



**TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK
151 WEST PASSAIC STREET
ROCHELLE PARK, NEW JERSEY 07662**

MINUTES– PUBLIC MEETING – May 20, 2015

Call to Order at 7:34 PM

According to the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting of May 20, 2015 was advertised in the notice sent to the “Our Town”, posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 12, 2015 and on the Township’s web-site 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.

Roll Call: Comm. Kazimir
 Comm. Kovalcik-Absent
 Comm. Scarpa-Absent
 Comm. Valenzuela
 Mayor Ouellette

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. John Grossman.

Mayor Ouellette asked that everyone remain standing for a moment of silence remembering Mr. James Pallouras, former Mayor of Rochelle Park, who passed away this past week.

A motion was offered by Comm. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to adopt the agenda. Motion carried on a voice vote – all present voting “Aye”.

A motion was offered by Comm. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting April 15, 2015. Motion carried on a voice vote – all present voting “Aye”.

At the Work Session held on May 13, 2015 the following resolution was adopted - all voting “Aye”.

Resolution #2015 - 99

A Resolution Authorizing Entering into Grant Agreement Community Development - \$5,000

Be it resolved, that the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park wishes to enter into a grant agreement with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using \$5,000.00 in 2013 Community Development Block Grant funds for Senior Citizen Activities located at 151 W. Passaic Street

Be it further resolved, that the Township Committee hereby authorizes Jayme Ouellette to be a signatory for the aforesaid grant agreement; and

Be it further resolved, that the Township Committee hereby authorizes Robert Davidson, Administrator to sign all County vouchers submitted in connection with the aforesaid project; and

Be it further resolved, that the Township Committee recognizes that the Township of Rochelle Park is liable for any funds not spent in accordance with the Grant Agreement; and that liability of the Township Committee is in accordance with HUD requirements.

This resolution was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park at a meeting on May 13, 2015.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Presentation

D.A.R.E Officer Doug Arendacs presented the following graduates of the 2015 Hackensack/Rochelle Park Youth Academy Class #15 Cadet Training with certificates of participation. Police Chief Flannelly thanked the Township Committee, the parents, ShopRite and the Youth Academy instructors for their support. He congratulated all of the graduates.

Joshlyn Afocx, Claudia Allos, Tiffany Bautista, Emily Beck, Adam Becker, Jonathan Becker, Allison Brown, Jessica Buse, Briana Castillo, Kathryn Davis, Samantha DeGuzman, Christian Fuchs, Reuben Fuentes, Noah Hernando, Kristen Kero, Kevin Kowalski, Matthew Mina, William Nunez, Kacper Osenkwoski, Peter Pascarella, Karl

Patterman, Daniel Prince, Donald Schmunk, Thiago Stallbaum, Juan Taveras, Olivia Valenzuela, Jillian Vomero.

Comm. Scarpa entered the meeting.

Mayor Ouellette presented Mr. Jeffrey Grossman, a history teacher at Midland School, with a certificate in recognition of his achievement in receiving the 2015 Teacher of the Year award. She thanked him for his dedication and service. She stated she still remembers her eighth grade teacher and knows what a significant impact that he has on the children.

Proclamation

Comm. Valenzuela read the following proclamation. He stated this disease affects many and reminded everyone about the upcoming ALS Walk on May 31st at Saddle Brook Park.

ALS Awareness Month - June 2015

Whereas, the United States Senate by official proclamation, declared the month of June 2015 as “National ALS Awareness Month”; and

Whereas, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) also known as Lou Gehrig’s disease, was first identified in 1869 and its cause, cure and means of control are still unknown. Anyone can get ALS, which selectively destroys the motor neurons in the nervous system and in its progression the patient loses the ability to move, speak, swallow and eventually breathe while the mind remains unaffected and alert; and

Whereas, ALS is responsible for nearly 2 deaths per 100,000 population. Each year over 5,300 people in the United States are newly diagnosed and can expect a life expectancy on average from 2 to 5 years from the time of diagnosis; and

Whereas, the mission of the ALS Association is to find a cure for ALS and improve living with the disease. The Greater New York Chapter funds promising research to find a cure, provides critical support programs for patients and their families and seeks to heighten awareness of issues of importance to people with ALS.

Now, therefore, we, the members of the township committee, of the Township of Rochelle Park, on behalf on our residents, do hereby proclaim the month of June, 2015 as “ALS AWARENESS MONTH” in recognition of this vital initiative.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the Township of Rochelle Park to be affixed this June 17, 2015.

Comm. Kazimir read the following proclamation. He asked members of the EMS to join him.

EMS Week - May 17 - 23, 2015

Whereas, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

Whereas, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

Whereas, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

Whereas, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency physicians, emergency room nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, first responders, educators, administrators and others; and

Whereas, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

Whereas, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; now

Therefore, I, Jayme Ouellette, Mayor of the Township of Rochelle Park, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 17-23, 2015, as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

With the theme, EMS: Strong. I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Reports:

- Health Department - April 2015
- Building Department - April 2015
- Municipal Court - April 2015

The Consent Agenda was offered by Comm. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Scarpa and reads:

Resolution #2015 – 100

A Resolution – Payment of Bills – May 2015

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, that the following bills be turned over to the Treasurer, and if found to be correct, be paid provided there is sufficient funds in the various accounts.

DOG ACCOUNT

CK 166 NJ Dept. of Health \$18.60

CURRENT, TRUST AND GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Current Fund	\$3,120,350.43
Capital Fund	\$ 48,767.85
Trust Fund	\$ 14,112.05

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 101

A Resolution – Authorizing the Hiring of Dispatcher – Thomas Breen

Whereas, the Township of Rochelle Park hires civilian police dispatchers to work within the Police Department; and

Whereas, pursuant to a prior Resolution, the Township Committee determined that civilian police dispatchers will now be paid pursuant to the established salary guide which will include salary steps providing for annual increases: and

Whereas, the Township Committee has agreed with the recommendations made by the Chief of Police with regard to the individual to be hired.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the following individual shall be hired as a full-time civilian Police Dispatcher for the Township of Rochelle Park:

Thomas J. Breen
166 Brookfield Ave.
Paramus, N.J. 07652
Starting Salary: \$36,709.80 per year

Be it further resolved, that the civilian Police Dispatcher shall be paid pursuant to the Salary Ordinance of the Township of Rochelle Park; and

Be it further resolved, that employment for this individual shall commence as of April 20, 2015; and

Be it further resolved, that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to forward a certified copy of the within Resolution to the Township Administrator, the Rochelle Park Chief of Police, Thomas J. Breen and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 102

A Resolution – Appointing Recreation Camp Counselors

Be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park recommended by the Recreation Commission that the following be appointed to the position of Camp Counselors at a rate of \$8.00 to \$14.25 per hour effective July 6, 2015 through August 14, 2015.

Christina Foschini 9 Durand Place Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Elizabeth Bilka 7 Bennett Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Nick Komars 20 Forest Place Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
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Jaclyn Draney 38 Cedar Drive Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Taylor Lee Behler 81 Chestnut Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Arianna Margarito 82 Chestnut Ave. Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
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Anthony Moreno 109 James Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Matthew Scully 25 Oldis Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Anthony Izzo 14 E. Fairmount Avenue Maywood, N.J. 07607
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Alex Tripani 118 Hazley Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Joseph Hickey 22 Chestnut Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Matthew Moreno 109 James Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
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George Gan
6 Hazley Court
Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

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Alternate Counselors

Ryan Tempio

12 Chestnut Street

Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Samantha Glennon

110 James Street

Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Stevie Rae Ciccone

31 Colling Ave.

Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Samantha Dugan

4 Eldorado Court

Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Kristina Gorgone

109 James Street

Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Service Hours

Megan Ouellette

22 Crescent Street

Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 103

A Resolution – Authorizing Purchase of Fuel - Rochelle Park

Board of Education

Whereas, pursuant to the provisions of State Law, Interlocal Agreements between municipalities are favored in an effort to save costs; and

Whereas, the Township of Rochelle Park has previously entered into such an Interlocal Agreement for the purchase of gasoline at the Department of Public Works facilities in the Township of Rochelle Park; and

Whereas, said Agreement has been previously entered into with Rochelle Park Board of Education for those gasoline purchases and a recent review of these Agreements has determined that the Agreement is mutually beneficial; and

Whereas, the Township of Rochelle Park shall be considered the “lead agency” in connection with this Interlocal Agreement; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has determined that such an Agreement, for a period of three (3) years, would be in the best interests of the residents and taxpayers of the Township.

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. A three (3) year Interlocal Agreement between the Township of Rochelle Park and the Rochelle Park Board of Education be and is hereby authorized.
2. This Agreement can be extended for an additional three (3) year period by an Extension Agreement.
3. The term of this Agreement shall be applied retroactively to May 15, 2015 and shall extend until May 15, 2018.
4. The Township of Rochelle Park shall be compensated by the Rochelle Park Board of Education at the rate of twenty cents (\$.20) per gallon over the basic cost of the fuel paid by the Township of Rochelle Park. Said charges shall be used for administrative fees.

Now therefore be it further resolved that the Mayor and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all Agreements which may be necessary in order to facilitate this Agreement;

Now therefore be it further resolved, that the Township Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to the Rochelle Park Board of Education and the Township Administrator.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 104

A Resolution – Appointing Fire Prevention Staff

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, 2015; and

Be it further resolved that the following be appointed Fire Inspectors for the year 2015:

Scott Osback

23-13 Cambridge Road

Fair Lawn, N.J. 07410

Steven Cassiello

29 Blueridge Road

Lodi, NJ 07644

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

Secretary
Anne Mohring
5-04 Fifth Street
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

Bart Giaconia
87 Prospect Street
Passaic, NJ 07055

Peter Donatello, Jr.
131 James Street
Rochelle Park, NJ 07601

Michael Barkley
156 Michigan Ave.
Paterson, NJ 07503

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 105

A Resolution – Adoption of Revised Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

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

1. The Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency on April 13, 2015 by the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Township of Rochelle Park: minor revisions recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and/or the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management may be incorporated without further action.
2. The Township of Rochelle Park departments identified in the Plan are hereby directed to pursue implementation of recommended high priority activities that are assigned to their departments.
3. Any action proposed by the Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion of the Township of Rochelle Park, and this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any such appropriations.

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4. The Emergency Management Coordinator is designated to coordinate with other offices and shall periodically report on the activities, accomplishments, and progress, and shall prepare an annual progress report to be submitted to the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management. The status report shall be submitted on a yearly basis by a predetermined date as agreed upon by all stakeholders.

Passed by the Township of Rochelle Park on this 20th day of May 2015.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 106

A Resolution – Authorizing the Hiring of Deputy Court Administrator - Christina Fredette

Whereas, a vacancy exists in the position of Deputy Municipal Court Administrator for the Township of Rochelle Park; and

Whereas, in accordance with the policy of the Township of Rochelle Park, a vacancy in this position was advertised and interviews were conducted by the Township Administrator, the Municipal Court Judge and the Vicinage Personnel; and

Whereas, Christina Fredette did, in fact, submit a resume for the position of Deputy Municipal Court Administrator; and

Whereas, after a review of the various resumes submitted and at the conclusion of all interviews, the Interview Panel recommended that Christina Fredette be hired to fill this vacant position; and

Whereas, a review of Ms. Fredette's credentials confirms that she possesses the experience and other qualities necessary in order to fulfill the demands and obligations of this position.

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

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1. Christina Fredette be and is hereby appointed to the position of Deputy Municipal Court Administrator for the Township of Rochelle Park.
2. The term of this appointment shall commence on June 1, 2015 or upon completions of background check and shall continue until December 31, 2017.
3. Probationary period shall be for six months and/or completion of Conditional Accreditation.
4. The salary for this position shall be \$16.00 per hour not to exceed 25 hours per week.
5. The Township Administrator be and is hereby authorized and directed to take such steps which may be necessary in order to facility and carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

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 Municipal Court Administrator, LYNDAS LASINI, Honorable ROY MCGEADY, J.M.C., CHRISTINE FREDETTE, and Ms. BRENDIS MONTIJO-WRIGLEY, C.M.C.A.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 107

A Resolution – Authorizing the Hiring of Summer Intern-Marisa Greenwald Library

Whereas, the Library has requested that the Township Committee hire a summer intern in order to assist in that department;

Whereas, the Township Committee has reviewed that request and has agreed to hire such a summer intern; and

Whereas, MARISSA GREENWALD, 58 Chestnut Street, Rochelle Park, N.J. has applied for that position and possesses the skills necessary in order to perform in that position.

Whereas, this employment shall be temporary in nature.

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. MARISSA GREENWALD, 58 Chestnut Street, Rochelle Park, be and is hereby hired as a temporary intern employee to work with the Rochelle Park Library
2. This position shall commence on June 1, 2015 and shall continue until December 31, 2015.

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 Personnel Department of the Township of Rochelle Park, and to MARISSA GREENWALD, 58 Chestnut Street, Rochelle Park, New Jersey 07662.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 108

A Resolution – Authorizing the Hiring of Summer Intern-Samantha Arnold-Administration

Whereas, the Administration office has requested that the Township Committee hire a summer intern in order to assist in that department;

Whereas, the Township Committee has reviewed that request and has agreed to hire such a summer intern; and

Whereas, SAMANTHA ARNOLD, 18 Marinus Street, Rochelle Park, N.J. has applied for that position and possesses the skills necessary in order to perform in that position.

Whereas, this employment shall be temporary in nature.

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:

SAMANTHA ARNOLD, 18 Marinus Street, Rochelle Park, be and is hereby hired as a temporary intern to work with the Rochelle Park Administration office.

This position shall commence on June 1, 2015 and shall continue until September 1, 2015.

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 Personnel Department of the Township of Rochelle Park, and to SAMANTHA ARNOLD, 18 Marinus Street, Rochelle Park, New Jersey 07662.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 109

A Resolution – Authorizing the Acquisition of Military Property

Whereas, Congress authorized the 1033 Program to make use of excess Department of Defense (DoD) equipment by making it available at the local, county and state level. This excess DoD equipment has been purchased with taxpayer funds. Law enforcement may request resources from this program. The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) mandates that all acquired 1033 equipment be under the control of the requesting law enforcement agency. The equipment may enhance community preparedness, response, and resiliency while off-setting the cost in a time of fiscal constraints.

Whereas, Senate Bill No. 2364.2(a) requires that all local or county law enforcement agencies be approved by resolution the majority of the full membership of the governing body prior to the transmittal of the 1033 Program application. The DLA requires that applications for this program participation be submitted every 365 days; and

Whereas, the minutes of Township of Rochelle Park Public Meeting of May 13, 2015 provide that:

Whereas, the Township of Rochelle Park's Mayor and Township Committee requires that designated Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) Point of Contact for this venue submit a monthly report regarding acquired 1033 Program property to the Chief Executive Official of the venue. In the event that any property had been obtained contrary to the intent of Senate Bill No. 2364.2(a) the State Coordinator shall be contacted and equipment shall be transferred or returned via the federal inventory database system (FEPMIS); and

Whereas, the Township of Rochelle Park's Mayor and Township Committee finds that the Rochelle Park Police Department may request and acquire certain DEMIL A thru Q(controlled) property in the RTD system without restriction and additional resolutions from the Committee. However, it has been determined that based on the Township of Rochelle Park's Police Department's needs, it may not acquire armored tactical vehicles, marine vessels over 28 feet, aircraft, weapons, or any items deemed without approval of the governing body. Any special application for weapons, aircraft, or MRAP's must be authorized by the Committee by resolution prior to the submission of the application/requisition; and

Whereas, the Township of Rochelle Park's Mayor and Township Committee recognize that the acquisition of the 1033 Program property is time sensitive as resources are allocated to all the States based on time-stamp of requisition. In the event that a LESO Point of Contact may cancel the request prior to the acquisition of the property, without being in violation of S2364.2(a)

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Township of Rochelle Park and the Township Committee hereby authorize the Rochelle Park Police Department to apply and to continue to participate in the Department of Defense Logistics Agency-Law Enforcement Support Office/1033 Program; and

Be it further resolved, that the Township of Rochelle Park Police Department shall be in accordance with all terms, conditions, and requirements set forth by the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management-Law Enforcement Support Office State Plan of Operation and Memorandum of Agreement.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 110

A Resolution – Authorizing Professional Services Agreement-Jeffrey R. Surenian & Associates

Whereas, the Township Committee has determined that there is a need for the appointment of Special Counsel for the handling of affordable housing matters on behalf of the Township of Rochelle Park; and

Whereas, as a result of having made that determination, the Township Committee requested recommendations for this appointment from the Township Attorney and Township Planner, Susan Gruel; and

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Whereas, both the Township Attorney and the Township Planner have recommended the appointment of Jeffrey Surenian, of Jeffrey R. Surenian, LLC, Brielle, New Jersey for this position; and

Whereas, Jeffrey Surenian has substantial has substantial experience in the field of Affordable Housing matters and has been appointed as special counsel in numerous municipalities throughout the state; and

Whereas, the within appointment may be made without the necessity of competitive bidding as the same provides for a Professional Service Contract.

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. Jeffrey R. Surenian & Associates, LLC, 707 Union Avenue, Brielle, New Jersey be and is hereby appointed Special Counsel for the Township of Rochelle Park for the handling of its responsibilities with respect to its affordable housing obligations; and
2. Jeffrey R. Surenian & Associates, LLC will be compensated at the rates set for the attached Contract for Professional Services; and
3. The term of this appointment shall be for a period extending until December 31, 2015 or until such time as all obligations are satisfied and all matters concluded. This term shall be extended if necessary, at such time as the Township Committee reorganizes in January 2016.
4. The within Contract may be awarded without the necessity of competitive bidding as the same provides for a Contract for professional services in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law.
5. The Township Administrator and Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Contract for Professional Services as well as any other documents which may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this resolution.

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 Township Attorney, Township Planner and the Office of the Chief Financial Officer.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 111

A Resolution – Authorizing Preparation and Filing of a Declaratory Judgement Action

Whereas, as a result of a recent decision of the New Jersey Supreme Court, the Township of Rochelle Park must take certain steps in order to seek protection from builder's remedy lawsuits; and

Whereas, the aforementioned decision of the New Jersey Supreme Court provided a limited period of time during which such an action must be filed; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has appointed special counsel for the handling of such an action, Jeffrey R. Surenian & Associates, LLC of Brielle, New Jersey; and

Whereas, based upon the recommendation of the Township Planner and Township Attorney, the Township Committee has determined that it would be in the best interests of the Municipality to file this action

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows: Special Counsel Jeffrey R. Surenian Associates, LLC are hereby authorized and directed to file the aforementioned Declaratory Judgment Action as well as to take any other actions which may be necessary and appropriate to protect the rights and interests of the Township.

The Township Planner, Susan Gruel, P.P. is hereby authorized and directed to take any such take any steps which she may deem necessary in order to assist Special Counsel with regard to said action

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 Township Attorney, Jeffrey R. Surenian & Associates, LLC, Township Planner and the Office of the Chief Financial Officer.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 112

A Resolution – Introduction Ord. #1084 - 15 - 2015 Salary Ordinance Non Contractual

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE SALARY OR RATE OF COMPENSATION OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK AND TO ESTABLISH A METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SUCH COMPENSATION FOR THE YEAR 2015” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading May 20, 2015 and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on June 17, 2015 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.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 113

A Resolution –Introduction Ord. #1085 - 15 - Buying and Selling Gold

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK TO ADD AN ORDINANCE REGULATING SECOND HAND DEALERS” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading May 20, 2015 and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on June 17, 2015 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.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 114

A Resolution – Introduction Ord. #1086 - 15 - Snow Removal

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 161 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK ENTITLED “STREETS AND SIDEWALKS” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading May 20, 2015 and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on June 17, 2015 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.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 115

A Resolution – Introduction Ord. #1087 - 15 - Police Organization Restructure

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK, AND, SPECIFICALLY, TO AMEND THE TABLE OF ORGANIZATION IN THE ROCHELLE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading May 20, 2015 and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on June 17, 2015 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as

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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.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 116

A Resolution – Introduction Ord. #1088 - 15 - Amend Section 180-38 “Declaration of Emergency

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 180-38 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK ENTITLED “DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading May 20, 2015 and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on June 17, 2015 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.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 117

A Resolution – Extension of Contract with Township Administrator - Robert Davidson

Whereas, ROBERT H. DAVIDSON was appointed, in 2012, to the position of Township Administrator; and

Whereas, the three (3) year Contract was entered into between ROBERT H. DAVIDSON and the Township Committee for a period commencing on September 24, 2012 and ending on September 23, 2015; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has now determined that it would be in the best interest of the Township to extend that Contract until the end of calendar year 2015 so that it will end of a calendar year and, if extended, would be extended contemporaneously with the annual reorganizations; and

Whereas, this extension will be on the same terms and conditions as the existing Contract with the Township Administrator; and

Whereas, at the appropriate time, discussions will be commenced for a Successor Agreement and extension.

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. A Contract extension with the Township Administrator until December 31, 2015 is hereby authorized.
2. This extension shall be on the same terms and conditions as the existing Contract.

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 Robert H. Davidson, the Personnel Department, Township Attorney and the Township Auditor.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 118

A Resolution – Authorizing Amending Resolution #2015-68 Issuing Raffle License #451-15A to American Legion Post #170-Date Change

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, State of New Jersey, that the application for Raffle License #451-15A as presented by the AMERICAN LEGION POST #170 ID#427-07-00459 requesting permission to conduct 50/50 Raffle for July 25, 2015 instead of June 7, 2015 be approved and the requested license be issued.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 119

A Resolution – Appeal of Disciplinary Action Imposed by the Fire Department

Whereas, pursuant to Chapter 14 of the Code of the Township of Rochelle Park, disciplinary charges were filed against a member of the Rochelle Park Volunteer Fire Department; and

Whereas, the subject of the charges was Lieutenant Alfred Carroll ; and

Whereas, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Township Code, the subject of the disciplinary charges was notified of the charges and a hearing was scheduled for March 2015; and

Whereas, the subject member did not attend that hearing; and

Whereas, certain charges were presented, a hearing was held and a final determination was made as set forth in the Notice of Decision dated March 23, 2015; and

Whereas, the ultimate determination by the Fire Department, as a result of the aforementioned hearing, was, for the reasons set forth in the decision, to terminate the Lieutenant Alfred Carroll from the Rochelle Park Volunteer Fire Department based upon those charges; and

Whereas, Chapter 14 of the Code of the Township of Rochelle Park provides, *inter alia*, for an appeal of the final decision of the Rochelle Park Volunteer Fire Department to the Township Committee; and

Whereas, although the Township Code does provide for such an appeal, there is no specific procedure for the appeal set forth in the Township Code and, as a result, the Township Committee, through the Township Attorney, established a procedure for the consideration of the appeal of the Fire Department’s decision, said procedure being outlined in correspondence from the Township Attorney to Lieutenant Carroll and the Rochelle Park Fire Department dated April 13, 2015; and

Whereas, pursuant to that procedure, both the Fire Department and Lieutenant Carroll were invited to submit, in writing, all documents which they felt should be considered by the Township Committee in determining the appeal; and

Whereas, both the Rochelle Park Fire Department and Lieutenant Carroll submitted various letters and other documentation for the consideration of the Township Committee; and

Whereas, the deadline for submission of these documents was May 6, 2015 and all submissions were timely filed and delivered to the office of the Township Attorney; and

Whereas, upon receipt of the same, the Township Attorney distributed copies of all documents submitted to each individual member of the Township Committee for their review and consideration; and

Whereas, in accordance with the procedure outlined by the Township Committee, the members of the Township Committee reviewed and considered, at the May 13th work session, the submissions of all parties; and

Whereas, at the conclusion of the work session and review of documents, the Township Attorney was directed to prepare this resolution; and

Whereas, the Township Committee had the following options with regard to this appeal:

- A. Affirm the decision of the Rochelle Park Fire Department which resulted in the termination of Lieutenant Carroll from the Department
- B. Reverse the decision of the Rochelle Park Fire Department and direct that Lieutenant Carroll be reinstated; or
- C. Affirm the findings of the Rochelle Park Fire Department but impose some other form of punishment which could range from a reprimand to a suspension; and

Whereas, based upon a review of the documents submitted and positions of the Fire Department and based upon the fact that the Rochelle Park Fire Department is a volunteer organization which elects its officers and is essentially self-governing, the Township Committee determined that there is insufficient reason, cause or justification to reverse or change the decision of the Rochelle Park Fire Department with regard to the penalty imposed.

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. The within matter is being considered by the Township Committee pursuant to Section 14-22 of the Township Code entitled “Disciplinary Action Against Members” which provides, in part, as follows:

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After exhausting the above procedures, the Defendant has the right to make an appeal to the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park

2. The Appeal considered by the Township Committee was considered pursuant to the above section of the Township Code and in accordance with the procedure outlined in the letter from the Township Attorney dated April 13, 2015.
3. The Township Committee reviewed and considered all documents submitted by the Rochelle Park Fire Department as well as by Lieutenant Alfred Carroll in considering the appeal
4. After a review and consideration of all documents as well as the arguments presented in those documents, the Township Committee has determined that it would not be in the best interest of the Township of Rochelle Park to disturb the findings or the penalty imposed by the Fire Department.
5. As a result of having made the foregoing determinations, the Township Committee hereby denies the appeal filed by Lieutenant Alfred Carroll and affirms the decision of the Rochelle Park Fire Department.

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 Alfred Carroll, Chief Michael Stearns of the Rochelle Park Fire Department, the Township Attorney and the Township Administrator.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2015 – 122

A Resolution – Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes -May 13, 2015

Whereas, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq.) certain issues may be discussed by the Township Committee in a session which excludes the public; and

Whereas, the aforementioned law requires that the minutes of said closed sessions be released as soon as practicable after the meeting and so long as the release of the minutes will not be adverse to the interests of the public and/or the Township; and

Whereas, pursuant to statute, the purpose of this Resolution is to disclose the information which was discussed in closed session on May 13, 2015 to the extent that said information can be disclosed without adversely affecting the Township or the public interest

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the attached closed session minutes may be released to the public in accordance with the requirements of New Jersey State Law; and

Be it further resolved, that any minutes which have not been released pursuant to this Resolution shall be reviewed periodically by the Township Attorney and further recommendation shall be made for the release of additional minutes as the release of same is deemed to be proper.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES - May 13, 2015

A motion was made for the Township Committee to go into closed or executive session to discuss matters of personnel, litigation and negotiations. The following represents the minutes of that closed session to the extent that those minutes may be released at this time:

1. Police Promotions – The Chief of Police addressed the Township Committee regarding proposed promotions within the department as well as an amendment to the Table of Organization. The recently concluded sergeant's promotional evaluations were also discussed. It is anticipated that promotions will be made within the department and will be acted upon in June.
2. Fire Department – In accordance with the procedure established based upon the recommendation of the Township Attorney, the Township Committee reviewed the various submissions received from the Rochelle Park Fire Department as well as from the subject of the recent disciplinary action. In accordance with that procedure, the Township Committee reviewed those submissions and discussed, with the Township Attorney, the next set in the appeal procedure. It was determined that a resolution would be adopted, in open session, at the May 20th meeting of the Township Committee which will either affirm or overrule the determination of the Fire Department.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

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

Resolution #2015 – 120

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption #1082 - 15 Capital

Ordinance - \$625,000 - Acquisition of Real Property - 49 E. Passaic Street

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$625,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 49 EAST PASSAIC STREET FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM CAPITAL SURPLUS OF THE TOWNSHIP.” be and it is hereby passed upon second and final reading and that the Municipal Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to advertise the same according to law.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

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

Linda Boniface- 33 Parkway-Asked has the historic home has been inspected yet? Administrator Davidson stated that the Township Architect inspected the home and Accu-Tech Environmental completed a Phase I inspection today. He also stated a termite inspection will be done next week. She asked if lead, asbestos and soil inspections have been completed. Administrator Davidson said a complete soil inspection is Phase II and HAS not yet been completed. Comm. Scarpa commented that procedurally the Township Committee had to open the hearing, however this issue will not be voted on this evening. He stated the Township Committees intention is to adjourn the vote until the next meeting so that they may view the results of the inspections. Ms. Boniface read a letter from her attorney in regards to how important completing a home inspection is before purchasing property.

Lynn Houghton-117 W. Oldis Street- Stated she read in the local newspaper that the bond ordinance was only good for five years. She asked if the Township planned on purchasing the home for such a short amount of time. Municipal Auditor, Frank DiMaria, explained that a capital ordinance cannot be done for more than five years and this was simply verbiage. She asked the Township Committee if the costs to repair the home will also be provided to residents at the next meeting. She asked how much taxes would increase per household. Comm. Scarpa advised that this is a non-interest bond and will not increase taxes. She stated that while the bond may not increase taxes she feels that further home repair costs will. She stated she believes the Township should pay down the Township debt with this money and help homeowners with mortgages. She asked what the Township planned to do with the \$69,000 in grant money that they received last year. Comm. Scarpa stated that the money will go towards cleaning Sprout Brook. He commented that simply cleaning Sprout Brook would not alleviate flooding in the event of a hurricane. He stated that several other Townships would need to fund the dredging of the Saddle River, a project that would require the Army Corp of Engineers. She stated she believes the money could be utilized for many other projects in town instead of the purchase of the home.

Bill Coleman-58 Schlosser Drive-Asked the Township Committee if they would be adjourning the issue of the home so that they could review all of the inspections when they come in. Comm. Scarpa stated the Township Committee was indeed waiting to review the reports. He asked if inspections come in less than favorable is the Township Committee able to withdraw from the purchase of the home. Attorney Rotolo advised that the purchase of the home is contingent upon passing an ordinance. He stated that if the Township Committee does not adopt the introduced ordinance, the purchase of the home will not be completed. Mr. Coleman asked if the increase in the amount of residents in attendance at the meeting would affect the Township Committees decision. Comm. Valenzuela stated that there are many residents in attendance who support the purchase of the home. Mayor Ouellette stated that many good points were addressed by the residents and sound judgement has always and will always be used by the Township Committee. She stated the taxpayers are being heard.

Charlie Grieco-46 Peek Street-Commented that not every resident is opposed to the purchase of the historic home. He stated that is he glad that a developer was not able to purchase the land and further ruin sections of the small community as he believes Northern Park on Terrace Avenue has done. He stated that he agrees with the decision to adjourn the vote until the next meeting and he applauds the Township Committee for their decision to purchase the home.

Linda Bonifce-33 Parkway- Stated she has been researching several things that the Township Committee can do and she thanked them for listening to the residents.

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

A motion was offered by Comm. Scarpa and seconded by Comm. Valenzuela to adjourn the adoption of ordinance 1082-15 to June 10th. Motion carried on a roll call vote – “Ayes” Kazimir, Scarpa, Valenzuela, Mayor Ouellette. “Absent” Kovalcik

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

Resolution #2015 – 121

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption #1083 - 15 Multi-Purpose Ordinance \$600,000

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$600,000 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” be and it is hereby passed upon second and final reading and that the Municipal Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to advertise the same according to law.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Comm. Kovalcik entered the meeting.

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

No members of the public spoke.

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

A motion was offered by Comm. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried on a roll call vote – “Ayes” Kazimir, Kovalcik, Scarpa, Valenzuela, Ouellette

Committee’s/Administrator’s/Attorney’s Reports-

Comm. Kazimir-Stated he would like to welcome new Deputy Court Administrator, Christina Fredette as she will be working part-time in the Municipal Court. He thanked EMS volunteers for their dedication and service to the Township.

Comm. Valenzuela-Commented that he would like to acknowledge the passing of former Rochelle Park Mayor, James Pallouras. He advised that he was a Mayor in the Township for 10 years; recently Mayor Ouellette honored him by lowering the flags to half-staff. He then stated that he would like to congratulate all of the participants of the Hackensack/Rochelle Park Police Youth Academy Class #15. He stated they all worked

very hard and he was proud of them all. He also thanked the Rochelle Park Police Officers for volunteering their time to the Youth Academy participants. He congratulated Mr. Grossman, a teacher at Midland School, for being Teacher of the Year. He thanked Mr. Grossman for his tremendous passion and dedication to his students. Comm. Valenzuela stated that two new members have been appointed to the Zoning Board, Mr. James Daubner and Mr. Matt Trawinski. He encouraged residents to review the poster in the front of the room in regards to the historic home. He stated that while he wasn't in favor of the purchase at first once he viewed the magnificent history of the home he changed his mind. He stated that if any resident is interested in volunteering for a board within the Township to please complete a volunteer form and submit it.

Comm. Scarpa- Extended his condolences to the Pallouras family. He congratulated the Youth Academy graduates. He reminded everyone that Monday, May 25th is the Memorial Day Parade beginning at 11:30AM. He reminded the residents that the Township Committee takes the spending of resident's tax dollars very seriously and advised them that Rochelle Park has the second lowest tax bill in Bergen County. He commented that he is not normally an advocate of government purchasing land however he feels this home is a piece of history worth saving. He wished everyone a Happy Memorial Day weekend.

Mayor Ouellette-Congratulated Mr. Grossman and the Youth Academy graduates on their hard work. She thanked all of the residents for coming out to the meeting to express their opinions and stated that she hopes they continue to come out to future meetings.

Administrator Davidson- Stated he has a meeting scheduled for tomorrow with PSE&G in regards to milling and paving of certain streets in the Township. He stated that Bergen County has been vital in assisting with the coordination for this project and the milling should begin next Thursday evening. He stated the 2014 road program that has been delayed due to ongoing PSE&G projects will begin on May 26th. He also stated that PSE&G will be boring and jacking near the Railroad tracks on Rochelle Avenue. He reminded residents that this project is scheduled to begin July 6th and will last approximately 45 days with the roadway remaining closed for 24 hours a day. He commented that Chief Flannelly and himself would be advising local businesses of road closures and that the Chief is currently working with the Fire Department and EMS to devise an emergency plan for the South side of the Township.

Municipal Clerk Kroll-No Report.

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

Sandy Ross-180 Chestnut Street-Asked how the Township planned to assist residents in an emergency on the other side of town. Administrator Davidson commented this is not the first time the situation on Rochelle Ave has occurred and a plan is currently being devised with all emergency personnel.

Jerry Cronin-53 Rochelle Avenue-Asked the Township Committee for clarification on the roadway projects. He stated there has been a history with PSE&G and the County with uncoordinated projects and hopes this doesn't happen again in Rochelle Park. He commented that the curbs in town look deplorable and asked the Township Committee what could be done to repair them. Administrator Davidson stated they are working tirelessly with the County and PSE&G to ensure the roadways are repaired. Comm. Valenzuela stated that they have been working with the County and that funds are in place to repair the roadways, however PSE&G projects in the areas have been holding up the repair work. Valenzuela stated that the Township Committee has been pressuring PSE&G to finish all projects. Comm. Scarpa stated that PSE&G has torn up many roadways in Bergen County and has expressed his negative opinion at the condition they have left the roadways. Comm. Scarpa suggested Mr. Cronin attend a Bergen County Freeholder meeting to discuss his concerns regarding the condition of the roadways. Mr. Cronin commented that he heard about an incident regarding a member in the Fire Department. He stated the member resides in the same building as he does and he believes the member was acting within in duties as a first responder. He stated that the member provided a great service to the residents of his building.

Rosemarie Kavulick-53 Lexington Avenue-Asked the Township Committee if they were currently working on a budget for 2016. Comm. Scarpa stated that the Township Committee just completed the 2015 budget. He also stated that a municipal budget is made up of many components and it is a balancing act to ensure that each department gets the money they need to operate efficiently. Ms. Kavulick stated that it was a shame that Midland School did not have a librarian this past school year. Comm. Scarpa advised her that the Township Committee does not have any say in what occurs in the schools. He stated that if she has a concern regarding the school that she attend a Board of Education meeting. She asked what the Township Committee was thinking when they were willing to lose their library this past year. Mayor Ouellette stated that the Township Committee never considered losing the library and that the Committee was always persuing ways to remain within BCCLS.

Francine Pascarella -32 Thiem Avenue- Requested that the Township Committee change the date of the vote on Ord. 1082-15the resolution for the purchase of the home as June 17th is the eighth grade graduation and many parents will not be able to attend the meeting.

Lynn Houghton-117 West Oldis Street- Stated she has seen recent news articles about artificial turf causing cancer. She asked the Township Committee if the artificial turn at Carlock Field had been tested. Comm. Scarpa stated before the artificial turf was installed it had undergone intensive testing and was not harmful to the children or residents whom utilize the field.

Sam Allos-Board of Education Liaison-He commented that the Rochelle Park Police Department did a wonderful job working with the students at Midland School. He commented that one of the students from Rochelle Park won the most athletic award at the Youth Academy. He congratulated Mr. Grossman and thanked him for his creativity and dedication to the students. He advised the Township Committee that the school renovation work is approximately three weeks ahead of schedule and all work will hopefully be done before school begins again in September. Comm. Valenzuela stated the school is looking great. Mr. Allos stated June 1 is Field Day, June 10th is Kindergarten graduation, June 11th is the Board of Education meeting and June 17th is the 8th Grade graduation at 7PM in the gymnasium.

Henry Felix-90 Forest Place- Stated that he has been living in Rochelle Park for approximately two years and has been having issues with his neighbor running a business out of his home. He stated this is not the first time he has addressed the Township Committee and he would like something done as it is disrupting his sleep and daily life. Comm. Valenzuela asked Al Reiner, building inspector, to address this matter. Mr. Reiner stated that summonses were issued to the neighbor and he did pay a fine in court. Mr. Reiner stated that he has driven by on several occasions and has seen no activity on the property. Comm. Scarpa suggested Mr. Melfi visit the home and ensure that a business is not being operated out of it.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Kroll
Municipal Clerk