

BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS
REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019
MAYOR THOMAS A. BARBERA PRESIDING

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE was led by Mayor Barbera

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW – Mayor Barbera stated that adequate notice of this meeting was given by emailing the Retrospect and the Courier-Post on January 8th, 2019 and posting on the Borough Website and bulletin board in the Borough Hall.

ROLL CALL recorded as present: Letts, Mochel, DiGregorio and DelPidio with Cruz Redstreak absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

- Work Session Meeting of Monday, January 28th, 2019 – the matter was tabled.

ORDINANCES– First Reading and Introduction

- #831-2019- AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS FOR YEAR 2019
 - The motion to introduce by Councilwoman Mochel was seconded by Councilman Letts with, DiGregorio, DelPidio, Letts and Mochel in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
 - The Second Reading, Public Hearing and Adoption are scheduled for Monday, February 25, 2019 at 7 pm at Borough Hall.
- #832-2019- BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COMPLETION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CORD MANSION AND OTHER BOROUGH BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$892,500 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$847,875; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING
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RESOLUTIONS

- **#033-2019- FOR RENEWAL OF MERCANTILE LICENSE**

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs have passed an ordinance establishing Chapter 169 of the code of the Borough of Laurel Springs, known as “Mercantile License”; and

WHEREAS, a license is required to operate or conduct any business establishment in the Borough of Laurel Springs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs that the proper investigation has been made and the following applicants have complied with the general laws and statutes of the state and the ordinance of the Borough of Laurel Springs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that approval has been granted by Mayor and Council for RENEWAS OF “MERCANTILE LICENSE” for:

1. Aikido Agatsu Dojo’s-1124 Stone Road
2. Nat Alexander Co.-121 North White Horse Pike

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3. Gregorio Deli- 817 West Atlantic Avenue

- The motion to approve by Councilwoman Mochel was seconded by Councilman Letts, with DiGregorio, DelPidio, Letts and Mochel in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
- **#034-2019- AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2019 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, BOROUGH OF LAUREL SPRINGS, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the Camden County Improvement Authority provides funding for certain infrastructure improvements or services under Community Development Block Grant Funding; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has chosen to submit an application for Program Year 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has agreed to apply for funding for the following project:

Laurel Springs Borough Hall at the Historic Cord Mansion

723 West Atlantic Avenue

724 Laurel Springs, NJ 08021

This shovel ready project is a collaborative utilizing various grant sources and Borough Capital. The former Borough Hall has been sold and vacated with the Borough offices temporarily in an office trailer on the Cord Mansion Site in the Laurel Springs Downtown corridor. This project will provide ease and accessibility with adjacency to shops, services and school along East Atlantic Avenue, a pedestrian and bicycle friendly zone that is preferable to the higher vehicular traffic demands of the parallel White Horse Pike.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Laurel Springs, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Project Description Form for Program Year 2019 along with the Community Development Grant Agreement.

- The motion to approve by Councilwoman Mochel was seconded by Councilman Letts, with DiGregorio, DelPidio, Letts and Mochel in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.
- RESOLVED TO PAY \$336,421.81 FROM CURRENT ACCOUNT AND \$25,239.55 FROM TRUST AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS
- The motion to approve by Councilwoman Mochel was seconded by Councilman Letts, with DiGregorio, DelPidio, Letts and Mochel in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, BOARDS, SERVICES/PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL – Councilman Redstreak was absent
- DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Councilman Cruz was absent.
- DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL COURT – Councilwoman DiGregorio read the Court report dated November 30, 2019 copies of which are on file and available for review. The Court Administrator will be contacted for an updated report.
- DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE – Councilman Letts read the CFO's Report dated January 31, 2019 copies of which are on file and available for review.

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- DIRECTOR OF RECREATION – Councilman DelPidio- reported that the Recreation Commission took a February Recess, so there was no report, but commented that the O’TannenBOMB event was good and enjoyed.
- DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY – POLICE AND FIRE – Councilwoman Mochel read the Fire Report for the Month of December 2018 and for the month of January, 2019; and read the Police Report for the Month of January, 2019 copies of which are on file and available for review. Councilwoman DiGregorio thanked the Laurel Springs Fire Department Santa Detail on Christmas Eve. Mayor Barbera concurred having enjoyed his Laurel Springs’ Christmas Eve as well.
- MAYOR’S REPORT – Mayor Barbera read the Mayor’s Report of activities since the last regular meeting, copies of which are on file and available for review.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - None.

CORRESPONDENCE - None.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC-

- **Ken Cheeseman**- Commented that at the Camden County Mayors’ Association Reorganization meeting, Mayor Barbera was sworn in as President and gave a very good speech.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- LSYA Baseball Signups, Tuesday, February 12 and 19, 6 – 8 pm at the Recreation Center
- Lion’s Club, Wednesday, February 13, 7 pm at the Farmhouse
- Town Watch, Wednesday, February 13, 7 pm at the Recreation Center
- Presidents’ Day, Monday, February 18 – Borough Offices are closed
- School Board, Wednesday, February 20, 7pm at Laurel Springs School
- Combined Land Use Board, Thursday, February 21, 7 pm at the Recreation Center- No applications
- Work Session Meeting, Monday, February 25, 7 pm at the Recreation Center

ADJOURNMENT –There being no further business a motion was made by Councilman Letts, which was seconded by Councilwoman Mochel to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Dawn T. Amadio, RMC,
Municipal Clerk