

CintREGULAR MEETING  
BOROUGH COUNCIL  
BOROUGH OF RUMSON  
January 21, 2025

A regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Rumson was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Hemphill, Councilmembers Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Smith.

Absent: Lospinuso.

Tom Rogers, Municipal Clerk/Administrator, was present.

David Marks, Borough Engineer, was present.

Eric Paone-Hurd, Deputy Municipal Clerk/Communication Coordinator, was present.

Salvatore Alfieri Jr., Substitute Borough Attorney, was present.

Mayor Hemphill declared a quorum present and announced that the Notice Requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met for this meeting by:

- The posting and mailing of a schedule of all regular and work meetings of the Borough Council for the year 2025 to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times.
- The posting of the meeting agenda, on the Borough of Rumson Website ([www.rumsonnj.gov](http://www.rumsonnj.gov)).

On motion by Councilmember Pomphrey, seconded by Councilmember Casazza, the minutes of the previous meeting on January 7<sup>h</sup> were approved as written, copies having been forwarded to all Council members.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

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**LETTER FROM THE ENGLISH GROUP, LLC ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS NOTIFYING THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR A COASTAL PERMIT APPLICATION (LURP-2) FOR 181 RUMSON ROAD ALSO KNOWN AS BLOCK 108, LOT 2.**

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The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received a letter from The English Group, LLC Environmental Consultants notifying The Borough of Rumson of an application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for a Coastal Permit Application (LURP-2) for 181 Rumson Road also known as Block 108, Lot 2.

On motion by Councilmember Kingsbery, seconded by Councilmember Casazza, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

**LETTER FROM INSITE ENGINEERING, LLC NOTIFYING THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCE PROTECTION, FOR A FRESHWATER WETLANDS LETTER OF INTERPRETATION (LOI): LINE VERIFICATION, A FLOOD HAZARD AREA VERIFICATION, AND A FLOOD HAZARD AREA APPLICABILITY DETERMINATION FOR 163 RUMSON ROAD ALSO KNOWN AS BLOCK 112, LOT 1.**

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The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received a letter from InSite Engineering, LLC notifying The Borough of Rumson of an application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Land Resource Protection, for a Freshwater Wetlands Letter of Interpretation (LOI): Line Verification, a Flood Hazard Area Verification, and a Flood Hazard Area Applicability Determination for 163 Rumson Road also known as Block 112, Lot 1.

On motion by Councilmember Pomphrey, seconded by Councilmember Kingsbery, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

**LETTER FROM CRANMER ENGINEERING NOTIFYING THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCE PROTECTION, FOR A COASTAL GENERAL PERMIT NO. 5 TO CONSTRUCT A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING, PROPOSED DRIVEWAY, AND SITE AMENITIES INCLUDING A PATIO AND OUTDOOR LIVING AREA FOR 14 RIVERS EDGE DRIVE ALSO KNOWN AS BLOCK 111, LOT 10.**

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The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received a letter from Cranmer Engineering notifying The Borough of Rumson of an application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Land Resource Protection, for a Coastal General Permit No. 5 to construct a single-family dwelling, proposed driveway, and site amenities including a patio and outdoor living area for 14 Rivers Edge Drive also known as Block 111, Lot 10.

On motion by Councilmember Casazza, seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

**SUBMITTED APPLICATION FROM THE RUMSON FIRE COMPANY FOR ALEXANDER C. ARHANIC TO BECOME A CADET MEMBER OF THE RUMSON FIRE COMPANY.**

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The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received a letter from The Rumson Fire Company, which included a Cadet member application for Alexander C. Arhanic to join the Rumson Fire Company.

On motion by Councilmember Casazza, seconded by Councilmember Smith, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

**LETTER FROM OUTGOING OCEANIC HOOK & LADDER PRESIDENT RAYMOND T. KELLY THANKING COUNCILMEMBERS JOHN J. CONKLIN III AND GARY CASAZZA FOR THEIR SUPPORT.**

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The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received copy of a letter addressed to Councilmembers Conklin and Casazza from outgoing Oceanic Hook & Ladder No. 1 President Raymond T. Kelly thanking both councilmembers for their time and support of the fire house during his tenure as president.

On motion by Councilmember Kingsbery, seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

Councilmember Casazza added that it is important that the council continue to listen to and work with the houses within the Rumson Fire Department to understand their needs and concerns as they help protect The Borough.

**LETTER RECEIVED FROM VICTORIA THOMPSON,**

**SUPERINTENDENT OF THE MOSQUITO CONTROL DIVISION IN  
MONMOUTH COUNTY ADVISING THE DIVISION WILL BE RESUMING  
ITS AERIAL SURVEILLANCE AND TREATMENT PROGRAM IN THE  
BOROUGH DURING THE TIMEFRAME OF APRIL 1, 2025 THROUGH  
NOVEMBER 30, 2025.**

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The Municipal Clerk/Administrator received a letter from Victoria Thompson, Superintendent of Mosquito Control Division in Monmouth County, advising that the Division will be resuming its aerial surveillance and treatment program in The Borough during the timeframe of April 1, 2025 through November 30, 2025.

On motion by Councilmember Casazza, seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey, this communication was ordered received. All in favor.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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Councilmember Pomphrey shared that the America 250 Committee met again and continue to work towards coordinating events with Fair Haven for the celebration.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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**RESOLUTION FIXING SALARIES OF CERTAIN BOROUGH OFFICERS,  
EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTEES**

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2025-0121-25

Councilmember Kingsbery offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION FIXING SALARIES OF CERTAIN  
BOROUGH OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTEES**

WHEREAS, an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE FIXING COMPENSATION OF BOROUGH OFFICERS AND CERTAIN BOROUGH EMPLOYEES IN THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON, NEW JERSEY” has been introduced and will be adopted following public hearing; and

WHEREAS, said ordinance provides for salary ranges of various job titles and positions; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Mayor and Council to fix the salaries of those individuals who hold such positions;

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson that the salaries of the officers and employees holding the positions set forth below, and subject to the salary ranges set forth in the aforementioned ordinance, are hereby fixed effective January 1, 2025, unless stated otherwise, as follows:

| <u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>                          | <u>2025 SALARY</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Borough Administrator                             | \$111,212.40       |
| Administrative Assistants                         |                    |
| (Heather Frketich)                                | \$ 56,650.00       |
| (Jill Santaniello)                                | \$ 59,999.76       |
| (Therese Wollman)                                 | \$ 76,999.92       |
| Municipal Clerk                                   | \$111,212.40       |
| Deputy Municipal Clerk/Communications Coordinator | \$ 69,000.00       |

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Chief Financial Officer/Qualified Purchasing Agent              |                      |
| (Matt Palmer 1/1/25 – 6/30/25)                                  | \$140,000.00         |
| (Matt Palmer 7/1/25 – 12/31/25)                                 | \$145,000.00         |
| Tax Assessor                                                    | \$ 66,874.80         |
| Tax Collector                                                   | \$ 84,000.00         |
| Finance Assistant                                               | \$ 46,000.08         |
| <br>                                                            |                      |
| Borough Engineer                                                | \$189,999.84         |
| Project Manager                                                 | \$132,559.92         |
| Land Use & Development Official                                 | \$118,450.08         |
| Construction Official                                           |                      |
| (Nicolas Fabiano)                                               | \$149,350.08         |
| Building Subcode Official,                                      |                      |
| (Fred Corcione)                                                 | \$125,055.12         |
| Plumbing Subcode Official/Inspector                             |                      |
| (James Ammaturo, Jr.)                                           | \$ 60,300.00         |
| Fire Subcode Official                                           |                      |
| (Scott Melski)                                                  | \$ 29,679.36         |
| Subcode Official                                                |                      |
| (Richard Perlman)                                               | \$42.50 per hour     |
| Construction Official Technical Assistants                      |                      |
| (Sabine O'Connor)                                               | \$ 97,849.92         |
| (Stephanie Higgins)                                             | \$ 60,976.00         |
| Fire Protection Marshall                                        |                      |
| (Martin Hawley, Jr)                                             | \$ 11,139.36         |
| <br>                                                            |                      |
| Police Dispatchers/Class II Special Police Officers (Full-time) |                      |
| (Michael Traina)                                                | \$ 37,500.00         |
| (Joseph Pignataro)                                              | \$ 37,500.00         |
| (Logan Keefer)                                                  | \$ 37,500.00         |
| Police Dispatchers (Part-time)                                  |                      |
| (Joseph Dianora)                                                | \$ 17.25 per hour    |
| (Nicolette Martire)                                             | \$ 17.25 per hour    |
| (Patrick Shaffery)                                              | \$ 17.25 per hour    |
| (Anna White)                                                    | \$ 17.25 per hour    |
| Police Special Class III Officers (School)                      |                      |
| (Anthony Ciambrone)                                             | \$ 40.00 per hour    |
| (Kevin Lovgren)                                                 | \$ 40.00 per hour    |
| (Dawn Shields)                                                  | \$ 40.00 per hour    |
| <br>                                                            |                      |
| Recreation Director                                             | \$102,540.00         |
| <br>                                                            |                      |
| Municipal Court Judge                                           | \$ 25,000.08         |
| Municipal Court Administrator                                   | \$ 72,000.00         |
| Municipal Court Administrative/Clerical Assistants              |                      |
| Court Session Personnel (Part-time – up to 4 hours)             | \$100.00 per session |
| (Coleen Sehulster)                                              |                      |
| (Janice Swaggerty)                                              |                      |
| Court Session Personnel (Part-time – over 4 hours)              | \$ 25.00 per hour    |
| (Coleen Sehulster)                                              |                      |
| (Janice Swaggerty)                                              |                      |
| Court Clerical Personnel                                        | \$ 25.00 per hour    |
| (Coleen Sehulster)                                              |                      |
| (Janice Swaggerty)                                              |                      |
| <br>                                                            |                      |
| Custodian of Fire & First Aid Equipment                         |                      |
| (Brian Hand)                                                    | \$ 5,518.80          |
| (Nick Luiten)                                                   | \$ 5,819.52          |
| (Donald York)                                                   | \$ 6,558.00          |
| Superintendent of Public Works                                  | \$132,499.92         |
| Public Works Foreman                                            | \$ 90,000.00         |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above rates shall be retroactive to January 1, 2025.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey and carried upon the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Lospinuso.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON  
COMMITTING TO FOURTH ROUND PRESENT AND PROSPECTIVE NEED  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS**

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2025-0121-26

Councilmember Casazza offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF  
RUMSON COMMITTING TO FOURTH ROUND PRESENT AND  
PROSPECTIVE NEED AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Rumson (hereinafter the “Borough” or “Rumson”) has a demonstrated history of voluntary compliance as evidenced by its Third Round record; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to In re N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97, 221 N.J. 1 (2015) (Mount Laurel IV), on July 2, 2015, the Borough of Rumson filed a Declaratory Judgment Complaint in Superior Court, Law Division seeking, among other things, a judicial declaration that its Third Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, to be amended as necessary, satisfied its “fair share” of the regional need for low and moderate income housing pursuant to the “Mount Laurel doctrine;” and

WHEREAS, that culminated in a Court-approved Third Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and a Final Judgment of Compliance and Repose, which precludes all Mount Laurel lawsuits, including builder’s remedy lawsuits, until July 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Borough continues to actively implement its Court-approved Third Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2024, c.2, which amended the 1985 New Jersey Fair Housing Act (hereinafter the “Amended FHA”); and

WHEREAS, the Amended FHA required the Department of Community Affairs (“DCA”) to provide an estimate of the Fourth Round affordable housing obligations for all municipalities on or before October 20, 2024, based upon the criteria described in the Amended FHA; and

WHEREAS, the DCA issued a report on October 18, 2024 (“DCA Report”) wherein it reported its estimate of the Fourth Round affordable housing obligations for all municipalities based upon its interpretation of the standards in the Amended FHA; and

WHEREAS, the DCA Report calculates the Borough’s Fourth Round (2025-2035) obligations as follows: a Present Need (Rehabilitation) Obligation of Zero (0) and a Prospective Need (New Construction) Obligation of 117; and

WHEREAS, the Amended FHA further provides that, irrespective of the DCA’s calculations, municipalities have the ability to either accept, or provide alternate calculations for, the DCA’s “present and prospective fair share obligation(s)...by binding resolution no later than January 31, 2025”, a deadline which was later extended to February 3, 2025 by the Administrative Office of the Courts (“AOC”) via a directive issued on December 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution satisfies the requirements of the Amended FHA by accepting the DCA estimate of need as described in the DCA Report; and

WHEREAS, Section 3 of the Amended FHA provides that: “the municipality’s determination of its fair share obligation shall have a presumption of validity, if established in accordance with sections 6 and 7” of the Amended FHA; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s acceptance of the Fourth Round obligations calculated by the DCA are entitled to a “presumption of validity” because it complies with Sections 6 and 7 of the Amended FHA; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the foregoing, the Borough specifically reserves the right to adjust its fair share obligations in accordance with applicable Council on Affordable Housing (“COAH”) regulations or other applicable law based on one or more of the foregoing adjustments if applicable: 1) a windshield survey or similar survey which accounts for a higher-resolution estimate of present need; 2) a Vacant Land Adjustment predicated upon a lack of vacant, developable and suitable land; 3) a Durational Adjustment, whether predicated upon lack of sewer or lack of water; and/or 4) an adjustment predicated upon regional planning entity formulas, inputs or considerations, including but not limited to, the Highlands Council Regional Master Plan and its build out, or the Pinelands Commission or Meadowlands Commission regulations and planning documents; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the foregoing, the Borough specifically reserves all rights to revoke or amend this Resolution and commitment, as may be necessary, in the event of a successful challenge to the Amended FHA in the context of the case The Borough of Montvale v. the State of New Jersey (MER-L-1778-24), any other such action challenging the Amended FHA, or any legislation adopted and signed into law by the Governor of New Jersey that alters the deadlines and/or requirements of the Amended FHA; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the foregoing, the Borough reserves the right to take a position that its Fourth Round Present or Prospective Need Obligations are lower than described herein in the event that a third party challenges the calculations provided for in this Resolution (a reservation of all litigation rights and positions, without prejudice); and

WHEREAS, in addition to the foregoing, nothing in the Amended FHA requires or can require an increase in the Borough’s Fourth Round Present or Prospective Need Obligations based on a successful downward challenge of any other municipality in the region since the plain language and clear intent of the Amended FHA is to establish unchallenged numbers by default on March 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the foregoing, the Acting Administrative Director of the AOC issued Directive #14-24 on December 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Directive #14-24, a municipality seeking a Fourth Round Compliance Certification from the entity created by the Amended FHA known as the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program (hereinafter “the Program”), shall file an action in the appropriate venue with the Program, in the form of a Declaratory Judgment Complaint within 48 hours after adoption of the municipal resolution accepting or challenging its Fourth Round fair share obligations, or by February 3, 2025, whichever is sooner; and

WHEREAS, nothing in this Resolution shall be interpreted as an acknowledgment of the legal validity of the AOC Directive and the Borough reserves any and all rights and remedies in relation to the AOC Directive; and

WHEREAS, the Borough seeks a Compliance Certification from the Program and, therefore, wishes to file a Declaratory Judgment Complaint in the appropriate venue with the Program, along with a copy of this Resolution, within 48 hours of the adoption of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, in light of the above, the Mayor and Borough Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Borough to declare its obligations in accordance with this binding Resolution and in accordance with the Amended FHA; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 21 day of January of 2025, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Rumson, Monmouth County, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. All of the Whereas Clauses are incorporated into the operative clauses of this Resolution as if set forth in full.

2. For the reasons set forth in this Resolution, the Mayor and Borough Council hereby commit to the DCA Fourth Round Present Need (Rehabilitation) Obligation of Zero (0) and the DCA Fourth Round Prospective Need (New Construction) Obligation of 117 as described in this Resolution, subject to all reservations of rights, which specifically include, without limitation, the following:

a) The right to adjust the Borough's fair share obligations based on a windshield survey or similar survey, a Vacant Land Adjustment, a Durational Adjustment, and all other applicable adjustments, permitted in accordance with applicable COAH regulations or other applicable law; and

b) The right to revoke or amend this Resolution in the event of a successful legal challenge, or legislative change, to the Amended FHA; and

c) The right to take any contrary position, or adjust its fair share obligations, in the event of a third party challenge to the Borough's fair share obligations.

3. Pursuant to the requirements of the FHA as amended, and the Administrator of the Court's (AOC) Directive #14-24 issued on December 19, 2024, the Borough hereby directs its Affordable Housing Counsel to file a Declaratory Judgment Complaint, along with this Resolution and a Case Information Statement (Civil CIS), in the appropriate venue with the Program or any other such entity as may be determined to be appropriate, to initiate an action within 48 hours of the adoption of this Resolution, so that the Borough's Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan can be reviewed and approved.

4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately, according to law.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Smith and carried upon the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Lospinuso.

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THE BALANCE OF ESCROW FEES TO THOMAS MCLAUGHLIN**

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2025-0121-27

Councilmember Pomphrey offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

#### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF THE BALANCE OF ESCROW FEES TO THOMAS MCLAUGHLIN**

WHEREAS, Elisa Walling posted Escrow for a Zoning Application of Block 70, Lot 8, also known as 24 Ridge Road; and

WHEREAS, Thomas McLaughlin appeared before the Zoning Board of the Borough of Rumson, on May 23, 2024 and June 27, 2024; and

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2024, the Zoning Board of the Borough of Rumson adopted a Resolution Approving her application with Variances; and

WHEREAS, the appeal period was complete as of October 20, 2024,

WHEREAS, Thomas McLaughlin has requested a refund of the balance of the Escrow posted for this project; and

WHEREAS, Maria DeSoucey, Zoning Agent has confirmed there are no outstanding invoices for this project;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Rumson hereby approves the refund of the balance of the escrow fee in the amount of \$650.00 to Thomas McLaughlin, 24 Ridge Road, Rumson, NJ 07760.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Casazza and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Lospinuso.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING GIANNA TRANI AS A FULL-TIME CLASS II SPECIAL OFFICER**

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Carried.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH MOSQUITO CONTROL DIVISION TO CONDUCT AERIAL MOSQUITO CONTROL OPERATIONS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON**

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2025-0121-29

Councilmember Kingsbery offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH MOSQUITO CONTROL DIVISION TO CONDUCT AERIAL MOSQUITO CONTROL OPERATIONS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF RUMSON**

WHEREAS, the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:9-27 et seq. has elected through its Mosquito Control Division to perform all acts necessary for the elimination of mosquito breeding areas and/or to exterminate mosquitoes within the County; and

WHEREAS, the County has instituted an Integrated Pest Management Program consisting of surveillance, water management, biological control, and chemical control to exterminate the mosquito population within the County of Monmouth; and

WHEREAS, prior to conducting the aerial dispensing operations over a designated “congested area,” the County is required, pursuant to Federal Aviation Administration Regulation (FAR Part 137.51), to secure prior written approval from the governing body of the political subdivision over which the aircraft is to be operated; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Rumson is designated as a “congested area” by the Federal Aviation Administration and the County has requested that this governing body consent to its proposed aerial dispensing operations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Governing Body hereby authorizes the County of Monmouth Mosquito Control Division or its agent to apply pesticides by aircraft for mosquito control in certain areas of the municipality designated by the County as being either larval mosquito habitat or areas harboring high populations of mosquitoes constituting either a nuisance, a health hazard, or both with the understanding that:

- a. the County shall utilize pesticides, application equipment and aircraft that are approved for aerial applications by the applicable Federal (USEPA) and State (NJDEP) agencies, and
- b. such operations will be performed in compliance with applicable Federal and State regulations, and
- c. the County will notify the police department of each municipality over which aerial pesticide operations are planned prior to commencement of such operations.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Casazza and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Smith.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2024 APPROPRIATION RESERVES TRANSFER RESOLUTION**

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2025-0121-30

Councilmember Kingsbery offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**2024 APPROPRIATION RESERVES TRANSFER RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 certain transfers are permitted between budget appropriations during the first three months of the calendar year; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rumson (by 2/3 vote) that the following transfers between 2024 Budget appropriations be and the same are hereby approved:

|                                |        |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------------------|
| FROM:                          |        |                    |
| Gas/Diesel-Other Expenses      |        | \$ 8,000.00        |
|                                | Total: | \$ 8,000.00        |
| TO:                            |        |                    |
| Electricity-Other Expenses     |        | \$ 3,000.00        |
| Water-Other Expenses           |        | \$ 1,000.00        |
| Street Lighting-Other Expenses |        | <u>\$ 4,000.00</u> |
|                                | Total: | \$8,000.00         |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized and directed to debit and credit said accounts for 2024 accordingly.

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Lospinuso.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

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None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

The next Regular Meeting of the Rumson Borough Council will be on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting agenda will be posted to the Borough of Rumson website at [www.rumsonnj.gov](http://www.rumsonnj.gov) at least 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting.

FINANCIAL OFFICER’S REPORT:

The Financial Officer’s Report disclosed the following as of December 31, 2024:

| BOROUGH OF RUMSON                                       |                   |                   |                |                |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORT TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL |                   |                   |                |                |
| Analysis of Cash for the Month Ending:                  |                   | December 31, 2024 |                |                |
| FUNDS                                                   | Beginning Balance | Cash Receipts     | Disbursements  | Ending Balance |
| 1. CURRENT FUND                                         |                   |                   |                |                |
| Current Fund Checking                                   | 15,959,266.32     | 1,322,692.83      | (1,284,781.65) | 15,997,177.50  |
| Change Funds                                            | 300.00            | 0.00              | 0.00           | 300.00         |
| Investments Rumson BAN                                  | 5,080,952.00      | 0.00              | 0.00           | 5,080,952.00   |
| Total Current Fund                                      | 21,040,518.32     | 1,322,692.83      | (1,284,781.65) | 21,078,429.50  |
| 2. CAPITAL FUND                                         |                   |                   |                | -              |
| Capital Fund Checking                                   | 12,821,224.16     | 0.00              | (309,737.74)   | 12,511,486.42  |
| Total Capital Fund                                      | 12,821,224.16     | 0.00              | (309,737.74)   | 12,511,486.42  |
| 3. PAYROLL & PAYROLL AGENCY                             |                   |                   |                |                |
| Payroll                                                 | 2,981.86          | 378,005.55        | (378,005.55)   | 2,981.86       |
| Payroll Agency                                          | 10,981.57         | 218,840.27        | (218,840.27)   | 10,981.57      |
| Total Payroll & Payroll Agency                          | 13,963.43         | 596,845.82        | (596,845.82)   | 13,963.43      |
| 4. TRUST FUNDS                                          |                   |                   |                |                |
| Trust Fund Checking                                     | 630,567.77        | 3,179.00          | (11,387.50)    | 622,359.27     |
| Unemployment Trust                                      | 70,053.59         | 210.75            | (7,567.10)     | 62,697.24      |
| Recreation Trust                                        | 718,792.22        | 14,495.00         | (47,898.03)    | 685,389.19     |
| C.O.A.H. Trust                                          | 3,640,002.75      | 102,950.08        | (283,301.15)   | 3,459,651.68   |
| Law Enforcement Trust Fund                              | 490.10            | 1.48              | 0.00           | 491.58         |
| LEAD (formerly DARE)                                    | 17,455.30         | 52.75             | 0.00           | 17,508.05      |
| Cafeteria Plan                                          | 3,810.33          | 0.00              | (1,779.87)     | 2,030.46       |
| Animal Control Trust Fund                               | 35,269.80         | 0.00              | (5,578.45)     | 29,691.35      |
| Total Trust Funds                                       | 5,116,441.86      | 120,889.06        | (357,512.10)   | 4,879,818.82   |
| TOTAL ALL FUNDS                                         | 38,992,147.77     | 2,040,427.71      | (2,548,877.31) | 38,483,698.17  |

Respectfully submitted by:

Matthew J. Palmer

Matthew J. Palmer, Chief Financial Officer

On motion by Councilmember Casazza, seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey, the Financial Officer’s Report was ordered received and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Lospinuso.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS AND CLAIMS (RESOLUTION):

Councilmember Casazza offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

| Vendor Name                    | Amount     |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| MONMOUTH MUNICIPAL J.I.F.      | 230,809.00 |
| STATE OF NJ PENSIONS/ACTIVE    | 126,880.97 |
| STATE OF NJ PENSIONS/RETIREE   | 88,080.68  |
| AMERICANWEAR INDUST UNIFORMS   | 886.64     |
| AMERICANWEAR INDUST UNIFORMS   | 36.00      |
| GANNETT NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY    | 226.64     |
| ATHLETE'S ALLEY                | 9,610.90   |
| ROBERT MATTHEW BOVO            | 225.00     |
| ROBERT BOYER                   | 38.62      |
| CHRISTOPHER BRIGHTON           | 600.00     |
| KYLE BUCKLAND                  | 250.00     |
| CENTRAL JERSEY REGISTRAR ASSN  | 60.00      |
| CERTIFIED SPEEDOMETER SERVICE  | 264.00     |
| CIVICPLUS,LLC                  | 6,798.75   |
| CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI      | 1,155.00   |
| CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI      | 1,855.00   |
| COLLIERS ENGINEERING & DESIGN  | 2,003.75   |
| COPS                           | 269.00     |
| CROSS OVER NETWORKS            | 2,473.18   |
| CROSS OVER NETWORKS            | 2,250.00   |
| DELTA DENTAL OF NEW JERSEY INC | 7,568.88   |
| DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY       | 54,294.38  |
| DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS         | 6,996.81   |
| EDMUNDS AND ASSOCIATES, INC    | 11,822.47  |
| E.M. GRANT                     | 1,895.00   |
| ENFORSYS INC.                  | 2,375.00   |
| EVERBRIDGE,INC                 | 5,200.00   |
| GREATLAND CORPORATION          | 99.00      |
| THE HOSE SHOP                  | 11.46      |
| HUGHES ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  | 13,500.00  |
| JCP&L                          | 2,402.15   |
| KEPWEL NATURAL SPRING WATER    | 134.00     |
| DARYL J KOHEL                  | 710.85     |
| KYLE MCMANUS ASSOCIATES LLC    | 2,094.75   |
| LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES,INC     | 64.80      |
| LEADSONLINE,LLC                | 2,567.00   |
| DAVID MARKS                    | 500.00     |
| MAZZA RECYCLING SERVICES, LTD  | 1,478.40   |
| MCAA OF MONMOUTH COUNTY        | 45.00      |
| THOMAS MCLAUGHLIN              | 650.00     |
| MON CO POLICE CHIEF'S ASSN INC | 500.00     |

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| MON CO POLICE CHIEF'S ASSN INC | 250.00              |
| TREASURER, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH  | 41.84               |
| MONMOUTH & OCEAN TCTA          | 80.00               |
| MORTON SALT                    | 10,535.74           |
| MR JOHN INC                    | 755.85              |
| NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER      | 13,926.99           |
| NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER      | 2,330.08            |
| NJ DIVISION OF A.B.C.          | 33.00               |
| NJ CONFERENCE OF MAYORS        | 525.00              |
| NJ NATURAL GAS CO.             | 348.23              |
| NJ MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION    | 150.00              |
| NJ MUNICIPAL MGMT ASSOC INC    | 300.00              |
| NJ REGISTRARS' ASSOCIATION     | 75.00               |
| ONSOLVE, LLC                   | 7,063.35            |
| POWERDMS                       | 3,386.70            |
| POWERDMS                       | 4,742.62            |
| PUBLIC WORKS ASSOC OF NJ       | 120.00              |
| PUMPING SERVICES INC           | 923.40              |
| QUADIENT LEASING USA,INC       | 362.34              |
| RAYMOND A RAYA                 | 233.33              |
| RICOH USA, INC.                | 529.03              |
| RUMSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIST  | 1,060.70            |
| RUMSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIST  | 2,057,085.83        |
| RFH REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL       | 2,042,038.83        |
| RUTGERS/YOUTH SPORTS COUNCIL   | 805.00              |
| SERVICE TIRE TRUCK CENTER,INC  | 1,631.50            |
| SERVICE TIRE TRUCK CENTER,INC  | 2,200.50            |
| SERVICE TIRE TRUCK CENTER,INC  | 1,056.50            |
| SERVICE TIRE TRUCK CENTER,INC  | 290.00              |
| STAVOLA ASPHALT CO. INC.       | 183.00              |
| SUBURBAN DISPOSAL INC.,        | 25,875.00           |
| SUBURBAN DISPOSAL INC.,        | 34,238.59           |
| SUBURBAN DISPOSAL INC.,        | 25,875.00           |
| TARGETED TECHNOLOGIES LLC      | 5,376.39            |
| TARGETED TECHNOLOGIES LLC      | 75.00               |
| TCTA OF NEW JERSEY             | 50.00               |
| TCTA OF NEW JERSEY             | 100.00              |
| TREAS.,STATE OF NJ DCA         | 60.00               |
| TRITECH SOFTWARE SYSTEMS       | 16,250.48           |
| TWO RIVERS WATER               | 381,180.50          |
| UGI ENERGY SERVICES,LLC        | 1,081.76            |
| ANTHONY J. VECCHIO             | 1,082.50            |
| VERIZON                        | 77.78               |
| VERIZON                        | 530.24              |
| VERIZON WIRELESS               | 544.13              |
| VERIZON BUSINESS FIOS          | 144.99              |
| VISUAL COMPUTER SOLUTIONS, INC | 4,994.10            |
| WARSHAUER ELECTRIC SUPPLY      | 13,770.00           |
|                                | <b>5,254,053.90</b> |

Resolution seconded by Councilmember Smith and carried on the following roll call vote:

In the affirmative: Conklin, Casazza, Kingsbery, Pomphrey, Smith.

In the negative: None.

Absent: Lospinuso.

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL:**

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Councilmember Conklin spoke at this time. Conklin shared that the individual who interviewed for the SLEO II position with the Rumson Police Department had a very strong interview. Conklin continued that it is a tough environment to find qualified police candidates and that as a resident feels very lucky to have the members of our Rumson Police Department.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

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None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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Councilmember Kingsbery made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Councilmember Pomphrey. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Thomas S. Rogers  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator