

**Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale
Combined Work and Regular Session Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2024 – 7:30 p.m.**

A combined Work and Regular Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale was held in the Municipal Building at 500 West Crescent Avenue, Allendale, New Jersey on March 7, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Wilczynski.

Linda Cervino, the Municipal Clerk, read the open public meetings statement: “In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the notice requirements have been satisfied. The meeting dates for the year are confirmed at the Annual Meeting, are posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building and on the Borough Website, published in The Record within the first 10 days of the New Year, and copies are sent to The Ridgewood News and Star-Ledger. Notice of this meeting by the February 26, 2024, Sunshine Notice was sent to The Record, The Ridgewood News and Star Ledger and has been posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building and Borough website.”

On Roll Call, the following were present: Councilmembers Joseph Daloisio, III, Liz Homan, Susanne Lovisolo, Matthew O’Toole, Tyler Yaccarino, and Mayor Amy Wilczynski. Councilman Edward O’Connell was absent. A quorum was met.

The following were also present: T.J. Wiss, Borough Attorney’s Office; Linda Louise Cervino, Municipal Clerk; Michael Dillon, Chief of Police and Andrew Agugliaro, DPW Superintendent.

Mayor Wilczynski led the salute to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 18, 2024 Work and Regular Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Councilwoman Lovisolo, second by Councilman Yaccarino that the January 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes be and is hereby approved.

On a roll call, the vote to table the minutes was recorded as follows:

Councilman Daloisio:	aye	Councilman O’Connell:	absent
Councilwoman Homan:	aye	Councilman O’Toole:	abstain
Councilwoman Lovisolo:	aye	Councilman Yaccarino:	abstain

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 8, 2024 Work and Regular Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Councilwoman Lovisolo, second by Councilman Yaccarino that the February 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes be and is hereby approved.

On a roll call, the vote to table the minutes was recorded as follows:

Councilman Daloisio:	abstain	Councilman O’Connell:	absent
Councilwoman Homan:	abstain	Councilman O’Toole:	aye
Councilwoman Lovisolo:	aye	Councilman Yaccarino:	aye

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 8, 2024 Closed Session Minutes:

Motion by Councilwoman Lovisolo, second by Councilman Yaccarino that the February 8, 2024 Closed Session Meeting Minutes be and is hereby approved.

On a roll call, the vote to table the minutes was recorded as follows:

Councilman Daloisio:	abstain	Councilman O’Connell:	absent
Councilwoman Homan:	abstain	Councilman O’Toole:	aye
Councilwoman Lovisolo:	aye	Councilman Yaccarino:	aye

PRESENTATIONS:

Councilwoman Homan read the proclamation into the record:

Borough of Allendale
PROCLAMATION FOR
COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



WHEREAS colorectal cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States among men and women combined; and

WHEREAS colorectal cancer is one of the few cancers that can be prevented with timely screening, but 1 in 3 eligible Americans are not up to date on screening; and

WHEREAS colorectal cancer is estimated to be the number one cancer killer for those ages 20-49 by 2030; and

WHEREAS Black Americans are 20% more likely to be diagnosed with colorectal cancer and about 40% more likely to die from the disease than other groups; and

WHEREAS colorectal cancer is expected to account for 11% of cancer deaths among Hispanic men and 9% of cancer deaths for Hispanic women; and

WHEREAS screening colonoscopy rates have still not returned to pre-COVID-19 levels; and

WHEREAS the national goal established by the National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable is to strive to increase timely colorectal cancer screening rates to 80 percent in every community for all Americans eligible for screening; and

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WHEREAS observing a Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month during the month of March would provide a special opportunity to increase awareness and offer education on the importance of early detection and screening of colorectal cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, NJ, do hereby proclaim March 2024 as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in the Borough of Allendale.

Mayor Amy Wilczynski

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Wilczynski read the proclamation into the record:

**Proclamation
in Honor of
Ted & Karen Clark**

WHEREAS, Ted & Karen Clark have lived in town since Memorial Day weekend of 1990; and

WHEREAS, Ted and Karen have 3 kids, Matt, born in 1990, Chris born in 1994 and Mary Hope, born in 1998 who have grown up in the AVAC building riding their walkers down the driveway before they could walk; and

WHEREAS, in 1991 Ted joined the Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps followed by Karen a year later; and

WHEREAS, as members of the Allendale Ambulance Corps, Ted has served as Captain and President while Karen has served as Secretary; and

WHEREAS, beyond their dedication to AVAC, Karen and Ted have served as leaders and First Aid Merit Badge Counselors with Allendale's Girl and Boy Scouts; and

WHEREAS; they have been involved for many years at Guardian Angel Church, both as a catechist and Ted as a youth music minister; and

WHEREAS, for 13 years, they ran Guardian Angel Church's annual Festival of Lights with great success!

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Amy Wilczynski, on behalf of the Governing Body and the residents of the Borough of Allendale, hereby acknowledge with great gratitude Ted & Karen Clark's dedicated service to the Borough of Allendale.

Mayor Amy Wilczynski

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AGENDA REVIEW:

Mayor Wilczynski reviewed a few items on the agenda for the night which included:

Second Reading of Ordinance 24-03.

CONSENT AGENDA REVIEW:

The Consent Agenda are matters that are considered routine, but would like to highlight some of the great work that we've all been doing.

RES 24-95: APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD JUDGMENT.

RES 24-96: AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS.

RES 24-97: AUTHORIZATION FOR BLUE RIBBONS TO BE TIED ON TREES DOWNTOWN IN SUPPORT OF COLON CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

RES 24-98: APPROVAL OF MARCH 7, 2024 LIST OF BILLS.

RES 24-99: APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NUMBER ONE DINALLO CONSTRUCTION – ALLENDALE COMMUNITY CENTER.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS

No one came forward on agenda items.

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES

The Municipal Clerk read into the record:

The following ordinance published herewith was first read by title only on February 22, 2024 and posted on the bulletin board of the lobby of the municipal building and borough website.

- ORDINANCE 24-03: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT AND REVISE CHAPTER 26, 26-31(d), OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE.

Police Chief Dillon stated this is just a slight adjustment to the existing ordinance that codifies a procedure for outside employment of police officers. Very frequently, schools or outside vendors may employ police officers on their days off. This encourages Allendale officers to work those extra details. It's always better to have an Allendale officer dealing with our residents directly.

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Public Comment on Ordinance 24-03: Jonathan Isernhagen, 2 Nallin Court of Waldwick asked, we would like to understand what changes Ordinance 24-03 promulgates. Chief Dillon replied by stating that we currently have an ordinance where police officers can be hired on their days off to provide security at our schools or at facilities that may have a known threat or such. Up until today when we're approving this ordinance there was no minimum to the amount of hours. If you hire police officers a minimum of four hours what happens is the other police department in the area have that minimum and we do not. So, my officers were hesitant to take those jobs because there was no minimum. So, we would hire an outside department that would come in and there would be a minimum amount of hours. So, I just struck the number of hours from the ordinance.

Mr. Isernhagen said so now it's more permissive now. 24-03 strikes the four-hour minimum making it easier to hire the Allendale Police? Chief Dillon said exactly. It was just one sentence we changed.

Motion by Councilman O'Toole, second by Councilman Daloisio that Ordinance 24-03 be and is hereby approved.

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Councilman Daloisio:	aye	Councilman O'Connell:	absent
Councilwoman Homan:	aye	Councilman O'Toole:	aye
Councilwoman Lovisolo:	aye	Councilman Yaccarino:	aye

(See Ordinance 24-03 attached and made a part hereof)

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Councilman Yaccarino, second by Councilwoman Homan that the Consent Agenda be and is hereby approved.

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Councilman Daloisio:	aye	Councilman O'Connell:	absent
Councilwoman Homan:	aye	Councilman O'Toole:	aye
Councilwoman Lovisolo:	aye	Councilman Yaccarino:	aye

(See Resolutions 24-95 through 24-99 attached and made a part hereof)

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ADMINISTRATION

Council Committee Reports

Councilman Tyler Yaccarino - Facilities, Parks and Recreation

Councilman Yaccarino stated there's a few things which I'd like to update as we've all been involved with. For our Joint Insurance Fund, also known as JIF, there are certain cyber requirements which they ask us to uphold each year. There's a questionnaire that comes to the borough making sure that we're adhering to certain standards and minimum security levels and so forth. One of the big updates which has been recommended by our risk manager and also in line with standard operating procedures is moving our email system to the cloud. So, previously, we had run it on an in-house physical server and now the entire email system of the borough is in the secure, what's called government continuity cloud. So, we are fully JIF compliant now with our email and 2FA Multi-factor authentication requirements. That will help us maintain a high standard, which will help if there's a cyber incident, and our deductible remains relatively low. This is one of the things they recommended we do. Mayor Wilczynski commends Councilman Yaccarino on all the work he's done on this and stated this is something very serious. We've had neighboring towns where their servers have gotten highjacked and they had to pay a ransom of upwards of half a million dollars. This is a very big progressive move for the borough. Councilman Yaccarino said in addition to their being security enhancements, this will also help collaborative efforts within the borough. The email was the first phase of the project, so-to-speak, so we're going to be moving forward with more communication, immigration and so forth. Secondly, another JIF recommendation is to secure our server environments, so we'll be looking at different areas within borough hall to lock down some more equipment and further be JIF compliant.

Moving on to facilities, the concession stand continues to move along. We're working on a survey with our borough engineer, which we approved this week so that will be moving forward. As such, with the survey, we can look to formally approve Phase II and III from our professional service architect at the next meeting. Furthermore, the temporary electric service will be going up at Crestwood Lake tomorrow as we move forward with the demolition of the existing structure.

Finally, starting next week, the motor vehicle mobile unit will be coming to town at the firehouse. I know that many residents in town signed up. John sent the newsletter at six o'clock on Monday and by seven o'clock it was filled up. We had a lot of folks coming to us asking when they were coming back, so, tentatively, September 10th and 11th they will be returning to Allendale. I've had a very good working relationship with the rep at motor vehicle so far. He has been very happy working with us, so I'm anticipating that there is much more to come as the state continues to mandate the Real ID's. If you do not have a Real ID appointment, you can still turn old license plates or duplicate titles. They did tell me if there are any cancellations for next week that we can put it out there and fill up those spots.

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Councilwoman Susanne Lovisolo - Finance, Human Resources, Administration and Information Technology, Land Use and Construction Code and Council Liaison to Library Board.

Councilwoman Lovisolo stated that the Land Use Committee has not met since my last report. We have a meeting coming up in two weeks. The Finance Committee hasn't met either, so there's no updates on those two, but that doesn't mean we aren't working on components from those committees. It doesn't mean we're not looking at the budget and still discussing the capital budget. We also had a meeting the other morning discussing outdoor dining as the weather is getting nicer and making it easier for our restaurants in town to accommodate all our residents who love to eat outside. We're working on getting a packet together and explaining it to them.

Our Green Team has a meeting tonight. I missed that meeting. They were discussing things about the upcoming environmental spring-cleaning day which is April 27th. April 27th is also our history day where the John Fell House in Allendale partners with nine other historical homes, the Mahwah Museum, Zabriskie House, for a day of learning about history and for a cost it gets you access to all of the different sites for that day.

The library has some upcoming programs. Every Saturday in March they partnership with the Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corp. They're holding a family and friends CPR course. This is a non-certification program and it's offered at either 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. and will last for about one hour. In addition, they have some kids' programs coming up. The very popular Slime Time is on March 18th, Musical Munchkins on March 19th, Jiggly Wiggly on March 26th. They're also offering drop in after school crafts tomorrow and March 22nd. Their adult programs in March include a college funding workshop on March 11th and the start of a three-part memoir writing class on March 18th. A complete list of programs is available on the Lee Memorial Library website.

Councilwoman Liz Homan - Second to Finance, Human Resources, Administration and Information Technology and Public Works & Public Utility.

Councilwoman Homan stated that we've met as a sewer team to discuss items that we needed to put together as a group of Allendale individuals on the council along with Andy and our engineer, as well as legal, prior to beginning to work with Ramsey on renegotiating the new sewer agreement with Ramsey. We've also had discussions with Veolia on the permanent water treatment that is planned for Allendale. It's awesome that we have the temporary in. It's great that Veolia owns the system and they're managing it, but we will be discussing with them the plans for where this facility will be. We're anticipating it will stay in the building that is down by the current DPW, the old water building. We have a meeting tomorrow morning so it will be excellent information. I'll keep everybody up to date on the council.

Councilman Joseph Daloisio, III – Chair to Public Works and Public Utility and second to Land Use and Construction Code.

I want to say thank you to Councilwoman Homan for your efforts on the sewer and the water. I'm really interested in learning more about it. I do want to say I'm very thankful, Mayor, for being able to chair the DPW committee. I think I told you the one reason and the only reason I wanted to be a councilman was to help my community and the residence and do good things for the community.

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This gives me the opportunity to do that. Not that the Land Use Committee didn't. This is really a pleasure. Working with our new Superintendent Andrew Agugliaro. It's a pleasure.

Just briefly, we regularly meet every Friday. We talk about everything. Andy has been great. Any issues that come up we talk about throughout the week. He's been on top of everything and there's even very little that he's had issue wise as far as needing my input, but he's been great about communication. The guys have been doing a great job cleaning up the DPW facility, which was in pretty bad shape. I know they're still working on it, but they're doing a good job. They're getting there. Andy has been really addressing all the residents' needs and concerns; pot hole repairs. I know we hired a company and tried them out. We did some pothole repairs on MacIntyre, Oakwood, Myrtle and Linda. And from what I understand they're holding up pretty good. It's a new company, so I figured we'd give them a try and see how they do. We had some snow events. Andy and our DPW guys did a great job on the parts that they had to work on. Our subcontractor, Conquest, I think they did a much better job this time. I know it took a little bit of effort and a little bit of communication to make sure that they addressed some of the issues that they missed the last time, and I think they accomplished that.

We did discuss some potential dates to do another topsoil and potential wood chip give away. We have big piles of these materials down at the DPW facility to take over as Councilman O'Connell did last year. We're going to open some dates after our contractor gets his equipment and stuff out of the area. We'll clean it up and then John Gil will make some announcements. We'll pick some dates and let the residents come down and have some topsoil and some wood chips.

We had a retirement. Ray Fraiser has announced his retirement. We have the resignation of Dan Richards. Andy is going to be doing some advertising to get some potential replacements. I know Andy has his committee report that he's going to talk about, but I know they are working on preparing Crestwood Lake for the summer and getting the ballfields ready for the baseball and softball season coming up.

Councilpresident Matthew O'Toole - Public Safety Committee

Councilpresident Matthew O'Toole stated that the Public Safety Committee will be meeting this coming Tuesday. Work has commenced on the firehouse bathroom. This project is to make the bathroom ADA compliant. And while there have been a couple of challenges along the way, things are progressing. In addition to the CPR class, AVAC has their casino night fundraiser coming up on Friday the 24th at Ramsey Country Club. Tickets are online at Allendaleambulance.org. Congratulations to our newest graduates of the Fifth Grade Lead program. The Lead program is an important part of the police department community engagement program, and it is spearheaded by Sergeant Azevedo who does everything with the kids in this town.

Continuing the department's community outreach, Allendale Police will be hosting an FBI class designed for the public to teach you how to react to an active assailant in a public space on March 26 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. It will be held here at council chambers and there will be a daytime program available to businesses. This is being run by Tim Latterner who used to be an officer in town, and he went to the FBI.

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Finally, the Gary Letizio Memorial Blood Drive will be taking place on March 28th from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the firehouse. So far, we have 18 appointments filled. We have a lot more to go. Walk-ins are welcome.

Staff Reports:

Linda Louise Cervino, Municipal Clerk stated Compost Permits can be purchased starting Wednesday, March 13th online through our website for Allendale residents only. The Compost Site opens April 6th through December 7th. Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Wednesdays from 4 pm to 7 pm.

If you missed the free rabies clinic in Allendale, an upcoming Free Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, March 16th from 1-3 p.m. at the DPW garage, 475 West Main Street, in Wyckoff.

The Municipal Clerk's Association contacted the clerks today to encourage us to join the New Jersey League of Municipalities webinar on OPRA Reform since the OPRA bill is moving fast to hear about the OPRA and the changes that are coming.

It is scheduled to be considered by the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee on Monday, March 11. The League supports this legislation as it gives greater discretion to records custodians regarding duplicate and anonymous requests; encourages that documents be placed online and provides funding to facilitate that goal; prohibits records requests made by data brokers who take the information for commercial purposes; increases the membership of the Government Records Council; establishes a Police Record Access Improvement Task Force; and implements recommendations from the Privacy Study Commission to provide privacy protections for our residents. The Assembly counterpart, A-4045, has been introduced and referred to the Assembly State and Local Government Committee. The League is supportive of these efforts to modernize a more than two-decade-old records law.

Michael Dillon, Police Chief. Chief Dillon stated, I would like to take this opportunity to update the mayor and council on Chestnut Street. Since I became chief in January 2022, the Allendale Police Department has focused our attention on Chestnut Street giving this ¼ mile long street more time and effort than any other street in the borough. In addition to continued enforcement, the following actions have been completed in response to Mr. DelBuono's complaints:

- 1) Added additional impactful signage such as "Strictly Enforced" and "Radar Enforced" under weight and speed limit signs. Including replacement of faded no truck and 5 ton limit signs on Chestnut Street eastbound at the Waldwick Border and the change requested by Mr. DelBuono to switch the two MUTCD conforming "NO TRUCKS" signs on Franklin Turnpike to the equally MUTCD conforming "R5-2" Red circle and hash though truck legend.
- 2) New striping including roadway center markings and crosswalk at Franklin Turnpike. New striping includes glass beads to make the paint more reflective.
- 3) Collaborations with NJ Transit for railroad right of way maintenance including pothole repair, repairs to rubber pads in between the tracks, fog line striping across track area, and confirmation of inactive bus stops. Also includes relentless follow-up to ensure repairs are made.

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- 4) Trimming of foliage alongside roadway.
- 5) Bergen County Sheriff's Office Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Team was requested to be on the street to perform focused enforcement of overweight trucks. A focused enforcement task force will be on Chestnut Street starting on or about the 2nd week of March.
- 6) Requested Orange and Rockland install upgraded streetlights.
- 7) Collaboration with Waldwick PD to ensure both departments aren't simultaneously conducting stationary radar enforcement on Chestnut/Hopper Avenue.
- 8) Listed Chestnut Street on approved grant application for Distracted Driving enforcement on specific roads.
- 9) To educate Allendale PD officers to detect abnormal conditions at the Chestnut Street grade crossing, Sgt. Rosendahl and Traffic Officer P.O. Mark Dunn were both sent to Rutgers for three days, January 30 to February 1, 2024, to attend the Federal Railroad Administration Grade Crossing Safety Seminar and conference.
- 10) Bergen County Sheriff's Traffic Officer was sent to monitor the intersection to evaluate visibility and lighting. He has requested to see day and night traffic crash data which is being provided.
- 11) Public Works Superintendent was briefed on the history here. He will handle obtaining the striping as part of a pavement improvement project this summer.

In conclusion, prior to my tenure as chief, an electronic speed sign was installed on Chestnut Street. A speed hump was also planned for installation, but Mr. Delbuono disagreed with the location of the device. The location for the device was determined to be in compliance with MUTCD guidelines.

In the past, Mr. Delbuono has asked that someone be an "advocate" for Chestnut Street. Based on the aforementioned actions, the Allendale Police and the Borough of Allendale has been and continues to be staunch advocates for public safety not only on Chestnut but all the other approximately 135 streets in town.

Mayor Wilczynski thanked Chief Dillon and stated that we are very appreciative of all that you do, not just for Chestnut Street, but all the other streets. You are the traffic experts. You go to schooling for that so we take your recommendations. And as much as some people feel like they might know more than you, we do appreciate your professional expertise and we will always rely on you as well as your staff.

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Andy Agugliaro, DPW Superintendent, stated we made it through another weather event. This time it was rain and not snow. The DPW has been filling potholes like Councilman Daloisio said. We're getting ready for the upcoming season at Crestwood Lake and we're also getting ready for the baseball and softball season. This coming weekend on March 10th we go forward with the time clocks. Just to remind all residents to change all their batteries in their smoke detectors.

Linda Cervino thanked the Mayor and Council and Alison Altano for the addition of the door locks and thanked the DPW for installing them.

T.J. Wiss, of Wiss & Bouregy said there are a bunch of other things in the OPRA reform bill such as to stop harassment, email address, personal phone numbers. I think they're really trying to take seriously some of the concerns that I know Allendale has had in the past. This governing body is in support of privacy for their residents and it's refreshing to see that there's going to be some reform. We'll stay tuned.

Councilman Yaccarino added that this Saturday is the Northwest Bergen Councilmembers Association, and this is one of the topics of discussion.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Wilczynski stated 210 West Crescent Ave if anyone has driven by you'll see that all of the walls are up on the gym side and we will have a steel signing next week. It's like a ribbon cutting or groundbreaking but it's a steel signing. We have our first of a series of town halls scheduled for March 27th. At that meeting we're going to be reviewing Allendale's goals and strategies. We plan on sending out a short survey to all residents asking them what they want to hear on the three other town halls that we have planned. They will have the opportunity to express what you would like to talk about, and we will create the agenda around that.

I have a Mayor's meeting this Saturday and we are going to be continuing the deer discussion. We have Josh Gottheimer who is going to be there. I will report back on that. Coming up with a plan that's going to be comprehensive with all the towns versus us trying to do something. I'm also going to be attending a breakfast meeting on the 12th with the New Jersey Mayor's. We are going to be talking about the Fair Share Housing crisis. I call it a crisis because there is this new bill out there that does not look like it's going to give any relief to Allendale or any other towns in New Jersey. All you have to do is drive around and you can see the massive building that's going up. And if you drive around on a rainy day you'll see all the flooding that's going on and it's not a coincidence that the two are hand in hand. I really look forward to this meeting. It's my first of the League of the Municipality Mayor's meeting. I look forward to getting some great information and will report back on that as well.

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At the last meeting we discussed the sewer agreement that Councilwoman Homan worked on very hard between Saddle River and Allendale with some of their development that was for Fair Share Housing. Now we have another 275 units going up in Saddle River right on Boroline Road in that office complex. Here we are again and coming up with an agreement. We have to make sure that we are doing everything that we can do to support our sewer system and the Allendale residents. Both of these developments are literally on the border of Allendale, so we will have the impact of them probably more than Saddle River would.

Again, congratulations to all the LEAD kids. I happened to be able to attend the graduation with Councilwoman Lovisolo. They did such a great job. It was a wonderful program just talking about giving kids a voice. If they see bullying to stand up. Saying no to drugs. The whole entire thing was positive. When you're feeling anxiety, what to do, who to go to. Just a great program for the fifth graders. Thank you to Sergeant Acevedo and Chief Dillon.

We met with Neglia this week, so we will be working on the next two phases of our Streetscape. Our next one is going to be on De Mercurio Drive and the other phase is going to be behind our town clock on Central Ave that's going along by our train station.

We also had two new businesses, two ribbon cuttings in town. We welcome Bergen Pediatric Dentistry as well as Philly Pretzel. They're both in the ACME center. We always want to support our local establishments. As Councilwoman Lovisolo mentioned we are working on our outdoor dining. Outdoor dining has become so successful that it's a positive thing that came out of COVID. We want to make sure that the residents want it, and we accommodate it.

The mural is still going on. Hillside students have had a wonderful experience being part of the mural, being part of Allendale history. I saw some videos of the kids and it was unbelievable. We have a dedicated Instagram page. We will be promoting it and supporting it and coming out with more fundraisers. We will pass along those dates when we have them.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER:

Walter Widmer, 38 Hamilton Street, Allendale, stated that recently in the Town Journal they seem to make an issue out of each of the schools having an armed police officer in the building. Why did they make an issue of an armed police officer. We have one there now wandering through the building. I assume he's armed. Mayor Wilczynski said they are retired officers that the schools have hired in light of some of the incidents that have gone around in the country. I don't think it's an issue. I think it's just something that is being proactive considering the safety of our students. They are hired through our police officers, but the schools pay for them. It's their decision to hire them and they pay for it. We just facilitate it through our police officers. Police Chief Mike Dillon said that he read that article as well. He stated, I understood it to be just a difference of opinion on how that program should be rolled out. Here in Allendale, we have three officers who are retired, and they are also cross trained as school resource officers.

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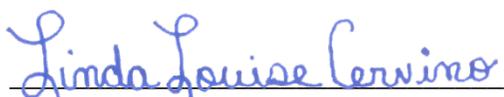
Basically, what that means is they can take educational records and have access to them and then mesh them with law enforcement records. So, it's a higher level of service more than just security. I think it's probably the most successful program that we've ever rolled out. Councilman Daloisio said as a parent having a daughter in eight grade, I'm thankful for those officers being there. God forbid there is a problem, at least they're there.

Chief Dillon said they are very dedicated to our children. They come from different backgrounds, very busy departments, so this is definitely a change for them, but they assimilated perfectly. They are dressed as police officers. You don't know that they've had a 25- or 30-year career and they're now having their second career. They are just part of our department. The kids get used to their presence. They get used to their interaction. Hopefully, when they do graduate and they interact with the rest of us, that it's always in a positive way.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, on a motion by Councilman Daloisio, second by Councilpresident O'Toole and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Louise Cervino, RMC
Municipal Clerk

March 21, 20024

Date Approved

**BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE
COUNTY OF BERGEN
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE #24-03

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT AND REVISE
CHAPTER 26, 26-31(d), OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF
THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Chapter 26, of the Code of the Borough of Allendale be, and hereby is, amended, supplemented and revised to read as follows:

§ 26-31, Article III 26-31

D. Rates of compensations; administrative fee; payment for services. Rates of compensation for contracting the services of off-duty law enforcement officers shall be based on a rate equal to that of time and 1/2 of the contractual hourly rate for the individual officer being compensated. An additional fee of 25% of the rate as calculated above is hereby established to cover administrative costs, overhead, and out-of-pocket expenses of the Borough. Payment for the use of any motor vehicle of the Police Department in connection with the services of off-duty law enforcement officers of the Allendale Police Department authorized in this § **26-31** shall be \$125 per day, or any part of a day, provided, however, that the Chief of Police shall have the authority to waive such fee for the use of a police vehicle if, in his or her discretion, the use of a police vehicle shall not result in any material wear and tear of such vehicle.
[Amended 12-17-2020]

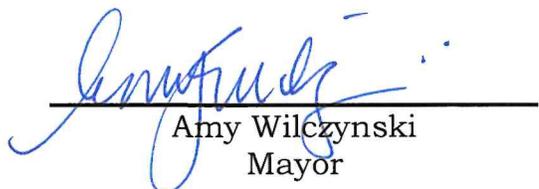
Traffic and/or Police Services shall be based on a minimum flat rate of **\$85.00** per hour, or the police officer's overtime rate, whichever is greater. There is a four (4) hour minimum requirement for each officer for every detail. There is a minimum of three hours cancellation notice without penalty. In the event cancellation is made less than three hours prior to starting time, the officer(s) will be compensated for four (4) hours at the established rate. There shall be an administrative fee of 25% of the total amount of hourly charges, totaling **\$106.25** per hour minimally.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that, except as modified herein, all other provisions of Chapter 26 shall remain in full force and effect as previously adopted.

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Daloisio		✓	✓			
Homan			✓			
Lovisolo			✓			
O'Connell						✓
O'Toole	✓		✓			
Yaccarino			✓			
Mayor Wilczynski	-----	-----				

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of an Ordinance Adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on March 7, 2024.


Linda Louise Cervino, RMC
Municipal Clerk


Amy Wilczynski
Mayor

**RESOLUTION
BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE
BERGEN COUNTY, NJ**

DATE: 03/07/2024

RESOLUTION# 24-95

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Daloisio			✓			
Homan		✓	✓			
Lovisolo			✓			
O'Connell						✓
O'Toole			✓			
Yaccarino	✓		✓			
Mayor Wilczynski	-----	-----				

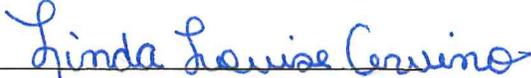
- Carried
- Defeated
- Tabled
- Approved on Consent Agenda

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD JUDGMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Allendale that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue the following overpayment check due to State Board Judgment for the tax year 2023.

Block/Lot	Name	Property Location	Amount
1808/2	Brach Eichler LLC, Trustee for ABC Vault Partners LLC 101 Eisenhower Parkway Roseland, NJ 07068-1067	22 Maple Street	\$13,215.99

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on March 7, 2024.


 Linda Louise Cervino, RMC
 Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION
BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE
BERGEN COUNTY, NJ**

DATE: 03/07/2024

RESOLUTION# 24-96

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Daloisio			✓			
Homan		✓	✓			
Lovisolo			✓			
O'Connell						✓
O'Toole			✓			
Yaccarino	✓		✓			
Mayor Wilczynski	-----	-----				

- Carried
- Defeated
- Tabled
- Approved on Consent Agenda

AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen with respect to certain budget appropriations and no adequate provision has been made in the 2024 Temporary Budget, and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-20 provides for the creation of emergency temporary appropriations for said purpose; and

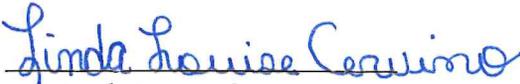
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-20;

- An emergency temporary appropriation be and the same is hereby made in the total amount of:

Current Fund	
Administration – OE	10,000
Mayor and Council - OE	1,000
Land Use Board – OE	2,000
Electrical Inspector – SW	2,000
Group Insurance	200,000
Municipal Prosecutor – SW	1,000
Street and Road – OE	15,000
Snow Removal – OE	30,000
Police – OE	15,000
Board of Health – OE	1,300
Crestwood – OE	10,000
Street Lighting	5,000
Telephones	10,000
Municipal Court – SW	2,000
Municipal Court – OE	2,000
Total Current Fund Appropriations	\$306,300

- That said emergency temporary appropriation will be provided in the 2024 budget;
- That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on March 7, 2024.


 Linda Louise Cervino, RMC
 Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION
BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE
BERGEN COUNTY, NJ**

DATE: 03/07/2024

RESOLUTION# 24-97

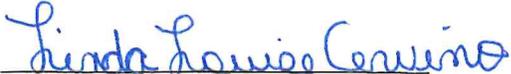
Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Daloisio			✓			
Homan		✓	✓			
Lovisollo			✓			
O'Connell						✓
O'Toole			✓			
Yaccarino	✓		✓			
Mayor Wilczynski	-----	-----	✓			

- Carried
- Defeated
- Tabled
- Approved on Consent Agenda

**AUTHORIZATION FOR BLUE RIBBONS TO BE TIED ON TREES DOWNTOWN IN
SUPPORT OF COLON CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that resident, Keri Riccardi, has permission for blue ribbons to be tied on the trees downtown for the month of March 2024 in support of Colon Cancer Awareness Month.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on March 7, 2024.



Linda Louise Cervino, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION
BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE
BERGEN COUNTY, NJ**

DATE: 03/07/2024

RESOLUTION# 24-98

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Daloisio			✓			
Homan		✓	✓			
Lovisololo			✓			
O'Connell						✓
O'Toole			✓			
Yaccarino	✓		✓			
Mayor Wilczynski	-----	-----				

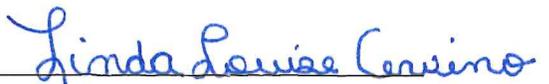
- Carried
- Defeated
- Tabled
- Approved on Consent Agenda

APPROVAL OF MARCH 7, 2024 LIST OF BILLS

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that it hereby approves the Bill List dated March 7, 2024 in the amounts of:

Bill List Numbers	March 7, 2024
Current Fund	\$ 1,060,951.87
Payroll Account	187,950.07
General Capital	22,590.14
Animal Fund	
Grant Fund	
COAH/Housing Trust	77.50
Improvement & Beautification	
Unemployment Fund	
Trust Fund	2,363.75
Water Operating	
Water Capital	
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Total	\$ 1,273,933.33

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on March 7, 2024.


 Linda Louise Cervino, RMC
 Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION
BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE
BERGEN COUNTY, NJ**

DATE: 03/07/2024

RESOLUTION# 24-99

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Daloisio			✓			
Homan		✓	✓			
Lovisolo			✓			
O'Connell						✓
O'Toole			✓			
Yaccarino	✓		✓			
Mayor Wilczynski	-----	-----				

- Carried
- Defeated
- Tabled
- Approved on Consent Agenda

**APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NUMBER ONE DINALLO CONSTRUCTION –
ALLENDALE COMMUNITY CENTER**

WHEREAS, the Contractor has requested that certain changes are needed for the Allendale Community Center; and

WHEREAS, a net increase of \$1,405.48 will result from the AEL Testing – January 2024 and Adjustable Cabinet Shelving; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has certified that sufficient funds are available.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Change Order Number One resulting in an increase of \$1,405.48, a .0003% increase in the original contracted amount, be approved for the Allendale Community Center, resulting in a new contract amount of \$5,275,405.48.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Change Order Number One in the increased amount of \$1,405.48 be approved for performance by Dinallo Construction Corporation, 215 State Highway 17 South, Wood-Ridge, New Jersey 07075.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on March 7, 2024.

Linda Louise Cervino
Linda Louise Cervino, RMC
Municipal Clerk