

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH TOMS RIVER
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2020, 7:00 PM**

Mayor Handshy opened the meeting with a moment of silence and salute to the flag.

The Borough Clerk read the following public notice:

This meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. Notice of this meeting was sent to the Asbury Park Press and published on December 12, 2019; and sent to the Asbury Park Press to republish the virtual public meeting on December 20, 2020. Due to COVID-19 Executive Orders, the Regular Meeting of the Mayor & Council of the Borough of South Toms River will be closed to the public. It will be held on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm via online at the following link: <https://zoom.us/j/91442132099> Meeting ID: 914 4213 2099. Official action will be taken. Any public interested in participating may submit public comments during the zoom meeting or prior to the meeting to Joseph.kostecki@Boroughofsouthtomsriver.com

ROLL CALL:

	Fennell	Mosley	Murray	Rolzhausen	Ross	Taylor	Handshy
Present	x	x		x	x	x	x
Absent							

Excusing: Murray due to work: Ross 2nd: Fennel and council consent.

HOLIDAY LIGHTING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Borough Administrator stated that Holiday Thank you Letters will be going to the following: Cradle Brothers, Suffolk Redi Mix and Blairs Power Rental

The Borough Administrator stated Manitou Park Volunteer Fire posted an update regarding Santa: The officers and members of the Manitou Park Fire Co had a conference call with Santa tonight. We were able to plan the annual escort of the Jolly man in the red suit around South Toms River and Manitou Park on December 19th!! We will utilize the glimpse app (link will be located on our Facebook page)so you can track our real time location as we get closer to your house! The glimpse app is available for apple and android devices in the app stores.

Unfortunately because of the pandemic there will be a few changes this year that we must follow for the safety of the residents and our firefighters....

As a precaution to all we will not be handing out candy canes this year but will continue the Christmas Music for all to hear.

The firetrucks will not be stopping so please do not approach the fire apparatus for any reason.

Thank you all for your cooperation and understanding and look forward to seeing everyone on December 19th!! 🇺🇸🍷

The Borough Clerk opened the floor for Public Comment. Seeing none, Councilman Rolzhausen motioned to Close Public Comment, seconded by Councilman Ross and Council consent.

RESOLUTIONS

CONSENT AGENDA

The following is considered routine by the Borough of South Toms River. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, then the item will be removed from consent and considered separately. The Borough Clerk requested a motion

- Resolution 2020-219 Authorizing The 2021 Schedule C Agreement with the County of Ocean Road Department
- Resolution 2020-220 Authorizing the Renewal of DWI Enforcement Grant for FY 2021 with the Ocean County Office of the Prosecutor

Resolution 2020-221	Authorizing the Renewal of DRE Grant for FY 2021 with the Ocean County Office of the Prosecutor
Resolution 2020-222	Authorizing Tracy McCrystal as Temporary, Emergent Court Deputy Administrator
Resolution 2020-223	Resolution Calling on U.S Congress to Pass Funding to Ensure Unhindered Full Functioning of the United States Postal Service
Resolution 2020-224	Authorizing a Tax Refund Block 2 Lot 19 In An Amount not to exceed \$1,244.78
Resolution 2020-225	Authorizing a Tax Refund Block 21.10. Lot 24 In An Amount not to exceed Block 21.10. Lot24 \$1,252.31
Resolution 2020-226	Approving the Council Minutes of November 23, 2020
Resolution 2020-227	Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement With The South Toms River Elementary School for Shared Vehicle Use
Resolution 2020-228	Authorizing a Stipend to OEM Coordinator for Covid-19 Related work In An Amount Not To Exceed \$13,892.50
Resolution 2020-229	Authorizing The Solicitation of Public Bid for the Lease of Space at the Recreation Building Within the Borough of South Toms River
Resolution 2020-230	Authorizing an Emergency Purchase In An Amount Not To Exceed \$33,500
Resolution 2020-231	Authorizing a Transfer of Funds in the Current Year 2020 Budget Appropriations

Consent Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN/NV	ABSENT
		Fennell	x			
	x	Mosley	x			
		Murray				x
		Rolzhausen	x			
x		Ross	x			
		Taylor	x			

Resolution 2020-232 was removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of Robert Taylor.

Councilman Taylor asked about the COAH attorney fees.

The Borough Administrator responded to Councilman Taylor stating these are fees obligated to the Borough due to the current lawsuit. The Borough has no choice but to pay them. The professional services agreement is amended at each limit the Council places on the contract; however more fees will be coming since the lawsuit is not settled.

Resolution 2020-232	Amending the Professional Services Contract of Rothstein, Mandell, Strohm, Halm & Cipriani as Affordable Housing Counsel For CY 2020 In an Amount Not To Exceed \$40,000.00
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Roll Call

MOTION	SECOND	NAME	YEAS	NAYS	ABSTAIN/NV	ABSENT
		Fennell	x			
		Mosley	x			
		Murray				x
	x	Rolzhausen	x			
x		Ross	x			

		Taylor		x		
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OLD BUSINESS

The Borough Administrator confirmed that the 2021 Community Calendar has been mailed to homes, with the calendar being the full-size.

[Kevin McCormack](#) of OEM, stated that the RPA (public assistance) is due by December 28th. The previous sunday deadline to submit for the OCCARES Act was extended to December 29th. He encouraged all departments to ensure they submit their expenses. He stated that the food bank is going well, now on 39 weeks. We anticipate turkeys for distribution at the next one.

Councilman Ross reminded all that the Optimist Club online auction is open online.

Councilman Fennell stated that he likes the upgraded lights in the Borough parking lot.

ADJOURNMENT @ 7:30 pm

Motion to adjourn: Taylor, seconded by by Rolzhausen and Council consent.

Submitted Respectfully,

Joseph Kostecki, Borough Administrator

Gregory Handshy, Mayor