

FINANCE MEETING
May 17, 2018

A REGULAR SCHEDULED FINANCE MEETING of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt was held in the Caucus Room of the Borough Hall, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Craig Lahullier asked Claire Foy, Borough Clerk to call the roll: Mayor Craig Lahullier, Councilmen Robert Zimmermann, David Stoltz, Richard Bartlett, James Lenoy and Joseph Emerson were present. Councilman William Roseman arrived at 7:15 P.M.

Mayor Lahullier led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Lahullier – This meeting has been called pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Law and in accordance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting having been provided in the annual notice schedule which contained the time, date and location of the meeting, copies of which were sent and advertised in the following official newspapers of Carlstadt: The Record on January 6, 2018 and the Herald News on January 6, 2018 a copy of which is on the Bulletin Board in the Borough Hall and a copy on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

Mayor Lahullier read the following: Public Hearing for the Garden-Orchard Street Open Space Project. The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt will hold a public hearing on May 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. during a Borough of Carlstadt public meeting.

The purpose of the hearing is to obtain public comment on a grant application, Garden-Orchard Street Open Space Project, to be submitted to the Bergen County Trust Fund by the Borough of Carlstadt.

The public hearing will take place at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 500 Madison Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey.

The Mayor and Council Members will make a brief presentation followed by a question and answer period. All residents are encouraged to attend and participate.

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to open the floor to a hearing of citizens.
On motion by Bartlett, seconded by Stoltz, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

Erwin Fedkenheuer, 700 Ninth Street - said the little piece between Lincoln Street and where the office was on Orchard Street is that contaminated also? Mayor Lahullier replied the parking lot that is on the east side of Lincoln Street is not. It is the south end of the property on Broad and Garden Street that is the section that we knew of many years ago and it was said there was an issue there. There was a lot of clean up money spent on that property. We don't think it is totally cleaned up yet and they still have to spend more money but I think it is at the tail end of what needs to be done over there. What we want to do is just put in a grant application to see if there are any funds available to help us defray the cost if we were to make an offer on this piece of property.

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Mr. Fedkenheuer asked if it was for both pieces of property. Mayor Lahullier replied yes. He also said we were also figuring, just so you know a little more about it, that we were to do a soccer field on the big piece, we would need parking over on the other piece. That is the reason we want to get it all because we would need it all for a regulation size soccer field. We would need between your concession stands, bleachers and lighting, we would need that whole section that is on Garden Street. We would also need parking on that other piece of land.

Mr. Fedkenheuer asked can we use between Lincoln and Orchard Street that piece for senior housing? Mayor Lahullier said as far as what we know that deed said no residential area. Jane Fontana, Legislative Research Officer, replied there is a deed restriction prohibiting residential on the majority of the lot. There are about seven lots there altogether. Mr. Fedkenheuer said between Lincoln Street, Broad and Orchard, that was the office building and there is no restriction.

There was a lengthy discussion between Mayor Lahullier and Erwin Fedkenheuer regarding the Lincoln School property on Sixth Street and senior housing. Mr. Fedkenheuer also suggested the possibility of putting a pump station at the Garden and Broad Street locations. Mayor Lahullier said he hears what he is saying but his opinion is it is the last piece of open space and should be given to the youth.

Mayor Lahullier had other things to say about a pump station at that site.

Mr. Fedkenheuer mentioned now that the first and second districts come up to the Civic Center to vote where are the people going to park their cars? Mayor Lahullier replied he has been talking to Joseph Crifasi, DPW Operations Manager about this and Mr. Crifasi replied he has been looking into this and is proposing to bring in temporary trailers and park them at the old Lincoln School site. He just needs the Mayor and Council's approval.

Mayor Lahullier said we need to get back to applying for the Grant money. He asked if any other person would like to speak on this matter. No other person wished to be heard.

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to close the floor to a hearing of citizens.

On motion by Bartlett, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to apply for a grant for land at Orchard and Broad and Garden Street. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to hire Ashley Brown as the Summer Recreation Director and Juliana Squeo as the Assistant Director. On motion by Lenoy, seconded by Zimmermann, unanimous on call of roll.

Mayor Lahullier said we received correspondence from principal, Kenneth Foy of the Carlstadt Public School. He is asking for a \$25.00 donation towards the Awards Fund and the cost of the dinner is \$18.00. This will be for the Annual Buffet at Carlstadt Public School on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 6:30 P.M. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Bartlett, unanimous on call of roll.

Battalion Fire Chief Dennis Kronyak spoke thanking the Mayor and Council for setting up an account at the cleaners on Route 17 to get gear cleaned. He said this Saturday at 5:00 P.M. we will have our Memorial Service at Memorial Park following with inspection at the firehouse. If there is rain, everything will be conducted here at the firehouse. Refreshments will follow afterwards. On the 28th of the month following the parade, we will be having a barbeque downstairs at the firehouse. Everybody is invited to attend with your family. It will start at noon. The chief wanted to ask Joseph Crifasi, DPW Operations Manager what is the progress on the generator. Mr. Crifasi replied it is all set. He met with the electrician and he will price out on two different generators. The work will get done sometime in the summer.

COUNCILMAN RICHARD BARTLETT

He mentioned that last week he saw two of our crossing guards wearing flip flops on their feet. He has a problem with that because if there is a situation on their corners, they can become part of the problem. He would prefer they wear a sneaker or shoe so they can maneuver around if there is an emergency at their post. He would like the Police Chief to be notified as well as Lt. Beese who oversees the crossing guards. He feels it is a safety issue.

COUNCILMAN WILLIAM ROSEMAN

He had two things to discuss in closed session.

COUNCILMAN JAMES LENOY

He had nothing to discuss at this time.

COUNCILMAN ROBERT ZIMMERMANN

He had nothing to discuss at this time.

COUNCILMAN JOSEPH EMERSON

He talked about the concerts that are planned for the summer. We should have a final listing soon. Most of the bands are from Carlstadt.

COUNCILMAN DAVID STOLTZ

He wanted to know if we had the list yet for vehicles to be auctioned.

Mayor Lahullier said hopefully we will have it by Monday at our Council Meeting.

Mayor Lahullier said with the NJBT funding program that occurred last year they have announced that it is soliciting applications for the safe routes to school and has an application package and has a deadline of August 23, 2018. Joseph Crifasi, DPW Operations Manager stated that grant can cover the

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solar blinking stop signs. We talked about this and those signs are expensive. He will write the grant out for whatever amount of money is covered for three or four sets of stop signs and yellow cross walk signs and will take care of this next week. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

JOSEPH CRIFASI, DPW OPERATIONS MANAGER

He mentioned that last week we were trimming a tree and a branch ripped off the electrical service to a home owner's house. They had to call an electrician to get it fixed. The insurance was too high to put through their policy. He asked for Council approval to reimburse the home owner's cost of \$1,196.38. On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Zimmermann, unanimous on call of roll.

Councilman Bartlett had one more thing to bring up. The Fire Department now has a spare vehicle which is an old chief's car. The car needs transmission work. He asked the Fire Department mechanic to get two quotes. Both are remanufactured transmissions. The price Frank's Truck Center in Lyndhurst, NJ quoted is \$4,208.00 and Mike's Transmission and Auto Repair in Wallington, NJ is \$3,870.40. He asked permission to get this repaired and would like this to go to Mike's Transmission as he is the lowest.

On motion by Emerson, seconded by Zimmermann, unanimous on call of roll.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING ACT
RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION**

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the governing body of the Borough of Carlstadt to conduct an executive session closed to the public in order to discuss one or more of the following subjects: personnel, property and potential litigation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt hereby moves to go into executive session in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et. Seq. for the purpose of discussing one or more of the following subjects: personnel, property and potential litigation.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the public will be informed either later this evening after reconvening the public meeting or at a future public meeting said date is not predictable at the present time.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters discussed in and minutes of the closed session shall be disclosed to the public when the reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to go into closed session. On motion by Zimmermann, seconded be Bartlett, unanimous on call of roll, the meeting went into closed session at 7:40 P.M.

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The meeting went back into open session at 8:57 P.M. with the following members in attendance: Mayor Lahullier, Councilmen Zimmermann, Stoltz, Bartlett, Lenoy, Emerson and Roseman.

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 P.M. On motion by Zimmermann, seconded by Lenoy, unanimous on call of roll.

APPROVED: _____
CRAIG LAHULLIER, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK