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1900th REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 18, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

I hereby call the Borough of Wood-Ridge Council meeting to order at _____ pm at the WR High School Auditorium.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Mayor:	Paul Sarlo
Council:	Dominick Azzolini
	Ezio Altamura
	Edward Marino
	Philip Romero
	Michele A. Mabel
	Michael Donato
Borough Attorney:	Paul Barbire
Borough Engineer:	Brian Intindola
Borough Clerk:	Gina Affuso
Borough Administrator:	Chris Eilert

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT:

This meeting is being held in accordance with Public Law 1975 Chapter 231, the Open Public Meetings Act, also known as the "Sunshine Law". The public meeting notice stating the date, time and place of this meeting was posted on the municipal bulletin board and the municipal website and was forwarded to the Record and the Star Ledger.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS:

Presentation of Certificates to the following:
2023 Junior Olympic Javelin & Shot-Put Olivia Sikora
Wood-Ridge 13-15-Year-Old District 4 Northern New Jersey Champs
Wood-Ridge 11-Year-Old Little League District Champs
Wood-Ridge Strikers U8 Girls Soccer Team
Wood-Ridge Strikers U11 Girls Soccer Team
Wood-Ridge Strikers U12 Girls Soccer Team
Wood-Ridge Strikers U11 Boys Soccer Team
Wood-Ridge Strikers U17 Boys Soccer Team
Wood-Ridge Lady Blue Devils Junior Division Recreation Championship Softball Team
Wood-Ridge Lady Blue Devils Senior Division Recreation Championship Softball Team

ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING:

None

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE:

ORDINANCE 2023-10 (Repealing Willow Street Potential Eminent Domain)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WOOD-RIDGE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-6 AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A PORTION OF LOT 5, BLOCK 229, 12 WILLOW STREET BY CONDEMNATION OR EMINENT DOMAIN

Advertisement of the above Ordinance has been made according to law and a copy of the Ordinance was posted on the bulletin board.

Mayor Sarlo calls for a Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2023-10

Mayor Sarlo closes Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2023-10

Motion: Councilperson ____, seconded by ____ moved to the adoption of Ordinance #2023-10

Discussion:

Council Roll Call: Azzolini, Altamura, Marino, Romero, Mabel, Donato

ORDINANCE 2023-11 (Prohibit Parking on Portion of Willow Street)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 513 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WOOD-RIDGE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" SO AS TO PROHIBIT PARKING ON A PORTION OF LOT 5, BLOCK 229, 12 WILLOW STREET

Advertisement of the above Ordinance has been made according to law and a copy of the Ordinance was posted on the bulletin board.

Mayor Sarlo calls for a Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2023-11

Mayor Sarlo closes Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2023-11

Motion: Councilperson ____, seconded by ____ moved to the adoption of Ordinance #2023-11

Discussion:

Council Roll Call: Azzolini, Altamura, Marino, Romero, Mabel, Donato

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:

BOND ORDINANCE 2023-12 (Highland Avenue Annex)

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HIGHLAND AVENUE LEARNING ANNEX AND RECREATION CENTER IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF WOOD-RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$32,500,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$20,000,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge that **Ordinance No. 2023-12** as above, be passed on first reading, to be published in the Record on **October 23, 2023** and public hearing on the Ordinance to be held at a Special Meeting on **November 1, 2023** at 5:30 p.m. or soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, in the Municipal Building, 85 Humboldt Street, Wood-Ridge, New Jersey.

Motion: Councilperson _____, seconded by _____ moved to the adoption of **Ordinance No. 2023-12**

Discussion:

Roll Call: Azzolini, Altamura, Marino, Romero, Mabel, Donato

PETITIONS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communications and correspondence received are identified on this evening's agenda has been distributed to all Council for appropriate action.

REPORTS OF GOVERNING BODY:

Chairs of Council Committees and Council Liaisons to Boards, Commissions, Committees & Constituencies

Mayor:	Paul Sarlo
Council President:	Dominick Azzolini
Councilperson:	Ezio Altamura
	Edward Marino
	Philip Romero
	Michele A. Mabel
	Michael Donato

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Administrator:	Eilert
Borough Clerk:	Affuso
Attorney:	Barbire
Engineer:	Neglia

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS: If any, on file in clerk's office

FIRST HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Sarlo declares the Hearing of Citizens to be open.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed below are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

1. **MINUTES:**

Minutes of the October 18, 2023 Meeting.

2. **RESOLUTIONS:** Adoption of the following

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| 099-2023 | Payment of Bills. |
| 100-2023 | Resolution Authorizing Fair and Open Process for 2024 Request for Qualification of Professionals. |
| 101-2023 | Resolution Approving Refund for Overpayment of Taxes on Block 267 Lot 8. |
| 102-2023 | Resolution Approving 100% Disabled Veteran Deduction for Block 316 Lot 3. |
| 103-2023 | Resolution Approving 100% Disabled Veteran Deduction for Block 335 Lot 1.02. |

3. **APPLICATIONS:**

- a. Application from Helen I. Smith PTO for an Off-Premise Raffle and Tricky Tray on March 28, 2024 at the Fiesta.
- b. Application from Wood-Ridge Little League for a Tricky Tray on November 18, 2023 at Assumption School.

All applications listed above have been approved by the Wood-Ridge Police Department.

4. **APPOINTMENTS:**

None

5. **HIRINGS:**

- a. Hiring of Thomas Burniston, Jr. to Full Time Laborer 1 with salary per Union Contract effective October 1, 2023.

Motion: Councilperson _____, seconded by _____ moved to the adoption of all matters on the above **CONSENT AGENDA.**

Roll Call: Azzolini, Altamura, Marino, Romero, Mabel, Donato

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

2023 Best Practices Inventory

SECOND HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Sarlo declares the Hearing of Citizens to be open.

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson _____, seconded by Councilperson _____, moved for adjournment. By unanimous vote of the members of the Council present, the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge held on October 18, 2023 was duly adjourned at _____ p.m.