

TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK
151 WEST PASSAIC STREET
ROCHELLE PARK, NJ 07662



REORGANIZATION MEETING
January 2, 2011

Call to order 12:08 PM

Open Public Meetings Act – (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6)

According to the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting of January 2, 2011 was advertised in the notice sent to the “Our Town” and “The Record” and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 3, 2011 and has remained continuously posted as the required notice under the Statute and is being taped. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk

Invocation – Rev. Kevin Coffey

Municipal Attorney and Judge, Joseph Rotolo administered the Oath of Office to the newly re-elected Committee Member Kenneth Jay Kovalcik. Comm. Kovalcik’s Uncle Ted and Godfather held the Bible while the oath was administered.

Roll Call – Comm. Robert Davidson
Comm. K. Jay Kovalcik
Comm. Joseph Scarpa
Comm. Phyllis Strohmeyer
Comm. Frank Valenzuela

The following resolution was offered by Comm. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Kovalcik and reads:

Adoption of Bylaws – Resolution #2011 – 1

A Resolution Adopting the Bylaws of the Township of Rochelle Park

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park adopted bylaws and amendments thereto effective January 1, 2008; and

Whereas, the Township Committee deems it advisable to review these bylaws on an annual basis.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, after review of the bylaws by the Township Attorney that the existing bylaws are hereby adopted effective immediately.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

A motion was offered by Comm. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Kovalcik to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all voting “Aye”.

Nominations and Election of Chairperson – Municipal Clerk called for nominations for Chairperson of the Committee, aka Mayor. Comm. Valenzuela nominated Joseph Scarpa. Comm. Kovalcik seconded the nomination.

Municipal Clerk called for any additional nominations. None made. Nominations closed.

Comm. Valenzuela offered the motion to elect Comm. Scarpa as Chairman, aka Mayor of the Township Committee for 2011 and Comm. Strohmeyer seconded the motion. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all voting “Aye”.

Bergen County Sheriff Michael Saudino administered the Oath of Office to Comm. Joseph Scarpa, now Mayor Scarpa. Comm. Scarpa’s Godchildren held the bible while the oath was administered.

Nomination and Election of Vice-Chairperson

Municipal Clerk called for nominations for vice chairperson. Comm. Valenzuela nominated Jay Kovalcik and Comm. Davidson seconded nomination.

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Municipal Clerk called for any additional nominations. None made. Nominations closed.

Comm. Valenzuela offered the motion to elect Jay Kovalcik as Vice Chairperson to the 2011 Township Committee and Mayor Scarpa seconded the motion. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all voting “Aye”.

Appointment of Professionals:

The following resolutions were offered by Comm. Strohmeier and seconded by Comm. Valenzuela and reads:

Resolution #2011 - 2

Appointment of Professional Services - Attorney – The Law Firm of Joseph Rotolo, Esq.

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the legal services of a Municipal Attorney; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, Joseph J. Rotolo, Esq. has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide the legal services with compensation in accordance with the 2011 salary ordinance; and

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2010 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Joseph J. Rotolo, Esq. for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 - 3

Appointment of Professional Services – Engineer – Kenneth Job, PE

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the legal services of a Municipal Engineer; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, Job & Job Consulting Engineers has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide engineering services with compensation in accordance with the contract maintained by the Municipal Clerk.

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2011 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Job & Job Consulting Engineers for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 4

Appointment of Professional Services – Auditor – Di Maria & Di Maria LLP

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the auditing services of Di Maria & Di Maria LLP; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, Di Maria & Di Maria LLP has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide the auditing services.

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2011 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Di Maria & Di Maria LLP for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 5

Appointment of Professional Services – Prosecutor – Brian Giblin, Esq.

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need for a prosecutor; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, Brian Giblin Esq. has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide the legal services with compensation in accordance with the 2011 salary ordinance.

Whereas, should the need arise, Michael Gannaio, Esq. shall serve as alternate prosecutor; and

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2011 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints a prosecutor for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 6

Appointment of Professional Services – Public Defender – Joseph Di Maria, Esq., Alternate Melissa DeBartolo

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the legal services of a Public Defender; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Resolution #2011 – 6 (cont.)

Whereas, Joseph Di Maria, Esq. has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide the legal services with compensation in accordance with the 2011 salary ordinance; and

Whereas, Melissa H. DeBartolo, Esq. has submitted a proposal indicating the she will provide the legal services as Alternate Public Defender, and

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2011 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Joseph Di Maria, Esq. as Public Defender and Melissa H. DeBartolo, Esq as Alternate Public Defender for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 7

Appointment of Professional Services – Bond Counsel- Steven Rogut, Esq.

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the services of a Bond Attorney; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, Rogut McCarthy LLC has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide bonding attorney services.

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2011 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Rogut McCarthy LLC as Bond Counsel for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 8

Appointment of Professional Services – Planner – Banish Associates

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the services of a municipal planner and COAH advisor; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, Banisch Associates has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide professional planning services.

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2011 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Banisch Associates for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

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Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 9

Appointment of Professional Services – Architect – The Bilow Group

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the architectural services of The Bilow Group; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, The Bilow Group has submitted a proposal indicating that they will provide the architectural services.

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2011 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints The Bilow Group for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 10

A Resolution of Professional Services – Appraisers

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire appraisal services; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, Appraisal Systems, Inc. and Mc Nerney & Associates, Inc. has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide the appraisal services.

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has certified that the funds necessary to facilitate this contract are available in the 2011 municipal budget; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Appraisal Systems, Inc. and Mc Nerney & Associates for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

A motion was offered by Comm. Strohmeyer and seconded by Comm. Valenzuela to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all voting “Aye”.

Mayor Scarpa recognized various professionals attending the Reorganization meeting.

Appointment of Various Officials, Boards and Agencies:

The following resolutions were offered by Comm. Davidson and seconded by Comm. Valenzuela and reads:

Resolution#2011 – 11

A Resolution Appointing Roy Riggitano – CFO

Whereas, ROY RIGGITANO of Paramus, New Jersey was appointed Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park, on an interim basis, in 2009; and

Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.A.40A:140.10, said appointment was deemed to have commenced as of January 1st, of the year of appointment; and

Whereas, in accordance with the aforementioned statute, the appointment is for a period of four (4) years; and

Whereas, it is the intention of the Township Committee, pursuant to this resolution, to confirm that the appointment of Roy Riggitano as part time Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park shall be for a four year term commencing on January 1st, 2009 and ending on December 31st, 2012

Now therefore be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The appointment of Roy Riggitano as Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park be and is hereby ratified and affirmed.
2. The term of Roy Riggitano's appointment was hereby established as January 1st, 2009 through December 31st, 2012. .
3. Roy Riggitano shall be paid at a rate established pursuant to the applicable salary ordinance for the Township of Rochelle Park for each year of appointment.

Now therefore be it further resolved that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Roy Riggitano of Paramus, New Jersey, the Personnel Department of the Township of Rochelle Park, the Township Auditor and the State of New Jersey Department of Local Government Services.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 12

A Resolution Appointing Roy Riggitano – Tax Collector

Whereas, pursuant to resolution 2005-189, ROY RIGGITANO was appointed to the position of Tax Collector; and

Whereas, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A.40A:0-142, this appointment was for the unexpired term of the previous Tax Collector; and

Whereas, said term expired on December 31st, 2010; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has now determined that it would be in the best interest of the Municipality to reappoint ROY RIGGITANO as part time Municipal Tax Collector for a four year term in accordance with the requirements of law; and

Whereas, ROY RIGGITANO possesses the licenses, certifications, qualifications and experience for this position.

Now therefore be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Roy Riggitano of Paramus, New Jersey be and is hereby appointed to the position of Tax Collector for the Township of Rochelle Park.
2. Said appointment shall be on a part-time basis and Mr. Riggitano shall devote such time as is necessary to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of that position. .
3. The salary for this position shall be as determined pursuant to the appropriate salary ordinance of the Township of Rochelle Park.
4. The term of this appointment shall commence on January 1st, 2011 and shall be for the term of four (4) years in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A.40A:9-140.8. Said appointment shall, therefore, end on December 31st, 2014.

Now therefore be it further resolved that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Roy Riggitano of Paramus, New Jersey, the Personnel Department of the Township of Rochelle Park, the Township Auditor and the State of New Jersey Department of Local Government Services.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 13

A Resolution Appointing Lead Laborer – DPW – James Schmunk

Whereas, the Township Administrator has recommended the assignment of certain duties and responsibilities to an employee of the Department of Public Works which would result in that employee acting in a position of "Lead Laborer"; and

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Whereas, the Township Administrator, in consultation with the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works has developed a criteria for the selection of the individual to hold these additional responsibilities; and

Whereas, the need exists for the assignment of these additional responsibilities to an employee within that department and, in order to determine the individual to whom the assignment should be made, the Township Administrator and the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works reviewed the existing employees within the department and made recommendations to the Township Committee; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has determined that James Schmunk is the most qualified person for these additional duties and shall be reappointed for the year 2011; and

Whereas, the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works has recommended the assignment of these duties to James Schmunk.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. James Schmunk of Rochelle Park, New Jersey be and is hereby assigned the additional duties and responsibilities for the position of “Lead Man” within the Department of Public Works.
2. This assignment shall take place immediately upon the adoption of this Resolution and shall extend until the end of the current calendar year, December 31, 2011.
3. Commencing on or about January 1, 2011, these duties shall be assigned on an annual basis by the Township Committee after consultation with the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works and the Township Administrator.
4. Superintendent of the Department of Public Works and the Township Administrator.
5. These shall be a \$3,250.00 stipend paid per year for these additional duties which, for 2011, shall commence as of the date of assignment and which shall be apportioned accordingly.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, the Personnel Department, Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park, and James Schmunk.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 14

A Resolution to Appoint a Police Matron – Bertha Sneyer

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that the following be and they hereby appointed police Matron upon the recommendation of the Chief of Police, without salary unless placed on duty under the instructions of the Police Department and then at a salary as provided in the Salary ordinance of the Township of Rochelle Park, effective January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Bertha Sneyer
53 Oldis Street
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 15

A Resolution to Appoint Court Officers – Roland Jacobsen, Patrick Izzo, William Jones, III, Alt. Dave Mocera

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that the following be and are hereby appointed as court officers at the pleasure of the Township Committee effective January 1, 2011. Salary shall be in accordance with the Salary Ordinance.

Roland Jacobsen
46 Oak Street
Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
Patrick Izzo
14 East Fairmount Avenue
Maywood, NJ 08707
Williams Jones III
6 Church Street
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

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Alternate
David Mocera
44 Chestnut Street
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 16

A Resolution Appointing Fire Official – Darryl De Mott and Inspectors

Be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen that Darryl DeMott be appointed as Fire Official for a term of one year commencing January 1, 2011; and

Be it further resolved that the following be appointed Fire Inspectors for the year 2011:

Scott Osback
23-13 Cambridge Road
Fair Lawn, N.J. 07410

Robert Sands
37 Schlosser Drive
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Daniel Dugo
18 Howard Avenue
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Steven Cassiello
29 Blueridge Road
Lodi, NJ 07644

Peter Donatello, Jr.
131 James Street
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Glenn Mohring
5-04 Fifth St.
Fair lawn, NJ 07410

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 17

A Resolution Appointing Planning Board Class III Member – Phyllis Strohmeyer

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that Phyllis Strohmeyer of 139 Forest Place, Rochelle Park, NJ 07662, is hereby appointed as a member of the Planning Board under the Class III designation for a term of one year, effective January 1, 2011.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 18

A Resolution Designating LOSAP Officers for Fire and Ambulance

Be It Resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park the following persons shall be designated as LOSAP Officers for the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps for the year 2011.

Fire Department – Michael Stearns
21 Bennett Avenue
Rochelle Park, NJ

Ambulance Corps – Roland Jacobsen
46 Oak Street
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 19

A Resolution Appointment of Constable

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, that the following be appointed Constable for a three year term, commencing January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2013.

Henry Borntrager
25 Grove Avenue
Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 20

A Resolution Appointing Peter Donatello, OEM Coordinator and Sal Antista, Deputy

Be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that Peter Donatello of 131 James Street, Rochelle Park be and is hereby appointed as OEM Coordinator for the Township of Rochelle Park for a three (3) year term commencing January 1, 2011 thru December 31, 2013.

And be it further resolved that Salvatore Antista of 68 Terrace Avenue, Rochelle Park be appointed as Deputy OEM Coordinator for a three (3) year term commencing January 1, 2011 thru December 31, 2011.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

A motion was offered by Comm. Davidson and seconded by Comm. Valenzuela to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all voting “Aye”.

Mayor Scarpa thanked the DPW for their hard work clearing up after a recent snow storm. He also recognized the Ambulance Corp., Recreation Committee and OEM staff.

Contracts:

The following resolutions were offered by Comm. Strohmeyer and seconded by Comm. Kovalcik and reads:

Resolution#2011 – 21

A Resolution Authorizing Execution of Risk Management Consultant’s Agreement

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the services of a Risk manager; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

Whereas, the anticipated term of this contract is two years; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, Professional Insurance Associates, Inc. has submitted a proposal indicating that they will provide risk management services with compensation in accordance with the contract maintained by the Municipal Clerk.

Whereas, this contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding since it is a contract for professional services and, therefore, is exempt from competitive bidding process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby appoints Professional Insurance Associates, Inc. for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2011; and

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 22

A Resolution Authorizing Execution of Producers Consultant Agreement

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the services of a Producer Consultant: and,

Whereas, the Township Committee has also determined, and has resolved, to make this, and other professional appointments, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” in accordance with “New Jersey Local Unite Pay to Play” law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

Whereas, requests for qualifications were published and provided in accordance with the aforementioned law; and

Whereas, the anticipated term of this contract is one year; and

Whereas, PIA Security Programs, Inc. has submitted a proposal indicating it will provide the legal services and compensated in accordance with the proposal maintained by the Municipal Clerk; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park authorizes PIA Security Programs, Inc. of 429 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt, NJ 07072 to enter into a contract with Township of Rochelle Park as described herein; and,

Be it further resolved that the Mayor be authorized to sign said agreement; and

Resolution #2011 – 22 (cont.)

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution shall be published as required by law within ten days of its passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 23

A Resolution Authorizing a Three Year Contract for Website Design and Management

Whereas, the Township Committee has engaged in a program for the development of a website which will provide vital information to the residents of the Township concerning municipal activities, programs, etc.; and

Whereas, the Township Administrator has received and reviewed proposals from various companies in connection with website design, development and management; and

Whereas, one such company, THE ADR COMPANY of Rochelle Park, N.J. is qualified to provide these services and has submitted one such quotation; and

Whereas, the quotation provides for a one time set up fee, maintenance and management and design; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park has determined that sufficient funds are available in order to facilitate the retention of this company; and

Whereas, an award of a contract to this company is exempt from competitive bidding since it is a specialized service.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. A Contract with THE ADR COMPANY of Rochelle Park, N.J. be and is hereby authorized.
2. The Contract shall be upon the terms and conditions set forth in the proposal submitted by THE ADR COMPANY in an amount not to exceed \$2624.00 for 2011, \$2664.00 for 2012 and \$2704.00 for 2013 totally \$7992.00.
3. The Contract shall be for a period of three (3) years commencing January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2013.
4. The Township Administrator be and her is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents, contracts, invoices or vouchers which may be necessary in order to facilitate this Contract.

Be further resolved, that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to THE ADR COMPANY, P.O. Box 189, Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662, and the Township Administrator.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 24

A Resolution Authorizing a 2011 Contract with Bergen County Animal Center – Animal Control

Whereas, exists a need for the Township of Rochelle Park to provide State mandated Dog and Animal Control Services of a technical and professional natures; and

Whereas, the Bergen County Department of Health Services can provide duly qualified personnel to carry out these public Animal Control Services and has agreed to beginning with January 1, 2011 and

Whereas, the contract amount shall be \$, as indicated in the terms of the agreement and funds will be made available for this purpose and it has been certified that this meets the statutes and regulations concerning the awarding of said contract;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that, the Mayor and Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the Bergen County Department of health Service to perform said services of a professional nature for the period of January 1, 2011 thru December 31, 2011 as per the attached contract.

This contract is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2).

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 25

A Resolution Authorizing a Contract w/County of Bergen – Blood Borne Pathogens Compliance Program – 2011

Whereas, there exists a need for the Township of Rochelle Park Health Department to provide state mandated health services of a technical and professional nature for the Blood Borne Pathogens Compliance Program; and

Whereas, the Bergen County Department of Health Services can assure compliance in accordance with P.E.O.S.H.A. as follows: Exposure Control Plan Development; Policies and Procedures; and Record/Report Generation and Retention and billing support documentation; and

Whereas, the Bergen County Department of Health Services has agreed to provide public health services through a contract for the calendar year 2011; and

Whereas, the fee is to be an amount not to exceed \$ for training and purchase of the vaccine under State Contract based on \$ per vaccination and funds will be available for this purpose; and

Whereas, it has been certified that this meets the statutes and regulations concerning the award of said contract:

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park as follows:

1. That Joseph Scarpa, Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with the Bergen County Department of Health Services to perform public health services of a professional nature for the Blood Borne Pathogens Program for the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 at a cost not to exceed \$ for training and purchase \$ per vaccination; and
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2)L and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Financial Office has certified, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:30 14.5 that sufficient legally appropriated funds will be available for this purpose subject to appropriation of fund in the 2011 temporary and/or adopted budget.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

A motion was offered by Comm. Strohmeyer and seconded by Comm. Kovalcik to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all voting “Aye”.

Annual Business:

The following resolutions were offered by Comm. Kovalcik and seconded by Comm. Strohmeyer and reads:

Resolution#2011 – 26

A Resolution Authorizing Participation in Volunteer Tuition Credit Program – Fire Department

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park in the County of Bergen, deems it appropriate to enhance the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters and emergency medical volunteers in the Township of Rochelle Park; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey has enacted P.L. 1998, c. 145 which permits municipal governments to allow their firefighting and emergency medical volunteers to take advantage of the Volunteer Tuition Credit Program at no cost to the municipal government.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park in the County of Bergen that the Volunteer Tuition Credit Program as set forth in P.L. 1998, c. 145 is herewith adopted for the volunteer firefighters and emergency medical volunteers in the municipality; and

Be it further resolved, that Roy Riggitano, Chief Financial Officer is herewith delegated the responsibility to administer the program and is authorized to enter into all agreements and to maintain files of all documents as may be required under the P.L. 1998, c. 145, a copy of which is herewith made part of this resolution.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 27

A Resolution Establishing Meeting Dates for 2011

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, that the regular meetings of the Township Committee for the year 2011 be held as follows:

January	19	Wednesday	July	20	Wednesday
February	16	Wednesday	August	17	Wednesday
March	16	Wednesday	September	21	Wednesday

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April	20	Wednesday	October	19	Wednesday
May	18	Wednesday	November	16	Wednesday
June	15	Wednesday	December	21	Wednesday

Board of Health Meeting – February 17, 2011 – 7:30 PM

Reorganization – Wednesday, January 4, 2012 – 7:30 PM

Be it further resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that the Work Session will be held as follows:

January	12	Wednesday	July	13	Wednesday
February	9	Wednesday	August	10	Wednesday
March	9	Wednesday	September	14	Wednesday
April	13	Wednesday	October	12	Wednesday
May	11	Wednesday	November	2	Wednesday
June	8	Wednesday	December	14	Wednesday

Now, be it further resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that Budget Meetings will be held as follows:

January	26	Wednesday	February	23	Wednesday
February	2	Wednesday			

All Public Meetings will begin at 7:30 P.M., Work Sessions and Budget Meetings. All meetings will be held at 151 W. Passaic Street, Rochelle Park. Formal Action may be taken at any Public Meeting, Work Session, Budget Meeting or Special Meeting. Also attached is the 2011 Holiday Schedule.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 28

A Resolution Authorizing Signatures for the Township of Rochelle Park

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, New Jersey, that the following Township Officials are hereby authorized to sign check's or withdrawal slips where a combination of two principal signatures are required:

Mayor
 Chief Financial Officer
 Township Clerk

Be it further resolved, that signature cards with the signatures of the person's authorized to sign be forwarded to all Township Depositories.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 29

A Resolution Authorizing Official Newspapers

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, that the following newspapers be designated as the Township's Official Newspaper's for advertising for 2011.

Our Town	-	Maywood
The Record	-	Hackensack
North Jersey Herald	-	Passaic

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 30

A Resolution Naming Official Depositories for the Funds of the Township of Rochelle Park

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 mandates that the governing body of a municipal corporation shall, by resolution passed by a majority vote of the full membership thereof, designate as a depository for its monies a bank or trust company having its place of business in the state and organized under the laws of the United States or this state:

Now, therefore, be it resolved, on the 1st day of January, 2011 by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that:

1. TD Bank – Paramus
2. Valley National Bank – Rochelle Park
3. Community Bank of Rochelle Park – Rochelle Park
4. Boiling Springs – Rochelle Park
5. Hudson United Bank - Maywood
6. Lakeland Bank – Rochelle Park

Be and are hereby designated as depositories for the Township of Rochelle Park.

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Prior to the deposit of any municipal funds in the above mentioned depositories said bank shall file with the Chief Financial Officer a statement indicating that the bank is covered under the Government Units Deposit Protection Act (R.S. 17:0-41).

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 31

A Resolution Authorizing Investment of Idle Funds and Fund Transfers

Whereas, it is desirable that idle funds of the Township of Rochelle Park be invested in legal investment vehicles at all times, and

Whereas, it is occasionally necessary to transfer funds for the purpose of meeting current Township expenses or for the purpose of effecting investments,

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that it does hereby authorize the Chief Financial Officer to request bids and to place orders for the investment of idle funds solely in legally authorized investment vehicles, such investments to the investing institution, and

Be it further resolved, that the above named Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to transfer funds by wire solely for the following purposes and subject to all pertinent regulations:

1. To or from Township checking or savings accounts to other Township accounts.
2. To or from Township checking or savings accounts to or from accounts specified by banks or the State of New Jersey Cash Management Funds solely for the purpose of investing for the account of the Township of Rochelle Park

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 32

A Resolution Establishing a Cash Management Plan

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the Township of Rochelle Park to earn additional revenue through the investment and prudent management of its cash receipts, and

Whereas, P.L. 1983, chapter 8, approved January 18, 1983, is an act concerning the Local Fiscal Affairs Law and amends N.J.S.A. 40A:5-2 and N.J.S.A.40A:5-15, and

Whereas, this law requires that each local unit shall adopt a cash management plan,

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the following shall constitute the Cash Management Plan for the Township of Rochelle Park and the Township of Rochelle Park shall deposit and manage its funds pursuant to this plan:

Definitions

1. Treasurer shall mean the Treasurer of the Township of Rochelle Park
2. Fiscal Year shall mean the twelve-month period ending December thirty-one.
3. Cash Management Plan shall mean that plan as approved by resolution.

Designation of Depositories

1. At least one each fiscal year the governing body shall by resolution designate the depositories for the Township of Rochelle Park in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:5-4.

Authority to Invest

1. The governing body shall pass a resolution at its first meeting of the fiscal year designating the Township office (s) who shall make and be responsible for municipal deposits and investments.

Investment Instruments

1. The Treasurer shall invest at his discretion in any investment instruments as approved by the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services and in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:5-15.1.

Records and Reports

1. The Treasurer shall report all investments in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:5-15.2.
2. At a minimum the Treasurer shall:
 - a. Keep a record of all investments
 - b. Keep a cash position record, which reveals, on a daily basis, the status of the Township's cash in its bank accounts.

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- c. Report monthly to the governing body as to the status of cash balances in bank accounts, interest rates and interest earned.

Cash Flow

1. The Treasurer shall ensure that the Township's accounting system provide regular information concerning the Township's cash position and investment performance.
2. All monies shall be turned over to the Treasurer and deposited in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:5-15.
3. The Treasurer is authorized and directed to invest surplus funds of the Township of Rochelle Park as the availability of the funds permit. In addition, it shall be the responsibility of the Treasurer to minimize the possibility of idle cash by depositing the Township's monies in interest bearing accounts wherever practical and in the best interest of the Township of Rochelle Park.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 33

Resolution to Establish the Interest Rate Charged on Delinquent Taxes

Whereas, R.S. 54:4-67 permits the governing body of each municipality to fix the rate of interest to be charged for nonpayment of taxes or assessments subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of taxes as provided by law; and

Whereas, R.S. 54:4-67 has been amended to permit the fixing of said rate of 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to charge 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of taxes becoming delinquent after the due date and 18% per annum on any amount of taxes in excess of \$1,500.00 becoming delinquent after the due date, subject to any abatement or discount for the late payment of taxes as provided by law.
2. Effective January 1, 2011, there will be a grace period for quarterly tax payments made by check or money order shall have a ten-(10) day grace period. After the 10th day, interest is retroactive from the original due date.
3. Any payments not made in accordance with paragraph two of this resolution shall be charged interest from the due date, as set forth in paragraph one of this resolution.
4. This resolution shall be published in its entirety once in the Our Town.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution#2011 – 34

Introduction Ordinance #1027-11 – An Ordinance to Exceed the 2011 Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “**ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading January 2, 2011 and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on January 19, 2011 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached at the Municipal Complex, 151 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park, NJ 07662 and that at or such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same and that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish and post said ordinance, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and the time and place when and where such ordinance will be considered for final passage. (see attached)

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011-35

Resolution to Adopt Temporary Budget – Calendar Year 2011

Whereas, Section 40:44-19 of Revised Statutes of the Local Budget Act provides that, where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the adoption

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of the CY 2009 budget, temporary appropriations be made before January 31, 2010 for the purposes and amounts required and in the manner and time therein provided; and

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Whereas, said total temporary appropriations are limited to 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2010 Budget exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, capital improvement fund in the said 2011 Budget.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, New Jersey that the following appropriations be effective January 1, 2011, be made and a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Township Chief Financial Officer for his records.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

A motion was offered by Comm. Kovalcik and seconded by Comm. Strohmeyer to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all voting “Aye”.

Recognition & Presentations:

Fire Chief Reighard – Comm. Valenzuela, Fire Department liaison, presented out going Fire Chief Ted Reighard with a plaque and his ex-chief’s badge thanking him for his past two years of service.

Mary (Bonnie) Schneider – Administrator/Municipal Clerk Virginia De Maria presented retired employee Bonnie Schneider. Mayor Scarpa cited Bonnie’s accomplishments as an employee of the township. He wished her well on her retirement.

Mayor’s appointments:

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| Planning Board | - Lt. James Diamond – 1 year appointment
- Marlene Den Bleyker – 4 year appointment
- Michael Kazmir – Alternate #1 – 2 years
- Gerald Sorrentino – Alternate #2 – 2 years |
| Recreation | - Bertha Sneyer – 3 years
- Davia Valenzuela – 3 years
- Monica Scully – 3 years
- William Sanchez – Alternate – 1 year
- Edna Hobbs – Alternate – 1 year |
| Historian | - John Schmunk – 1 year
- Ed Quinn – 1 year |

Committee Members’ Liaison Department

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| Comm. Davidson | DPW
Police Department
Veterans Affairs |
| Comm. Kovalcik | Ambulance
Court
Health |
| Comm. Scarpa | Community Development
Finance/Administration
Recreation
Senior Citizens |
| Comm. Strohmeyer | Buildings & Grounds
Civil Rights
Insurance
Library
OEM |
| Comm. Valenzuela | Board of Education
Fire Department |

The oaths of office - Officers of the Rochelle Park Ambulance Corps:

Comm. Kovalcik -

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| Captain: | - | Roland Jacobsen – wife Barbara hold bible |
| 1 st Lieutenant | - | Ben Varghese |
| 2 nd Lieutenant | - | Michael Sudol |
| Secretary | - | Debbie Gardocki |

Comm. Kovalcik swore in the officers of the Ambulance Corp.

The oaths of office - Officers of the Rochelle Park Volunteer Fire Department

Fire officers were all sworn by Comm. Valenzuela individually with members of their families holding the bible.

Chief	- Alfred Carroll
Assistant Chief	- Dave Brown
Battalion Chief	- Michael Stearns
Battalion Chief	- Robert Holzmann
Captain	- Peter Donatello III
Captain	- Tom O'Brien
Lieutenant	- Robert Passarella
Lieutenant	- Jim Sheridan -
Chaplain	- Reverend Kevin Coffey
Fire Official	- Darryl DeMott

Chief Carroll thanked the member of the fire department looking into 2011. He also thanked the Township Committee for their support and he looks forward to working closely with them.

Committee's/Administrator's/Clerk's Reports:

Comm. Davidson – Wished everyone a Happy New Year, Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday Season. He thanked Frank Valenzuela for his leadership during his two years as Mayor. Davidson is looking forward to working with the Township Committee in 2011. He then addressed 2011 citing many budgetary difficulties. Unfortunately lay offs and furlough days were necessary to balance the tight budget. Davidson has been diligently negotiating new contracts for the Police Department and DPW. He appreciate both departments cost saving efforts.

Police Department YTD Report – Total calls 12,487, 577 motor vehicle accidents, 593 ambulance calls, 520 burglar alarms, 173 breach of peace, 38 domestic violence, 9 missing persons, 170 suspicious persons, 180 suspicious vehicles, 61 thefts, 12 assaults, 7 DPW Year end report – Painted the Administration Offices, Cleaned up Nor-Easter in March, 2010, Picked up 28,800 lbs. of Electronics, Planted 30 Trees, Rebuilt 4 Storm Drains, Cleaned 6 Miles of Sewer Lines, Put Down 25 Tons of Asphalt, Cut Down 10 Hazardous Trees

Comm. Strohmeier – stated that 2010 was an extraordinary and very stressful year. All department budgets were cut to the bone. She made reference to the undecorated courtroom, due to the lack of manpower. Strohmeier stated that due to budget cuts the Library experienced furlough days as well as remaining closed on Saturday. The Building Department Construction Code Official was made part time. Rochelle Park is currently is a shared service agreement with Elmwood Park. Strohmeier thanked the members of OEM for always standing by. She congratulated Frank Valenzuela on two good years as Mayor and wished Joe Scarpa good luck in 2011. Strohmeier wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Comm. Valenzuela – congratulated Joe Scarpa on being chosen Mayor 10 times. He also congratulated Jay Kovalcik and wished him well in his position as Deputy Mayor and thanked the members of the Township Committee for their support during his tenure as Mayor. Valenzuela cited last year difficult both professionally and personally. He addressed his run for Freeholder stating that he felt it would be beneficial for Rochelle Park to have a representative in the County. Due to health issues Valenzuela had to withdraw from the race. He thanked the Republican Party for their support. Valenzuela congratulated Comm. Strohmeier on her involvement regarding the shared service agreement between Rochelle Park and Elmwood Park Building Department. Valenzuela thanked the public for their support regarding the referendum regarding opposition of the proposed Rt. 17 widening project. Valenzuela expressed his pleasure serving as liaison to the Rochelle Park Board of Education and stated that a good relationship had been established. Valenzuela reported that he had written a letter to the Port Authority requesting a piece of steel from the Twin Towers to erect a 9/11 monument in Rochelle Park. He would like a joint commission established between the Township Committee, Police Department, Fire Department, Ambulance Corp., American Legion and Sacred Heart Church.

Fire Department Year End Report – 2010 – 265 Calls

Valenzuela thanked the Fire Department for their community spirit citing attendance at the Summerfest Concert, the Annual Santacaid, etc. He wished everyone a healthy 2011.

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Comm. Kovalcik – Wished everyone a Happy New Year. He stated that the Township Committee was an excellent group to work with. He thanked everyone for their support during his re-election. He congratulated Frank Valenzuela for the past two years he served as Mayor and congratulated Joe Scarpa on his 21st year on the Township Committee and his 10th term as Mayor. Kovalcik thanked the Ambulance Corp. for their hard work in 2010. Through the efforts of Capt. Roland Jacobsen the Ambulance Corp. is now billing for ambulance calls. The service was in danger of being discontinued and a private company coming in to service the residents.

Ambulance Corp. year end report – 2010 - 800 Calls

Board of Health – Held their Rabies Clinic in 2010 and vaccinated 56 dogs and 22 cats. The 2011 Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, January 22nd at 10:00 – 12:00 PM at the Fire House located on Lotz Lane. The Health Clinic is being held the third Wednesday of every month between 10:00 – 11:30 AM.

Municipal Court Year End Report – Regular Court Sessions – 24, Probable Cause Hearings – 30, Special Trial Sessions – 10, Motor Vehicle Tickets Issued – 3,873, Criminal Complaints Issued - 115

He then reported on the success of the Sixth Annual Kenneth J. Kovalcik Summerfest Concert which had been held on Thursday, August 26th and noted a wonderful turnout with approximately 1,100 attendees. The featured artist was the Bronx Wanderers. The entire event was sponsored by Park Avenue/BMW.

Comm. Valenzuela – Reminded everyone that the Relay For Life was scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 4th and 5th. It would be held at Midland School. Christine Brown is co-chair.

Mayor Scarpa – Thanked everyone for attending the Reorganization meeting. He thanked his colleagues for electing him Mayor for the 10th time. Scarpa went to school and lives in Rochelle Park and is proud to be part of a small community. He then recognized members of his family and friend. He also thanked various local dignitaries and wished them well. Scarpa thanked Frank Valenzuela for his hard work as mayor for past two years. He congratulated Jay Kovalcik on his re-election and thanked Comm. Strohmeier for her 20 years on the Township Committee and enjoyed Comm. Davidson's new enthusiasm. Scarpa recognized Virginia De Maria, holding the Municipal Clerk position as well as Administrator. He thanked the residents of the Township stated that it was an honor and privilege representing them. He will focus every effort on honest ethical service. He will continue the fight against the widening of Rt. 17. He will also work hard complying with the 2% CAP imposed by the State. He also informed residents that Rochelle Park will be entering into shared service agreements such as a joint road resurfacing project. Scarpa wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Virginia De Maria – Administrator/Municipal Clerk – thanked Mayor Scarpa for the recognition and appreciation. She thanked the Deputy Clerk for her assistance making her job easier. Regarding April's Nor'easter FEMA reimbursed Rochelle Park with a check in the amount of \$20,000 on December 28, 2010. Possibly more funding will become available for this most recent blizzard. Ms. De Maria advised residents of a recent problem with Paramus's recycling. There will be no recycling pick up this Monday, it was moved to Tuesday. De Maria advised that lead laborer Jim Schmunk has received his State certification as a Certified Public Work Manager. Ms. De Maria wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Open Meeting to Public

A motion was offered by Comm. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Kovalcik to open the meeting to the public. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting “Aye”.

Freeholder James Driscoll – Addressed the Committee regarding the proposed widening of Rt. 17 project. He stated that plans would not move forward without the input of the Township Committee and the resident of Rochelle Park. His door is always open. Mr. Driscoll thanked Frank Valenzuela and Joe Scarpa for their support. He then wished everyone a Happy New Year.

A motion was offered by Comm. Davidson and seconded by Comm. Valenzuela to close the meeting to the public. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting “Aye”.

A motion was offered by Mayor Scarpa and seconded by Comm. Davidson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting “Aye”

Respectfully submitted,

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Virginia De Maria
Municipal Clerk