

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE  
BOROUGH OF SADDLE RIVER  
HELD FEBRUARY 14, 2011**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Raia, Council President Mutter , Council Members, Mastriano, Murray, Toomey, Walenczyk, Borough Clerk Macari, Administrator Cuccia, & Borough Attorney Huntington

**ABSENT:** Council Member Boardman

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**PRESIDING:** Mayor Raia called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.; Borough Clerk Macari read the following statement:

"Notice of this meeting in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231 of the laws of 1975, has been given by posting a notice of the scheduled dates of all regular meetings of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Saddle River on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and in the office of the Borough Clerk and by emailing a notice thereof to the Ridgewood Newspapers and The Record on December 27, 2010.

**NOTIFICATION OF FIRE EXITS**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**AWARDS AND CEREMONIES:**

**WORK SESSION:**

**MAYOR RAI:**

**Regulation Review Committee:** Mayor Raia stated that he is in receipt of a letter from Zoning Board of Adjustment Attorney David Rutherford regarding issues affecting this Board. A committee was appointed to include Council Members Toomey and Walenczyk, who will Co-Chair, as well as Council Member Boardman, Planning Board Attorney Thomas DiBiasi, Borough Attorney Russell Huntington, Administrator Chuck Cuccia, Building Inspector John Scialla, Borough Engineer Martin Spence, and Zoning Board of Adjustment Attorney David Rutherford.

Mayor Raia asked that the committee meet to discuss pending issues to include roof height, generator pads, pond issues, coverage and corner lots.

## **ADMINISTRATOR CUCCIA**

**Twin Brooks:** Administrator Cuccia stated that there is a bond ordinance on the agenda regarding improvements to Twin Brooks Road and Borough Engineer Spence explained this in detail to the Mayor and Council. The bond ordinance is in the amount of \$550,000.

**Budget:** At this time, Administrator Cuccia gave the 2011 Budget Presentation to the Mayor and Council in Power Point format. Copies of the Saddle River 2011 Budget are available in the Municipal Clerk's office.

**Insurance:** Administrator Cuccia stated that there is a resolution on the Consent Agenda regarding a Self Insurance Trust Fund and he explained this in detail to the Mayor and Council.

## **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Council Member Toomey stated that he is setting up a meeting regarding the Downtown Crossings and asked Mayor Raia if he wished to attend.

Council Member Mastraino stated that she is in receipt of a letter from Wandell School asking if the Borough will be continuing the Honorary Mayor Program, the Holiday Tree Lighter and the Honorary Fire Chief Program for 2011. It was decided that the Police Department will also include a program to be auctioned off at the Wandell Foundation Dinner on March 25, 2011.

Council Member Mastriano also stated that she wanted to discuss the Band Shell Summer Concert Series on Thursday evenings in the summer. Mayor Raia suggested holding this program on Fridays in order for the children to attend. She discussed some ideas for a variety of bands.

Council Member Murray stated that the Wandell School Board will not be increasing their budget more than 2%.

Council Member Walenczyk discussed the Bishop House lease and stated that he feels that the Bishop House Foundation should be contacted in order to evaluate the merits of continuing with a lease. Potential uses for this facility were also discussed and Mayor Raia stated that he would like to see it utilized as a community center.

**MUNICIPAL CLERK:** Municipal Clerk Macari stated that she is still not in receipt of the filing date for the Mayor and Council petitions and will advise as soon as it becomes available.

In addition, Municipal Clerk Macari discussed the archiving of municipal files through a PARIS Grant. The Concord Group has been contracted by the County and is currently working on this project.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-847C**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 180, ENTITLED “STORM WATER RUNOFF”, IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SADDLE RIVER, NEW JERSEY**

**Resolution # 30-11** Offered by Council Member Walenczyk  
Seconded by Council Member Mastriano  
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-848-M**

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED INDEX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2011**

**Resolution #31-11** Offered by Council Member Murray  
Seconded by Council President Mutter  
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**INTRODUCTION OF THE 2011 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

**Resolution #32-11** Offered by Council Member Murray  
Seconded by Council Member Toomey  
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE(S):**

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-845-M**

**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE 2011 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM IN BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF SADDLE RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$100,000 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**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** No one from the public wished to be heard

**Resolution #33-11** Offered by Council Member Walenczyk  
Seconded by Council President Mutter  
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**ORDINANCE NO. 11-846-M**

**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE RECONSTRUCTION OF TWIN BROOKS ROAD IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF SADDLE RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$550,000 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.**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** No one from the public wished to be heard

**Resolution #34-11** Offered by Council Member Murray  
Seconded by Council Member Toomey  
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

**Resolution # 35-11** Offered by Council Member Murray  
Seconded by Council Member Walenczyk  
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**RESOLUTIONS**

All matters listed hereunder are considered routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. Any Council Member may request that an item be removed for separate consideration. Considering approval of minutes, a yes vote will indicate a vote in favor of approval of the minutes of each meeting at which the Council Member was present and abstention with respect to the minutes of meetings at which such Council Member was not present.

Resolution by Council President Mutter  
Seconded by Council Member Murray  
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**Explanation of Consent Agenda Items**

At this time, Administrator Cuccia briefly explained the resolutions on the Consent Agenda.

**A. Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting of 1/17/11.

**B. Resolution(s)**

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| <b>R# 36-11</b> | <b>Adopting "Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual"</b>                                      |
| <b>R# 37-11</b> | <b>Agreement with Tyco Animal Control Service</b>   |
| <b>R# 38-11</b> | <b>Agreement with West Bergen Mental Healthcare</b>   |
| <b>R# 39-11</b> | <b>Dedication by Rider – Self Insurance Trust</b>   |
| <b>R# 40-11</b> | <b>Self Examination Budget Resolution</b>   |
| <b>R# 41-11</b> | <b>Authorization for the Bergen County Joint Insurance Fund<br/>Retro-endorsement Program</b> |

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance Report:** There was no report at this time.

**Fire Report:** Council Member Walenczyk gave the report for December 2010 and January 2011

**Police Report:** Council President Mutter gave the report for December 2011 and January 2011 and read a letter of commendation from a resident regarding the Police Department.

**Public Works:** Council Member Walenczyk gave the report for January 2011.

**Parks and Recreation:** There was no report at this time.

**Board of Health:** There was no report at this time. .

**Const. & Zoning Enforcement:** There was no report at this time.

**Zoning Board:** Council Member Toomey gave the report for January 2011.

**Landmarks Committee:** There was no report at this time.

**Planning Board:** Council Member Walenczyk gave the report for February 2011.

**Environmental Committee:** There was no report at this time.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:** At this time, Mayor Raia read a Proclamation endorsing **Read Across America** on March 2, 2011.

**RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION**

At this time, a resolution was read to go into Closed Session.

**Resolution # 42-11** Offered by Council Member Toomey  
Seconded by Council Member Mastriano  
Roll Call Vote: AYES: Unanimous

A motion to adjourn the Closed Session and return to the Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was made and seconded.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Elena Macari  
Borough Clerk