

STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
AGENDA MEETING/REDEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP AGENDA
MAY 7, 2020
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

The May 7th, 2020 Stratford Borough Agenda Meeting/Redevelopment Workshop.

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
COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINDA HALL
COUNCILMAN STEPHEN GANDY
COUNCILMAN PATRICK GILLIGAN
COUNCILMAN PATRICK GREEN
COUNCILWOMAN TINA LOMANNO
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL TOLOMEO

STUART PLATT, BOROUGH SOLICITOR
STEVEN BACH, BOROUGH ENGINEER
RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF
CHRIS CONROY, BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR
MICHAELA BOSLER, ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

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 _____

POLICE REPORT:

ENGINEER REPORT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

APRIL 9, 2020 AGENDA MEETING/REDEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP
APRIL 9, 2020 EXECUTIVE SESSION
APRIL 14, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

REPORT #1 UPCOMING PUBLIC HEARINGS OF ORDINANCES
REPORT #2 UPCOMING INTRODUCTIONS OF ORDINANCES
REPORT #3 GOVERNOR MURPHY'S EXECUTIVE ORDER #130
REPORT #4 MEMORIAL DAY PLANS AND VETERANS MEMORIAL

This agenda is subject to change

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTIONS 2020:111 THROUGH 2020:113 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. 2020:111 TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION

RES. 2020:112 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
The matter for executive session will pertain to matters relating to litigation, contract negotiations, or the Attorney-Client Privilege re: Stratford Square Redevelopment

RES. 2020:113 APPROVE FIREMEN’S ASSOCIATION APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP – MARC RITZ

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

RES. 2020:104 INTRODUCE THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD, COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR THE YEAR 2020

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

RES. 2020:114 EXTENDING THE GRACE PERIOD FOR MAY 1ST PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS UNTIL JUNE 1ST IN ACCORDNACE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER 130

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

GOOD AND WELFARE:

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

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote _____

Motion to close the public portion for Good and Welfare:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote _____

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to go into Executive Session:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote _____

Motion to leave Executive Session:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote _____

ADJOURN:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote _____

**RESOLUTION 2020:111
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 2019 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 Chris Conroy, to ensure that the application is properly filed; 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.

BY: _____
JOSH KEENAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

I, Michaela Bosler, Acting 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 held on May 7, 2020.

MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 2020:112
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.

RESOLUTION 2020:113
APPROVE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP – MARC RITZ

WHEREAS, the Stratford Fire Company shall submit Firemen's Association Application for Membership to the governing body for their approval; and

WHEREAS, an application for Marc T. Ritz of Somerdale, NJ has been submitted;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford to approve the Firemen's Association Application for Membership for Marc T. Ritz.

BY: _____
JOSH KEENAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

I, Michaela Bosler, Acting 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 held on May 7, 2020.

MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 2020:104
INTRODUCE THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD,
COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR THE YEAR 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriation shall constitute the Municipal Budget of the Borough of Stratford for the year 2020 and the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford does hereby approve the following, as the budget for the year 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said budget be published in the Courier Post and a public hearing will be held at Stratford Borough Justice Facility, 315 Union Ave, Stratford, NJ, or using electronic methods, on June 4, 2020 at 7:00 PM at which time and place objections to said budget for the year 2020 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

ROLL CALL VOTE

	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
HALL							
GANDY							
GILLIGAN							
GREEN							
LOMANNO							
TOLOMEO							

BY: _____
JOSH KEENAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

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MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 2020:114
EXTENDING THE GRACE PERIOD FOR MAY 1ST PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS UNTIL JUNE 1ST IN
ACCORDANCE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER 130

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-66 (a), second-quarter property taxes are due for property taxpayers within the Borough of Stratford on May 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 (a), local governments may fix the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes, assessments, or other municipal liens or charges, on or before the date when they would become delinquent, and may provide that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made within the tenth calendar day following the date upon which the same became delinquent, thereby establishing a grace period running through May 11, 2020 for second-quarter property taxes; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to take action to minimize and mitigate additional hardships, losses, or suffering by individuals and local government units as the State and its political subdivisions respond to the spread of COVID-19, on April 28, 2020, The Honorable Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, issued Executive Order 130, permitting municipalities to adopt a resolution instituting a grace period concluding on a date no later than June 1, 2020 for the payment of second-quarter property taxes; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to mitigate financial hardship and to alleviate some of the financial burden caused as a result of COVID-19 on property taxpayers within the Borough of Stratford, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford desire to take action in accordance with Executive Order 130 and institute a grace period to the fullest extent permitted by the Order, concluding on June 1, 2020 for the payment of second-quarter property taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that:

1. The provisions of the WHEREAS clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
2. The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford hereby institutes a grace period concluding on June 1, 2020 for the payment of second-quarter property taxes in accordance with Executive Order 130.
3. Payments received after June 1, 2020 will accrue interest from the statutory due date of May 1, 2020.
4. The Municipal Clerk is directed to notify the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of this resolution instituting an extended grace period adopted under authority of Executive Order 130 not later than the third business day next following the adoption of this resolution.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BY: _____
JOSH KEENAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

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MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK