now the company has expanded their 6 week project in old Stratford to about 12 weeks beginning in September. ✓

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The State Fire Safety Office had me appear in Trenton to sign another variance package and they appeared for an inspection last Tuesday. Smoke detection system seems to be the cheapest option.

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In the matter of the generator, we are getting closer, it turns out that a slab was required, Thanks to Councilman Collins and DPW, they tackled the project and did a real nice job pouring the pad. Most appreciated.

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ENGINEER REPORT: Mark Basehore read portions of the following Engineers report.



**ENGINEER'S STATUS REPORT  
Borough of Stratford  
August 2018**

**FY 2018 NJDOT Municipal Aid Funding - Sunnybrook Road and Sunnybrook Court**

Update:

- The Notice to Proceed was issued for July 5, 2018.
- Construction is nearly complete. The Contractor is anticipated to complete the speed humps, restoration, and speed humps the week of August 13, 2018.

Previously Reported:

- Our office has submitted for a NJDOT FY 2018 Municipal Aid application for the improvements of Sunnybrook Road and Sunnybrook Court. A resolution for authorization for our office to submit application was passed at the September Council Meeting.
- Application (MA-2018-Resurfacing of Sunnybrook Road & Sun-00413) including the cost estimate, location map, and scope of work description to reflect up to date unit costs was submitted on October 6, 2017 and three (3) certified resolutions were forwarded to NJDOT Local Aid.
- Improvements for these roadways include milling the existing roadway 2" deep with isolated areas of base repair as needed. The entire roadway will be overlaid with 2" Hot Mix Asphalt 9.5M64 Surface Course. Existing concrete curb, driveway aprons, and handicap ramps will be replaced, as needed.
- The Borough has been informed by the NJDOT that it will be receiving \$270,000 for construction and inspection of this project. The Borough is moving forward with this project and is supplementing the NJDOT grant award with \$84,220 from the 2017 Borough Bond. Our office has submitted a April 4, 2018 correspondence delineating the costs for the required inspection and construction management. Our office anticipates construction for spring / summer of 2018.
- The project was publicly advertised for bids.
- The bid opening for this project was held on April 25, 2018. Six (6) bids were received with Arawak Paving Co. with the low bid in the amount of \$221,000.00 for the Base Bid and Add Alternate Bid #1.

- The contract was awarded to Arawak Paving Co. for the Base Bid and Add Alternate Bid #1 contingent upon favorable review by the Borough Solicitor and certification of availability of funds by the Borough CFO.
- A preconstruction meeting was held on Monday, June 4, 2018, at the Borough Municipal Building between Arawak Paving, our office, Stratford Police Chief, Ben Angeli, and a representative of the Stratford Arms Apartments.

**FY 2017 Road Program – Resurfacing of Rolling Road, and Sleepy Hollow Road (STRAT2017-3)**

Update:

- Change Order #2 (Final) has been forwarded to the Borough for approval by resolution. The final contract value is \$202,477.80.

Previously Reported:

- The project consists of resurfacing Rolling Road and Sleepy Hollow Road with select replacement of concrete curb and driveway aprons in addition to traffic striping of Longwood Drive.
  - It is our understanding; the Borough has allocated \$354,220 for roadway improvements for this project.
  - The Bid Opening was held on August 31, 2017. There were three (3) bidders, with the low bidder being Landberg Construction, LLC, P.O. Box 280, Mays Landing, New Jersey, in the amount of \$179,889.30 for the Base Bid and Add Alternate Bid #1.
  - The contract was awarded for the Base Bid and Add Alternate Bid #1 in the amount of \$179,889.30 to Landberg Construction, LLC, and a preconstruction meeting was held on October 26<sup>th</sup>. South Jersey Gas is currently replacing their main within this project area and are expected to be completed the week of November 6<sup>th</sup>. Roadway resurfacing will commence once South Jersey Gas has finished the main replacement.
  - Construction has been substantially complete with only punchlist items remaining to be completed. Our office has prepared a punchlist and is coordinating with the Contractor to address all outstanding items.
  - Payment Application #2 and Change Order #1 have been processed by the Borough. Change Order #1 incorporated additional quantities and supplemental items previously approved by Resolutions 2017:218 and 2018:81.
  - Our office continues to coordinate with the contractor regarding punchlist completion and project closeout.
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## **FY 2018 Road Program – Resurfacing of South Winding Way (STRAT2018-1)**

### Update:

- New Jersey American Water (NJAW) requested the Borough provide correspondence regarding the Borough's intention to resurface Winding Way from Hillside Road to Buttonwood Drive and waive NJAW from any further pavement restoration in this section of Winding Way. As part of this agreement, NJAW would provide trench restoration and repave (curb to curb) on Winding Way from Longwood Drive to Green Valley Road. (Please see attached sketch).

### Previously Reported:

- The Borough is moving forward with this project and has allocated \$250,000 for the roadway improvements.
- Our office has submitted an April 4, 2018 correspondence delineating the costs of the required survey, design, and inspection / construction management.
- Our office has completed the survey of and anticipates public bid and construction for late summer of 2018.
- It the understanding of our office the Borough is considering reallocating the remaining funds (\$92,842.20) from the 2017 Borough Bond towards this project. It is noted that the remaining funds were previously allocated to the Sunnybrook Road and Sunnybrook Court project.
- Our office has submitted a May 8, 2018 correspondence delineating the costs of the required survey, design, and inspection / construction management for included the resurfacing of a section of Coolidge Avenue with this project.
- Our office met with New Jersey American Water (NJAW) regarding pavement restoration repairs along Winding Way from Longwood Drive to Green Valley Road and Winding Way from Hillside Road to Longwood Drive (inclusive of this project limits). We will continue to coordinate with NJAW regarding a solution pavement restoration for all NJAW trenched areas of Winding Way.

## **CDBG 2018 Program Year Application – Resurfacing of Hunt Avenue and Bishop Terrace (STRAT2018-0)**

### Previously Reported:

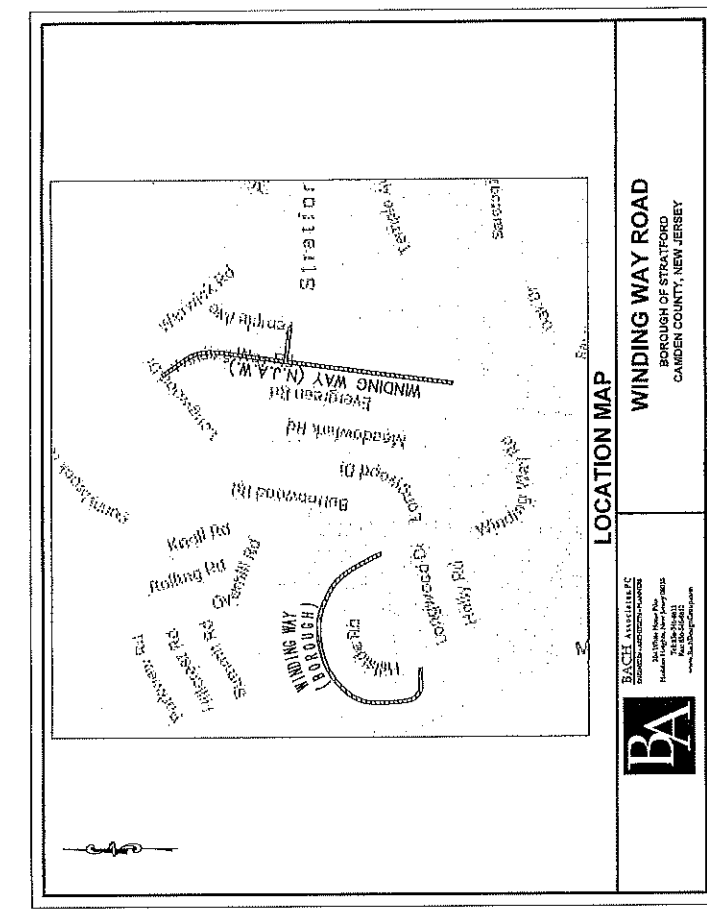
- The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program has notified participating Camden County municipalities of new allocation procedures which include funding projects of larger scale (as high as \$250,000). In addition, not all municipalities will be allocated each year (estimated at 5 to 7 projects).
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- The Borough of Stratford has two (2) areas consisting of Qualified Census Tracts.
- Both Hunt Ave and Bishop Terrace are on the Borough's 2018 road priority listing and are within the Borough's Qualified Census Tracts. Therefore, our office recommended applying to the CDBG program for \$225,900 to resurface these roadways. It is noted that the Borough would be responsible to fund approximately \$7,500 of design costs if successful in obtaining the grant.
- Our office submitted application to CDBG for this project on April 13, 2018.

### FY 2019 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application

#### Update:

- The NJDOT has announced the department will now be accepting applications for the NJDOT FY 2019 Municipal Aid program with a deadline of October 8, 2018. Our office will coordinate with Borough Clerk and representatives of Borough Council to recommend a roadway for this application. A resolution will be required at the September Committee Meeting for submittal with the application on October 8<sup>th</sup>.



Discussion ensued concerning notification procedure for residents when road work is being done. Letters, signs, nixel, eblast and website will be used for notification. Clerk asked Mr. Basehore about the South Jersey Gas road opening permit application and because of the number of openings, should the engineer be involved in the process. Discussion also ensued on time frame for some of the gas company work and when streets were redone.



APRIL 10, 2018  
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REGULAR MEETING  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
AGENDA MEETING  
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Gilligan motioned to approve the minutes and Councilman Hartman seconded the motion. Councilman Green abstained from voting on the minutes which passed with the remaining members present voting in favor in a Roll Call Vote.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: The Clerk spoke briefly on the report items and there was discussion about RICE notice procedures and some information received by the Camden County Department of Health and Human Services concerning enforcement of violation notices that they issue. The Solicitor gave a summary of the RICE process. The Clerk also spoke about the possibility of getting the floor at the Senior Center waxed and about the procedure for holding meetings upstairs and the need for a buzzer of some sort.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTIONS 2018:157 THROUGH 2018:169 WILL BE DONE AS A CONSENT AGENDA

The clerk stated that Council can at this time request to remove any of the resolutions from the consent agenda and they can be voted on separately. There was no request to remove any of the resolutions from the consent agenda and the clerk read the resolutions by title.

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

**RESOLUTION 2018:157**

**APPLY OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES TO THIRD QUARTER**

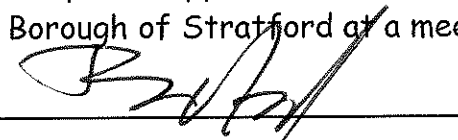
WHEREAS, Trimont Real Estate Advisors is the owner of record for Block 62, Lot 2 – 222 S White Horse Pike;

WHEREAS, Trimont Real Estate Advisors paid two payments of \$529.75 for the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

RES. 2018:158 CANCEL TAXES BILLED AND ADD PROPERTY TO EXEMPT LIST

**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

RES. 2018:159 REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT

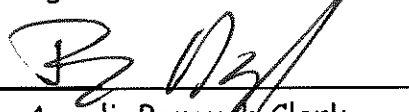
**RESOLUTION 2018:159**

**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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

  
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Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RES. 2018:160      REFUND TAX OVERPAYMENT


**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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

  
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Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

RES. 2018:161      APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS CLASS II  
(PATRICK DIETZ, MICHAEL WILLIAMS)

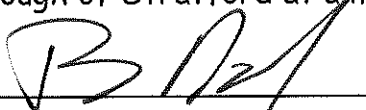
**RESOLUTION 2018:161**  
**APPOINTMENT OF – SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS CLASS II**

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

RES. 2018:162      AWARD ELECTRIC CONTRACT THROUGH SOUTH JERSEY POWER COOPERATIVE

**RESOLUTION 2018-162**

**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 2- \$07774 per kWh
Group 4 - \$04569 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
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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, 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

RES. 2018:163      REFUND TAX PAYMENT AND ADD PROPERTY TO EXEMPT LIST

**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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> 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

RES. 2018:164      AUTHORIZE TREE REMOVAL SERVICES WITH A CUT ABOVE LLC (\$4,850.00)

**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

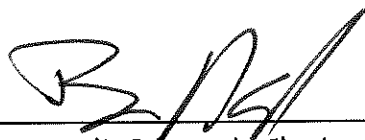
**WHEREAS**, the Borough obtained two (2) quotes for the tree removal services, the lowest of which was \$4850.00 from A Cut Above, LLC, located at 84 Kelly Driver Rd. Clementon, New Jersey 08021; and

**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

RES. 2018:165

AUTHORIZE RELEASE OF CERTAIN EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES

**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:

Date:

Exemption:

Topic

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:

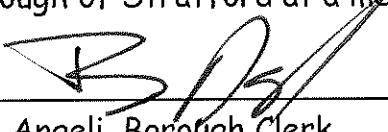
- With respect to litigation, negotiations, collective bargaining and attorney-client privileged matters, at the conclusion of said litigation or negotiations where, in the opinion of the solicitor, release is appropriate and will not compromise the Borough's ability to engage in future negotiation, 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.

  
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RES. 2018:166      AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT FOR DEER CARCASS REMOVAL THROUGH  
                                 COUNTY OF CAMDEN COOPERATIVE

**RESOLUTION 2017:166**

**DEER CARCASS REMOVAL SERVICES**

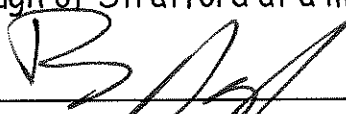
WHEREAS, the County of Camden has received bids for Deer Carcass and Removal Services under the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, System Identifier #57-CCCPS; and

WHEREAS, the only bidder was Deer Carcass Removal Service, LLC of Cream Ridge, NJ for the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) 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.

  
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Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

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.

**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*, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the *Open Public Meetings Act*, N.J.S.A. 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 N.J.S.A. 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

RES. 2018:168      MAINTENANCE LIENS (\$1,100.00)

**RESOLUTION 2018-168**

**MAINTENANCE LIENS**

WHEREAS, there exists vacant property in the Borough of Stratford; and

WHEREAS, the last known record owner has been duly notified to maintain the property; and

WHEREAS, Stratford Contracted Services/Stratford employees to be utilized to maintain the property; and

WHEREAS, the following amount is due for services rendered for July 2018:

Address	Block/lot	description of svc	date of svc	cost of svc	date of svc	cost of svc	Total to be liened July'18 council mtg
11 ALMOND	66/11	lawn maintenance	7/16/18	45.00	7/28/18	45.00	90.00
109 CORNELL	18/11	lawn maintenance	7/16/18	45.00	7/28/18	45.00	90.00
112 STRATFORD	55/12	lawn maintenance	7/16/18	45.00	7/28/18	45.00	90.00
124 STRATFORD	55/1	lawn maintenance	7/16/18	45.00	7/28/18	45.00	90.00

additional 124 Stratford		board up side garage door	7/18	75.00			75.00
116 Berlin Rd	53/2	board up side door	7/18	75.00			75.00
STRATFORD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY	87.01/4.01	lawn maintenance	7/10/18	500.00			500.00
13 WARWICK	78/17	lawn maintenance	7/16/18	45.00	7/28/18	45.00	90.00
Total Resolution 2018:168							1,100.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council to authorize a lien on the above noted properties for the work completed by the Borough on behalf of the property owner.

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

RES. 2018:169 REMOVE TAX DEDUCTION

**RESOLUTION 2018:169**

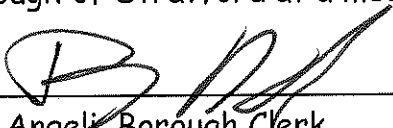
**REMOVE TAX DEDUCTION**

WHEREAS, all eligibility requirements for a SENIOR CITIZEN tax deduction for the year 2018 have not been met due to the sale of the property by the following residents:

<u>BLOCK LOT</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
102 21	James V Maugeri	6 Knoll Road	174.66

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that this tax deduction be removed from the tax duplicate.

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

Councilman Green motioned to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Gilligan seconded the motion and all members present voting in favor in a Roll Call Vote.

FIREMAN APPLICATION: Brian E. Gibson, 9 Timber Creek Road, Stratford, NJ

Councilman Collins motioned to approve the application. Councilman Green seconded the motion and all members present voting in favor in a Voice Vote.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilman Collins sent out thanks to the police and fire departments for all they do for the town. He also wanted to thank Tarkill and SAO for all they do for the kids in Stratford. He wanted to also thank the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and all the Volunteers that step up in town. Councilman Hartman spoke about an incident that he had over the weekend and wanted to thank the police department for their help. He stated that he had a medical situation and spent two days in the hospital, but the doctors could not find anything that may have caused the pain he was experiencing. He also spoke about some issues with unleashed dogs at Saratoga Park and asked the Chief if he could put a camera there.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Councilman Hartman motioned to open the meeting to the public for Good and Welfare. Councilman Collins seconded the motion, which passed with all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

Jack Brennan, Bucknell Ave., asked about the Christian Academy and was told that the Borough was told they would be going to settlement soon. The Clerk did state that they did send in for the 200 foot list and that is a good sign. Mr. Brennan also asked about the site near Aldi's and the clerk said that the developer did send in plans for the construction officials to review, but they did not have the correct listings for the contractors and the construction department could not look at them until the plans were complete. He also asked about who was responsible for security at the schools. The Chief stated that from 9-1-18 to the end of the year the Borough would be supplying an officer and that there will be a question on the November ballot concerning the district providing the funds for the officer to continue. The building security systems were the school's responsibility and they did have a comprehensive security plan in place. The Solicitor asked if Stratford would be part of the County school security program. The chief stated that there were some issues and he did sign up but also immediately put in an opt out option. He said it was great software but in situations that may occur, you are not looking at your phone, you are going in. Mr. Brennan asked about the swim club and Mr. Gilligan said that the Borough did their due diligence and it was not economically responsible for the Borough to purchase the club. He stated that the club was doing some fundraising to get the necessary funds to cover their situation. Councilman Hartman stated that the Council Committee did a great job and did a lot of work to research the situation.

Councilman Gilligan motioned to close the Good and Welfare portion of the meeting. Councilwoman Lomanno seconded the motion and all members present voted in favor in a voice vote

Councilman Collins motioned to go into executive session. Councilman Hartman seconded the motion and all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

Councilman Green motioned to close executive session. Councilman Collins seconded the motion and all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

No action was taken in Executive session.

The Mayor, all Council members that were present before the executive session, Mr. Arnautovic and the Clerk were present upon return to open session.


No members of the public were in attendance after the executive session.

ADJOURN:

Councilwoman Lomanno motioned to adjourn the meeting Councilman green seconded the motion and all members present voting in favor in a voice vote.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

  
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Ben Angeli, Borough Clerk

  
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Mayor Josh Keenan