

M I N U T E S
Meeting of the Mayor and Council
Monday, July 2, 2012
8:00 P.M.

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER -

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

SILENT PRAYER - FLAG SALUTE

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

MISSION STATEMENT & OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS -

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

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

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

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

ROLL CALL - Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone, Councilman Bartelloni and Mayor Moscaritolo were present, Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

Motion by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council special meeting of June 18, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to approve the minutes of the work session and regular meeting of June 18, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council work session meeting of June 25, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS - NONE

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES -

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to approve the appointments of William Watkins, Peter Dunsay and Trey Plutnicki to the Special Events Committee, effective July 3, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to approve the separation of Deepti Dutta, Library Circulation Assistant, effective July 2, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to approve the promotion of Rosemarie Garcia from Library Page to Library Assistant, from an hourly rate of \$7.25 to \$11.00, effective June 26, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to approve the salary increase of Francis Gallagher, Laborer I in the Department of Public Works from an annual salary of \$49,915.00 to \$50,562.00 due to a step increase from Laborer I, Step IV to Step V, effective July 5, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the appointment of Brian Coyman to the River Edge Fire Department effective immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Mayor Moscaritolo administered the Oath of Office to Brian Coyman.

CORRESPONDENCE -

Notice - River Edge Board of Education - 6/18/12
Re: Meeting Notice - 6/20/12
Letter - Borough of New Milford - 6/18/12
RE: Master Plan
E-mail - Bergen County - 6/21/12
Re: Bark in the Park - July 14th
Letter - Cablevision - 6/21/12
Re: Product Offerings
Letter - State of New Jersey, DEP - 6/27/12
Re: Suspected Hazardous Notification - 886 or
884 Bogert Road
Letter - State of New Jersey - DEP - 6/28/12
Re: Flood Hazard Permit

MONTHLY REPORTS -

Library Board - May 2012
Planning Board - April 2012
Planning Board - May 2012

ORDINANCES - 1ST READING - None

ORDINANCE - 2ND READING -

Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #1767 as follows:

Ordinance #1767 - AN ORDINANCE 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 2012

Ordinance #1767 was introduced by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy at the June 18, 2012 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE #1767

AN ORDINANCE 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 2012

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

Section 1: The compensation for the full-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge for the year 2012 shall be as follows:

| | <u>Hourly</u> | <u>2012</u> | <u>Annually</u> |
|--|---------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| <u>POLICE</u> | | | |
| Chief | | | \$100,000 - \$143,900 |
| Secretary | | | \$ 25,000 - \$ 44,900 |
| Police Dispatcher | | | \$ 22,300 - \$ 48,350 |
| Records Clerk | | | \$ 16,150 - \$ 43,250 |
| <u>BOROUGH HALL</u> | | | |
| Mayor | | | \$ 1 - \$ 5,000 |
| Each Council Person | | | \$ 1 - \$ 4,000 |
| Borough Administrator | | | \$ 1 - \$ 24,500 |
| Chief Financial Officer | | | \$ 52,000 - \$138,000 |
| Borough Clerk | | | \$ 16,150 - \$ 68,000 |
| Deputy Borough Clerk | | | \$ 16,150 - \$ 52,600 |
| Registrar of Vital Statistics | | | \$ 1,400 - \$ 2,300 |
| Election Official | | | \$ 350 - \$ 1,500 |
| Accounts Supervisor | | | \$ 16,150 - \$ 66,500 |
| Deputy Tax Collector | | | \$ 550 - \$ 2,030 |
| Technical Assistant to Construction Official | | | \$ 16,150 - \$ 57,330 |
| Court Administrator | | | \$ 16,150 - \$ 57,330 |
| Director of Recreation | | | \$ 16,150 - \$ 52,000 |
| <u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS</u> | | | |
| Superintendent of Public Works | | | \$ 52,000 - \$139,000 |
| General Foreperson | | | \$ 45,672 - \$100,925 |
| Road Foreperson | | | \$ 39,444 - \$ 90,700 |
| Office Manager/Administrative Assistant | | | \$ 16,150 - \$ 49,600 |
| *retroactive to 6/5/12 | | | |
| <u>LIBRARY</u> | | | |
| Director | | | \$ 46,050 - \$ 95,000 |
| Head of Circulation | | | \$ 25,000 - \$ 50,000 |
| Youth Services | | | \$ 26,000 - \$ 59,000 |
| Circulation Assistant | | | \$ 14,500 - \$ 37,000 |

Section 4. Longevity. In addition to the salaries set forth above, all full time employees holding these positions listed herein shall have added to base pay the following percentage computed on the basis of the prevailing salary:

Date of Employment Pre- 1/1/94 Date of Employment Post - 1/1/94 - 7/1/11

During:

During:

| | |
|------------------------------|--|
| 5 - 8 years of service - 2% | 5 - 8 years of service-2%-not to exceed \$480 |
| 9 -12 years of service - 4% | 9 -12 years of service-4%-not to exceed \$960 |
| 13-16 years of service - 6% | 13-16 years of service-6%-not to exceed \$1,440 |
| 17-20 years of service - 8% | 17-20 years of service-10%-not to exceed \$1,920 |
| 21 Plus years of service-10% | 21 Plus years of service-10%-not to exceed \$2,400 |

Section 5. Regular, full-time employees who have been hired after July 1, 2011 shall not be entitled to longevity payments in addition to their salary.

Section 6. Compensation for the following part-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge for the year 2012 is hereby supplemented and amended as follows:

| | <u>Hourly</u> | <u>Annually</u> |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Assessor | | \$16,650 - \$ 35,550 |
| Construction Official | | \$ 2,750 - \$ 16,125 |
| Building & Sub-Code Officer | | \$ 2,750 - \$ 11,000 |
| Fire Code Sub-Code Officer | | \$ 2,750 - \$ 11,000 |
| Tax Collector | | \$16,150 - \$ 57,000 |
| Accounts Payable Clerk | | \$16,150 - \$ 40,000 |
| Payroll Clerk | | \$16,150 - \$ 40,000 |
| Accounts Receivable Clerk | \$7.25-\$21.05 | \$ 2,750 - \$ 11,000 |
| Zoning Officer | | \$ 8,000 - \$ 15,000 |
| Building Inspector | | \$ 2,750 - \$ 11,000 |
| Plumbing Sub-Code Officer. | | \$ 2,750 - \$ 11,000 |
| Electrical Sub-Code Officer | | \$ 2,750 - \$ 11,000 |
| Code Enforcer | \$7.25-\$26.75 | |

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|---|-----------------|----------------------|
| Emergency Management Coord. | | \$ 2,750 - \$ 12,605 |
| Fire Inspector | \$7.25-\$25.50 | |
| Fire Official | | \$ 8,550 - \$ 19,000 |
| Assessor/Planning/Zoning Clerk | \$7.25-\$21.50 | \$13,950 - \$ 32,900 |
| Custodian/Borough Hall | | \$13,950 - \$ 25,675 |
| Director of Soc.Serv.& Welf. | \$7.25-\$25.50 | \$ 535 - \$ 8,375 |
| Camp Director(s) | | \$ 1,000 - \$ 4,315 |
| Assistant Camp Director | | \$ 1,000 - \$ 3,250 |
| Camp Office Manager | | \$ 100 - \$ 2,100 |
| Program Coordinator | | \$ 100 - \$ 1,300 |
| Activities Coordinator | | \$ 100 - \$ 1,200 |
| Arts & Craft Leader | | \$ 100 - \$ 1,500 |
| Unit Leader(s) | | \$ 100 - \$ 900 |
| Assistant Unit Leaders | | \$ 100 - \$ 750 |
| Counselors | | \$ 100 - \$ 600 |
| Park Attendant | \$ 7.25-\$21.00 | |
| School Crossing Guards | \$ 7.25-\$20.25 | |
| Health Nurse | | \$22,250 - \$ 46,500 |
| Board of Health Secretary | \$ 7.25-\$21.50 | |
| Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics | \$ 7.25-\$39.00 | |
| Municipal Judge | | \$11,100 - \$ 18,900 |
| Prosecutor | | \$ 3,300 - \$ 7,375 |
| Bus/Van Driver | \$ 7.25-\$17.35 | |
| Bus/Van Dispatchers | \$ 7.25-\$16.00 | |
| Deputy Court Administrator | \$ 7.25-\$27.00 | |
| Temp.Clerical Employees | \$ 7.25-\$21.05 | |
| Court Officer | \$ 7.25-\$20.25 | |
| Police Matron | \$ 7.25-\$20.25 | |
| Police Dispatcher | \$ 7.25-\$21.05 | |
| Clerk/Typist | \$ 7.25-\$21.05 | |
| Recycling Caretaker/Litter Enf. | \$ 7.25-\$19.00 | |
| Sewer Operator | | \$ 600 - \$ 5,500 |
| Extra Laborers | \$ 7.25-\$23.75 | |
| Temporary Acting Superintendent of Public Works | \$55.00-\$85.00 | |
| Fire Prev./Fire Dept./Emerg. Management Clerk | \$ 7.25-\$21.05 | |
| Library Page | \$ 7.25-\$12.00 | |
| Reference/Technical Services Librarian | \$ 7.25-\$32.00 | |
| Bookkeeper/Secretary | \$ 7.25-\$21.05 | |
| Circulation Assistant | \$ 7.25-\$21.05 | |
| Adult Services Librarian | \$ 7.25-\$29.00 | |
| Court Cashier/Clerk/Data Entry Operator | \$ 7.25-\$26.00 | |
| Tax Collection Clerk | \$ 7.25-\$21.50 | |
| Assistant Tax Collector | \$ 7.25-\$22.25 | |
| Code Inspector | \$ 7.25-\$21.05 | |
| Temporary Court Administrator | \$ 7.25-\$39.00 | |
| Municipal Certified Recycling Coordinator | \$ 7.25-\$26.23 | |

Section 7: The compensation for Judges who shall serve in the absence of the Municipal Court Judge, shall be paid whenever required, on a varying scale of ZERO to EIGHTY-FIVE dollars (\$0 - \$85.00) per hour, upon presentation of duly executed voucher as required by law.

Section 8: The compensation for Prosecutors who shall serve in the absence of the Municipal Prosecutor, shall be paid whenever required, on a varying scale of ZERO to EIGHTY-FIVE dollars (\$0 to \$85.00) per hour, upon presentation of duly executed voucher as required by law.

Section 9: In addition to the salaries set forth herein, non-contractual employees of the Borough of River Edge covered under this ordinance shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in the Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual adopted by Resolution #83-58, dated March 7, 1983 as amended.

Any difference in terms between the above Manual and Ordinance, the Manual will be deemed dispositive.

Section 10: In addition to the salaries set forth herein, the Borough Administrator of the Borough of River Edge covered under this ordinance shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in his contract as adopted by Resolution #90-70, dated May 7, 1990, and Ordinance #1348, adopted September 4, 2001.

Section 11: In addition to the salaries set forth herein, Library employees of the Borough of River Edge covered under this ordinance shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in the River Edge Free Public Library personnel policy.

Any difference in terms between the above policy and ordinance, the policy will be deemed dispositive.

Section 12: The salaries, wages or compensation of all officers and employees shall be paid in twenty-four (24) installments, or upon presentation of duly executed vouchers as required by law.

Section 13: This ordinance shall take effect as of January 1, 2012 when passed and published as required by law.

Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk
DATED:

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1767

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1767

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1767

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adopt Ordinance #1767.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #1768 as follows:

Ordinance #1768 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE RESURFACING OF HOWLAND AVENUE FROM APPROXIMATELY 285 FEET WEST OF KINDERKAMACK ROAD TO BOGERT ROAD, A GENERAL IMPROVEMENT, AND THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS, CURBS AND DRIVEWAY APRONS ALONG AND IN FRONT OF SUCH SECTION OF HOWLAND AVENUE, A SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$162,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Ordinance #1768 was introduced by Councilman Mignone, seconded by Councilman Cordts at the June 18, 2012 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE #1768

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE RESURFACING OF HOWLAND AVENUE FROM APPROXIMATELY

285 FEET WEST OF KINDERKAMACK ROAD TO BOGERT ROAD, A GENERAL IMPROVEMENT, AND THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS, CURBS AND DRIVEWAY APRONS ALONG AND IN FRONT OF SUCH SECTION OF HOWLAND AVENUE, A SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$162,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, 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 undertake (a) the resurfacing of Howland Avenue from approximately 285 feet west of Kinderkamack Road to Bogert Road and (b) the construction and reconstruction of sidewalks, including, where necessary, curb and driveway apron construction and reconstruction, along and in front of the following properties on such section of Howland Avenue as shown on the Tax Assessment Map of the Borough:

Block Lots

| | |
|------|----------------|
| 1004 | 28, 29, 36, 37 |
| 1007 | 1 |

Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor. Said improvements shall be undertaken in accordance with plans and specifications prepared or to be prepared by the Borough Engineer, which plans and specifications are hereby approved and directed to be placed on file in the office of the Borough Clerk and made available for public inspection during regular business hours. It is hereby determined and stated that said road being resurfaced is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 2. The sum of \$162,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements 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 by this ordinance. No down payment is required pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) because this ordinance involves a project to be funded by a State grant. It is anticipated that a grant in the amount of \$146,500 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation shall be received by the Borough to finance the cost of said purpose. Said grant funds shall be applied as set forth in Section 12 hereof. Said road resurfacing shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefitted. Said sidewalk construction and reconstruction, including, where necessary, curb and driveway apron construction and reconstruction, shall be made as a sidewalk improvement as hereinafter set forth.

Section 3. The sidewalk construction and reconstruction, including, where necessary, curb and driveway apron construction and reconstruction, shall be undertaken as a sidewalk improvement and the cost thereof not borne by the Borough shall be assessed in the following manner: an accurate account of the cost of the improvement shall be kept by an officer of the Borough and such cost shall be assessed upon the several properties fronting on the improvement in proportion to their respective frontage thereon pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 65 of Title 40 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey. The portion of such cost which shall not be so assessed shall be paid by the Borough as in the case of a general improvement which is to be paid for by general taxation.

Section 4. Before making said sidewalk improvement or awarding any contract for such sidewalk improvement, the Borough Clerk shall cause notice of the proposed sidewalk improvement to be given to the owner or owners of all real estate affected thereby. Such notice shall be served in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 65 of Title 40 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey, in particular Section 40:65-2 to Section 40:65-6, and the proof of service shall be filed with the officer of the Borough in charge of the records of tax liens of the Borough within 10 days after service thereof.

Section 5. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the Borough will contribute \$37,400 to the cost of said sidewalk improvement, and (2) the estimated maximum amount of the special assessments for said sidewalk improvement is \$880.11, and (3) no sidewalk assessments for such improvement have been levied or confirmed, and (4) such sidewalk assessments may be paid in five annual installments.

Section 6. 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, and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$162,000, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$162,000, and (5) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$25,000 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 7. To finance said purpose, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$162,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$162,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

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

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the 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 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$162,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from 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 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 14. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in 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 15. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

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

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk

Dated:

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1768

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1768

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1768

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adopt Ordinance #1768.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

RESOLUTIONS - By Consent

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve resolution #12-238 through #12-246 and #12-248 through #12-251 and #12-253.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

#12-238 Resolution to Go Into Closed Session and Exclude Public

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:4-12, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain enumerated circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the public shall be excluded from the July 2, 2012 meeting and discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matter:

| <u>Closed Session Docket #</u> | <u>Item Title or Description</u> | <u>Statutory Reference</u> |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| 12-7/2-1 | Review of Closed Session Minutes of April 16, 2012, May 7, 2012, May 21, 2012, May 29, 2012 and June 4, 2012 | N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(3) |
| 12-7/2-2 | Litigation - Collection of Debt - Mr. & Mrs. Young | N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(7) |

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

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

July 2, 2012

#12-239 Enter Into an Interlocal Agreement with the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority

This Agreement is made this 2nd day of July, 2012, by and between the Borough of River Edge, a Municipal Corporation of the State of New Jersey located at 705 Kinderkamack Road, River Edge, New Jersey 07661, (hereafter "Borough") and the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority (hereafter "NBCUA") 30 Wyckoff Avenue at Authority Drive, Waldwick, New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has a need for TV Inspection Services of the sanitary sewer system or other systems; and

WHEREAS, the State's Best Practices highly recommended that municipalities find ways to share services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and NBCUA wish to enter into an agreement whereby NBCUA will provide TV Inspection Services of the sanitary sewer system or other systems, for the year 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Participants are desirous of entering into an Agreement pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:65.5 et seq whereby a Share Service Agreement can lower the cost of T.V. services to the taxpayers of the Borough and the users of the NBCUA; and

WHEREAS, each of the Participants has adopted an authorizing resolution pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:65.5 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority which is on file in the Borough Clerks office.

July 2, 2012

#12-240 Authorize Clerk to Go Out to Bid for the Acquisition and Installation of a Generator at Fire Company #2

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to go out for bid for the Acquisition and Installation of a Generator at Fire Company #2.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorized to advertise in THE RECORD for the purpose for providing said service.

July 2, 2012

#12-241 Adoption of a Complete Streets Policy Implementing Planning, Design, Construction, Maintenance and Operation of New and Retrofit Transportation Facilities within the Public Rights of Way in the Borough of River

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge is committed to creating and implementing a Complete Streets Policy within the Borough through planning, design, construction, maintenance and operation of new and retrofit transportation facilities within the Borough Public Rights of Way including facilities that can safely accommodate and improve safe access and mobility of pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation's Complete Streets Policy seeks to implement through planning, designing and construction safe access and mobility of pedestrians and other transit users of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council and Borough of River Edge supports the complete streets initiative and wishes to create a comprehensive, integrated, connected street network that safely accommodates all road users of all abilities and for all trips.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that all public street projects undertaken by the Borough shall be designed and constructed as "Complete Streets" whenever it is feasible to do so in order to safely accommodate travel by pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit and motorized vehicles and their passengers subject to the following conditions:

1. Pedestrian and bicycle facilities shall not be required where they are prohibited by law.
2. Public transit facilities shall not be required on streets not serving as transit routes and the desirability of the transit facilities will be decided on a project by project basis.
3. Scarcity of populations, travel and attractors, both existing and future, indicate the absence of need for such accommodations.
4. Detrimental environmental or social impacts outweigh the need for these accommodations.
5. The cost of accommodation is substantially disproportionate to the cost of the project in excess of five (5%) percent as determined by engineering estimates that would have to be funded with local tax dollars, in that event, and the approval by the Mayor and Council must be obtained for the same prior to bidding of the project.
6. Safety and timing of the project is compromised by the inclusion of Complete Streets policy.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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#12-242 Emergency Appropriation

WHEREAS, an emergency condition has arisen with respect to litigation, grievances and arbitration in the Borough of River Edge and no adequate provision was made in the 2012 budget for the aforesaid purpose; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 provides for the creation of an emergency appropriation for the purpose mentioned above; and

WHEREAS, the total emergency appropriation(s) created including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is \$80,000.00 and 3% of the total operations in the budget for the year 2012 is \$325,145.88.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (not less than two thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the N.J.S.A. 40A:4-48:

1. An emergency appropriation be and the same is hereby made for in the amount of \$80,000.00 to 8. General Appropriations, (F) Judgments (01-2010-37-4802-100), other expenses line item.
2. That said emergency appropriation shall be provided in full in the 2013 budget.
3. That the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the expenditures to be financed through this resolution are related to the aforementioned emergency.
4. That two certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

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#12-243 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund 2012 Tax Overpayments

WHEREAS, the tax office has received duplicate tax payments and tax overpayments due to homestead rebate credits for the 2012 taxes on the following properties; 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 checks in the following amounts and the Tax Collector to adjust her records accordingly.

| <u>Block/Lot</u> | <u>Name & Address</u> | <u>Tax Qtr.</u> | <u>Refund Amount</u> |
|------------------|---|-----------------|----------------------|
| 807/22 | Thomas & Maria Higgins 146 Kensington Road River Edge, NJ 07661 | 2 nd | 111.11 |
| 1002/1 | Irwin & Dolores Rabin 99 Wayne Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661 | 1 st | 1,010.01 |

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#12-244 Amend 2012 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 deposit in its Unappropriated Reserve for Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Fund in the amount of \$917.37; 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

Unappropriated Reserve for
Alcohol Education & Rehabilitation.....\$917.37

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$917.37 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations
(A) Operations excluded from the "CAPS"
Public & Private Programs Offset by Revenues

Unappropriated Reserve for
Alcohol Education & Rehabilitation.....\$917.37

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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#12-245 Resolution Permitting the Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages at a Block Party on Madison Avenue

WHEREAS, on or about July 2, 2012, the Borough of River Edge granted permission to Rosa DiStefano-Amapani, 249 Madison Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey, to hold a block party on Madison Avenue on July 28, 2012 (rain date August 4, 2012) in accordance with Borough Ordinance #1678; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. DiStefano-Amapani have 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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Councilwoman Murphy-asked why the water had been turned in that area since 2007?

Alan Negreann-explained that it was turned off because there was a break between the main and the watering system and was never repaired according to the Superintendent of Public Works.

12-246 Resolution to Refund Money to Virginia Korteweg

WHEREAS, the Beautification Committee and Virginia Korteweg recommended to the Mayor and Council that a passive park be created on Jackson Avenue off of Kinderkamack Road; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council with the assistance of a \$17,000.00 Open Space Grant and a donation of \$17,000.00 from the Beautification Committee under the Chair of Virginia Korteweg, did complete in 2003 the Jackson Avenue Passive Park; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Korteweg had committed to pay the utility expenses of the park; and

WHEREAS, payments have been made based on the amount submitted by the Borough of River Edge to her for reimbursement; and

WHEREAS, on or about November 2007, the water line was broken, the meter removed and the main line shut off; and

WHEREAS, a repair has never been made to the water line but the Borough continued to bill for the usage; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works has investigated the matter and confirmed that there is no water usage at the Jackson Avenue Passive Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is instructed to refund to Virginia Korteweg, 800 Summit Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey, \$1,569.44.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer shall refund \$683.36 from the 2012 Miscellaneous Revenue Not Anticipated Account and the balance of \$886.08 from 2012 Operations.

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Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve resolution #12-247 as amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman

#12-247 Resolution to Support the Historic New Bridge Landing Commission in its Plans and Actions to Preserve, Promote and Steward Significant Landmarks and Relics of Our Past

WHEREAS, Historic New Bridge Landing is the site of the *Bridge that Saved a Nation*, where General Washington and the American garrison of Fort Lee crossed the Hackensack River in the face of the British invasion of November 20, 1776, as immortalized in Thomas Paine's *American Crisis*; and

WHEREAS, a regiment of British soldiers were killed and or wounded, during a battle with a body of Bergen Militia in the Zabriskie-Steuben House on May 30, 1780; and

WHEREAS, Brigadier General Anthony Wayne led American troops on a raid against the Bull's Ferry Blockhouse on July 20, 1780; and

WHEREAS, General Washington made his headquarters in the Zabriskie-Steuben House during the encampment of the Continental Army at Steenrapie, River Edge on September 4-20, 1780; and

WHEREAS, New Bridge was strategically located at the narrows of the Hackensack River and set in a no-man's land between the two opposing armies, it served as a fort, military headquarters, intelligence-gathering post, encampment ground and battleground throughout the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, Americans fought and died upon this ground, leaving future generations with a sacred trust for its stewardship in their honor and memory; and

WHEREAS, John Zabriskie and Lt. colonel Abraham Van Buskirk, of the Third New Jersey Volunteers, were prominent Loyalists whose homes at New Bridge were confiscated by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey presented the use and income of the confiscated estate of Jan Zabriskie at New Bridge, to Major-General Friedrich Wilhelm von Steuben, Inspector-General of the Continental troops, on December 23, 1783, in recognition of his "many and signal services to the United States of America"; and

WHEREAS, General Steuben "thoroughly rebuilt" the Zabriskie-Steuben House before selling the premises in 1788, making it the only extant dwelling owned by him in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Historic New Bridge Landing is home to the Bergen County Historical Society, which possesses important museum and library collections preserving the prehistory and history of Bergen County; and

WHEREAS, the protection and public enjoyment of this site and its museum collections, which tell the story of Bergen County and teach the invaluable lessons of history, provide a significant but underutilized educational resource; and

WHEREAS, this world heritage site not only builds pride of place and a sense of community but also provides the economic benefits of heritage tourism; and

WHEREAS, the New Bridge Landing Commission has appeared before the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge at a work session dated June 25, 2012 and has recommended that the New Bridge Landing Commission receive its own line item in the state budget, to operate, manage and maintain this historic site.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge does hereby support the Historic New Bridge Landing Park Commission in securing its own budget line item in the State budget to administer, manage, operate and maintain the Steuben House and other State lands at Historic New Bridge Landing and to secure the reallocation of any and all State funds appropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection or the Division of Parks and Forestry in the department specifically for, or related to the administration of, the Steuben House or the Historic New Bridge Landing State Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution shall be sent to New Jersey Governor Christopher Christie, Legislators of the 38th District,

Borough of New Milford, Borough of Teaneck, Kathleen Donovan, County Executive, Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders, New Bridge Landing Park Commission and Bergen County Cultural and Historic Affairs Division.

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#12-248 Approval to Submit an Application for a Sewer Extension Permit to New Jersey Environmental Protection for the Now Atkins, LLC Project c/o Michael Crooks, 230 Kinderkamack Road, Block 1302, Lot 3

WHEREAS, Hubschman Engineering, P.A. has filed an application for a Treatment Works Approval Permit Application (Sewer Extension Permit) to New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for their project at 230 Kinderkamack Road, Block 1302, Lot 3; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has reviewed these plans and recommends the application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that the proper officials are hereby authorized to sign said application.

July 2, 2012

#12-249 2012 Salary Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the following officers and employees of the Borough of River Edge be compensated for the year 2012 in accordance with Ordinance #1750 effective July 1, 2012 as follows:

| | | <u>2012</u> | |
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| <u>Mayor and Council</u> | | <u>Annual</u> | <u>Hourly</u> |
| Mayor | P/T Moscaritolo, S. | \$ 5,000 | |
| Councilman | P/T Papaleo, T. | \$ 4,000 | |
| Councilman | P/T Cordts, P. | \$ 4,000 | |
| Councilman | P/T Cappola, A. | \$ 4,000 | |
| Councilman | P/T Bartelloni, A. | \$ 4,000 | |
| Councilman | P/T Mignone, E. | \$ 4,000 | |
| Councilwoman | P/T Murphy, K. | \$ 4,000 | |
| <u>General Administration</u> | | | |
| Borough Administrator | Negreann, A. | \$ 20,561 | |
| <u>Municipal Clerk</u> | | | |
| Borough Clerk | Dondiego, D. | \$ 67,049 | |
| Deputy Borough Clerk | O'Connell, J. | \$ 50,605 | |
| Clerk/Typist | Byrne, C. | | \$20.77 |
| Clerk/Typist | Kiely, C. | | \$20.77 |
| <u>Construction/Code Enforcement</u> | | | |
| Building Inspector | P/T Depken, S. | \$ 10,157 | |
| Construction Official | P/T Byrnes, R. | \$ 12,484 | |
| Building Sub-Code Official | P/T Byrnes, R. | \$ 8,831 | |
| Fire Sub-Code Official | P/T Byrnes, R. | \$ 7,672 | |
| Plumbing Sub-Code/Inspector | P/T Herman, L. | \$ 10,157 | |
| Electrical Sub-Code/Inspector | P/T Dalessio, M. | \$ 10,692 | |
| Technical Assistant | Shnaper, N. | \$ 44,080 | |
| <u>Other Code Enforcement Function</u> | | | |
| Zoning Officer | P/T Skerbetz, M. | \$ 13,597 | |
| Property Maintenance Officer | | | |
| Clerk | P/T Kiely, C. | | \$20.77 |
| Code Inspector | P/T Sarafian, J. | | \$20.94 |
| <u>Assessment of Taxes</u> | | | |
| Tax Assessor | P/T Anzevino, J. | \$ 23,448 | |
| <u>Financial Administration</u> | | | |
| Chief Financial Officer | Negreann, A. | \$130,969 | |
| Accounts Supervisor/Deputy | | | |
| Tax Collector | Birnbaum, G. | \$ 50,288 | |
| Payroll Clerk | P/T McDermott D. | \$ 30,875 | |

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| Accounts Payable Clerk | P/T Scanno, J. | \$ 27,639 | |
| Accounts Receivable Clerk | P/T Blasco, G. | | \$16.05 |
| <u>Revenue Administration</u> | | | |
| Tax Collector | P/T Murphy, M. | \$ 38,300 | |
| Tax Collection Clerk | P/T Hums, E | | \$16.05 |
| <u>Legal</u> | | | |
| Prosecutor | P/T Calogero, G. | \$ 5,500 | |
| Substitute Prosecutor | P/T Ramundo, M. | | \$85.00 |
| Assessment of Taxes and Planning/Zoning Board | | | |
| Clerk/Typist | P/T Gatto, A. | | \$20.77 |
| Recording Secretary | P/T Brandau, M | | \$20.77 |
| <u>Library</u> | | | |
| Director | O'Connor, D. | \$ 93,269 | |
| Youth Services | Guiliano, M. | \$ 51,000 | |
| Circulation | Kane, D. | \$ 44,188 | |
| Circulation | Cronin, M. | \$ 31,998 | |
| Reference Librarian | P/T Churley, M. | | \$31.53 |
| Circulation Assistant | P/T Sherger, M. | | \$16.41 |
| Technical Services | P/T Cali, P. | | \$16.68 |
| Clerical | P/T Ruiz, G. | | \$16.99 |
| Bookkeeper/Secretary | P/T Walsh, M. | | \$20.26 |
| Computer | P/T Lennox, M. | | \$18.70 |
| Asst. Child Room | P/T Kennedy, N. | | \$11.00 |
| Circulation Assistant | P/T Garcia, R. | | \$11.00 |
| Adult Services | P/T Kelemen, J. | | \$28.16 |
| <u>Municipal Court</u> | | | |
| Court Officer | P/T Mancuso, R. | | \$18.89 |
| Municipal Judge | P/T Safro, B. | \$ 13,500 | |
| Court Administrator | Patoray, N. | \$ 55,353 | |
| Deputy Court Administrator | P/T Byrne, C. | | \$20.77 |
| Court Cashier/Clerk/Data Entry Operator | P/T Grimaldi, S. | | \$25.68 |
| Court Officer | P/T Schmitt, J. (sub) | | \$18.89 |
| <u>Health Department</u> | | | |
| Nurse | P/T Faustini, A. | \$ 33,273 | |
| Secretary/Registrar of Vital Statistics P/T | Capasso, A. | | \$19.20 |
| <u>Social Services</u> | | | |
| Director | P/T Getter, E. | \$ 3,844 | |
| <u>Emergency Management</u> | | | |
| Coordinator | P/T Smith, T. | \$ 6,000 | |
| Clerk/Typist | P/T Kiely, C. | | \$20.77 |
| <u>Fire Prevention</u> | | | |
| Fire Official | P/T Silverman, A. | \$ 17,907 | |
| Inspector | P/T Drew, W. | | \$24.36 |
| Inspector | P/T Maiocchi, C. | | \$24.36 |
| Inspector | P/T Smith, T. | | \$21.92 |
| Inspector | P/T Pfannen, K. | | \$24.36 |
| Inspector | P/T Joyce, K. | | \$24.36 |
| Clerk/Typist | P/T Kiely, C. | | \$20.77 |
| <u>Fire Department</u> | | | |
| Clerk/Typist | P/T Kiely, C. | | \$20.77 |
| <u>Recreation</u> | | | |
| Director | Conway, B. | \$ 48,207 | |
| KBG Light Attendant | P/T Etter, Jr., C. | | \$10.00 |
| <u>Open Space</u> | | | |
| Park Attendant | P/T Etter, Jr., C. | | \$20.66 |
| <u>Department of Public Works</u> | | | |
| Superintendent | Lynch, J. | \$126,834 | |
| Road Foreperson | Schick, T. | \$ 80,097 | |
| Road Foreperson | Leishman, C. | \$ 80,097 | |
| Office Manager/Administrative Assistant | Hessman, L. | \$ 48,701 | |

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| Clerk/Typist | Goddell, C. | \$20.77 |
| Certified Recycling Coord. | Hessman, L. | \$24.15 |
| Custodian | Alvarez, F. | \$ 24,077 |

Bus Department

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| Bus/Van Coordinator/Disp. | Siaflas, A. | \$13.52 |
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Police Department

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|-----------------|------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Chief | Cariddi, T. | \$146,225 | |
| Dispatcher | McDermott, E. | \$ 44,930 | |
| Dispatcher | P/T Beattie, K. | | \$20.55 |
| Dispatcher | P/T Gonnerman, M. | | \$20.55 |
| Dispatcher | P/T Delia, D. | | \$17.57 |
| Secretary | Aiello, D. | \$ 42,032 | |
| Records Clerk | Pomerantz, M. | \$ 39,675 | |
| Crossing Guards | E/T Crane, J. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Henry, P. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Hilb, M. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Sanders, W. | | \$17.95 |
| | P/T Locantore, V. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Maugeri, J. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Gale, B. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Gale, T. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Montemurro, A. | | \$17.00 |
| | P/T Schmitt, J. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Del Prete, J. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Slattery, J. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T O'Donnell, J. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Bounds, J. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Clark, W. | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Biggar, E. (sub) | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Sheehy, M. (sub) | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T Paolillo, R. (sub) | | \$18.89 |
| | P/T McLoughlin, C. | | \$17.00 |
| | P/T Mauthe, J. (sub) | | \$17.95 |
| Police Matron | P/T Walker, S. | | \$17.00 |

Sewer

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| Sewer Operator | Pampaloni, J. | \$ 5,163 |
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any formal action by a governing body approving or disapproving a measure establishing or modifying the salaries, benefits, or other compensation of its employees shall occur no earlier than the tenth calendar day immediately following the meeting at which the measure was introduced and discussed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the actions of the Chief Financial Officer, Accounts Supervisor and Payroll Clerk to pay these salaries and wages effective January 1, 2012 is hereby ratified.

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#12-250 Authorize Tax Collector to Cancel 2012 Preliminary Taxes on a Tax Exempt Property

WHEREAS, Mr. James Aiello, Jr., of 787 7th Avenue, Block 301 Lot 5, has qualified for a 100% Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption after providing the necessary documents to prove his status and the Tax Assessor has approved his status as of 2/25/11.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector cancel the 2012 preliminary taxes in the amount of \$5,138.21 and adjust her records accordingly.

| Block/Lot | Name & Address | Qtr. | Cancelled Amount |
|-----------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 301/5 | James Aiello, Jr. | 1 st | 2,569.11 |
| | 787 7 th Ave. | 2 nd | <u>2,569.10</u> |
| | River Edge, NJ | | |
| | Total: | | 5,138.21 |

#12-251 Authorize Tax Collector to Cancel and Refund 2012 Preliminary Taxes on a Tax Exempt Property

WHEREAS, Mr. Roger Kane, of 167 Wales Avenue, Block 401 Lot 1, has qualified for a 100% Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption after providing the necessary documents to prove his status and the Tax Assessor has approved his status as of 8/22/11; and

WHEREAS, the 1st and 2nd quarter 2012 property taxes have been paid in full.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is to refund the following amount to the homeowner and the Tax Collector to cancel the 2012 preliminary taxes in the amount of \$7,514.86 and adjust her records accordingly.

| <u>BL/Lot</u> | <u>Name & Address</u> | <u>Cancel</u> | <u>Qtr.</u> | <u>Refund</u> |
|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 401/1 | Roger Kane | 3,757.43 | 1 st | 7,514.86 |
| | 167 Wales Avenue | 3,757.43 | 2 nd | |
| | River Edge, NJ 07661 | | | |

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Councilman Mignone read resolution #12-252 into the record.

Motion by Councilman Mignone, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to approve resolution #12-252.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman

#12-252 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 | \$529,294.15 |
| CAPITCAL ACCOUNT | \$ 5,045.20 |
| RECREATION ACCOUNT | \$ 11,292.77 |
| TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT | \$ 2,076.90 |
| OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT | \$ 75.14 |
| TRUST OTHER DEVELOPERS ACCOUNT | \$ 2,312.50 |
| ANIMAL WELFARE ACCOUNT | \$ 28.00 |

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

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#12-253 Authorize Refund from Recreation Dedicated Account

WHEREAS, residents had signed their child up for a Camp Trip and the child broke his arm and was unable to participate; and

asked if there is something he can do to reduce his taxes such as volunteer work. Mayor Moscaritolo-explained that there was a tax appeal period.

Dennis Fiedler-said that he understands that but he wants to know what they're doing to increase revenue and reduce costs.

Mayor Moscaritolo-made a suggestion that Mr. Fiedler volunteer his time by joining the Citizen's Budget Committee. He explained that during budget meetings, citizens work along side the Mayor and Council to prepare the municipal budget. The Mayor continued by saying that they are continuously trying to get commercial development into town to increase ratables.

Dennis Fiedler-asked the Mayor to be more specific as to what ratables they are looking for.

Mayor Moscaritolo-replied that they are looking for the Ciancia brothers to begin construction at the former Huffman Koos property which will consist of two buildings and an expansion of the Total Wine store. He continued by saying that they have approved a plan for a condominium complex on Kinderkamack Road and hopefully construction will begin shortly. They have a plan that was submitted by New Jersey Transit for redevelopment in the area around the train station at the south end of town. The Mayor stated that they are all long term projects and feels that they've done all that they can to approve responsible development projects hoping to jump start something.

Dennis Fiedler-brought up pension deferrals and bonds being floated and asked if it's possible for the tax rate to go down once these are satisfied.

Mayor Moscaritolo-replied, anything is possible. He continued to say that our debt service is relatively constant and that the Mayor and Council are very cost conscience when they bond.

Dennis Fiedler-asked what they are telling the residents who say they can't afford to live here anymore?

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that he's telling him that they are doing their best and that this years budget was approximately \$380,000 less than last year.

Nigel Langley-418 Oak Avenue-asked how they can justify a tax increase of 35%.

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that he filed a tax appeal this year because his taxes went up 40%.

Alan Negreann-explained that technically there is a 2% cap, but there are exceptions in the law which allow increases for pension, health cost increases, etc. which drive that 2% higher legally. He continued to explain that while they like to talk about the 2% cap, it's a 2% cap plus some exceptions.

Nigel Langley-asked how the 3.1% tax rate can be challenged.

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that you can't negotiate the rate. The Mayor explained the different exceptions.

Dennis Fiedler-stated that he understands that the town needs a certain amount of money to run but he again asked if there is anything they can do as citizens to help defray those costs.

Councilwoman Murphy-explained that Assemblywoman Connie Wagner, Assemblyman Tim Eustace and Senator Bob Gordon have put together a "think tank" of citizens willing to help to try to come up with answers of how to reduce New Jerseys taxes and suggested he meet with her after the meeting to exchange contact information.

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that River Edge has a shared services committee and are available to speak with other towns and see if there is any way to cut costs by sharing services. He explained that they had contacted New Milford to open up discussions but were told that they don't have a shared services committee. They met with representatives from Oradell and discussed sharing services, came up with some ideas and left the door open for further discussions. The Mayor had asked the Borough Administrator to write a letter requesting certain information but haven't received a response to date.

Dennis Fiedler-asked about combining schools?

Mayor Moscaritolo-explained that in two weeks there will be a court case where Oradell is suing River Edge to try to de-regionalize our River Dell School District and if we lose, our taxes are going to go up approximately \$1,000 per household. So in answer to Mr. Fiedler's question, the Mayor feels that more regionalization with Oradell is the last thing that they would want to talk to us about.

Jane Silane-653 Bogert Road-asked if anything can be done to reduce the tax rate?

Mayor Moscaritolo-replied that the only way to decrease the tax rate is to increase our revenue.

Jane Silane-asked if there is any other way to reduce the budget.

Councilman Mignone-stated that the Mayor and Council have taken steps through negotiations with DPW and Police to extend the number of step increases so that it takes longer to get to top salary. He explained that once higher paid officers start to retire, they will see the benefit with new hires at lower salaries.

Neal Carroll-asked for an update on the generator for Borough Hall and Public Safety Building.

Mayor Moscaritolo-is happy to say that we have received four bids that are currently under review. The Mayor asked when they would be awarding the bid.

Alan Negreann-stated that it will be listed for discussion at the next work session and then awarded at the next public meeting on August 6th.

Mayor Moscaritolo- thanked everyone for their comments this evening.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to close

hearing of the public.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

COUNCIL COMMENTS -

Councilwoman Murphy-had no comment.

Councilman Cappola-stated that he understands the concerns regarding high property taxes and assures everyone that they will continue to be aggressive in providing tax relief.

Councilman Mignone-congratulated Brian Coyman and thanked him for volunteering. Councilman Bartelloni-stated that the town has been struggling on the revenue side and explained that in 2007 the Borough was at a historic high in their budget and five years later, expenditures have been reduced by \$500,000. He doesn't know of many governing bodies that are spending less now than they did five years ago and feels that they are slowly moving in the right direction. He stated that what Councilman Mignone said is true regarding new hires for DPW and Police and feels that it will pay dividends in the future. Councilman Bartelloni explained that the municipal portion of our tax bill is 25% and roughly 2/3 of the tax bill is for the schools. He encouraged everyone to contact our legislators and ask them to push for fair funding. He feels that if we received the state aid that we deserve, it would result in huge reductions in property taxes.

Mayor Moscaritolo-hopes that everyone enjoys the music in the park tomorrow night and takes advantage of all of the July 4th festivities. The Mayor agreed with the comments that were made by Councilman Bartelloni with regard to the lack of state aid for our schools.

ADJOURNMENT - 8:55 P.M.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilman Mignone and Councilman Bartelloni voted yes; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Papaleo were absent.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk

Dated: