

**BOROUGH OF WOOD RIDGE
85 HUMBOLDT STREET
WOOD-RIDGE, NEW JERSEY 07075**

CALL TO ORDER:

I hereby call the Borough of Wood-Ridge Council meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Mayor:	Paul Sarlo - present
Council:	Catherine Cassidy - present
	Ezio Altamura - present
	Dominick Azzolini - present
	Edward Marino - present
	Joseph DiMarco - present
	Philip Romero - present
Borough Attorney:	Paul Barbire - present
Borough Engineer:	Brian Intindola - excused
Borough Clerk:	Gina Affuso – present
Borough Administrator:	Chris Eilert - present

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT:

This meeting is being held in accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 231. The notice requirements have been met by forwarding appropriate notice to The Record, The North Jersey Herald News and Star Ledger setting forth the date, time and place of said meeting and by posting a copy of same on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATION: None

ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING: None

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE:

BOND ORDINANCE 2016-14

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WOOD-RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,725,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS. (Highland Avenue Playground, Police Garage, Various Park and Playground Improvements)

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 called for a Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2016-14

Rich Martinielli of 216 Tenth Street, asked what the bond amount of 1.7 million was for. Administrator Eilert explained the projects included the Highland Avenue Playground, Police Garage and Borough Hall Parking Lot. Mr. Eilert also explained the Borough has 3 grants for parks (Bianchi House, Kour Park and Library). Mr. Martinelli expressed his opinion about taking money from the Government.

Mayor Sarlo closed Hearing of Citizens on Ordinance #2016-14

Motion: Councilperson Romero, seconded by DiMarco, moved to the adoption of Ordinance 2016-14

Roll Call: Cassidy yes, Altamura yes, Azzolini yes, Marino yes, DiMarco yes, Romero yes

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:

ORDINANCE NO.: 2016-15

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE WOOD-RIDGE CODE BY THE MODIFICATION AND/OR ADDITION TO CHAPTER 248 ENTITLED ZONING (Amending zoning ordinance to reflect update of the Master Plan)

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge that **Ordinance 2016-15**, entitled as above, be passed on first reading, to be published in the Record on June 4, 2016 and public hearing on the Ordinances to be held at the Regular Meeting on **June 15, 2016** at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, in the Municipal Building, 85 Humboldt Street, Wood-Ridge, New Jersey.

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Motion: Councilperson Altamura, seconded by Marino moved to the adoption of **Ordinance 2016-15**

Roll Call: Cassidy yes, Altamura yes, Azzolini yes, Marino yes, DiMarco yes, Romero yes

PETITIONS: None

BIDS: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

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

- a. Letter from Stuart Stolarz confirming his retirement as Tax Assessor effective June 30, 2016.

REPORTS OF GOVERNING BODY:

Mayor Sarlo – no report at this time.

Council President Catherine Cassidy – no report at this time.

Councilman Ezio Altamura apologized to the residents for having to cancel the Memorial Parade. Councilman Altamura stated that the Borough would be swearing in Father Paul as the Police Chaplain in July and reminder that KWRB Day is on June 5th.

Councilman Dominick Azzolini – no report at this time.

Councilman Edward Marino – no report at this time.

Councilman Joseph DiMarco – no report at this time.

Councilman Philip Romero – no report at this time.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS: On file in clerk's office

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

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS: On file in clerk's office

Administration	Fire Department
CFO/Finance	Department of Public Works
Construction Code Official	Police Department
Municipal Court	Tax Collector
Emergency Management	Welfare Director

REPORTS OF BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS: On file in clerk's office

Planning Board	Shade Tree Commission
Board of Education	Senior Citizens
Recreation Commission	Veterans
Library Board	Local Assistance Board
Board of Health	Other

FIRST HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Sarlo declared the Hearing of Citizens to be open. Anyone wishing to speak please come to the microphone in front of the room and state your name and address. Please speak clearly into the microphone.

Rich Martinielli of 216 Tenth Street, expressed his opinion of the signs being very unsightly. Mr. Martinelli asked what is to stop people from parking on other streets. Administrator Eilert explained the Borough can expand the ordinance to add additional streets in the future. Mr. Martinelli asked what was going on with new phase of Pulte Homes. Mr. Eilert explained the new phase was approved. Mr. Martinelli asked how much total debt the Borough was in. Mr. Eilert stated the Borough is in approximately \$30,000.00 in debt and that is over 40 years.

Seeing none and hearing none further, the Mayor declared the Hearing of Citizens to be closed.

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.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the May 18, 2016 Meeting.

RESOLUTIONS: Adoption of the following

**RESOLUTION NO.: 122-2016
RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE**

WHEREAS, renewal for Plenary Retail Consumption and Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses for the Borough of Wood-Ridge for the 2016-2017 licensing year have been filed; and

WHEREAS, all requirements applicable thereto have been properly made and are in order.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, Bergen County and State of New Jersey that the Plenary Retail Consumption and Plenary Retail Distribution Licenses set forth as follows are hereby renewed for the 2016-2017 licensing year effective July 1, 2016:

0269-44-005-007	Soho Wine and Liquor, Inc. (Meadowlands Wine & Liquors)
0269-44-010-005	Jai Maruti, Inc. (Wood-Ridge Wine & Liquors)

**RESOLUTION NO.: 123-2016
RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR HIGHLAND AVENUE PLAYGROUND**

WHEREAS, four (4) bids were received by the Wood-Ridge Municipal Clerk on May 12, 2016 for Highland Avenue Playground Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council notes that one (1) e-mail letter of protest (see copy of e-mail letter dated May 16, 2016 which is attached hereto and made a part hereof) was received on behalf of the 2nd lowest bidder (Picerno Giordano Construction) and that in response thereto it is of the opinion that Picerno Giordano Construction protest with respect to the item set forth in its e-mail letter dated May 16, 2016 is inapplicable for the reasons set forth in the Borough Attorney's letter dated May 17, 2016 to Ms. Nina Verna, C.P.S.I., Picerno Giordano Construction a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has reviewed the recommendations made by the, Borough Administrator, Borough Engineer, and Borough Attorney on said bid; and

WHEREAS, the Financial Officer has determined sufficient funds are available in the General Account as is evidenced by Treasurer's Certification attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that a contract for Highland Avenue Playground improvements be awarded to Thomas & Sons Builders, LLC on its bid of \$581,689.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract for same.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to return the certified checks or bid bonds of the following unsuccessful bidders:

Tee Con Contractors
Flanagan's Contracting Group

and the certified checks or bid bonds of the successful bidder and the next lowest bidder:

Picerno Giordano Construction

are to be returned upon the receipt of a fully executed contract and other required documents.

RESOLUTION NO. 124-2016

RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICE FOR HIGHLAND AVENUE PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE BOROUGH OF WOOD-RIDGE WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING

WHEREAS, there exists a need for Construction Management Service for Highland Avenue playground improvements for the Borough of Wood-Ridge; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of said contract shall be in accordance with the dictates of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has determined and certified in writing that the value of total services will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount of the Contract is \$55,000.00 and funds are subject to an appropriation by the Borough of Wood-Ridge; and

WHEREAS, Neglia Engineering Associates has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Neglia Engineering Associates has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Wood-Ridge in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Neglia Engineering Associates from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:111 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the Contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Wood-Ridge as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Wood-Ridge are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Contract with NEGLIA ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES.
2. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

3. The Contract amount will exceed the statutory bid threshold.
4. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution
5. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Borough.

RESOLUTION NO.: 125-2016

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JULY AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including the Borough of Wood-Ridge; and

WHEREAS our parks and recreation are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in our communities, ensuring the health of all citizens, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of a community and region; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for those who are mentally or physically disabled, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation programs increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

WHEREAS parks and recreation areas are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS parks and natural recreation areas improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development, and produce habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and

WHEREAS the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; and

WHEREAS the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Mayor and Council that July is recognized as Park and Recreation Month in the Borough of Wood-Ridge.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 126-2016
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PLANS & SPECIFICATIONS FOR UPDATED 2016
ROAD PROGRAM, PHASE 1, WHICH INCLUDES DOT GRANT FUNDING AND
AUTHORIZE CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, Bergen County, New Jersey that the Plans and Specifications for the Updated 2016 Road Program, Phase 1, which includes DOT Grant Funding as prepared by the Borough Engineer are hereby approved and accepted and the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to advertise for bids.

SECTION 2 - UPON ADOPTION FOR YEAR 2016
RESOLUTION 126-2016

Be It Resolved by the governing body of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, County of Bergen that the budget presented set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated in the annual budget of the Borough for the year 2016.

100 \$ 100 \$ Article 2 - Salaries for regular employees, and
101 \$ 101 \$ Article 3 - Salaries for seasonal employees, and
102 \$ 102 \$ Article 4 - Salaries for seasonal employees, and
103 \$ 103 \$ Article 5 - Salaries for seasonal employees, and
104 \$ 104 \$ Article 6 - Salaries for seasonal employees, and
105 \$ 105 \$ Article 7 - Salaries for seasonal employees, and

BE RECEIVED FROM:	YES	ABSENT	NO	ABSENT
(Budget Last Month)	1	1	1	1

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

General Revenues	2015	2016
Property Taxes	10,000,000	10,000,000
State Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000
Federal Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000
Local Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000
Other Revenues	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total Revenues	14,000,000	14,000,000

APPLICATIONS:

- a. Care on the Corner Community Service Center Tricky Tray and Off Premise 50/50 at the Fiesta on October 20, 2016

SEMINAR APPROVALS: None

APPOINTMENTS: None

HIRINGS:

- a. Kenny Schulz as a Seasonal Part-Time Clerk-Typist for the Borough Clerk's Office at a rate of \$16.00 per hour effective June 27, 2016.
- b. Sammy Rios as Seasonal CDL Driver for DPW at a rate of \$30.00 per hour not to exceed 500 hours per year.

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

Roll Call: Cassidy yes, Altamura yes, Azzolini yes, Marino yes, DiMarco yes, Romero yes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

SECOND HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Sarlo declared the Hearing of Citizens to be open. Anyone wishing to speak please come to the microphone in front of the room and state your name and address. Please speak clearly and into the microphone.

Rich Martinielli of 216 Tenth Street, asked if the Master Plan could be displayed once completed. Mr. Eilert agreed.

Seeing none and hearing none further, the Mayor declared the Hearing of Citizens closed.

At this time, the Mayor and Council entered into closed session to discuss personnel matters. Mayor Sarlo stated that no action would be taken.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 128-2016
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLOSED SESSION**

Member	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Council Member Cassidy			x			
Council Member Altamura			x			
Council Member Azzolini	x		x			
Council Member Marino			x			
Council Member DiMarco		x	x			
Council Member Romero			x			
Mayor Sarlo (tie)						

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to exclude the public from a public meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council is of the opinion that such circumstances now exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that a Closed Session is hereby called at **7:30 pm** on **JUNE 1, 2016**, to discuss the matters as permitted by law:

X Collective bargaining agreements or negotiations therefore with public employees and/or their representatives.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the matters so discussed will be disclosed to the public as soon as possible and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

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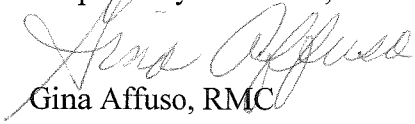
Motion: Councilperson DiMarco, seconded by Romero moved to enter into open session.

Roll Call: Cassidy yes, Altamura yes, Azzolini yes, Marino yes, DiMarco yes, Romero yes

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Azzolini, seconded by Councilperson Cassidy, 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 June 1, 2016 was duly adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Gina Affuso, RMC