

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF SADDLE RIVER
HELD JULY 20, 2009**

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

ABSENT:

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 mailing a notice thereof to the Ridgewood Newspapers and The Record on December 10, 2008.

NOTIFICATION OF FIRE EXITS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

AWARDS AND CEREMONIES: At this time, Borough Clerk Macari read the ***OVER THE LIMIT UNDER ARREST 2009 CRACKDOWN AUGUST 21 – SEPTEMBER 7, 2009 Proclamation***

WORK SESSION:

MAYOR RAIA

Emergency Management Training: Mayor Raia stated that he successfully completed this course and would like to further discuss candidates to act as the Emergency Management Coordinator.

Cameron Road: Mayor Raia stated that this area has been cleaned up and new plantings are in place.

Map of Fire Hydrants: Mayor Raia stated that he asked Borough Engineer Spence to prepare a map of the fire hydrant locations in the Borough of Saddle River and discussed this with the Council. He further stated that all Council members will be receiving a copy of this map for their review.

ADMINISTRATOR CUCCIA

Water Line: Administrator Cuccia stated that the West Saddle River Road water line project has been completed and the water line project on East Saddle River Road has begun.

Fire Department Relief Association Transfer: Administrator Cuccia stated that this resolution is part of the Consent Agenda and explained this in detail to the Mayor and Council.

T-Mobile Tree Monopole: Administrator Cuccia stated that the first pre-construction meeting took place on July 8, 2009. Borough Engineer Spence will be providing T-Mobile with site plans and they will be submitting construction plans for this project.

Garbage and Recycling Update: Administrator Cuccia stated that the new contractor started on July 1, 2009 and things are going very smoothly.

Report on Examination of Financial Statements 2008: Administrator Cuccia stated that the Mayor and Council are in receipt of the audit report and asked if anyone had any items to address. Council Member Murray asked about the process of finalization of the audit and Administrator Cuccia explained this in detail.

Holy Name Hospital-Owners of the Villa Marie Claire potential of interconnecting in to the Waldwick sewer system: Administrator Cuccia stated that the Mayor and Council are in receipt of a letter from the Borough of Waldwick regarding the Holy Name Hospice being hooked up to their municipal water. The Borough of Saddle River has a water line in front of the facility as well and Administrator Cuccia asked the Mayor and Council if they felt it was prudent to have this water line service the facility rather than Waldwick. He further stated that he would like to have Borough Engineer Spence research this and the Mayor and Council were in agreement.

Salary Ordinance: Administrator Cuccia stated that the increase for non-labor employees is 3.75%, which is in the 2009 Budget. This resolution is part of the Consent Agenda.

Rejection of Bids: Administrator Cuccia stated that the bids that were received for improvements to Rindlaub Park were not acceptable as the lowest bidder is over what has been budgeted for the project. Borough Engineer Spence will be scheduling a new date to accept bids for this project.

Borough Clerk Macari that the resolution in the Consent Agenda to submit a grant agreement with the NJDOT is for Twin Brooks Road, not Old Woods Road which was stated in the body of the resolution.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Mastriano stated that on Wednesday, July 29, 2009 there will be a Green Sustainable Meeting at Wandell School at 7:00pm. There will be several speakers attending to discuss relevant topics.

BOROUGH CLERK: Borough Clerk Macari asked the Mayor and Council if they wished to have a meeting in August and it was decided that there would not be a meeting. Council Member Murray asked several questions regarding the Fee Ordinance and Administrator Cuccia discussed this in detail.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE(S): Clerk to read the title of:

ORDINANCE 09-832-C

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 96 ENTITLED "CONSTRUCTION CODES UNIFORM" IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SADDLE RIVER, NEW JERSEY

Resolution # 93-09 Offered by Council President Burke
Offered by Council Member Re
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

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

ORDINANCE NO. 09-833-C

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53, A NEW MASTER PLAN

Resolution # 94-09 Offered by Council President Murray
Offered by Council member Mastraino
Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

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

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES: There were none.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Resolution # 95-09 Offered by Council Member Murray
Seconded by Council Member Mutter
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 Burke
Seconded by Council Member Mutter
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: 6/15/09

B. Resolution(s)

R# 96-09 Rejection of Bids taken on 7/14/09 for Rindlaub Park Improvements

R# 97-09 Annual Report of Audit

R# 98-09 Salary Ordinance

R# 99-09 Soil movement for Kurtz, 140 ESRR, Blk 1701 Lot 41.01

R# 100-09 Soil movement for Cho 24 Burning Hollow Rd, Blk 1807 Lot 10

R# 101-09 Fire fighters

R# 102-09 N.J. State Firemen's Association Membership Application

R# 103-09 Authorization to bid for construction projects

R# 104-09 NJDOT Grant Application

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Report: Council Member Murray gave the report for June 2009.

Fire Report: Council Member Re gave the report for Jan - June 2009.
Several Members of the Fire Department participated in an elevator safety seminar.

Police Report: Council President Burke gave the report for June 2009.

Public Works: Council Member Mutter gave the report for June 2009.

Parks and Recreation: There was no report at this time

Construction & Zoning Enforcement: Council President Burke gave the report for June 2009.

Zoning Board: Council Member Toomey gave the report for July 2009.

Landmarks Committee: Council Member Toomey gave the report for June 2009. Council President Burke discussed the Landmark Committee's resolution, asking the Mayor and Council to reconsider the demolition of the Osborne house at 90 East Allendale.

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

Planning Board: Council President Burke gave the report for June 2009.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Marilyn Goldfisher, 124 West Saddle River Road stated that the new garbage contractor's trucks do not have a back-up warning signal and she feels this is unsafe for children and animals.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

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

Resolution # 105-09 was offered by Council Member Mastriano
Seconded by Council Member Murray
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

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