Borough of Surf City Governing Body Meeting Minutes

Mayor F. Hodgson called the meeting to order, reading the following statement: in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Borough Council has been provided to three newspapers and published in the February 18, 2021 issue of the Beach Haven Times. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting took place on a remote platform called GoTo Meeting. Notice of directions and call-in information had been published in the same edition of the Beach Haven Times and posted on the Borough website.

Roll call reflected the following members present: Councilman John G. Hadash, Councilman Peter Hartney, Councilman Wm. Hodgson, Council President John Klose, Councilman James B. Russell, Councilwoman Jaqueline L. Siciliano & Mayor Francis R. Hodgson. Absent: none.

All present joined Mayor F. Hodgson in a salute to the Flag.

Councilman Russell moved to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2021 regular meeting. Council President Klose seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Russell moved to approve the introduction and first reading by title for Ordinance 2021-12. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the following title was read and approved.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, 2000" AS THE SAME IN CHAPTER 17 SECTION 2.3 ENTITLED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Russell moved to open the public hearing for Ordinance 2021-10. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the public hearing was opened. Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none. There were no comments. Councilman Russell moved to close the public hearing for Ordinance 2021-10. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the public hearing was opened. Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Russell moved to approve the adoption and second reading by title for Ordinance 2021-10. Council President Klose seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the following was adopted.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, 2000" AS THE SAME IN CHAPTER 19 PERTAINS TO "BEACH RESORT REGULATIONS".

The Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City do ordain:

SECTION I

Sections 19-1.6(f) as same pertains to Fees, be and is hereby amended to read as follows: 9-1.6(f) Ten (\$10.00) dollars per person, per day, or any fractional part thereof, of the bathing season.

SECTION II

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION III

If any word, phrase, clause, section or provision of this ordinance shall be found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal, or unconstitutional, such word, phrase, clause, section or provision shall be severable from the balance of the ordinance and the remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final adoption according to law.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Russell moved to approve Resolution 2021-93. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, that the application of LBI Beverage, LLC trading as the Surf City Hotel, located at 800 Long Beach Boulevard, Surf City, New Jersey for the renewal of their Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1531-32-001-008 be and it is hereby approved and the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue the aforesaid renewal license effective July 1, 2021 with a "Broad Package Privilege".

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Hartney moved to approve Resolution 2021-94. Council President Klose seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, that the application of Anchor Wine and Spirits, LLC trading as Anchor Wine and Spirits, located at 1500 Long Beach Boulevard, Surf City, New Jersey for the renewal of their Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1531-32-002-004 be and it is hereby approved and the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue the aforesaid renewal license effective July 1, 2021 with a "Broad Package Privilege".

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Mayor F. Hodgson added that every bar room may sell packages from the bar rooms. This license allows packages to be sold in a separate sales area from the bar room.

Council President Klose moved to approve Resolution 2021-95. Councilman Russell seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to pay the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs Life Hazard Use Fee in the amount of \$771.00.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilwoman Siciliano moved to approve Resolution 2021-96. Council President Klose seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the required under our Community Flood Rating Program, the minutes of the Multi-jurisdictional Public Information Program for Long Beach Island be and is hereby approved as requested by the Clerk/Administrator who attended the meeting and recommends approval of the minutes.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Russell moved to approve Resolution 2021-97. Councilman Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to pay the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection Air Quality Permit invoice in the amount of \$190.00.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Russell moved to approve Resolution 2021-98. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to pay the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection vehicle registration invoice in the amount of \$1,424.00.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilwoman Siciliano moved to approve Resolution 2021-99. Councilman Russell seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Ordinances 04-09 and 04-11, a performance guarantee may be posted with the Borough for permanent curb installation at the time of exchange of ownership.

WHEREAS, the below listed person(s) posted a guarantee in the corresponding amount prior to the exchange of ownership;

WHEREAS, The Zoning Official made a final inspection and approved same to be in conformance with the Borough ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that the following guarantees may be released.

Frederick Loeloff for 112 N. 3rd Street in the amount of \$3,000.00. Lorraine Felber for 1012 N. Central Avenue in the amount of \$4,000.00. Bayview Property Development for 304 N. Central Avenue of \$4,000.00. Salvatore Scalora for 23 N. 2nd Street in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Russell moved to approve Resolution 2021-101. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that authorization be given to Shore Connection to replace a broken fire hydrant at 11th Street and Barnegat Avenue in the mount of \$7,500.00.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Hadash moved to approve Resolution 2021-104. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City wish to recognize those individuals currently serving as active members of the United States Military; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Governing Body to allow those individuals access to the Surf City Beaches at no cost for the year 2021; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that active Military personnel and their immediate family shall be granted access to Surf City beaches during the year 2021 without the necessary beach badge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said persons shall be required to provide the necessary military identification in order to qualify.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator be and is hereby given authorization to set forth any procedure which may be necessary in order to administer this process.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Mayor F. Hodgson read the Municipal Court and Chief Financial Officer's report for the month of April 2021.

Councilman Hadash provided the sanitation report and announced that the Department of Public Works is down ten employees. Concerns had been reported about the trash containers at the Bay beach. The Borough Superintendent will be assigning someone to collect the containers twice a day.

Councilman Russell thanked Councilwoman Siciliano for the fine job on the newly paved parking lot. The Beach Patrol is ready for the 2021 season. With that he moved Resolution 2021-102. Councilman Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the following was approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following listed individuals are appointed as employees in the Lifeguard Department effective as of this date at the corresponding weekly rate of pay, pending satisfactory approval of a physical and all eligibility requirements have been met prior to start date. Said appointments shall terminate on September 18, 2021.

1ST YEAR \$468.00

Brooke Batelli

Jack Kearns

Zachary Kandel

Tyler Taglieri

Emma Radice

Isabella Pollock

Jessie Ballingall

Kaden Jason

Justin Sullivan

Lindsay Goldberg

Jon James

Arabella Garrison

Sean Wosleger

Samantha Stinner

Theresa Byrne

Bridget McDermott

Cameron Mentzer

William Reardon

2nd YEAR \$475.00

Gabby Kovaly

Paige Menegus

Jaime Malandra

Kieran Hyland

Sean White

Matthew Sivo

Matthew Adams

Alexis Jackson

Parker Ballingall

Trevor Ballingall

Jared Kowlik

Emma David

3rd YEAR \$505.00

Gianna Antinora

Ava Ruff

Joshua Styler

Jake Westpy

Tom White

Kristen Ritter

Katelyn Romanovich

4th YEAR \$525.00

Natalie Davis

Liam Dougherty

Lukas Goldberg

Luke Guaracino

Connor McGeary

Ashley Sojak

Isabella Turner

Isabella Medina

5th YEAR \$545.00

Adam Clay

Patrick Reardon

Max Gaudioso

Alyssa Gesek

Patrick Reardon

6TH YEAR \$565.00

Patric Hyland

Louisa Kohlman

Julia Rothstein

Charlie Osborne

7TH YEAR \$585.00

Dorsey Grieve

Craig Turner

Scott Meggitt LIT Instructor

Eric Gilley

8TH YEAR \$615.00

Gabriella Hartney

Kelsey Hyland

Anna Esposito

Caitlin Lavery

10TH YEAR \$655.00

Emily Rothstein

12TH YEAR \$655.00

Lauren Rothstein LIT Instructor

14TH YEAR 3RD LIEUTENANT \$800.00

John (Connor) McMenamin

14th YEAR \$655.00

Kyle Gronostajski

17TH YEAR 2ND LIEUTENANT \$800.00

Ryan Bonanni

21st YEAR \$655.00

Laura Ashley Morris LIT Director

23rd YEAR \$655.00 Ross Reynolds LIT Instructor

25th YEAR 1st Lieutenant \$850.00 Collette Prete 1st Lieutenant

38th YEAR Mark Dileo Captain \$1,400.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mark Dileo be paid an hourly rate of \$23.00 for off-season and preparatory work. Lauren Rothstein, Ryan Bonanni, Kyle Gronostajski, Conner McMenamin, Collette Pretre & Ashley Morris shall be paid an hourly rate of \$15.00 off-season preparatory work, all hours to be approved by the Administrator, effective May 1, 2021 and shall terminate on October 15, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Charlie Osborne, Louisa Kohlman, and Scott Meggit be authorized to fill in for lieutenants in their absence at a rate of \$17.50 per hour. Julia Rothstein will substitute as $3^{\rm rd}$ lieutenant at a rate of \$750 per week.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LIT Director shall be paid at the rate of \$5 additional per hour that those lifeguards working as LIT Instructors shall be paid at the rate of \$2.50 additional per hour when working in that capacity.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: Mr. Hartney. Absent: none.

Councilman Wm. Hodgson provided the May 2021 statistical report. He moved Resolution 2021-105. Councilman Russell seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the following was approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that authorization be given to the lifeguard captain to purchase digital radios and a receiver in the approximate amount of \$10,200.00 from Discount Two Way radio.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Wm. Hodgson also announced that the Borough would be recovering \$187,862.99 for our response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This amount includes reimbursement for tipping

fees, personal protective equipment, and software to accommodate remote work. The Borough offices remained at service during the pandemic; the wages for the services provided during this time have been included in that amount. Councilman Wm. Hodgson thanked the Borough Clerk for her efforts in this application stating that this amount is close to the amount raising the taxes by one cent.

Mayor F. Hodgson also thanked the Borough employees for their dedication in remaining at service during the pandemic, when many other agencies closed to the public.

Councilwoman Siciliano remarked that the parking lot was also funded with grant money to improve accessibility. The Borough will soon be submitting the 2022 New Jersey Department of Transportation grant. It will be some time before we know if any grant monies have been awarded. The N. 3rd Street bulkhead will be inspected next week for some anticipated repairs.

Councilman Hartney commented on an article about the NJ Resiliency grant. This is a planning grant that the Borough is participating in. The article incorrectly stated the contact information, he requested that anyone interested should contact the Borough Clerk. It is also terrapin turtle breading season; please be on the lookout for nests. Councilman Hartney moved Resolution 2021-103. Councilman Russell seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the following was approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following listed individuals are appointed seasonal employees in the Bathing Beach Department, effective as of this date unless otherwise noted, and shall terminate on September 6, 2021 at the corresponding rate of pay.

BEACH BADGE CHECKER/SELLERS

1ST Year \$12.00 per hour

Botulinski, Emma

Brady, Helen

D'Adamo, Lindsey

Dougherty, Bridget

Kennedy, Jr., James

LaRosa, Tina

Manco, Samantha

McKinney, Molly

Miller, Benjamin

Oerther, Ethan

Palmer, Aaron

Paul, Brycelynn

Pena, Roxanne

Potter, Hailey

Romano, James

Sojak, Alyson Wright, Kyle Wavrek, Kathryn

2nd Year \$12.25 per hour

Christensen, Sage
Gridley, Aidan
Palmer, Benjamin
Roberts, Christopher
Shuron, Samantha
Smith, Emily Francis
Sprague, Evan
Wright, Isabelle

3rd Year \$12.50 /per hour

Leidemer, Tyler Shoemaker, Jake

5th Year \$13.00/per hour

Gerhardt, Kayla Haberstroh, Lucas

6th Year \$13.00 /per hour

Malandra, Matthew

FILL IN ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR - \$13.50 /per hour

Jake Shoemaker Sage Christensen Isabelle Wright

ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR

Elizabeth Cassidy - 1st Year \$13.50 per hour Sarah Miele - 3rd Year \$13.75 per hour Kayla Gerhardt - 3rd Year \$13.75 per hour Lucas Haberstoh - 3rd Year \$13.75 per hour

SUPERVISOR

Renee Pawlishak, -11th year - \$772

BEACH BADGE BOOTH

Jeannie Frazier \$13.00 per hour Katherine Lynch - \$13.00 per hour Tyler Kaliner - \$13.00 per hour

BOAT RAMP ATTENDANT/BEACH BADGE CHECKER/SELLER

Matthew Malandra – 6^h year - \$13.00/per hour Vincent Bonpietro - 5rd year - \$13.00/per hour Lucas Haberstroh - 5th year - \$13.00/per hour Tyler Kaliner – 1st Year - \$12.00/per hour Andrew Guzik – 1st Year \$12.00 per hour

Council President Klose mentioned all was well in water and sewer. He moved to approve Resolution 2021-100. Councilman Russell seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that authorization be given to the Water Superintendent to purchase materials to repair the pump house valve in Well #5.

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

A letter Barbara Kronberger requesting a memorial bench at Shore Avenue and N. 2nd Street. The Borough Superintendent will be overseeing the request. Councilman Russell moved to approve the request. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative the request was approved. Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

A letter from Sarah Roe, representative for New Jersey State PBA 175, requesting to conduct a 5K run through Surf City. The request is approved on the contingency that any supplies needed be delivered by public works during normal business hours. If Borough employees wish to participate in any capacity for this event, it would be on their own time, on a volunteer basis. Councilman Russell moved to approve the request. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative the request was approved. Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

A letter from Arlene Morrison requesting to "Turn the Town Teal" to raise awareness for ovarian cancer. This request was approved on the contingency that are no solicitations for donations and the teal décor be removed immediately following the event. Councilman Russell moved to approve the request. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative the request was approved. Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr.

Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

A letter from Kyle Costabile, Surf City Fire Company Chief, requesting to conduct a "Picnic in the Park" event at Richard A. Zachariae Ball Field on July 30, 2021 with a rain date. The request is approved on the contingency that any supplies needed be delivered by public works during normal business hours. If Borough employees are to participate in any capacity for this event, it would be on their own time, on a volunteer basis. Councilman Wm. Hodgson moved to approve the request. Council President Klose seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative the request was approved. Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Russell moved to approve the bills. Council President Klose seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the bills were approved to be paid.

BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, N.J. that the appurtenances known as "Scheduled Payment Reports@ containing vouchers to be paid in the total amounts of:

Water & Sewer \$58,542.75

Current \$519,770.05

Payroll Account \$218,285.91

Dog License Account \$0.00

Ice Cream Vendor Account \$0.00

Escrow Release \$12,000.00

Tax Certificate Account \$0.00

are hereby ordered paid and the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to draw an order upon the Borough Treasurer for same.

Approved by: Council President Klose Councilman Hartney Councilman Russell

Dated: June 09, 2021.

/s/ Francis R. Hodgson, Mayor

Roll call reflected the following votes in approval: Mr. Hadash, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Klose, Mr. Russell & Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Mayor F. Hodgson called for any comments from the public.

Gerry Little, from 259 N. 9th Street assured everyone that Ocean County, where he serves as a commissioner, will not be charging for an air permit. He thanked Mayor Hodgson and Council for getting through the pandemic and congratulated Council members elected in the primary. He went on to thank all Borough Departments and employees for their service and Councilman Russell for the Memorial Day event. Finally, he recognized Mayor F. Hodgson for all of his efforts to make the COVID-19 vaccines accessible to Long Beach Island. Mayor F. Hodgson organized all of the LBI mayors to advocate for local access for the vaccine, which is why a mega site was created for Southern Ocean County and one at the Long Beach Island Health Department.

Mayor F. Hodgson thanked Commissioner Little for his cooperation and support. He also praised the Borough employees again for their efforts and dedication to the Borough during the pandemic.

There were no further comments.

Councilman Russell moved to adjourn the meeting. Council President Klose seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Christine Hannemann, RMC/CMR/QPA

Borough Clerk/Administrator