



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

**MINUTES – BUDGET MEETING – February 1, 2012
Meeting to begin at 7:30 PM**

Call to order 7:30 PM

Open Public Meetings Act – According the law, this meeting has been posted and is being taped.

Roll Call:

- Comm. R. Davidson
- Comm. J. Ouellette
- Comm. J. Scarpa
- Comm. F. Valenzuela
- Mayor K.J. Kovalcik
- Joe 7:37

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Capt. Robert Flannelly

Mayor Kovalcik asked that everyone remain standing for a moment of silence remembering those in the military stationed overseas.

A motion was offered by Comm. Davidson seconded by Comm. Ouellette to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting “Aye”.

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Discussion:

Budget Discussion – 2011

- Departments: Police Department – 7:30 PM
- EMS - 7:45 PM
- Fire Department - 8:00 PM
- DPW - 8:15 PM

Frank Di Maria, Municipal Auditor and Roy Riggitano, CFO will discuss 2012 Budget outlook.

The various department heads presented their “wish lists” to the Township Committee for their discussion and consideration. After a lengthy discussion the Committee agreed to bond for a DPW truck and Ambulance. Other requests were met favorably.

The proposed bond breakdown is as follows:

2012 Road Program/Drainage	\$210,000
New Ambulance	160,000
Sewers	100,000
Police Range Repair	20,000
Police Cars (2)	40,000 each
Computers	50,000
Fire Department	65,000
DPW Truck	55,000
Building/Grounds	<u>50,000</u>
Total	\$800,000

Some of these items might be combined by the Bonding Attorney. Frank De Maria, Municipal Auditor and CFO Roy Riggitano discussed the 2012 budget outlook,

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indicating at present time, with all requests met; the budget is \$900 below the CAP with a projected tax increase of five points.

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

Additional Personnel Discussion

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

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

No members of the public spoke

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia De Maria
Municipal Clerk