STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA JULY 09, 2024 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: THE STRATFORD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FOR JULY 09, 2024

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER:

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT:

Notice of this meeting has been provided to the Courier Post and The Retrospect and is posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting.

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MAYOR LINDA HALL

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MICHAEL TOLOMEO

COUNCILMAN PATRICK GILLIGAN

COUNCILWOMAN TINA LOMANNO

COUNCILWOMAN DAWN MARTIN COUNCILMAN STEPHEN GANDY

COUNCILMAN JIM KELLY

JUSTIN STRAUSSER, BOROUGH SOLICITOR

RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF/OEM

JOHN D. KEENAN JR, BOROUGH ADMIN/DEPUTY CLERK

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGE	NDA ITEMS ONLY: (5 min per p	person)	
Motion to go to open public	c portion on agenda items onl	y:	
Motion:	Second:	Voice Vote:	
Motion to close public port			
Motion:	_ Second:	Voice Vote:	
REPORTS:			
ORDINANCE & PROPERTY	Councilman Patrick	Gilligan	
FINANCE & REVENUE	Councilwoman Tina	Lomanno	
POLICE	Councilman James k	Celly	
EMERGENCY SERVICES	Councilman Michae	l Tolomeo	
PUBLIC WORKS & LIGHTING	G Councilman Stepher	n Gandy	
PUBLIC EVENTS Councilwoman E		n Martin	
OLD BUSINESS:			
ORD. 24:09 AMEND SEV	VER RATE 2024		
Motion to open the public l	hearing on ORD. 24:09:	Second:	Voice Vote:
Motion to close the public I	hearing on ORD. 24:09:	Second:	Voice Vote:
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ORD. 24:10 2024	SALARY ORDINANCE		
Motion to open the public	hearing on ORD. 24:10:	Second:	Voice Vote:
Motion to close the public	hearing on ORD. 24:10:	Second:	Voice Vote:
Motion to adopt ORD 24:10	Second:	RCV:	

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NEW BUSINESS:

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APPROVAL OF BILLS:		
Animal checks	through	
Manual checks	through	
Payroll checks	through	and
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Automated checks	through	
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Motion:	Second:	RCV:
COUNCIL COMMENTS: GOOD AND WELFARE: Motion to open the meeting Motion: Motion to close the public of	g to the public for Goo Second: portion for Good and W	d and Welfare: (5 <i>min per person)</i> Voice Vote:
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Motion:	Second:	Voice Vote:

ORDINANCE 24:09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1.12, ENTITLED "FEES," OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford is a municipal corporation organized and operating under the laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation has been made to the Governing Body to establish consumer units for various uses of properties for the purpose of billing the annual municipal sewer bills; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2 the Mayor and Borough Council may make, amend, repeal and enforce such other ordinances, regulations, rules and by-laws not contrary to the laws of this state or of the United States, as it may deem necessary and proper for the good government, order and protection of persons and property, and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the Borough and its inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council deem it in the best interest of the Borough to amend Chapter 1.12, entitled "Fees".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford that the Code of the Borough of Stratford is hereby amended, revised and/or supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 1.12 of the Code of the Borough of Stratford, entitled "Fees," is amended as follows:

1.12.040 Annual Sewer Rate Fees

A. The unit rate effective October 01, 2024 will be set at \$125.00 per residential unit, and \$175.00 per non-residential unit, based on the consumer units set forth in Subsection E of the Fee Schedule.

SECTION 2. All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

SECTION 3. If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon posting, publication, final passage in the manner prescribed by law.

Mayor Linda Hall	
Adopted:	
ATTEST:	
John D. Keenan, Jr. RMC	
Deputy Borough Clerk	

ORDINANCE 24:10

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND SALARY RANGES FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD, CAMDEN COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford:

SECTION 1:

The salaries and salary ranges of the officers and employees commencing as of January 01, 2024 are established as follows:

TITLE	ANNUAL COMPENSATION	
Mayor	1-8,000.00	P/T
Mayor performs marriage or civil union ceremony	150.00 per ceremony	P/T
Council Members (each)	1-6,000.00	P/T
Borough Clerk	45,000.00 - 90,000.00	
Borough Administrator	State Minimum wage-\$65 per hour	
Acting Borough Administrator	State Minimum wage-\$65 per hour	P/T
Deputy Borough Clerk	30,000.00 - 60,000.00	
Tax Collector	40,000.00 - 80,000.00	
Certified Municipal Finance Officer	75,000.00 – 160,000.00	
Tax Assessor	10,000.00 - 25,000.00	P/T
Deputy Tax Assessor	10,000.00 - 13,000.00	P/T
Tax Searcher	700.00 – 1,000.00	P/T
Registrar	5,000 stipend	
Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics	4,000 stipend	
Clerk Typist/Construction Clerk	21,000.00 - 40,000.00	
Clerk 1	28,000.00 - 45,000.00	
Secretary to Joint Land Use Board	1,650.04 – 3,000.00	P/T
Secretary/Administrator to Park Commission	1,200.00 - 3,000.00	P/T
Zoning Administrative Officer	1,266.06 – 3,000.00	P/T
Zoning Officer	2,600.00 - 4,500.00	P/T
Construction Clerk	State minimum wage – 20.00 per hour	P/T
Construction Code Official	4,500.00 - 30,000.00	P/T
Housing Inspector	State minimum wage – 20.00 per hour	P/T
Plumbing Sub-Code Official HHS	1,000.00 - 5,000.00	P/T
Plumbing Inspector HHS	1,000.00 - 5,000.00	P/T
Fire Sub-Code Official HHS	1,000.00 - 5,000.00	P/T
Fire Inspector HHS	1,000.00 - 5,000.00	P/T
Fire Official	State minimum wage – 15,000	P/T
Mechanical Sub-Code Official	1,000.00 - 5,000.00	P/T
Mechanical Inspector	1,000.00 - 5,000.00	P/T
Building Sub-Code Official HHS	1,000.00 - 8,000.00	P/T
Building Inspector HHS	1,000.00 - 8,000.00	P/T
Electrical Sub-Code Official and Inspector HHS	10,000.00 - 45,000.00	P/T
Accounting Clerk	30,000.00 - 60,000.00	P/T

Account Clerk	State minimum wage – 25.00 per hour	P/T
Code Enforcement Official	State minimum wage - 25.00 per hour	P/T
Site Plan Inspector	State minimum wage - 25.00 per hour	P/T
		F/T
Municipal Department Head	State Minimum wage - \$65 per hour	P/T
Manager/ employment other vendor	State minimum wage - \$300 per hour	P/T

Public Works/Sewer/Trash & Recycling Departments

Public Works Supervisor	45,000.00 - 75,000.00	
Public Works Assistant Supervisor	35,000.00 - 55,000.00	
Public Works Laborer 1	30,000.00 - 34,500.00	
Public Works Laborer 2	34,500.00 - 39,500.00	
Public Works Laborer 3	39,500.00 - 50,000.00	
Public Works Temporary	State minimum wage – 24.00 per hour	P/T
Public Works CDL Compensation	1,500 stipend	
Licensed Sewer Operator	100.00 - 80,000.00	
License Sewer Compensation	100.00 - 7,000.00 stipend	P/T
Trash & Recycling CDL Driver	55,000-65,000	
Trash & Recycling CDL Driver Temp.	200.00 – 275.00 per deim	P/T
Trash & Recycling Temporary Laborer	State Minimum Wage - \$24.00	P/T

Municipal Court

100.00 – 600.00 per session	P/T
59,160.00 – 75,000.00	
100.00 – 500.00 per session	P/T
50.00 – 300.00 per session	P/T
51.77 – 60.00 per session	P/T
30,000.00 - 45,000.00	
30,000.00 - 45,000.00	
State minimum wage – 22,00 per hour	P/T
75.00 per session	P/T
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100.00 – 500.00 per session	P/T
50.00 – 300.00 per session	P/T
100.00 per session	P/T
65.00 – 75.00 per session	P/T
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Police Department

Police Chief	112,001.00 - 225,000.00	
Police Captain	99,000.00 - 145,000.00	
Police Lieutenant	98,000.00 - 140,000.00	
Police Sergeant	95,000.00 - 135,000.00	

Police Patrolman	40,000.00 - 130,000.00	
School Traffic Guards	16.50 – 25.00 per shift	P/T
Special Class II Police Officers	State minimum wage – 45.00 per hour	P/T
Special Class I Police Officer	State minimum wage – 20.00 per hour	P/T
Part time Police Officer/Bailiff/Security	State minimum wage – 20.00 per hour	P/T
Police Officer Seat Belt	70.00 per hour	P/T
Police Officer DWI	75.00 per hour	P/T
Confidential Assistant	30,000.00 - 55,000.00	
Police P/T Secretary	State minimum wage – 20.00 per hour	P/T
Traffic Control, outside employment	\$85.00-\$90.00 per hour	
Corporal or Detective Title	100.00 - 2,000.00	
Fire Department		
Duty Crew Member Stipend	\$72 per shift (5 shift per week max)	P/T
Grant Administrator	4,000 – 14,000	P/T
Call Stipend	10.00 per call	P/T

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Mayor Linda Hall	07/09/ <u>2024</u> Date	ATTEST:	
Way Of Emilia Han	Bave		John D Keenan Jr, RMC Deputy Borough Clerk

APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 (FINAL) FOR FY2023 CAMDEN COUNTY CDBG PROGRAM – RECONSTRUCTION OF COOLIDGE AVENUE, WELLINGTON AVENUE, AND BRYANT AVENUE

WHEREAS, it was necessary to make changes to the contract amount to reflect adjustments to the contract value based on a decrease in materials used; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #1 (Final) was developed to itemize and authorize those changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the following Change Order #1 (Final) documenting a decrease in the sum of \$1,934.16 for a total contract cost of \$488,970.84 is hereby authorized.

Dated: July	y 9, 2024	Borough of Stratford
Mayor Linda	a Hall	
		ATTEST:
I, John Kee the above re	nan, Borough Deputy Clerk of t esolution is a true and complete	ne Borough of Stratford, do hereby certify tha e copy of a resolution adopted 07/09/24.
John Keena	an, Borough Deputy Clerk	

CHAPTER 159 – ALCOHOL, EDUCATION, REHABILITATION GRANT (\$1,593.59)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2024 in the amount of One Thousand, Five Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Fifty-Nine Cents (\$1,593.59) for the Alcohol, Education, Rehabilitation Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of One Thousand, Five Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Fifty-Nine Cents (\$1,593.59) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

ALCOHOL, EDUCATION, REHABILITATION GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

CERTIFICATION

I, John D. Keenan, Jr., Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on July 9, 2024.

John D. Keenan, Jr., RMC Deputy Borough Clerk

CHAPTER 159 – 2024 LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT (\$66,000.00)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2024 in the amount of Sixty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$66,000.00) for the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs 2024 Local Recreation Improvement Grant which is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$66,000.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

2024 LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT

CERTIFICATION

I, John D. Keenan, Jr., Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on July, 9, 2024.

John D. Keenan, Jr., RMC Deputy Borough Clerk

CHAPTER 159 – 2024 CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT (\$18,140.26)

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:40-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Finance may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Stratford hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Finance to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget for the year 2024 in the amount of Eighteen Thousand, One Hundred Forty Dollars and Twenty-Six Cents (\$18,140.26) for the 2024 Clean Communities Grant which item is now available pursuant to the provision of statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of Eighteen Thousand, One Hundred Forty Dollars and Twenty-Six Cents (\$18,140.26) be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

2024 CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of monies received from the State of New Jersey and was deposited into the proper account.

CERTIFICATION

I, John D. Keenan, Jr., Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on July 9, 2024.

John D. Keenan, Jr., RMC Deputy Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION 24:102 SFY 2024 POP - UP- PARTY PREVENTION & RESPONSE INITIATIVE GRANT ACCEPTANCE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has applied for funding in the amount of \$20,516.40 to include fringe costs for hourly police employees to engage in Pop-Up Party Prevention, and response activity.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford and Police Department were successful in receiving grant to provide for funding for police officers to increase public safety within the Borough.

WHEREAS, it is understood the grant period shall begin on May 24, 2024 and conclude on September 30, 2024.

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Borough of Stratford, other impacted communities and the Department of Law and Public Safety.

WHEREAS, existing Police Officers of all titles to include Special Law Enforcement Officers will be deployed on an hourly basis to investigate, respond to and combat the disorders associated with pop-up, illegal affairs, or response to these type of affairs within the Borough.

NOW THEREOFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council to authorize the acceptance of SF2024-Pop-Up Grant funding in the amount of **\$20,516.40**, and for the Chief of Police to execute the grant award documents to carry out the program.

CERTIFICATION

I, John D. Keenan, Deputy Municipal Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford at a meeting held on July 9, 2024.

John D. Keenan Jr Deputy Municipal Clerk

RESOLUTION 24:103 APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE – JOHN PAUL II CARNIVAL

WHEREAS, John Paul II School has applied to the Borough of Stratford an application for a Special Event License; and

WHEREAS, the Special Event License will be for its carnival to be held on Thursday, August 22, 2024 through Saturday August 24, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the various municipal departments have reviewed the application prior to presenting to the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the following conditions are being made of the applications which all must be satisfied in compliance with the Borough of Stratford Ordinance 2009:28;

Hours of operation: Thursday, Friday, Saturday - August 22, 23, 24, 2024 - 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Event: John Paul II Carnival - 08/22/2024 - 08/24/2024

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council to approve the Special Event License with the above conditions for the John Paul II Carnival.

FURTHERMORE, this approval is contingent upon the applicant placing escrow funds for the police and crossing guard expenses.

CERTIFICATION

I, John Keenan, Jr, Deputy Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on July 09, 2024.

JOHN D KEENAN, JR, RMC DEPUTY BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NJSA 10:4-12

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford is subject to certain requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b and designated below: (1) Matters required by Law to be Confidential: Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. (2) Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds: Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States. (3) Matters Involving Individual Privacy: Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including, but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly. (4) Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements: Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body. (5) Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds: Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed. (6) Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property: Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations of possible violations of the law. X (7) Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege:

The topic of discussion is related to Litigation Negotiations and Attorney Client Privilege; ICP

Stratford GP, LLC and Fair Share Housing Center v Stratford Borough

(8) Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship: Any matter involved employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public boall the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.	ployment, lic officer dy, unless
(9) Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty: Any deliberation a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belong responding party bears responsibility.	cific civil
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of on June 06, 2024 that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on July 02 approximately 6:30 p.m. for the discussion of matters relating to the specified items designated anticipated that the deliberations conducted in Closed Session may be disclosed to the public determination of the Governing Body that public interest will no longer be served by such confidence.	, 2024 at bove. It is upon the
CERTIFICATION	
I, John D. Keenan, Jr., Borough Deputy Clerk, hereby certify the above Resolution was at a meeting held on July 09, 2024.	s adopted.
John D. Keenan, Jr., RMC Borough Deputy Clerk	