

M I N U T E S  
Meeting of the Mayor and Council  
Monday, December 19, 2011  
8:00 P.M.

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER -

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

SILENT PRAYER - FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Watkins called for a moment of silent prayer and asked Councilman Cannon to lead the salute to the flag.

STATEMENT -

Mayor Watkins read the statement under the Sunshine Law and asked the Clerk to put it into the minutes. "Adequate Notice of this meeting has been made by sending notice on December 24, 2010 to THE RECORD and THE RIDGEWOOD NEWSPAPER, by positioning on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Borough Hall, and filing a Notice of the same with the Municipal Clerk".

ROLL CALL - Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon, Councilman Cordts and Mayor Watkins were present; Councilman Porco was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - By Consent

Motion by Councilman Cordts, seconded by Councilman Cannon to approve the minutes of the Closed Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council on October 17, 2011 and October 24, 2011.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

Motion by Councilman Cordts, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council work session and regular meeting of December 5, 2011.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

PROCLAMATION & AWARDS - NONE

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES

Motion by Councilman Mignone, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to approve the resignation of Harold DeYoung from the Zoning Board of Adjustment effective December 31, 2011.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

Motion by Councilman Mignone, seconded by Councilman Cordts to approve the appointment of Bob Nyman (IV-5) to finish the unexpired term of Christopher Caruso (IV-2), Planning Board, to December 31, 2013.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

Mayor Watkins administered the Oath of Office by Bob Nyman.

CORRESPONDENCE -

Letter	-	State of New Jersey - DEP - 12/12/11
		Re: Compost Site
Notice	-	River Edge Board of Education - 12/12/11
		Re: Meeting 12/14/11
Budget	-	BCUA - 12/12/11
		Re: 2012 Authority Budget

MONTHLY REPORTS -

Police Department	-	October 2011
Building Department	-	November 2011
Board of Health	-	November 28, 2011
Planning Board	-	September 15, 2011

ORDINANCES - 1<sup>st</sup> Reading - NONE

ORDINANCES - 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #1746 as follows:

Ordinance # 1746 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 416, ZONING, ARTICLE VIII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

Ordinance #1746 was introduced by Councilman Cordts, seconded by Councilman Porco at the December 5, 2011 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #1746

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 416, ZONING, ARTICLE VIII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey:

Section I:

§ 416-36.1 Senior Citizen Housing Conditional Use District is amended to Multi-Family and Senior Citizen Housing Conditional Use District.

Section II

§ 416-36.1 B. (1) is amended as follows:

Use. Any multifamily residence proposed under this section may include senior citizen occupancy which means that occupancy must be by families or individuals one or more of whom is 55 years of age or older. In addition to occupancy by at least one senior citizen, no individual younger than 19 years of age shall be permitted to permanently reside in the unit.

Section III

§ 416-36.1 B. (2) (e) is amended as follows:

Minimum setbacks from other abutting property lines: 30 feet.

Section IV

§ 416-36.1 B. (2) (g) is amended as follows:

Maximum total impervious coverage: 75% of total site area.

Section V

§ 416-36.1 B. (3) (a) [1] is amended as follows:

Maximum building height:

[1] Fronting on a county road: three stories and no more than 40 feet above grade at the front foundation line. In addition a decorative parapet or other architectural details can be used provided they do not exceed an additional five feet above the roof line.

Section VI

§ 416-36.1 B. [3] (d) is amended as follows:

(d) A multifamily residential development in this Zone District may consist of one or more principal dwellings or buildings on the property or lot, provided all bulk requirements of the development are in compliance with this ordinance.

Section VII

§ 416-36.1 B. (5) (b) is amended as follows:

(b) Parking shall be permitted in the front yard provided (i) the minimum setback or front yard is 80 feet measured from the building(s) foundation or footprint to front property line and (ii) a natural landscape buffer is installed along the front property line.

Section VIII

§ 416-36.1 B. (7) (b) shall be amended to read as follows:

(7) (b) The approving authority shall review the proposed development and the standards and purposes for buffers considering the location of buildings, parking areas, outdoor illumination and topographic features of the area and existing features of natural vegetation; the efficiency, adequacy and safety of the proposed layout of driveways, streets, sidewalks and pedestrian walkways; the adequacy and location of existing green areas and buffer zones; the adequacy and location of screening and parking areas; structures and uses; and similar features. *Excluded and excepted from the buffer requirements herein are municipal easements and retaining walls incorporated as part of the development plan.*

Section IX

§ 416-36.1 B (8) is amended as follows:

(8) Development subject to applicable Borough ordinances. Any development in the *Zone District* shall be subject to all applicable ordinances of the Borough of River Edge. Where there is any conflict between the provisions of this section and the provisions of the Site Plan Ordinance and/or the Land Subdivision Ordinance, the provisions of this section shall prevail.

Section X

§ 416-36.1 B. (9) is amended as follows:

(9) *Low-and moderate-income housing requirement.* Provided the Borough of River Edge has enacted a Housing Element with promulgated controls for Low and Moderate Housing in compliance with the Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH"), any development shall provide, on site, a number of affordable units equal to the number of such units as may be required under COAH rules.

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

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 effect the remaining provisions of this ordinance, which shall be severable therefrom.

Section XII:

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

Margaret Falahee Watkins, Mayor

ATTEST:

Denise A. Dondiego, RMC  
Borough Clerk  
Dated:

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1746

Motion by Councilman Cordts, seconded by Councilman Cannon to open hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo,

Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

David Quickel-244 Kinderkamack Road-asked what the long term plan is for the site and why the zoning requirements have been changed a few times. Mayor Watkins-explained that what can be built on the property is not really changing but what is changing is the fact that it is now open to other housing, not only senior housing.

Sam Cereste, Esq.-stated that basically it was an age restricted zone and this ordinance changes it to a multi-family zone. He also stated that instead of one large building this plan will have three separate buildings that will have a colonial style motif which will blend in better. He suggested that Mr. Quickel attend the Planning Board meeting when they will be discussing the site plan for this property so that he can voice his and concerns and ask questions.

Peggy White-741 Center Avenue-asked for clarification regarding the elevation on the ordinance.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1746

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

Councilman Moscaritolo-asked if this ordinance had gone to the Planning Board. Sam Cereste-replied yes, there was a letter from Arthur Neiss, Esq. in everyone's packet stating that they have reviewed it. He also explained the two minor revisions in the ordinance that was just read.

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1746

Motion by Councilman Cordts, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adopt Ordinance #1746.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Bartelloni recused himself and Councilman Porco was absent.

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Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #1747 as follows:

Ordinance #1747 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #1726 TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2011

Ordinance #1747 was introduced by Councilman Cannon, seconded by Councilman Cordts at the December 5, 2011 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #1747

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #1726 TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2011

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge:

Section 1: The compensation for the part-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge for the year 2011 shall be as follows:

	<u>2011</u>	
	<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
<u>CONSTRUCTION/CODE ENFORCEMENT</u>		
Building Inspector		\$8,962 - \$9,958

Section 2: This ordinance shall take effect immediately after the first publication after final passage as provided by law.

ATTEST:

Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk  
DATED:

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1747

Motion by Councilman Cordts, seconded by Councilman Cannon to open hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1747

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1747

Motion by Councilman Cannon, seconded by Councilman Cordts to adopt Ordinance #1747.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

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RESOLUTIONS - By Consent

Motion by Councilman Cannon, seconded by Councilman Cordts to approve resolution #11-430 through #11-451.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

#11-430 Amend Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to the 2009 Howland Avenue and Kinderkamack Road Intersection Improvement Project (Howland Avenue Traffic Light Design & Inspection)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for expert professional engineering services for the 2009 Howland Avenue and Kinderkamack Road Intersection Improvement Project (Howland Avenue Traffic Light Design & Inspection); and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has previously awarded a contract to Robert Costa, Borough Engineer via resolution #08-94 dated February 19, 2008 in the amount of \$25,000.00, amended via resolution #08-459 dated December 15, 2008 in the amount of \$25,000.000, amended via resolution #10-113 dated March 1, 2010 in the amount of \$7,100.00, amended via resolution #10-423 dated December 6, 2010 in the amount of \$14,000.00; amended via resolution #11-272 dated August 1, 2011 in the amount of \$50,000.00, amended via resolution #11-319 dated September 6, 2011 in the amount of \$32,874.23 and amended via resolution #11-372 dated October 17, 2011 in the amount of \$12,431.27; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is required for professional services for the 2009 Howland Avenue and Kinderkamack Road Intersection Improvement Project (Howland Avenue Traffic Light Design & Inspection) for inspection services and as-built as required by the County; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1729-100 of the Capital Fund for Design in the amount of \$13,550.00 and Account #04-2150-1728-100 of the Capital Fund for Inspection and As-Built in the amount of \$23,450.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$37,000.00; 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, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Robert Costa 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 Robert Costa from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the rate of pay shall not exceed \$65.00 per hour as Borough Engineer and per hour rates as follows:

Principal Land Surveyor.....	\$ 75.00
Survey Field Crew.....	\$150.00
Senior Designer.....	\$ 65.00
Senior Drafter.....	\$ 55.00
Computer Drafting.....	\$ 75.00

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 Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 327 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 for an additional \$37,000.00; and
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 "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.

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#11-431 Amend Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to the Wayne Avenue Pump Station Generator

WHEREAS, there exists a need for expert professional engineering services for the Wayne Avenue Pump Station Generator; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has previously awarded a contract to Robert Costa, Borough Engineer via resolution #10-261 dated June 21, 2010 in the amount of \$2,000.00; amended via resolution #11-229 dated June 20, 2011 in the amount of \$5,000.00; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is required for professional services for the Wayne Avenue Pump Station Generator; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1568-550 of the Capital Fund in the amount not to exceed \$1,500.00; 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, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Robert Costa 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 Robert Costa from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the rate of pay shall not exceed \$65.00 per hour as Borough Engineer and per hour rates as follows:

Principal Land Surveyor.....	\$ 75.00
Survey Field Crew.....	\$150.00
Senior Designer.....	\$ 65.00
Senior Drafter.....	\$ 55.00

Computer Drafting.....\$ 75.00

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 Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 327 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 for an additional \$1,500.00.
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 "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.

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#11-432 Award Bid for the 2011 Howland Avenue Road Improvements Project, Phase 3 to Reggio Construction, Inc., 1575 West Street, Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024

WHEREAS, the Clerk was authorized to go out for bid for the 2011 Howland Avenue Road Improvements Project, Phase 3 via resolution #11-257 dated July 5, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge received three (3) sealed bids on September 27, 2011, the lowest being from Reggio Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$185,085.78; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body rejected the bids via resolution #11-369 dated October 17, 2011 on the basis that the lowest bid exceeded the funding available; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorized the Clerk to go for bid again via resolution #11-369 dated October 17, 2011 and two (2) bids were received on November 10, 2011, the lowest being from Reggio Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$185,085.78; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body rejected all bids via resolution #11-407 on the basis that the lowest bid exceeded the funding available; and

WHEREAS, that per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(3) of the Local Public Contracts Law, Alan P. Negreann, Borough Administrator and Robert Costa, Borough Engineer were authorized to negotiate with the bidders on this project via resolution #11-407, dated November 21, 2011; and

WHEREAS, both contractors that had submitted bids were given the opportunity to negotiate in an attempt to reduce the price for the 2011 Howland Avenue Road Improvements Project, Phase 3; and

WHEREAS, one (1) bidder, Reggio Construction, Inc. reduced his original bid by \$35,085.78 to \$149,885.93; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1732-200 of the Capital Fund in the amount not to exceed \$149,885.93.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the bid is hereby awarded to Reggio Construction, Inc., 1575 West Street, Fort Lee, New Jersey, 07024 in the amount of \$149,885.93 and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said contract for the Borough.

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#11-433 Amend Agreement with Alan P. Spiniello, Esq., 45 Essex Street, Hackensack, New Jersey for Professional Services for Expert Legal Services

WHEREAS, there exists a need for Expert Legal Services for tax appeal representation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has previously awarded a contract to Alan P. Spiniello, Esq. via resolution #10-48 dated January 4, 2010 in the amount of \$10,000.00, amended via resolution #10-247 dated June 21, 2010 in the amount of \$15,000.00, amended via resolution #10-402 dated November 15, 2010 in the amount of \$7,000.00; amended via resolution #11-88 dated February 22, 2011 in the amount of \$5,000.00, amended via resolution #11-156 in the amount of \$10,000.00 and amended via resolution #11-262 dated August 1, 2011 in the amount of \$10,000.00; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is required for Expert Legal Services for tax appeal representation; 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, Alan P. Spiniello, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Alan P. Spiniello, Esq. 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 Alan P. Spiniello, Esq. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed this matter at a work session on December 19, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-20-1552-174 of the Current Fund an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00.

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 "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection;

WHEREAS, the rate of pay shall not exceed \$85.00 per hour:

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 Alan P. Spiniello, Esq., 45 Essex Street, Hackensack, New Jersey, 07601 for an additional \$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.

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#11-434 Enter Into Agreement with Pulice/Williams Architects, 344 Broad Avenue, Leonia, New Jersey 07605 for the Library Roof Replacement

WHEREAS, there exists a need to retain professional services related to Library Roof Replacement project; 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, Pulice/Williams Architects meets the criteria for a professional service contract under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1; and

WHEREAS, Pulice/Williams Architects has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Pulice/Williams Architects 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 Pulice/Williams Architects 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 #01-2010-20-1652-170 of the Current Fund in the amount not to exceed \$22,500.00; 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 "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the per hour rates are as follows:

Partner	\$225.00/hour
Manager	\$175.00/hour
Senior	\$150.00/hour
Staff	\$100.00/hour
Administrative	\$ 75.00/hour
Consulting Engineer	Cost + 10%

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 Pulice/Williams Architects, 344 Broad Avenue, Leonia, New Jersey, 07605.
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.

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#11-435 Selection of Recruitment Testing and Selection Process

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge passed Ordinance #1311 on October 7, 2000 establishing the Recruitment and Promotional Policy for the Borough of River Edge Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Recruitment Policy portion of this ordinance provides the Mayor and Council with two testing and selection procedures, one of which is entitled "The Traditional Testing and Selection Process" and the other is entitled "The Alternate Testing and Selection Process"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council at a work session dated September 19, 2011 have indicated that they have chosen the Alternate Testing and Selection Process in order to develop a list of eligible candidates for an entry level police officers position in the Borough of River Edge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge does hereby select the Alternate Testing and Selection Process with no written test, in order to develop a list of eligible candidates for the entry level position of a police officer in the Police Department for the year 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator, Acting Police Chief and Borough Clerk are hereby instructed and authorized to implement the above procedure.

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#11-436 Acknowledge Receipt of Certification of Request for Emergency Purchases for a Road Collapse on Summit Avenue

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has certified that an emergency condition exists in the Department of Public Works Buildings and Grounds due to a road collapse at Summit Avenue just north of Roosevelt School; and

WHEREAS, the condition constitutes an emergency affecting the health, safety and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to engage Montana Construction Corp., Inc. who has been awarded an engineering repair contract through the Riverside Cooperative and via resolution #11-179 dated May 2, 2011 by the Borough of River Edge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby confirm and acknowledge the receipt of the Certification of Request for Emergency Purchases for this emergency.

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#11-437 Grant Raffle License to Lions Club of River Edge

BE IT RESOLVED that the following license to conduct an On Premise 50/50 Prize Raffle to the Lions Club of River Edge, P.O. Box 33, River Edge, New Jersey, 07661, License #629, I.D. 423-8-26559 to take place at St. Peter the Apostle Church, 455 Fifth Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey on April 1, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

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.

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#11-438 Cancel Unexpended Appropriations

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has on its books and records unexpended appropriations; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the following unexpended balances of the Current Fund of the 2011 Budget will not be required.

D) Municipal Debt Service	
Interest on Bonds (45-9302)	\$ 999.74
Principal on Loan (45-9442)	\$9,156.72
Interest on Loan (45-9452)	\$1,114.18

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the aforementioned unexpended balances be and are hereby ordered cancelled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby instructed to adjust his records accordingly.

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#11-439 Amend Agreement with Francis Campbell, Esq., The Reussile Law Firm, 365 Broad Street, Red Bank, New Jersey 07701 for the Legal Services Pertaining to Oradell's Petition to the Commissioner of Education

WHEREAS, there exists a need to retain legal services pertaining to Oradell's Petition for Equitable Modification of the Cost Apportionment for the River Dell Regional School District; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has previously awarded a contract to Francis Campbell, Esq., 365 Broad Street, Red Bank, New Jersey 07701 on October 3, 2011 via resolution #11-360 in the amount of \$2,500.00; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is required for legal services; 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, Francis Campbell, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Francis Campbell, Esq. 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 Francis Campbell, Esq. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed this matter at a work session on December 19, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-20-1552-178 of the Current Fund in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00.

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 to execute an amended agreement with Francis Campbell, Esq., 365 Broad Street, Red Bank, New Jersey 07701 for an additional \$2,000.00.
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.

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#11-440 Report Investments Pursuant to the Cash Management Plan

BE IT RESOLVED that the following investments and deposits made pursuant to the Cash Management Plan of the Borough of River Edge are hereby confirmed and accepted by the Governing Body.

Months of November and December, 2011

<u>Name of Institution</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Book Value</u>	<u>Earned Income</u>	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Int. Rate</u>
N.J. Cash Management Fund	\$1,000,000.00	CMF	\$1,000,000.00	\$734.22	\$1,000,734.22	.04

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#11-441 Resolution to Refund Cash Bid Bond to Rug & Floor Store, Inc.

WHEREAS, Rug & Floor Store, Inc., P.O. Box 736, Little Ferry, New Jersey 07643 was awarded the bid for the River Edge Public Library Carpet at the Mayor and Council meeting of December 5, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received a cash bid bond in the amount of \$7,000.00 from Rug & Floor Store, Inc. as a guaranty for signing the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Rug & Floor Store, Inc. has signed said contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is hereby authorized to refund the bid bond amount of \$7,000.00 to Rug & Floor Store, Inc., P.O. Box 736, Little Ferry, New Jersey 07643

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#11-442 Authorize Richard D. Kraus, Esq. to Enter Into a Stipulation of Settlement with Hilmar, Wilfred & Catherine T., 874 Fifth Avenue, Block 113, Lot 31

WHEREAS, Richard D. Kraus, Esq., Suite 14, One University Plaza, Hackensack, New Jersey, 07601 has handled the litigation of the Borough of River Edge v. Hilmar, Wilfred and Catherine T., 874 Fifth Avenue, Block 113, Lot 31; and

WHEREAS, Richard D. Kraus, Esq. has recommended stipulation in the above stated matter; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have considered these recommendations at their work session of December 19, 2011.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge hereby authorize Richard D. Kraus, Esq. to enter into a Stipulation of Settlement with an assessed value for calendar year 2011 of \$325,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to forward a copy of this resolution to James Anzevino, the Borough's Tax Assessor and Richard D. Kraus, Esq.

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#11-443 Enter Into Agreement with Arthur M. Neiss, Esq., 354 Eisenhower Parkway, P.O. Box 460, Livingston, NJ 07039-0460 for Legal Services Pertaining to the Revision of Planning Board Application and Submission of Materials

WHEREAS, there exists a need to retain legal services pertaining to the revision of Planning Board application and submission of materials; and

WHEREAS, Arthur M. Neiss, Esq. meets the criteria for a professional service contract under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1; 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, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from account #01-2010-20-1552-164 of the Current Fund in the amount not to exceed \$850.00; and

WHEREAS, Arthur M. Neiss, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Arthur M. Neiss, Esq. 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 Arthur M. Neiss, Esq. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; 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 "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection;

WHEREAS, the rate of pay shall not exceed \$85.00 per hour:

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 Arthur M. Neiss, Esq., 354 Eisenhower Parkway, P.O. Box 460, Livingston, New Jersey 07039-0460.
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.

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#11-444 Authorize an Adjustment to 2011 Final Tax Billing

WHEREAS, property known as 182 Oak Avenue Block 1205, Lot 4 owned by Michael & Julie Gorn has an original assessed value of \$472,900 plus an added assessment of \$187,000 for the year 2011,

WHEREAS, taxes for 2011 should be \$17,639.28 and the homeowner paid \$17,639.28. Taxes in the amount of \$20,043.97 were billed,

WHEREAS, property was billed for an Added Assessment in 2011 for \$2,404.70 twice in error,

WHEREAS, the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2011 is showing a balance of \$2,404.70, which is a duplicate bill and should be cancelled,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector cancel the over billed amount of \$2,404.70 from the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2011 taxes and to adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Property</u>	<u>Cancelled amount for 2011</u>
1205/4	182 Oak Avenue	\$2,404.70

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#11-445 Authorize an Adjustment to Increase 2011 Final Billing

WHEREAS, property known as 188 Oak Avenue, Block 1205, Lot 5 owned by Wally (The Shun) & Tina Wang has an assessed value of \$493,000 for the year 2011,

WHEREAS, taxes for 2011 should be \$13,168.03 and the estimated 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2011 billed amount should be 3,422.65 and the amount paid was \$2,220.29 leaving a balance of \$1,202.36 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2011,

WHEREAS, final 4<sup>th</sup> quarter billing should be \$3,422.65 and the homeowner paid \$2,220.32 for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2011 leaving a balance of \$1,202.33,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector increase the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2011 billing by a total of \$2,404.69 and adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Property</u>	<u>Increased amount for 2011</u>
1205/5	188 Oak Avenue	\$2,404.69

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#11-446 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund Duplicate 4th Quarter 2011 Tax Payments

WHEREAS, the tax office has received duplicate tax payments for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2011 taxes on the following properties; and

WHEREAS, a written request was received from their mortgage company to refund the overpaid amount directly to the mortgage company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the account supervisor is hereby authorized to issue refund check in the following amount and the tax collector to adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name &amp; Address</u>	<u>Refund Amount</u>
114/22	CHO, WOOK & SANGAN H. 862 Elm Avenue	\$1,589.25
409/35/C0013	SOMA, HIROSHI & SHIQEYO 13 Jordan Drive	\$1,161.89
707/3	GU, JIANXIAN 267 Voorhis Avenue	\$2,931.63
708/25	O' TOOLE, WILLIAM & DELMOUR & BARBARA 240 Dorchester	\$ 60.10
813/8	NAKAHARA, MITSUO & TOSHIMI 485 The Fenway	\$2,855.36
909/26	CORCORAN, MICHAEL & SUSAN 1 The Fenway	\$1,605.27
911/21	SAMUEL, BILLY & VALSAMMA 314 Howland Avenue	\$1,193.94
1108/18	KAHVAJIAN, JACK & MARIE 265 Howland Avneue	\$1,562.54
	TOTAL:	\$12,959.98

Make check payable to:

CORE LOGIC TAX SERVICES  
Mail Code: DFW 1-3  
One Corelogic Drive  
Westlake, TX 76262  
Attn: Tax Refunds

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#11-447 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund Duplicate 2011 Tax Payments

WHEREAS, the tax office has received duplicate tax payments for the 2011 taxes on the following properties; and

WHEREAS, a written request was received from the homeowners to refund the overpaid amounts directly to the homeowners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the account supervisor is hereby authorized to issue checks in the following amounts and the tax collector to adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name &amp; Address</u>	<u>Refund Amount</u>
305/40	Ean & Michelle Bressack 708 Millbrook Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	\$1,191.27
312/3	Richard & Gomattie Birnbaum 181 Webb Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	\$1,148.53
403/2	Andreas & Lourdes Magioros 815 Kinderkamack Road River Edge, NJ 07661	\$1,057.72
614/1	John & Susan Russo 650 Bogert Road River Edge, NJ 07661	\$ 186.97
615/12	Ralph & Charlene D'Esposito 572 Bogert Road River Edge, NJ 07661	\$ 206.23
616/15	John T. & Carol L. Kerr 34 Madison Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	\$ 250.00
701/30	Donald & Dorothy Huggett 283 Voorhis Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	\$ 398.35
1101/8	Alfonso & Giselle Blasco 15 Coles Court River Edge, NJ 07661	\$ 250.00
1104/21	Frederick & Roseann Zott 168 Valley Road River Edge, NJ 07661	\$ 780.05
1108/24	Annette Jacobs 280 Taft Court River Edge, NJ 07661	\$ 520.35
1202/20	Joy V. Chakkappan 118 Davis Drive River Edge, NJ 07661	\$4,230.20
1204/16	Fred & Anita Guarinello 168 Cherry Lane River Edge, NJ 07661	\$1,573.22

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#11-448 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund Duplicate 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2010 Tax Payment

WHEREAS, the tax office has received a duplicate tax payment for the 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr. 2010 taxes on the following property; and

WHEREAS, a written request was received from the homeowner to refund the overpaid amount directly to the homeowner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Account Supervisor is hereby authorized to issue a check in the following amount and the tax collector to adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name &amp; Address</u>	<u>Refund Amount</u>
604/6.01	Michael & Maryann Chambers 163 Madison Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	\$ 72.96

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#11-449 Authorize Tax Collector to Transfer 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2011 Tax Overpayment

to the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2011

WHEREAS, the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2011 taxes were overpaid on the following property, and the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2011 is showing an open balance of \$56.80.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector adjusts her record by transferring the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter tax overpayment to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2011 taxes as follows:

Block/Lot	Owner/Property	from 2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr. 2011 to 4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr. 2011	
1406/1.03/C003	DCA Properties LLC 1060 Main Street, Unit 1B	\$56.85	\$ 56.85

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#11-450 Amend 2011 Budget

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services approved the insertion or increase of any special item of revenue in the budget of any County or Municipality when such an item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion or increase of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a grant for a Reserve for State and Local Housing Grant in the amount of \$24.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of River Edge that it does hereby request the approval of the Director for the following:

Increase an item of revenue entitled:

3. Miscellaneous Revenue - Section F

State and Local Housing Grant .....\$24.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$24.00 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

(A) Operations excluded from the "CAPS"

Public & Private Programs Offset by Revenues

State and Local Housing Grant .....\$24.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough forward two (2) copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

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#11-451 Transfer of Funds

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 49:4-59 permits the transfer of appropriations during the last two months of the fiscal year from accounts showing unexpended balances to accounts in which commitments may exceed the original budgeted appropriations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following transfers be authorized:

FROM: Zoning Board O/E	21-1852-169	\$ 1,200.00
FROM: Planning Board O/E	21-1802-021	\$ 500.00
TO: Health Benefit Waiver	23-2210-100	\$ 1,700.00
FROM: Sewer System O/E	31-4554-129	\$ 1,500.00
TO: Public Repair Maintenance O/E	26-2902-028	\$ 1,500.00
FROM: Sewer System O/E	31-4554-129	\$ 1,000.00
TO: Vehicle Maintenance	26-3152-174	\$ 1,000.00
FROM: Bus S/W	27-3311-011	\$ 2,000.00

FROM: Police Department O/E	25-2402-178	\$ 300.00
TO: Vehicle Maintenance	26-3152-174	\$ 2,300.00
FROM: Revenue Admin	20-1452-023	\$ 10.00
TO: Legal Services S/W	20-1551-011	\$ 10.00
FROM: Revenue Admin	20-1452-023	\$ 1,000.00
TO: Uniform Fire Safety S/W	25-2651-011	\$ 1,000.00
FROM: Recycling S/W	26-3051-011	\$ 1,500.00
TO: Maintenance of Parks S/W	28-3751-011	\$ 1,500.00
FROM: Legal Services O/E	20-1552-180	\$15,000.00
FROM: Bus S/W	27-3311-011	\$10,000.00
TO: Police Dept.	25-2401-014	\$25,000.00

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Councilman Mignone read resolution #11-452 into the record.

Motion by Councilman Mignone seconded by Councilman Cannon to approve resolution #11-452.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

#11-452 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	\$ 526,308.53
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	\$ 1,752.50
RECREATION ACCOUNT	\$ 141.75
TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT	\$ 12,117.98
OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT	\$ 1,410.88
TRUST OTHER DEVELOPERS ACCOUNT	\$ 1,500.00
TRUST ACCOUNT	\$ 3,901.96
SELF INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$ 1,213.72
ANIMAL WELFARE ACCOUNT	\$ 1.20

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.

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OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

Motion by Councilman Moscaritolo, seconded by Councilman Cordts to open hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

Peggy White-741 Center Avenue-wished John Cannon much luck and happiness in the future and thanked Peg for being Mayor for many years and for doing so many positive things for our town. She wished the Mayor good luck in the future.

Ann Cannon-110 Madison Avenue-thanked her husband John and Mayor Watkins for their years of service and stated that she realizes that it's not an easy job and commended them for their dedication to the town.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

Motion by Councilman Cordts, seconded by Councilman Cannon to close hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Moscaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

Kathleen Murphy-asked Sam Cereste if the litigation between the partners for the property at 230 Kinderkamack Road will affect the deal that they've put together. Sam Cereste-explained that when he came in to Borough Hall to discuss it, he indicated that he had concluded the process of settling the litigation with his partner or partners. He also indicated that he was the sole equity owner of the parcel.

Kathleen Murphy-asked if there is a probability that he will assign this project to someone else.

Sam Cereste-explained that he does not have a background in development or construction so it would be reasonable to expect that he would look for a developer to either to sell the parcel to or develop it.

Kathleen Murphy-asked at what point would the Mayor and Council be made aware of that.

Sam Cereste-stated that once they file the application to the Planning Board, they would have to disclose equity ownership of the developers. At that time, they would have to know who the principles are and what percentage interest do they own of the development.

COUNCIL COMMENTS -

Councilman Bartelloni-thanked Councilman Cannon for his service to the town and stated that he has enjoyed working with him over the last year. He continued by saying that although they didn't always agree on everything, John was an asset to the community and his presence will be missed. Councilman Bartelloni wished everyone a Happy Hanukkah and Merry Christmas and looks forward to the New Year. Councilman Moscaritolo-thanked John Cannon for the time, effort and dedication that he put in as a Council person and also thanked his wife Ann, who behind the scenes, puts as much dedication and commitment in also. He thanked John for being a trusted advisor and wished him the best in the future. Councilman Moscaritolo also wished everyone a Happy Hanukkah and Merry Christmas. Councilman Mignone-also thanked John for his service to the town and for all of his volunteer efforts. Councilman Mignone stated that he was glad to serve on the Personnel Sub-Committee with him and thanked him for his advice, suggestions and input. He wished him the best in the future. Councilman Cordts-stated that he was glad he had the opportunity to work with John over the past two years and thanked him for his dedication and commitment to the town.

Councilman Cannon-thanked his wife Ann for all of her support over the past few years and thanked the residents for giving him their trust and the opportunity to serve. He also thanked Alan Negreann for all of his help and knowledge and considers himself and the residents very lucky to have him as their Administrator and CFO. He thanked Denise and Judy for their help and hard work in keeping the town running. Councilman Cannon thanked all of the employees for the dedication and hard work especially since they've made many sacrifices and had pay cuts but still worked together as a team. He hopes that things will turn around financially in the near future. Councilman Cannon thanked Mayor Watkins for her many years of service to the community and also thanked his fellow Council members for working together and getting things done. He thanked some past Council members who introduced him to politics and encouraged him to run and also wished Kathleen Murphy and Tom Papaleo best of luck in the future. He congratulated Sandy and wished him luck as Mayor and feels that there are good things in store for River Edge with the new Governing Body. Councilman Cannon stated that he has really enjoyed his time on the Council and has learned a lot and appreciates having the opportunity to serve his community.

Mayor Watkins-thanked John for serving on the Council and feels that he always did things with grace and humor and he will be sorely missed. The Mayor thanked John for serving on the Personnel Sub-Committee and appreciated his input and ideas. The Mayor stated that once partisan issues are put aside, the Governing Body always tried to work together for the betterment of the town. The Mayor wished everyone a blessed Christmas and Happy Hanukkah and invited them to the next meeting on December 27th.

ADJOURNMENT - 8:30 P.M.

Motion by Councilman Cannon, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Mescaritolo, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Cannon and Councilman Cordts voted yes; Councilman Porco was absent.

Mayor Margaret Falabee Watkins

Attest:

Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk

Dated: