

March 4, 2021  
7:02 p.m.  
Chesilhurst Borough

1. The regular meeting of the Chesilhurst Borough council via conference call was opened by invocation given by Mayor Odom-Garnett with the pledge of allegiance followed by the sunshine statement. Present were council members Hirn, Holmes, Jordan, Lee, and Littles. Also present Michael J. Watson, Associate sitting in for the Solicitor. Absent: Chew
2. On motion by Hirn, seconded by Littles and carried the minutes of February 11, 2021 were approved as written.
3. Council President Hirn comments in regards to a new dump truck. It is absolutely necessary that we replace the old dump truck and it is useless to invest any more monies to repair the decaying truck. Purchasing a new dump would cost \$146,762.00 or less

William Hales (CFO) the bond ordinance we passed last year \$62,249 .00 we can apply that towards the purchase price. We can do a budget appropriation with this \$100,000 to cover the balance. It would also cover it, if we need to outfit the truck with a snow plow. That would bring the tax rate around 24 cents per hundred. When you introduce the budget next month, this appropriation will be in the budget. After the adoption we can do a resolution to award the state contract.

4. On motion by Hirn, seconded by Holmes and carried (5 ayes) the meeting was opened to the public  
  
There were no comments from the public
5. On motion by Jordan, seconded by Hirn and carried (5 ayes) the meeting was closed to the public
6. Resolution 21-88 on motion by Hirn, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) it is hereby approved to amend the Borough of Chesilhurst's 2021 temporary budget.
7. Resolution 21-89 on motion by Hirn, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) it is hereby approved to award contract to Tortorice Contractors for Public Works building roof repairs in the amount of \$10,964.00.  
(Other bidders – Roof Management Inc., Journey Contracting Co., D.A. Nolt Inc.)
8. Resolution 21-90 on motion by Hirn, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) it is hereby approved to authorize Borough Engineer to make application and the Mayor to execute a Camden County Community Development Block Grant agreement program for year 2021
9. Resolution 21-91 on motion by Hirn, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) it is hereby approved to authorize the Borough Engineer to design and publicly bid the 2021 FY NJDOT reconstruction of Thompson Avenue-Phase II & Zimmerman Avenue project
10. Resolution 21-92 on motion by Hirn, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) renewal mercantile application submitted by Gulmufer Moustafa for the operation of Elis's Pizzeria and Family Restaurant is hereby approved
11. Resolution 21-93 on motion by Littles, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) it is hereby approved to appoint Michael Diamond as the Municipal Court Judge with term of office expiring December 2023

12. Resolution 21-94 on motion by Hirn, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) resolution amending resolution 2021-34 and general appointment of Planning Board Secretary for the calendar year 2021 is hereby approved
13. Resolution 21-95 on motion by Hirn, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) it is hereby approved to authorize and approve the borough's execution of a Mutual Aid assistance agreement with the County of Camden and participating members
14. Councilwoman Lee – on our social media page which is What's Happening in the Hurst there will be a section that would have tips/recipes. I will be posting recipes every month. Please send your recipes to be posted on that page and there will also be a tip of the month.

Councilwoman Holmes – the food bank will be open on the third Wednesday of the month on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Foreclosures there were (46) Tax certificates that were held by the borough. The foreclosure auction in which all parties was included were filed at the end of 2018.

Councilwoman Littles – the signage on the front door looks really good. When are the meetings going to be held at the borough hall?

The Mayor “stated” I’ve been meeting with the Borough Solicitor to find out what other municipalities are doing. We are trying to follow what the Governor are doing and follow the guidelines of the CDC. As of now they can call in or do it online.

Mayor we had a total of (110) covid cases and (7) deaths. If you know of anyone that needs counseling or vaccine, you can go to the website [camdencounty.com](http://camdencounty.com)

Thank you, Council President Hirn, for doing an awesome job conducting the council meetings.

Council reports will no longer be given at the meetings. Council reports will be posted on the website.

15. On motion by Hirn, seconded by Jordan and carried (5 ayes) the bills were approved for payment
16. Motion by Hirn, seconded Holmes and carried the meeting was adjourned

I, Gloria Rose, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Chesilhurst, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of minutes taken by me at a Regular meeting of the Chesilhurst Borough council held on March 4, 2021 at the Municipal Building, Chesilhurst, NJ

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Gloria Rose      Borough Clerk

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_