

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AGENDA
February 13, 2020
February 11, 2020 Draft

Meeting Called to Order

Adequate Notice of this meeting of the Township Committee was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to both The Chatham Courier and the Morris County Daily Record on January 3, 2020; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 3, 2020; and notice was filed with the Township Clerk on January 3, 2020.

Flag Salute

Roll call

Approval of Agenda

Proclamations & Resolutions

1. Resolution 2020-061 Celebrating Black History Month
2. Resolution 2020-062 Women's Suffrage 100th Anniversary
3. Resolution 2020-063 League of Women Voters 100th Anniversary
4. Resolution 2020-064 Knights of Columbus 100th Anniversary

Presentation – Library of the Chathams

Reports:

Introduction of Ordinances

1. Ordinance 2020-03 Energy Aggregation

Public Hearing/Final Adoption of Ordinances

1. Ordinance 2020-01 Liquor License Fees Amendment
2. Ordinance 2020-02 Cap Bank Ordinance

Consent Agenda

1. Resolution 2020-065 Payment of Bills
2. Resolution 2020-066 Approving Meeting Minutes
3. Resolution 2020-067 Approving Executive Session Minutes
4. Resolution 2020-068 Authorizing Right of Entry Agreement for PSE&G

Hearing of Citizens/Petitions Note: This is an opportunity for any member of the public to be heard about issues which are not topics scheduled for Public Hearings tonight. To help facilitate an orderly meeting, and to permit all to be heard, speakers will be limited to five minutes.

Discussion

1. Goals and Objectives
2. Possible Advisory Committees

Hearing of Citizens (Time Permitting)

Adjourn

*In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, items to be discussed in Executive Session will be made public as soon as known.

ORDINANCE 2020-01

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER VI OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO
AMEND THE ANNUAL RENEWAL FEE FOR LIQUOR LICENSES**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Chatham, 1995, are hereby amended in pertinent part to modify subsection 6-3.7 of Chapter VI, Alcoholic Beverage Control, to increase the renewal fees for plenary retail consumption licenses and plenary retail distribution licenses as follows:

1. 6-3.7 License Fees, Maximum Number.

The annual fees of licenses for the sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages in the Township shall be as follows:

<i>Class of License</i>	<i>Annual Fee</i>	<i>Number</i>
Plenary Retail Consumption License	\$2,500.00	3
Plenary Retail Distribution License	\$2,500.00	2

2. All other terms and provisions of subsection 6-3.7, Chapter VI, Alcoholic Beverage Control, of the Township Code shall remain unchanged.

3. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Introduced: January 30, 2020

Adopted:

Attest:

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF
MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BY: _____
Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

ORDINANCE 2020-02

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham in the County of Morris finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2020 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a 1% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$117,688.56 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, in the County of Morris, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2020 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Chatham shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$411,909.96, and that the CY 2020 municipal budget for the Township of Chatham be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Introduced: January 30, 2020

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF
MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Adopted:

Attest:

BY: _____

Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

ORDINANCE 2020-03

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO ESTABLISH A GOVERNMENT-PRIVATE ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM IN CHATHAM TOWNSHIP IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICE AND SUPPLY SERVICE FOR RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER PURSUANT TO THE GOVERNMENT ENERGY AGGREGATION ACT OF 2003 (P.L. 2003, c.24)

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey is one of six States that has been engaged in a process to establish a competitive market place through deregulation and restructuring of the electric utility industry; and

WHEREAS, the Government Energy Aggregation Act of 2003 permits the Township of Chatham to become a Government Aggregator in order to provide electric generation service for use by residential and non-residential customers within the Municipality's geographic boundaries; and

WHEREAS, residential and non-residential citizens of the Township of Chatham have a substantial economic and social interest at stake in the purchase and supply of energy; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham finds it is in the best interest of the municipality's rate payers, both residential and non-residential, to create a Governmental-private Energy Aggregation Program.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, Sate of New Jersey as follows:

- Section 1.** The Township Committee of the Township of Chatham is authorized to become a Government Aggregator of electric generation service and electric service for residential and non-residential customer's electric power on behalf of its residential and non-residential citizens.
- Section 2.** The Township will follow the Government-private Aggregator Option Two of the BPU Government-Private Aggregator Program pursuant to the rules and regulations of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.
- Section 3.** The Mayor, Clerk and Township Administrator are hereby authorized to take any and all steps to submit the necessary documentation to the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities and to provide any and all notices to residential customers to opt-out of the Program and to non-residential customers to opt-in to the Program.
- Section 4.** The Township is a member of the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey and they will follow the Fair and Open process to select an energy service provider, to perform the New Jersey BPU aggregation program adopted by N.J.A.C. 14:4-6 et seq.
- Section 5.** The term of the agreement shall require the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham to approve by resolution the extension of the service agreement annually up to no more than five renewals.

- Section 6.** If any Section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the Section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.
- Section 7.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with the Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
- Section 8.** This Ordinance shall take effect twenty days after final passage, adoption and publication according to law.

Introduced: February 13, 2020

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF
MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Adopted:

Attest:

BY: _____
Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

DRAFT

RESOLUTION 2020-061

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM DESIGNATING FEBRUARY
2020 AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

WHEREAS, During Black History Month, we celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural, spiritual and political development: and

WHEREAS, In 1915, Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, noted Black scholar and son of former slaves, founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, which was later renamed the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Woodson initiated Black History Week, February 12, 1926; and for many years, the second week of February, chosen so as to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglas and Abraham Lincoln, was celebrated by African Americans in the United States, and

WHEREAS, in 1976, as part of the nation's bicentennial, Black History Week was expanded and became established as Black History Month, and is now celebrated all over North America.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham that February 2020 is designated as Black History Month in Chatham Township, and the Township Committee urges all citizens to celebrate our diverse heritage and culture and continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, peaceful and prosperous for all.

Adopted: January 30, 2020

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

By: _____
Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2020-062

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM SUPPORTING THE CELEBRATION OF THE 100th ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

WHEREAS, the year 2020 marks the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, guaranteeing and protecting women's right to vote; and

WHEREAS, this centennial offers an opportunity to commemorate a milestone of democracy; that the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the federal or state governments on account of gender; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has had a long, storied history in the suffrage movement with New Jersey women playing a crucial role in pursuing the rights of women to vote; and

WHEREAS, in 1776 women property owners were enfranchised under the New Jersey State Constitution, which was unique in the nation at the time. However, in 1807, the New Jersey Legislature eliminated the property requirement for voting rights and limited the ballot to white males; and

WHEREAS, in 1867 New Jersey residents Lucy Stone and Harry Blackwell organized the New Jersey Woman Suffrage Association (NJWSA), devoted to gaining women's suffrage; and

WHEREAS, in 1909 New Jersey's first open air suffrage rallies were held in Orange and Newark, led by Dr. Emma O. Gantz and Martha Klatschken with NJWSA collecting 5,000 signatures for a petition in support of the federal amendment guaranteeing and protecting women's constitutional right to vote; and

WHEREAS, although the 1912 state referendum on woman's suffrage was soundly defeated in the New Jersey Legislature a corner was turned for the New Jersey suffrage movement; and

WHEREAS, in 1913 an automobile rally led by "General" Rosalie Jones traveled through New Jersey on the way to Washington, D.C., in a Suffrage Parade of over 8,000 marchers with many New Jersey women including event organizer Alice Paul; and

WHEREAS, in 1915 a second suffrage constitutional referendum was pursued in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts with active campaigns by many suffrage organizations, including the "Passing of the Torch of Liberty" via tug boats on the Hudson River

from New York to New Jersey, but was defeated in all four states October 1915; and

WHEREAS, in 1917 New Jersey suffragists Allison Turnbull Hopkins, Julia Hulburt, Beatrice Reynolds Kinkead, and Minnie D. Abbott picketed in front of the White House as part of the Silent Sentinels and subsequently were arrested and imprisoned; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 1919 Congress passed the 19th Amendment guaranteeing all American women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 1920, New Jersey became the 29th state to ratify the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, shortly after the ratification of the 19th Amendment Margaret Laird and Jennie Van Ness were the first two women elected to the New Jersey Assembly in 1921 and in 1925 Rebecca Estelle Bourgeois Winston of Estell Manor was New Jersey's first woman mayor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in honor of the 100th Anniversary of the Ratification of the 19th Amendment Chatham Township will light the municipal building in purple, one of the colors of the New Jersey Suffrage movement, for the week of February 10; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the (*insert the name of municipality*) supports the efforts of New Jersey's Suffrage Centennial NJ Women Vote and strongly encourages local celebrations of this historic milestone.

Adopted: January 30, 2020

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

By: _____
Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2020-063

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM SUPPORTING THE CELEBRATION OF THE 100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters was founded in 1920 as a “mighty political experiment” by the foremothers of the suffragist movement at the National American Woman Suffrage Association, and;

WHEREAS, its goal was to help the 20 million women who were granted the right to vote by the 19th Amendment understand and carry out their new responsibility as voters, and;

WHEREAS, with the success of this effort and the tireless efforts over the last 100 years to strengthen and uphold its mission to empower voters and defend democracy, the League has become a trusted nonpartisan, grassroots organization, and;

WHEREAS, the League has sponsored legislation and fought in the courts to protect and strengthen voting rights and access, for free and fair elections, for civil rights for all including children and minorities, for community health, for public education for all people, for resource protection and conservation and;

WHEREAS, the League has consistently been noted for its nonpartisan election information, including sponsorship of candidate forums and information on state and local ballot issues, as well as its commitment to register, educate, and mobilize voters, and;

WHEREAS, the League champions government systems that are open, transparent, inclusive, and equitable, and;

WHEREAS, the League believes that active and engaged citizens, irrespective of gender, ethnicity, or political affiliation, are the hallmark of democracy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that February 14, 2020 is designated as The League of Women Voters Day of Action. We honor and congratulate the League of Women Voters on its 100th Anniversary and commend the League for its significant contributions to empowering voters and making democracy work.

Adopted: January 30, 2020

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By: _____
Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

RESOLUTION 2020-064

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM SUPPORTING THE CELEBRATION OF THE 100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF PARCELLS COUNCIL #2086 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus was started in 1882 to reinforce men in the faith, to establish a firm brotherhood, and to support the widows and children of departed Brothers; and

WHEREAS, the organization has grown to provide an astounding amount of charitable aid locally, nationally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, Parcells Council #2086 of the Knights of Columbus was established February 15, 1920. It serves St. Patrick Church in Chatham Borough and Corpus Christi Church in Chatham Township; and

WHEREAS, there are over 200 men in Parcells Council, who serve their families, churches and communities, providing manpower and donations for numerous programs, events and charities; and

WHEREAS, Parcells Council gets its name from Fred Parcells, one of the five Chatham men who lost their lives in World War I; and

WHEREAS, over fifty men have served as Grand Knight of the Council, coming from both the Borough and the Township; and

WHEREAS, Charity is the first and main principal of the Knights of Columbus. Globally in 2017 alone the Knights donated \$185,600,673 and 75.6 million hours of service; and

WHEREAS, in addition to helping Brother Knights in need, offering scholarships to Catholic high schools and colleges, and sponsoring Vatican programs, a small sampling of programs include disaster relief, Christian refugee relief in the Mideast, sponsoring vocations, coats for kids, orphan aid, wheelchairs for disaster victims and ultrasound machines for crisis pregnancy centers; and

WHEREAS, in the Chathams, Parcells Council supports the Appalachia Toy Drive, Intellectual Disabilities Drive, Eva's Kitchen, visits to veterans at Lyons Hospital, and donates to over 20 charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, February 15, 2020, Parcells Council will turn 100, and celebrate with an event at the Grand Summit Hotel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham recognizes and congratulated Parcels Council #2086 on the 100th Anniversary of their founding, and applauds the Knights of Columbus with sincere gratitude for their many contributions to the Chatham community.

Adopted: February 13, 2020

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By: _____
Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

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RESOLUTION 2020-066

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
CHATHAM APPROVING MINUTES OF MEETINGS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham acknowledges receipt of and approves the minutes of the Township Committee meetings held on January 29, 2020 and January 30, 2020.

Adopted: February 13, 2020

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

DRAFT

RESOLUTION 2020-067

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF CHATHAM APPROVING EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF MEETINGS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham acknowledges receipt of and approves Executive Session minutes of the Township Committee meeting held on January 29, 2020.

Adopted: February 13, 2020

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

By _____
Michael J. Kelly, Mayor

Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

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