

WORK SESSION MINUTES**DATE:** December 3, 2013**CAUCUS ROOM**

6:00 pm

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Richard LaBarbiera

Paul Kaufman, Borough Attorney

Annemarie Krusznis, Borough Clerk

Joseph D'Arco, Borough Administrator

Council Members:

Amato

Bellinger

Lagana

Nazziola

Verile

Warburton

Note: Agenda taken out of order

1. Resolution No: 13-12-726 Notification of meetings as required by "The Open Public Meetings Act."
-Read by Municipal Clerk at 6:08 P.M.

Roll Call

Present: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman Lagana, Councilman Nazziola, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Warburton.

Also Present: Mayor Richard LaBarbiera, Joseph D'Arco Borough Administrator, Paul Kaufman Municipal Attorney and Annemarie Krusznis Borough Clerk.

Little League and Babe Ruth Representatives

Mayor provides background on the situation. Mike Gare - President of Paramus Junior Baseball League, Joe Kenney - Treasurer for Little League, Jeff Warner – Assistant President for Babe Ruth and Executive Board Member for Little League, Geno – President of Paramus Babe Ruth are present.

One of the representatives ask why Recreation wanted this taken out of their budget.

Mrs. Bellinger: Council has the same question. Recreation wanted books open, Babe Ruth willingly complied, other leagues did not respond. Worried about accountability and issues of legalities. The Council and the representatives have a discussion regarding the subject of subsidizing umpires for baseball. The main concern identified by the Council is to make sure that the money that is being donated is in fact being used to reimburse umpires. Council is in agreement and will continue to subsidize umpiring services.

2. **BOROUGH CLERK'S REPORT:**

-Nothing to Report

3. **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

-Sent Council reports on the AR James Media bus shelters

-Still have to meet with the Mayor regarding the Solar Panels bid for the Pool and Firehouse

-Wounded Warrior project progress report

-Part-time salary Ordinance, Clerks office working on consolidating all titles, addressing minimum wage issue in January

-Salary ordinance from 2008 is down to a finite number of titles, will be up for January

-Announcement for Adopt-a-Bench program

-Boards and Commissions application completed, asks for authority to post on website. Mayor and Council agree to authorize.

-Elevator Inspection Program discussion for Closed Session

-Road repaving project near completion, saved on engineering fees, rates are better. Continue to do next year

Mayor LaBarbiera: After three years, finally received approval and proceeded immediately with the re-striping of the Spring Valley Rd. overpass in an effort to relieve the congestion of north bound traffic.

- Finally approved by the DOT, simple fix. Next thing being worked on is the Midland Ave. traffic signal. Mr. Ten Kate is working on.
- Joint project with the Board of Education on the composter, there may be an adjustment in the project. Suggestion from DPW for a community project. Grant is in limbo at this time.
 - Three of the first administrative processes of the budget have been completed. Continuing to work on 2014 Budget
 - Has tried to get a meeting with Washington Township to discuss sewers but unsuccessful.
 - The James J. Tedesco III Life Safety Complex is now fully open and operational. Final Policy and plans on use of Pistol Range for December. Under construction to put lead container outside. OSHA was very satisfied on how we proceeded.
 - Pool pre-season plans have been sent to the Pool Commission and their Council Liaison. We should have a smooth opening to the Pool Season.
 - Football storage container is completed

Mr. Amato: Questions Football lights. Mr. Kaufman answers. Also spoke to Board of Education regarding volleyball court and says they are not in favor.

Mayor: Mr. D'Arco to talk to Board of Education again.

- Shade Tree is in the midst of tree planting, moving well.
- Employee handbook has been completed by Mr. Kaufman's office, making edits, will send back to Mr. Kaufman's office.

Dennis Arslanian

- Update on Winter Carnival. Glee Club, close to 200 to 300 children singing. Mr. Casiello has a veteran who is an honoree. Posters being put in at bus shelters. Looking for big turnout. No cost to taxpayer. Numerous businesses participating.

Mr. Amato: Mr. Arslanian working very hard on this. Kudos to him for the job he's doing.

4. BOROUGH ATTORNEY'S REPORT: N/A

5. MAYOR'S REPORT N/A

6. COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS

Councilman Amato

Report for Public Meeting

Councilwoman Bellinger

Sign on Senior Center states that "by Borough Ordinance building opens at 12:00". Mr. D'Arco will check on. Questions what time should the general public have access to the building. Mayor answers that it should be regular public hours. The Senior Advisory Board is asking if classes are being run in the morning. Possible supervision of the building. Questions will be researched. Asks about Environmental Compost Grant, Mr. D'Arco says it's in the works.

Councilman Lagana

Contract negotiations for Closed Session

Councilman Nazziola

Report for Public Meeting.

Councilman Verile

Paramus Chamber of Commerce hosting holiday party at the Venetian tomorrow. 4th of July Committee will hold their first meeting in January. Planning Board meeting for last week was cancelled. Cultural Arts meeting for Dec. 4th has also been cancelled.

Councilman Warburton

Asked Tony from IT about credit cards at the Pool. Mr. D'Arco indicates that it is a priority and will be addressed.

7. RESOLUTION No. 13-12-727 closing the Meeting of the Mayor and Council to the public.

- a. IBEW Contract Negotiations
- b. PEA Contract Negotiations
- c. Tax Collector – Personnel
- d. EMS Contract Negotiations
- e. Teamsters Contract Negotiations
- f. PSEA Contract Negotiations
- g. Elevator Inspection
- h. Deputy Chief Contract
- i. PEA Arbitration Litigation
- j. Shamrock Creek Litigation
- k. Board of Education

Motion to go into Closed Session at 7:15 P.M.

Motion: Councilman Amato Second: Councilman Lagana

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman Lagana, Councilman Nazziola, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Warburton

Matters permitted by law

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Citizens are welcome to address the Mayor and Council on any governmental item of concern to them, whether or not it is scheduled on the agenda above. Comments will be made at the public portion of tonight's Public Meeting in the Council Chambers.

-No Public Comments

Recess: Reconvene in Council Chambers

REGULAR MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

-By Mayor LaBarbiera at 8:16 P.M.

Colors presented by the Paramus Police Honor Guard

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

-Led by the Guidetti Family

3. **OATH OF OFFICE:**

Deputy Chief of Police Robert M. Guidetti

-Sworn in by Mayor LaBarbiera

-Speeches made by Mayor LaBarbiera, Chief Ehrenberg and Deputy Chief Guidetti

4. **NOTICE OF MEETING:**

This is a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council and the notice requirements provided for in the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given in the Annual Notice Resolution 12-1-03 which was adopted by the Borough Council on January 6, 2013. Said Resolution was transmitted to the Record, filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Paramus and posted in the Borough Hall all on the 7th day of January, 2013.

-Read by Mayor LaBarbiera

5. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman Lagana, Councilman Nazziola, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Warburton

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Work Session of September 10, 2013

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Amato

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman Lagana, Councilman Nazziola, Councilman Verile

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilwoman Warburton

Work Session and Public Meeting of September 24, 2013

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Amato

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman Lagana, Councilman Nazziola, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Warburton

Nays: None

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Mayor LaBarbiera

Congratulations to the Guidetti family and Deputy Chief Guidetti. Should be proud of the Police and the work they are doing. This past Sunday there was the Menorah lighting at Borough Hall. Now gearing up for the winter carnival. Dennis Arslanian will give details.

Dennis Arslanian

The Winter Carnival and Tree Lighting ceremony will be on December 14th between 2 P.M. and 6 P.M. with the tree lighting ceremony to be at 4:30 P.M. There will be honorees in attendance. Thank you to all departments in this town for the job they have done. No cost to taxpayers. There will be food, carnival rides, carnival games. Rescue building will have crafts and face painting. Toys for tots will be there to collect any toy donations. Parking will be at Paramus

High School. Thank you for allowing me to be part of it.

Mayor: Great job by Mr. Arslanian. Black Friday came and went without much event. Retailers indicate that it was successful. Several contracts and agreements being put in place tonight. Commends the Governing Body and the negotiating committees for a job well done. Kudos to the Governing Body, membership and unions. Successful Fall Sports season and now getting ready for winter sports. First time Paramus H.S. football team has made it to the State championship. Game is being played at Metlife Stadium. Tickets available in Borough Hall. Town tailgate at section L11 at Metlife. Town pep rally on Thursday night at Paramus H.S. Blue and white day in the Borough on Friday.

Councilman Amato

Congratulations to Rob Guidetti as our new Deputy Chief. He is a credit to Paramus and wish him and his family well. Paramus EMS responded to 327 calls for service which resulted in 268 patient contacts during the month of November. All contacts transported to area hospitals. The busiest days on the week were Tuesdays and Thursdays with 43 patient contacts. Sixty-six percent of the jobs were for medical and sick persons while the remaining thirty-four percent for injuries and trauma. Of the transported patients, twenty percent were from businesses, twenty-one percent were from assisted living facilities and nursing homes and twenty-four percent from borough residences. Of those transported, 60.5% went to Valley Hospital while the rest were transported to area hospitals such as Hackensack Univ. Medical Center and Bergen Res. Medical Center. The average response time was 6.4 minutes compared to the national average of 8 minutes. PEMS vehicles traveled a total of 5,983 miles during the month of November. Shade Tree and Parks Commission thanks Joe Lagana for his help and guidance over the past several years. Congratulations to Assemblyman-Elect Joe Lagana.

Councilwoman Bellinger

Congratulations to Deputy Chief Guidetti and the Guidetti family. There is an application out for members of the community who are interested in serving on boards and committees on the Borough website. Police report for November indicates 5,512 calls for service, 72 criminal arrests, 595 motor vehicle summonses issued and 7,487 total 911 calls handed. Police doing a great job. Police Department is conducting a Holiday Toy Drive during the week of December 17th. Tickets still available for this Saturday's youth holiday party at Westbrook Middle School and are available at the Recreation office. Congratulations to U10 girls travel soccer team and the U12 boys soccer team for winning their divisions. In need of volunteer basketball and indoor soccer coaches. If interested, please contact the Recreation department. Recreation department is now hiring hall monitors and scorekeepers for the basketball and indoor soccer programs. Environmental Commission and DPW are hosting a free firewood giveaway this Saturday, December 7th from 8 A.M. to 12 noon at the Paramus Pool parking lot. Thanks Board of Health for the Stygma-Free signs. Senior Advisory Board meeting was last night and they thank Mr. D'Arco and the Mayor and Council for all their help and attention to the Senior Center.

Councilman Lagana

Congratulations to Deputy Chief Guidetti and the Guidetti family. Thanks to Councilman Amato and the Shade Tree Commission. Fall tree plantings to be completed this week. Crews have planted 171 new trees around the Borough. Crews are also assisting in preparing and decorating the grounds for the Winter Carnival. Staff have responded to over 930 tree related service requests.

Councilman Nazziola

Board of Health giving free blood pressure and diabetes screenings on December 12th. Holy Name Hospital offering programs for Seniors.

Councilman Verile

Adopt-a-Bench program has been instituted, thanks to Mr. D'Arco for the idea. Planning Board meeting is scheduled for December 12th. Board of Adjustment meeting is scheduled for December 5th. Paramus Chamber of Commerce Holiday Party is scheduled to December 4th at the Venetian.

Councilwoman Warburton

The Main Library will be hosting a Winter Wonderland this Friday, December 6th at 7:00 P.M. The Paramus DPW has begun their final leaf collection pass. DPW mourns the passing of employee Joseph Lewis.

7. ORDINANCE ON FINAL

Ordinance 13-35: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 429 OF THE PARAMUS CODE

Motion to Approve Ordinance 13-35 on Final

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Nazziola

Open to Public for Comment

-No Public Comment

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman Lagana, Councilman Nazziola, Councilman Verile,
Councilwoman Warburton

Nays: None

A CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE ADOPTED FOR ITEMS 11 AND 12

11. RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 13-12-728: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

Resolution 13-12-729: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF 2013 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

Resolution 13-12-730: A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN INDIVIDUAL TO ADMINISTER 2013 TAX SALE IN ABSENCE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Resolution 13-12-731: PULLED PRIOR TO MEETING

Resolution 13-12-732: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ANNUAL CLOTHING ALLOWANCE TO MEMBERS OF THE PARAMUS FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,000.00

Resolution 13-12-733: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ANNUAL CLOTHING ALLOWANCE TO MEMBERS OF THE PARAMUS RESCUE SQUAD FOR THE YEAR 2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,500.00

Resolution 13-12-734: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ANNUAL CLOTHING ALLOWANCE TO MEMBERS OF THE PARAMUS AUXILIARY POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,500.00

Resolution 13-12-735: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT OF \$1,100.00 FOR A STREET OPENING PERMIT TO JOSE LUNA FOR 547 BURLINGTON STREET

Resolution 13-12-736: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF ENGINEERING ESCROW IN THE AMOUNT OF \$379.00 FOR BLOCK 204 - LOT 1 TO PHILIPPINE AMERICAN COMMUNITY OF BERGEN COUNTY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOROUGH ENGINEER (PAES-2295)

Resolution 13-12-737: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,049.00 FROM SHADE TREE TRUST ACCOUNT #T-03-56-286-851-802 TO TIHOMIR ILOSKI FOR BLOCK 3307 - LOT 8 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DIRECTOR OF SHADE TREE & PARKS COMMISSION

Resolution 13-12-738: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$985.00 FROM SHADE TREE TRUST ACCOUNT #T-03-56-286-851-802 TO ALEX & SONS REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS, LLC FOR BLOCK 4409 - LOT 7 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DIRECTOR OF SHADE TREE & PARKS COMMISSION

Resolution 13-12-739: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR JOSEPH D'ARCO

Resolution 13-12 740: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE BOROUGH CLERK TO SIGN A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS AND DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE ROBERT M. GUIDETTI
-PULLED

Resolution 13-12-741: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN EXCHANGE FOR FOUR MANUAL STRETCHERS TO EMSCAR COPR. TO COVER COST ASSOCIATED WITH INSTALLATION OS INTERGRATED CHARGING SYSTEM FOR POWERED STRETCHER PROVIDED BY EMSCAR CORP.

Resolution 13-12-742 : A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A 2014 BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

Resolution 13-12 -743 : A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A 2014 BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

Resolution 13-12 -744 : A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC AND GAS (PSE&G) THROUGH THE 2013 DIRECT INSTALL PROGRAM

Resolution 13-12-745: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE 2014 RECREATION PRINTING BID TO COURIER PRINTING CORP., RIDGEWOOD PRESS AND HAWK GRAPHICS, INC

Resolution 13-12-746: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE 2014 RECREATION SOFTBALL, UMPIRING, BASKETBALL AND SOCCER OFFICIATING SERVICES BID TO KIMMI CO., BERGEN SPORTS OFFICIALS AND B.C.A.S.U.

Resolution 13-12-747: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE 2014 RECREATION UNIFORMS/SOCKS/HATS BID TO METUCHEN CENTER INC., ALL NU TROPHY, R&R TROPHY & SPORTING GOODS AND RIDDELL/ALL AMERICAN

Resolution 13-12-748: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE 2014 RECREATION GENERAL SPORTING GOODS EQUIPMENT BID TO RIDDELL/ALL AMERICAN, METUCHEN CENTER INC., SPORT SUPPLY GROUP DBA BSN, PASSONS, US GAMES, STAN'S SPORT CENTER AND R&R TROPHY & SPORTING GOODS

Resolution 13-12-749:- A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE FLOOR REPAIR FOR PARAMUS GOLF COURSE RESTAURANT BID IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00 TO DICAROLIS ASSOCIATES, INC.

Resolution 13-12-750:- RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PRICE QUOTE OF FROMKIN BROTHERS, INC. TO INSTALL THE NEW FLOOR COVERING IN THE MEN'S LOCKER ROOM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,770.00 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOROUGH ENGINEER

Resolution 13-12-751: RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ENDORSEMENT OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT WITH CARE PLUS NJ FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES LOCATED AT 610 VALLEY HEALTH PLAZA

Resolution 13-12-752: CONFIRMING ENDORSEMENT OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT WITH CHILDREN'S AID AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR TURREL CHILD CARE AND EARLY LEARNING CENTER OPERATIONS LOCATED AT 200 ROBIN ROAD

Resolution 13-12-753: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO MAKE ACCUMULATED SICK TIME PAYOUT TO CHIEF OF POLICE KENNETH EHRENBURG

Resolution 13-12-754: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO MAKE ACCUMULATED SICK TIME PAYOUT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,881.32 TO SALVATORE LAFERLITA

Resolution 13-12-755: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE STEP-UP OF FORREST DIEDOLF AS A PART-TIME 9-1-1 TELECOMMUNICATOR/OPER 1 FOR THE FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT – COMMUNICATIONS

Resolution 13-12-756: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT GRAHAM TO THE POSITION OF PART-TIME TEMPORARY MECHANIC FOR THE MECHANICAL DIVISION EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 25, 2013 AT THE RATE OF \$12.00 PER HOUR

Resolution 13-12-757: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOA WITH PEA – ADDED TO CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 13-12-758: RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH IBEW - ADDED TO CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 13-12-759: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH TEAMSTERS - ADDED TO CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 13-12-760: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPEAL OF PEA ARBITRATION AWARD DECISION - ADDED TO CONSENT AGENDA

12. APPLICATIONS

Raffles

Paramus High School PTA	RL-3078
Paramus Catholic Regional High School Parents' Council	RL-3080
Our Lady of the Visitation Church	RL-3081
Paramus Rotary Club	RL-3082
Paramus Rotary Club	RL-3083

Gold and Silver

E&S Jewelry	2014-1
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Hotel/Motel

Paramus Inn, LLC / Holiday Inn Express	2014-1
V.Y. Investment Corp / La Quinta Inn	2014-2

Mechanical Amusement Devices

Fabco Vending, Inc.	2014-1 to 2014-3
Indoor Entertainment of New Jersey	2014-4 to 2014-6

Towers and Wreckers

All Points Auto & Towing, Inc.
Belfi's Auto & Truck Repair, Inc.
Bergen Brookside Towing Corp.
City Wide Towing

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Items 11 and 12

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Amato

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman Lagana, Councilman Nazziola, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Warburton

Nays: None

Open to the Public

-No Public Comment

12. ADJOURNMENT 9:05 PM

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Amato

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman Lagana, Councilman Nazziola, Councilman Verile,
Councilwoman Warburton

Nays: None

Respectfully submitted,

Annemarie Krusznis, Borough Clerk