

CLINTON TOWN COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 11, 2024
7:00 P.M.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting of July 10 and August 14, 2024
2. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS – AUGUST
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
4. MAYOR’S COMMENTS
5. RESOLUTION #119-24 – SUPPORT INCREASE - VETERAN PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION
6. RESOLUTION #120-24 – 100% DISABLED VETERAN
7. RESOLUTION #121-24 – HIRING OF CROSSING GUARD
8. SPECIAL EVENTS – Main Street Half Marathon 10/20 and SantaCon 8k 12/21/24
9. BANNER REQUEST – UNITY BANK CHARITY CAR SHOW
10. SPECIAL EVENT – RUN O’THE MILL 5K
11. WATER REFUND – 20 Goldfinch Court
12. PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #24-13
13. PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #24-14
14. PUBIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #24-15
15. PUBIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #24-16
16. PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #24-17
17. CORRESPONDENCE
18. REPORTS OF COUNCIL
19. STANDBY AND OVERTIME
20. PAYMENT OF BILLS
21. EXECUTIVE SESSION – IF NECESSARY
22. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION #119-24

EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT OF THE HUNTERDON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR SCR-81/ACR-58 AIMED AT INCREASING THE NEW JERSEY VETERANS PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION TO \$2,500

WHEREAS The Veterans property tax deduction, currently set at \$250, has not been increased in over twenty years; and

WHEREAS bipartisan bills SCR-81/ACR-58 propose a constitutional amendment to increase the amount of veteran's property tax deduction from \$250 to \$2,500 over four years; and

WHEREAS under the State Constitution, both houses of the state legislature must approve the bills either by supermajority votes or in consecutive years; and

WHEREAS according to the legislation, Veterans who are honorably discharged from active service in a branch of the United States Armed Forces qualify for the deduction. A qualified veteran's surviving spouse would receive the deduction after the qualified veteran dies; and

WHEREAS the legislation calls for the proposed increase in the property tax deduction to be phased in over a four-year period and the state would provide municipalities with funding to offset the tax revenue reduction; and

WHEREAS it is the opinion of the Board of County Commissioners that Veterans, deserve this recognition that has been earned through their sacrifice and dedicated service to the Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hunterdon County Board of County Commissioners and the Town of Clinton does hereby strongly support bipartisan legislation SCR-81/ACR-58; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to members of the 15th, 16th, and 23rd Legislative Districts, the New Jersey Association of Counties and all 26 Hunterdon County Municipalities.



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TOWN OF CLINTON

RESOLUTION # 120-24

WHEREAS, The owner of property located at 22 Pond Ridge Drive, Block 29 Lot 3.03 C0011, in the Town of Clinton was declared spouse of a 100% disabled Veteran effective July 30, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the owner made application to the Town of Clinton on July 30, 2024 for tax exempt status, and took ownership on the property on February 12, 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton Tax Assessor changed the necessary status on this property as of January 1, 2025 and the property will be listed as tax exempt, and

WHEREAS, the property owner has already paid the 3rd quarter of 2024 taxes, which consists of July, August and September 2024 taxes, a refund of two months totaling \$1,834.91 is due the property owner, and

NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton that the Chief Financial Officer refund the property owner \$1,834.91 and the Tax Collector remove the remaining taxes due for the 4th quarter of 2024 and 1st & 2nd quarter of 2025 in the total amount of \$ 8,149.05 be abated on Block 29 L 3.03 C0011.

I, Cecilia Covino, Clerk of the Town of Clinton, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Town of Clinton Mayor & Council at a meeting on September 11, 2024.

Cecilia Covino, RMC, CMC
Town Clerk

RESOLUTION # 121-24

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton Police Department requires the hiring of an additional crossing guard, and;

WHEREAS, the position was advertised for, applications accepted and interviews performed, and;

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police recommends that the following person be hired to fill the open position at a rate of \$20.00 per hour;

BELLA RUSSO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton hire Bella Russo to fill the open position crossing guard effective August 29, 2024.

Mayor Janice Kovach

Adopted: September 11, 2024