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Salary hike goes through for municipal council

by Pat DiMaggio

A resolution introduced by Councilman Bernard Hayden rejecting 1987 council salary increases was defeated by the council at their regular meeting held on Monday night.

The resolution sought to reduce the mayor's salary and those of the council president and council member to 1986 levels of \$2,400, \$2,200 and \$2,000 respectively.

"Most residents and taxpayers of this township were appalled that the council would give themselves an 80 percent raise this year," said Hayden. "The amount of tax money they pay is phenomenal to the type of services they receive."

"The people who seek to put this resolution through cashed their checks and have not returned the money to the township," said Councilman William Caruso.

Councilman Carmine Cristiani has pledged to return the increase in his salary to the Township and Councilwoman Carol Plata stated "you don't know what charitable organization I give my money to."

The resolution was defeated with Councilman Caruso, Fred Eckel, Robert Ellenport and Joseph Pozniak voting against it.

The council also approved appointments to the Rent Monitoring Board. The list of names submitted by Mayor George Nucera includes the following: Homeowner Lilian Krov, tenant Kalman Grafer, tenant Norris Reisman, homeowner Donna Femia and landowner Solomon Rieder.

"I am voting against this because of the circumstances under which it became law," said Councilman Hayden. "The only fair and equitable way to put rent control on is by referendum."

"It is a misconception to refer to this as rent control," said Councilman Robert Ellenport. "It is an opportunity to provide a neutral forum to air complaints and to have an adult discussion between tenants and landlords."

The resolution was approved on a vote of four in favor with Councilmembers Hayden, Carmine Cristiani and Carol Plata dissenting.

In other business the council:

Appointed Luis Siessel as Director of the Bureau of Welfare.

Authorized a purchase order in the amount of \$3,355 to Storr Tractor Company, Somerville, for the purchase of a salt spreader.

Established an annual salary for Public Works Repairer Russell Roe at \$16,178.25.

Authorized payment of \$1,778.40 to Bertone Associates, Sewaren, for architectural services in connection with the construction of a new fire substation on Raritan Road.

Approved a resolution urging the State of New Jersey to reopen the I.L.R. Landfill in Edison to accept Union County's waste until the Resource Recovery facility is completed.

Approved the acceptance of \$18,115.28 in revenue from the Municipal Public Safety Act Program.

Established the annual salary for Building Maintenance Worker/Black Seal License, Mark Basile at \$13,347.

Established the annual salary for Communications Operator, Bernard J. Kane at \$13,156.

Approved an ordinance for final adoption eliminating the job classification of Senior Communications Operator.

Approved an ordinance for final adoption establishing the hourly rate for school crossing guards and special police officers at \$6.95 per hour.

Approved an ordinance

for final adoption adding glass, aluminum beverage cans and cardboard to the township's recycling ordinance.

Approved an ordinance for final adoption prohibiting parking on the northwesterly side of Madison Hill Road from Westfield Avenue to Washington Street.

Approved an ordinance for final adoption amending an agreement with Union County to modify the Interlocal Services Agreement.

Approved an ordinance for final adoption establishing restrictions on the installation of antennas.



DOWN AND OUT... A shoulder injury took one of the Middlesex players out of the football game during Saturday's contest at ALJ. The Crusaders gained their third victory of the season, 24-12.

ALJ students attend DECA Conference

Fifteen students from the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark were among more than 350 high school students who participated in the second annual New Jersey Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) Central Region Orientation Conference held recently at the Monmouth Mall in Eatontown.

Seniors Rob Clifford, John Davidson, Paul Petrella, Robyn Rosen and John Bridgman and juniors Charlie Lyristis, Art Minch, Bryan Stacy, Dave Brown, Paul Clement, Tracy Cox, Dan DeAquino, Helder Gomes, Tom Westerlund and Tom Smith, all of whom are students in the Marketing for Marketing II class at Johnson Regional, were the students who attended and participated in this one-day conference which serves as a starting point for this year's DECA activities.

During the day, the youngsters from A.L.J. had an opportunity to visit and tour various retail outlets at the Monmouth Mall, dis-

cussing store operations and career opportunities with the managers of these business establishments. The Johnson students also attended workshops that dealt with such topics as buying principles, customer service, specialty and visual merchandising, salesmanship and management skills training.

Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) is the largest vocational organization for students in the United States. Through this club, high school students learn about all facets of business and use that knowledge to compete against other DECA students on the regional, state and national levels in business-related competitions. Mr. Jack Ford is an instructor of Marketing Education at Johnson Regional and is the advisor to the school's chapter of DECA.



Committee members named

by Pat DiMaggio

Council President Joseph Pozniak announced township committees for the next three months at a meeting held last week. A new committee was also formed to deal with the garbage crisis in Clark.

The Solid Waste Committee consists of Robert Ellenport as Chairman and Councilmen William Caruso and Carmine Cristiani.

The purpose of the new committee is to gather input from citizens on the garbage situation in Clark, said Pozniak.

Committees include the following: Safety, Chairman Fred Eckel, William Caruso; Public Works, Chairman Fred Eckel, William Caruso; Legislative, Robert Ellenport; Finance, Chairman Robert Ellenport, Fred Eckel, Carmine

Cristiani; Pool, Chairman Fred Eckel, Joseph Pozniak.

Council liaison for the next three months include: Library, Robert Ellenport; Public Safety, Fred Eckel; Recreation, William Caruso; First Aid, Joseph Pozniak; Board of Education, Robert Ellenport; and Senior Citizens, Joseph Pozniak.

Annual Halloween Parade planned by Clark Lions

The Clark Lions will host its 28th Annual Halloween Parade on Friday, Oct. 30, beginning 7 p.m.

Line up instructions for the parade are as follows:

Pre school, kindergarten, grades 1 and 2: John Street.

Grades 3, 4 and 5: Nassau Street.

Grades 6, 7 and 8: Fulton Street.

Grades 9 and up: Liberty Street.

The Arthur L. Johnson Band will line up in the American Legion parking lot.

Marchers should assemble at 6:30 p.m. Grade signs

will again be used this year. The parade will start at Liberty Street and Broadway and will proceed to Mother Seton Regional High School parking lot. Prizes will be awarded in each grade and only marchers will be awarded prizes.

Elections set for board of softball league

Nominations for the board of directors of the Clark Softball League of Clark are being accepted. There are three positions available this year.

The following have accepted the nomination for election for this year's board: Frank Perelli, Howard Fisser, Donna Ciccone, and Tom Bishop.

Elections will be held on October 26, at 8 p.m. in the Brewer School Cafeteria. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor prior to the vote.

Clark Historical Society will host 'canal captain'

Captain Bill McKelvey of Berkeley Heights, director of the American Canal Society, and past skipper of the New Jersey Mariner's Club and maritime historian, will speak on old canals of New Jersey at the Wednesday, Oct. 28 meeting of the Clark Historical Society in the Clark Public Library, Westfield Ave., Clark, at 8 p.m.

Mr. McKelvey has traveled by boat, car and on foot the entire length of the intra-coastal waterway from Lake Champlain to the Chesapeake Bay, and recounts the story in his book "Champlain to Chesapeake."

A Canal Era Pictorial Cruise. This "inside passage" provided safer transportation along the coast from New England to the southern states than the ocean route, according to a spokesperson from the Clark Historical Society.

In his talk, Mr. McKelvey will compare old canals, including the historic Delaware Raritan



WE THE PEOPLE... Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School students, from left, Theresa Loong, Jennifer Hudak, Jebadiah Jordan and Jinsuh Lee, stand with their teacher, Social Studies Department Supervisor Miss Dorothea Hooper, alongside a bulletin board at

ALJ which was decorated to commemorate the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution. These youngsters were among those students who made posters and collages for this bulletin board.



FOCUS ON FITNESS... The 1987 New Jersey Governor's Conference on Health and Fitness for Women will be held on Friday, October 30, at the Holiday Inn in Jamesburg. Governor Thomas H. Kean, center, honorary co-chairperson of the event is pictured here with Ralph A. Dougan, Executive Director of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, the coor-

inating agency. Also pictured is Lauve L. Metcalfe, Director, Program Development, Campbell's Institute for Health and Fitness, the sponsor of the event. Not pictured is co-chairperson Mrs. Thomas H. Kean and Carole Hollander from Bloomingdale - The Mall at Short Hills, which will be presenting a fashion show. For registration information, please call 609-530-4158.