

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, 315 WESTFIELD AVE., CLARK, N.J.
October 15, 2012**

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Toal, Mazzarella, Whiting
Absent: O'Connor

Also Present: Sal Bonaccorso, Mayor; John Laezza, Business Administrator; Joseph Triarsi, Township Attorney; Edith Merkel, Township Clerk; Richard O'Connor, Township Engineer

The Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Council President Whiting. She asked all present to participate in a moment of silence, following the salute to the Flag.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE

This meeting is in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act as adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by mailing the Annual Schedule of meetings to the Star Ledger, Union County LocalSource, and NJTODAY.NET, by posting such Annual Meeting Schedule on the bulletin board in Town Hall reserved for such announcements and the filing of said Notice with the Township Clerk of Clark. Formal action may be taken at this meeting.

Motion to Suspend Regular Order of Business made by Councilman Kazanowski, seconded by Councilwoman Albanese

Council President Whiting directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Mazzarella, Toal, Whiting

Police Promotions: Lieutenants Michael Pollock and Vincent Concina
Little League Awards

Presentation to Mayor Bonaccorso by Richard O'Connor of Grotto Engineering

Mayor Bonaccorso: (The full transcript of the Mayor's comments is available in the Clerk's office)

Presentation to Mayor Bonaccorso from Grotto Engineering:

Rich O'Connor: Mayor, Council, Residents of Clark, Honored guests and friends...as many of you are aware, the Township of Clark embarked on a project that is unique in Union County and, for that matter, in the State of New Jersey. Facing an ever increasing need for parking in the vicinity of the Municipal Building and recent State restrictions on vehicle washing, the Administration determined that solving these issues was a priority. To further our goals, the Township entered into a partnership with Rutgers University's Cooperative Extension. Dr. Chris Obropta and Michelle Bakacs sought funding for the construction of "Green" stormwater management facilities within the Township from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and were instrumental in the design and construction phases.

NJDEP agreed to fund the vehicle wash in conjunction with a rain garden for treatment of pollutants and a companion educational program. Rutgers worked with the Board of Education, the Administration and Faculty of ALJ High School and its new Environmental Science curriculum to competitively design the rain garden and to educate students regarding the importance of stormwater management and environmental protection. The winning design, prepared by ALJ students, was constructed by ALJ students and faculty assisted by Rutgers and our own DPW. The project recovers runoff from the roof of our DPW building in a holding tank for use in the wash process. Runoff from washing is then filtered by the rain garden removing harmful pollutants. The balance of the facility was designed by Grotto Engineering, publicly bid by the Township and constructed by Stilo Excavating of South Plainfield.

This facility is now available to Township youths, recreation and civic groups for car wash fundraisers. The educational component continues thru the distribution of pamphlets describing the system and the pressing need to protect our limited environmental resources.

NJDEP also agreed to fund the cost differential between a “Green” parking lot and one constructed by traditional materials and methods. Rutgers worked with Grotto in the design of the facility. The Township again sought bids and entered into a contract with Stilo. Using a permeable pavement and a thick stone storage and filter layer beneath the lot, there is virtually no runoff anticipated from the 35 parking spaces that were constructed. Further, significant portions of the Municipal Building roof now also drain to this system.

This project has garnered significant attention around the State including a nomination for the Governor’s Environmental Excellence Award presented by the NJDEP. It was also announced this afternoon that this project has been named the Project of the Year in the category of inter-governmental cooperation to be presented by the New Jersey Society of Municipal Engineers in November at the League of Municipalities Conference in Atlantic City. Lastly, this project has already received the Excellence in Water Resources and Planning Award from the New Jersey Section of the American Water Resources Association. I am honored on behalf of the project team to present the Mayor with a copy of this Award conferred at their September 28th meeting.

Mayor Bonaccorso: Thank you Rich for all of your work as Municipal Engineer and the owner of Grotto Engineering. We are glad to see that Clark is taking a “Green” initiative in helping our stormwater runoff for our streams and clean drinking water and a safer environment. So again I thank you very much and I will give you this to hold for us.

Council President Whiting named the students, teachers and the DPW that were involved in this project.

Motion to Resume the Regular Order of Business made by Councilman Kazanowski, seconded by Councilwoman Albanese,

Council President Whiting directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Mazarella, Toal, Whiting

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS:

Mayor Bonaccorso: (editorial note: these comments were made before anyone knew that Hurricane Sandy would hit two weeks later) Thank you Madame President...okay folks our last

bulk clean-up is on the way for now and we are going to be suspending the bulk clean-up November/December and then we are going to see how things go with the weather in January and February as we've done in the past. So DPW is under taking that as we finish up October.

The branch clean-up is over ladies and gentlemen, so please cooperate with us on this. If we have any kind of storm we will of course be able to be out to pick up your branches, but at this point right now we've had from March through September to dispose of branches and we are asking you to please do not do that until next March.

Also please folks in the leaf piles; we cannot have branches in the leaf piles. If there are branches in the leaf piles, we are going to leave them on your lawn because...a) we have nowhere to dump them, because we are going to have a town yard full of leaves and...b) if the recycling facility where we bring the leaves sees branches and then they are going to make us take them out, they are going to reload the trucks and send them back to Clark and we are going to have to dump it, take it out, and then resend it, so it's quite costly. So please cooperate with us. We are all happy to clean up your leaves and get things done.

On the leaf piles right now...our last week of grass pickup and for the next couple of weeks you can throw your grass onto the leaf piles out in the street, we have no problem with doing that, it's all recyclable with the leaves. The first leaf clean-up will begin on Monday, October 29th and that will be all wards. We will start in the 1st Ward and we will work our way through to the 4th Ward. That is our first day we will have leaves out. Please once again try to adhere to the schedule: November 5th through the 9th Wards 1 and 2, November 12th to the 16th Wards 3 and 4, November 19th to the 23rd and that's including Thanksgiving week, we have Wards 1 and 2, 26th to 30th Wards 3 and 4. We are projecting with Mother Nature cooperating with us in dropping her leaves we will project to clean this town up by no later than December 12th. Please folks work with us. The school areas get cleaned up first every Monday, they do have a little pleasure for living around a lot of traffic to get their leaves cleaned up so it's safe for our children and our motor vehicles. So please cooperate with us with this schedule. It will be posted on our website at ourclark.com.

Also we are heading towards November, it's just amazing you blink and the year is by you, but we will have a meeting prior to this but just to mark on your calendar on Thanksgiving weekend November 25th is our Annual Tree Lighting festivities in Clark and it's kicked off by my 13th Annual Breakfast with Santa, there are two seating's...at 9:00 am and 10:30 am at the Gran Centurions followed by a full day of holiday festivities in Clark with our Christmas Tree lighting.

The other night I was invited to attend the Board of Education meeting. It was quite an enlightening evening, our high school was celebrating as I mentioned here before, the ranking of #40th out of 328 in the State of New Jersey. But what I was really thrilled and excited to see is how many various awards winners of high education achievement were honored there that night and I want to congratulate those young students and their parents of the high school right through third grade on up on all kinds of testing and all kinds of awards. It was really something to see. The auditorium was completely packed at ALJ and the school district has a lot to be proud of, you can really see a lot of things going in a great way. Madame President thank you very much that's all I have this evening.

Township Clerk: Thank you Madame President...I have the police and fire reports for the month of September as well as the Clerk's Quarterly Financial Report on file and open to the public.

REPORT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Councilman Toal: I have no committee report this evening.

Councilman Mazzarella: No committee report.

Councilman Kazanowski: No report this evening.

Councilman Barr: (Full transcript available in the Clerk's office)

Clark Fire Department reminds residents to make sure that your house numbers are readily visible.

Councilwoman Albanese: (Full transcript available in the Clerk's office)

Library:

Penguin program over 200 citizens attend the presentation.

Kids programs coming up: Halloween Craft and Story Time grades K thru 5; Astronomy program conducted by the amateur Astronomers based at Sperry Observatory; music program Autumn Family Feast - interactive concert for children ages 3 thru 10 and this high energy performance will involve the children in reading and singing different parts in the performance, they will all participate in the guitars, maracas and pompoms.

Adults: Author actually a former Councilwoman who will be discussing her book; Computer classes start in November. So if you want to sign up for those, check that out at the Library.

Conducting a job search...Clark is one of 75 Libraries in the State that has this database available, it's called the Job and Career Accelerator. And if you are interested you can make an appointment with the staff there and they would be happy to introduce you to some of the valuable employment resources that are included as it's a part of the Learning Express which is on their database. Library is conducting a small business open house.

Special congratulations to Henry Varriano and Provident Bank. Both were awarded for different purposes, Henry received a citizen award and Provident Bank the business award for supporting Libraries and this was amongst all of the nominees in Union County. So we are really happy to have two award winners here in Clark, for other programs just check out the newsletter online.

Friends of the Library is holding a used book sale; help by donating, giving time, or just coming and buying some books; used books that are in really good shape.

Friends of the Library donated an annual pass to the USS Intrepid Museum, which includes a visit to the USS Intrepid as well as the submarine that's on site there. So it's totally free, you just check out the pass just like you check out a book and you can bring six family, friends or what have you to go over and spend a day in the city visiting the Intrepid.

Council President Whiting: (Full transcript available in the Clerk's office)

Recreation: fall programs are in full swing, new classes are well received this fall. Some of them were introduced for the first time such as comic book creation, fashion design star and hip hop dance. Indoor soccer, rec basketball and wrestling sign-ups are taking place now at the Rec Center; don't wait till the last minute. The UNICO Feast was a huge success even though it rained on the last day. Ralph would like to do a big thank you to all of the volunteers. Halloween Haunted House (first time) Clark Recreation introduces a Haunted House Walk through a house to be held at the Robinson Plantation on Madison Hill Road.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: Councilwoman Albanese, Member of Finance Committee made a motion to approve the payment of claims on current and capital expenditures in the amount of \$195,097.87 for the period ending October 11, 2012, seconded by Councilman Mazzarella.

Council President Whiting directed roll call:
Aye: Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Mazzarella, Toal, Whiting

CITIZEN HEARING ON THE AGENDA:

Each person addressing the Council shall first give his/her name and address to the Clerk. All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a body and shall not exceed 10 minutes in duration.

Council President Whiting opened the Citizen Hearing on the Agenda

Seeing no one coming forward Councilman Kazanowski made a motion to close this portion, seconded by Councilwoman Albanese

Council President Whiting directed roll call:
Aye: Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Mazzarella, Toal, Whiting

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 12-123

WHEREAS the Governing Body of the Township of Clark advertised on September 27, 2012 and received one (1) bid for Collection and Disposal of Leaves on October 10, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS the lowest responsible bidder was Messercola Excavating Co. Inc., 549 East Third St., Plainfield, NJ 07060 in the amount of \$2.73 per cubic yard; and

WHEREAS the Business Administrator has reviewed all the documents required by the bid specifications and recommends award of contract to Messercola Excavating Co. Inc., not to exceed budget appropriation of \$40,950.00; and

WHEREAS the Chief Financial Officer has ascertained funds are available in the 2012 Municipal Budget, Account Number 26-306-223.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that it does hereby award a contract to Messercola Excavating Co. Inc. in the amount of \$2.73 per cubic yard subject to review of the bid by the Township Attorney who will draw up the contract.

Moved by Councilman Barr, seconded by Councilman Mazzarella

Discussion: None

Council President Whiting directed roll call:
Aye: Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Mazzarella, Toal, Whiting

**CLARK TOWNSHIP
SEWER REFUNDS - 2012**

REF	#	Account #	Name	#	Address	Reason	Refund
12	24R	4173-0	James Rooney	22	Clauss Road	overpayment	\$ 13.00
12	25R	2259-0	Patricia Myska	4	Terry Lane	overpayment	\$ 25.00
12	26R	3449-0	Francisco Antunez	53	Fulton Street	overpayment	\$ 154.48
12	27R	3710-0	Annie Galiszewski	202	Broadway	overpayment	\$ 11.98
12	28R	1335-0	Richard Kotelnick	25	Canterbury Dr.	overpayment	\$1,396.14
12	29R	1285-0	Raya Falik	11	Meissner Way	overpayment	\$ 175.13
12	30R	2173-0	Arvin Dhansew	1793	Dakota Street	overpayment	\$ 28.58
12	31R	965-0	Edward Matthews	51	Briarwood Path	overpayment	\$ 79.50
12	32R	504-0	Nancy Pflug	7	Mountainview Rd	overpayment	\$ 267.50
Total Refunds							\$2,151.31

Resolution 12-127

WHEREAS the Treasurer/CFO has certified that sewer utility accounts require balance adjustments; and

WHEREAS the Business Administrator has reviewed the attached list and approved the sewer fee adjustments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Treasurer/CFO be authorized to apply the sewer account balance adjustments according to the attached schedule:

Resolution 12-128

WHEREAS S. Brothers, Inc. has requested the release of the Performance Guarantee posted for the CDBG year 37 ADA Curb and Ramp Improvements in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) and Final Payment; and

WHEREAS the Township Engineer has completed the final site inspections and has determined that all improvements have been installed and constructed in accord with State and Municipal design standards and requirements and therefore recommends the release of the Performance Guarantee and Final Payment including final quantities change order in the amount of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000.00); and

WHEREAS Section 195-84 of the Code of the Township of Clark requires the posting of a Maintenance Guarantee in an amount to be determined prior to the release of the Performance Guarantee; and

WHEREAS the Township Engineer has determined the amount of the Maintenance Guarantee required to be posted by S. Brothers to be One Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00); and

WHEREAS at the end of the one year period, a re-inspection will be performed at which time the Maintenance Guarantee may be released.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that it concurs with the Township Engineer and hereby authorizes final payment in the amount of \$17,000.00 and directs the release of the Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$15,000.00 upon submission of a Maintenance Guarantee in the amount of \$1,700.00 for a period of one year from October 15, 2012 at which time, after re-inspection, the Maintenance Guarantee may be released.

Resolution 12-129

WHEREAS Feil Clark Associates, LLC has requested partial release of the Performance Guarantee originally posted for Retro Fitness in the amount of Four Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty One Dollars (\$437,451.00) to guarantee site work at 225 Terminal Avenue; and

WHEREAS the Township Engineer has performed an inspection of all work completed to date and acknowledges that 70% of the work has been completed according to the approved plan; and

WHEREAS the Township ordinance allows for a maximum reduction of Seventy Percent (70%) of the total Guarantee; and

WHEREAS there has been no previous reduction of Performance Guarantees for this project; and

WHEREAS Seventy Percent (70%) of Four Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty One Dollars (\$437,451.00) is Three Hundred Six Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$306,215.70); and

WHEREAS the Township will retain on deposit performance guarantees in the amount of One Hundred Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Five Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$131,235.30), which the Township Engineer has determined to be sufficient to guarantee full performance and installation of all requisite improvements; and

WHEREAS the Township Engineer has recommended the reduction of the Performance Guarantee in the amount of Three Hundred Six Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$306,215.70) and the retention of performance guarantees in the amount of One Hundred Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Five Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$131,235.30), which sum he has determined to be sufficient to guarantee final performance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that it does hereby authorize a partial release of performance guarantees in the amount of \$306,215.70 to Feil Clark Associates, LLC with the retention of performance guarantees in the amount of \$131,235.30 to guarantee the complete installation and construction of all improvements, said remaining performance guarantees to be released only upon final completion and approval by the Township Engineer together with posting of the requisite maintenance guarantee.

Resolution 12-130

WHEREAS Brandon Bennett, 304 Parkway Drive, Clark, New Jersey 07066 has requested a refund of Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Three Dollars (\$2,673.00) for voided Construction Permit #11-598;and

WHEREAS the Construction/Zoning Official has recommended to Council that such authorization be granted.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to refund \$2,673.00 to Brandon Bennett.

Motion to adopt Consent Agenda made by Councilman Toal, seconded by Councilman Barr

Council President Whiting directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Mazzarella, Toal, Whiting

NEW BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Each person addressing the Council shall first give his/her name and address to the Clerk. All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a body and shall not exceed 10 minutes in duration.

Doug Ritter, 40 Tudor Dr.: I was wondering if someone could explain that three hundred and six thousand dollars for the Retro Fitness thing. I don't understand how that works.

John Laezza: I would be happy to Mr. Ritter. Each time a project is brought to bear in the Township the contractor has to put up a Performance Bond. And when the work is done to the satisfaction of the Township, the Construction Code Official and the Engineer that they conform to the Developers Agreement, they are entitled to get their Performance Bond back and they give us a Maintenance Bond for 10%. It was a partially approved reduction of 70% of their Performance Bond and they were authorized that payment and we are holding back some additional monies because they had some additional work to do like completing the tree plantings which I think that they did that this week, so probably at the next meeting we will give them the balance of their Performance Bond. They have given us a Maintenance Bond for one year and that's what the process is.

Doug Ritter: By a Bond you mean that they paid...

John Laezza: They give us a Bond and if they do not perform in the completion in their project, that Bond is Township money and we will complete the project to the satisfaction of the Township.

Doug Ritter: And since they completed the project they get the money back. Oh they pay the money out and then we are giving it back.

John Laezza: We hold their money in escrow.

Doug Ritter: Oh okay. I wanted to ask about the budget, I remember at a previous meeting we had discussed the amount of debt that the town (is) carrying and I was wondering... I forget if that was earlier this year or sometime last year. I was wondering if the amount of debt of what level it is at and what is appropriate for the town of our size.

John Laezza: What's appropriate for the town of our size...the appropriate amount of debt is what's necessary to keep the infrastructure sound, okay #1...#2 I guess they indicate that a town could be in trouble financially if the pay down of the mortgage exceeds 10% of the overall budget. That's the bench mark that's given by the Wall Street rating agencies. We stand well within that bench mark each time and we maintain our fiscal control over the debt service. Each year we borrow about a million to a million in a half dollars to do road work, to do capital improvements throughout the community and each year we pay down in excess of that million and a half dollars on debt that we've accumulated in prior years.

Doug Ritter: So you are generally at this point paying more than a million and a half down on previous debt.

John Laezza: correct including interest.

Doug Ritter: Ok thank you very much.

Seeing no one else coming forward Councilman Kazanowski made a motion to close the public portion of the meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Albanese

Council President Whiting directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Mazzarella, O'Connor, Toal, Whiting

MAYOR, COUNCIL AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

Mayor Bonaccorso: Yes Madame President very briefly...ladies and gentlemen November 6th is Election Day. And as I say every year, everyone always says come out and vote, I say please educate yourself to the candidates from top to bottom whatever office they are seeking and make the wisest choice irrespective of who, what, where and what party. Try to keep our country, our state, our county, our town and this year for the first time our Board of Education is joining the November Election. I think every community in Union County opted to do that. There will not be a vote on their Budget because they are within the State Cap. But there are four candidates filing for three seats. So that's it, come out November 6th and familiarize yourselves with candidates from both sides and make your right choice, thank you and have a great evening.

Council President Whiting: And I do believe tomorrow is the last day to register. If you do want to register please come down, you can go right to the Clerk's Office Room #28; you still have 24 hours to get your registration in by 4:00 tomorrow.

Councilwoman Albanese: Thank you...actually just to add on to that. If you want a mail-in ballot you have until Tuesday, October 30th to get your mail-in ballot in. And there will be some special times on Saturday, November 3rd if you want to walk down to either Elizabeth or ride down to Elizabeth or Westfield they will be open same thing on November 5th. But if you are planning to be out of town or can't make it to the polls, you have until November 30th and the polls will be

open from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm. So as the Mayor had said if you are informed get out there and use your right to vote.

Four Centuries in a Weekend – Dr. William Robinson Plantation (October event) (Full details as transcribed are available in the Clerk’s office)

Our town is named after Abraham Clark and if you want to see the house that he grew up in, you can go over to Roselle and visit it, that’s also one of the locations on the tour.

Councilman Barr: Expressed confidence in the new Chief and new officers (Transcript available in the Clerk’s office)

Councilman Kazanowski: (Transcript available in the Clerk’s office)

Congratulated new officers

Congratulated baseball team for their fine record for this year

And also I would like to piggyback on Sal about the Election Day...that please educate yourselves from top to bottom and November 6th is Election Day, thank you.

Councilman Mazarella: (Transcript available in the Clerk’s office)

This election is truly crucial not only to the wellbeing of our community but the wellbeing nationally. Get to know the issues and I’m sure most of the residents know the issues, know what we have done in our community and what has been done nationally. Make it an informed vote.

Secondly I would like to comment on a piece of correspondence that I was copied on. It’s an issue that plagues the First Ward, specifically the residents residing along the Pumpkin Patch Brook. The correspondence was addressed to our Councilman Kazanowski from our Administrator Mr. Laezza and it addresses that Mr. Kazanowski while campaigning saw fit to email a County Freeholder on cleaning the Brook. There is a problem with that and I’ll tell what the problem is and I’m sure some of the residents do know this. Here in Clark we have a Faulkner form of government. That means that Council is legislative, the Mayor and Administrator runs the day to day activities of the community. By making a request an elected official to a Freeholder and if the County saw fit to dredge or clean that Brook, DEP would have fined up to twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) per day and they would continue on doing that until the Brook was restored to “as was” condition. Now really Mr. Kazanowski is a veteran on council and he knows the process, I find it somewhat set back by him circumventing the process and going directly to a Freeholder. I find it equally disturbing that if Mr. Kazanowski did have a problem or concern in the First Ward he should have had the decency to reach out to me as your representative of the First Ward. I’ve been there for you since day one and I will continue to be there for you. I have the pulse of the First Ward and I know the issues in the First Ward good and bad and I can tell you that if Mr. Kazanowski did contact me I would have guided him on the right process. And you know I understand its campaign season, I really do, but you know Mr. Kazanowski or anybody else has the right to campaign throughout our community but don’t pass out any false information or untruths just to get residents’ favor. It’s a regional problem that we have there, it’s not local, it’s not like Union County just coming in and dredging part of it, it encompasses many communities and it encompasses a very lengthy permitting process which our Mayor and our Administrator have been trying to do. We have been in the Brook and we’ve abated a lot of the problem in there. So I ask you this Rich, if you do have a concern, please reach out to me, I’ll be happy to work with you hand and hand. We here on council have enjoyed a very good relationship and it doesn’t matter whether you are a Republican or Democrat, it’s for the residents of our community. By circumventing that process only diminishes our goal that we are trying to serve you the best we can and it really is a slap in the face to the residents unless

you know really what is happening. That’s all I want to say about that. I’m quite upset that Mr. Kazanowski didn’t see fit to contact me as your representative of the First Ward. I would have advised him on what we have done and I would have guided him properly. Until next month ladies and gentlemen be safe and stay well. And I apologize that I was a little bit lengthy on this but I felt that it had to be said.

Councilman Toal: (Transcript available in the Clerk’s office)
Detailed the 148 year history of Elections in Clark

To the police department, again, continued safety, making this township a safe community. Halloween is fast approaching please get out and watch your children those who are out and about, if you are driving watch the children and all have a safe Halloween for the kids.

We’ve lost a few people since last month...Greg Kowalski, Clark Girls Softball; Jean U. a long time resident of the Township of Clark; Michael K. I went to school with his daughter Diane; and John Casey, father of Matt Casey a longtime Clark resident.

John Laezza: No comments.

Township Clerk: Yes I just want to add to what you had said Council President and Councilwoman Albanese about the mail-in ballots. I also have the applications in my office and you can also go on to the Union County website www.ucnj.org and it takes a little bit of navigating but the form is up there and you can send it directly to the County. So just for the record if you wanted to jot down...once you get onto the website you have to go to government then County Clerk and then you can find the form but it is up there.

Chief Scherb: No comments.

Rich O'Connor: I would just like to thank the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to work on such an interesting project.

Council President Whiting: At this time I would like to congratulate the Clark Travel Little League and the Captains and the Lieutenants today and say everyone have a peaceful evening.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made Councilman Kazanowski, seconded by Councilwoman Albanese

Council President Whiting directed roll call:
Aye: Albanese, Barr, Kazanowski, Mazzarella, Toal, Whiting

APPROVED

SHEILA WHITING
Council President

ATTEST:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

