

M I N U T E S
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council
Monday, April 21, 2014
8:00 P.M.

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER -

Mayor Moscaritolo called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall.

SILENT PRAYER - FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Moscaritolo called for a moment of silent prayer and reflection and asked Councilwoman Busteed to lead the salute to the flag.

MISSION STATEMENT & OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS -

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Mission Statement into the record as follows:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and attend any meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with this act the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge have caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Borough Hall and notices have been sent to the Record and the Ridgewood News.

The mission of this governing body is to provide essential services through the establishment and implementation of public policy that will safeguard our infrastructure provide honest, courteous and professional services; and establish a sense of trust and accomplishment with our residents. Through research and prudent planning we seek to minimize risks while improving our services. We are sensitive to the needs of our taxpayers while realizing that this governing body cannot be all things to all people within the revenue constraints imposed by state mandates, economic conditions and prevailing attitudes about taxation.

ROLL CALL - Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda, Councilman Papaleo and Mayor Moscaritolo were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council work session and regular meeting of April 7, 2014.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Special Meeting of April 10, 2014.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilwoman Busteed abstained.

PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS -

Mayor Moscaritolo read a proclamation honoring Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Denise Dondiego and her husband Bob have resided in the same home in River Edge for over 40 years where they raised their two children, Danielle and Craig; and

WHEREAS, in 1986 Denise answered an ad in the Town Newsletter for a part-time position in the Borough's Construction Department and was hired on the spot by then Clerk/Administrator Angela Grillo; and

WHEREAS, Denise transferred from the Construction Department to the

Finance Department where she continued to impress the governing body and her fellow co-workers with her professionalism in Accounts Receivable; and

WHEREAS in 1992, then Treasurer Alan Negreann, asked Denise if she would be interested in the Deputy Borough Clerk position; to which she was promptly appointed; and

WHEREAS, during the next 12 years as Deputy Borough Clerk, Denise continued her track record of excellent public service and continued her education by obtaining her State Certification as a Municipal Registered Clerk; and

WHEREAS, in 2004 Denise was appointed as the Municipal Registered Borough Clerk and over the past ten years has always served in a compassionate and professional manner earning the respect of the Governing Body, fellow employees and residents of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge desire to express their heartfelt appreciation and celebrate a day of recognition.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor of the Borough of River Edge and on behalf of the Borough Council hereby proclaim tomorrow, April 22, 2014 as:

Denise Dondiego Day, in the Borough of River Edge.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: April 21, 2014

Bergen County Freeholder John Felice, on behalf of the Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders presented Denise Dondiego with a Certificate of Commendation honoring her for the 27 years of dedicated service to the Borough of River Edge and to the high standard of excellence that she has achieved in her career.

Freeholder Felice stated that it was a great honor to be a Councilman in River Edge and considered it a great honor to work with Denise. He thanked her for her professionalism and impartiality and commended her for never letting politics get in the way of doing her job. He congratulated her on her retirement.

Mayor Moscaritolo read a Certificate of Commendation from County Executive Kathleen Donovan as follows:

This is a Certificate of Commendation Honoring
Denise Dondiego in Appreciation of 27 Years of Service
and Dedication to the Residents of River Edge.

Kathleen Donovan, County Executive

Police Chief Tom Cariddi read a letter as follows:

Dear Denise:

On behalf of the River Edge Police Department, I would like to extend our most heartfelt congratulations to you on your forthcoming retirement. Although your departure will no doubt offer many well deserved opportunities for the future, it also marks a sad time for those of us in the Borough who have come to rely on you in countless ways. You have always been a constant professional who helped as a model on how to handle many difficult tasks. Even in times when you've endured a private frustration or two, your steady demeanor and cheerful disposition helped those around you keep a positive perspective as well. Despite how difficult and far-reaching the many obligations of your position, I can think of no time when you failed to meet those tasks in both a proficiency and attitude that I have always admired. It's been a true honor and privilege to work closely with you over the years, I wish you success in all of your future endeavors.

Denise Dondiego-stated that if anyone had told her over 27 years ago that she would be standing here retiring as the Borough Clerk, she would have laughed at them. She feels very fortunate to say that she loves her job and also stated that not only are our volunteers wonderful but our employees are wonderful and feels very blessed to have had the opportunity to work with so many talented and dedicated people. Denise thanked her Deputy Judy, after many years of working together, often finished each others sentences and also thanked Alan for his support and always being a wealth of knowledge. She feels that the town is very lucky to have the best CFO in the state. Denise acknowledged Alphonse Bartelloni in the audience and stated that she has been very fortunate to have worked with wonderful Mayor's and Council's who have always acted in a professional manner. Although she is looking forward to retirement, she feels sad to leave after so many years.

Assemblyman Tim Eustace-stated that on behalf of Senator Gordon, Assemblyman Lagana and himself, all of them have served on local council's and they know the job that Denise has done. To be the Clerk means to be mother, father, counselor, negotiator and he knows how much the town appreciates what she does. He congratulated her on her retirement and presented her with a joint resolution from the Senate and Assembly.

Mayor Moscaritolo also presented Denise Dondiego a vase which was inscribed as follows:

*Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk
Borough of River Edge
2004 - 2014
In Grateful Recognition
Mayor & Council
2014*

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring April 25, 2014 as Arbor Day as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, In 1872 J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called ARBOR DAY was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, ARBOR DAY is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor of the Borough of River Edge, do hereby proclaim

*April 25, 2014
AS*

ARBOR DAY

in the Borough of River Edge, and I urge all citizens to celebrate ARBOR DAY and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands; and

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and further generations.

Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor

Dated: April 21, 2014

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the Arbor Day proclamation to Shade Tree Commission members: Liz Stewart, Margo Pohl and Jennifer Dougherty.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 1st through May 31st as Annual Poppy Sale Days as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Annual Poppy Sale by the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars has been officially recognized and endorsed by the Government leaders; and

WHEREAS, the Poppies are assembled by disabled veterans, and the proceeds of this worthy fund-raising campaign are used exclusively for the benefit of disabled and needy veterans, and the widows and orphans of deceased veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor of the Borough of River Edge, do hereby urge the citizens of this community to recognize their merits of this cause by contributing generously to its support through the purchase of Poppies from May 1st through May 31st, 2014, the designated Annual Poppy Sale days in the Borough of River Edge, and do further urge all citizens to support the American Legion Auxiliary of the Sgt. Walter Scott Brown Unit #226, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary of the Caldorney-Klaiber-Frost Post NO. 876 of River Edge by buying and wearing a Poppy.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: April 21, 2014

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the proclamation to Peggy White.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 1, 2014 as Loyalty Day in River Edge as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the citizens of this community are extremely proud of this Nations

more than 200 year Heritage of Freedom and are loyal to the ideals, traditions and institutions which have made our nation so great; and

WHEREAS, many Americans display their loyalty through careers in public service. Members of our Armed Forces ensure that our Nation remains strong and secure, as well as defend democracy around the world. Many citizens give their time to causes greater than themselves through charitable, civic or church activities to demonstrate their loyalty by working to improve our country and the lives of its people; and

WHEREAS, Loyalty Day recognizes the solemn bond between America and its citizens. It provides an opportunity to recognize those who demonstrate their loyalty every day and challenges all of us to find more ways to contribute to the greater good of our country; and

WHEREAS, this glorious occasion will serve as a reminder of the loyalty of the members of the Veteran's of Foreign Wars throughout the United States, a loyalty they displayed while serving in our armed forces during war times.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor of the Borough of River Edge, in recognition thereof, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2014 as:

LOYALTY DAY IN RIVER EDGE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Borough of River Edge to be affixed this April 21, 2014.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: April 21, 2014

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the proclamation to Peggy White.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC ON ANY ISSUE ON THE AGENDA -

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open meeting to the public on any issue.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Peggy White-741 Center Avenue-thanked Denise for her many years of dedication and wished her well in her retirement.

CLOSE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC ON ANY ISSUE ON THE AGENDA -

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close meeting to the public on any issue.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

OPEN HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED BUDGET OF 2014

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open hearing on amendment to the approved budget of 2014.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

CLOSE HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED BUDGET OF 2014

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close hearing on amendment to the approved budget of 2014.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES -

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the hire of Stephanie Evans, 50 Chestnut Street, North Arlington, New Jersey as Borough Clerk, with an annual B Scale Step I Salary of \$56,660.00, with a six-month probationary period contingent on completion of medical examination, effective April 22, 2014.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Mayor Moscaritolo administered the Oath of Office to Stephanie Evans.

Motion by Councilman Mignone, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to approve the salary increase of Craig Casey, Patrolman in the Police Department from an annual salary of \$106,630.00 to \$115,160.00 for performing duties of Sergeant for 75 days per the PBA contract, Article 30, effective April 4, 2014.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve the appointment of Alphonse Bartelloni to the Green Team, effective immediately to December 31, 2015.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Mayor Moscaritolo administered the Oath of Office to Alphonse Bartelloni.

Motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to approve the appointment of Theresa Esposito, 259 Woodland Avenue to the Special Events Committee, effective immediately to December 31, 2015.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Mayor Moscaritolo administered the Oath of Office to Theresa Esposito.

CORRESPONDENCE -

Notice	-	Public Service Electric & Gas - 4/7/14 Re: Rate changes
Letter	-	New Jersey General Assembly - 4/16/14 Re: Confirming Receipt of Resolution #14-142 Supporting Line Item for Historic New Bridge Landing

MONTHLY REPORTS -

Building Department	-	March 2014
Historic Commission	-	March 2014
Fire Prevention	-	January-March 2014

LIAISON REPORTS -

Councilwoman Murphy - Liaison to Shade Tree Commission, Library, Environmental Protection Commission, Green Team, Technology Committee, New Milford and Oradell Shared Services Committee - welcomed Alphonse Bartelloni to the Green Team and stated that they're also looking for help on the Environmental Commission. She reminded everyone that Arbor Day will be celebrated on April 25th and the Shade Tree Commission will have ceremonies at Cherry Hill Schools at 10 a.m. and Roosevelt School at 1:00 p.m. Councilwoman Murphy reported that the Library will be hosting an author luau on Saturday after the River Edge Run at 2 p.m. There are five River Edge authors who will be reading from their novels and taking questions and answers from the public.

Councilman Cappola - Liaison to Recreation Commission, Senior Citizens co-liaison, Beautification Committee, Special Events Committee, Technology Committee - reported that topics of discussion at the Recreation Commission were the River Edge Run, defibrillators in the parks, the Continental Avenue proposed crossing, and the proposed Community Center. Councilman Cappola reported that two of the members in charge of SCORE had asked him to look into reduced food services or meals for the two days that they meet. He did speak to someone at the County and found that unfortunately they do not qualify because they don't meet at least five times a week. He reminded everyone that the Beautification Committee has an upcoming plant sale and encouraged everyone to participate in the upcoming events.

Councilwoman Busted - Liaison to Senior Citizens, Co-liaison, Historic Commission, Traffic & Safety Committee, Special Events Committee - reported that the Historic Commission met last month and feels that they are a very active group and are doing great work in trying to preserve our historical assets in River Edge. She stated that they are very grateful for the new equipment that they will be getting and will put it to good use immediately. Councilwoman Busted thanked them for their efforts and feels lucky to have them. She reported that the Mayor and Council have the review from Arthur Neiss regarding the historic element to the master plan and hopes that they will move swiftly to give the Commission an answer so they can move forward. Councilwoman Busted announced that the Traffic & Safety will be meeting in May and they will be changing the time to the evening to accommodate members who work full-time during the day. Councilwoman Busted reported that the Special Events Committee is working on July 4th events and are also working on a new event, movie night, in October.

Councilman Mignone - Liaison to DPW, Zoning Sub-Committee, Redevelopment, New Milford and Oradell Shared Services Committee - reported that there was no Zoning Board meeting due to lack of an agenda. He also reported that the Riverside Cooperative is ready to go out to bid for the road resurfacing project and is sure that our residents will be pleased because many of the roads are in need of repair. He stated that bids are due in May, so hopefully by mid-summer they can start repaving. He stated that the Mayor and Council increased the budget this year for road improvements because the roads took a beating after the harsh winter.

Councilman Acquafredda - Liaison to Construction Code Official, Property Maintenance, Planning Sub Committee, Technology Committee, River Edge and River Dell Schools - reported that he is unable to attend the River Dell Board of Ed because it is scheduled for this evening. He received an invitation from Dr. Ben Dov to attend Wednesday's meeting at Cherry Hill where the architect will report on the space assessment walkthrough that he has conducted at Cherry Hill. Councilman Acquafredda will report back to the Council next month. He reported that on the Planning Board Attorney's advice, the Total Wine signage application had a defect in it which they will discuss at the next work session/regular meeting. He continued to say that the status of the application for an increased area of signage will not adversely affect the issuance of the certificate of occupancy, so they can stick to their grand opening schedule.

Councilman Papaleo - Liaison to Police Department, Fire/Fire Prevention, River Edge Alliance Against Alcohol & Drugs - reported that he's had weekly and frequent meetings with the Police Chief, PBA and the Police Department and the Chief had given him a highlighted report that he shared with the Council. The report stated that April 1st through the 21st, the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic & Safety commenced the Distracted Driving 2014 Statewide Enforcement Initiative and to date, the Police Department has issued in excess of 100 moving summons during the month of April which included local offenses as well as distracted driving. He feels that this is a great service because it not only makes drivers aware of the dangers behind the wheel but it protects our children and families as they walk through the town. Councilman Papaleo reported that the Police Department was contracted with the Bergen County Prosecutors office regarding a soon to be paroled individual with a history of sexual offenses against a minor. A follow-up investigation by Sergeant Cheevers revealed that the individual will reside in close proximity to a grade school and he expressed his concern to the Prosecutors Office who indicated that the individual's

placement was in the hands of the Department of Corrections Parole Offices. After Sergeant Cheevers contacted the Department of Corrections and made them aware of the Police Departments concerns, he was assured that the individual would not reside in River Edge following his release. Councilman Papaleo thanked the Chief and Sergeant Cheevers for their diligence. Councilman Papaleo had requested more information on hires especially for the Sergeant's position, testing costs have been absorbed by current budget funds. He informed everyone that the test will be taken by mid-September and the list for the study books is out but the Chief followed-up on the publishing date to make sure our applicants are getting the proper books. The Chief is confident that by October/November, he will be able to bring a decision before the Mayor and Council for the Sergeants position. He reported that the Fire Department has responded to 85 calls, they recently held a training session on vehicle extrication and structure drill on search and rescue techniques. They will also be helping out the Recreation Commission with the River Edge Run on the 26th and the two new junior firefighters will begin their training at the Bergen County Fire Academy the week of June 16th and run for 6 weeks, 5 days a week. The Fire Department is currently seeking new members and Councilman Papaleo gave the telephone number (201-599-7333) if anyone is interested. He encouraged everyone to take a look at the website, www.riveredgefire.org for information. Councilman Papaleo spoke with firefighter Stu Heinzinger who informed him that he is taking the Fire Inspectors course and commended him for continuing his training. Councilman Papaleo reported that the Municipal Alliance is continuing to fund worthwhile projects in the town such as Project Graduation at the High School, yoga and nutrition classes that will be held in the spring at the Library. These programs are in conjunction with the Mayor's Wellness Campaign. Their fiscal year is coming up, July 1st to June 30, 2015 and stated that this is a change in law because it used to be January 1st to the 31st and believes that a full grant with be coming. Also, the River Edge Walk is a fundraiser for the Alliance and the Chairperson, Marie Papaleo will be working the booth and encouraged everyone to participate.

Mayor Moscaritolo - River Edge Ambulance Service - reported that Ambulance Service responded to a resident who was in cardiac arrest and successfully transported the patient to the hospital. On March 7th, the patient was able to walk out of the hospital which is evidence of a true CPR save. The Mayor also reported that REVAS so far this year, have responded to 202 calls. They will be covering the River Edge Run and will be handing out information on how to join as well as emergency first aid information. For additional information, they may be contact Donna Sanders or look at their Facebook page. The Mayor officiated a wedding before the meeting this evening and thanked the couple for making a donation to the Ambulance Service.

ORDINANCES - 1ST READING - NONE

ORDINANCE - 2ND READING -

Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #1805 as follows:

Ordinance #1805 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE CHAPTER 400 "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" ARTICLE II "PARKING, STANDING AND STOPPING", BY REPEALING 400.10.1 "PAID PARKING ZONES"

Ordinance #1805 was introduced by Councilman Mignone, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy at the April 7, 2014 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE #1805

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE CHAPTER 400 "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC", ARTICLE II "PARKING, STANDING AND STOPPING", BY REPEALING 400-10.1 "PAID PARKING ZONES"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that Chapter 400 "Vehicles & Traffic" of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of River Edge is hereby amended by repealing the following section:

Section I: 400-10.1 Paid Parking Zones in its entirety.

All ordinances inconsistent with the provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies only.

Section II:

If any provision of this ordinance are found to be invalid, for any reason, by the final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such portions shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance,

which shall be severable therefrom.

Section III:

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Denise A. Dondiego, RMC
Borough Clerk

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1805

Motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1805

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1805

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adopt Ordinance #1805.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #1806 as follows:

Ordinance #1806 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,330,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Ordinance #1806 was introduced by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone at the April 7, 2014 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

ORDINANCE #1806

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,330,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements in, by and for said Borough, as more particularly described in

Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough anticipates receiving a grant in the amount of \$319,900 from the County of Bergen to finance the cost of the installation of barrier-free curbs described in Section 4.H hereof. Any of said grant funds received shall be applied as set forth in Section 12 hereof. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Borough.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (3) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (4) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Supplemental funding for the replacement of the HVAC system at the Municipal Building. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$320,000 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 1763 adopted on April 16, 2012.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 50,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 48,000
Period of Usefulness	15 years

B. Undertaking of various improvements to Cherry Blossom Park.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 26,400
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,300
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 25,100
Period of Usefulness	15 years

C. Supplemental funding for the undertaking of various improvements to the River Edge Senior/Community Center. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$100,000 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 1789 adopted on May 6, 2013.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 151,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 7,250
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 144,250
Period of Usefulness	15 years

D. Supplemental funding for the undertaking of HVAC improvements at the Public Library. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$25,100 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 1789 adopted on May 6, 2013.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 62,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 59,000
Period of Usefulness	15 years

E. Undertaking of sidewalk improvements at various locations in the Borough.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 6,100
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 505
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 5,595
Period of Usefulness	10 years

F. Undertaking of storm water drainage and sanitary sewer improvements at various locations in the Borough.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 150,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 7,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 142,500

Period of Usefulness

40 years

G. Undertaking of the 2014 Road Resurfacing and Improvement Program (including curbing and sidewalk improvements, where necessary) in, by and for the Borough, as set forth on a list prepared by the Borough Engineer and approved by the Borough Council and directed to be placed on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk and made available for public inspection during normal business hours. It is hereby determined and stated that (i) the Borough Council may, by resolution, amend such list from time to time within the appropriation made hereby and (ii) such roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 405,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 20,250
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 384,750
Period of Usefulness	10 years

H. Installation of barrier-free curbs at various crosswalk locations in the Borough.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 319,900
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 15,995
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 303,905
Period of Usefulness	10 years

I. Construction of a municipal parking lot on Borough-owned property located on Grove Street.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 50,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 47,500
Period of Usefulness	10 years

J. Replacement of emergency exit doors at the Public Library.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 7,100
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 350
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 6,750
Period of Usefulness	15 years

K. Replacement of light fixtures at Kenneth B. George Park.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 101,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 4,850
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 96,150
Period of Usefulness	15 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$1,330,000
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 66,500
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$1,263,500

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$51,100 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$66,500, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$66,500 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,263,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,263,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If

the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 14.88 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$1,263,500 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 14. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 15. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk

Dated:

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1806

Motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to open

hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1806

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1806

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adopt Ordinance #1806.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #1807 as follows:

Ordinance #1807 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES AND A NEW FIRE ENGINE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$810,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Ordinance #1807 was introduced by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone at the April 7, 2014 as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

ORDINANCE #1807

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES AND A NEW FIRE ENGINE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$810,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new information technology equipment, new communication and signal systems equipment, new additional furnishings and new automotive vehicles and a new fire engine, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said Borough, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of

such improvements is not a current expense of said Borough.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (3) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (4) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Acquisition of a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of a dump truck with various attachments for the use of the Department of Public Works ("DPW").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$208,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 10,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$198,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years

B. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery for the use of the DPW consisting of (i) a mower, (ii) a tire changing machine and (iii) an asphalt hot box.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 70,600
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,370
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 67,230
Period of Usefulness	15 years

C. Acquisition of a new pumper fire engine, including original apparatus and equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$406,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 19,340
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$386,660
Period of Usefulness	10 years

D. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new communication and signal systems equipment and a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, for the use of the Fire Department consisting of (i) turnout gear, (ii) pagers, (iii) self-contained breathing apparatus equipment and (iv) an SUV.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$100,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 4,800
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 95,700
Period of Usefulness	5 years

E. Acquisition of new information technology equipment and new additional furnishings for the use of the Historic Preservation Commission consisting of (i) computer equipment and (ii) a fireproof cabinet.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 3,150
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 150
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 3,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years

F. Acquisition of new communication and signal systems equipment and new information technology equipment for the use of the Police Department consisting of (i) radios and (ii) computer equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 21,750
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,840
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 18,910
Period of Usefulness	5 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$810,000
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 40,500
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$769,500

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$12,081 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local

Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$40,500, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$40,500 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$769,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$769,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 8.38 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$769,500 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 14. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 15. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the

payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Attest: Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk

Dated:

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1807

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteded, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1807

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteded, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1807

Motion by Councilman Acquafredda, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to adopt Ordinance #1807.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteded, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

RESOLUTIONS - By Consent

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve resolution #14-189 through #14-200.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteded, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

#14-189 Resolution to Go Into Closed Session and Exclude 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 enumerated 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 River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the public shall be excluded from the May 5, 2014 meeting and discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matter:

<u>Closed Session</u>		<u>Statutory</u>
<u>Docket #</u>	<u>Item Title or Description</u>	<u>Reference</u>

To be determined by reference to the Borough Clerk's Agenda for the above meeting.

2. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public within a reasonable time, the substance of which will be released after the Mayor and Council or the specific authorized public body has reviewed and specifically accepted the data.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

April 21, 2014

#14-190 Enter Into Agreement with Capital Alternatives, Demarest House, 618 River Road, New Milford, New Jersey 07646 for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a Grant Consultant for the Borough of River Edge for the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP); and

WHEREAS, the Local Public contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, Capital Alternatives has certified that this meets the statute and regulations governing the award of said contract; and

WHEREAS, a standard certification declaration for an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service has been received by the Governing Body from the Borough Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the annual aggregate value of the service may exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, Capital Alternatives has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Capital Alternatives has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of River Edge Governing Body in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Capital Alternatives from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-20-1652-172 of the Current Fund in the amount not to exceed \$8,000.00 subject to the Governing Body making sufficient funds available in the 2014 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed this matter at a work session on April 7, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with Capital Alternatives, Demarest House, 618 River Road, New Milford, New Jersey 07646 in the amount not to exceed \$8,000.00.
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the service performed is by a person authorized to practice a recognized profession.
4. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the RIDGEWOOD NEWS for publication.

April 21, 2014

#14-191 Adopting 2014 Municipal Budget

WHEREAS, the 2014 Municipal Budget was approved by resolution #14-117 on March 3, 2014; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-6, was advertised in THE RIDGEWOOD NEWSPAPER on March 28, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the budget was held on April 7, 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Local Municipal Budget appropriating \$14,715,482.17 be hereby adopted for the fiscal year 2014.

April 21, 2014

#14-192 Authorize Severance and Accumulated Absence Payments to Denise A. Dondiego

WHEREAS, Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk, has submitted a notification that she will retire as an employee of the Borough of River Edge on May 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge adopted Ordinance #585, on September 9, 1973 and amended it via Ordinance #814 dated March 21, 1982 and Ordinance #1736 dated September 6, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance #585 as amended provides for severance pay when an employee serves the Borough after twenty (20) years or more of continuous service; and

WHEREAS, Section V, Subject 1 of the Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual of the Borough of River Edge states that the Municipal Governing body shall approve all payments for accumulated absences and other severance payment; and

WHEREAS, Article 20 provides for the payment of any unused vacation due her in that calendar year; and

WHEREAS, a certification by the Chief Financial Officer in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-15.4 has been received and is on file with the Borough Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that the Chief Financial Officer and the Finance Department are hereby authorized to make payment to Denise A. Dondiego for any amounts due per Ordinance #585 and accumulated vacation or other time as certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

April 21, 2014

#14-193 Grant Raffle License to St. Peter the Apostle Church

BE IT RESOLVED that the following license to conduct an On Premise 50/50 Raffle to St. Peter the Apostle Church, 445 Fifth Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey, 07661, License #649, I.D. 423-1-27855 to take place at Veteran's Memorial Park, Continental Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey on June 29, 2014 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Clerk reporting all in order.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said license shall be issued subject to all rules and regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Control of the State of New Jersey.

April 21, 2014

#14-194 Resolution Authorizing the Place to Place Transfer of Liquor License to E.G. Holding Corp., T/A Total Wine & More

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a Place-to-Place Transfer of Plenary Retail Distribution License Number 0252-44-005-003, issued to E.G. Holding Corp., T/A Total Wine & More for the premises located at 1001 Main Street, Store 303, River Edge, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions consistent with Title 33; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough

of River Edge does hereby approve, effective June 5, 2014, the Place-to-Place Transfer of the Plenary Retail Distribution License Number 0252-44-005-003 that is issued to E.G. Holding Corp., T/A Total Wine & More from its former location at 135 Kinderkamack Road, River Edge, New Jersey to the premises located at 1001 Main Street, Store 303, River Edge, New Jersey, and does hereby direct the Borough Clerk/A.B.C. Board Secretary to endorse the license certificate as follows: "This license, subject to all of its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred to the premises located at 1001 Main Street, Store 303, River Edge, New Jersey, effective June 5, 2014."

April 21, 2014

#14-195 Authorize Tax Collector to Cancel 2014 Preliminary Taxes on a Tax Exempt Property

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas Ulbrich, has qualified for a 100% Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption after providing the necessary documents to prove his status and the Tax Assessor approved his application in 2013 and exempted the property for 2014; and

WHEREAS, the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2014 were billed and remain open.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector cancels the 2014 preliminary taxes and adjusts her records accordingly.

<u>BL/Lot Amount</u>	<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>
1302/35	Thomas Ulbrich 84 Elizabeth Street River Edge, NJ 07661	1 st	2,420.40
		2 nd	2,420.39
Total:			4,840.79

April 21, 2014

14-196 Authorize Tax Collector to Cancel 2014 Preliminary Taxes on a Tax Exempt Property

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert Schulze, has qualified for a 100% Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption after providing the necessary documents to prove his status and the Tax Assessor approved his application in 2013 and exempted the property for 2014; and

WHEREAS, the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2014 were billed and remain open.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector cancels the 2014 preliminary taxes and adjusts her records accordingly.

<u>BL/Lot Amount</u>	<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>
907/19	Robert Schulze 238 Beech Drive S. River Edge, NJ 07661	1 st	2,563.69
		2 nd	2,563.68
Total:			5,127.37

April 21, 2014

#14-197 Authorize Tax Collector to Cancel 2014 Preliminary Taxes on a Tax Exempt Property

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert F. Miller, has qualified for a 100% Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption after providing the necessary documents to prove his status and the Tax Assessor approved his application in 2013 and exempted the property for 2014; and

WHEREAS, the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2014 were billed and remain open.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector cancels the 2014 preliminary taxes and adjusts her records accordingly.

<u>BL/Lot</u> <u>Amount</u>	<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Cancelled</u>
902/5	Richard F. Miller 255 Manchester Road River Edge, NJ 07661	1 st 2 nd	2,520.62 2,520.62
		Total:	5,041.24

April 21, 2014

#14-198 Authorize Redemption and Disbursement of Tax Sale Certificate

WHEREAS, at the Tax Sale held on December 1, 2009, Certificate #2009-5 was sold to Robert Rothman on the property known as 278 Taft Court, River Edge, New Jersey, Block: 1108 Lot: 23, owner of record: James & Margaret Bergin; and

WHEREAS, Robert Rothman, had also paid a premium in the amount of \$7,200.00 which was held in escrow by the Borough of River Edge; and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Barrett, Counselor at Law, has requested a redemption amount on behalf of the homeowner on the above certificate as of 4/21/14 and through Mega Title LLC, the settlement agent, has submitted a certified check in the amount of \$96,220.60 to redeem the above lien.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Accounts Supervisor is hereby authorized to issue 2 checks, one in the amount of \$96,220.60 for the redemption of the lien and one in the amount of \$7,200.00 which was held in escrow, both payable to Robert Rothman and the Tax Collector to redeem the lien and adjust her records accordingly.

Please make the checks payable to:

Robert Rothman
Attorney At Law
409 Grand Avenue
Englewood, NJ 07631

April 21, 2014

#14-199 Amend Agreement with Capital Alternatives, Demarest House, 619 River Road, New Milford, New Jersey 07646 for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services - Resolution #13-158

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge adopted resolution #13-158 on April 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, this agreement provided for grant consultant services for the Borough of River Edge; and

WHEREAS, this resolution authorized Capital Alternatives to submit applications on behalf of the Borough of River Edge; and

WHEREAS, no applications were submitted under this contract but the Mayor and Council, at the work session meeting of April 7, 2014, have authorized Capital Alternatives to submit an application under the Safe Routes to Schools Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that the scope of services for resolution #13-158 is hereby amended to include an application for Safe Routes to Schools.

April 21, 2014

#14-200 Change Order #3 Approval and Amendatory Contract for the Howland Avenue (Section 6) Phase IV Roadway Improvement Project (from Colonial Court to Bogert Road) to Reggio Construction, Inc., 1575 West Street, Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.2 lists the requirements for all Change Orders; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge awarded a contract on November 5, 2012 via resolution #12-375 in the amount of \$145,551.08 to Reggio Construction, Inc.; amended via resolution #13-95 in the amount of \$1,950.00 dated February 19, 2013 and amended via resolution #13-239 in the amount of \$6,300.00 dated June 3, 2013; and

WHEREAS Change Order #3 reflects an increase in quantity for milling, concrete vertical curb, concrete block retaining wall, traffic stripes in the amount of \$5,985.65; a decrease in quantity for soil erosion and sediment control, top soil, sawcutting, porous fill, crushed stone, surface and base course, piping, fuel price adjustment, traffic stripes and traffic signs in a decreased amount of \$(6,104.07) for a total decreased amount of \$(118.42); and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has recommended the above change.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of River Edge shall enter into a written amendatory contract with Reggio Construction, Inc., for Change Order #3 for a decreased amount of \$(118.42) bringing the total contract to \$153,682.66.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the exact form of this amendatory contract shall be at the discretion of the Borough Attorney and the Mayor and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to execute said contract, and Change Order #3.

April 21, 2014

Councilman Mignone read resolution #14-201 into the record.

Motion by Councilman Mignone to approve resolution #14-201.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteded, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

#14-201 Payment of Bills

WHEREAS, vouchers for the payment of goods and services rendered to the Borough of River Edge have been received; and

WHEREAS, each bill has been checked by the receiving department, approved by the Chief Financial Officer and Borough Clerk and reviewed by the three members of the Finance Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that bills as listed now be confirmed for payment from the appropriate funds as follows:

CURRENT ACCOUNT	\$481,057.28
RECREATION ACCOUNT	\$ 1,217.55
TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT	\$ 9,840.19
OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT	\$ 6,263.25
TRUST OTHER DEVELOPERS ACCOUNT	\$ 4,325.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that claims read and approved by the Governing Body at a Council meeting will be dated the day after the reading of those claims and will appear on the following bill list at the next public meeting of the Mayor and Council at which time claims would be paid.

April 21, 2014

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

Helen Valdez-458 Kinderkamack Road-stated that for the past year or year and a half, she has been sending e-mails to Mr. Costa with concerns regarding water run-off from the strip mall next to her, which has been undermining her fence. Mr. Costa advised her to deal directly with the owner of the property, Mr. Lu. Mrs. Valdez continued to say that there are numerous issues that don't comply with the Borough Code and asked what she needs to do to get these issues addressed.

Mayor Moscaritolo-recalls receiving an e-mail from Mr. Valdez to Mr. Costa raising several issues including the fence. The Mayor drove by the other day and noticed that there was a new section of fencing up and thought that the problem had been taken care of.

Mrs. Valdez-stated that the problem still exists because they didn't put footings in, they just patched it up. She doesn't feel that it will rectify the problem. She stated that the strip mall property is higher than hers, so all of the rain water flushes through her property which undermines the fence posts and concrete. She doesn't understand why they aren't required to put curbing in.

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that he was on the Planning Board when they approved the application for the Chinese Restaurant and explained that there were no changes to the existing driveway which was approved many, many years ago.

Mrs. Valdez-asked about the transformer that was installed not too long ago.

Mayor Moscaritolo-explained that PSE&G has a public easement allowing them to put up transformers. As far as the run off, the Borough is not involved anymore except if there are violations in BOCA regulations or our property maintenance code. The Mayor stated that as far as things that were approved years ago such as buffers, they are all grandfathered in as of now. The Mayor explained that they may have to get an attorney if they have a complaint against their commercial neighbor unless she can point out sections of the Borough Code that she feels are in violation.

Mrs. Valdez-stated that she would like to receive a response in writing as to what the Mayor just said.

Mayor Moscaritolo- stated that he will ask the Borough Attorney to take a look at it and respond in writing.

Tom Sarlo, Esq. -suggested that we send the Zoning Officer and Code Enforcement Officer out to take a look before he sends a response.

Alphonse Bartelloni-719 Oak Avenue-thanked the Mayor and Council for the appointment to the Green Team and offered his congratulations and thanks to Denise Dondiego on her retirement. He stated that one thing that he does miss about being on the Council is that he used to come in on his lunch hour and sit and talk with Denise and feels honored to have had the pleasure of working with her.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.

COUNCIL COMMENTS -

Councilwoman Murphy-thanked Denise for everything she has done and for always being helpful and stated that she will be sorely missed. Councilwoman Murphy welcomed Stephanie Evans and hoped everyone had a Happy Easter and Passover. Councilman Cappola-stated that many people think that the Mayor and Council run the show and stated that it couldn't be further from the truth. He thanked Denise for her hard work, loyalty and discipline and wished her good health and happiness in the future. He also welcomed Stephanie.

Councilwoman Busted-also thanked Denise for her years of service and stated that as a resident, she has come to Borough Hall many times to find Denise there with a smiling face and always willing to help. As a newly elected Councilwoman, she thanked Denise for being incredibly kind and generous with her time and thanked her for her patience. She wished her, her husband and family a wonderful retirement and many happy days in the future. Councilwoman Busted welcomed Stephanie Evans and stated that she looks forward to working with her in the future. Councilwoman Busted thanked the two new volunteers, Alphonse Bartelloni and Theresa Esposito for donating their time so generously in their new capacity and hoped that more residents will follow suit. She thanked the DPW for cleaning up Brookside Park on Saturday morning after a mess was left from a group the day before and commended them for their efforts.

Councilman Mignone-welcomed Stephanie and stated that he was very impressed with her knowledge during her interview and is confident she has the capabilities to step into the Clerk's position and keep the town running smoothly. Councilman Mignone stated that his first interaction with Denise was when he decided to run for Council and he must have bombarded her with dozens of OPRA requests, from budgets to ordinances to redevelopment plans. He was always impressed that she was always willing to answer all of his questions. Councilman Mignone has worked in local government many years and has worked with a lot of Clerks and knows what's involved with the job. He stated that unless you know how local government runs you really don't have an appreciation of what the Clerk does day in and day out and all of the responsibilities that they have. Councilman Mignone always appreciated her help and insight and wished her best of luck in retirement. On a side note, he wanted to commend Bob Dondiego for being an excellent crossing guard at the corner of Elm and Continental and feels he has great control in managing the traffic.

Councilman Acquafredda-also welcomed Stephanie aboard and is confident that she will become a great asset to the town. Councilman Acquafredda stated that Denise has always been the person that everyone relies on to make things happen and keep a well-oiled machine running. He has lived in town for 27 years and had gotten to know Denise when he joined the Planning Board and was appreciative that she was always available to answer questions. He wished her the best in her retirement and looks forward to seeing her around town.

Councilman Papaleo-echoed everyone's comments and also stated that he really admires her. He continued to say that she is a person who was always professional, honest, hard-working and generous and in many ways the quintessential Clerk. He thanked her for her many years of service. Councilman Papaleo welcomed Stephanie not only to our local government but to our family. Councilman Papaleo thanked Al and Theresa for their appointments.

Mayor Moscaritolo-congratulated Stephanie on her appointment and stated that she comes very highly qualified and looks forward to working with her. The Mayor thanked Theresa Esposito and Alphonse Bartelloni for volunteering because it's very nice to see a former Councilperson volunteering for so many wonderful service organizations in town. The Mayor stated that the Municipal Clerk position is such a hard position to master because you're the face of River Edge. He continued to say that the position requires dealings with the public, co-employees, elected officials, the press and other branches of government and stated that she did it superbly for over ten years. He stated that she made everyone on the dias look good and considers that to be the best compliment he can give. The Mayor stated that as you look around the room at the pictures of past Mayors, there should also be pictures of the Clerks. The Mayor extended his heartfelt thanks to Denise for all of her professionalism and wished her well in her retirement.

ADJOURNMENT - 9:25 P.M.

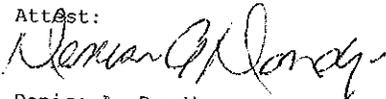
Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busteded, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Acquafredda and Councilman Papaleo voted yes.



Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:



Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk

Dated: 5/5/14