

# MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Tuesday, July 11, 2017

Immediately Following Work Session

## CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER –

Mayor Mignone called the meeting to order at 8:46 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall.

## SILENT PRAYER – FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Mignone called for a moment of silent prayer and asked Council President Papaleo to lead the salute to the flag.

## SUNSHINE STATEMENT -

Mayor Mignone 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 23, 2016 to THE RECORD 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, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Chinigo, Councilwoman Davis, Councilman Papaleo and Mayor Mignone were present; Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

On motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Busteed the minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular Meeting of June 5, 2017 were unanimously approved.

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Papaleo the minutes of the Mayor and Council Special Meeting of June 14, 2017 were approved on the following roll call:

Councilman Bartelloni, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Chinigo and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilwoman Davis abstained and Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni the minutes of the Mayor and Council of the Work Session Meeting of June 20, 2017 were approved on the following roll call:

Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Chinigo, Councilwoman Davis, Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilwoman Busteed abstained and Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

## PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS –

Mayor Mignone read the Proclamation Declaring August 6 – 12<sup>th</sup> as National Farmer’s Market Week as follows:

### *PROCLAMATION*

*WHEREAS, farmers markets are important outlets for fresh farm to table healthy ingredients nationwide, and provide agricultural producers with increased marketing opportunities; and*

*WHEREAS, in 2014 the Borough of River Edge began a Farmer’s Market on Continental Avenue; and*

*WHEREAS, farmers markets play a key role in developing local and regional food systems that support the sustainability of family farms, revitalize communities and provide opportunities for farmers and consumers to interact. They offer consumers fresh, affordable, convenient and*

*healthful products produced and sold locally; and*

*WHEREAS, it's important to recognize and support the River Edge Farmer's Market and to advocate further awareness of farmers markets and the important contributions farmers make to daily life in America and our communities.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Edward J. Mignone, Mayor of the Borough of River Edge, in recognition thereof, do hereby proclaim:*

*August 6 – 12, 2017 as:*

***National Farmer's Market Week***

*I encourage the residents of River Edge to become a farmer's market patron every Tuesday at the River Edge Farmer's Market and to celebrate the benefits of farmers markets and the local, sustainable and artisanal products sold there.*

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*Mayor Edward J. Mignone*

*Dated: July 11, 2017*

Mayor Mignone presented the proclamation to Councilwoman Davis who is the Council representative to the Farmer's Market Committee. The Mayor thanked Natalie Chape, the Market Manager for doing a great job over the past two years in maintaining and growing the market. Because July 4<sup>th</sup> was on a Tuesday and the market was open, he hoped that it brought more people out and made them aware of the market and will bring in more business.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ISSUE ON THE AGENDA –**

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to open public comments on any issue on the agenda was unanimously approved.

**CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ISSUE ON THE AGENDA –**

There being no comments by the public, the motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to close public comments on any issue on the agenda was unanimously approved.

**APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES –**

Mayor Mignone read the Appointments & Personnel changes as follows:

Approve the resignation of Joseph Maddolin, Patrol Officer in the River Edge Police Department, effective June 27, 2017;

Approve the resignation of Kevin McKeary, Patrol Officer in the River Edge Police Department, effective July 1, 2017;

Approve the salary change of Christopher Tabor, Laborer II in the Department of Public Works from an annual Step I salary of \$30,332.00 to Step II - \$42,991.00, effective July 5, 2017 was unanimously approved.

Approve the salary change of Judy O'Connell, Deputy Clerk from an annual salary of \$56,694.00 to \$57,174.00 due to an increase in longevity from \$960.00 to \$1,440.00, effective July 6, 2017;

Approve the salary change of Noreen Patoray, Court Administrator from an annual salary of \$62,404.00 to \$62,884.00 due to an increase in longevity from \$1,440.00 to \$1,920.00, effective April 9, 2017;

Approve the salary change of Patrick Diamond, Patrol Officer in the Police Department from an annual salary of \$63,335.00 to Patrol Officer 15<sup>th</sup> Grade - \$71,597.00, effective July 23, 2017;

Approve the salary change of Richard Stephen, Foreperson in the Department of Public Works from an annual salary of \$90,137.00 to \$90,617.00 due to a step increase from \$1,920.00 to \$2,400.00, effective February 6, 2017;

Approve the salary change of Peter Stitz, Mechanic II in the Department of Public Works from an annual Step IV salary of \$64,493.00 to Step V - \$64,901.00, effective July 22, 2017;

Approve the salary change of John Mauthe, Jr., Police Dispatcher from an hourly Step II rate of \$20.42 to Step III - \$21.50, effective July 1, 2017;

Approve the resignation of David Stucke from the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department, effective June 27, 2017;

Approve the resignation of Reena Mishory from the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department, effective June 27, 2017.

On motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Chinigo the above listed appointments & personnel changes were unanimously approved.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE –**

- Letter - Joseph Maddolin – 6/9/17  
Re: Letter of Resignation
- Letter - State of New Jersey, DOT – 6/7/17  
Re: No Aid for Howland Avenue, Section 7, Phase V
- Letter - B.C. Freeholders – 6/8/17  
Re: Final Adoption of Ordinances #17-05 & #17-06  
Introduction of Ordinance #17-07
- Report - Alan P. Negreann, Admin/CFO – 6/12/17  
Re: Damage to Public Property
- Letter - Dynamic Earth – 6/12/17  
Re: Groundwater Remediation – McDonalds, 1118  
Main Street
- Letter - County of Bergen-Planning &Engineering-6/12/17  
Re: FHWA Official Interpretation 3(09)-41(I)
- Letter - BCUA – 6/12/17  
Re: 2017 Environment Awareness Challenge Grant -  
Grant Award - River Dell Middle School - \$1,000
- Letter - BCUA – 6/12/17  
Re: 2017 Environment Awareness Challenge Grant -  
Grant Award – St. Peter Academy - \$985.00
- Letter - BCUA – 6/12/17  
Re: 2017 Environment Awareness Challenge Grant -  
Grant Award – Roosevelt School - \$889.20
- Letter - BCUA – 6/12/17  
Re: 2017 Environment Awareness Challenge Grant -  
Grant Award – Cherry Hill School - \$763.00
- Letter - Board of Chosen Freeholders – 6/16/17  
Re: Introduction of Ordinances #17-08, #17-09, #17-11, #17-12,  
#17-13
- Report - Alan P. Negreann, Administrator/CFO – 6/14/17  
Re: Farmer’s Market Report
- Report - Alan P. Negreann, Administrator/CFO – 6/14/17  
Re: Revenue Report
- Letter - PSE&G – 6/16/17  
Re: Statewide Freshwater Wetlands General Permit #2
- Letter - Ferraioli, Wielkotsz, Cerullo & Cuva, P. A. – 6/16/17  
Re: 2016 Audit Report
- Letter - State of New Jersey, Dept. of Agriculture – 6/22/17  
Re: Emerald Ash Borer
- Letter - Kevin McKeary – 6/29/17  
Re: Letter of Resignation
- Letter - Mallory Coyman, Secretary – Fire Co. #2 – 6/29/17  
Re: Letter of Resignation for David Stucke & Reena Mishory

Letter - State of New Jersey – 6/30/17  
Re: DEP – Freshwater Wetlands Letter of Interpretation-  
B.C. Historical Society, Bl 1303, L 2 & Bl 1304, L2

**MONTHLY REPORTS –**

Library Board	-	June 2017
Tax Collector	-	May 2017
Historic Commission	-	May 2017
Land Use Board	-	May 2017
Environmental Commission	-	June 2017
Board of Health	-	June 2017

**ORDINANCES – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING –**

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #17-19 into the record as follows:

**Ordinance #17-19 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF RADIO EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$24,700 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.**

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Chinigo the first reading of Ordinance #17-19 was unanimously approved as follows:

**BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #17-19**

**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF RADIO EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$24,700 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 communication and signal systems equipment consisting of radio equipment for the use of the Fire Department in, by and for the Borough. Said improvement shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$24,700 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvement described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefitted.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of said Borough, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the total estimated cost of said purpose is \$24,700, and (4) \$1,200 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$23,500, and (6) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$1,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, 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 4. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$1,200, 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 purpose. The sum of \$1,200 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$23,500 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 6. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$23,500 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 7. 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 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 9. 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 \$23,500 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 10. 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 purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 11. 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 12. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 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 13. 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 14. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

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Mayor Edward J. Mignone

Attest:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #17-19 into the record as follows:

**Ordinance #17-20** BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF THE BOND ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 1762) ENTITLED: "BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEM EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$158,000 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," ADOPTED APRIL 16, 2012.

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Chinigo the first reading of Ordinance #17-20 was approved unanimously as follows:

Councilman Bartelloni-wanted to make clear that this is funding from a prior ordinance and that we're not appropriating \$158,000 to purchase thermal imaging cameras.

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #17-20

BOND ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 4 OF THE BOND ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 1762) ENTITLED: "BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEM EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$158,000 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," ADOPTED APRIL 16, 2012.

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

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEM EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$158,000 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"

adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Borough") on April 16, 2012 (the "Prior Ordinance") is hereby amended to (A)(i) increase the appropriation and estimated cost in Section 4.D. from \$12,000 to \$16,000 (an increase of \$4,000);

(B)(i) decrease the appropriation and estimated cost in Section 4.B. from \$41,200 to \$37,200 (a decrease of \$4,000).

Section 2. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this amendatory bond 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, in on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Attest:

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Mayor Edward J. Mignone

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #17-21 into the record as follows:

**Ordinance #17-21 ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH CHAPTER 63 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE AGAINST SUBSTANCE ABUSE COMMITTEE**

On motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni the first reading of Ordinance #17-21 was approved unanimously as follows:

**BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #17-21**

**ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH CHAPTER 63 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE AGAINST SUBSTANCE ABUSE COMMITTEE**

**63-1 Establishment and Membership**

- A. There is hereby created and established in the Borough of River Edge a Municipal Alliance Against Substance Abuse Committee. The Committee shall include broad representation from the local community and shall be charged with creating a coalition of community leaders, private citizens, and representatives of public and private education, health and human service agencies who will make a comprehensive and coordinated effort to promote and support drug, alcohol and delinquency prevention and education programs and related activities.
- B. There shall be no limitation on the number of members who may be appointed to the Municipal Alliance Committee; fifty percent of the members, however, must reside in the municipality; and membership may include but not be limited to the following (NJAC 17:40-2.4(c)(d)):
  - i. The Mayor
  - ii. Council Representative
  - iii. The Borough's public health nurse and/or representative from the River Edge Board of Health
  - iv. The Chief of Police or designated representative
  - v. Representative from the River Edge Library Board of Trustees
  - vi. River Edge School District Superintendent or Board of Education representative
  - vii. Representative of the River Edge Parent-Teacher Organization for each elementary school

- viii. River Dell Regional School District Superintendent or Board of Education representative
- ix. Representative of the River Edge Parent-Teacher Organization for the River Dell Middle School
- x. Representative of the River Edge Parent-Teacher Organization for the River Dell High School
- xi. A student assistance coordinator
- xii. Representative of Youth Services Organizations
- xiii. Representative of local civic associations or volunteer groups
- xiv. Representative of local business community/Chamber of Commerce
- xv. Representative of local faith-based organizations
- xvi. Representative of public and private organizations involved in the prevention or treatment of alcoholism and drug abuse and/or the regional coalition.
- xvii. Health and human service agencies/professionals especially health professionals including pharmacists, physicians or therapists, etc.
- xviii. substance abuse treatment and prevention or representative from a substance abuse treatment organization
- xix. A representative of the senior citizen community
- xx. Individuals who have been impacted by substance abuse, including individuals who have been directly affected by their own, or family's member's abuse or addictions
- xxi. Private citizens with interest or experience in issues concerning substance abuse
- xxii. Any resident or other stakeholder at the discretion of the Mayor or Borough Council

- C. Appointment of Committee members that are not elected officials or identified as representatives or designees of specific municipal or public entities shall be made by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Borough Council.
- D. The Borough Administrator or his/her designee shall serve as Alliance Coordinator. The Coordinator is responsible for the administrative duties of the of the Alliance such as completing required reports and applications for alliance funding, scheduling consults and providing support to the Municipal Alliance Committee.

#### 63-2 Terms of Office /Vacancies

- A. The terms of office for all committee members shall be for one year, commencing on January 1 and expiring on the December 31 each year.
- B. Appointments to the Committee shall be established by resolution annually. No committee member shall be limited in the number of successive appointments.
- C. A vacancy on the Committee occurring otherwise than by expiration of the term shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term in the same manner as an original appointment.

#### 63-3 Removal of Members

- A. Any member of the committee may be removed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of Council for cause, on written charges served upon the member and after a hearing thereon at which the member shall be entitled to be heard in person or by counsel.

#### 63-4 Compensation

- A. Members of the committee shall serve without compensation. If funds are appropriated towards the operation of the committee, the Mayor and Council may establish guidelines to reimburse members for approved expenses such as attendance at local meetings, conferences and itemized reimbursable expenses as permitted by Borough policy and appropriate statutes. The Alliance Coordinator or his/her designee shall receive no compensation for performing duties in accordance with X(1)(C).

#### 63-5 Officers

- A. The Chairperson of the committee shall be designated by the Mayor and can be chosen from any qualified committee appointee. A chair person shall not be limited in the number of successive appointments.
- B. A recording/corresponding secretary shall be chosen by majority vote of the committee from the entire membership excluding elected officials.

#### 63-6 Conformance with the Open Public Meetings Act; minutes

- A. The committee shall conduct its regular meetings in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, JJSa 10:4-6 et seq. Accurate minutes shall be kept on file with the secretary of the committee and a copy provided to the Borough Clerk.

#### 63-6 By Laws

- A. The Committee shall annually adopt by-laws and approve an annual calendar of meetings. Committee meetings shall be held regularly and no less frequently than once per month. A quorum shall consist of 50 percent of the duly appointed members plus one.

#### 63-7 Functions

- A. The Municipal Alliance Against Substance Abuse Committee, in consultation with the Local (County) Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, shall identify alcoholism and drug prevention, education and community needs.
- B. The Committee shall implement the Alliance programs formulated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:2BB-8.
- C. The Committee may apply for funding through the procedures described in N.J.A.C. 17:40-1.1 et seq.
- D. The Committee shall cooperate with the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and the Alliance Steering Subcommittee of the County Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse to provide municipal data, reports or other information which may be required for the County Alliance Plan or needed to assist the Alliance effort.
- E. The Committee shall be responsible for:
- i. Organizing and coordinating efforts involving schools, law enforcement, business groups and other community organizations for the purpose of reducing alcoholism and drug abuse;
  - ii. In cooperation with local school districts, developing comprehensive and effective alcoholism and drug abuse education programs in grades K-12.
  - iii. In cooperation with local school districts, developing procedures for the intervention, referral to treatment and discipline of students abusing alcohol or drugs.
  - iv. Developing comprehensive alcoholism and drug abuse education support and outreach efforts for parents in the community.

- v. Developing comprehensive alcoholism and drug abuse community awareness programs.
- vi. Creating a network of community leaders, private citizens and representatives of public and private human service agencies who make a comprehensive and coordinated effort to promote and support drug and alcohol prevention and education programs and related activities with an emphasis on youth.
- vii. Conducting an assessment of their community to determine the needs of the community in relation to alcoholism and drug abuse issues.
- viii. Identifying existing efforts and services acting to reduce alcoholism and drug abuse.
- ix. Coordinating projects within the municipality to avoid fragmentation and duplication.
- x. Developing programs to be implemented at the municipal level or participating in regionally developed programs that accomplish the purposes of the Alliance.

63-8 Funds.

- A. The Committee is eligible to solicit and receive DEDR funding (Drug Enforcement and Demand Reduction penalties described by N.J.S.A. 2C:35-15 et seq.) through Application to the Governor's Council. Receiving such funds requires that the Committee shall develop a comprehensive plan to provide matching funds as required.
- B. The comprehensive plan for providing matching funds may include, but is not limited to, the following:
  - i. The donation of the use of municipal property at a fair market value to the project.
  - ii. Time, as reflected by salary and wages, of the municipal and private sector employers who perform services in accordance with the project.
  - iii. Complimentary (public service) advertising on local media, such as newspapers, radio and cable television, above the level of standard public service requirements.
  - iv. Organized community benefits focused on the Alliance which utilize celebrities, sports figures or experts in the field of addictions who donate their services.
  - v. Door-to-door type of fundraising.
  - vi. Solicitations to business and industry for donations.
  - vii. Activities to raise funds which have potential for bringing a significant number of community persons together, such as runs, walks, bake sales and car washes.
  - viii. The donation of printing and other mass reproductions of materials to carry the anti-alcohol and drug abuse message to the community.
- C. The Committee is encouraged to fundraise and may establish a fundraising subcommittee. Such subcommittee shall be created and operated subject to and in accordance with applicable rules, regulations, ordinances and Borough policies.

63-9 Reporting

- A. The Committee shall submit periodic reports, no less than semi-annually, the Borough Council regarding progress in obtaining matching funds and shall include as well a report detailing the progress made on accomplishing the purposes of the grant.
- B. The Alliance Coordinator shall submit to the Governor's Council on forms prescribed detailed and accurate accounts of all expenditures made under the grant and periodic reports of the progress made in accomplishing the purposes of the

grant, and, at the end of each fiscal year in which any grant falls, the township must submit an audited financial statement explaining its use of funds and provide such other information as may be prescribed by the Governor's Council.

C. The form of the within submissions must be consistent with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 17:40-3.4.

D. In no event shall any funds from the grant be used to undertake any activity which is not in accordance with the purpose of the grant as approved by the Governor's Council. Funds either raised in excess of the required match or otherwise specifically appropriated by the Borough Council can be used to undertake to advance the objectives of the Committee and consistent with Chapter 100-8E.

63-10 This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

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Mayor Edward J. Mignone

Attest:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

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**ORDINANCE – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING –**

**Ordinance #17-17 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE CHAPTER 45 – “INTERLOCAL SERVICES”**

Ordinance #17-17 was introduced by Councilman Acquafredda, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni at the June 5, 2017 as follows:

**BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #17-17**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE CHAPTER 45 – “INTERLOCAL SERVICES”**

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

**SECTION I:**

Chapter 45 of the Code of the Borough of River Edge is hereby amended and supplemented by the addition and changes thereto of the following which shall be added or changed to the list of fees and charges on file with the Borough Clerk.

Amend Article I as follows:

Add: New Section **45-4. Establishment:**

The Borough of River Edge hereby establishes, pursuant to the provisions of **N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156 et seq.**, a reciprocal agreement with each and every municipality within the County of Bergen, for Intermunicipal Fire assistance at time of any and all emergencies.

This Chapter shall become effective as to each and every municipality within Bergen County at such time or times that said municipalities has in the past or may in the future adopt an Ordinance providing the same terms and conditions set forth herein and including the Borough of River Edge within its coverage.

Add: New Section **45-5. Expenses:**

The Borough of River Edge agrees to bear all reasonable expenses incurred by members of its Fire Department for emergency assistance rendered within or without the boundaries of this community. The Borough of River Edge shall make no claim for reimbursement from any municipality, adopting an Ordinance providing the same terms and conditions set forth herein, for damages, injuries, wages and the like in connection with aid rendered by the members, of its Fire Department through any other municipality adopting such Ordinance.

Add: New Section **45-6. Intermunicipal Authority:**

A. Intermunicipal Fire Authority. In accordance with the provisions of **N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.2**, the members of the Fire Department of the Borough of River Edge and any other municipality shall have the same powers, authority and immunities as do the members of the Fire Department of the municipality in which such assistance is being rendered.

Add: New Section **45-7. Senior Ranking Officer:**

At such times that an emergency may occur and Intermunicipal aid is requested, the Chief of the Fire Department of the municipality wherein the said emergency exists shall be the Senior Ranking Officer.

## SECTION II:

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

## SECTION III:

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 IV:

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

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Mayor Edward J. Mignone

Attest:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

## **OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE – Ordinance #17-17**

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Busteded to open the public hearing on Ordinance #17-17 was unanimously approved.

## **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE – Ordinance #17-17**

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Busteded, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to close the public hearing on Ordinance #17-17 was unanimously approved.

## **ADOPTION – Ordinance #17-17**

On motion by Councilwoman Busteded, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to adopt Ordinance #17-17 was unanimously approved.

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**RESOLUTIONS - By Consent**

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Papaleo resolutions #17-241 through #17-265 and #17-267 through #17-270 were approved unanimously.

#17-241 Resolution to Establish a Change Fund for the Borough Clerk's Department

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk's Department is responsible for the processing of various licenses and permits; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to create a change fund to facilitate the payment of the various licenses and permits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby instructed to establish a change fund for the Borough Clerk's Department by disbursing a check to Stephanie Evans as custodian of the change fund not to exceed \$50.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Stephanie Evans as custodian of this change fund will re-deposit the exact amount to close the change fund no later than December 31, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the authority will expire at the close of business of December 31, 2017.

July 11, 2017

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#17-242 Resolution of Certification of the Annual Audit

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the Governing Body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2016 has been filed by the Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52-27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6-5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the Governing Body has reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations", and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations", as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the Governing Body attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C.5:30-6-5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local Governing Body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or members of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and,

upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

July 11, 2017

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#17-243 Resolution to Approve the Corrective Action Plan for the Fiscal Year 2016 Audit Report for the Borough of River Edge

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services requires the Chief Financial Officer to file a “Corrective Action Plan” outlining the actions to be taken by the Borough of River Edge relative to the findings and recommendations in the annual audit report; and

WHEREAS, the “Corrective Action Plan” shall be prepared by the Chief Financial Officer with assistance from other officials affected by the audit findings and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is required by resolution, to approve said “Corrective Action Plan”; and

WHEREAS, the “Corrective Action Plan”, as prepared by the Chief Financial Officer and approved by the Governing Body, shall be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the office of the Borough Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge hereby approves the “Corrective Action Plan” for the year 2016 Audit Report submitted by the Chief Financial Officer.

July 11, 2017

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#17-244 Resolution to Urge Representatives from the State of New Jersey to Support the Legislative Action to Re-Authorize and Extend the National Flood Insurance Program (“NFIP”)

WHEREAS, floods are the most common and most destructive natural disasters in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the National Flood Insurance Act authorizes a national Flood Insurance Program (“NFIP”); and

WHEREAS, the NFIP is a Federal program created by Congress to mitigate future flood losses nationwide and to provide access to affordable, federally backed flood insurance protection for property owners; and

WHEREAS, the NFIP is designed to provide an insurance alternative to disaster assistance to meet the escalating costs of repairing damage to buildings and their contents caused by floods; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey is fourth in the nation in the number of NFIP policies enforced and third in total value of claims paid; and

WHEREAS, five hundred and fifty-two communities in New Jersey participate as members of the NFIP which amounts to over 230,000 policies enforced throughout the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the NFIP maintains a significant role in providing financial protection against flood events to New Jersey residents; and

WHEREAS, the NFIP is set to expire on September 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the expiration of this program could cause catastrophic loss of insurance coverage against flooding which is the number one cause of loss of property throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, in the event the program were to expire, the consequences in the form of disruption of coverage and the potential financial burdens to residents throughout the State of New Jersey will be of great economic significance; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this resolution is to urge the Borough of River Edge Federal Representatives to support the extension of the NFIP which promotes the public health, safety and general welfare and minimizes public and private losses due to flooding events in the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of River Edge hereby urges its Federal Legislators and Representatives to take any and all necessary action to insure that the national Flood Insurance Program is extended beyond the September 30, 2017 expiration date.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Borough of River Edge Federal Legislators and Representatives.

July 11, 2017

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#17-245 Purchase of Water Rescue Dry Suits Through State Contract

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to purchase eight (8) water rescue dry suits from Firefighter One, 34 Wilson Drive, Sparta, New Jersey 07871; and

WHEREAS, the vendor, Firefighter One, is an approved State Contract participant, bearing the State Contract #A81363; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1712-550 of the Capital Fund in the amount not to exceed \$9,495.12; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-1.2 requires that any local contracting unit purchasing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12, must award the contract by a resolution of the Governing Body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is authorized to accept the State Contract bid on eight (8) water rescue dry suits as per the State's specifications in an amount not to exceed \$9,495.12.

July 11, 2017

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#17-246 Endorse Municipal Open Space Recreation Commission Modified Plan

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge adopted Resolution #12-200 on June 4, 2012; and

WHEREAS, a referendum was held on the question of creating a Municipal Open Space Trust Fund and was approved by the voters of the Borough of River Edge on November 6, 2012; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on February 21, 2017 to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on recommendations to spend the Municipal Open Space Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge approved a plan for the maintenance of recreational parks via resolution #17-109 Maintenance of Lands – Other Expenses \$75,551.00 and Maintenance of Lands – Salaries & Wages \$4,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to modify these plans to provide for a reallocation of funds for a plan on file with the Borough Clerk to include a batting cage; and

WHEREAS, this matter was discussed at a work session of the Governing Body on June

20, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that the Recreation Commission Plan as modified by this resolution and on file with the Borough Clerk, is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body approves the addition of the above batting cage in the amount of \$7,000.00 Development of Lands – Other Expenses from the \$10,000 previously allocated to a shed for Maintenance of Lands – Other Expenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the Recreation Commission.

July 11, 2017

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#17-247 Refund of Construction Bond for Shade Trees to MARJ Properties, LLC for the Property Located at 278 Howland Avenue, River Edge, NJ

WHEREAS, MARJ Properties, LLC, deposited a cash construction bond for shade trees adjacent to the property located at 278 Howland Avenue in the amount of \$1,215.00 on January 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission has performed an inspection and has determined that the trees at this location were not affected by construction activity; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission recommends that the bond in the amount of \$1,215.00 be released.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is authorized to make the following refund of \$1,215.00 from the Trust Other Account to:

MARJ Properties, LLC  
81 Erskine Avenue  
River Edge, NJ 07661

July 11, 2017

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#17-248 Refund of Construction Bond for Shade Trees to Labib Development for the Property Located at 268 Webb Avenue, River Edge, NJ

WHEREAS, Labib Development, deposited a cash construction bond for shade trees adjacent to the property located at 268 Webb Avenue in the amount of \$1,012.50 on April 16, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission has performed an inspection and has determined that the trees at this location were not affected by construction activity; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission recommends that the bond in the amount of \$1,012.50 be released.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is authorized to make the following refund of \$1,012.50 from the Trust Other Account to:

Labib Development  
1184 Windsor Road  
Teaneck, NJ 07666

July 11, 2017

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#17-249 Refund of Construction Bond for Shade Trees to Nagy Garas for the Property Located at 201 Lozier Terrace, River Edge, NJ

WHEREAS, Nagy Garas deposited a cash construction bond for shade trees adjacent to the property located at 201 Lozier Terrace in the amount of \$3,046.83 on May 7, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission has performed an inspection and has determined that the trees at this location were not affected by construction activity; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission recommends that the bond in the amount of \$3,046.83 be released.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is authorized to make the following refund of \$3,046.83 from the Trust Other Account to:

Nagy Garas  
368 Hillview Terrace  
Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417

July 11, 2017

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#17-250 Refund of Construction Bond for Shade Trees to MARJ Properties, LLC for the Property Located at 550 Monroe Court, River Edge, NJ

WHEREAS, MARJ Properties, LLC, deposited a cash construction bond for shade trees adjacent to the property located at 550 Monroe Court in the amount of \$2,418.34 on July 11, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission has performed an inspection and has determined that the trees at this location were not affected by construction activity; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission recommends that the bond in the amount of \$2,418.34 be released.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is authorized to make the following refund of \$2,418.34 from the Trust Other Account to:

MARJ Properties, LLC  
81 Erskine Avenue  
River Edge, NJ 07661

July 11, 2017

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#17-251 Refund of Construction Bond for Shade Trees to Valentine Soriano for the Property Located at 192 Van Saun Drive, River Edge, NJ

WHEREAS, Valentine Soriano, deposited a cash construction bond for a shade tree adjacent to the property located at 192 Van Saun Drive in the amount of \$3,683.87 on April 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission has performed an inspection and has determined that the Borough needs to remove and replace the tree due to severe stress and decline as a result of the construction activity; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission recommends that \$400.00 of the original bond amount be used to remove and replace the tree.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is authorized to make the following refund of \$3,283.87 from the Trust Other Account to:

Valentine Soriano  
192 Van Saun Drive  
River Edge, NJ 07661

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to transfer \$400.00 from the Trust Other-Performance Bonds-Shade Tree Account to the

Trust Other-Donations Shade Tree Commission Account.

July 11, 2017

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#17-252 Refund of Construction Bond for Shade Trees to Allen Street Project for the Property Located at 151 Reservoir Avenue, River Edge, NJ

WHEREAS, Allen Street Project deposited a cash construction bond for shade trees adjacent to the property located at 151 Reservoir Avenue in the amount of \$1,706.33 on April 16, 2014 and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission has performed an inspection and has determined that the trees at this location were not affected by construction activity; and

WHEREAS, the Shade Tree Commission recommends that the bond in the amount of \$1,706.33 be released.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is authorized to make the following refund of \$1,706.33 from the Trust Other Account to:

Allen Street Project  
340 W. Passaic Street  
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

July 11, 2017

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#17-253 Resolution Authorizing Chief Financial Officer to Cancel Grant Fund Receivable and Appropriated Reserve for the Community Development Block Grant Senior Citizen Activities Grant

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge in 2016 received approval for a grant through the Community Development Block Grant Program for a grant entitled "Senior Citizen Activities"; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has on its books and records an account receivable of \$75.00 and an appropriated reserve of \$75.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has investigated the account receivable and appropriated reserve balance and has recommended that they be cancelled.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to cancel the grant fund account receivable and appropriated reserve for the grant entitled "Senior Citizen Activities" both in the amount of \$75.00.

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

July 11, 2017

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#17-254 Resolution to Adopt an Updated Stormwater Pollution Plan for the Borough of River Edge

WHEREAS, a Stormwater Pollution Plan was prepared for the Borough of River Edge in September of 2004 providing an explanation of policies and procedures which would assist the Borough in its compliance with its Stormwater Pollution Permit issued by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the original Stormwater Pollution Plan was prepared by the Borough Administrator and the Superintendent of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, an update to the Stormwater Management Plan was adopted by the Governing Body on November 16, 2009 via resolution #09-429, resolution #11-191, dated May 16, 2011, May 6, 2013 via resolution #13-201 and February 18, 2014 via resolution #14-99 and 2015 via resolution #15-387 and July 11, 2016 via resolution #16-254; and

WHEREAS, an update has been prepared by the Borough Administrator and reviewed by the Superintendent of Public Works who is the Stormwater Pollution Coordinator for the Borough; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been reviewed by the Mayor and Council at a work session on June 20, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection requires that the Borough periodically update its Stormwater Pollution Plan to reflect changes and accomplishments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said updated Stormwater Pollution Plan is hereby approved and authorized for use by the Borough of River Edge and that any changes thereto shall not be made without approval by the Mayor and Council.

July 11, 2017

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#17-255 Authorize Mayor to Execute New Jersey Transit Corporation Railroad Property Construction and/or Occupancy Permit No. P0237-1519-02

WHEREAS, New Jersey Transit Corporation has requested that the Borough of River Edge execute a railroad property construction and/or occupancy permit which is on file with the Borough Clerk; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Transit Corporation hereby grants permission to the Borough of River Edge to construct one (1) Type E inlet, rip rap stone, one (1) drainage outlet and two (2) 12' x 18' corrugated metal pipes in connection with this project located across New Jersey Transit's right of way near Elizabeth Street for a term of one (1) year, which will commence on the date of execution of the permit by New Jersey Transit; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge feels it is in the best interest of the Borough to execute this permit; and

WHEREAS, the Borough shall pay a fee of \$2,892.00 which includes a one-time \$300.00 application fee, a \$238.00 administrative fee, a \$720.00 plan review fee and an occupancy license fee of \$1,634.00 for the year 2017 only; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-20-1652-100 of the Current Fund in the amount of \$2,892.00.

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 permit with New Jersey Transit which is on file with the Borough Clerk.

July 11, 2017

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#17-256 Amend Capital Budget

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge, New Jersey desires to amend the Capital Budget of said municipality by inserting thereon or correcting the items therein as shown on such budget for the following reason: Fire Department Radio Equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of River Edge in the County of Bergen as follows:

Section 1. The 2017 Capital Budget of the Borough of River Edge is hereby amended by adding thereto a Schedule to read as follows:

AMENDMENT 17-1  
CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
Projects Scheduled for 2017  
Method of Financing

<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Capital Improvement Fund</u>	<u>Bond/Notes Authorized</u>
Fire Department Radio Equipment	\$24,700.00	\$1,200.00	\$23,500.00

July 11, 2017

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#17-257 Enter Into Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to the DOT Municipal Aid Application – Bogert Road (Route 4 to Howland Avenue)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for expert professional engineering services related to the DOT Municipal Aid Application – Bogert Road (Route 4 to Howland Avenue); 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 #01-2010-20-1652-100 of the Current Fund in the amount of \$5,000.00; 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, 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 Mayor and Council have examined resumes, biographies, work experience; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed price and other factors when considering supporting reasons for awarding this 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., 325 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 in the amount not to exceed \$5,000.00; 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.
4. That a copy of the resolution be forwarded to THE RIDGEWOOD NEWS for publication.

July 11, 2017

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#17-258 Purchase of One Police Vehicle Through State Contract

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to purchase one (1) 2017 Interceptor Utility All Wheel Drive Vehicle, from Winner Ford, 250 Haddonfield-Berlin Road, Cherry Hill,

New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the vendor, Winner Ford, is an approved State Contract participant, bearing the State Contract #A88728; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from the Self Insurance Account in the amount not to exceed \$27,274.00; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-1.2 requires that any local contracting unit purchasing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12, must award the contract by a resolution of the Governing Body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is authorized to accept the State Contract bid on one (1) police vehicle as per the State's specifications in an amount not to exceed \$27,274.00.

July 11, 2017

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#17-259 Amend Certification of Chief Financial Officer with Regard to the Contract with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to the 2017 Riverside Road Resurfacing Program - Inspection

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2017 via resolution #17-76, the Borough of River Edge awarded a contract to Robert Costa for professional services related to the 2017 Road Resurfacing Program-Inspection; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the contract was for \$10,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer had certified that funds were available from Account #01-2010-20-1652-166 of the Current Fund in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00; and

WHEREAS, an error was made in the certification of funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that it does hereby accept the revised certification of funds provided by the Chief Financial Officer which indicates that \$10,000.00 is available from Account #01-2010-20-1652-100 of the Current Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer and the Borough Clerk are hereby instructed to adjust their records accordingly.

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#17-260 Cancel Unexpended and Dedicated Balances

WHEREAS, certain General Capital Improvement appropriation balances remain dedicated to projects now completed; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended balances may be returned to each respective Capital Improvement Fund or credited to Fund Balance and unused debt authorized may be cancelled.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of River Edge that the following unexpended and dedicated balances of General Capital Appropriation be cancelled:

<u>ORDINANCE</u>	<u>UNFUNDED DEFERRED CHARGES</u>	<u>CAPITAL FUND BALANCE</u>	<u>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND</u>
1656		\$379,000.00	
1763		\$ 12,000.00	
1804		\$ 88,000.00	

July 11, 2017

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#17-261 Approval to Waive a Portion of the Police Outside Duty Rate for St. Peter the Apostle Parish

WHEREAS, St. Peter the Apostle Parish will host a Parish Carnival on the Parish Grounds located at 445 Fifth Avenue from September 21st through September 24th, 2017; and

WHEREAS, St. Peter the Apostle Parish requested one (1) uniformed officer for the duration of the carnival; and

WHEREAS, St. Peter the Apostle Parish have made an appeal to the Mayor and Council to waive the administrative fee portion of the \$135.00 per hour rate and be billed for the officer's overtime rate; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have discussed this matter at their work session of July 11, 2017 and have indicated that the administrative portion of the outside duty rate of \$135.00 be waived and that the actual overtime rate of the police officer assigned to that duty be charged.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Department and the Chief Financial Officer are instructed to adjust their billing accordingly and to notify St. Peter the Apostle Parish of the fee to be paid for the services provided.

July 11, 2017

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#17-262 Resolution Permitting the Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages at a Block Party on The Fenway

WHEREAS, on or about July 11, 2017, the Borough of River Edge granted permission to Colleen Kiely, 489 The Fenway, River Edge, New Jersey, to hold a block party on The Fenway between Wayne Avenue and Kensington Road on Saturday, September 2, 2017 starting at 3:00 p.m. (rain date September 3rd) in accordance with Borough Ordinance #1678; and

WHEREAS, Colleen Kiely has requested that the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages be permitted in connection with said block party; and

WHEREAS, Borough Code Section 114-15 allows the Governing Body to permit the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in or on a public street or sidewalk in connection with an authorized block party.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that persons age 21 and over be and hereby are permitted to possess and consume alcoholic beverages at the block party described above, on the date and time specified herein.

July 11, 2017

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#17-263 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Tax Overpayments Due to the 2014 Homestead Benefit Credit

WHEREAS, the 2014 Homestead Benefit Credits were received and revised billing for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017 was issued; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers paid the original 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter tax amount billed creating an overpayment in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter; and

WHEREAS, the tax office has received written requests from the following homeowners to refund the overpaid taxes directly to the homeowner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund the following tax amounts and adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1108/6	George, John & Janet 502 Retreat Drive Highland Lakes, NJ 07422-1615	\$390.91

July 11, 2017

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#17-264 Authorize Tax Collector to Transfer the 2014 Homestead Rebate Credit Amounts from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017 to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017

WHEREAS, the 2014 Homestead Rebate Credits were received and revised billing for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017 was issued; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers paid the original 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Tax amount billed creating an overpayment in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter; and

WHEREAS, the tax office has received written requests from the following homeowners and/or their mortgage companies to transfer the credit amounts to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to transfer the following amounts and adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
410/1/C0017	Mei, Wen Gao & Lu Wang 33 Sherwood Court	\$837.72

July 11, 2017

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#17-265 Resolution Permitting the Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages at a Block Party on Seventh Avenue

WHEREAS, on or about July 11, 2017, the Borough of River Edge granted permission to Cindy Bequeaith, 745 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey, to hold a block party on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Webb Avenue and Continental Avenue on Saturday, September 16, 2017 starting at 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m. (rain date September 17<sup>th</sup>) in accordance with Borough Ordinance #1678; and

WHEREAS, Cindy Bequeaith has requested that the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages be permitted in connection with said block party; and

WHEREAS, Borough Code Section 114-15 allows the Governing Body to permit the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in or on a public street or sidewalk in connection with an authorized block party.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that persons age 21 and over be and hereby are permitted to possess and consume alcoholic beverages at the block party described above, on the date and time specified herein.

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Councilman Bartelloni read resolution #17-266 into the record.

On motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Chinigo resolution #17-265 was unanimously approved.

#17-266 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	\$4,901,863.58
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	\$ 11,384.37
RECREATION ACCOUNT	\$ 7,182.75
ANIMAL WELFARE ACCOUNT	\$ 13.20
SELF INSURANCE ACCOUNT	\$ 15,608.61
TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT	\$ 12,284.94
OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT	\$ 6,978.69

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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#17-267 Authorize Refund from the Recreation Dedicated Account

WHEREAS, residents had signed their children up for the Recreation Summer Camp Program and various summer program trips; and

WHEREAS, the residents had a change of plans and are requesting a refund; and

WHEREAS, all fees were paid in full; and

WHEREAS, a refund will be made to the following:

Linda Courain 167 Monroe Court River Edge, NJ	\$170.00	Camp Fee
Lauren Hughes 180 Woodland Avenue River Edge, NJ	\$ 19.00	Trip Fee
Teresa Gawrylo 776 Millbrook Road River Edge, NJ	\$ 18.00	Trip Fee
Jennifer Hernandez 247 Greenway Terrace River Edge, NJ	\$ 18.00	Trip Fee

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a total of \$225.00 be refunded from the Recreation Dedicated Account to the above listed residents.

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#17-268 Purchase of Computer Equipment for the Borough Hall Through State Contract

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to purchase computer equipment from CDW Government Inc., 200 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Vernon Hills, IL 60061; and

WHEREAS, the vendor, CDW Government, Inc. is an approved State Contract participant, bearing the State Contract #A89849; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1718-200 of the Capital Fund in the amount not to exceed \$7,606.49; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-1.2 requires that any local contracting unit purchasing pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12, must award the contract by a resolution of the Governing Body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is authorized to accept the State Contact bid on computer equipment as per the State's specifications in an amount not to exceed \$7,606.49.

July 11, 2017

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#17-269 Change in Personnel Policy & Procedure Manual, Section III-Benefits, Subject 13. Flexible Spending Account

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge adopted a Personnel Policy & Procedure Manual on March 7, 1983 via resolution #83-58; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge desire to change Section III, Subject 13 with regard to Benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council received a recommendation from the Personnel Subcommittee to make those changes to the Personnel Policy & Procedure Manual.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Personnel Policy & Procedure Manual of the Borough of River Edge shall be changed in the following manner:

1. **Add** the following paragraph to Section III, Benefits, Subject 13. Flexible Spending Account

POLICY

Organized Employee Groups

Collective bargaining agreements which provide for a Cafeteria Plan Benefit (Flexible Spending Arrangement) shall be followed.

Non-Organized Employee Groups

Full-time, permanent employees eligible to participate in the Borough's Medical Insurance Plan shall be eligible to participate in the Borough's Cafeteria Plan Benefit (Flexible Spending Arrangement).

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#17-270 Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Howland Avenue Road Improvement Project, Section 7

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as LAIF-2017-Howland Avenue (Section 7 Phase V)-00122 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of River Edge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of River Edge and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

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**OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –**

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to open hearing of the public was unanimously approved.

**CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –**

There being no comments by the public, the motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to close hearing of the public was unanimously approved.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS –**

Councilwoman Busted – reported that we've concluded a fantastic week in River Edge as they always do starting with the concert in the park, the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, the fair in the park and ending with the Cultural Center's Car Show on July 9<sup>th</sup>. She said that it was wonderful to honor former Councilman Tom Smith as Grand Marshall this year. She thanked the July 4<sup>th</sup> Committee, Councilman Bartelloni who is the Council's Liaison to Recreation, Bobbi Conway, the Recreation Director, the Cultural Center, the Police Department, DPW and all of the River Edge personnel, the Fire Department and Ambulance Service for assisting. Councilwoman Busted thanked Officer's Zemaites and Diamond and members of the Oradell Police Department for sponsoring another successful River Dell Police Academy, "Class 5 We Will Survive". Her son has participated the last two years and she feels that it's an outstanding, well run program that the officer's volunteer their time to establish. She said that on Monday, someone from the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office came in to talk about the heroin epidemic. On Tuesday, they went to the Palisades Interstate Parkway Marine Unit and learned about what they do, on Wednesday, the FBI Counter-Terrorism Unit came in and on Thursday, they went to Newark Airport and had a presentation by the Port Authority Police Department. They concluded with a graduation program on Friday. She again thanked everyone who donated their time and all the businesses who supported this program as well. Councilwoman Busted reported that the infield improvements at Cherry Hill is anticipated to begin in mid-August and thanked the Commission and the school for seeing that project come to fruition. She said that last year this council had commissioned Maser Engineering to conduct a feasibility study of our recreation facilities in the Borough which has been completed. The Recreation Commission has broken into sub-committees to review the different recommendations and plan to have reports done by the end of July so she expects that at the next Rec meeting in August we'll review the reports and share with the Council their findings. As part of that feasibility study, they will be reviewing Recreation Director Conway's recent report on ADA compliance at all of the recreation facilities.

Councilman Bartelloni-thanked everyone who made the July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities as fabulous as always and especially thanked Bobbi Conway and the July 4<sup>th</sup> Committee for always doing a fantastic job in organizing everything for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup>. He also thanked DPW and Police Department who made sure everything went smoothly and was happy that everyone came together to support a great event. Councilman Bartelloni said that his father comes every year to go to the car show with him and he always gives a history of many of the cars that are there. He also attended the vintage baseball game which drew over 400 people where he was chosen to throw out the first pitch. He was told that he had to throw the pitch underhand because that was the way it was done in the past. He said that he attends this event every year and suggested that everyone check out what the Bergen County Historical Society has to offer. He said that he possibly found a new vendor for the Farmer's Market and passed their information along to the committee.

Councilwoman Davis-confirmed that they will be starting at our market next week.

Councilman Bartelloni-said that the vendor grills corn and explained the different flavors that they offer.

Councilman Papaleo-echoed everyone's comments in thanking everyone involved with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, the Car Show and the old time baseball game at New Bridge Landing. He informed everyone that Michele Cariddi and the Beautification Committee have been working hard around town and are continuing with their plantings. He reported that the Shade Tree Commission has completed the treatment of our Ash Bore trees and that the DPW has found at least 3 Emerald Ash Bore in our trees. He feels that this was money well spent and dealt with an immediate problem. Liz Stewart tells him that this treatment should last for two years. If you treat before damage is done, the survival of trees is near 100% but if you treat after damage begins to show, you only have about 70% rate of savings. He wants to thank Shade Tree for bringing it to their attention and wanted to thank the Council for taking action on it. He thanked the DPW for all that they do especially with the clean-up after public events.

He informed the Council that the Superintendent of Public Works is contemplating adding another vehicle to the budget next year which he did not anticipate. Councilman Papaleo will be attending a demonstration by the vendor on Thursday at the DPW and at that time, John will show him the state of the current vehicle.

Mayor Mignone-explained that this may be an instance where it would cost more to repair than to replace.

Councilman Papaleo-closed by saying that if he was aggressive or inappropriate in any way during the work session, he apologizes to the Council because that was not his intention. He stated that he likes everyone on the Council and feels that they're all doing a great job. He stated that the argument was the argument and if he was in any way inappropriate, he apologizes for that.

Councilwoman Davis-reported that she attended the Board of Health meeting and has a packet of information about things that they do. She feels that this little group that we never hear anything about work very hard and are doing wonderful things. She said that they sent out letters to all of the food handlers in town explaining the updates and they also sent letters to all of the vendors regarding gloves which was handed out today. Patty Cordts is President again this year and Mary Gannon will be Vice-President. As far as the Farmer's Market, they did great on July 4<sup>th</sup> and all of the vendors had a great day. Councilman Bartelloni did send her the information for the corn vendor and the Market Manager contacted him yesterday and he seemed very excited to come next week. She was bothered by a story in the newspaper about New Milford getting a \$194,000 because last year when she inquired about fire department grants, she was told that it was only for paid fire departments. She ran after Josh Gottheimer after the parade and had a conversation with him and he gave her his card which she turned over to Alan. Councilwoman Davis spoke with Chief Schultz and he said that up until now, the state requires you to submit reports every year and last year they were not up to date so they could not apply. Now they are so she hopes that next year we'll be able to get something. She echoed Cindy Bequeaith's comments during the work session that we can say what we want but it's in the deliverance. She explained that the first time she sat on the dais, she told everyone that the only reason she took it was to try and bring everyone together and get along. There's no reason why they can't have different opinions and be able to express them without yelling and screaming.

Councilman Chinigo-also echoed everyone's comments about the July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities and the terrific job everyone who was involved did and thought it was nice to hang out with friends and neighbors. He said that the Library Board has asked him to hand out some information with questions they have regarding the Community Center. Given that we're waiting to hear back from the sub-committee for an update, he would like the Council to know some of their concerns. Briefly, they are working towards building a room within the Library that may be duplicative with some of the things the Community Center is doing so they don't want to duplicate something if we're putting out the money. They would like their thoughts and concerns listened to and considered by the sub-committee. He would like to invite the Library Board to come to a meeting to voice their concerns publically.

Mayor Mignone-stated that the intent will be that once we have a consensus concept on the council side, the architect will meet with various stakeholder groups such as the Library, Recreation and other groups that will use the space to get feedback. We want to make sure everyone feels that they are part of the process and it's important that everyone is on the same page in putting the best plan forward so we can accomplish something.

Councilman Chinigo-stated that the Library Board wanted to make sure that they would have the opportunity to be heard.

Mayor Mignone-said that he's had discussions with Daragh on some aspects as they've gone along.

Mayor Mignone-agreed with Councilwoman Busted that the first week in July is always fun in River Edge. The Mayor noticed that at the car show there were many people from out of town and younger children who attended. During a conversation with someone he said that he's of the age where he remembers seeing many of these cars on the road where his own children have only seen these types of cars at a show, on TV or in the movies. The Mayor spoke with many of the participants who told him that this is the show that everyone talks about and the reasons why is that they like how it's organized, they like the setting and they feel we have honest and fair judging. The Mayor commended the Cultural Center for all of their time and effort and feels that it's important that the governing body keeps this going because it's a great event and a good reflection on the Borough. The Mayor congratulated Jacob Campbell, Mark Edelstein, Robert Garcia, Kenneth Mason, Christopher Pasinski and Timothy Tchou who are the six new Eagle Scouts from Troop 2295. Councilwoman Busted attended the Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony on July 9<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor reported that they are slowly but surely working their way to broadcasting the meetings live on cable and hopes that they will be up and running at least by the end of year if not before. He also reported that we are continuing to work towards updating the website, which everyone agrees we need, and we are actively working towards upgrading our email system. The Mayor said that the Personnel Sub-Committee has been discussing hiring a part-time person who will act as a floater to assist different departments. One of the reasons this came about was the request from the Shade Tree Commission for secretarial support and this person will provide some of that as well as help update the website and help establish a Borough Facebook page to get information out more readily to our residents. The Mayor said that with regard to

comments made during work session and the school board, there was a time where someone from the school board attended our meetings and doesn't know when and why that had stopped. The Mayor supports keeping the lines of communication open because it's a way to foster good solutions. The Mayor said that he likes everyone on the governing body and generally they get along very well although they may not always agree on everything.

Councilman Chinigo-said that if he was inappropriate in any way, he apologizes to the Mayor and to the public.

Mayor Mignone - said that they will not allow the arguing that occurred during work session to happen again.

**ADJOURNMENT – 9:23 P.M.**

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m. was unanimously approved.

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Edward J. Mignone, Mayor

Attest:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated: