

MAYOR AND COUNCIL BOROUGH OF CLOSTER

REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 - 7:00 P.M immediately following the Work Session

Mayor Glidden opened the meeting at 8:50 pm with the following announcement: DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS, THIS REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE CLOSTER MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL BE HELD IN-PERSON TELEPHONICALLY and VIA ZOOM VIDEO.

You may join Zoom meeting including video by accessing the information posted in the **Borough** Calendar on the Borough website by visiting www.closterboro.com and clicking the link on the left sidebar for Calendars and Notice of Meetings and click on the corresponding date.

To join via Telephone Audio Only:

TOLL FREE: +1 646-558-8656; **MEETING ID:** 864 2063 3673; **PASSWORD:** 8675309

If Executive session is required, the Council will retire to a closed session at the conclusion of the Regular Meeting pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 and follow the procedures provided in this statute.

1. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, was included in the Notice of 2023 Mayor and Council Meetings which was published in The Record and The Star Ledger on December 27, 2022, was posted on the Municipal Clerk's bulletin board and on the Borough website, and has remained posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of the notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Councilwoman Amitai-present
Councilwoman Chung-present
Councilman Devlin-present
Councilman Yammarino-present

3. ORDINANCES

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Carried.

Ordinance No. 2023-1323 ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 14, LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM

Councilman Devlin moved to table Ordinance 2023-1323, second Councilman Yammarino. All in favor.

Ordinance No. 2023-1324 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF CLOSTER IN THE

COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 147 OF THE BOROUGH CODE REGARDING REQUIREMENTS FOR INSPECTION OF LEAD-BASED PAINT IN CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS

Councilman Devlin moved to introduce Ordinance number 2023-1324, second Councilman Yammarino.

Councilwoman Amitai-yes
Councilwoman Chung-yes
Councilman Yammarino-present

Councilman Devlin-yes

Carried.

Ordinance no. 2023-1325 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 181 ENTITLED TREE

PRESERVATION AND REMOVAL

Councilman Devlin moved to introduce Ordinance number 2023-1325, second Councilwoman Latner.

Councilwoman Amitai-yes
Councilwoman Chung-yes
Councilman Yammarino-present

Councilman Devlin-yes

Carried.

4. **<u>VOTE ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS</u>** The Mayor read the following:

All items with an asterisk (*) are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one MOTION. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a Council Member. Also, any item may be removed for further discussion or for Roll Call vote, in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the General Order of Business.

RESOLUTIONS

23-224 RESOLUTION RESCINDING THE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR CB THEATER EXPERIENCE LLC

23-225 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT (HRA) FOR EMPLOYEES

CLOSTER MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

Councilwoman Latner moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second Councilwoman Amitai. Roll Call

Councilwoman Amitai-yes
Councilwoman Chung-yes
Councilman Devlin-yes
Councilman Yammarino-yes

- 5. **VOTE ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA** Not needed
- 6. ANY OTHER MATTER WHICH MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE GOVERNING BODY
- 7. **OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC FOR ANY MATTER (5-minute limit)**
- 8. CLOSED SESSION

23-226 RESOLUTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AND EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Councilwoman Amitai moved to go into Closed Session, second Councilwoman Latner. The meeting went into Closed Session at 8:55 pm. Councilwoman Amitai moved to close Closed Session, second Councilwoman Chung.

8. **ADJOURNMENT** Councilwoman Latner moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Evans Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF CLOSTER RESOLUTION #23-224

RESOLUTION RESCINDING THE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR CB THEATER EXPERIENCE LLC

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2023, the Borough of Closter renewed plenary consumption license number 0207-33-006-011 for the CB Theater Experience LLC t/a CMX Closter, 130 Vervalen Street; and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Borough that said license has been inactive for two (2) years thereby resulting in a license's "presumptive lapsing"; and

WHEREAS, the license holder is thereby required to submit a petition and seek a special ruling in pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39 from the New Jersey Divisions of ABC.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Closter that the plenary liquor license number 0207-33-006-011 is hereby rescinded until such time as CB Theater Experience LLC obtains a special ruling from the New Jersey Division of ABC.

Councilperson	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilwoman Amitai		Х	X			
Councilwoman Chung	¥.		Х			
Councilman Devlin			X			
Councilwoman Latner	Х		X			
Councilwoman Witko					X	
Councilman Yammarino			Х			

Adopted: September 27, 2023

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

John C. Glidden, Mayor

Certified to be a true copy of Resolution adopted at the Regular Meeting by the Mayor and Council of Borough of Closter on September 23, 2023.

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF CLOSTER RESOLUTION #23-225

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT (HRA) FOR EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, employees and their eligible dependents will be entitled to enroll in any of the medical plans offered under the SHBP. Prescription drug coverage will be offered to all employees and eligible dependents through the SHBP; and

WHEREAS, beginning with the effective date of a special open enrollment period occurring in calendar year 2023, the NJ Direct 2035 PPO plan ("NJD 2035") will become the baseline PPO plan for all employees. Employees enrolling in the NJD 2035 plan will be responsible for paying contributions based on the Chapter 78 contribution rates; and

WHEREAS, the Borough agrees to provide employees enrolling in the NJD 2035 who were previously enrolled in the NJ Direct 10, NJ Direct 15 or 2030 plan with a health reimbursement program for 2023. The purpose of this program is to deliver benefits at a level equivalent to the NJ Direct 10 plan; and

WHEREAS, the Borough will fund an HRA account for each employee regardless of their level of coverage (single, member/spouse, parent/child or family). This account can be used by the employee to pay the difference in employee out-of-pocket expenses between NJD 2035 and NJ Direct 10 including co-pays, deductibles, coinsurance, prescription costs, and all other out-of-pocket expenses that would not have been incurred under the NJ Direct 10 plan for the employee and their dependents; and

WHEREAS, the HRA program shall be administered through a debit card provided by the Borough and Employees shall not contribute towards the cost of the HRA program; and

WHEREAS, the Difference Card can provide the benefit management of a HRA program for the 2024 benefit year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter to fund a HRA for those employees enrolled in a NJD 2035 plan, and to contract with The Difference Card to provide the management of this program. The implementation of this resolution is conditioned upon the Borough entering into a contract with The Difference Card.

Councilperson	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilwoman Amitai		Х	Х			
Councilwoman Chung			Х			
Councilman Devlin			Х			
Councilwoman Latner	X		Х			
Councilwoman Witko					Х	
Councilman Yammarino			Х			

Adopted: September 27, 2023	
ATTEST:	APPROVED BY:
Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk	John Glidden, Mayor

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted at the Meeting by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter at the Regular Meeting held on September <u>27</u>, 2023.

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF CLOSTER RESOLUTION #23-226

RESOLUTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION AND EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances will or presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closed, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follow:

1. That the public shall be excluded from the September 27, 2023 Closed Session and discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matter:

Closed Session		Statutory
Docket#	Item Title of Description	Reference
23-09/27-1	Pending or Anticipated Litigation or	N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b) (7)
	Contract Negotiations	
23-09/27-2	Matter Falling With Attorney	N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b) (7)
	Client Privilege	

Formal action may/may not be taken.

2. Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public

Councilperson	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
Councilwoman Amitai	X		Χ			
Councilwoman Chung			Χ			
Councilman Devlin			Χ			
Councilwoman Latner		Χ	Χ			
Councilwoman Witko					Χ	
Councilman Yammarino			Х			

Adopted: September 27, 2023

ATTEST: APPROVED BY:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Certified to be a true copy of Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Closter at the Regular Meeting held on September 27, 2023.

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk