

M I N U T E S
Meeting of the Mayor and Council
Monday, May 7, 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 Papaleo 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 Porco, Councilman Bartelloni, Councilman Papaleo and Mayor Moscaritolo were present; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Mignone were absent.

Mayor Moscaritolo presented Richard Berry with a plaque that read as follows:

Presented to

Richard Berry

Emergency Management Coordinator
2000-2012

In recognition of your dedication to the
Safety of Borough residents

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo & Council
2012

Mayor Moscaritolo presented James Arakelian with a plaque that read as follows:

Presented to

James Arakelian

Emergency Management Coordinator
2000-2012

In recognition of your dedication to the
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council work session and regular meeting of April 16, 2012.

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

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Mayor and Council of April 23, 2012.

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

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve the minutes of the work session meeting of the Mayor and Council of April 23, 2012.

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

PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS -

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 20 through May 26, 2012 as National Public Works Week into the record as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Public Works services provided in our municipality are an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public Works systems and programs such as sewers, streets, drainage, public buildings, recycling, leaf collection and snow plowing; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety and comfort of this community greatly depends on these facilities and services; and

WHEREAS, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design and construction is vitally dependent upon the efforts and skill of Public Works officials; and

WHEREAS, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff Public Works Departments is materially influenced by the people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor of the Borough of River Edge do hereby proclaim the week of May 20 through May 26, 2012 as:

"NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK"

in The Borough of River Edge and I call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issue involved in providing our Public Works and to recognize the contributions which Public works officials make every day to our health, safety, comfort and quality of life.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: May 7, 2012

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 20 through May 26, 2012 as Emergency Medical Services Week into the record as follows:

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency physicians, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators and others; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing

education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; and

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

May 20 - May 26, 2012

as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

in River Edge, in recognition of all those engaged in emergency medical services activities and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: May 7, 2012

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES -

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to approve the completion of the six-month probationary period for Geeta Birnbaum, Accounts Supervisor, effective April 1, 2012.

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

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to approve the completion of the six-month probationary period for Tom Smith, Fire Inspector, effective December 6, 2011.

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

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to approve the completion of the six-month probationary period for Joanne Scanno, Accounts Payable Clerk and a change in employment status from part-time salaried employee to permanent part-time salaried employee, effective April 1, 2012.

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

CORRESPONDENCE -

Letter - County of Bergen, Board of Taxation - 4/13/12
Re: Tax Ratio
Letter - Neglia Engineering Associates - 4/12/12
Re: NJDEP Land Use Regulation Application
195 Dilworth Road, New Milford
Letter - PSE&G - 4/20/12
Re: Rate Adjustment
Letter - State of N.J. - DEP - 4/24/12
Re: 237 Monroe - Underground Storage Tanks
Letter - Bergen County Soil Conservation - 4/24/12
Re: McDonalds Restaurant
Notice - River Edge Board of Education - 4/30/12
Re: Meeting Notice - 5/2/12
Letter - Arbor Day Foundation - 4/30/12
Re: River Edge named Tree City USA
Letter - BCUA - 5/1/12
Re: Public Hearing-Connection Fees

MONTHLY REPORTS -

Historic Commission - March 2012
Library Board - April 2012
Recreation Commission - January 2012
Recreation Commission - February 2012
Recreation Commission - March 2012
Shade Tree Commission - March 2012
Planning Board - March 2012
Planning Board - April 2012
Tax Collector - 2011 Annual Report
Building Department - April 2012
Police Department - March 2012

ORDINANCES - 1ST Reading - NONE

ORDINANCES - 2ND Reading

Denise Dondiego, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #1764 as follows:

Ordinance #1764 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF ORDINANCE #1567 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$68,000 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT, IMPROVEMENT OF BOROUGH BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS".

Ordinance #1764 was introduced by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Papaleo at the April 16, 2012 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

ORDINANCE #1764

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF ORDINANCE #1567 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$68,000 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT, IMPROVEMENT OF BOROUGH BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS".

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Ordinance #1567 is hereby amended to increase the scope of the ordinance as authorized below:

Add:

- f. Purchase of rose topiaries (steel obelisks) for use by the Beautification Committee.

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

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Denise A. Dondiego
Borough Clerk

Dated:

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1764

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

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

Alan Negreann-gave a brief description of Ordinance #1764. He explained that they are amending a prior ordinance and moving \$1,000 from one category to another which will allow the Beautification Committee to purchase obelisks.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - Ordinance #1764

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

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

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1764

Motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to adopt Ordinance #1764.

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

RESOLUTIONS - By Consent

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve resolution #12-169, #12-170, #12-172 and #12-174 through #12-178.

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

#12-169 Approval of Renewal of the Interlocal Agreement between the Borough of River Edge and the Northwest Bergen Central Dispatch for the Provision of Fire Dispatch Services

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:17c-1 et seq., all municipalities of the State of New Jersey are required to provide telephonic access to an appropriate "PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT" serving the municipalities; and

WHEREAS, regionalized provision of such services is a concept specifically endorsed by the aforementioned statutory scheme; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge is a municipality located in Bergen County and a body politic of the State of New Jersey authorized by law to enter into an agreement with another municipality to provide jointly for any lawful service to and for the residents of the respective municipalities pursuant to the provisions of the "INTERLOCAL SERVICE ACT" (N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, Northwest Bergen Central Dispatch has offered the Borough of River Edge a service entitled "FIRE DISPATCH SERVICES"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have discussed this at their work session of May 7, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-25-2552-193 of the Current Fund in the amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Interlocal Services Agreement on file with the Borough Clerk for two (2) years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution and the Agreement as executed by the Mayor and Borough Clerk, be forwarded to the northwest Bergen Central Dispatch, 30 Garber Square, Ridgewood, New Jersey 07450, Attn: Jack Tancos.

May 7, 2012

#12-170 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund overpaid Taxes for 2010 and 2011 Due to a Tax Exemption Appeal

WHEREAS, Mr. Roger Kane of 167 Wales Avenue originally qualified for a 100% disabled Veteran's tax exemption as of April 7, 2009 and remained exempt through 2009; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 due to a status change and pending an appeal the

property became taxable and taxes were paid; and

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2011 Mr. Kane was successful in his appeal and the Veteran's Administration restored his disability to 100%; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32 provides that the Governing Body of a municipality may by resolution return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt under proper claim and writing been made; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has reviewed this matter at their work session meeting on April 16, 2012 and the Tax Assessor has reviewed this matter and recommends the below listed refund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is hereby authorized to issue a refund check in the following amount and the Tax Collector adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Refund</u>
401/1	Roger Kane 167 Wales Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	2010 2011(1/1-8/21)	\$ 250.00 \$9,685.82
		Total Refund	\$9,935.82

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Councilman Bartelloni-stated that he would rather enter into a two year contract instead of a three year contract so that the recycling and garbage contracts would end approximately at the same time.

Alan Negreann-stated that our garbage collection contract runs from October 16, 2009 through October 15, 2014.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve resolution #12-171.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilman Porco and Councilman Bartelloni voted no; Councilman Cordts and Councilman Mignone were absent; Mayor Moscaritolo voted yes.

#12-171 Enter into Agreement with Green Sky Industries, 42 Chestnut Street, Clifton, New Jersey 07011

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has included the collection of newspaper, mixed news and co-mingled containers as part of it recycling program in an effort to reduce solid waste; and

WHEREAS, Green Sky Industries, 42 Chestnut Street, Clifton, New Jersey 07011 has agreed to enter into a contract with the Borough of River Edge for the disposal of newspaper, mixed news and co-mingled containers; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. Section 40A:11-5(1)(s) and N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36 permits the awarding of a contract without competitive bidding for the marketing of recyclables; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney and Superintendent of Public Works have prepared a contract containing the approved terms and conditions of the sale; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed this matter at a work

session on April 27, 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into agreement with Green Sky Industries, 42 Chestnut Street, Clifton, New Jersey 07011.

May 7, 2012

#12-172 Grant Raffle License to St. Peter the Apostle Church

BE IT RESOLVED that the following license to conduct an Off Premise 50/50 Prize Raffle to the St. Peter the Apostle Church, 445 Fifth Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey, 07661, License #631, I.D. 423-1-27855 to take place at Memorial Park, Continental Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey on June 24, 2012 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m..

The Clerk reporting all in order.

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

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Councilman Porco feels that there were a few capital items that should have been revisited and feels that by eliminating some of those items it would have lowered the municipal tax increase for our residents.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve resolution #12-173.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Bartelloni and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilman Porco voted no and Councilman Cordts and Councilman Mignone were absent.

***Need 4 votes - Did not pass.**

#12-173 Adopting 2012 Municipal Budget as Amended

WHEREAS, the 2012 Municipal Budget was approved by Resolution #12-111 on March 5, 2012; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-6, was advertised in THE RIDGEWOOD NEWSPAPER on March 16, 2012; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the budget was held on April 2, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Budget was amended on April 17, 2012 via resolution #12-163, advertised on April 19, 2012 in THE RECORD with a hearing on April 23, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVLED that the Local Municipal Budget as Amended appropriating \$14,258,584.93 be hereby adopted for the fiscal year 2012.

May 7, 2012

#12-174 Resolution to Refund Planning Board Escrow Money - River Terrace Gardens Associates, LLC

WHEREAS, the following application has been made to the Planning Board for Site Plan approval and have since withdrawn their application; and

WHEREAS, all professionals have been paid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to refund the following to:

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1301/1	River Terrace Gardens Associates, LLC	\$4,954.80
1401/1	144 Bogert Road	
1404/2.02	Mail Check to: Emil Cuccio, Esq. Cuccio & Cuccio, P.C. 45 Essex Street Hackensack, NJ 07601	

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#12-175 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 January 23, 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>
12-5/7-1	Contract Negotiation-N.J. Transit Property	N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(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.

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#12-176 Authorize Refund from Recreation Dedicated Account and Trust Other Account

WHEREAS, residents had signed up for various programs and were unable to participate; and

WHEREAS, they had paid in full for these programs; and

WHEREAS, a refund will be made to the following:

Louis Cambria 134 LaRoche Avenue Harrington Park, NJ 07640	\$ 40.00	Men's Softball
Roosevelt School PTO 711 Summit Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	\$300.00	Park Facility Use

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a total of \$40.00 be refunded from the Recreation Dedicated Account and \$300.00 be refunded from Trust Other Account to the above listed residents.

May 7, 2012

#12-177 Resolution to Confirm Construction of an Approved Plan or Design - 2010 Howland Avenue Improvement Project Phase 2

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 59:4-6 provides in pertinent part that neither the public entity nor a public employee is liable for an injury caused by the plan or design of public property or any improvement thereto where the plan or design was approved in advance of construction by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge or a public employee exercising discretionary authority on its behalf of where such plan or design was prepared in conformity with standards previously approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Howland Avenue Improvement Project Phase 2 improvement to public property has been designed by Costa Engineering Corporation, 325 South River Street, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601; and

WHEREAS, Costa Engineering has certified that the construction of the 2010 Howland Avenue Improvement Project Phase 2 improvement has been done in accordance with the plans and specifications of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge wishes to record its confirmation of the construction of said design.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge as follows:

1. Plans and specifications entitled "2010 Howland Avenue Improvement Project Phase 2" prepared by Costa Engineering Corporation dated May 17, 2010 be, and hereby are, approved as constructed.
2. The improvements described herein above have been completed and have been inspected by Costa Engineering Corporation and they have certified to the

Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that said improvement has been constructed in accordance with the above referenced design.

3. The Borough Clerk shall archive this resolution in a manner consistent with the purpose of perpetually documenting governmental immunity in the event of any claim based upon the plan, design or construction of the improvement.

May 7, 2012

#12-178 Enter Into Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to the 2012 Riverside Cooperative Road Resurfacing Design & Inspection

WHEREAS, there exists a need for expert professional engineering services for the 2012 Riverside Cooperative Road Resurfacing Design & Inspection; 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 #04-2150-55-1763-100 of the Capital Fund not to exceed \$2,500.00; and

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

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

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

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

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

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 327 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 in the amount not to exceed \$2,500.00; and
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the service performed is by a person authorized to practice a recognized profession.

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Councilman Porco read resolution #12-179 into the record.

Motion by Councilman Porco, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve resolution #12-179.

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

#12-179 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	\$7,002,297.68
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	\$ 4,024.08
RECREATION ACCOUNT	\$ 8,977.32
ANIMAL WELFARE	\$ 4,229.20
TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT	\$ 7,027.99
OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT	\$ 650.69
TRUST OTHER DEVELOPERS ACCOUNT	\$ 7,119.75

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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Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Porco to approve resolution #12-180.

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

#12-180 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund 2011 Payment Made on a Tax Exempt Property

WHEREAS, Mr. Roger Kane of 167 Wales Avenue has qualified for the 100% disabled Veteran tax exemption as of 8/22/11 and his exempt status was approved by the Tax Assessor after providing the necessary documents; and

WHEREAS, taxes were paid in full.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Accounts Supervisor is hereby authorized to issue a refund check in the following amount and the Tax Collector to adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Refund Amount</u>
401/1	Roger Kane 167 Wales Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	\$5,343.90

May 7, 2012

OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

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

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

Peggy White-741 Center Avenue-reminded everyone that the river clean-up will take place on Sunday, May 20th from 8 a.m. to noon and encouraged everyone to participate. She requested that everyone purchase and wear a poppy on Memorial Day in honor of all deceased and living veterans.

Paolo Chilia-685 Fifth Avenue-was disappointed that there was no discussion or debate over the budget. He is concerned about the \$1,000,000 expenditure and feels that there is no justification to spend this money on air conditioning as it would only be an inconvenience not a necessity. He feels that the Mayor and Council should explain to residents on fixed incomes why they feel these purchases are necessary. Mr. Chilia feels that many residents on fixed incomes may have to choose between paying taxes and eating.

Bonnie Sover-12 Gainsborough Terrace-announced that she will be a Republican candidate for Congress this year. Ms. Sover thanked Denise Dondiego, the Borough Clerk for the help that she gave her and hopes that she can count on the Mayor and Councils support in the coming election.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

Motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to close hearing of the public.

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

COUNCIL COMMENTS -

Councilman Porco-announced that the Bergen County Historical Society is having a

wine tasting fundraiser on May 9th at the Hiram Blauvelt Art Museum in Oradell -
from 6 - 9 p.m.

Mayor Moscaritolo-thanked everyone for coming to the meeting this evening.

ADJOURNMENT - 8:20 P.M.

Motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to adjourn
the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

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

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Denise A. Dondiego, Borough Clerk

Dated: