

STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
NOVEMBER 10, 2020
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: THE STRATFORD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FOR NOVEMBER 10, 2020

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

ERIC RISO, BOROUGH SOLICITOR

RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF

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: _____

REPORTS:

ORDINANCE & PROPERTY

Councilman Patrick Green

FINANCE & REVENUE

Councilman Patrick Gilligan

POLICE

Councilwoman Tina Lomanno

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Councilman Stephen Gandy

PUBLIC WORKS & LIGHTING

Councilman Michael Tolomeo

PUBLIC EVENTS

Councilwoman Linda Hall

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

ORD. 2020:10

AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020:08 ESTABLISHING SALARIES

This is the first reading and introduction, the public hearing for this ordinance will be on December 8, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

RESOLUTIONS:

RES. 2020:212

APPOINTING PART TIME INTERIM BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR – JOHN D. KEENAN, JR.

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

This agenda is subject to change

RESOLUTIONS 2020:213 THROUGH 2020:215 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. 2020:213 AWARD SEWER ROOT CONTROL BID TO DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL, INC. FOR \$19,987.63

RES. 2020:214 AUTHORIZE BOROUGH CLERK TO ADVERTISE TO RECEIVE PROPOSALS FOR 2021 PROFESSIONALS

RES. 2020:215 BUDGET TRANSFERS

Motion: _____ Second: _____ RCV: _____

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: _____

Motion to close the public portion for Good and Welfare:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

ADJOURN:

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Voice Vote: _____

ORDINANCE 2020:10

AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020:08 ESTABLISHING SALARIES

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to amend certain salaries set forth in ordinance 2020:08

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey that Ordinance 2020:08 is amended to include the salary range for the following positions as follows:

Section 1:

Business Administrator – Part Time \$55.00-\$65.00 per hour

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.

Section 4. 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 10th day of November, 2020 and will be considered for final passage on the 8th of December, 2020 at a meeting to be held at the Stratford Justice Facility, 315 Union Avenue, Stratford, NJ.

Michaela Bosler, Acting Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 2020:212

APPOINTING PART TIME INTERIM BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR – JOHN D. KEENAN, JR.

WHEREAS, the position of Business Administrator within the Borough of Stratford has been vacant since September 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.08.120 (B) of the Borough Code of the Borough of Stratford provides for the appointment of an Acting Business Administrator for a period of 90 days or until an Administrator is appointed; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined that there is an immediate need for an Acting Business Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the person holding the office of Acting Business Administrator shall not earn or accrue any sick time, paid time off, medical benefits, or pension eligibility; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford will continue to search for a permanent Business Administrator, and the person holding the office of Acting Business Administrator will be expected to help transition the next candidate; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford finds and determines that John D. Keenan, Jr. meets and exceeds all qualification requirements for the appointment of said position;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford consents to the appointment of John D. Keenan, Jr. as Acting Business Administrator, to work a maximum of 20 hours per week at a rate of \$60.00 per hour, said appointment to be effective November 11, 2020.

BY: _____
LINDA HALL, COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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 November 10, 2020.

MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 2020:213

**AWARD SEWER ROOT CONTROL BID TO
DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL, INC. FOR \$19,987.63**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford advertised to solicit bids for, and sent direct emails soliciting quotes for root control services, and received in response one bid for the annual sewer treatment for root control of various sections of the sewer main; and

WHEREAS, the bid was received from Duke's Root Control, Inc. of Syracuse, NY in the amount of \$19,987.63 which is \$1.69 per linear foot for 11,827 linear feet; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to award the bid to Duke's Root Control, Inc. for \$1.69 per linear foot for a total of \$19,987.63.

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 November 10, 2020.

MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION 2020:214
AUTHORIZE BOROUGH CLERK TO ADVERTISE TO RECEIVE
PROPOSALS FOR 2021 PROFESSIONALS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq. was created to regulate "Pay-To-Play" in the branches of NJ government including counties and municipalities; and

WHEREAS, on or after January 1, 2007, the Law prohibits a municipality from awarding contracts with a value in excess of \$17,500. to a business entity that makes certain reportable contributions one year prior to the contract; and

WHEREAS, the contractor can be awarded a contract even though he may have reportable contributions, if the award is made through a "fair and open" process; and

WHEREAS, to be "fair and open" the contract should be advertised to give notice in advance of the contract, and publicly opened and announced when awarded; and

WHEREAS, the minimum requirements of a "fair and open" process are:

Publicly advertised with sufficient time of 10 calendar days to give notice, and
Awarded under a process that provides for public solicitation of proposals, and
Established on the basis of an award and disclosure process documented in writing
prior to any solicitation, and

WHEREAS, the notice should include:

A description of the requested goods or services;
The time, date, and place proposals must be submitted;
Contract information for obtaining the proposal document;
The name of the agency requesting the proposal; and
A statement that the proposal is being solicited through fair and open process in
accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq.

WHEREAS, there are several alternatives in choosing their basis for award under a fair and open process such as:

Choosing the lowest responsible bidder as in traditional bidding
The standard used by both state government and the competitive contracting model
"most advantageous price and other factors considered".
Other fair and open process established by the agency

WHEREAS, the bids do not have to be opened and awarded at the same time, do not have to be opened at a public meeting, and can be awarded at a separate time by resolution by the Governing Body with wording stating to a "fair and open" process or a "non-fair and open process"; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council to authorize the Borough Clerk to advertise to receive proposals for the 2021 year under the "fair and open process" of the pay-to-play law, and have resolutions to awards ready for the Governing Body's Reorganization Meeting for the following services:

BOROUGH ENGINEER
BOROUGH SOLICITOR
BOROUGH AUDITOR
REDEVELOPMENT PLANNER
RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

FURTHERMORE, the following services for the 2021 year will also be included and forwarded to the appropriate Boards such as the Joint Land Use Board to take action at their Reorganization Meeting for the following service:

BOARD ENGINEER
BOARD SOLICITOR

BY: _____
JOSH KEENAN, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

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MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

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RESOLUTION 2020:215

BUDGET TRANSFERS

NOVEMBER 10, 2020

FROM:

Uniform Fire Safety S & W	1,800.00
Ambulance OE	1,321.26
Group Insurance OE	828.74
A & E S & W	1,000.00
Finance S & W	2,900.00
Tax Collector S & W	2,900.00
Other Insurance & Surety	4,000.00

TO:

Health Benefit Waiver	750.00
Water OE	1,000.00
Engineering OE	10,000.00
Solid Waste Collection	3,000.00

BY:

JOSH KEENAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHAELA BOSLER,
ACTING BOROUGH CLERK

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MICHAELA BOSLER,
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