

STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 10, 2019
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: THE STRATFORD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER:

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT:

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

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR JOSH KEENAN	COUNCILMAN FRANK HARTMAN
COUNCIL PRESIDENT TINA LOMANNO	STUART PLATT, BOROUGH SOLICITOR
COUNCILMAN TOM COLLINS	RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF
COUNCILMAN PATRICK GILLIGAN	CHRIS CONROY, BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR
COUNCILMAN PATRICK GREEN	MICHAELA BOSLER, ACTING BOROUGH CLERK
COUNCILWOMAN LINDA HALL	

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Motion to go to open public portion on agenda items only:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

Motion to close public portion on agenda items:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

PROCLAMATION

HONORING SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

REPORTS:

ORDINANCE & PROPERTY	Councilman Patrick Green
FINANCE & REVENUE	Councilman Patrick Gilligan
POLICE	Councilwoman Tina Lomanno
EMERGENCY SERVICES	Councilman Frank Hartman
PUBLIC WORKS & LIGHTING	Councilman Tom Collins
PUBLIC EVENTS	Councilwoman Linda Hall

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE 2019:17 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.20, ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL COURT," OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD

Motion to open the public hearing on ORD. 2019:17: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

Motion to close the public hearing on ORD. 2019:17: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

Motion to adopt ORD 2019:17: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

ORDINANCE 2019:18 AMENDING ORDINANCE 2019:15 ESTABLISHING SALARIES

Motion to open the public hearing on ORD. 2019:18: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

This agenda is subject to change

Motion to close the public hearing on ORD. 2019:18: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____
Motion to adopt ORD 2019:18: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Animal checks		through		
Manual checks		through		
Payroll checks		through		and
Payroll checks		through		
Automated checks		through		
Various electronic transfers and potential interim payments to				

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Motion to open the meeting to the public for Good and Welfare:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

Please step up to the podium, state your name and address and sign the sign-in sheet.

Motion to close the public portion for Good and Welfare:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

ADJOURN:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

PROCLAMATION

HONORING STRATFORD SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

WHEREAS, the Stratford School Crossing Guards provide an invaluable service to the community, schools, parents, and children of the Borough of Stratford; and

WHEREAS, the Stratford School Crossing Guards, in conjunction with the Stratford Police Department, ensure safe passage of Stratford's youth during their travels to and from schools; and

WHEREAS, the Stratford school crossing guards develop excellent relationships and trust with the parents and children of the Borough of Stratford; and

WHEREAS, school crossing guards have a deep sense of responsibility, as well as a great deal of character, and show a strong amount of dedication to their essential role within the community; and

WHEREAS, school crossing guards assist in education efforts by teaching children how to identify traffic hazards and displaying safe street crossing behaviors; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford is proud of their school crossing guards and commends them for protecting the youth pedestrians.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to honor the Stratford School Crossing Guards for their continued service to ensure youth and community safety.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed our names and seal of the Borough of Stratford to be affixed hereto.

Mayor Josh Keenan

September 10, 2019

ORDINANCE 2019:17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.20, ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL COURT," OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford is a municipal corporation organized and operating under the laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 2.20, entitled "Municipal Court," of the Code of the Borough of Stratford, establishes a municipal court known as the "Municipal Court of the Borough of Stratford"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:12-10, the governing body of any municipality shall provide for an administrator or other necessary employees for the municipal court; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2 the Mayor and Borough Council may make, amend, repeal and enforce such other ordinances, regulations, rules and by-laws not contrary to the laws of this state or of the United States, as it may deem necessary and proper for the good government, order and protection of persons and property, and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the Borough and its inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council deem it in the best interest of the Borough to Amend Chapter 2.20 to provide for the positions of Court Administrator and Deputy Court Administrator and delegate to said positions certain responsibilities as outlined herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that the Code of the Borough of Stratford is hereby amended, revised and/or supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2.08 of the Code of the Borough of Stratford, entitled "Borough Officers," is hereby amended, revised, and/or supplement to read as follows:

CHAPTER 2.20 – MUNICIPAL COURT

2.20.010 to 2.20.060

[No Changes]

2.20.070 – Court administrator; deputy court administrator.

A. *Positions established.*

There are hereby created, established and/or ratified in the Borough of Stratford the positions of Administrator of the Municipal Court of the Borough of Stratford ("the Court Administrator") and Deputy Administrator of the Municipal Court of the Borough of Stratford ("the Deputy Court Administrator") pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:12-10.

B. *Appointment; compensation.*

1. The Court Administrator shall be appointed by Borough Council. The Court Administrator shall be paid a salary fixed and adopted by the Borough Council in the annual salary ordinance.

2. The Deputy Court Administrator shall be appointed by Borough Council. The Deputy Court Administrator shall be paid a salary fixed and adopted by the Borough Council in the annual salary ordinance.

C. *Court administrator; general responsibilities; qualifications.*

1. The Court Administrator shall serve pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1, et seq. Under direction of the municipal judge, the Court Administrator shall have charge of and performs quasi-judicial and administrative functions related to the operation of a municipal court. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 2B:12-13, the Court Administrator shall have the authority granted by law and the Rules of Court to administrators and clerks of courts of record.

2. The Court Administrator shall satisfy all requirements outlined in N.J.S.A. 2B:12-11 and be certified as a Municipal Court Administrator in accordance with and subject to the exceptions outlined in N.J.S.A. 2B:12-11.

D. *Deputy court administrator; general responsibilities.*

Pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1, et seq., the Deputy Court Administrator, under direction of the Court Administrator, shall assist in supervising and/or performing quasi-judicial and administrative functions related to the operation of a municipal court and/or assist in other related duties as required.

E. *Vacancies.*

The judge of the municipal court may designate in writing an acting Court Administrator or Deputy Court Administrator to serve temporarily for an absent Court Administrator or Deputy Court Administrator until the absent Court Administrator or Deputy Court Administrator returns or a new Court Administrator or Deputy Court Administrator is appointed. The acting Court Administrator or acting Deputy Court Administrator shall be paid at a rate established by the judge but not exceeding that established for the Court Administrator or Deputy Court Administrator by Borough Council.

SECTION 2. Except as set forth in Section 1 above, the balance of the Code of the Borough of Stratford shall not be affected by this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

SECTION 4. If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon posting, publication, and final passage in the manner prescribed by law.

Mayor Josh Keenan

Adopted:

ATTEST:

Michaela Bosler, Acting Borough Clerk

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 13th day of August, 2019 and will be considered for final passage on the 10th day of September, 2019 at a meeting to be held at the Stratford Justice Facility, 315 Union Avenue, Stratford, NJ.

Michaela Bosler, Acting Borough Clerk

ORDINANCE 2019:18
AMENDING ORDINANCE 2019:15 ESTABLISHING SALARIES

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to amend certain salaries set forth in ordinance 2019:15

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey that Ordinance 2019:15 is amended to include the salary range for the following positions as follows:

Section 1: Delete:

Court Secretary	\$34,612.17-\$41,000.00
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Section 2: Add:

Deputy Court Administrator	\$30,000.00-\$45,000.00
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Section 2. All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

Section 3. If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

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