

**CAUCUS MEETING
September 5, 2019**

A REGULAR SCHEDULED CAUCUS 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, September 5, 2019 at 7:03 P.M.

Mayor Craig Lahullier asked Claire Foy, Borough Clerk to call the roll: Mayor Craig Lahullier, Councilmen Robert Zimmerman, David Stoltz and Richard Bartlett were present. Councilman James Lenoy arrived at 7:23 P.M. Councilman Joseph Emerson arrived at 7:25 P.M. and Councilman William Roseman arrived at 8:09 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 5, 2019 and the Herald News on January 5, 2019 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.

Gregory Polyniak of Neglia Engineering read his report for the month regarding projects that are being done in the Borough of Carlstadt and is on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

Gunter Kuprat of the Carlstadt Turnverein mentioned that last Saturday a tree company came in and trimmed trees in their parking lot.

Al Abnoosi, owner of the building at 315 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt, attended the meeting and explained to the Mayor and Council that he would like to do some work on the second floor to make it a little bigger so that it would be more suitable for him to live there. He had received various summonses due to the business that had been on the first floor and felt he was being harassed. Another problem is the parking on Hackensack Street. Mr. Abnoosi said he had gotten advice from an attorney telling him he could do the work and someone else told him he could not. Mayor Lahullier advised him that he would have to present his case before the Zoning Board because they are the only ones that can make that determination. Since Mr. Abnoosi explained that he was not financially capable of hiring someone to present his case before the Zoning Board, he would have to present the case himself.

**CONSENT AGENDA
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-202**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Woman's Club of Carlstadt, Inc. be granted permission to hold a raffle as per their application at the First Presbyterian Church, 457 Division Avenue, Carlstadt, New Jersey for which the application and fee shall be forwarded to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the following organizations amend their raffle licenses as requested:

1. Lodge 46 Charitable Foundation, Inc., License No. RL18-13-330 changed location from Redd's Restaurant, 317 Washington Avenue, Carlstadt, NJ to Segovia Meson, 645 Washington Avenue, Carlstadt, NJ for raffle dates on 9/18/19, 10/16/19 and 11/20/19.
2. Meadowlands Area YMCA, License No. 19-8-338 changed date from October 9, 2019 to November 21, 2019 at Il Villaggio, 651 Route North, Carlstadt, NJ and deleted member Frank Bockowski and added Amanda Scully.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-204

WHEREAS, the Borough of Carlstadt has solicited quotes for repair of fencing at Little League Field caused by storm damage; and

WHEREAS, the funds for said fence repair has been appropriated by the CFO; and

WHEREAS, in response to a solicitation, three quotes were received for replacement of 60 feet of chain link fencing with a height of 20 feet on the north perimeter of the field as follows:

1. Bergen Fence	\$10,598.00
2. Direct Fence	\$12,533.00
3. Challenger Fence Inc.	\$13,200.00

WHEREAS, the proposal submitted by Bergen Fence, in the amount of \$10,598.00 is the lowest responsible quote for the 60 feet of 20-foot-high fencing and installation.

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

1. The Department of Public Works be and hereby is authorized to contract for the purchase and installation of 60 feet of chain link fencing with a height of 20 feet to replace the damaged fencing on the north perimeter of the Little League Field under the terms of the proposal dated July 7, 2019 submitted by Bergen Fence, 279 Bergen Turnpike, Ridgefield Park, NJ 07660 for the quoted amount of \$10,598.00.
2. This resolution to take effect upon certification of this resolution by the Chief Financial Officer that sufficient funds are available.

Certification as to the availability of funds:

The Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer hereby certifies that sufficient funds are available to pay the anticipated amount of \$10,598.00 in the 41346009 Account No.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-205

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Carlstadt that the Carlstadt Recreation Soccer League be granted permission to hold a raffle on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 8:00 P.M. at the Carlstadt Community Center, 424 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 for which the application, fee and findings and determination sheet shall be forwarded to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission.

On motion by Stoltz, seconded by Zimmermann, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to ratify two phone polls.

- a) Approval to keep the four DPW summer help the week of September 3, 2019.
- b) Approve two Special Police Officers for the Soccer Parade on Saturday, September 7, 2019.

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

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to approve one Special Police Officer for the football games as per letter dated September 5, 2019 from Acting Chief Thomas Berta. On motion by Emerson, seconded by Stoltz, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

The Mayor and Council discussed the traffic survey for Carlyle Court and Garden Street and 16th Street and Broad Street that was conducted by the Police Traffic Bureau. The 16th and Broad Street survey is not recommending any additional traffic controls at this time. They considered replacing the existing STOP signs with LED Lighted STOP signs. As for the traffic survey for Carlyle Court and Garden Street the Traffic Bureau is recommending due to the volume of traffic in the area, additional traffic control devices be considered. They may include additional speed limit signs or installing YOUR SPEED signs. They would display the posted speed limit for the roadway and alert drivers to what speed they were actually operating their vehicles at. The Traffic Bureau is not recommending any changes to parking regulations for the area at this time.

Mayor Lahullier said we received correspondence from Lt. Denise Kimak asking to continue her maternity leave by utilizing the NJ Family Leave Act. She is requesting to take six weeks off from her assignment at the Carlstadt Police Department. Mayor Lahullier spoke to her and as long as she understands the additional six weeks she will have to use her vacation or whatever time she has accrued. If she could do two days a week, that would have to be worked out with the Police Chief. Mayor Lahullier has no problem with her taking the six weeks. It would have to be without Borough compensation unless she uses her time with the Family Leave Act.

Mayor Lahullier said we received a letter from Chris Assenheimer. He will be attending the NJ State Firemen's Association Annual Convention/Business Meeting of Friday September 13, 2019 in Wildwood, NJ. He is requesting this day off as a non-vacation day as he will be representing the Carlstadt Fire Department as a Delegate.

On motion by Bartlett, seconded by Lenoy, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

Mayor Lahullier mentioned correspondence was received from the Wildcats 1st 5K and Fun Run on Saturday, October 12, 2019 starting at 10:00 A.M. This is for ages ten and under and may participate with an adult. All funds raised is to benefit the Wildcats Track Booster Club. A map route was included and Carlstadt is in the beginning of the run and the rest is in East Rutherford. Carlstadt may be needed during the event as East Rutherford is also having the Columbus Day Street Fair.

Mayor Lahullier said we received a letter from the Carlstadt PTA for the Trunk or Treat Event on Friday, October 25, 2019 from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Basketball Court at the school. They are requesting seven tables in the Basketball Court and lighting. The lighting is needed to be available for the clean-up.

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

COUNCILMAN RICHARD BARTLETT

He asked if there is any update on the drone ordinance. Jane Fontana, Legislative Research Officer, said she is in the process of putting this together for the absolute no fly zone as well as a map to go with it. The NJSEA has provided the rights to all municipalities that they will be using drones for their land use work that they do. You can allow governmental and law enforcement to operate them without having their permission to do so. If they are in the no fly zone, are we going to restrict it to just law enforcement and government? Also do we want to make it open to individuals so long as they register with the Police Department? Councilman Bartlett said he would restrict it because we are in a no fly zone.

COUNCILMAN JAMES LENOY

He said awhile back we mentioned about bringing up the Babe Ruth Baseball Team to the next Council Meeting to get their certificates. So we will move forward with that.

COUNCILMAN ROBERT ZIMMERMANN

He had nothing to discuss at this time.

COUNCILMAN WILLIAM ROSEMAN

He had nothing to discuss at this time.

COUNCILMAN JOSEPH EMERSON

He had a question about a purchase order for Stan's Auto Body for a damaged vehicle. Joseph Crifasi, DPW Operations Manager, said that was when a tree on Jefferson Street fell on a car. He also questioned an invoice from Cliff Hanger for a second payment.

Mr. Crifasi said this is the balance due. There were not that many donations received so we had to pay the balance due.

COUNCILMAN DAVID STOLTZ

He had things to discuss in closed session.

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: property, personnel and the budget.

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: property, personnel and the budget.

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 at 8:25 P.M. On motion by Zimmermann, seconded by Emerson, unanimous on call of roll.

The meeting went back into open session at 9:13 P.M. with the following members in attendance: Mayor Lahullier, Councilmen Zimmermann, Stoltz, Bartlett, Lenoy, Emerson and Roseman.

Mayor Lahullier said at this time he would like to appoint Jason Dechert as a Fire Inspector and seeks your confirmation. On motion by Lenoy, seconded by Zimmermann, Councilmen Zimmermann, Lenoy, Emerson and Roseman voted yes. Councilman Bartlett abstained and Councilman Stoltz left the meeting at 9:13 P.M.

Mayor Lahullier entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 P.M. On motion by Bartlett, seconded by Zimmermann, unanimous on call of roll of those present.

APPROVED: _____
CRAIG LAHULLIER, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CLAIRE FOY, BOROUGH CLERK