

**MINUTES**  
**November 9, 2022**

The Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst was held on the above date with Mayor McLaughlin presiding Commissioner Cumiskey answering the roll call. Comm. McLoughlin was not present. Also in attendance was the Borough Clerk and Borough Attorney.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. with a salute to the flag.

Mayor McLaughlin announced that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 had been satisfied by delivering the required notice to the Coaster, posting the notice on the board in Borough Hall and filing a copy of said notice with the Borough Clerk.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Resolution of the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners establishing a County Opioid Advisory Council for the disbursement of settlement funds from the national opioid litigation settlement.
- NJ DEP Notice of Application and Hearing regarding the Deal Golf and Country Club and their request to increase the water diversion from existing wells, intakes and ponds in Deal and Ocean. The diversion is to be used for golf course irrigation.
- Commendation from the General Assembly of the State of NJ to the Borough of Allenhurst for participation in the 2022 LD-11 Assembly Office Food Drive

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**SWEARING-IN OF NEW PATROLMAN- Kroeger**

**ORDINANCES**

**ORDINANCES - None**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION #2022-196**

**A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AND APPROVE MINUTES**

Offered By: Mayor McLaughlin

Seconded By: Comm. Cumiskey

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 18, 2022 be ratified and approved.

Comm. Cumiskey-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

**RESOLUTION #2022-197**

**A RESOLUTION TO DISPENSE WITH READING OF MINUTES**

Offered By: Comm. Cumiskey

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Clerk dispense with the reading of the Special Meeting of October 18, 2022.

Comm. Cumiskey-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

**RESOLUTION #2022-198**

**A RESOLUTION TO HIRE POLICE OFFICER**

Offered By: Comm. Cumiskey

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

**WHEREAS**, There is an opening for a Police Officer in the Allenhurst Police Department and the Chief of Police has recommended that Ryan Kroeger be hired to fill the position, effective November 1, 2022; and ,

**WHEREAS**, Funds for this purpose shall be provided in the appropriation entitled, Police S&W, and the Chief Finance Officer has so certified;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That Ryan Kroeger be hired as a First Year

(Probationary Non-PTC Certified) Officer in the Allenhurst Police Department, effective November 1, 2022, at a salary of \$46,793.00.

Comm. Cumiskey-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

**RESOLUTION #2022-199**

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RAFFLE LICENSE**

Offered By: Comm. Cumiskey

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

**BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst, that a non-draw raffle license, #RA-2023-01, be granted to the Allenhurst Fire Department, No. 1, which raffle shall be held on Saturday, January 1, 2023, from Noon to 5:00 PM, at the Allenhurst Fire House, 318 Hume Street, Allenhurst.

Comm. Cumiskey-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

**RESOLUTION #2022-200**

**A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING REVIEW OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BEST PRACTICES CHECK LIST**

Offered By: Comm. Cumiskey

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Community Affairs requires the Administrator and Chief Financial Officer of every municipality to have certified the Local Government Best Practices Check List; and

**WHEREAS**, the Check List has been certified by the Administrator and Chief Financial Officer and a copy thereof has been received by each member of the Governing Body; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Governing Body have personally reviewed the Local Government Best Practices Check List; and

**WHEREAS**, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the governing body; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough of Allenhurst, hereby states that it has reviewed the checklist and ratifies the Chief Financial Officer's filing of the Best Practice Check List to the Department of Communities Affairs on October 27, 2022.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies are provided to: Division of Local Government Services, Administrator/Clerk, and Municipal Auditor

Comm. Cumiskey-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

**RESOLUTION #2022-201**

**A RESOLUTION TO HIRE A FULL-TIME COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER**

Offered By: Comm. Cumiskey

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

**WHEREAS**, There is a need for a Communications Officer in the Allenhurst Police Department and the Chief of Police has interviewed several candidates and has made his recommendation to the Board of Commissioners; and,

**WHEREAS**, Funds for this purpose shall be provided for in the appropriation entitled, Police S&W, and the Chief Finance Officer has so certified;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That Joshua James be and he is hereby employed as a Communications Officer for the Borough of Allenhurst for a probationary period of one year, commencing on November 7, 2022, at an annual salary of \$27,040.00.

Comm. Cumiskey-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

**RESOLUTION #2022-202**

**A RESOLUTION TO LIMIT THE MEDICAL PLANS OFFERED UNDER SHBP**

Offered By: Comm. Cumiskey

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough of Allenhurst, State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) Location Number 02-21570, will no longer offer the following plan:

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution be filed with the New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits and the Borough Finance Clerk.

**RESOLUTION #2022-203**  
**A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER APPROPRIATIONS**  
Offered By: Comm. Cumiskey                      Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

Current Fund		To		From
Finance - Other Expenses			\$	(2,000.00)
Tax Collector - Other Expenses				(3,000.00)
Legal - Other Expenses				(12,000.00)
Tax Appeals - Other Expenses				(12,000.00)
Engineering - Other Expenses	\$	7,000.00		
Elections - Other Expenses		1,000.00		
Planning Board - Salary & Wages		250.00		
Planning Board - Other Expenses				(12,500.00)
Code Enforcement - Other Expenses		7,000.00		
Fire Safety - Other Expenses		250.00		
Worker's Comp. Insurance - Other Expenses		300.00		
Group Health Insurance - Other Expenses		20,000.00		
Unemployment Insurance - Other Expenses		1,500.00		
Other Insurance - Other Expenses				(17,000.00)
Health Benefit Waivers - Salary & Wages				(10,000.00)
Streets & Roads - Other Expenses		11,000.00		
Public Works - Salary & Wages				(15,000.00)
Garbage & Trash - Other Expenses				(12,300.00)
Buildings & Grounds - Other Expenses				(10,000.00)
Maintenance of Motor Vehicles - Other Expenses		20,000.00		
Beach - Salary & Wages				(25,000.00)
Beach - Other Expenses		45,000.00		
Water - Other Expenses		34,000.00		
Gasoline - Other Expenses		30,000.00		
Recycling - Other Expenses				(10,000.00)
Social Security (Oasi)				(36,000.00)
DCRP				(2,000.00)
Municipal Court - Other Expenses		1,500.00		
<b>Total Current Fund Transfers</b>	\$	<b>178,800.00</b>	\$	<b>(178,800.00)</b>

**RESOLUTION #2022-204**  
**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Offered By: Comm. Cumiskey                      Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

**WHEREAS**, State law permits the exclusion of public in certain circumstances; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst finds that such circumstances currently exist; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Board of Commissioners will make public, minutes of the closed session when confidentiality no longer exists;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** By the Board of Commissioners that they are hereby authorized to enter into closed session to discuss legal/contractual matters which are exempt from the public meeting under the Sunshine Law.

Comm. Cumiskey-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

#### **RESOLUTION #2022-205**

#### **A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BILLS (10-19-2022 to 11-1-2022)**

Offered By: Mayor McLaughlin

Seconded By: Comm. Cumiskey

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That bills totaling \$211,691.73 be approved for payment; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the November 1, 2022 consolidated bill list be attached hereto and made a part thereof.

Comm. Cumiskey-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

#### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

The Mayor thanked the DPW, Borough Office staff, Police and Fire/EMS for all their help with the great Halloween Celebration.

The Borough Administrator discussed the request from Kate McLoughlin to hold a Polar Bear Plunge on the Beach in Allenhurst, to be hosted by the Shore Regional Chapter of Students for Animal Welfare. The Borough Administrator will contact Ms. McLoughlin and advise that December 11 would be the optimal date and to coordinate directly with the Fire/EMS regarding what is needed for the day.

Comm. Cumiskey also thanked everyone for a wonderful Halloween event.

Comm. Cumiskey discussed trees in town that appear to be dangerous and asked what can be done about this. The DPW Superintendent stated that he would take a look at trees and report back on the status and what could be done.

There was a discussion regarding storage space available in town and how to best optimize it.

The Fire Chief gave the Fire Report.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No Public Comments.

There being no further business or comments, Mayor McLaughlin moved, seconded by Comm. Cumiskey that the meeting move to executive session at 8:25 PM. Motion carried.

After reconvening, Mayor McLaughlin moved, seconded by Comm. Cumiskey that the meeting be adjourned at 9:24 PM. Motion carried

***Donna M. Campagna***

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Administrator/Clerk