

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Conference Call – No Physical Meeting Place
April 6, 2020**

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Albanese, Barr, Hund, Mazzarella, Smith, Toal, O'Connor

Also Present: John Laezza, Business Administrator; Mark Dugan, Township Attorney; Edith Merkel, Township Clerk; Police Chief Pedro Matos

The Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Council President O'Connor. He 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 (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6) as adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by electronic advanced notice of at least 48 hours pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-9.1, as permitted during a declared emergency, to the Star Ledger, Union County Local Source, and TAP into Clark, by posting such Meeting Agenda on the Bulletin Board in Town Hall reserved for such announcements as well as the Official Website of the Township, and the proper filing of said Notice. Formal action may be taken at this meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ORDINANCES:

(No objections have been received in connection with the proposed Ordinances)

1. **20-11 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE 2020 CAPITAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$750,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, 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**

Council President O'Connor opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance 20-11 and directed the Clerk to read emails and text messages received from the public for response by Council or Township Professionals as appropriate.

Clerk: No emails or text messages were received in connection with Ordinance 20-11

Hearing no public participation Councilwoman Albanese made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Councilman Barr

Council President O'Connor directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Hund, Mazzarella, Smith, Toal, O'Connor

Motion to adopt Ordinance 20-11 was made by Councilman Mazzarella, seconded by Councilman Hund

Discussion: None

Council President O'Connor directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Hund, Mazzarella, Smith, Toal, O'Connor

Ordinance Adopted

2. **20-12 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FIELD AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH CLARK BASEBALL PROGRAMS IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$200,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, 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**

Council President O'Connor opened the Public Hearing on Ordinance 20-12 and directed the Clerk to read emails and text messages received from the public for response by Council or Township Professionals as appropriate.

Clerk: No emails or text messages were received in connection with Ordinance 20-12

Hearing no public participation Councilman Hund made a motion to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Councilman Barr

Council President O'Connor directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Hund, Mazzarella, Smith, Toal, O'Connor

Motion to adopt Ordinance 20-12 was made by Councilman O'Connor, seconded by Councilman Hund

Discussion: None

Council President O'Connor directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Hund, Mazzarella, Smith, Toal, O'Connor

Ordinance Adopted

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Council President O'Connor opened the Public Comments portion of the meeting and directed the Clerk to read emails and text messages received from the public for response by Council or Township Professionals as appropriate.

Clerk: No emails or text messages were received from the public.

Hearing no public participation Councilman Smith made a motion to close the Public Comments portion of the meeting, seconded by Councilman Barr

Council President O'Connor directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Hund, Mazzarella, Smith, Toal, O'Connor

MAYOR, COUNCIL AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

All Members of Council as well as the Township Professionals present commented on the current circumstances surrounding the Coronavirus Pandemic. They advised the public to follow the guidelines, stay at home and practice Social Distancing. Everyone expressed wishes for the health and safety of all residents and a speedy end to the crisis with better days ahead.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Albanese, seconded by Councilman Barr

Council President O'Connor directed roll call:

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Hund, Mazzarella, Smith, Toal, O'Connor

APPROVED



PATRICK J. O'CONNOR
Council President

ATTEST:


EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk