

**Borough of Paramus
Mayor and Council Public Meeting
Work Session held in Caucus Room
April 24, 2018, 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

Work Session

Resolution No: 18-04-267: Notification of meetings as required by "The Open Public Meetings Act."
Read by the Borough Clerk at 7:09 PM

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber, Mayor LaBarbiera

Also Present: Borough Administrator Joseph D'Arco, Borough Attorney Paul Kaufman, Borough Clerk Annemarie Krusznis, Deputy Borough Clerk Nicolette Riggi, Associate Borough Attorney Justin Santagata

Absent: None

BOROUGH CLERK'S REPORT:

- a. Request received from Hudson Fiber Network for consent to move forward with the installation of fiber optic telecommunications cabling within the Borough of Paramus.
- b. Request received from Whiting-Turner Contracting Company on behalf of iFLY NJ to perform overnight work on the Route 4 on-ramp at Forest Avenue on Wednesday 4/25 and Thursday 4/26 from 9PM – 5AM. **Approved.**
- c. Representative Gottheimer's Mobile Office Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 24th from 5pm-6pm in Paramus Borough Hall. This outreach meeting will be hosted by one of the Congressman's staff members to offer Federal services to the public regarding Medicare, social security, and veteran affairs
- d. Request received from the Environmental Commission to hang a banner across Farview Avenue to promote the Farmer's Market. **Approved.**
- e. Request received from H Mart to hold a Grand Opening at their store located at 60 Route 17 from 4/27 – 4/29 including outdoor tents and a grand opening banner. They are also requesting to set up for the event on Thursday, 4/26 at 1:00 PM. **Approved.**
- f. Request received from Urban Edge to work overnight and on Sunday at the Bergen Town Center parking garage May 12 & Sunday May 13, May 19 and Sunday May 20, Monday May 21, (May 26, May 27, May 28 rain dates). **Need input from Chief Ehrenberg and more info from requestor. Council expresses concern about Sunday work over a public right of way. Sundays denied. Refer the rest to Chief.**

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS:

Councilwoman Bellinger

Councilman Amato

Councilman DiPiazza

Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos

Councilman Verile

Councilwoman Weber

Council has no reports for work session.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Closed session items regarding personnel. Items on Admin agenda are self-explanatory unless any questions.

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MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION: Towers – Paul Kaufman

A gentleman has been inquiring about charging customers towing fees and Mr. Kaufman has not been responding as his policy has been not to respond to members of the public without consent of the Council. The Borough is his client. The Council authorizes Mr. Kaufman to respond to the gentleman. He also complained that the on-duty towers were charging the Borough and being paid by the Borough for towing Borough vehicles, but the agreement says when you're on duty it's supposed to be free of charge. He claims he was told this by Guy Picone. Guy Picone is in attendance and responds that the only people who have been paid are ones who towed exceptions like heavy duty vehicles, or if they towed a Borough vehicle from outside the Borough.

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.

Mayor LaBarbiera opens to the public at 7:26 PM

Sam Casiello – inquires about two items on the Borough Clerk's report. He would like to know what kind of cabling will be done in item A.

Steve Sullivan – inquires about the Rotondi & Sons settlement and an OPRA Request he submitted regarding same. Borough Attorney Paul Kaufman responds. Mr. Sullivan expresses his opinions regarding the Rotondi settlement.

RESOLUTION No. 18-04-268: Closing the meeting of the Mayor and Council to the public.

a. Latz v Paramus - litigation

b. Shamrock Creek – Personnel

7:32 PM

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilwoman Bellinger

All in favor

Recess to reconvene in Council Chambers

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CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to Order by Mayor LaBarbiera at 8:21 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by retiring employee Gary DaSilva

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 a notice which was transmitted to the Record, filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Paramus and posted in the Borough Hall all on the 3rd day of January, 2018.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber, Mayor LaBarbiera

Also Present: Borough Administrator Joseph D'Arco, Borough Attorney Paul Kaufman, Borough Clerk Annemarie Krusznis, Deputy Borough Clerk Nicolette Riggi, Associate Borough Attorney Justin Santagata

Absent: None

PRESENTATION: Recognition of Gary DaSilva - Presented by Mayor LaBarbiera and Guy Picone

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Councilman DiPiazza Earth Day was a great success. Thanks to everyone for showing up.

Councilman Amato Presents Fire Department numbers for March 2018. The Borough received a new 2018 dump truck replacing one from 1987. Potholes are being repaired. The recycling center has a new non-profit clothing bin that will be donated 5 cents per pound to the Paramus Food Pantry. Congratulations to Gary DaSilva on his retirement. Discusses the Building Department numbers and plans for new filing system. The Golf Course has been busy despite cool weather. The paving of Paramus Road is having an impact on the Golf Course. Mini Golf officially opens on May 4th. The new restaurant vendor is Paglia Hospitality and is working to open soon. The Sports-Plex and Petruska Park fields have been mowed and cleaned up. The library will celebrate the one year anniversary of its renovation on May 6th with many special programs planned. Books will be available for summer reading assignments. There will be an e-book collection.

Councilwoman Bellinger The Board of Health will have the annual rabies vaccination clinic on May 3rd at the Life Safety Complex. New Bridge Medical Center hosted a panel discussion for those who work with or care for teens. They discussed ways to help teens turn their negative energy positive.

Councilman Verile Annual Memorial Day parade will be on May 28th. The parade starts at 9:30 AM. Everyone is encouraged to attend to pay tribute to those who served. Fourth of July fireworks and parade process is going smoothly. Recreation combined with Shade Tree & other departments just finished installing over 100 lights at the Sports Complex. Cultural Arts are meeting regarding summer concerts and the donation goal was met. Rescue is doing a great job with all of their training.

Councilwoman Weber Substance Abuse did not meet this month. Historic had a meeting last week. Associate Borough Attorney Justin Santagata was there to answer questions and clarify issues they ad.

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They are anxiously waiting for historic designations to be placed on the zoning map and they want to know when this will be done. Mr. Santagata speaks on an issue the Historic Commission is having regarding easements for the cemetery.

Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Police Department has been very busy. Presents the PD numbers for this month. Shade Tree crews are completing all winter removals. Stumps are being ground for the spring tree planting. All seasonal meters at parks have been installed. Sports facilities are being maintained and painted. Chamber of Commerce held an event at GSP honoring Congressman Josh Gottheimer. H Mart will be having a ribbon cutting and opening on Friday, April 27th. iFly will also be having their grand opening .

Mayor LaBarbiera The Police Department brought a young man back to life today after working on him for 20 minutes. Congratulations to Gary DaSilva on his retirement. There are a lot of great businesses opening in Paramus this month. Congratulations to Shade Tree & Turf Division for getting the fields ready. The Golf Course is in full swing. Mayor LaBarbiera congratulates and thanks the residents who come to Council meetings and express their concerns. He wishes more residents would do the same.

Mayor LaBarbiera adds Resolution 18-04-292 Authorizing settlement of Latz to the Consent Agenda

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY 8:47 – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Mayor & Council Reorganization Meeting Minutes- January 2, 2018

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Verile

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Nays: None

**b. Closed session minutes 2017- 4/18/17 – 5/9/17 – 5/23/17 – 6/13/17 – 7/12/17
7/26/17 – 8/9/17 – 9/12/17 – 9/26/17 – 10/10/17 – 10/24/17 – 11/21/17 – 12/5/17
12/19/17**

**c. Closed session minutes 2018 – 1/17/18 – 1/30/17 – 2/13/18 – 2/27/18
3/13/18 – 3/27/18 – 4/10/18**

Motion to approve closed session minutes

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos

Second: Councilman Verile

All In Favor

Closed Session minutes all approved. Paul Kaufman states that after Council approves minutes they can be released to public if Council votes to do so. Ongoing matters will be redacted.

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ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE ON INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE 18-09: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 191 TO UPDATE BUSINESS LICENSES FOR VIRTUAL OFFICE SPACE

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Amato

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Nays: None

ORDINANCE 18-10: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 429 OF THE PARAMUS CODE WITH RESPECT TO OFF-STREET PARKING FOR SNOWPLOWS

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilwoman Weber

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Nays: None

ORDINANCE 18-11: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTERS 1 AND 277 TO UPDATE RE-INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS AND LANDSCAPING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilwoman Weber

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Nays: None

ORDINANCE 18-12: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 18-02 CHAPTER 121 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS TITLED "SALARIES AND COMPENSATION"

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Verile

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Nays: None

ORDINANCE ON FINAL:

ORDINANCE 18-07: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2018 GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$5,943,000 THEREFOR (INCLUDING A NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$202,000) AND

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AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,470,853 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Amato

Explanation by Council President

Open to the Public for Comment – None

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Nays: None

ORDINANCE 18-08: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 323-8 TO BAN E-CIGARETTES AND VAPES IN ALL PUBLIC PARKS AND PUBLIC GROUNDS COVERED BY CHAPTER 323

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilwoman Bellinger

Explanation by Council President

Open to the Public for Comment

Public : John Driscoll – does this ordinance include the golf course? Justin Santagata explains the golf course is not included under this ordinance. Are cigars included? Cigars are in the original ordinance.

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Nays: None

A CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE ADOPTED FOR ITEM NUMBERS 11 AND 12

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-269: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-270: AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES ON BOROUGH DRAFTS/CHECKS

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-271: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PETTY CASH FUND

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-272: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF TREE PRESERVATION DEPOSITS FROM SHADE TREE TRUST ACCOUNT #8-03-56-286-851-802 TO FRANCESCO DIMAIO 185 CONCORD DRIVE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE SHADE TREE & PARKS COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-273: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF TREE PRESERVATION DEPOSITS FROM SHADE TREE TRUST ACCOUNT #8-03-56-286-851-802 TO 204 DENVER ROAD LLC AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE SHADE TREE & PARKS COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-274: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMMERCIAL TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY TO

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SETTLE TAX APPEALS FOR TAX YEARS 2012-2017 CAPTIONED AS: SCF Realty Corp. v. Borough of Paramus
017478-2012; 006069-2014; 001918-2015; 002211-2016; 006276-2017

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-275: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REDEMPTION OF A TAX SALE CERTIFICATE FOR BLOCK 5714 LOT 2 US BANK CUST FOR BV001 TRUST

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-276: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND TO THE FOLLOWING TAXPAYERS DUE TO TAX COURT APPEALS (Raghav Jaggi)

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-277: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND TO THE FOLLOWING TAXPAYER DUE TO OVER PAYMENT (Safe Land Title)

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-278: A RESOLUTION AWARDED FORMAL QUOTATION FOR 2018 UNIFORM SERVICES TO AMERICAN WEAR UNIFORMS

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-279: RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE CONCEALED CARRY RECIPROCIITY ACT OF 2017 AND THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONCEALED CARRY RECIPROCIITY ACT OF 2017

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-280: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN TECHNOLOGY PRACTICE POLICY FOR CYBER SECURITY

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-281: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE STEP-UP OF KRISTIN ROHNER AS A RECORDS CLERK FOR THE PARAMUS BOROUGH CLERK AT A SALARY OF \$14.50 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-282: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF PEDRO PEREZ TO THE POSITION OF FULL TIME MECHANIC STEP 1 FOR THE PARAMUS DPW/MECHANICAL DIVISION AT A SALARY OF \$37,147.00 ANNUALLY

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-283: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JAMES WISEMAN TO THE POSITION OF SEASONAL GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE STEP 5 FOR THE PARAMUS GOLF COURSE AT A SALARY OF \$13.70 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-284: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSUE SANTOS TO THE POSITION OF SEASONAL GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE STEP 3 FOR THE PARAMUS GOLF COURSE AT A SALARY OF \$11.93 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-285: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF RICHARD DEMURJIAN TO THE POSITION OF PART TIME PISTOL RANGE MAINTAINER STEP 6 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT-TRAINING DIVISION AT A SALARY OF \$20.21 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-286: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETIREMENT OF MANUEL GARCIA FROM THE POSITION OF LABORER FOR THE PARAMUS SHADE TREE & PARKS DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-287: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHLOE COLMENARES TO THE POSITION OF LIBRARY PAGE FOR THE PARAMUS LIBRARY AT A SALARY OF \$8.60 PER HOUR

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RESOLUTION NO 18-04-288: RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE RESIGNATION OF LINDA GAROFALO FROM THE POSITION OF CONTROL PERSON FOR THE PARAMUS BUILDING DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE APRIL 19, 2018.

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-289:A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF ZACHARY YABROUDY TO THE POSITION OF PART TIME 911 TELECOMMUNICATION OPERATOR 1 GRADE 1 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT-COMMUNICATIONS AT A SALARY OF \$13.21 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-290:A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANDREW SCIRO TO THE POSITION OF PART TIME 911 TELECOMMUNICATION OPERATOR 1 GRADE 1 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT-COMMUNICATIONS AT A SALARY OF \$13.21 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-291: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SEPARATION OF COLIN RICHARDSON FROM THE PARAMUS RESCUE SQUAD

RESOLUTION NO 18-04-292: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF LATZ, INC. v. PARAMUS COUNTRY CLUB

APPLICATIONS:

SOLICITOR

Kurtae Boyd	2018-SL-38
Erik Mattsson	2018-SL-39
Ann Martinez	2018-SL-40
Hassan Jawa	2018-SL-37

MOBILE CATERING/FOOD TRUCK

Porto by Antonio	2018-MC-5
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HOTEL/MOTEL

Paramus Hospitality LLC (Hampton Inn Paramus)	2018-H-5
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Approval of Consent Agenda As Amended

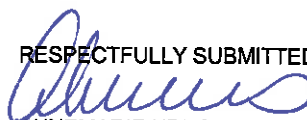
Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilwoman Weber

Yeas: Councilman Amato, Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Nays: None

ADJOURNMENT: 9:02 PM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



ANNEMARIE KRUSZNIS
RMCBOROUGH CLERK