

**BOROUGH OF CALIFON COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 22, 2019**

Mayor Charles Daniel called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 pm with the reading of the following Sunshine law announcement: *“I would like to announce and have placed in the minutes that adequate notice of this regular meeting of the Califon Borough Council has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by publication of the annual notice in the Hunterdon Review and the Hunterdon County Democrat.”*

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL: PRESENT: R. BAGGSTROM, E. HAVERSANG, L. JANAS, M. MEDEA,  
C. SMITH  
ABSENT: J. RICCIO**

**DISCUSSION – JULIE SHELLEY FROM NJWSA – BIDS FOR REMOVAL OF ASH TREES ON BLOCK 20; LOT 4 – OPEN SPACE PROPERTY**

Julie Shelley, representative from the New Jersey Water Supply Authority (NJWSA) was present tonight to address Mayor and Council for joint consensus with the NJWSA on a vendor for the removal of 40 ash trees on Open Space property (Block 20 lot 4.01 – Winters property) diseased and dead from infestation by the Emerald Ash Borer. Ms. Shelley reported that the NJWSA had gone out for bid on this project on January 17, 2019 and received nine (9) bids. Prices range from the highest; \$46,877 to the lowest; \$14,175. Ms. Shelley stated that the NJWSA would like to award to the lowest responsible bidder; U.S. Athletic Fields & Tree Service in Skillman, N.J. at a cost of \$14,175 with Mayor and Council in agreement. It had previously been arranged that the Borough of Califon would assume one half of the cost of the tree removal with the NJWSA. Mayor and Council confirmed this agreement at a cost of \$7087. Ms. Shelley would like to arrange for the trees to be felled to ground level by the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of March. After a short discussion on whether to offer firewood to the public, it was determined that due to the liability, this would not be actively pursued. Ms. Shelley stated that there may be Highlands grant funding for replanting of trees to replace the ash trees that are felled, if Mayor and Council so desire.

Mayor and Council agreed to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder and to split the cost in half with NJWSA.

Mayor Daniel thanked Ms. Shelley for her due diligence on this project.

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION 2019-26**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Califon jointly owns Open Space property in the Borough of Califon with the New Jersey Water Supply Authority (NJWSA); property known as the “Winter’s Property”; Block 20; lot 4.01; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined, through an inspection by the NJWSA, that 40 ash trees on the “Winter’s” property have been found to be diseased and dying from an infestation of

the Emerald Ash Borer and will need to be removed; the cost of which will be split evenly between both the Borough of Califon and the NJWSA; and

**WHEREAS**, a bid opening for the project known as “Tree Removal at Block 20 lot 4.01” was held on January 17, 2019 at NJWSA; at which the following nine (9) bids were received:

Countryside Landscaping & Tree Experts	\$24,448.50
Dom’s Tree Service	\$35,856.00
Tamke Tree Experts	\$39,440.00
Harmony Tree Care	\$19,950.00
Downs Tree Service	\$46,877.00
Scotty Tree Experts	\$24,000.00
Rich Tree Service	\$21,950.00
R. Moore Tree	\$21,330.00
U.S. Athletic Fields & Tree Service	\$14,175.00

**WHEREAS**, it appears that U.S. Athletic Fields & Tree Service is the low bidder for this project and NJWSA is recommending that U.S. Athletic Fields & Tree Service be awarded the contract for this project in the amount of \$14,175.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Califon, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, in agreement with the determination of NJWSA, that the contract for the project known as “Tree Removal at Block 20, lot 4.01” is hereby awarded to U.S. Athletic fields & Tree Service, Skillman, N.J., in the amount of \$14,175.00 as the lowest responsible bidder; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough of Califon, as previously agreed upon with NJWSA, will pay ½ (one half) of the cost of this project with NJWSA in the amount of \$7,087.00; to be paid out of Open Space funds.

Motion was made by R. Baggstrom seconded by L. Janas to adopt Resolution 2019-26 as read.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion was made by L. Janas seconded by E. Haversang to approve the minutes from the 2019 Reorganization Meeting and the 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 Regular meeting held on January 2, 2019.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **LIST OF BILLS**

Motion was made by M. Medea seconded by L. Janas to approve the list of bills in the amount of \$666,755.17.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

The Tax Collector's Report was reviewed and filed.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

\_\_\_ French & Parrello Associates; letter to Frank Lawson, Supr. Environmental Remediation JCP&L re: JCP&L Transformer spill at 59 River Rd.; Block 17, lot 4; remediation completed in compliance with the Administrative Requirements for the Remediation of Contaminated Sites (N.J.A.C. 7:26C)

\_\_\_ Fund Commissioner, Councilman Medea to attend 2019 Statewide Insurance Fund Reorganization Meeting on February 7, 2019 along with Active Shooter presentation by Dr. Richard Celeste

\_\_\_ Office of the Hunterdon County Engineer, Tom Matthews, re: Municipal Participation – Traffic Striping Various Roadways

\_\_\_ Amanda Altavilla, Chair, Recreation Committee; submitted Centennial Weekend Expense/Revenue Breakdown

\_\_\_ Seminar; NJSLM; Budgeting for elected Officials, Saturday, March 2, 2019

\_\_\_ Califon Municipal Court report for 2018 calendar year

\_\_\_ Brett Knaus, representative from Donnelly Energy will conduct energy audit on January 30<sup>th</sup> at the Municipal Bldg. to see if we qualify for energy upgrades through the State's Clean Energy Program

\_\_\_ Lisa Hibbs, representative for the Hunterdon Area Energy Cooperative advised that the 30 day opt-out period has been completed and the program is schedule to commence on February 1<sup>st</sup>

\_\_\_ copy of Resolution from Frenchtown regarding the process to name a park in their Municipality

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. RESOLUTION – FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 2019-01 (COLA/INDEX) FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARING**

The Clerk read Ordinance 2019-01 by title: **AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

Mayor Daniel opened the public hearing on Ordinance 2019-01. There being no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed.

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION 2019-27**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Califon that Ordinance 2019-01 entitled: **AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)** is hereby adopted upon final reading; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that NOTICE OF FINAL PASSAGE of Ordinance 2019-01 is hereby published in the January 30, 2019 edition of the Hunterdon Review as required by law.

Motion was made by L. Janas seconded by C. Smith to adopt Resolution 2019-27 as read.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

**B. 2019 SCHEDULE FOR LEAD ARTICLES FOR CALIFON CRIER**

The following is the 2019 schedule for Mayor and Council to write lead articles for each edition of the Califon Crier in 2019:

January-February edition – Mayor

March-April edition – Councilman Mike Medea

May-June edition – Councilman Ed Haversang

July-August edition – Councilmen Rich Baggstrom and Joe Riccio

September-October edition – Councilman Leo Janas

November-December edition – Councilwoman Cathy Smith

**C. RESOLUTION – AWARD OF CONTRACT TO CMS CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR REPLACEMENT OF ISLAND PARK BRIDGE**

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTON 2019-28**

**RE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO CMS CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE ISLAND PARK BRIDGE**

**WHEREAS**, a bid opening was held on December 13, 2018 at Califon Borough for the project known as “REPLACEMENT OF ISLAND PARK BRIDGE”; at which the following seven (7) bids were received:

CMS Construction, Inc.	\$454,023.00
Stateline Construction Co., Inc.	\$495,372.52
Sparwick Contracting, Inc.	\$510,298.00

Marlbro General Contractors	\$617,117.00
Underground Utilities Corp.	\$619,619.61
V&K Construction, Inc.	\$813,080.00
CRS Contractors, Inc.	\$875,379.00

**WHEREAS**, Andrew Cangiano, P.E., C.M.E., Project Engineer and Keller & Kirkpatrick Inc., Consulting Engineers, have reviewed the bids and recommend that the award of contract be made to CMS Construction, Inc. in the corrected amount of \$454,023.00; and

**WHEREAS**, J. Peter Jost, Borough Attorney has reviewed the bid proposal package of the two lowest bidders, declares them to be in conformance with the Borough's Instructions to Bidders and the Local Public Contracts Law and recommends an award of contract to CMS Construction, Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder; and

**WHEREAS**, funds are available for the said project and have been certified as such by the local finance officer;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Califon, Hunterdon County, New Jersey that the contract for the project known as NO. 2018-01-REPLACEMENT OF ISLAND PARK BRIDGE PROJECT, is hereby awarded to CMS Construction, Inc., 521 North Avenue, Plainfield, N.J. 07060, in the corrected amount of \$454,023.00, as the lowest responsible bidder; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon the submission of all required documentation including but not limited to the signed Contract documents, the performance and payment bonds, and any other required information by CMS Construction, Inc., within the stipulated time frame, and the approval thereof by the Borough Engineer and the Borough Attorney, the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign and fully execute said contract documents with CMS Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$454,023.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk is directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Chief Financial Officer, the Project Engineer, the Borough Engineer, the Borough Attorney and CMS Construction, Inc.

Motion was made by M. Medea seconded by L. Janas to adopt Resolution 2019-28 as read.

For: R. Bagstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. RESOLUTION – APPROVAL OF 2019 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR BOROUGH PLANNER SERVICES WITH JAMES KYLE; KYLE MCMANUS ASSOCIATES, LLC.**

**The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:**

**RESOLUTION 2019-29**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – MUNICIPAL PLANNER**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Califon has a need to acquire PLANNER services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500; and

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated term of this contract is one year; and

**WHEREAS, JAMES KYLE, P.P. OF KYLE MCMANUS ASSOCIATES, LLC** has submitted a proposal, indicating that they will provide Planner services for the anticipated fee of \$140.00 per hours for planner services; and

**WHEREAS, JAMES KYLE, P.P.** has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that JAMES KYLE, P.P. has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Califon in the previous one year and that the contract will prohibit JAMES KYLE, P.P. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

**WHEREAS**, the required certificate for the availability of funds has been filed by the Chief Financial Officer providing that legally appropriated balances are available to cover the amount of the contract as required by N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.5 and that fees for the aforementioned PLANNER services shall be made available by appropriate inclusion in either an annual municipal budget which includes current, revenue sharing and utility provisions by budget amendments for Federal program spending or y inclusion in an appropriate bond ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Califon, authorizes the Mayor and Clerk of the Borough of Califon to enter into a contract with JAMES KYLE, P.P. OF KYLE MCMANUS ASSOCIATES, LLC. as described herein as PLANNER on behalf of the Borough of Califon for the year 2019; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a notice of this action shall be printed once in the Hunterdon Review; Califon Borough's legally designated publication.

Motion was made by R. Baggstrom seconded by L. Janas to adopt Resolution 2019-29 as read.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

**B. RESOLUTION – APPROVAL OF RAFFLE LICENSE #2019-01RL – SUPER 50/50 SPONSORED BY THE CALIFON FIRE COMPANY**

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION 2019-30**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Califon that the application for a Super 50/50 raffle sponsored by the Califon Fire Company is hereby approved for the issuance of Raffle License 2019-01RL to the Califon Fire Co.; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the drawing for Raffle License 2019-01RL for a Super 50/50 raffle will be held on July 18, 2019; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized to issue Super 50/50 Raffle License #2019-01 to the Califon Fire Co.; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** copies of all documentation pursuant to Raffle License 2019-01RL and all required fees be forwarded to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission as required by law.

Motion was made by R. Baggstrom seconded by E. Haversang to adopt Resolution 2019-30 as read.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

**C. RESOLUTION – IN SUPPORT OF SEEKING RESOURCES FROM GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO COMBAT EMERALD ASH BORER/INSECT INFESTATIONS**

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION 2019-31**

**WHEREAS**, insect infestations are problematic and require extensive resources to combat; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a concern in the Borough of Califon and surrounding municipalities in Hunterdon County that the Emerald Ash Borer has the distinct probability of killing the vast majority of ash trees in our region; and

**WHEREAS**, the result will leave many dead and dying ash trees, posing a legitimate and serious threat to life and property; and

**WHEREAS**, the financial burden of removing these dead and dying ash trees will most certainly prove to be extensive.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough of Califon supports the County of Hunterdon in seeking financial support for the actions that must be undertaken to properly steward public properties in the Borough of Califon, the County of Hunterdon and all other municipalities located therein.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough of Califon supports the County of Hunterdon to petition the following governmental agencies to consider the eligibility of resources at their disposal to help combat and remediate the damage and cost associated with preventative treatment of healthy ash trees and removal of those that are dead and dying:

- \*New Jersey Department of Agriculture
- \*New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
- \*New Jersey Department of Agriculture Protections, Division of Parks & Forestry
- \*United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services
- \*United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service
- \*United States Department of Agriculture, National Resource Conservation Services
- \*United States Department of Agriculture, National Resource Conservation Services, New Jersey Office

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution shall be shared with the Governor of the State of New Jersey; 16<sup>th</sup> District Legislative Representatives; all Hunterdon County Municipalities and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

Motion was made by M. Medea seconded by E. Haversang to adopt Resolution 2019-31 as read.  
For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith  
Opposed: None  
Absent: J. Riccio  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**D. RESOLUTION – APPROVAL OF 2018 LOSAP LST OF PARTICIPANTS ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS – CALIFON FIRST AID SQUAD**

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION 2019-32  
APPROVAL OF LOSAP LISTS FOR 2018**

**WHEREAS**, the LOSAP program requires that a certified list of eligible volunteers from an emergency service organization be submitted for review by the sponsoring agency; and

**WHEREAS**, said required list of members eligible to receive LOSAP benefits for 2018 was received from the Califon First Aid Squad; and

**WHEREAS**, the sponsoring agency has 30 days to review the submitted list and request any records deemed necessary to ensure that the list is accurate; and



**WHEREAS**, the sponsoring agency has accepted the list as submitted

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough of Califon Council that the list is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of the eligible member list, together with a copy of this Resolution, be returned to the Califon First Aid Squad for the 30-day required posting.

Motion was made by R. Baggstrom seconded by E. Haversang to adopt Resolution 2019-32 as read.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

**E. RESOLUTION – APPROVAL OF 2019 MAINTENANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH STRYKER HEATING & COOLING**

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION 2019-33**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Califon that the 2019 Maintenance & Services Contract for HVAC and Plumbing services, as submitted by Stryker Heating and Cooling; 438 Route 22 West, Whitehouse Station, N.J. 08889 is hereby approved at a yearly rate of \$848.00 payable in advance at the rate of \$212.00 per inspection; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign and fully execute the Maintenance and Services Contract between the Borough of Califon and Stryker Plumbing and Heating.

Motion was made by E. Haversang seconded by L. Janas to adopt Resolution 2019-33 as read.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

**F. RESOLUTION – RESERVE BUDGET TRANSFER**

The following Resolution was introduced for adoption:

**RESOLUTION 2019-34**

WHEREAS, IT APPEARS THAT THE UNEXPENDED BALANCE IN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT WILL NOT BE SUFFICIENT TO PAY OUTSTANDING BILLS:

10529020A Road Maintenance: OE  
 10514099A Computerized Data Processing: OE  
 10510020A General Admin: OE  
 10544020A Telephone

AND WHEREAS, IT APPEARS THAT THERE WILL BE AN UNEXPENDED BALANCE IN THE FOLLOWING 2018 ACCOUNT:

10510010A General Admin: SW  
 10518020A Planning Board: OE  
 10516520A Engineering Services: OE  
 10531020A Buildings & Grounds: OE  
 10537020A Recreation: OE

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF CALIFON THAT THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS BE AUTHORIZED AND WITHIN RESOLUTION IS THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOROUGH TREASURER TO MAKE SAID TRANSFERS:

AMOUNT	FROM	TO	AMOUNT
\$ 760.00	General Admin: SW	General Admin: OE	\$ 840.00
\$2,000.00	Planning Board: OE	Road Maintenance: OE	\$5,500.00
\$1,500.00	Engineering Services: OE	Computerized Data: OE	\$ 180.00
\$1,600.00	Buildings & Grounds: OE	Telephone	\$ 70.00
\$ 730.00	Recreation: OE		

Motion was made by C. Smith seconded by R. Baggstrom to adopt Resolution 2019-34 as read.

For: R. Baggstrom, E. Haversang, L. Janas, M. Medea, C. Smith

Opposed: None

Absent: J. Riccio

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilman Medea reported that the Parks Committee will hold their Reorganization meeting on Wednesday, February 27 at 7:30 p.m. and he asked that this be advertised in the Hunterdon Review. Councilwoman Smith noted that her husband Gill may be interested in joining the membership of the Parks Committee. There was a brief discussion on the timeframe for the construction of the Island Park Bridge which is scheduled to begin in June. Councilman Medea is interested in pursuing the grant funding from the Highlands Council that could be used for sidewalks and curbing on Main St. The maximum amount of grant funding is \$50,000.

Councilman Medea reported that he has spoken to someone in Franklin Twp. regarding their regulations for their Historic District. At the next Council meeting, there will be discussion on how much oversight the Mayor and Council wishes to dictate in the historic district regulations ordinance being considered for adoption.

Councilman Haversang reported that the Reorganization meeting of the Recreation Committee held on January 10<sup>th</sup> was sparsely attended, however the calendar of Recreation sponsored activities for the year was discussed. The events will mirror the same events as were held in 2018, with the Easter Egg hunt as the first event. David Bolles has resigned from the Committee; however, Stephanie Ruggiero will be stepping up to take his place. This mayoral appointment will be on the next Council meeting agenda. The next meeting of the Rec Committee will be held on February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Janas reported that the Planning board Reorganization meeting will be held tomorrow night. Councilman Janas reported that the Califon School Steering Committee met on January 16<sup>th</sup> and developed a mission/vision statement and created objectives. The next meeting will be held on February 13<sup>th</sup>. The Committee is thinking of holding a public hearing on February 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm in order to get feedback from the public about the Steering Committee's progress. The public can ask questions of the Steering Committee based on a set of categories established by the Committee. Councilman Janas asked the Clerk to ask the CFO for the total amount of costs that were paid to both the Califon School and Voorhees High School last year.

Councilman Janas stated that there is a meeting of the Board of Education tomorrow night at which Steering Committee member, Rita Lemley, will speak to the Board about the progress/status of the Committee to date. Mayor Daniel asked that Councilman Janas attend this meeting, along with BOE liaison, Councilwoman Smith. Councilman Janas responded that he will have to check with Planning Board Secretary, Kerry Brown, to see if he is needed at the Planning Board meeting, scheduled for the same night, to insure a quorum. The Clerk said she will check with Ms. Brown to see if there is a sufficient quorum and call Councilman Janas tomorrow to let him know if he is clear to attend the BOE meeting. Councilwoman Smith stated that she has questions and concerns about the future financing issues at the school and would like the Steering Committee to address those issues. Councilman Janas stated that he sees the Steering Committee's work as a long process.

Councilwoman Smith reported that the Board of Education held their Reorganization meeting on January 7<sup>th</sup>. Mark Cantegallo is the President and Nina DeCoster is the Vice President. The public hearing on the school budget will be held on March 12<sup>th</sup>. The budget will need to be filed with the County by March 20<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Baggstrom read the Municipal Court report for the 2018 calendar year. Councilman Baggstrom read the Police Report for 2018; a total of 7331 calls. Councilman Baggstrom will call Tom Matthews, Engineer for the County of Hunterdon, to respond to his inquiry as to whether or not Califon will participate in the traffic line striping on roadways project. Councilman Baggstrom discussed with Council the idea of having a Pedestrian Crossing sign placed at the bridge crossing; on River Rd. over to Mill St. The Police Chief will be called for his opinion and the Clerk will contact Ryan at Go Hunterdon to see about

obtaining this sign from them, as well as checking on the base that was promised for the sign at Railroad and Academy.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Daniel reported that William Gianos, Esq. has retired from his position as Planning Board Attorney for Califon. Mayor Daniel reported that he, the Clerk and Planning Board Chair, Arthur Owens, conducted 4 interviews for the position of Planning Board Attorney to replace Mr. Gianos. One has been selected at an hourly rate of \$165.00.

Mayor Daniel reported that only one person attended the recently held Environmental Commission Reorganization meeting and Mayor Daniel stated that there may be need for an entirely new Commission. Mary Lou Loyd was the one member who did attend and she suggested having an open house to recruit members. The process will be ongoing.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There being no comments from the public, this portion of the meeting was closed.

There being no further business to come before Council at this time, motion was made by C. Smith seconded by R. Bagstrom and unanimously accepted to adjourn at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Laura G. Eidsvaag, RMC  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator