

From: Nicholas LiBassi <nlibassi@rochelleparknj.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 1:10 PM
To: mvojnich@rochelleparknj.gov
Cc: Michael Kazimir; Michael Warren; Linda Boniface; Liz Kroll; Robert Davidson
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Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 1:34 PM
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Thanks Nick

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From: lboniface@rochelleparknj.gov
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 3:00 PM
To: mvojnich@rochelleparknj.gov
Cc: Michael Kazimir; Michael Warren; Nicholas LiBassi; Marc Vojnich; Liz Kroll; Robert Davidson
Subject: RE: Community Flagpole Request

All, I'm in full support of flying the PRIDE FLAG!!! Happy pride all!
Linda

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Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 10:09am
To: "Michael Kazimir" <mkazimir@rochelleparknj.gov>, "Michael Warren" <mwarren@rochelleparknj.gov>, "Linda Boniface" <lboniface@rochelleparknj.gov>, "Nicholas LiBassi" <nlibassi@rochelleparknj.gov>, "Marc Vojnich" <mvojnich@rochelleparknj.gov>, "Liz Kroll" <clerk@rochelleparknj.gov>, "Robert Davidson" <admin@rochelleparknj.gov>
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Thanks for the support Linda. Let's show our pride!

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From: mvojnich@rochelleparknj.gov
Sent: Thursday, January 9, 2020 2:52 PM
To: Liz Kroll
Subject: Community flagpole

Liz,
Please send me the final version that we passed to set the policy for the community flagpole. Thanks

clerk@rochelleparknj.gov

From: mvojnich@rochelleparknj.gov
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2020 11:38 AM
To: clerk@rochelleparknj.gov
Subject: RE: Community flagpole

Thanks. I couldn't remember exactly what the procedure was going forward.

-----Original Message-----

From: clerk@rochelleparknj.gov
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2020 11:03am
To: mvojnich@rochelleparknj.gov
Subject: RE: Community flagpole

No problem.

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To: mkazimir@rochelleparknj.gov; linda Boniface; mwarren@rochelleparknj.gov;
mvojnich@rochelleparknj.gov; nlibassi@rochelleparknj.gov
Cc: LKroll@rochelleparknj.gov; DPW@rochelleparknj.gov
Subject: Pride Flag

All,

I received three positive responses from the Township Committee regarding flying the Pride Flag at the Municipal Building. Therefore the flag has been raised and will remain until Monday July 1.

I will not be in the office tomorrow as I am going to Washington DC to my old Marine Corps stomping grounds the Home of the Corps 8th and I St SE.

Hope you all have a great weekend.

Bob

TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-103

**A RESOLUTION – ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE FOR USE OF MUNICIPAL
FLAGPOLE**

	MOVED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	
							I hereby certify that the above Resolution was
							duly adopted by the Township Committee of the
COMM. BONIFACE		X	X				Township of Rochelle Park at a meeting held
COMM. LIBASSI			X				On April 24, 2019
COMM. VOJNICH			X				
COMM. WARREN	X		X				
MAYOR KAZIMIR				X			
							Municipal Clerk

WHEREAS. the Township maintains a flagpole within the Municipality for the purpose of acknowledging, celebrating or raising awareness for certain persons, groups or other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the flag of the United States of America will always be maintained on its dedicated flagpole but an additional flagpole is available for use by these other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee desires to establish a policy for the use of this flagpole in order to celebrate the diverse nature of our town.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The community flagpole may be used to fly flags the acknowledge, celebrate or raise awareness to various persons or groups.
2. The flags cannot be used for religious purposes or associated with established groups that are hateful, biased or otherwise promote division.
3. The Township Committee shall establish the timing and duration of approved flags at the time of the reorganization meeting in January of each calendar year.

Resolution #2019 – 103 cont.

4. Flags may be flown for up to one month or for as short as one week.
5. Township residents can petition the Township Committee for a particular observance or flag verbally or in writing prior to the reorganization meeting. No flags may be added during the calendar year unless specifically approved in January.
6. The monthly observances that the Township may consider are as set forth on the list of month long observances set forth on Wikipedia.org, however, this list is intended to be illustrative not exhaustive and may be amended or supplemented at the pleasure of the Township Committee.
7. This resolution shall also authorize the installation of a new flagpole upon receipt, by the Township, of the funds necessary to purchase and install the flagpole. These funds may be received by donation or any other source.
8. The new flagpole referred to herein shall be installed at a location near the existing flagpoles located at 151 West Passaic Street and the Township Administrator is authorized to arrange for such installation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward to certified copies of the within resolution to each member of the Township Committee and to post a copy of this resolution on the Township website.

Attest:

Elizabeth Kroll
Municipal Clerk

Liz,

Re: to Linda's request "Who donated to
Flag Pole. The following is the list that I
could remember.

Police Dept, Joe Rotolo, Democratic Club of RP
Diene Davidson, LB & TQ of South Jersey, Linda Benifacci
Michael Warner, Nick LaBassini & B.J. & Marc Vignach

Cost was \$1,995.00

I received a postcard on 6-18 from Gates Flag
not sure if anyone else donated.

