REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL

June 22, 2020 MINUTES

Mayor Thaddeus J. Kobylarz called the Regular Council Meeting of the Borough of Chatham to order on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 6:05 p.m. in the Council Chambers in Borough Hall, 54 Fairmount Avenue, Chatham, New Jersey.

Note: The start time of this meeting was moved from 7:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to accommodate the emergency measures in place due to the coronavirus pandemic.

SALUTE TO FLAG

Mayor Kobylarz and the Borough Council led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Kobylarz asked for a moment of silence for those who have given their lives for our country. He also gave recognition to the following professionals during the existential health pandemic caused by the coronavirus, COVID-19: First Responders, EMS personnel, Police Officers, Fire Fighters, Office of Emergency Management (OEM), nurses, doctors, long-term care workers, home care workers, other medical personnel, local government professionals, employees and volunteers, and research scientists working diligently to develop a vaccine to combat the existing global health crisis and those afflicted by it. He further acknowledged all school teachers, administrators and educational staff who have been working diligently educating students via digital means for extended hours under trying circumstances, and to the parents of school children having to add to their daily workload and oversight of their children's school assignments. Mayor Kobylarz further gave recognition to essential workers ensuring the continuity of our food production, food chain, and other essential businesses that are open during the crisis. Appreciation was extended to those working to maintain community services, such as electric power, garbage pickup, and other sanitation services. He acknowledged the passing of volunteer firefighter, Kevin Kidd, who died suddenly on June 20, 2020.

SPECIAL NOTE: Thankfully, no resident of the Borough of Chatham has passed away from COVID-19 since the last Mayor and Council Meeting. However, he requested a moment of silence in remembrance of the nine (9) Chatham Borough residents who died from COVID-19 during the past 10 weeks and the hope that the Borough has reached the end of this detestable and insidious virus.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Tamar Lawful, Borough Clerk, read the following statement of adequate notice:

Pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by including same in the Annual Notice, copies of which were posted on the official bulletin board on the main floor of Borough Hall, emailed to the Daily Record, the Star-Ledger, the Chatham Courier, the Chatham Patch, and TAPinto Chatham and was filed with the Borough Clerk, all on January 08, 2020.

Pursuant to the requirements of R.S. 10:4-10, adequate notice of the change in time of tonight's virtual meeting was provided to the press on June 15, 2020, a copy of which was posted on the Borough website, including the front and side entrance of Borough Hall.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Thaddeus J. Kobylarz

Council President Jocelyn Mathiasen (Attended Virtually)

Council Member Robert A. Weber, Sr.

Council Member Carolyn Dempsey (Attended Virtually)

Council Member Karen Koronkiewicz (Attended Virtually)

Council Member Irene Treloar (Attended Virtually)

Council Member Leonard Resto (Attended Virtually)

Stephen W. Williams, Borough Administrator

Tamar Lawful, Borough Clerk (Attended Virtually)

James L. Lott, Jr., Borough Attorney (Attended Virtually)

Also, in attendance: Police Chief Brian Gibbons and Interim CFO David Hollberg (Attended Virtually)

Mr. Williams reported that the June 8, 2020 Minutes will be approved at the July 13, 2020 Mayor and Council meeting.

RECUSALS

Recusals or abstentions submitted for the record.

There were none.

DISCUSSION ITEM:

Chatham Borough Policing

The homicide of George Floyd, who died while in police custody in Minneapolis, Minnesota triggered a global discussion about police practices in the United States. Chief Gibbons presented on the culture, values, and practices of the Chatham Borough Police Department. In his presentation, he emphasized the fundamental hallmarks of policing. Police officers should treat the public with integrity, respect, service, and fairness. The failure to foster the proper culture in a Police Department can result in problems as exhibited in Minneapolis. Therefore, a healthy culture is paramount for any Police Department.

Chief Gibbons discussed an "inflammatory report" published in NJ.com Force Report in 2018. The article reported that blacks were disproportionately (502%) more likely to have force used during an arrest compared to whites. From 2012-2016, there were a total of 20 incidents in which force was used. The demographics of total arrests during that period are as follows: 11 white males, 1 black male and 8 white females. Of the 20 incidents in the Borough, only one incident within the 5-year period involved a black person who was tackled during his attempt to flee from the police.

To ensure officers are implementing best police practices and exhibiting the fundamental practices of fairness and procedural justice, supervisors within the department randomly review DVR's. Additionally, the department undergoes administrative review on every use of force, pursuit, injury and/or death. Shift supervisors randomly monitor traffic stop patterns to ensure officers are implementing best police practices and exhibiting the fundamental practices of fairness and procedural justice. Lastly, Internal Affairs further ensures the integrity of the Police Department is maintained through impartial investigations and reviews.

The Chatham Borough Police Department prohibits the practice of racial bias and any other discriminatory practices by employees in the Chatham Borough Police Department. Supervisors of all

ranks are responsible for providing effective supervision to reasonably monitor those under their command and ensure compliance with the department's policies and take recommended corrective actions, when necessary. The Chatham Borough Police Department has developed and maintained a healthy culture in its department. The officers are well-trained, compassionate, empathetic, and restrained in their duties.

Chief Gibbons concluded his presentation by giving recognition to the Chatham Borough Police Department for receiving a national accreditation award in 2007 for good standard policy in policing and two-time state accreditations for same. The Chatham Borough Police Department practices the Guardian Principle, as opposed to the warrior principle, which resembles the military in both operation and equipment. The Guardian Principle focuses on protecting the people, stated Chief Gibbons. The Police Department will increase its level of transparency going forward.

Municipal Pool:

Mr. Williams discussed the status of opening the Chatham Borough Municipal Pool. According to Mr. Williams, upon reviewing pool guidelines and having discussions with the Borough Recreation Advisory Committee and Council Members, it was decided to close the community pool to residents this year. This decision was made due to the inability to maintain proper social distancing on both the deck area and inside the pool during the current pandemic. Residents can apply for a pool membership with The Colony Pool Club in Chatham Township or the Madison Community Pool in Madison Borough.

MAYOR'S REPORT I:

Mayor Kobylarz proceeded to open the meeting to the public; however, prior to doing so, he delivered a portion of his Mayor's Report as follows:

Statistical Update on the Coronavirus:

Mayor Kobylarz reported that Chatham Borough had zero deaths due to COVID-19 since the last Council meeting on June 8, 2020. The number of residents who tested positive for COVID-19 remains at 59 cases in the Borough. Of the fifty-nine (59) residents who have tested positive for COVID-19, eight (8) have been hospitalized and, sadly, nine (9) have passed away. The age range of those who tested positive for COVID-19 is 5 to 95 years-of-age. Morris County was ranked 11th out of 21 counties in the state for residents that have tested positive for the coronavirus.

We are trending in the right direction. However, the infection rate per day must be reduced considerably. The virus is accelerating in a number of states throughout the Country. He reminded the public to maintain social distancing and to wear facial masks which are essential measures in reducing the infection rate and to prevent a resurgence of the virus.

New Jersey Reopening Plan:

New Jersey has entered Phase II of the Governor's multi-phase reopening plan of the state, effective June 15, 2020. Phase II permits non-essential retail stores to reopen at 50% capacity as well as personal care facilities [e.g. barber shops, nail salons, tanning salons and spas]; however, guidelines must be in place.

Redevelopment Extension:

Mayor Kobylarz reported that the Borough will not move forward with redevelopment projects until public meetings can reconvene safely at Borough Hall. Safety is a priority when considering assembling large numbers of people in a room. Once Town Hall meetings are conducted to discuss the redevelopment projects, the Governing Body will decide on how to proceed. Resolution # 20-184 and 20-185 are on the agenda tonight to extend the deadline on both redevelopment projects for an additional six months. The Governing Body will discuss with Dr. Robert Powell in Executive Session his analysis of the proposed River Road Redevelopment Project.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Residents wishing to make public comments may dial 929-205-6099 (859-1372-3739) or obtain online access of the meeting using the following URL: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85913723739. The Mayor and Council meeting will be televised as usual.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT TIME LIMIT

Hearing of citizens during the Public Comment section of the Agenda is an opportunity for any member of the public to be heard about issues which are or are not matters scheduled for Public Hearing tonight. In light of the emergency, discussions and actions by the Chatham Borough Mayor and Council related to discretionary municipal actions and/or other non–emergent matters including redevelopment planning will be deferred until further notice. Accordingly, I would respectfully request that the public try to limit its comments to matters primarily related to the COVID-19 response and/or the continued operations of the Borough government during the emergency. While the Chatham Borough Mayor and Council welcome public participation and comment on any topic, to help facilitate an orderly meeting, and to permit all to be heard, speakers are asked to limit their comments to a reasonable length of time.

Alex Sokolowski- 45 Center Street:

Mr. Sokolowski requested the Council reconsider opening the Chatham Borough Community Pool for the year. Mr. Williams explained that that the decision to close the pool was due to the size of the pool and the inability to maintain the required proper distancing. Mr. Sokolowski recommended reopening the pool with a lower number of occupancies.

With no one else from the public wishing to be heard, Mayor Kobylarz closed the public session of the meeting and proceeded to the reading of Ordinances for a second reading.

ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING

Mayor Kobylarz asked Council Member Weber to proceed with Ordinance #20-08.

Council Member Weber read Ordinance # 20-08 entitled:

ORDINANCE # 20-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ACCEPTING THE GRANT OF A SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT AND AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT AGREEMENT

Which Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular Council meeting held on June 8, 2020.

Mayor Kobylarz asked the Borough Clerk to give a summary of the legal notice.

The Borough Clerk stated that a legal notice was published indicating that Ordinance #20-08 was introduced and passed on first reading at the June 8, 2020 meeting and indicated the second reading and public hearing would be held at 6:00 p.m. on June 22, 2020 for consideration of final adoption. Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the general public and posted in accordance with the law.

Mayor Kobylarz opened the public hearing on the Ordinance and invited any member of the public may be heard.

Seeing no one wishing to be heard, Mayor Kobylarz closed the public hearing.

Council Member Weber offered the following Ordinance and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Ordinance as read by title on second reading, and after public hearing at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

Council President Mathiasen seconded the motion.

Mayor Kobylarz asked the Borough Clerk for a Roll Call Vote:

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Weber, Sr.	X		X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen		X	X			
Koronkiewicz			X			
Treloar			X			
Resto			X			

Mayor Kobylarz declared this Ordinance adopted and finally passed and requested the Borough Clerk to publish the proper notice of adoption of this Ordinance in the official newspapers and to permanently record the Ordinance.

RESOLUTIONS NON-ROUTINE/NON-CONSENT

Mayor Kobylarz asked Council President Mathiasen to proceed with Resolution #20-183.

Council President Mathiasen explained the purpose of Resolution # 20-183.

RESOLUTION # 20-183

[Requires Roll Call vote]

AMENDMENT TO THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the local municipal budget for the year 2020 was introduced on April 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget was held as advertised on May 26, 2020; and

WHEREAS, it is desired by the Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham to amend the introduced budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham that the following amendments to the introduced 2020 Municipal Budget be made as follow:

ANTICIPATED SURPLUS	AMOUNTED AMENDED FROM	AMOUNT AMENDED TO
10. Dedicated Revenues from Solid Waste Utility Operating Surplus Anticipated	\$115,000.00	145,359.00
Total Operating Surplus Anticipated	\$115,000.00	\$145,359.00
Total Solid Waste Revenues	\$793,000.00	\$823,359.00

SOLID WASTE UTILITY	AMOUNT AMENDED FROM	AMOUNT AMENDED TO
11. Appropriations for Solid Waste Utility Deferred Charges:		
Emergency Authorization - 2018	\$0.00	\$30,359.00
Total Solid Waste Utility Appropriations	\$793,000.00	\$823,359.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for certification of the local municipal budget as so amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this complete amendment, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-9, be published in the Chatham Courier and the Daily Record in the July 2, 2020 edition and that said publication shall contain notice of public hearing on said amendment to held at Borough Hall on July 13, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

Council President Mathiasen made a motion to approve Resolution # 20-183.

Council Member Resto seconded the motion.

Mayor Kobylarz asked the Borough Clerk for a Roll Call Vote:

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Weber, Sr.			X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen	X		X			
Koronkiewicz			X			
Treloar			X			
Resto		X	X			

Mayor Kobylarz asked Council Member Weber to proceed with Resolution # 20-184.

Council Member Weber explained the purpose of Resolution # 20-184.

RESOLUTION # 20-184

[Requires Roll Call vote]

RESOLUTION EXTENDING DESIGNATION OF CHATHAM RIVER ROAD PARTNERS, LLC AS THE REDEVELOPER FOR THE RIVER ROAD NORTH REDEVELOPMENT AREA

- **WHEREAS**, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-1, et seq., as amended and supplemented ("LRHL"), provides a process for municipalities to participate in the redevelopment and improvement of areas in need of redevelopment; and
- **WHEREAS,** in accordance with the LRHL, the Council for the Borough of Chatham (the "Council") designated properties located at River Road and shown on the Borough's Tax Map as Block 135, Lots 9, 10 and 11, as an area in need of redevelopment (the "Redevelopment Area"); and
- **WHEREAS**, the Council adopted a Redevelopment Plan by Ordinance No. 19-11, adopted on June 10, 2019 for the Redevelopment Area (the "Redevelopment Plan") which sets forth, <u>inter alia</u>, the plan for the redevelopment of the Redevelopment Area; and
- **WHEREAS,** Chatham River Road Partners, LLC (the "Redeveloper"), an affiliate of BNE Real Estate Group of Livingston, New Jersey, was designated as the redeveloper for the Redevelopment Area by Resolution 2019-229 on June 24, 2019; and
 - WHEREAS, the designation of Redeveloper was set to expire on December 26, 2019; and
- **WHEREAS**, the developer and the Borough of Chatham entered into an Interim Cost Agreement on June 26, 2019, which was also set to expire on December 26, 2019; and
- **WHEREAS,** both the Redeveloper designation and Interim Cost Agreement were further extended from December 26, 2019 to June 24, 2020 by Resolution # 19-354 adopted on December 19, 2019; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Council continues to desire that the Redevelopment Area be redeveloped by the Redeveloper in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Council desires that the designation of Redeveloper and the Interim Cost Agreement be extended for an additional six (6) months; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Council is authorized to exercise all powers under the LRHL, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-8, including but not limited to the ability to negotiate with developers to undertake redevelopment projects; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Council and the Redeveloper shall have an additional period of six months to agree on a specific development proposal and enter into a Redevelopment Agreement.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council for the Borough of Chatham as follows: (i) the designation of Chatham River Road Partners, LLC as the Redeveloper of the Redevelopment Area shall continue; (ii) the Mayor, and Borough Council's authorization to negotiate a Redevelopment Agreement with the Redeveloper shall continue; and (iii) authorizes the extension of the Interim Cost Agreement; and (iv) staff and consultants to the Borough are hereby authorized and directed to continue to take all other administrative actions to implement this Resolution as may be necessary and appropriate to accomplish its goals and intent; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall be effective for a period of six months from June 26, 2020 through December 26, 2020, after which time it shall be of no further force and effect

unless the Redeveloper shall have entered into a Redevelopment Agreement with the Borough of Chatham.

Council Member Weber made a motion to approve Resolution # 20-184. Council Member Resto seconded the motion.

Mayor Kobylarz asked the Borough Clerk for a Roll Call Vote:

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Weber, Sr.	X		X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen			X			
Koronkiewicz			X			
Treloar			X			
Resto		X	X			

Mayor Kobylarz asked Council Member Resto to proceed with Resolution # 20-185.

Council Member Resto explained the purpose of Resolution # 20-185.

RESOLUTION # 20-185

[Requires Roll Call vote]

RESOLUTION EXTENDING DESIGNATION OF SV CHATHAM PO JV, LLC AS THE REDEVELOPER FOR THE POST OFFICE PLAZA REDEVELOPMENT AREA

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-1, et seq., as amended and supplemented ("LRHL"), provides a process for municipalities to participate in the redevelopment and improvement of areas in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the LRHL, the Council for the Borough of Chatham (the "Council") designated properties located along Bowers Lane and South Passaic Avenue within the Post Office Plaza, shown on the Borough's Tax Map as Block 121: Lots 10 through 13 and 17, Block 122: Lots 1, 2 and 12 through 18, as an area in need of redevelopment (the "Redevelopment Area"); and

WHEREAS, the Council adopted a Redevelopment Plan by Ordinance No. 19-10, adopted on April 22, 2019, for the Redevelopment Area (the "Redevelopment Plan") which sets forth, <u>inter alia</u>, the plan for the redevelopment of the Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, SV Chatham PO JV, LLC, the Redeveloper, an affiliate of KRE Group, Vertical Realty Capital and Stolar Capital Group, with an address of 225 Millburn Avenue, Millburn, New Jersey, was designated as redeveloper for the Redevelopment Area by Resolution 2019-238 on July 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the designation of Redeveloper was set to expire on January 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the developer and the Borough of Chatham entered into an Interim Cost Agreement on October 3, 2019, which was also set to expire on January 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, both the Redeveloper designation and Interim Cost Agreement were further extended from January 8, 2020 to July 8, 2020 by Resolution # 19-355 adopted on December 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Council continues to desire that the Redevelopment Area be redeveloped by the Redeveloper in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires that the designation of Redeveloper and the Interim Cost Agreement be extended for an additional six (6) months; and

WHEREAS, the Council is authorized to exercise all powers under the LRHL, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-8, including but not limited to the ability to negotiate with redevelopers to undertake redevelopment projects; and

WHEREAS, the Council and the Redeveloper shall have an additional period of six (6) months to agree on a specific development proposal and enter into a Redevelopment Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council for the Borough of Chatham as follows: (i) the designation of SV Chatham PO JV, LLC as the Redeveloper of the Redevelopment Area shall continue; (ii) the Mayor, and Borough Council's authorization to negotiate a Redevelopment Agreement with the Redeveloper shall continue; and (iii) authorizes the extension of the Interim Cost Agreement and (iv) Staff and consultants to the Borough are hereby authorized and directed to continue to take all other administrative actions to implement this Resolution as may be necessary and appropriate to accomplish its goals and intent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective for a period of six (6) months from July 8, 2020 through January 8, 2021, after which time it shall be of no further force and effect unless the Redeveloper shall have entered into a Redevelopment Agreement with the Borough of Chatham.

Council Member Resto made a motion to approve Resolution # 20-185.

Council President Mathiasen seconded the motion.

Mayor Kobylarz asked the Borough Clerk for a Roll Call Vote:

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Weber, Sr.			X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen		X	X			
Koronkiewicz			X			
Treloar			X			
Resto	X		X			

MAYOR'S REPORT II

Outdoor Dining:

Mayor Kobylarz named the following businesses approved for outdoor dining: A Taste of Asia, Arminio's Italian Corner, Charley's Aunt, Pascarella Bros, Restaurant Serenade, River Grille and Scoops. He encouraged residents to patronize the local eateries and to enjoy the ambiance of outdoor dining on Main Street.

Fourth of July Parade:

After much disappointment for the cancellation of the Fourth of July Parade, Mayor Kobylarz was pleased to announce that the Borough will conduct a Fourth of July Parade, thanks to the clever idea of 12 year old Emma Zapata. Mayor Kobylarz read aloud the letter Emma Zapata wrote concerning her idea on conducting a safe parade for residents to enjoy. He further read aloud his response to her letter announcing his acceptance of her idea. He informed the public that he intends to speak with Emma, her parents, and include other appropriate Borough officials on the details of executing the alternative parade.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Williams reported on the following streets PSE&G will conduct gas main replacements: Center Avenue, North Summit Avenue, Hedges Avenue, Roosevelt Avenue, Summit Avenue, Orchard Road, Washington Avenue, Broadview Terrace, Chandler Road, Fern Avenue, Chestnut Street, Hillside Avenue.

The Morris County Community College COVID-19 testing center will be closed on June 26, 2020.

Council Member Dempsey informed the Mayor and Council that a drive-in movie experience for Chatham Borough residents is in the making and will be held on August 7, 2020. Mr. Williams stated that the Borough and Township of Chatham contracted with Boxcar to put this event together. The event will be held behind the Methodist Church or by the train station. The Council unanimously supported the event.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are considered to be routine by the Chatham Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

Resolution #20-186 through Resolution #20-188 have been placed on the Consent Agenda.

RESOLUTION[S] REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION AND VOTE

There were none.

FINANCE

RESOLUTION #20-186

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

WHEREAS, vouchers for payment have been submitted to the Borough Council by the various municipal departments.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that all vouchers approved by the Finance Chairman be paid subject to the certification of the availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer.

RESOLUTION #20-187

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND FOR PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector for the Borough of Chatham has advised that the property homeowner overpaid on its property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has further advised that a refund for the property tax overpayment is to be made as follows:

BLOCK/LOT OWNERS/PROPERTY LOCATION

AMOUNT YEAR/QTR.

130/8.01 Jacqueline Parish

\$1,694.17 2020/3rd Qtr.

40 Meadowbrook Road

(Homeowner and mortgage company double paid)

*Make check payable & mail to:

Corelogic Tax Services

Attn: Refunds Department

P.O. Box 9202

Coppell, TX 75019-9978

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that it hereby authorizes the Borough Tax Collector to process a refund for the overpayment of property taxes as herein referenced.

PERSONNEL

RESOLUTION #20-188

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATIONS OF MULTIPLE FIREFIGHTERS OF THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, four (4) firefighters tendered their resignations as firefighters from the Borough of Chatham Fire Department.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that they hereby accept the resignations of the following firefighters from the Borough of Chatham Fire Department, effective immediately:

- Alex Chin
- Brendt de St. Paer
- Tim Caggiano

Travis Prost

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council thank all four (4) firefighters for their services to this community and wish them well in their future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all Borough officials are hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

CONSENT AGENDA VOTE:

Mayor Kobylarz asked Council Member Dempsey to proceed with the Resolutions listed on the Consent agenda. Resolutions #20-186 through #20-188.

Council Member Dempsey made a motion to approve the resolutions placed on this evening's Consent Agenda by consent of the Council. Seconded by Council Member Resto.

ADD-ON RESOLUTION[S]

There were none.

RESOLUTION #20-189

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Chatham that it shall adjourn into closed session to discuss the following subject matter(s) without the presence of the public in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 10:4-12b:

1. Contract Negotiations: Redevelopment - Dr. Robert Powell

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the matter(s) discussed will be made known to the public at such time as appropriate action is taken on said matter(s), and when disclosure will not result in unwarranted invasion of individual privacy or prejudice to the best interests of the Borough of Chatham, provided such disclosures will not violate Federal, State or local statutes and does not fall within the attorney-client privilege. The Borough Council will not return to public session after this closed session.

Council Member Resto made a motion to approve Resolution #20-189.

Seconded by Council Member Koronkiewicz. By a unanimous voice vote, Resolution #20-189 was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no other business to be conducted in public session, Mayor Kobylarz adjourned into Closed Session at 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted on August 10, 2020 by:

Tamar Lawful, RMC Borough Clerk BOROUGH OF CHATHAM