

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL**

April 22, 2019 MINUTES

Mayor Bruce A. Harris called the Regular Council Meeting of the Borough of Chatham to order on Monday, April 22, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers in Borough Hall, 54 Fairmount Avenue, Chatham, New Jersey.

SALUTE TO FLAG

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Harris asked for a moment of silence for those who have given their lives for our country.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Stephen W. Williams, Acting 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 17, 2019.

ROLL CALL

On a call of the roll, the following officials were present:

Mayor Bruce A. Harris
Council President James J. Collander
Council Member Victoria Fife
Council Member Robert A. Weber, Sr.
Council Member Thaddeus J. Kobylarz
Council Member Carolyn Dempsey
Council Member Jocelyn Mathiasen
Stephen W. Williams, Borough Administrator
James L. Lott, Jr., Borough Attorney

PROCLAMATION

RESOLUTION #19-168

CELEBRATING NATIONAL ARBOR DAY APRIL 26, 2019

WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this special day, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than one million trees in the State of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed on the last Friday in April throughout the nation and the world each year; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees also increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of our business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham, that April 26, 2019 shall be celebrated as National Arbor Day in the Borough of Chatham and all citizens are encouraged to join together to celebrate the benefits of community trees, and to support all efforts to protect our trees and woodlands for the well-being of present and future generations.

Council President Collander made a motion to approve Resolution #19-168. Council Member Kobylarz seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #19-168 was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Colleen Truppo, Chairperson of the Shade Tree Commission accepted the Resolution on behalf of the Shade Tree Commission. Mrs. Truppo announced that the Shade Tree Commission's annual concert would be held on April 28, 2019 at ECLC. Mrs. Truppo also announced that if residents wanted to contribute to the Shade Tree Commission's Tree Planting fund they could do so at the concert or by sending contributions to the Borough to the attention of the Shade Tree Commission.

Mayor Harris proceeded with Resolution #19-169.

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION #19-169

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE RETIREMENT OF SERGEANT MICHAEL J. MAHONEY

WHEREAS, by letter dated December 5, 2018, Sergeant Michael J. Mahoney has advised Police Chief Brian K. Gibbons he is retiring from the Chatham Borough Police Department, effective May 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, in January of 1994, Sergeant Mahoney began his law enforcement career with the Chatham Township Police Department as a Class II Special Law Enforcement Officer; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 1994, Sergeant Mahoney was appointed as a Police Officer for the Chatham Borough Police Department; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2005, Sergeant Mahoney was assigned to the position of Detective; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2009, Sergeant Mahoney was promoted to the rank of Police Sergeant, where he continued to serve until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, during his twenty-five years of service with the Department, his assignments have included Communications, Patrol Officer, Investigations and Patrol Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Mahoney has received numerous commendations, citations and awards throughout his twenty-five years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, when Sergeant Mahoney has been asked to go above and beyond the call of duty he has immediately responded without hesitation; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Mahoney has continually demonstrated a genuine concern for all the people he has touched over his career that spans twenty-five years.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that Sergeant Mahoney's retirement is hereby accepted with an effective date of May 1, 2019.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council thank Sergeant Mahoney for his 25 years of dedicated service to this community and wish him well with his future endeavors.

Council President Collander made a motion to approve Resolution #19-169. Council Member Weber seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #19-169 was approved unanimously.

Chief of Police Brian Gibbons made some brief comments and congratulated Officer Mahoney on his retirement.

Officer Mahoney thanked the Mayor, Council, and the Police Department for his Resolution and told those present that he truly enjoyed every minute of working in Chatham Borough.

APPOINTMENTS

RESOLUTION #19-170

RESOLUTION PROMOTING DETECTIVE DANIEL WALSH TO THE RANK OF POLICE SERGEANT

WHEREAS, Chief Brian K. Gibbons posted job openings for the positions of Police Sergeant in the Chatham Borough Police Department and applications were solicited from interested and qualified police officers within the Chatham Borough Police Department; and

WHEREAS, seven candidates applied for the position and were interviewed by the Promotion Examination Board to determine each candidates' qualifications; and

WHEREAS, after interviews were conducted, the Promotion Examination Board agreed that Detective Daniel Walsh met or exceeded the qualifications and requirements for the position of Police Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Detective Daniel Walsh was hired by the Borough of Chatham as a Police Officer on May 22, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Detective Daniel Walsh received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Montclair State University; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Police Promotional Policy and Procedures, the Promotion Examination Board recommends that Detective Daniel Walsh be promoted to the rank of Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code of the Borough of Chatham, Chapter 48, *Police Department*, §48-5.A., and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 et seq., all members of the Chatham Borough Police Department shall be appointed by the Mayor with the consent and approval of the Borough Council; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bruce A. Harris concurs with the recommendation made by the Promotion Examination Board and wishes to appoint Detective Daniel Walsh to the rank of Sergeant in the Chatham Borough Police Department.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that they hereby concur with the Mayor's appointment of Detective Daniel Walsh to the rank of Sergeant in the Chatham Borough Police Department and hereby provide their consent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that effective April 23, 2019, Detective Daniel Walsh is hereby promoted to the rank of Sergeant at an annual salary of \$134,063.63 to be pro-rated for the remainder of 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mayor Bruce A. Harris and the Borough Council hereby congratulate and extend their best wishes to Detective Daniel Walsh.

Council President Collander made a motion to approve Resolution #19-170. Council Member Weber seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #19-170 was approved unanimously.

RESOLUTION #19-171

RESOLUTION PROMOTING OFFICER WAYNE SHIVERS TO THE RANK OF POLICE SERGEANT

WHEREAS, Chief Brian Gibbons posted job openings for the positions of Police Sergeant in the Chatham Borough Police Department and applications were solicited from interested and qualified police officers within the Chatham Borough Police Department; and

WHEREAS, seven candidates applied for the position and were interviewed by the Promotion Examination Board to determine each candidates' qualifications; and

WHEREAS, after interviews were conducted, the Promotion Examination Board agreed that Officer Wayne Shivers met or exceeded the qualifications and requirements for the position of Police Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Shivers was hired by the Borough of Chatham as a Police Officer on January 3, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Officer Wayne Shivers received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Fairleigh Dickenson University; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Police Promotional Policy and Procedures, the Promotion Examination Board recommends that Officer Wayne Shivers be promoted to the rank of Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Code of the Borough of Chatham, Chapter 48, *Police Department*, §48-5. A., and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 et seq., all members of the Chatham Borough Police Department shall be appointed by the Mayor with the consent and approval of the Borough Council; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bruce A. Harris concurs with the recommendation made by the Promotion Examination Board and wishes to appoint Officer Wayne Shivers to the rank of Sergeant in the Chatham Borough Police Department.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that they hereby concur with the Mayor's appointment of Officer Wayne Shivers to the rank of Sergeant in the Chatham Borough Police Department and hereby provide their consent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that effective April 23, 2019, Officer Wayne Shivers is hereby promoted to the rank of Sergeant at an annual salary of \$134,063.63 to be pro-rated for the remainder of 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mayor Bruce A. Harris and the Borough Council hereby congratulate and extend their best wishes to Officer Wayne Shivers.

Council President Collander made a motion to approve Resolution #19-171. Council Member Fife seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #19-171 was approved unanimously.

Mr. Williams then administered the Oath of Office to Sergeants Walsh and Shivers.

RESOLUTION #19-172

RESOLUTION APPOINTING COLIN R. KIDD AS A PROBATIONARY FIREFIGHTER FOR THE CHATHAM BOROUGH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham recognize the valuable contributions volunteer firefighters make to our community every day of every year; and

WHEREAS, Colin R. Kidd has expressed interest in becoming a Probationary Firefighter with the Chatham Borough Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief has recommended that Colin R. Kidd should be appointed as a Probationary Firefighter to the Chatham Borough Volunteer Fire Department, Hose Company.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that Colin R. Kidd is hereby appointed as a Probationary Firefighter to the Chatham Borough Volunteer Fire Department, Hose Company; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Colin R. Kidd's application for membership to the Chatham Borough Volunteer Fire Department is hereby approved.

Council President Collander made a motion to approve Resolution #19-172. Council Member Weber seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #19-172 was approved unanimously.

Mayor Harris then removed Resolution #19-181 from the Consent Agenda due to the fact that Mr. Sowell was present at the meeting this evening.

RESOLUTION #19-181

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MICHAEL T. SOWELL AS A PROBATIONARY FIREFIGHTER FOR THE CHATHAM BOROUGH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham recognize the valuable contributions volunteer firefighters make to our community every day of every year; and

WHEREAS, Michael T. Sowell has expressed interest in becoming a Probationary Firefighter with the Chatham Borough Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief has recommended that Michael T. Sowell should be appointed as a Probationary Firefighter to the Chatham Borough Volunteer Fire Department, Engine Company #2.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that Michael T. Sowell is hereby appointed as a Probationary Firefighter to the Chatham Borough Volunteer Fire Department, Engine Company #2; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Michael T. Sowell's application for membership to the Chatham Borough Volunteer Fire Department is hereby approved.

Council President Collander made a motion to approve Resolution #19-181. Council Member Weber seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #19-181 was approved unanimously.

Mr. Williams then administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Kidd and Mr. Sowell.

Mayor Harris proceeded with Resolution #19-173.

RESOLUTION #19-173

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that the minutes from the following meeting are approved as prepared and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Borough Clerk's office:

April 8, 2019

And,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that the minutes from the following Closed Session meeting(s) are approved as prepared and shall be filed as a permanent record in the Borough Clerk's office:

April 8, 2019

Council Member Weber made a motion to approve Resolution #19-173. Council Member Kobylarz seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #19-173 was approved unanimously.

RECUSALS

Mayor Harris asked if there are any recusals or abstentions to be submitted for the record with respect to any item listed on the agenda.

There were two recusals; Mayor Harris and Council Member Fife noted that they are recused on discussions pertaining to Post Office Plaza and Ordinance #19-10

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Dixiedale Farm Development

Mr. DeNave gave a brief presentation on the Dixiedale Farm development project in Chatham Township. This presentation included an overview of the project that will include a 50-unit development. This application will be heard at Chatham Township Planning Board meeting on May 20, 2019. Mr. DeNave noted that he had an opportunity to review the traffic study that showed that the project will yield 13 additional cars to Hillside Avenue during the peak morning rush hour.

Mayor Harris proceeded with opening the meeting for public comment.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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/are not topics scheduled for Public Hearing tonight. 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.

Crystal Paone, 57 Van Doren Avenue, Mrs. Paone introduced herself and made a short presentation on National Gun Violence Awareness Day. Mrs. Paone then asked for a Proclamation to declare June 7th as Gun Violence Awareness Day in Chatham Borough, again this year.

She went on to tell the history of National Gun Violence Awareness Day: The color orange has a long and proud history in the gun safety movement. Whether it's worn by hunters in the woods of Pennsylvania,

activists in New York City, orange honors the 100 lives lost and the hundreds more wounded by gun violence every day. Since the first National Gun Violence Awareness Day in 2015, hundreds of communities and organizations continue to commemorate that event by wearing orange, holding community events, lighting skylines orange, and issuing city and state proclamations.

Seeing no one wishing to comment, Mayor Harris closed the meeting to the public.

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

Mayor Harris asked Council Member Kobylarz to proceed with Ordinance #19-07.

Council Member Kobylarz read Ordinance #19-07 entitled:

ORDINANCE #19-07

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019

Which Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular Council meeting held on March 25, 2019.

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

The Acting Borough Clerk stated: A legal notice was published indicating that Ordinance #19-07 was introduced and passed on first reading at the March 25, 2019 meeting and indicated the second reading and public hearing would be held at 7:30 p.m. on April 22, 2019 for consideration of final adoption. Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the general public and posted in accordance with the law.

Mayor Harris opened the meeting for a public hearing on the Ordinance.

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

Council Member Kobylarz offered the 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 Member Weber seconded the motion.

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

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Collander			X			
Fife			X			
Weber		X	X			
Kobylarz	X		X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen			X			

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

Mayor Harris asked Council Member Kobylarz to proceed with Ordinance #19-08.

Council Member Kobylarz read Ordinance #19-08 entitled:

ORDINANCE #19-08

CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING THEREFORE THE SUM OF \$195,000 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE WATER UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE BOROUGH

Which Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular Council meeting held on March 25, 2019.

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

The Acting Borough Clerk stated: A legal notice was published indicating that Ordinance #19-08 was introduced and passed on first reading at the March 25, 2019 meeting and indicated the second reading and public hearing would be held at 7:30 p.m. on April 8, 2019 for consideration of final adoption. At the April 8, 2019 meeting, the public hearing and the consideration for final adoption were carried over to the April 22, 2019 meeting at 7:30 p.m. Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the general public and posted in accordance with the law.

Mayor Harris opened the meeting for a public hearing on the Ordinance.

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

Council Member Kobylarz offered the 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 Collander seconded the motion.

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

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Collander		X	X			
Fife			X			
Weber			X			
Kobylarz	X		X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen			X			

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

Mayor Harris asked Council Member Kobylarz to proceed with Ordinance #19-09.

Council Member Kobylarz read Ordinance #19-09 entitled:

ORDINANCE #19-09

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND A NEW FIRE ENGINE (PARTIAL FUNDING), INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,298,500 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

Which Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular Council meeting held on March 25, 2019.

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

The Acting Borough Clerk stated: A legal notice was published indicating that Ordinance #19-09 was introduced and passed on first reading at the March 25, 2019 meeting and indicated the second reading and public hearing would be held at 7:30 p.m. on April 8, 2019 for consideration of final adoption. At the April 8, 2019 meeting, the public hearing and the consideration for final adoption were carried over to the April 22, 2019 meeting at 7:30 p.m. Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the general public and posted in accordance with the law.

Mayor Harris opened the meeting for a public hearing on the Ordinance.

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

Council Member Kobylarz offered the 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 Member Weber seconded the motion.

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

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Collander			X			
Fife			X			
Weber		X	X			
Kobylarz	X		X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen			X			

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

Mayor Harris asked Council Member Collander to proceed with Ordinance #19-10.

Council Member Collander read Ordinance #19-10 entitled:

ORDINANCE #19-10

ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE POST OFFICE PLAZA REDEVELOPMENT AREA BLOCK 121, LOTS 10 THROUGH 13 AND 17 BLOCK 122, LOTS 1, 2 AND 12 THROUGH 18 BOROUGH OF CHATHAM, NEW JERSEY

Which Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular Council meeting held on April 8, 2019.

Council President Collander asked the Acting Borough Clerk to give a summary of the legal notice.

The Borough Clerk stated: A legal notice was published indicating that Ordinance #19-10 was introduced and passed on first reading at the April 8, 2019 meeting and indicated the second reading and public hearing would be held at 7:30 p.m. on April 22, 2019 for consideration of final adoption. Copies of this Ordinance were made available to the general public and posted in accordance with the law.

Council President Collander opened the meeting for a public hearing on the Ordinance. Mr. Collander noted that Mr. Philip Abramson would be making a brief presentation on the Post Office Plaza redevelopment plan.

Mr. Abramson made a presentation on the Post Office Plaza Redevelopment Plan that was presented at the March 20, 2019 joint meeting with the Planning Board and at the Planning Board meeting on April 17, 2019. He reviewed the changes that were made because of comments made at the joint meeting with the Planning Board. Mr. Abramson reported that there was a lot of great feedback and the revised plan had been posted on the website. Typographical errors had been edited and addressed, and there were ten points that changed in the current version. Language was added to describe the methodology of measuring building height. Overall height was reduced in the plan. Provisions for offsite improvements were addressed and that space was included. Local architecture language was included and referenced. Theater, brew pubs and a brewery were added as permitted uses. Retail square feet per establishment was capped at 7,000 square feet per tenant. Mr. Abramson also presented additional Power Point slides showing what his visions for the project were. Mr. Abramson reported that the Planning Board found that the Redevelopment Plan was not inconsistent with the Borough Master Plan. The Borough Council asked Mr. Abramson several questions that he answered.

Council President Collander proceeded with the public hearing.

Fran Drew, 32 Inwood Road, re-introduced the subject of parking which she said is needed behind the shopping area on Main Street. She compared the parking issues in Chatham to Madison and Millburn Townships which she thought was thriving because of the location of the parking behind their stores, and she said the rest of the area behind the stores on Main Street could be used for green space parking. She also suggested that a smaller version of a parking garage like the one in Millburn Township could be built closer to the railroad tracks on the east side of the development. She thought this would be something nice for the people who go to New York and must walk from Post Office Plaza back to their homes. Mrs. Drew also spoke of the width of Bowers Lane and expressed concern that fire trucks could not fit down streets that are 21 feet wide.

Jack Drew, 32 Inwood Road, Mr. Drew congratulated the planning board and council members for engaging in good planning and said their efforts are commendable. Mr. Drew said that this plan has many

good features, but the way of doing it by redevelopment has some advantages and some disadvantages. Mr. Drew said that “it is generally understood that parking is a real need and the Council in years past has done a lot of good things about parking”. Mr. Drew said, “I think that this council should add to that by putting in the parking garage and parking spaces, if, for example the Post Office Annex building became available”. “I think the town should buy it and use it that to make parking. I don’t think it’s necessary that we do everything to prevent having to raise the money that’s been done in the past and I think it should be done again.”

Stewart Carr, 3 Crestwood Drive, Mr. Carr asked several questions about the redevelopment project’s density and how it related to increasing the number of residents in Chatham Borough and how increasing the number of residents would result in increased traffic in and around the project.

Jimmy Bellis, 43 Hedges Ave, Mr. Bellis wanted to make a comment on traffic and parking in Chatham. He also mentioned that this redevelopment project is very exciting. He indicated that he wanted to speak about parking in downtown and asked that the Borough Mayor and Council consider parking in their future planning.

Seeing no one wishing to be heard Council President Collander closed the public hearing and offered the 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 Member Weber seconded the motion.

Mayor Harris asked the Acting Borough Clerk for a Roll Call Vote:

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Collander	X		X			
Fife					RECUSED	
Weber		X	X			
Kobylarz			X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen			X			

Council President Collander declared the Ordinance adopted and finally passed and requested the Acting Clerk to publish the proper notice of adoption of this Ordinance in the official newspapers and to permanently record the Ordinance.

Mayor Harris proceeded with the Council Liaison Reports.

REPORTS

BOARD & COMMISSION MEMBERS & LIAISON REPORTS

Shade Tree Commission - Council President Collander reported that JCP&L tree crews will be removing 72 ash trees in the Borough that are within the utility easement due to the Emerald Ash Borer and Yellow Ash Blight Disease. Borough officials will continue to meet with JCP&L representatives to further discuss a tree management plan. Mr. Collander also announced the Shade Tree Commission concert on April 28th. Mrs. Mathiasen reported that additional Emerald Ash Borer information had been posted on the Borough’s website.

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee - Council President Collander had nothing new to report.

Traffic & Pedestrian Safety Advisory Committee - Council President Collander reported that further discussions on traffic would be had and the results of those discussions would be at a future Mayor and Council meeting. He also reported that considerable data on traffic was being examined.

Farmers' Market Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported that the market will open June 15, 2019.

Historic Riverside Trail Advisory Committee Council Member Fife reported that a meeting would be set up soon.

Mayor's Wellness Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported that the Chathams have been designated a "Healthy Town." And we are waiting for our sign. Mrs. Fife also reported that the committee is working with Tri-Town 55+ on COYL (Conversation on Your Life).

MyChathamNJ Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported on this year's Spring Clean scheduled for May 4th at 8am at the Gazebo. All volunteers are welcome.

Municipal Pool Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported about the activities that will be planned for the pool this summer.

Project Community Pride - Council Member Fife had nothing new to report.

Public Arts Council Advisory Committee - Council Member Fife reported that the committee will be making a presentation before the Mayor and Council at the May 13th meeting with respect to the Washington Avenue train overpass mural project.

Senior Center of the Chathams - Council Member Fife reported that the Senior Center's annual Community Shred Day is scheduled for April 27th.

Board of Health - Council Member Weber had nothing new to report.

Joint Recreation Advisory Committee - Council Member Weber reported that the spring sports were in full swing subject to weather, Tennis lessons had begun. Mr. Weber also announced that 2300 background finger print checks had been conducted, and several hundred name checks had been reviewed by the State Police.

9/11 Memorial Advisory Committee - Council Member Weber had nothing new to report.

Madison Chatham Joint Meeting - Council Member Weber reported that the Capital Project Loan had closed.

Undergrounding Advisory Committee - Council Member Kobylarz reported that the committee was continuing their brainstorming and moving on a measured pace of developing a proposal to bury wires underground in the Borough. He also reported that Janet McTaig from Fort Collins, CO, will speak to the committee on her municipality's effort to bury wires underground. This meeting will be held on June 11 at 7:30pm.

Planning Board - Council Member Kobylarz reported that the Planning Board did review the POP Redevelopment Plan for consistency with the Master Plan.

Joint Community Gardens Advisory Committee - Council Member Kobylarz reported the new season starts May 1st.

Joint Municipal Court - Council Member Kobylarz had nothing new to report.

Historic Preservation Commission - Council Member Dempsey reported the commission met on April 16th and the Bradley project has been before the HPC for the third time and more work will have to be done before the HPC feels comfortable with their plans.

Board of Education - Council Member Dempsey reported that the high school received the College Board AP Science Female Diversity Award.

Municipal Alliance of the Chathams - Council Member Dempsey reported that April is alcohol awareness month and that Municipal Alliance of the Chathams wants to emphasize one in twelve adults suffer from alcohol dependence. April 27th is “Take Back Day” where residents can drop off unused medications at the Township CVS or Chatham Township Police Department. MACC is also spearheading the “Parents who host lose the most” campaign. They will also be hosting a cannabis town hall meeting.

Mrs. Dempsey wanted to thank all those who participated in the NJ Local Government Day programs. She specifically wanted to thank Janice Piccolo for her help in planning the event.

Open Space & Historic Preservation Trust Advisory Committee - Council Member Carolyn Dempsey had nothing new to report.

Environmental Commission - Council Member Jocelyn Mathiasen reported that the Commission met and discussed Mr. Resto’s presentation on recycling. Handouts had been given to participants on NJ Local Government Day.

Communications & Technology Advisory Committee - Council Member Jocelyn Mathiasen reported on the new Recycle Coach app.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Harris thanked Council Member Fife and Dempsey for their work planning NJ Local Government Day. He also reported that he looked at Google Maps and noted that Perrin Street, St. James Street and Bonnell Street were not listed so he had made a request to Google and now all streets in Chatham are listed on Google Maps. Mayor Harris also reported that Madison hosted a meeting with Congresswoman Sherrill to discuss regional traffic issues with NJ DOT about Route 24 and Columbia Turnpike and there was also a meeting this afternoon with NJDOT to discuss Route 124 and 24 in Chatham Borough and how we can address traffic issues in Chatham. Chatham was able to show DOT the study the Borough had conducted which show 72% of the traffic in Chatham is pass through. DOT will also be making advancements in signalization on Main Street which should help with traffic flow. Mayor Harris indicated that this meeting was a very productive meeting. He also reported that the Post Office Open House is April 27th and there will be a Joint Meeting with the Planning Board on May 1st to discuss the River Road redevelopment plan.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mr. Williams noted in the interest of time, he had no report this evening.

RESOLUTION REQUIRING SEPARATE ACTION

RESOLUTION #19-174

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2019 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the municipal budget for the year 2019:

Municipal Budget

Revenues

General Revenues	\$ 5,866,078.53
Local Tax for Muni Purposes	\$ 8,056,841.10
Minimum Library Tax	<u>\$ 896,641.87</u>
	\$14,819,561.50

Appropriations

Municipal Purposes	\$13,074,561.50
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	<u>\$ 1,745,000.00</u>
Total General Appropriations	\$14,819,561.50

Water Operating Budget

Revenues

Rents and Fees	\$ 1,798,285.00
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Appropriations

Expenses	\$ 1,798,285.00
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Solid Waste Budget

Revenues

Rents and Fees	\$ 667,500.00
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Appropriations

Expenses	\$ 667,500.00
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Council Member Kobylarz made a motion to approve Resolution #19-174. Council Member Collander seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolution #19-174 was approved unanimously.

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

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Collander		X	X			
Fife			X			
Weber			X			
Kobylarz	X		X			
Dempsey			X			
Mathiasen			X			

Mayor Harris proceeded with the Consent Agenda.

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 #19-175 through Resolution #19-184 had been previously placed on the Consent Agenda.

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

#19-176 DPW Agreement was removed because some required language needs to be examined more closely.

#19-181 Sowell FD Appointment was moved up and adopted earlier in the agenda.

CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION #19-175

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO GRANICUS AGENDA MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE AND SYSTEMS, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,818.00

WHEREAS, the Borough of Chatham solicited competitive quotes for the purchase of an Agenda Management software and systems; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., provides that the contracting agent shall award the contract after soliciting at least two competitive quotations, if practicable, for those contracts that in the aggregate are less than the bid threshold of \$40,000.00, but exceed 15 percent of the bid threshold (\$6,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the following quotation was received:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
GRANICUS	\$13,818.00

And,

WHEREAS, the value of this contract is less than the bid threshold of \$40,000.00 and therefore may be awarded by soliciting competitive quotes without advertising for bids; and

WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent recommends that the contract be awarded to Granicus, in the amount of \$13,818.00; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Day, Chief Financial Officer, has certified that sufficient funds are available in Current Fund Account # 9-01-20-130-213 for the award of this contract; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that it concurs with the recommendation of the Qualified Purchasing Agent and hereby authorizes the Mayor upon the recommendation of the Borough Administrator and upon a form of contract that is acceptable to the Borough Attorney to execute a contract with Granicus in accordance with the specifications upon which the quotations were received and accepted, in the amount of \$13,818.00; 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.

RESOLUTION #19-176

RESOLUTION APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM AND CHATHAM BORO DPW ASSOCIATION, INC.

WHEREAS, negotiations were entered into between the Borough of Chatham and Chatham Boro DPW Association, Inc. for purposes of collective bargaining with respect to rates of pay, hours of employment and other terms and conditions of employment for all full-time employees who are members of the Chatham Boro DPW Association, Inc; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these negotiations an agreement was reached by the parties.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Chatham that the agreement between the Borough of Chatham Boro DPW Association, Inc for the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021 is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the collective bargaining agreement with Chatham Boro DPW Association, Inc on behalf of the Borough; and

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

FINANCE

RESOLUTION #19-177

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 #19-178

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND FOR PROPERTY TAX OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector for the Borough of Chatham has advised that both the Mortgage Company and the Title Company made property tax payments for the herein referenced property resulting in an overpayment of property taxes; and

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

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>OWNERS/PROPERTY LOCATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>YEAR/QTR.</u>
114=14	Banoub, Michael & Laura 12 Pihlman Place	\$2,695.75	2018/3 rd Qtr.
	*Refinanced home (mortgage co & title co. paid)		
	*Make check payable & mail to:		
	PNC Bank Attn: Tax Refund Department 3232 Newmark Drive Miamisburg, OH 45342		

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION #19-179

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH POLICE SERGEANTS PROMOTION ELIGIBILITY LIST

WHEREAS, interviews were conducted for the position of Police Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended to the Mayor and Council that a promotion eligibility list be established; and

WHEREAS, Section IV of the Police Promotion Policy issued on May 28, 2002 and revised on January 28, 2019, authorizes the Mayor and Council to establish promotion eligibility lists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham, that a Police Sergeant's Promotion Eligibility List is hereby established for the period of (24) months, beginning on April 3, 2019 and ending on April 3, 2021.

RESOLUTION #19-180

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE POLICE CHIEF TO CLOSE CERTAIN DESIGNATED PARKING LOTS AND ROADS AND TO CONTROL AND TO REGULATE TRAFFIC CONDITIONS CONSEQUENT THERETO FOR THE 2019 CHATHAM FISHAWACK FESTIVAL

WHEREAS, the 2019 Chatham Fishawack Festival ("Fishawack") is scheduled to be held on June 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief has reviewed the traffic conditions that may be created by Fishawack and has recommended to the Borough Administrator and the Director of the Department of Community Services that certain designated parking lots and roads should be closed in order to facilitate public activity created by Fishawack, and to control and to regulate traffic conditions consequent thereto.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that they hereby authorize the Police Chief to close the following parking lots on June 8, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. to facilitate the public activity created by Fishawack:

1. Parking Lot No. 1 or Plaza North Lot
2. Parking Lot No. 2 or Plaza South Lot
3. Parking Lot No. 7 or Firehouse Plaza Lot (for handicap parking)
4. Parking Lot No. 8 or Center Avenue West
5. Parking Lot No. 6 or Center Avenue East

And,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Police Chief is hereby authorized to close Fairmount Avenue from Main Street to Red Road, and close Center Street from Center Place to Main Street and to establish appropriate detour routes and to undertake such traffic measures to control and to regulate traffic conditions created consequent to the closure of the herein referenced roads and parking lots; and

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

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES

RESOLUTION #19-182

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT DR. ROZELLA CLYDE TO THE UNDERGROUNDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Undergrounding Advisory Committee was established by the Mayor and Borough Council on January 25, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Rozella Clyde has expressed an interest in serving as a member of the Undergrounding Advisory Committee; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that Dr. Rozella Clyde is hereby appointed as a member of the Undergrounding Advisory Committee; and

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

SHARED SERVICES

RESOLUTION #19-183

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE LIBRARY OF THE CHATHAMS FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, *N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.*, permits a local unit of the State to enter into an agreement with any other local unit to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in the agreement is empowered to render within its own jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Library of the Chathams has a need for maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Chatham Department of Public Works can perform these services;

BE IT RESOLVED, by Council of the Borough of Chatham that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a shared service agreement with Library of the Chathams for maintenance services, contingent upon approval of the contract terms and conditions by the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney.

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

OTHER

RESOLUTION #19-184

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2019 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE BOROUGH OF CHATHAM

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator, Mayor and Borough Council prepare annual goals and objectives each year; and

WHEREAS, the preparation of the annual goals and objectives are designed to identify and plan projects and to set the priorities for the year; and

WHEREAS, the annual goals and objectives provide the Mayor, Council, Department Heads, volunteers and the general public with a concise focused plan that is designed to improve Borough operations and the overall quality of life for Borough residents and visitors to the Borough.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Chatham that the 2019 Goals and Objectives are hereby approved; and

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

CONSENT AGENDA VOTE:

Council Member Weber made a motion to approve Resolutions #19-175 through #19-184 (Exclusive of Resolution #19-176 and #19-184) listed on the Consent Agenda. Council President Collander seconded the motion. A vote was taken and Resolutions #19-175 through #19-184 (Exclusive of Resolutions #19-176 and #19-184) listed on the Consent Agenda were approved unanimously.

ADD-ON RESOLUTION[S]

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Kobylarz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Weber that the meeting be adjourned. A vote was taken, and the motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:

Stephen W. Williams
Acting Borough Clerk
BOROUGH OF CHATHAM
May 9, 2019