

**June 1, 2020**  
**7:30 pm**

Also, Present: Sal Bonaccorso, Mayor; John Laezza, Business Administrator; Mark Dugan, Township Attorney; Edith Merkel, Township Clerk; Police Chief Pedro Matos

Dispensed

This meeting is in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 231, P.L.1975) as Adequate Notice of this meeting has been provided by mailing the annual schedule of meetings to the Star Ledger, Union County Local Source, and TAP into Clark by posting such annual meeting schedule on the Bulletin Board in Town Hall reserved for such announcements, as well as the official website of the Township, and the proper filing of said notice.

Discussion: None

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Councilman Mazzarella: I have a question for John. Last month there was a very sizable sewer rebates and this month is another very sizable sewer rebate. What is happening?

Mr. Laezza: Those are meter problems with the water company.

Council Vice President Hund asked for a mover and second on this Consent Agenda  
Mover: Toal                      Second: Smith

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Each person addressing the Council shall first give his/her name and address to the Clerk. All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a body and shall not exceed 10 minutes in duration.

Council Vice President opened the public portion of the meeting

Seeing no one coming forward Councilman Toal made a motion to close the public portion, seconded by Councilwoman Albanese

Council Vice President Hund directed roll call: All Ayes

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Mazzaella, Smith, Toal, Hund

### **MAYOR, COUNCIL AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:**

Mayor Bonaccorso: Let's talk about the fireworks. The fireworks right now I don't even think we are allowed to have them because of the Governor's office gathering rules. What I want to do is move the show to Sunday of Labor Day weekend, with Monday of Labor Day being the rainout. We have to make sure I don't know if the company could do it and that will be in celebration of the frontline workers for Covid-19, and we will advertise it as such. Hopefully we will be able to come here and watch and have a good time and not have to worry about this anymore.

You all see what is going on with the protests, we have two groups that are coming into town, one we thought was coming today, it is a group from Rahway. I have had a lot of dialogue with the individual who is in charge of that group and he's assuring me that it is going to be a peaceful protest. Mayor Giacobbe from Rahway has been helping me along with it. The fellow from Rahway, I have to say, unless I read people wrong, seems very sincere and I don't think that we are going to have a problem. The problem that I worry about is outside agitators coming in, that is what you always have to worry about. Thursday at 12:00 at the Commons, we have another group coming in that we don't know much about. The Chief has had some correspondence with them earlier today. I thank the Chief for preparing his men this morning. I think that he has the right feed on it, I am not getting into all of it because we will be here until 10:00pm. I agree with the Chiefs theory on this and the way he is handling it and even over the weekend. Social media is out of control, we have some of our own people getting goofy, we will not tolerate any goofiness from anybody. If they come and they start they are getting locked up, period, get out. Our people or their people we don't need a scene here and we will not put police officers in harm's way with some big mouth that can't shut up. We all agree that what happened to Mr. Floyd was a travesty, and an outrage to any human being to be treated that way and I wonder what the hell was on that cop's mind. But it sure doesn't help the situation that is going on. The Chief was constantly in touch with me on this, we will be working together. Guys, I am not answering text messages so please don't send them. Tell your constituents, "we know and we are on it", period. It is getting to the point where my phone died today at 4:30, died, it has never died at 4:30 in its life, because of, "did you see this, and what about this, what about that?" We have a lot of experts, a lot of experts. I and the Chief of Police will figure out what we have to do. He is the expert and I will work through him always. I will say to stay out of the Commons area on Thursday at 12:00 noon, do yourselves a favor, keep your kids in, tell them to stay out of the area, God only knows. What I don't like and the Chief and I talked about it they are looking to come to Clark, on private property, the Commons is private property, #2, is that they want to march through Raritan and Central which is the busiest intersection in Union County. They are looking to make a statement and I am a little dubious about this group. We'll see what happens. They'll be there and we will run it and hopefully I will be out there. I was supposed to get an endoscopy on Thursday morning but I will see if I can get it

done earlier or push it until the next day because I want to be there. We will just take it from there and have all of the precautions in place as we know how. Ralph was going to talk to you about (Clark) summer camp, we had a summer camp meeting today he was going to give us his recommendation to us and I agree with him on what to do. Right now, as of today, we have had zero Covid-19 cases in Clark. I was one of the fortunate ones I have the antibodies, so I am very lucky.

All of the services are intact, everyone is doing what they are supposed to do. The girls are working hard, we are still on a lockdown here, by appointment only. Again, like everything else we have some frequent flyers that want to pop in and say, “how have you been? We missed you.” Save the accolades for Christmas time, bring a box of candy and come and see us then. Right now, is not the time to be popping in and wondering what you have been up too. So, we are just keeping it this way for the time being.

The Clark Pool, we have not made a decision on that. Ralph is still following that, it is going to be another nightmare, it is going to be another nightmare. This Governor is going out and saying that he is allowing summer camps but the restrictions that it comes with, why bother? So, that is all I have right now, any questions?

Councilman Toal: Two events, two different groups, same location?

Mayor Bonaccorso: One is coming up Westfield, one is coming down Raritan (Road).

Councilman Toal: Cuts the town in half and a mess.

Mayor Bonaccorso: They are not the same day.

Councilman Toal: That was my concern.

Mayor Bonaccorso: I don’t know when Rahway is coming in but he is going to call me and let me know.

Councilman Toal: The Mayor Giacobbe is a great guy.

Mayor Bonaccorso: I know but I am talking about the fellow who organized the March. He is going to call me and let me know when they are coming in. Mayor Giacobbe has been working with him and I think that is very nice. So far, again, unless I am totally bamboozled the guy seem very sincere. We told him that they are welcome to come and we have no problem, we agree with him, it should have never happened to that man. What they want to do is go into communities and try to spread the word. The Chief put out a very, very good statement tonight if you read it on Facebook you will be very impressed, I was, my wife was. You know I made a comment today that if you look at the police in this nation, and the people, if there isn’t a million encounters a day between the cops and people, and it could be a lot more it could be 10 million, God only knows, you don’t really have a lot of problems. You get a yahoo like this who did what he did just blew the whole country up. The other thing is that since 2016, the Chief said this in his statement, he said that we approved body cameras since 2016 and Chief we have been completely clean of everything since that date. To get to a personal story on the record, one day my daughter got pulled over at night and the police officer did not give her a ticket but she said, “you know daddy he was kind of rude” and her boyfriend kind of said the same thing. So, Monday I called the Chief, I wasn’t mad and I wasn’t looking to hurt anybody, I just asked the Chief to pull it because I just wanted to see it. I went up to his office and I saw, and I called my daughter from his office and said, “hey, do you want to come and see how the cop mistreated you, what are you out of your mind?” The Chief said, “Sal relax, when people get pulled over they get all frazzled, they hear

things, they think things, whatever” and that is a good point, you know when I hear, “when we go through Clark, we get pulled over”. Well, if you are doing something wrong you got pulled over regardless of your color. And we have tapes, a dash cam and a body cam that will verify the officer’s professionalism and all kinds of stuff that that they have to go through with State Attorney General Guidelines. So, like I said I think that it is targeting this way, I don’t know if it is going to leak out into any of the other communities but we will be ready and we will have to do the best we can and we are trying to run it through, “come on in, tell us what you have to tell us and go home”, and hopefully we are not going to take the first confrontational act.

Mr. Laezza: They had one in Nomahegan Park.

Councilman Toal: So, they are cutting through Clark?

Police Chief Matos: The protest is being organized in all of these different towns (Councilman Toal: I understand that). There is one, and I don’t know who is the organizer, I don’t know group is organizing it in Nomahegan Park in Cranford, I don’t know the exact date.

Councilman Toal: It is the unknown factor that...

Mayor Bonaccorso: It is going to be quite a weekend. Any questions?

Councilman Hund: Mr. Laezza any further comments?

Mr. Laezza: The only comment I have to say right now is that we will be sending out estimated property tax bills by the end of June. We are sending them out because the State does not want to make a decision on their budget and certify them (tape inaudible).

Mark Dugan: No comment.

Ralph Bernardo: As all of you know for the past three months every recreation program has been canceled. We have been holding on for dear life, at least I have, for the camp and the pool. You all know me and you know that I love the camp more than anything, all of the activities, this camp is really number one. So, with really deep regret and deep sadness that I was holding on for Governor Murphy to come in with some type of save. So, he came in and comes across as this almighty savior that now we have camp. He didn’t fail to list these restrictions that came along with it. I was with the CDC and Jersey Parks and Recreation; I have been on Zoom calls with numerous towns throughout the State and the organizations and they have all got the guidelines that he will eventually get. He still has not given them out. So, the guidelines are just.... the restrictions are so much that it will make it impossible for me to hold the camp. I met with Mr. Laezza and the Mayor and Nancy today recommending, and I can’t believe that I am saying these words, that we cancel camp this year. Number one has to be safety for my staff, the counselors and of course the children. I tried to look every way possible, even if I get half of what I get from last year, so 12,000 people signed up for the camp, we average 500-600 a day and 120 -140 counselors. So, how do I safely distance 10 children to a counselor? There are no group activities, there is no outside entertainment, there is no large gatherings, no communal feeding, no shared equipment, sports equipment, so if you are playing dodge ball and you pick up a ball the next kid cannot pick up that ball and throw it. So basically, you are going to be doing calisthenics in a field, or kicking a soccer ball. So, with the rise then in that pediatric multisystem inflammatory syndrome that was also with the Coronavirus and the Coronavirus, I just don’t feel that safety wise I don’t feel comfortable with it. You have to wear masks. How am I going to enforce teenagers to wear masks on a 90-degree day, and how am I going to get little children to not socially touch when that is all that they know throughout the camp. So, it is with deep regret that I do make that recommendation that we cancel

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this year. We will refund those who have signed up already, we put a hold on it after this all started but we still have money (tape inaudible). I can't go on it would be an understatement to say how disappointed I am. These were just my all my calls (presents document) the "red" that you see are all the towns that have cancelled. Everything that was "not in red" was stating that it was with the Governor's guidance. Realistically you cannot do anything to the extent in our camp is above all.

With that, we are hanging by a carrot, by a thread with the pool. He still has not made a decision, if you read the paper on Sunday, he is not going to make a decision until July 6<sup>th</sup>. So, we are halfway into the season and even with the restrictions that you already heard will be that there could be only a certain number allowed inside, we will have to draw circles on the grass and have people stay in their circles, once that quota for the day is reached, whatever we determine that is, that will be it, we will be closed. There will be no guests, there will be no new members of non-residents. If you were a non-resident last year you could sign up again this year. If you are a resident you can sign up. The baby pool, Nancy looked at us, and said the baby pool...there is no (tape inaudible) of the baby pool. So that means now that the babies will have to be brought into the big pool and now you have to deal with poop. So, it just spiraled out of control. We are going to lose \$40,000 to \$50,000 in guest fees, and the concession stand we don't have a concessionaire. Like Sal and like all of us we want something for these kids and residents. The pool is going to be our last hope, if it happens at all. We are ready, I was ready April 1<sup>st</sup> this year, we were first on the list and we were painted, scrubbed clean and ready to go.

Mayor Bonaccorso: Before we turn it over to you guys for questions, as Mayor I am going to concur with Ralph's feelings to close the camp, that is my recommendation. I know he and I have had discussions for a month and a half now on this probably three days a week, we really tried our best to keep it open but we don't see the safe, logical way to run the camp. Even though it will be so watered down to what our children are accustomed to it is just the safety aspect and the liability aspect doesn't make any sense right now. So, I will turn it over to the council.

Council Vice President Hund: Thank you Ralph. We know the passion you have for the children and for your camp and everything that you do. This is a tremendous hurt for you. We apologize that you had to make that decision along with Mr. Laezza and the Mayor. Hopefully we will be able to do something for the children but in my opinion, I don't think that is really going to happen the way the Governor is taking a stance on things. So, thank you very much and again I apologize for the sadness of that. The children do enjoy the camp I had three boys that went through it and I can't say enough about it. So, in closing thank you very much.

Councilman Smith: I have a question regarding the pool. If he (the Governor) is not making the decision until July 6<sup>th</sup>, it is probably going to take a couple of days to get ready, so now you are looking at a July 15<sup>th</sup> the earliest, at that point....

Mr. Laezza: I think that they are looking at August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Councilman Smith: At that point it probably doesn't make any sense and that is terrible.

Councilwoman Albanese: I was going to say that I totally agree with that decision, it is awful because when you look at those restrictions, the kids have to have snack alone, lunch alone, you can't do anything with anyone and how you even control it, you just can't. I agree with what John is saying, if we can go to daily rates on the pool, because I guess we have to maintain....my understanding is that you have to maintain the pool, fill the pool, you have to do everything as if the pool is operating even though you are not operating because you have a pool.

Ralph Bernardo: And someone has to be there all the time.

Councilwoman Albanese: So, the route that we are trying to do in East Brunswick is for daily...

Ralph Bernardo: The only problem with that though that I fear is that every other pool is closed now, Mountainside closes, Springfield, Rahway...

Councilwoman Albanese: The only thing that we are thinking about is doing something...

Ralph Bernardo: How do I limit all these...anybody just walking in?

Councilwoman Albanese: You are doing it by the sale of the ticket. Sell the tickets online in advance to residents.

Mr. Laezza: Just residents.

Councilwoman Albanese: Once you hit your limit because it is just like the Santa Breakfast. Once you hit the limit you don't want people lining up there, going down there with their bags, their kids and what not. You have to do some type of advanced sale.

Police Chief Matos: Then how do you control someone who comes in? Sell them a ticket for all day but they leave at 11, you might end up with a pool that is empty at noon.

Councilwoman Albanese: You can't worry about it.

Mr. Laezza: You can't worry about it.

Councilwoman Albanese: You could do a split session type thing but it is not worth it in my mind.

Ralph Bernardo: In a 95-degree day you can have a line outside.

Councilwoman Albanese: No, you have to sell the tickets in advance. You get the ticket don't come down; it is sold out.

Ralph Bernardo: I don't know if financially if it makes sense.

Councilwoman Albanese: It doesn't, it doesn't make sense financially.

Mr. Laezza: I am not hiring 50 lifeguards.

Councilwoman Albanese: But there will probably be a lot of lifeguards available. Initially it was, "oh all of the lifeguards are going to get booked", but now there will be plenty of lifeguards I think since a lot of towns have already made the decision.

Councilman Toal: Again, it is heartbreaking hearing this from Ralph. Ralph with all of the hard work that you put in we appreciate everything that you do for Recreation, for summer camps and pool but you also have to think about if one mother comes home and the kid is sick it is our fault, it is not anybody else's fault, it is our fault. I also want to bring up an issue that happened many years ago, and I am doing a history thing again, the Township of Clark Pool was sued by members because the chlorine mix was wrong. It is a separate issue but with one issue the kid ended up taking the town into court and it was millions of dollars. It was all because of the pool and the chlorine mix was wrong and rotted the kid's teeth out, plus the kid liked sugar and stuff but that was not brought to the court. The issue is that one kid gets sick, it is on us. So, you really don't have a choice in this and I completely agree with the Mayor and the Administration.

Councilman Mazzarella: I agree with the restrictions that are going to be set on the pool as far as how many could enter the pool. In my view it is not feasible. I mean how do you determine if it is

50 people at one time? What are you going to give them a time limit? It's ridiculous. We are in a very unfortunate circumstances right now and everything that we do because of the Covid-19.

Councilwoman Albanese: I just want to clarify one thing. We are not deciding on the pool yet because we don't even know the limitations because they have not been announced, we don't have guideline dates so I wouldn't go with the...they will tell you how many that you can let in.

Councilman Mazzarella: You really have an idea, I mean, we are entering into the summer right now and if they are going to allow the pools to be open for one month, this is not going to go away. They are not going to open it up totally. I mean, let's be realistic about this. We all want to have this recreational ability for our town and all of that but it is not in the cards, we just have to bite our lip and move on.

Police Chief Matos: Regarding the event obviously since last Monday, obviously today I put out a statement that basically condemns the actions of the officers. I don't think that anyone who watches that video can any other conclusion then what you thought was improper and murder. With that being said I understand the need for these people to demonstrate. We currently have two groups, like the Mayor said, that....one group has already posted that they are going to be here on Thursday. We know very little about this group, I had some contact with them this afternoon, I am hoping to have more contact with them tomorrow and formulate a plan. The lady that I spoke to assured me that it is going to be a peaceful demonstration. I don't know if they are going to go to the Commons and are staying there or if they plan on moving. I am hoping to nail this down tomorrow. My approach to this, and if anyone disagrees with me please let me know, is I don't want to show up as an occupying army. I want to be there for security but I also want to be ready for any possible event. I plan on having access from the County, the State, if possible, in town and ready to mobilize into the area should we need it. I plan on calling a lot of officers in, ordering officers in. Tomorrow I will be reaching out to other departments for equipment. The best thing I can do, the way I plan to approach it, is when these people get there, me and other supervisory staff in the department, we are going to approach them, we are going to talk to them, we are going to encourage them to remain peaceful and we are going to join them. We are going to be there with them. And one of the things that I stressed with the lady I spoke to there today from this group is that I don't want to police this group, I want them to police themselves. All I want to do is maintain a perimeter. You police yourselves, I want you that if YOU see people getting out of hand, if you see agitators kick them out of your crowd so that we can deal with them. What I have learned over the last couple of days was what these groups are doing that are infiltrating these demonstrations is that they don't stand out in the front, they are using the legitimate protestors as shields and they are standing three or four layers back and talking to the crowd, hoping that the officers then of course go hands on with the innocent bystanders or protestors that are in the frontlines. That is going to be my approach, this is going to be a touchy situation come Thursday, I know nothing about this group and hopefully I can learn a little bit more over the next couple of days. Hopefully they stick by their word. I have seen a lot of post on Twitter and it has been 50% where people have spoken about coming to Clark and 50% of the comments have been, "are you crazy, I am not going to that town because those people are nuts, and you are asking for trouble" and the other 50%, "Well, we need to go to send a message".

Councilman Barr: Chief, is there any idea on how many people are going to be participating?

Police Chief Matos: The lady I spoke to today said that since she has posted this flier that she has gotten about 120-125 responses.

Councilman Toal: Their origins are from what town?

Police Chief Matos: I don't know.

Councilman Toal: That scares me.

Police Chief Matos: I don't know. I know that the organizer is from Linden.

Councilman Toal: That gives you something.

Police Chief Matos: But I don't know where the people are coming from or who she is affiliated with. The other group, the group from Rahway I believe I am more confident in, they already have a track record, they held a demonstration in Rahway and everything went peaceful. I spoke to the Rahway Chief and there were no issues what so ever there. They have been in contact with us and I believe that if this group from Rahway comes and they said that they want to share their plans before they even publicize anything with us. This other group did not do that, they just published this and made this plan and now we are left to having to you know not having really any input into how they do things, or where this location is going to take place. That's about it.

Council Vice-President Hund: Tomorrow is which one?

Police Chief Matos: Thursday at noon.

Mayor Bonaccorso: Chief, where are they coming to here or your building?

Police Chief Mato: Rahway?

Mayor Bonaccorso: Thursday.

Police Chief Matos: I don't know. All the flier says is Clark Commons, it doesn't say that they want to march anywhere, it just says Clark Commons. So, tomorrow when I see this lady that is one of the things that I need to nail down. What is your plan? Are you planning on just staying at the Commons? Are you planning on marching somewhere? Again, she can tell me whatever she wants but if the crowd all of a sudden decides that they are going, they are going. I am going to plan that they are march and at some point, I am going to need enough access to move to the streets because more than likely that is what is going to happen.

Councilman Toal: That is scary. Clark residents that are at the food store or whatever and they get caught.

Mark Dugan: There is a lot of concentrated commercial activity there (Clark Commons) also, there are a lot of retail outlets.

Police Chief Matos: Exactly, and that is what scared me. Why are they picking a retail outlet to go to?

Mark Dugan: It is but it's all private property, so they actually could...the property owner they can shut that parking lot down if they wanted too.

Police Chief Matos: It is going to be tough. You can say it....

Mark Dugan: You are right but every commercial lease when there is a large shopping center as the landlord has the power, so it is in the lease to shut down the facility.

Councilwoman Albanese: What does he plan to do?



Mark Dugan: That may be something to determine is to reach out to the owner of that complex and find out what their reaction is going to be. Who knows, they may bring in quite an amount of people.

Police Chief Matos: Tomorrow we meet and when I speak further with this lady on of the first things that we need to do is, through the Mayor, we are going to ask to reach out to Bill Krame.

Councilwoman Albanese: Maybe ask her if she contacted him because it is private property. Are you aware that it is private property? They don't understand that, they think it is like a mall.

Police Chief Matos: The problem that I have right now is that they have already advertised this without our input. They have already advertised it. So, even if I could convince this lady tomorrow to move it to another location, I have a feeling what I am going to create is that some people are going to show up at the Commons and now I am going to have two scenes to control.

Councilman Mazzarella: You'll have a bigger scene if that landlord shuts down that complex and then those people are on the property and they are trespassing then you as the police force have to find a way to get rid of them.

Police Chief Matos: It is easier said than done.

Mark Dugan: The ordinary protocols will not work.

Mayor Bonaccorso: Guys we are not playing with trespassers. He has more on his plate then he has to look at right now. So, if someone is trespassing, let them have fun. He attitudes to his men was that if they are driving though town trying to get pulled over to engage you, let them go, just let them go and they will go somewhere else eventually. It's the same thing there, we have a protest and some guy runs amuck and runs to the Commons, he can stay in the Commons we are not going to chase him. If we go and chase that guy and you grab him and throw him to the ground then the riot breaks out.

Mark Dugan: Look there is no right answer here.

Mayor Bonaccorso: There isn't.

Councilwoman Albanese: No, because you don't know what you are dealing with.

Police Chief Matos: Again, if everything goes well and that was the right answer and if everything goes wrong, well then you had the wrong answer. Everything that we will do we will be second guessing.

Councilwoman Albanese: Well just be prepared like you said, you have a good plan.

Council Vice President Hund: Thank you very much Chief for your preparedness, your men. Stay safe, we definitely appreciate it and I know there are residents in the town...

Police Chief Matos: Just one last thing. These protests, if you have been watching any of the protests none of these protests have gone into residents' neighborhoods and there is a reason why. These protestors know that if they go into residential neighborhoods, they are putting their lives into their own hands. People are going to defend their property, not a store, they are not going to defend a store. But they know that if they start smashing home that people are going to defend their property. That is why you don't see them doing that. So, this idea that the Clark residents are stating that, "oh my God, I am in such fear" then stay home. If you are in that much fear just stay home because no one is coming to knock on your door, I assure you that. It is going to remain, if

this thing is at Clark Commons, it will remain on Raritan Road, they are not going into residential neighborhoods because they know the risks that they are going to take. They are not stupid and that is the last thing that they want.

Councilman Toal: You have the busiest intersection sitting right out there with the Parkway exit.

Mark Dugan: But that is why they do it. They want to make a statement and that will make a statement.

Councilwoman Albanese: If you watch the news, they are going on all of the highways.

Councilman Toal: That is what we don't want though.

Councilwoman Albanese: I know but it is a protest, it is what it is.

Councilman Barr: You know if I may say, I spoke to Sal today, the big rumor that is out there is that if you have flags by your house, they are going...

Councilman Mazzearella: They are going to go what?

Councilman Toal: They are going to go and burn the house down.

Police Chief Matos: Like I said, they are not going to go and throw rocks at your door when they don't know if there is going to be someone that is going to be sending a bullet back. Like I said, a lot of the comments on these threads on Twitter are stating, "Don't go over there, these people are nuts, you are asking for trouble". So, they are already coming with that mentality, we are suspicious of us like we are suspicious of this demonstration.

Mayor Bonaccorso: We have one guy in town that basically said about bloodshed and this and that and I said to the Chief and all of his men today basically that if that guys loses his mouth; we are locking him up and we will deal with the civil rights issue later. Anybody that is on our side of the street that is going to start agitating are getting locked up also. You can't have a riot in this town, you just cannot have it. We are not a big city; we don't have 1,600 cops on the force. If the Chief empties his cupboards we are going to have twenty, even if other people are coming in it is still not going to be enough.

Council Vice President Hund: Thank you very much Chief, we know that you are prepared and please keep us informed if anything needs to be spread out to the public. I believe that if we would all say that if you need anything from us, we will be more than happy to help. As the Mayor said before, there is not much that we can do to assist you.

Mayor Bonaccorso: I would say if Saturday or Sunday when Rahway's comes if you guys want to go up by the police station, I don't think that would be a bad idea. If you are around it is not mandatory. The one at Clark Commons just stay away from because we have no clue what is going to happen.

Councilman Toal: Have you been getting calls from the media?

Mayor Bonaccorso: Not yet.

Council Vice President Hund: I think it would be a good an idea like you said Sal that we show up and show that we are in support of the protesters, I think that I can make that assumption. As long as they are protestor and they are not antagonistic in they are doing it for the right reason, we are all in support of them so I would say that if we are there it would be a nice sigh of support for people coming through the town at that time.

Councilwoman Albanese: No additional comments.

Councilman Barr: No comments.

Councilman Mazzarella: No comments.

Councilman Smith: I am sorry Ralph; I know that you are devastated. That is all I have today.

Councilman Toal: God bless the Township of Clark because that kind of issue has happened here before and you just never know what you are going to deal with. It could be a simple thing or it could go right through the community. I just pray for the Chief, his men and for our mayor.

Township Clerk: I usually don't tell you about OPRA Requests, we get hundreds, but today... and the reason I am bring this up is because you may get phone calls. I just gave to our attorney the request from this person who wants every personal email address of anyone who has ever signed up for a notification through our website. I talked to the Chief about this today. They want an email for even the people who signed up through Nixel but we don't have a database for that. We have hundreds of people's email because when we do the blast (Ralph Bernardo: 2,700) 2,700 emails and it seems that we have to give them out. There is a case that Tinton Falls lost because they didn't give out the emails. Then they were forced to give it out because since it is a township website, in effect the Township is soliciting people to give their email address and so it is considered official business. So, anything in the course of official business...So, if you get calls, "how come my email...I am getting all of these emails!" my hands may be tied. Unless we want to take the chance and go to court but that is my neck on the line personally.

Mark Dugan: I will have an answer.

Council Vice President Hund asked for a motion to adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Toal, seconded by Councilwoman Albanese

Council Vice President Hund directed roll call: All Ayes

Aye: Albanese, Barr, Mazzarella, Smith, Toal, Hund

ADJOURNMENT