

Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale
Regular Session Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2021

PRESENT: Mayor Ari Bernstein
(in person)

PRESENT: Councilmembers Liz Homan, Edward O'Connell, Matthew O'Toole, Steve Sasso,
Jim Strauch, and Amy Wilczynski
(via teleconference)

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Attorney Raymond Wiss
(in person) Acting Municipal Clerk Michelle Ryan

A 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, NJ on January 21, 2021. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, access to the public was provided via GoToMeeting video and teleconferencing only, with adequate notice of same posted for public viewing. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Bernstein who reminded the public to mute their devices so as not to distract from the business at hand. Mayor Bernstein advised the public that they would have several opportunities at appropriate times throughout this meeting to be heard.

Mayor Bernstein asked that the Acting 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, published in The Record within the first 10 days of the New Year, and copies are sent to The Ridgewood News and Star Ledger."

The Mayor led those present in a salute to the flag.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only:

No other public came forward.

Consent Agenda:

- A. **21-65**/Approve January 21, 2021 Bill List
- B. **21-66**/Authorize Refund – 2020 Tax Overpayments
- C. **21-67**/Amend 2021 Teamsters Local No. 11 Salaries
- D. **21-68**/Accept Resignation as Regular Crossing Guard & Appoint as Relief Crossing Guard – Howard Frankel
- E. **21-69**/Appoint Regular Crossing Guard – Margaret Ann Darmiento
- F. **21-70**/Approve Interlocal Agreement – 2021 Well-Baby Clinic – Borough of Waldwick

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

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

Councilwoman Homan: aye
Councilman O'Connell: aye

Councilman Sasso: aye
Councilman Strauch: aye

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Councilman O'Toole: aye

Councilwoman Wilczynski: aye

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

There was no unfinished business.

Committee Reports and Comments:

The committee reports were provided during the Work Session.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Bernstein's report was provided during the Work Session.

Staff Report:

Staff reports were provided during the Work Session.

Public Comment on any issue:

Mark Stavastano, 22 Vreeland Place, discussed the successful Styrofoam drives in Fair Lawn and Hillsdale. He informed the Governing Body that he has reached out to various recycling coordinators and is having good conversations and receiving information. He continues to reach out to surrounding municipalities. He thanked the Council and especially Councilwoman Wilczynski for efforts to reinstate the Green Team. Councilwoman Wilczynski congratulated Mr. Stavastano for his efforts and wished him luck with the Green Team.

Councilman Strauch gave an update on his experience at the Styrofoam drives.

James Thomas, 30 Arlton Ave, asked for a timeline concerning the 220/230 project and in particular when the ownership of the new building and property will be returned to Allendale. Mayor Bernstein and Councilwoman Wilczynski gave an overview of the process and timeline.

Closed Session:

21-71/Authorize Closed Session under:

1. Attorney Client Privilege – 220/230 West Crescent Avenue Contract Negotiations Update

Motion by Councilwoman Wilczynski, second by Councilman Strauch that Resolution 21-71 be and is hereby approved.

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

Councilwoman Homan: aye

Councilman O'Connell: aye

Councilman O'Toole: aye

Councilman Sasso: aye

Councilman Strauch: aye

Councilwoman Wilczynski: aye

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The Mayor and Council went into Closed Executive Session at 8:15p.m and exited at 8:43pm. Minutes of this meeting were taken and will be released to the public at the time the matter is resolved.

The Regular Session meeting resumed at 8:44p.m.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, on a motion by Councilwoman Wilczynski, with second by Councilwoman Homan, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:44p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Michelle Ryan
Acting Municipal Clerk

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

DATE: 01/21/2021

RESOLUTION# 21-65

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Homan		✓				
O'Connell						
O'Toole						
Sasso						
Strauch						
Wilczynski	✓					
Mayor Bernstein	---	---				

Carried ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled ☐


Approved on Consent Agenda ☒

APPROVAL OF LIST OF BILLS

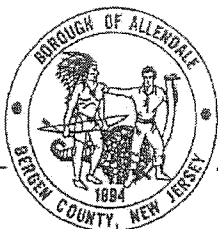
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that it hereby approves the Bill List dated January 21, 2021 in the amounts of:

Bill List Numbers	January 21, 2021
Current Fund	\$3,159,499.63
Payroll Account	\$545,503.21
General Capital	\$12,025.79
Animal Fund	\$1,297.00
Grant Fund	\$120.00
COAH/Housing Trust	
Improvement & Beautification	
Unemployment Fund	\$1,333.96
Trust Fund	\$2,735.62
Water Operating	\$111,905.66
Water Capital	\$9,332.30
Total	\$3,843,753.17

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on January 21, 2021.



Michelle Ryan
Acting Municipal Clerk



BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE

500 West Crescent Avenue, Allendale, NJ 07401-1792

OFFICE OF TAX COLLECTOR
OFFICE OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

201-818-4400 EXT 205
FAX: 201-818-0193

I, M. Alissa Mayer, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Allendale,
having reviewed the bill list for the Borough, do hereby certify that funds
are available in the accounts so designated.

Certified Jan. 21, 2021

M. Alissa Mayer

M. Alissa Mayer, CMFO
Chief Financial Officer

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

DATE: 01/21/2021

RESOLUTION# 21-66

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Homan		✓				
O'Connell						
O'Toole						
Sasso						
Strauch						
Wilczynski	✓					
Mayor Bernstein	- - -	- - -				

Carried ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled ☐

Approved on Consent Agenda ☒

AUTHORIZE REFUND OF 2020 TAX OVERPAYMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Allendale that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue the following checks on the properties listed below and charge same to Overpayment of 2020 Taxes:

Block/Lot/Q	Name	Property Location	Amount
405/1	Charles & Kira Johnson	134 Heights Road	\$5,365.17
1604/29	Jared & Halley Stringham	5 Wehner Place	\$3,318.09

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**RESOLUTION
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DATE: 01/21/2021

RESOLUTION# 21-67

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Homan		✓				
O'Connell						
O'Toole						
Sasso						
Strauch						
Wilczynski	✓					
Mayor Bernstein	- - -	- - -				

Carried ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled ☐

Approved on Consent Agenda ☒

AMEND 2021 TEAMSTERS LOCAL NO. 11 SALARY RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Governing Body approved the Teamsters Local No. 11 salaries for the year 2021 via Resolution 21-61 on January 7, 2021; and

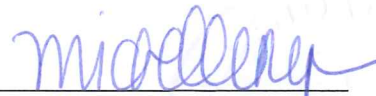
WHEREAS, the salaries of the 2021 DPW Crew Chiefs have been added.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale that the following are the amended salaries of the Borough employees listed below for the year 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all salaries are retroactive to January 1, 2021.

Steve Cameron, DPW Laborer	\$65,091
Dan Davis, DPW Laborer	\$65,091
Ray Frazier, DPW Laborer	\$65,091
Richard McDowell, DPW Laborer, Crew Chief	\$71,318
Jim Moritz, DPW Laborer	\$65,091
John Pasquino, DPW Laborer	\$51,944
Dan Richards, DPW Laborer, Mechanic, Crew Chief	\$78,076
Layne Simon, DPW Laborer, Crew Chief	\$79,679
Lonnie Simon, DPW Laborer	\$61,506
Standby, Weekly	\$375

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Acting Municipal Clerk

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

DATE: 01/21/2021

RESOLUTION# 21-68

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Homan		✓				
O'Connell						
O'Toole						
Sasso						
Strauch						
Wilczynski	✓					
Mayor Bernstein	- - -	- - -				

Carried ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled ☐

Approved on Consent Agenda ☒


**ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION AS REGULAR CROSSING GUARD &
APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF RELIEF CROSSING GUARD, P/T, HOURLY –
HOWARD FRANKEL**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body had previously appointed Howard Frankel as a Regular Crossing Guard, P/T, Hourly via Resolution 20-64 on January 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frankel has resigned as a Regular Crossing Guard and requested to be placed on the list of Relief Crossing Guards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Howard Frankel is hereby appointed as a Relief Crossing Guard, P/T, Hourly on a per diem basis at a rate of \$18.00 per hour effective January 11, 2021.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on January 21, 2021.


Michelle Ryan
Acting Municipal Clerk

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

DATE: 01/21/2021

RESOLUTION# 21-69

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Homan		✓				
O'Connell						
O'Toole						
Sasso						
Strauch						
Wilczynski	✓					
Mayor Bernstein	- - -	- - -				

Carried ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled ☐

Approved on Consent Agenda ☒

**APPOINTMENT OF REGULAR CROSSING GUARD, P/T, HOURLY –
MARGARET ANN DARMIENTO**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body had previously appointed Margaret Ann Darmiento as a Relief Crossing Guard, P/T, Hourly on a per diem basis via Resolution 20-206 on September 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, due to a vacancy, there is a need to appoint a Regular Crossing Guard, P/T Hourly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Margaret Ann Darmiento is hereby appointed as a Regular Crossing Guard, P/T, Hourly at a rate of \$18.00 per hour effective January 11, 2021.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on January 21, 2021.



Michelle Ryan
Acting Municipal Clerk

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

DATE: 01/21/2021

RESOLUTION# 21-70

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Homan		✓				
O'Connell						
O'Toole						
Sasso						
Strauch						
Wilczynski	✓					
Mayor Bernstein	---	---				

Carried ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled ☐

Approved on Consent Agenda ☒

**APPROVAL OF 2021 INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT
WITH BOROUGH OF WALDWICK FOR WELL CHILD
SERVICES THROUGH WALDWICK WELL-BABY CLINIC**

WHEREAS, there is a need for Well Child Services in the Borough of Allendale; and,

WHEREAS, the Waldwick Board of Health is able to provide Well Child Services as mandated by the Public Health Council of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Waldwick Board of Health has agreed to provide Well Child Services for the 2021 Calendar year in the amount of a one-time \$125 administrative fee and a \$35 per child per visit fee and a \$20 per child fee for immunizations only, to be billed directly by the medical provider; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that there will be sufficient funds available in the 2021 Budget for this contract;

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 contract between the Borough of Allendale and the Waldwick Board of Health; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Acting Municipal Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign said contract.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on January 21, 2021.



Michelle Ryan
Acting Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION
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BERGEN COUNTY, NJ**

DATE: 01/21/2021

RESOLUTION# 21-71

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Homan			✓			
O'Connell			✓			
O'Toole			✓			
Sasso		✓	✓			
Strauch			✓			
Wilczynski	✓		✓			
Mayor Bernstein	- - -	- - -				

Carried ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled ☐

Approved on Consent Agenda ☐

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that in compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale entered into Closed Executive Session to discuss the following matters:

- A. Attorney-Client Privilege
1. 220/230 West Crescent Avenue Contract Negotiations Update

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Minutes will be taken of the meeting and released to the public at the time that the matter is resolved.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Allendale on January 21, 2021.



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