

**Borough of Paramus
Mayor and Council Public Meeting
Council Chambers
October 26, 2021, 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

Resolution No: 21-10-643: Notification of meetings as required by “The Open Public Meetings Act.”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: led by Boy Scouts Troop 138

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Vartolone, Mayor LaBarbiera

Also Present: Borough Administrator Joseph D’Arco, Borough Clerk Annemarie Krusznis, Borough Attorney Daniel Lagana, Deputy Borough Clerk Nicolette Riggi

Absent: Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

PRESENTATION:

- a. L.E.A.D. - Nick DeMauro along with Paramus officers present the Governing Body with a check from the L.E.A.D Carnival in the amount of \$177,344.00. The Carnival was a great success this year and it ran 4 days longer than previous years.

BOROUGH CLERK’S REPORT:

- b. Request received from Westfield Garden State Plaza to install Big Santa on Sunday, November 7 and 14, 2021 and remove the structure on January 2 and 9, 2022. **Approved.**
- c. Permission to issue 2022 RFQ. **Approved.**
- d. Boswell Engineering letter regarding a Suez Road opening permit fee schedule for Koman Drive.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS:

Councilman Vartolone No report

Councilwoman Bellinger the Health Department is opening a no-cost COVID-19 testing center at the Paramus Municipal Pool. The Police had 4,735 calls for service in the month of September. The Police Department is in the final stages of the accreditation certificate process.

Councilman DiPiazza Ash Tree removal continues in Shade Tree. Public Service has assisted with several trees at no cost.

Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Friday is the last day to register for winter sports with Recreations.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: preliminary work has commenced on 2022 budget. There will be meetings ahead with the Department Heads. Portions of the railing on From Road will be coming

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down except for sections that are mandatory. A meeting was held regarding the 2022 CDBG grants that will be coming up.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

e. Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes- September 14, 2021

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Vartolone
Yeas: Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Vartolone,
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber
Motion carries 4-0

f. Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes- September 29, 2021

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Vartolone
Yeas: Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Vartolone,
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber
Motion carries 4-0

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. Comments will be made at the public portion of tonight's Public Meeting in the Council Chambers. **7:20 PM**

Lincoln Rohdieck – inquires about the plans for Veteran's Day and asks how the Boy Scouts can participate.

ORDINANCES:

ORDINANCE ON INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE 2021-44: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 256, GARAGE SALES, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Vartolone
Yeas: Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Vartolone,
Nays: None
Abstain: None
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ORDINANCE 2021-45: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY ALSO KNOWN AS BLOCK 212 LOT 8 AS INDICATED ON THE BOROUGH TAX ASSESSMENT MAP

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Vartolone
Yeas: Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Vartolone,
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Motion carries 4-0

ORDINANCE 2021-46: ORDINANCE AMENDING PARAMUS CODE § 393 PERTAINING TO PROVIDING FOR A SANITARY SEWER PUMP STATION MAINTENANCE FEE FOR NON-TAX-EXEMPT PROPERTIES

Motion: Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos Second: Councilman Vartolone
Yeas: Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Vartolone,
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber
Motion carries 4-0

A CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE ADOPTED FOR ITEM NUMBERS 15 AND 16

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-645: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-646: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND TO THE FOLLOWING TAXPAYERS DUE TO TAX COURT APPEALS (117 Rt 4 LLC)

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-647: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE CASH BOND FOR MONOPOLY/BELLINI JUVENILE FURNITURES, BLOCK 1102, LOTS 11 & 12, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOROUGH ENGINEER (PAES-1411)

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-648: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACQUIRE A DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY (DLA) DELINEATED CONTROLLED VEHICLE LABELED DEMIL CODES B – Q FROM THE FEDERAL 1033 PROGRAM.

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-649: GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 2020-JUNE 2025

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-650: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY

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RESOLUTION NO 21-10-651: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF MUNICIPAL PERSONAL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-652: RESOLUTION APPROVING AMUSEMENT BUSINESS APPLICATION FOR HUMDINGERS

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-653: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF VALENE RAJOON TO THE POSITION OF SPECIAL NEEDS AID FOR THE PARAMUS RECREATION DEPARTMENT AT A SALARY OF \$19.00 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-654: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JASON N. CABREJOS TO THE POSITION OF EMT FOR THE PARAMUS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AT A SALARY OF \$17.82 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-655: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF KARI POLIFRONE TO THE POSITION OF CLERICAL SENIOR OFFICE CLERK STEP 5 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT – RECORDS BUREAU AT A SALARY OF \$52,711.91 PER YEAR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-656: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF JOANN VITALE TO THE POSITION OF CLERICAL SENIOR OFFICE CLERK STEP 6 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT – RECORDS BUREAU AT A SALARY OF \$56,413.23 PER YEAR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-657: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF MICHAEL COLON TO THE POSITION OF ROAD/BUILDING & GROUNDS FOREMAN STEP 1 FOR THE PARAMUS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS-ROAD DIVISION AT A SALARY OF \$72,820.93 PER YEAR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-658: RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE TRANSFER OF FRANK LICARI FROM THE POSITION OF FULL TIME POLICE TELECOMMUNICATOR GRADE 1 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT-COMMUNICATIONS TO PART TIME 911 TELECOMMUNICATION OPERATOR 3 GRADE 2 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT-COMMUNICATIONS AT A SALARY OF \$18.95 PER HOUR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-659: RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE TRANSFER OF NICHOLAS GRAF FROM THE POSITION OF GREENSMAN FOR THE PARAMUS GOLF DEPARTMENT TO GROUNDS KEEPER FOR THE PARAMUS PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT AT A SALARY OF \$51,308.00 ANNUALLY

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-660: RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE RESIGNATION OF NICHOLAS BUCCI FROM THE POSITION OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER-CLASS 1 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT-TRAFFIC DIVISION

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-661: RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE RESIGNATION OF JASON HALL FROM THE POSITION OF SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER-CLASS 1 FOR THE PARAMUS POLICE DEPARTMENT-TRAFFIC DIVISION

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-662: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SEPARATION OF NICHOLAS GLORIA FROM THE PARAMUS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS-MECHANICAL DIVISION

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RESOLUTION NO 21-10-663: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE 2021 IMPROVEMENTS TO MIDLAND AVENUE (SECTIONS 2&3) BID TO DLS CONTRACTING

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-664: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF ANNA BURROWS TO THE POSITION OF CLERICAL SENIOR OFFICE CLERK STEP 3 FOR THE PARAMUS SHADE TREE DEPARTMENT AT A SALARY OF \$45,039.27 PER YEAR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-665: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF JOHN PECORARO TO THE POSITION OF LABORER 2 FOR THE PARAMUS SHADE TREE DEPARTMENT AT A SALARY OF \$43,149.00 PER YEAR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-666: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF FELIPE CASTANEDA TO THE POSITION OF LABORER 2 FOR THE PARAMUS SHADE TREE DEPARTMENT AT A SALARY OF \$35,247.00 PER YEAR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-667: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF NORBERT ECKERT TO THE POSITION OF LABORER 2 FOR THE PARAMUS SHADE TREE DEPARTMENT AT A SALARY OF \$35,247.00 PER YEAR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-668: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF JONATHAN CONDINA TO THE POSITION OF LABORER 2 FOR THE PARAMUS SHADE TREE DEPARTMENT AT A SALARY OF \$40,515.00 PER YEAR

RESOLUTION NO 21-10-669: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF ANTHONY MARTINEZ TO THE POSITION OF LABORER 1 FOR THE PARAMUS SHADE TREE DEPARTMENT AT A SALARY OF \$33,402.00 PER YEAR

APPLICATIONS:

GOLD/SILVER

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2022-GS-1

RAFFLES

Paramus Rotary Club

File # 841

Paramus Rotary Club

File # 842

Greater Bergen County YMCA/Metropolitan YMCA of the Oranges

File # 843

TOWERS & WRECKERS

Nutchie's Service Station LLC

City Wide Towing, Inc.

MECHANICAL AMUSEMENT DEVICE

Humdingers

2022-M-001 through 067

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Consent Agenda as Amended

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Yeas: Councilwoman Bellinger, Councilman DiPiazza, Councilwoman Tedesco-Santos, Councilman Vartolone

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Councilman Verile, Councilwoman Weber

Motion carries 4-0

Mayor LaBarbiera opens to the Public at 7:24 PM

Lider Calle 1 Pleasant Ave – Resident since 1999. There are trucks going out of Pleasant Avenue using a Paramus right of way. It's disturbing the residents on the dead-end street. There are people parking in front of his house and loading/unloading cars. Mr. Linden from Traffic has been called. Mayor LaBarbiera suggests having a meeting with the resident and the Police Department Traffic Division to come up with a solution. The resident mentions that Councilwoman Weber has come by to take pictures. Brian Linden has been there as well and the resident is dissatisfied. There have been tractor trailers hitting wires on Route 17. DCH Honda has cars speeding through there and disregarding the 25 MPH speed limit. The resident also complains about a garbage problem on the street and alleges that they call for DPW to clean up and nobody comes. The resident also complains about dead town trees. Mayor LaBarbiera advises the resident to provide the Borough Administrator with his information so he can be contacted regarding the issues.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:34 PM

APPROVED: NOVEMBER 23, 2021

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:
Annemarie Krusznis RMC
Borough Clerk