

M I N U T E S
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council
Monday, May 4, 2015
8:00 P.M.

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER -

Mayor Moscaritolo called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall.

SILENT PRAYER - FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Moscaritolo called for a moment of silent prayer or reflection and asked the Borough Attorney, Tom Sarlo, Esq. to lead the salute to the flag.

MISSION STATEMENT & OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS -

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

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

In accordance with this act the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge have caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Borough Hall and notices have been sent to the Record and the Ridgewood News. The mission of this governing body is to provide essential services through the establishment and implementation of public policy that will safeguard our infrastructure provide honest, courteous and professional services; and establish a sense of trust and accomplishment with our residents. Through research and prudent planning we seek to minimize risks while improving our services. We are sensitive to the needs of our taxpayers while realizing that this governing body cannot be all things to all people within the revenue constraints imposed by state mandates, economic conditions and prevailing attitudes about taxation.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council work session meeting of April 6, 2015.

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

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PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS -

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PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS -

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 3 - May 19, 2015 as Municipal Clerks Week as follows:

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, The Office of the Municipal Clerk, a time honored and vital part of local government exists throughout the world; and

Whereas, The Office of the Municipal Clerk is the oldest among public servants; and

Whereas, The Office of the Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels; and

Whereas, Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of the neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all; and

Whereas, The Municipal Clerk serves as the information center on functions of local government and community; and

Whereas, Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their state, province, country and international professional organizations; and

Whereas, it is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the Municipal Clerk,

Now, Therefore I, Sandy Moscaritolo, Mayor of River Edge do hereby recognize the week of May 3 – May 9 2015, as Municipal Clerks Week, and further extend appreciation to our Municipal Clerk, Stephanie Evans and to all Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: May 4, 2015

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the proclamation to Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 5 - May 8, 2015 as PTA Teacher Appreciation Week as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Since 1984, the National PTA has designated the first week in May as a special time to honor the men and women who lend their passion and skills to educating our children. Teachers are what make our public and private schools great; and

WHEREAS, teachers work to open student's minds to ideas, knowledge and dreams; and

WHEREAS, teachers keep American democracy alive by laying the foundation for good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, teachers fill many roles, as listeners, explorers, role models, motivators and mentors

and continue to influence us long after our school days are only memories; and

WHEREAS, all residents are encouraged to take this opportunity to celebrate public and private education and honor individuals who are making a difference in ensuring that every child receives a quality education.

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

May 5 – May 8, 2015 as:

PTA TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

and urge that we observe this week by taking time to recognize and acknowledge the impact of teachers on our lives.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: May 4, 2015

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the proclamation to Councilwoman Busteded who is an active member of the PTO Councilman Papaleo who is a teacher.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 10 - May 15, 2015 as National Police Week as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which May 15th falls, as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others; and

WHEREAS, recent events throughout our nation have unfortunately demonstrated a reckless disregard for the lives and safety of law enforcement officers; for instance on December 20, 2014 NYPD Officer Liu and Officer Ramos were executed at point blank range while sitting in their patrol vehicle in Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon public officials and the law abiding public to proactively support our law enforcement officers who regularly face threats of violence and danger, and routinely put their lives in jeopardy to defend others, potentially resulting in injury, disability or even death to keep our neighborhoods safe, enforce the rule of law, protect our property and to respond in times of crisis; and

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

May 10 – May 16, 2015 as:

National Police Week

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: May 4, 2015

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the proclamation to River Edge Police Chief Thomas Cariddi.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 17 - May 23, 2015 as National Public Works Week 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 17 through May 23, 2015 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 4, 2015

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring May 19 -
May 25, 2015 as Emergency Medical Services Week as follows:

PROCLAMATION

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 19 – May 25, 2015

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 4, 2015

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the proclamation to Ambulance Corp. Captain Donna Sanders and members Bill Sanders, Steve Cirino, Justin Kearns and Jim Levis.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring the Month of May as Mental Health Month as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, mental health is essential to everyone's overall health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and

WHEREAS, promotion and prevention are effective ways to reduce the burden of mental health conditions; and

WHEREAS, there is a strong body of research that support user-friendly tools that all Americans can access to better handle challenges, and protect their health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, mental health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation; and

WHEREAS, with effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, each business, school, government agency, faith-based organization, health care provider and citizen has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo, do hereby proclaim May 2015 as Mental Health Month in the Borough of River Edge. As the Mayor of River Edge, I also call upon the citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools in River Edge to recommit our community to increasing awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps our citizens can take to protect their mental health, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental health conditions.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: May 4, 2015

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the proclamation to Dr. Elizabeth Oudens, member of the Board of Health.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the Proclamation Declaring the Month of May as Jewish American Heritage Month as follows:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, On April 20, 2006 President George W. Bush proclaimed that May would be Jewish American Heritage Month which was the result of an organized effort to recognize the more than 350 year history of Jewish contributions to American culture; and

WHEREAS, Jewish Americans continue to guide our country's progress as scientists and teachers, public servants and private citizens, wise leaders and loving parents. We see their accomplishments in every neighborhood, and we see them abroad in our unbreakable bond with Israel that Jewish Americans helped forge. More than 350 years have passed since Jewish refugees first made landfall on American shores. We take this month to celebrate the progress that followed, and the bright future that lies ahead.

WHEREAS, all residents and community leaders are asked to join in and pay tribute to the generations of Jewish Americans who have helped form the fabric of American history, culture and society. You can learn more by visiting www.JewishHeritageMonth.gov to learn more about the heritage and contributions of Jewish Americans and to observe this month with appropriate

programs, activities, and ceremonies; and

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

The Month of May, 2015 as

Jewish American Heritage Month

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Dated: May 4, 2015

Mayor Moscaritolo presented the proclamation to two board members of Temple Avodat Shalom.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ISSUE ON THE AGENDA -

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

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

CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ISSUE ON THE AGENDA -

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close public comments on any issue on the agenda.

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

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES -

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the separation of Jeremy Kieferle, Patrol Officer, effective April 22, 2015.

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

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the salary increase of Edward Blue, Patrol Officer from an annual salary of \$29,183.00 to \$37,142.00, due to second year probation, effective May 5, 2015.

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

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the appointment of Cory Allen Bensen, 109 Midland Avenue to the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department, Company #1, effective May 5, 2015.

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

yes; Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the salary increase of Maureen Cronin, Library Assistant, from an annual of \$35,314.00 to \$35,794.00 due to an increase in longevity from \$1,440.00 to \$1,920.00, effective May 4, 2015.

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

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to approve the retirement of Kenneth Pfannen, Fire Inspector, as of May 1, 2015.

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

CORRESPONDENCE -

Notice - River Edge Board of Ed - 4/20/15
Re: Meeting Notice - 4/22/15
Notice - NJ Transit - 4/23/15
Re: Hearing Notice-Proposed Changes
Letter - Board of Chosen Freeholders-4/23/15
Re: Introduction of Ordinance #15-11
Letter - PK Environmental - 4/24/15
Re: NJDEP Flood Hazard Area, 22 Temple
Avenue, Hackensack
Letter - New Jersey Builders Assoc. - 4/27/15
Re: NJ Supreme Court Decision Returning Mount
Laurel Matters to Trial Courts by COAH
Letter - County of Bergen - 4/29/15
Re: Funding Allocation for Open Space
Letter - Board of Chosen Freeholders - 4/30/15
Re: Final Adoption of Ordinance #15-10

MONTHLY REPORTS -

Shade Tree Commission - March 2015
Board of Health - March 2015
Historic Commission - March 2015
Recreation Commission - March 2015

LIAISON REPORTS -

Councilwoman Murphy - Liaison to Shade Tree Commission, Library, Environmental Protection Commission, Green Team, Technology Committee, New Milford and Oradell Shared Services Committee - thanked members of the Green Team: Bonnie Stewart, Claudia O'Neill, Sheli Dansky, Greg Ogden, Henry Sennler, Wendy Rosenoff, Marie Papaleo, Val Duran and Patty Almberg for their help at the Second Chance Toy Event that was held two weeks ago at Cherry Hill School. There was also a shredder there for residents who wanted to shred documents and over 1,000 toys were collected at the event. Councilwoman Murphy passed around a picture of one of the recipients of the toys, a single father, showing that the toys actually made it to a needy family. She thanked Councilman Papaleo for helping to load the toys on the truck. She thanked everyone for supporting this great cause. She reported that the Library is running a trip this Thursday to the Cloysters at a cost of \$30.00 per person. She also informed everyone that as part of the Beautification Committee's fundraiser, Joy's Garden Center will give 15% of any purchase to the Beautification Committee. Councilwoman Murphy passed out fliers and suggested that if anyone is interested, they should present the flier to Joy's when making a purchase from May 2nd to June 7th.

Councilman Papaleo-stated that the residents of River Edge were very generous and the truck that was provided was not big enough for all of the donated toys.

Councilman Cappola- Liaison to Recreation Commission, Senior Citizens co-

liaison, Beautification Committee - reported that the Recreation Commission had another successful River Edge Run, SCORE is still working on their bylaws and the Beautification Committee is continuing with their spring cleaning and plantings around town.

Councilwoman Busteed - Liaison to Senior Citizens, Co-liaison, Historic Commission, Traffic & Safety Committee, Board of Health - reported that on May 21st, the Planning Board will be having the hearing regarding the historic element of the master plan and hopes that it comes to a speedy conclusion. She stated that an open item for the Traffic & Safety Committee was the restriping on Continental Avenue and reported that the restriping has taken place and feels that it's working more efficiently. She informed everyone that the Traffic & Safety Committee will be meeting this Wednesday night. Councilwoman Busteed thanked Patricia Cordts for bringing to the Mayor and Council's attention some concerns that the Board of Health has with food handler's permits and commended the efforts of the Board of Health and professionals in bringing the issue of mental health awareness to the public. She hopes that they continue to make programs available to our residents which will help to eliminate the stigma that goes along with mental health issues. With regard to the proposed amendment to the SCORE ordinance, Councilwoman Busteed stated that she respects Ms. Berman's passion and enthusiasm for all of her years of involvement with SCORE. Councilwoman Busteed continued to say that as Liaison, she has spoken with many other members who are residents, who have impressed upon her the need for this amendment. It is their feeling that River Edge residents should be the primary members without excluding any other Bergen County resident from participating, volunteering, starting a committee, etc. She stated that she will be supporting the amendment.

Councilman Mignone - Liaison to DPW, Zoning Sub-Committee, Redevelopment, New Milford and Oradell Shared Services Committee, Technology Committee - reported that the Zoning Board did not have a meeting in April due to a lack of an agenda. He reported that the DPW continues to do spring clean-ups, tree trimming and grass patching. They are currently working on repainting the stripes at the Swim Club and have cleaned out 560 catch basins. As a fellow Certified Public Works Manager, Councilman Mignone stated that he appreciates and recognizes the level and quality of service that the town gets from John and the men of the DPW. He feels that we have one of the best departments in the County and thanked them for doing a top notch job for River Edge.

Councilman Acquafredda - Liaison to Construction Code Official, Property Maintenance, Planning Sub Committee, Technology Committee, River Edge and River Dell Schools - was absent.

Councilman Papaleo - Liaison to Police Department, Fire/Fire Prevention, River Edge Alliance Against Alcohol & Drugs - reported that the Police Department has ordered the stanchions that the Mayor and Council had previously requested. He continues to stay in contact with the PBA and Police Chief and informed everyone that they have started negotiations for the new contract. Councilman Papaleo reported that the Fire Department's Truck Committee are currently in Wisconsin to finalize plans for the new truck and hopefully they will receive the new truck in November. The Alliance continues to do great work in conjunction with the Police Department and the public schools.

Mayor Moscaritolo - River Edge Ambulance Service - reported that to date, REVAS has responded to 175 calls, participated in the Cherry Hill Health Fair on April 17th and the Health Fair at Roosevelt on April 23rd. They set up a first aid station at the River Edge Run and provided first aid to some of the runners. They traded in their older defibrillators for newer advanced models and have put them in service. The Ambulance Service is always looking for volunteers and he gave out additional contact information for anyone who might be interested.

ORDINANCES - 1ST READING -

Mayor Moscaritolo read the title of Ordinance #1824 as follows:

Ordinance #1834 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #1824, CHAPTER 1 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE FOR THE

CREATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS OF RIVER EDGE ORGANIZATION

Motion by Councilwoman Busteed, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve the first reading of Ordinance #1834 as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

ORDINANCE #1834

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #1834, CHAPTER 1 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE FOR THE CREATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS OF RIVER EDGE ORGANIZATION

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Ordinance #1824, creation and establishment of the Senior Citizens of River Edge Organization ("SCORE"), is hereby amended to read as follows:

2. **Membership Requirements:** In order to join SCORE, eligibility shall consist only of River Edge residents who are a minimum of sixty (60) years of age. Residents of Bergen County who are a minimum of sixty (60) years of age may participate in SCORE related activities upon the payment of an activity fee that shall be annually fixed by SCORE.

3. **Election of Officers:** Members of SCORE shall elect from its membership a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. A member must be a River Edge resident to hold elected office. Only River Edge members in good standing shall participate in the election of officers.

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

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

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

ORDINANCE - 2ND READING -

Mayor Moscaritolo read the title of Ordinance #1829 as follows:

Ordinance #1829 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$840,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Ordinance #1829 was introduced by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone at the April 20, 2015 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE 1829

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$840,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

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

Section 1. The Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements in, by and for said Borough, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

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

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

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

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Undertaking of the following public improvements: (i) replacement of guard rail on Riverside Way and (ii) replacement of the water line at the Department of Public Works Yard.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 63,400
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,020
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 60,380
Period of Usefulness	15 years

B. Undertaking of the preliminary engineering phase for the replacement and upgrading of field lights at Kenneth B. George Park.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 63,300
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,020
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 60,280
Period of Usefulness	15 years

C. Supplemental funding for the undertaking of various improvements to Cherry Blossom Park. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$26,400 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 1806 adopted on April 21, 2014 (as amended by Ord. No. 1825 adopted on March 16, 2015).

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 6,800
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 330
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 6,470
Period of Usefulness	15 years

D. Supplemental funding for the undertaking of various improvements to the River Edge Senior/Community Center. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the aggregate sum of \$251,500 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 1789 adopted on May 6, 2013 and Ord. No. 1806 adopted on April 21, 2014 (as amended by Ord. No. 1825 adopted on March 16, 2015).

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 155,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 7,390
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 147,610
Period of Usefulness	15 years

E. Undertaking of the 2015 Road Resurfacing and Improvement Program (including curbing and sidewalk improvements, where necessary) in, by and for the Borough, as set forth on a list prepared by the Borough Engineer and approved by the Borough Council and directed to be placed on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk and made available for public inspection during normal business hours. It is hereby determined and stated that (i) the Borough Council may, by resolution, amend such list from time to time within the appropriation made hereby and (ii) such roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 415,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 19,800
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 395,200
Period of Usefulness	10 years

F. Supplemental funding for the installation of barrier-free curbs at various crosswalk locations in the Borough. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$319,900 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 1806 adopted on April 21, 2014 (as amended by Ord. No. 1825 adopted on March 16, 2015).

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 21,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,384
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 19,616
Period of Usefulness	10 years

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

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 115,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 110,000
Period of Usefulness	40 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$840,000
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 40,444
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$799,556

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$120,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$40,444, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$40,444 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the

cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$799,556 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$799,556 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

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

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 15.84 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 \$799,556 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

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

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

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

of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

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

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

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk
Dated:

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1829

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open public hearing on Ordinance #1829.

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

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1829

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close public hearing on Ordinance #1819.

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

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1829

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adopt Ordinance #1829.

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

Mayor Moscaritolo read the title of Ordinance #1830 as follows:

Ordinance #1830 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$543,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Ordinance #1830 was introduced by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone at the April 20, 2015 as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

ORDINANCE 1830

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$543,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Acquisition of new additional furnishings consisting of chairs for the Council Chambers.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 10,600
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 530
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 10,070
Period of Usefulness	5 years

B. Supplemental funding for the acquisition and installation of a generator at Fire Company No. 2. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$41,200 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 1762 adopted on April 16, 2012.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 78,525
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 3,740
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 74,785
Period of Usefulness	15 years

C. Installation of an ADA automatic door at the Public Library.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 15,900
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 760
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 15,140
Period of Usefulness	15 years

D. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of a street sweeper for the use of the Department of Public Works ("DPW").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$200,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 9,530
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$190,470
Period of Usefulness	15 years

E. Acquisition of a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of a dump truck for the use of the DPW.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 58,300
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,800
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 55,500
Period of Usefulness	5 years

F. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery for the use of the Fire Department consisting of (i) turnout gear, (ii) fire hose and (iii) lighting equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 41,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 39,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years

G. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of a copy machine for the use of various Borough departments, offices and agencies.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 12,700
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 610
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 12,090
Period of Usefulness	10 years

H. Acquisition of new communication and signal systems equipment, new information technology equipment and a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, for the use of the Police Department consisting of (i) radios, (ii) computer equipment and (iii) SUVs.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 87,200
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 4,444
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 82,756
Period of Usefulness	5 years

I. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery for the use of the Police Department consisting of (i) tactical equipment and (ii) a fingerprint reader machine.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 38,775
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,850
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 36,925
Period of Usefulness	15 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$543,000
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 26,264
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$516,736

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$35,725 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and

other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$26,264, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$26,264 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$516,736 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$516,736 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

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

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 11.25 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 \$516,736 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

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

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board

showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

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

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

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

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest: .

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1830

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open public hearing on Ordinance #1830.

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

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1830

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to close public hearing on Ordinance #1830.

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

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1830

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adopt Ordinance #1830.

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

Mayor Moscaritolo read the title of Ordinance #1831 as follows:

Ordinance #1831 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE KINDERKAMACK ROAD REGIONAL REVITALIZATION PROJECT (PHASE 3) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF

RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,090,000 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 #1831 was introduced by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted at the April 20, 2015 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE 1831

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE KINDERKAMACK ROAD REGIONAL REVITALIZATION PROJECT (PHASE 3) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,090,000 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 the Kinderkamack Road Regional Revitalization Project (Phase 3) (from Christie Avenue to the Oradell border) in, by and for the Borough, including roadway reconstruction, streetscape improvements, traffic signalization and construction and reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs and driveway aprons, where necessary. 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.

Section 2. The sum of \$1,090,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Section 1 of this ordinance (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 Transportation Alternatives Program grant in the amount of \$800,000 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation shall be received by the Borough to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 1 hereof. Said grant funds shall be applied as set forth in Section 9 hereof. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of the Borough, (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$1,090,000, (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$1,090,000, and (5) the cost of said purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$290,000, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of said purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,090,000 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 5. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the

Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,090,000 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 6. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, 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 notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes and to issue 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 7. 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 8. 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 the Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$1,090,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 9. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of said purpose shall be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for said purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 10. 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 11. 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 such 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 12. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and 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 13. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1831

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open public hearing on Ordinance #1831.

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

Joseph Dunsay-151 Concord Drive-asked if this ordinance included any road improvements such as bike lanes?

Mayor Moscaritolo-replied, no because Kinderkamack Road is a county road and we couldn't add bike lanes unless they authorized it. This particular project is supported by an \$800,000 grant which we received from the DOT and the scope includes a streetscape with decorative poles and pavers.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1831

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open public hearing on Ordinance #1831.

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

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1831

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to adopt Ordinance #1831.

Councilman Mignone-reiterated that although we are getting an \$800,000 grant, we're still spending an additional \$370,000 on this project which will be passed on to the taxpayers. He continued to say that we've already bonded \$1,300,000 which came from capital spending for this year, in addition we're adding \$370,000 from this project plus an additional \$160,000 on the next project. He feels that we cannot sustain this amount of debt every year and keep taxes stable. He continued to say that on the streetscape project, while it may look nice, it will add extra costs and he does not feel it's worth going 40% over what our bond amount is. Councilman Mignone will not support this bond ordinance.

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that this project has been on our books for many years prior to his administration and feels that we have to carry the ball forward and continue the project. He continued to say that our street beautification is nice but spotty and this will complete it up to the Oradell border and will support the commercial revitalization of that part of Kinderkamack Road. He continued to say that the majority of the project is being paid for by other peoples money, not tax payer money. He stated that as long as he is Mayor, he will continue to promote applying for grants to get some of our taxpayer money back to put towards public improvements.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Busted and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilman Cappola and Councilman Mignone voted no and Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

Alan Negreann-doesn't think the ordinance passed because it is his understanding that you need four affirmative votes of the Governing Body. He asked the Borough Attorney for clarification.

Tom Sarlo, Esq.-feels that it passed because they have 3 out of 5 which is a majority.

Councilwoman Murphy-asked why Alan would think that that was not sufficient?

Alan Negreann-replied that most finance ordinances require a 4 out of 6 or two-thirds vote.

Mayor Moscaritolo-asked the Borough Attorney to look into it and give a legal opinion.

Ordinance #1831 did not pass.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the title of Ordinance #1832 as follows:

Ordinance #1832 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE SCHOOL SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE VICINITY OF RIVER DELL MIDDLE SCHOOL, CHERRY HILL SCHOOL AND ROOSEVELT SCHOOL IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$450,000 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 #1832 was introduced by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busteded at the April 20, 2015 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORIDNANCE 1832

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE SCHOOL SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE VICINITY OF RIVER DELL MIDDLE SCHOOL, CHERRY HILL SCHOOL AND ROOSEVELT SCHOOL IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$450,000 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 the School Safety Improvement Project in the vicinity of River Dell Middle School, Cherry Hill School and Roosevelt School in, by and for the Borough, including construction and reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs and driveway aprons, and installation of ADA-curb ramps, enhanced crosswalks and crosswalk lights. 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.

Section 2. The sum of \$450,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Section 1 of this ordinance (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 \$315,000 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program shall be received by the Borough to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 1 hereof. Said grant funds shall be applied as set forth in Section 9 hereof. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of the Borough, (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes

Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$450,000, (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$450,000, and (5) the cost of said purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$102,000, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of said purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$450,000 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 5. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$450,000 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 6. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, 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 notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes and to issue 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 7. 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 8. 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 the Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$450,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 9. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of said purpose shall be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for said purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 10. 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 11. 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 such 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 12. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and 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 13. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1832

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded Councilman Papaleo to open public hearing on Ordinance #1832.

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

Resident-complained about the dangerous icy sidewalks at the Middle Schools this winter and feels that people need to do their job and throw some salt down.

Mayor Moscaritolo-explained that this ordinance is to provide for sidewalk improvements for the schools.

Councilwoman Busted-stated that this is to add a sidewalk on Midland Avenue which is not currently there.

Mayor Moscaritolo-replied, correct.

Councilman Mignone-replied, no, and stated that there is a separate DOT grant of \$149,000 to do Midland and Woodland. This grant overlaps that which includes building sidewalks on the cliff over Kinderkamack Road on the east side by the bus stop which he does not agree with. He stated that they're spending over and above what they're receiving in grant money and they don't really know what they're getting. He feels that if we receive a grant, we should work within that amount and not add to it because it all adds up. He stated that everyone is aware of how difficult it was to get the budget under the caps and in a few years they will feel the effects from all this bonding.

Councilwoman Murphy-asked at what point do we finish projects? She stated that there's resistance to continuing the streetscape and doesn't understand why we wouldn't want to make this type of investment in our town where we have continuity.

Councilman Mignone-feels that putting sidewalks in front of the Verizon building is not a good use of taxpayer money. He stated that he's not saying don't do improvements but feels that they should do improvements that make sense. He doesn't feel that this is a priority because if it was, they would have funded it through the capital budget.

Councilwoman Murphy-stated that we're trying to make the town more walkable and also feels that there are safety issues. Councilwoman Murphy doesn't agree with continuing to put things off.

Joseph Dunsay-feels that it's impossible to finish every project.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1832

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to close public hearing on Ordinance #1832.

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

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1832

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to adopt Ordinance #1832.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Busted and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilman Mignone and Councilman Cappola voted no and Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

Tom Sarlo, Esq.-stated that he did some research and NJSA 40A:2-17 states that a bond ordinance shall be finally adopted by recording affirmative votes of at least two-thirds of the governing body. That would mean that both ordinances do not pass. He was not aware that bond ordinances required two-thirds and thanked Alan for interjecting.

Councilwoman Busted-asked Alan if there is a deadline by which we must pass this ordinance in order to continue to be in good standing with the grant.

Alan Negreann-stated that the grant has a completion date but he is not aware of a timetable at this point in time.

Councilman Mignone-asked if we've executed the agreement?

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that he doesn't recall signing the agreement.

Ordinance #1832 did not pass.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy to put the two bond ordinances on the next work session to discuss bringing them back for first readings.

Mayor Moscaritolo read the title of Ordinance #1833 as follows:

Ordinance #1833 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #1820 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 2015

Ordinance #1833 was introduced by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone at the April 20, 2015 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE #1833

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #1820 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 2015

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

Section 1: The compensation for the part-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge for the year 2015 shall be as follows:

Hourly 2015 Annually

CONSTRUCTION/CODE ENFORCEMENT

Fire Inspector

\$8.38 - \$25.85

\$2,750 - \$3,600

Section 2: This ordinance is retroactive to January 1, 2015 and shall take effect immediately after the first publication after final passage as provided by law.

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

ATTEST:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1833

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to open public hearing on Ordinance #1833.

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

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE - Ordinance #1833

There being no comments by the public, motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to close public hearing on Ordinance #1833.

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

ADOPTION - Ordinance #1833

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to adopt Ordinance #1833.

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

RESOLUTIONS - By Consent

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to approve resolutions #15-176 through #15-178, #15-180 through #15-186 and #15-189 through #15-194.

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

#15-176 Resolution to Go Into Closed Session and Exclude Public

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

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

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

follows:

1. That the public shall be excluded from the May 18, 2015 work session meeting and discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matter:

Closed Session	Item Title or Description	Statutory Reference
Docket #		

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

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

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

May 4, 2015

#15-177 Amend Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to Fifth Avenue Improvements, Section 2

WHEREAS, there exists a need for expert professional engineering services for Fifth Avenue Improvements, Section 2; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has previously awarded a contract to Robert Costa, Borough Engineer via resolution #14-300 dated August 4, 2014 in the amount of \$8,000.00 and

WHEREAS, additional funding is required for professional services for the Fifth Avenue Improvements, Section 2 project; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1828-100 of the Capital Fund in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.00; and

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have examined resumes, biographies, work experience; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed price and other factors when considering supporting reasons for awarding this contract; and

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

Principal Land Surveyor.....	\$ 75.00
Survey Field Crew.....	\$150.00

Senior Designer.....\$ 65.00
Senior Drafter.....\$ 55.00
Computer Drafting.....\$ 75.00

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

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 325 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.00; and
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the service performed is by a person authorized to practice a recognized profession.

May 4, 2015

#15-178 Amend Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to Community Development Block Grant Ramps, Public Sidewalk Work and Sidewalk/Ramp for the Memorial Park Bathroom and Pavilion - Design and Inspect

WHEREAS, there exists a need for expert professional engineering services related to Community Development Block Grant Ramps, Public Sidewalk Work and Sidewalk/Ramp for the Memorial Park Bathroom and Pavilion - Design and Inspect; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has previously awarded a contract to Robert Costa, Borough Engineer via resolution #14-416 dated November 17, 2014 in the amount of \$10,000.00 and

WHEREAS, additional funding is required for professional services for Community Development Block Grant Ramps, Public Sidewalk Work and Sidewalk/Ramp for the Memorial Park Bathroom and Pavilion - Design and Inspect; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-20-1652-100 of the Current Fund in the amount not to exceed \$9,500.00; and

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have examined resumes, biographies, work experience; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed price and other factors when considering supporting reasons for awarding this contract; and

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

Principal Land Surveyor.....\$ 75.00

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

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

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 325 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 in the amount not to exceed \$9,500.00; 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.

May 4, 2015

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to approve resolution #15-179.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Busted and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilman Cappola and Councilman Mignone voted no and Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

#15-179 Authorize Clerk to Go Out for Bid for the Cherry Blossom Park, Phase 1 Project

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to go out for bid for the Cherry Blossom Park, Phase 1 Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project Engineer has submitted plans and specifications for the project entitled Cherry Blossom Park, Phase 1 to the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge; and

WHEREAS, these plans and specifications have been reviewed by the Mayor and Council at work sessions held on April 6, 2015 and April 20, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge desire to memorialize their approval of the plans and specifications and the design elements contained therein for the project entitled Cherry Blossom Park, Phase 1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for the project entitled Cherry Blossom Park, Phase 1 are hereby accepted and approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge.

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

May 4, 2015

#15-180 Amend 2015 Budget

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve 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 State and Local Housing Grant in the amount of \$513.00.

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

Increase an item of revenue entitled:

3. Miscellaneous Revenue - Section F

State/Local Cooperative Housing Grant.....\$513.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$513.00 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

(A) Operations excluded from the "CAPS"

Public & Private Programs Offset by Revenues

State/Local Cooperative Housing Grant.....\$513.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough forward electronically the contents of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

May 4, 2015

#15-181 Amend 2015 Budget

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve 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 Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$4,694.00.

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:

4. Miscellaneous Revenue - Section F

Assistance to Firefighters Grant.....\$4,694.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$4,694.00 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

(B) Operations excluded from the "CAPS"

Public & Private Programs Offset by Revenues

Assistance to Firefighters Grant\$4,694.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough forward electronically the contents of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

May 4, 2015

#15-182 Amend 2015 Budget

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve 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 for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, revenues are on hand in the Grant Fund: and

State and Federal Grant Funds - Unappropriated

Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund.....\$3,792.26

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:

Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund.....\$3,792.26

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$3,792.26 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

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

Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund.....\$3,792.26

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough forward electronically the contents of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

May 4, 2015

#15-183 Amend Resolution #15-66 2015 Salary Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED that the following officers and employees of the Borough of River Edge be compensated for the year 2015 in accordance with Ordinance #1833 retroactive to January 1, 2015.

2015

Construction/Code Enforcement

Annual

Fire Inspector	P/T Herman, Leonard	\$3,561.00
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May 4, 2015

#15-184 Resolution Requesting the County of Bergen's Support in Designating the Borough of River Edge as a Stigma-Free Zone

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Executive and the Board of Chosen Freeholders, along with the Bergen County Department of Health Services, supports the designation of *Stigma-Free Zones* in every municipality; and

WHEREAS, at the June 2013 meeting of the Bergen County Mental Health Board, members of the Board learned from Care Plus NJ staff that the agency was working collaboratively to establish a *Stigma-Free Zone* in Paramus; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Mental Health Board supported the initiative and recognized that the initiative was aligned with the Board's mission to raise awareness of the disease of mental illness; and

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Mental Health reports that 1 in 4 adults experiences mental illness in a given year and 1 in 17 adults live with a serious mental illness such as schizophrenia, major depression or bipolar disorder; approximately 20% of youth ages 13 to 18 and 13% of youth ages 8 to 15 experience severe mental disorders in a given year; and

WHEREAS, the stigma associates with the disease of mental illness is identified as the primary reason individuals fail to seek the help they need to recover from the disease; and

WHEREAS, *Stigma-Free Zones* aim to inspire public interest and open dialogues about stigma, raise awareness of the disease of mental illness and create a culture wherein residents who have the disease of mental illness feel supported by their community and neighbors and feel free to seek treatment for the disease without fear of stigma; and

WHEREAS, promoting awareness that there can be no "health" without mental health will break down barriers and encourage residents of all ages to be mindful of their mental health and ask for help when needed; and

WHEREAS, local resources are available to treat the disease of mental illness so no one resident needs to suffer alone or feel hopeless; and

WHEREAS, establishing *Stigma-Free Zones* will raise awareness of resources and encourage residents to engage in care as soon as the need is identified so recovery can begin, hope is inspired and tragedies are avoided.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of River Edge recognizes the community needs and supports the efforts of the County of Bergen in designating the Borough of River Edge as a *Stigma-Free Zone*.

May 4, 2015

#15-185 Cancel Outstanding Checks

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has had on its records outstanding check(s) for a lengthy period of time; and

WHEREAS, the bank upon which these check(s) are drawn considers the check(s) stale-dated after six months; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough to keep its records current.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following outstanding check(s) be cancelled and that the Chief Financial Officer shall adjust his records accordingly.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Municipal Court Account #8100245474	2086	01/18/12	\$ 2.00
	2090	02/17/12	\$ 2.00
	2094	03/14/12	\$ 1.00
	2095	03/14/12	\$ 3.00
	2104	05/04/12	\$ 3.00
	2116	06/28/12	\$ 3.00
	2132	10/04/12	\$ 1.00
	2145	12/07/12	\$ 3.00
	2159	03/01/13	\$ 5.00
	2184	07/15/13	\$11.00

May 4, 2015

#15-186 Notice of Governing Body's Intent to Create a List of Eligible Officers for Promotion in the Police Department

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council now desire to create a list of eligible officers for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall provide the Police Department with a notice to be listed on a bulletin board located in Police headquarters stating that the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge declares its intent to create a listing for promotion for the rank of Lieutenant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Police Department is hereby instructed to send out certified return receipt letters of notification to those officers who may be eligible for the above rank in accordance with the Borough's promotional policy.

May 4, 2015

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to approve resolution #15-187.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Cappola, Councilwoman Busted and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilman Mignone voted no and Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

Councilman Mignone-stated that he's voting no because he doesn't think Mr. Costa gave them a clear indication last time of the striping plan for Section 2. He disagrees with Mr. Costa's interpretation of the striping on Fifth Avenue with the solid shoulder, parking lane and misplaced sharrows. He doesn't feel that it's an appropriate plan and thinks it's incompatible.

#15-187 Authorize Clerk to Go Out for Bid for the Fifth Avenue Road Improvements, Section 2 at the Intersection of Fifth Avenue and Wayne Avenue

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to go out for bid for the Fifth Avenue Road Improvements, Section 2 at the Intersection of Fifth Avenue & Wayne Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has submitted plans and specifications for the project entitled Fifth Avenue Road Improvements, Section 2, Intersection of Fifth Avenue & Wayne Avenue; and

WHEREAS, these plans and specifications have been reviewed by the Governing Body and Borough Attorney at a work session held on April 20, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge desire to memorialize their approval of the plans and specifications and the design elements contained therein for the project entitled Fifth Avenue Road Improvements, Section 2, Intersection of Fifth Avenue & Wayne Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for the project entitled Fifth Avenue Road Improvements, Section 2, Intersection of Fifth Avenue & Wayne Avenue are hereby accepted and approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge.

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

May 4, 2015

Motion by Councilman Mignone, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to approve resolution #15-188.

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

#15-188 Grant Raffle License to the PTO Roosevelt School

BE IT RESOLVED that the following license to conduct an On Premise 50/50 Raffle to the PTO Roosevelt School, 711 Summit Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey 07661 License #655, I.D. 423-5-28534 to take place at Roosevelt School, 711 Summit Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey on June 19, 2015 from 3 p.m. to 7 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.

May 4, 2015

#15-189 Grant Raffle License to St. Peter the Apostle Church

BE IT RESOLVED that the following license to conduct an Off Premise Prize Raffle to St. Peter the Apostle Church, License #656, I.D. 423-1-27855 to take place at 7:30 p.m. on September 27, 2015 at 445 Fifth Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey.

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.

May 4, 2015

#15-190 Grant Raffle License to St. Peter the Apostle Church

BE IT RESOLVED that the following license to conduct an On Premise Non-Draw Raffle to St. Peter the Apostle Church, 445 Fifth Avenue, New Jersey, 07661, License #657, I.D. 423-1-27855 for a four (4) day carnival to take place at St. Peter the Apostle Church, 455 Fifth Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey on September 24, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; September 25, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.; September 26, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.; September 27, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 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.

May 4, 2015

#15-191 Authorize Tax Collector to Transfer a 1st Quarter 2015 Tax Overpayment to the 2nd Quarter 2015 Taxes

WHEREAS, the tax office has received a 1st quarter 2015 tax overpayment on the following property; and

WHEREAS, a written request was received from Newmark Knight Frank, the taxpayer's management company, who made the overpayment, to transfer the overpayment to the next quarter due.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector adjust her records by transferring the 1st quarter 2015 tax overpayment to the 2nd quarter 2015 taxes as follows:

Block/Lot	Owner/Property	from 1st Qtr. 2015	to 2 nd Qtr. 2015
1412/1.01	10 Hackensack Ave, LLC Railroad Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	6,342.87	6,342.87

May 4, 2015

#15-192 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund a 1st Quarter 2015 Tax Overpayment

WHEREAS, the tax office has received a duplicate payment and/or tax overpayment for the 1st Quarter 2015 taxes on the following property from Safe Land Title Agency; and

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

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

Block/Lot	Name & Address	Refund Amount
615/12	Christian Guzman & Betsy Jacob 572 Bogert Road River Edge, NJ 07661	3,051.38

May 4, 2015

#15-193 Amend 2015 Budget

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve 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 for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a grant for a Reserve for Clean Communities Grant Unappropriated in the amount of \$500.00.

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:

5. Miscellaneous Revenue - Section F

Clean Communities Grant.....\$500.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$500.00 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

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

Clean Communities Grant.....\$500.00

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

May 4, 2015

#15-194 Authorize Clerk to Go Out for Bid - RFQ/RFP for Archivist Services

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to go out for bid for RFQ/RFP for Archivist Services.

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

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Councilman Mignone read resolution #15-195 into the record.

Motion by Councilman Mignone, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to approve resolution #15-195.

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

#15-195 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	\$7,159,725.91
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	\$ 74,445.00
RECREATION ACCOUNT	\$ 1,840.26
TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT	\$ 5,980.66
OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT	\$ 7,787.86
TRUST OTHER DEVELOPER ACCOUNT	\$ 2,037.50

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 times claims would be paid.

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OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

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

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

Joseph Dunsay-stated that generally he is opposed to redevelopment but feels that if they do move forward with the project at 3-5 New Bridge Landing they should look into putting the building on stilts because of flooding, widening the sidewalks to promote foot traffic and promote a better traffic flow to cut down on car pollution.

Norma Gottlieb - 150 Valley Road-doesn't understand why out of town members of SCORE are not allowed to vote for officers because she feels that they are more active and do most of the volunteering. She feels that they would be discriminated against and would hate to lose them as members.

Sondra Berman-373 Oak Avenue-stated that since she has become a member of SCORE she has been strengthening the organization and feels that by discriminating against out of town members, who she feels do most of the volunteering will weaken the organization. She feels that the River Edge members are working against any ideas that she puts forward.

Elizabeth Oudens-547 Monroe Court-thanked the Mayor and Council for placing the resolution on this evening to support the designation of River Edge as a stigma free zone, especially since 1 in 4 individuals will be affected. She feels that it's a step forward in educating the public and eliminating the fear and embarrassment which is associated with mental health issues.

Michael Harley-30 Grove Street-asked if there was a discussion regarding Grove Street and the problems that have been occurring.

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that he did give a report on Grove Street because there was a dumping problem that was cleaned up. He also stated that a contractor was accessing the borough easement and they asked him to remove his equipment. The Mayor feels that we need a long term solution for Grove Street and asked Mr. Harley if he has any suggestions for improvements.

Michael Harley-stated that initially he was concerned about the parking that was put in but it seems to be working out well.

Mayor Moscaritolo-stated that the parking has a relatively low impact on surrounding residents.

Michael Harley-said that he's been living on Grove Street for almost 25 years and it's really a mess but he doesn't know how to improve it.

Mayor Moscaritolo-explained that they did put money aside in the capital budget to expand on the parking only if there was an additional demand. He continued to say that if they did expand the parking it would dress it up a little bit by removing the slabs and paving the easement.

Michael Harley-stated that as much as he doesn't want to live across from a parking lot, it might improve the area.

CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC -

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

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

COUNCIL COMMENTS -

Councilwoman Murphy-attended the Annual Scholarship Reception at the Rosenbaum Yeshiva and met Senator Cory Booker who gave a great speech about education. She also congratulated all of the recipients who received recognition. Councilwoman Murphy toured the new state of the art gymnasium and was told by Rabbi Rosenbaum that the school houses 1,800 students. She thanked them for their hospitality.

Councilman Mignone-wanted to make a clarification regarding an article in the Town News last week entitled River Edge opts not to seek grant funds which included quotes from Marlene Casey, the grant writer. She spoke about the guiderail on Riverside Way and was quoted as saying "if there was a serious accident there and you haven't addressed this issue, I feel sorry for the Borough. They have a lot of insurance I guess". Councilman

Mignone stated that what wasn't put in the article and what Ms. Casey knew that night, was that we did put money in the capital budget to replace the guiderail which is a \$30,000 project. They put money aside because they did know it was deficient. Councilman Mignone stated that Ms. Casey came in and proposed a \$300,000 fix for a \$30,000 project. Another thing that ~~was not mentioned in the article is that the one safety issue that she~~ mentioned is being addressed correctly by the Mayor and Council for the correct amount of money. He hopes that in the future when articles are written it does give the whole story because it was a misrepresentation of what actually happened.

Councilwoman Murphy congratulated the Borough for being ranked #30 as one of the safest cities in the country. If anyone was interested in checking out the list they can go to safewide.com.

ADJOURNMENT - 9:15 P.M.

Motion by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Mignone to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

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

Mayor Sandy Moscaritolo

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated: