



**TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK
151 WEST PASSAIC STREET
ROCHELLE PARK, NEW JERSEY 07662
MINUTES – PUBLIC MEETING – FEBRUARY 17, 2016**

Call to Order at 7:32PM

According to the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting of February 17, 2016 was sent to the “The Record”, published on January 7, 2016, posted on the Township web-site and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and has remained continuously posted as the required notice under the Statute and is being recorded. 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. Hauser
 Comm. Kovalcik
 Comm. Scarpa-Absent
 Comm. Valenzuela
 Mayor Kazimir

Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Township Committee.

Mayor Kazimir asked that everyone remain standing for a moment of silence remembering those individuals who serve in our military.

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

A motion was offered by Comm. Kovalcik and seconded by Comm. Hauser to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on January 14th, 2016 and Public Meeting held on January 20th, 2016. Motion carried on a voice vote – “Ayes” Hauser, Kovalcik, Kazimir “Absent” Scarpa “Abstained” Valenzuela

At the Budget Meeting held on February 3, 2016 the following resolution was adopted - all voting “Aye”:

Resolution #2016 - 54

A Resolution - Authorizing the Cancellation of Certain Budget Line Appropriations within the 2015 Current Fund Operating Budget

Whereas, there are certain Current Fund operating line items appropriated within the 2015 Current Fund Budget, which funds are unexpended and determined there will be no need to expend; and

Whereas, it is desirous of the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park to cancel these unexpended balances effective December 31, 2015;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to cancel the following unexpended balances of the 2015 Current Fund operating budget as of December 31, 2015:

F.C.O.A. 23-210-2	Liability Insurance	\$ 60,000.00
F.C.O.A. 25-240-1	Police Salaries & Wages	\$164,000.00
F.C.O.A. 31-430-2	Electricity	\$100,000.00
F.C.O.A. 31-460-2	Gasoline	<u>\$ 50,000.00</u>
Total to be Cancelled		\$374,000.00

At the Work Session held on February 10, 2016 the following resolution was adopted - all present voting “Aye”:

Resolution #2016 - 55

A Resolution - Authorizing the Submission of the 2016 Municipal Alliance Grant for 2016

Whereas, the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate the engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in community throughout New Jersey.

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of new Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance committee; and,

Resolution #2016 - 55 cont.

Whereas, the Township Committee further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has applied for funding to the Governor’s Council of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the county of Bergen.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Township of Rochelle Park, county of Bergen, State of new Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Committee does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Rochelle Park Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2016 in the amount of:

DEDR	9,876
Cash Match	2,469
In Kind	7,407

2. The Township Committee acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Ms. Denise Baragona presented the 2016 Annual Board of Health Meeting.

Reports:

Health Department	- January 2016
Building Department	- January 2016
Municipal Court	- January 2016

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

Resolution #2016 – 56

A Resolution – Payment of Bills –February 2016

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 175 NJ Dept. of Health \$292.20

CURRENT, TRUST AND GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Current Fund	\$1,693,454.77
Capital Fund	\$ 170,648.18
Trust Fund	\$ 106,355.41

See attached back-up.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 57

A Resolution –Ord. #1097-16 - Salary Ordinance DPW

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 AN DETERMINE THE SALARY OR RATE OF COMPENSATION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE TOWNSHIP AND TO ESTABLISH A METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SUCH COMPENSATION FOR THE YEARS, 2016, 2017, 2018 AND 2019” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on March 16, 2016 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 #2016 – 58

A Resolution – Introduction 2016 Municipal Budget

See Attached

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 59

A Resolution – Authorizing Lien Redemption Certification #15-009

Whereas, Roy Riggitano, Tax Collector, has advised that payment was received in the amount of \$9,316.77 from Wells Fargo Bank to redeem TTL #15-009 and

Whereas, Us Bk Bv001 Trst & Crdtrs. 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102-2513.

Be It Resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County that the following checks are issued to US BK BV001 TRST & CRDTRS, in the amount of \$9,316.77 from current and \$10,100.00 from trust premium account for a total redemption of \$19,416.77.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 60

A Resolution – Authorizing Lien Redemption Certification #15-002

Whereas, Roy Riggitano, Tax Collector, has advised that payment was received in the amount of \$10,477.60 from Bank of American to redeem TTL #15-002 and

Whereas, D1 Softball Clinic LLC, 20 Glenside Terrace, Montclair, NJ 07043-2529

Be It Resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County that the following checks are issued to D1 Softball Clinic LLC, in the amount of \$10,477.60 from current and \$14,900.00 from trust premium account for a total redemption of \$25,377.60.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 61

A Resolution – Authorizing Tax Court Judgment Refund - ANI Holdings Inc.

Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Rochelle Park that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$7,811.10 payable to “Winne, Banta Trust Account” as a result of a Tax Court Judgment covering the years 2015, dated October 16, 2015, for the property: Ani Holdings, Inc. at 178 Route 17 North., Rochelle Park, NJ 07662

Be It Further Resolved, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to furnish copies of this Resolution to the following:

1. Chief Financial Officer
2. Tax Collector

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 62

A Resolution – Appointing Jeffrey Surenian and Assoc.-Affordable Housing – 2016

Whereas, the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park has a need to acquire the Affordable Housing services of Jeffrey R. Surenian and Associates, LLC; 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, Jeffrey R. Surenian and Associates, LLC has submitted a proposal indicating that they will provide Special Council for Affordable Housing 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 2016 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 Jeffrey R. Surenian and Associates, LLC for the Township of Rochelle Park for 2016; 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: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 63

A Resolution –Authorizing the Hiring of Full-Time Police Dispatcher - Andrew Gorman

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:

Andrew Gorman
137 Raymond Street
Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604
Starting Salary: \$37,444.00 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 February 8, 2016; 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, and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 64

A Resolution –Authorizing Raffle License - Warrior’s Run

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 #462-16 as presented by the Warrior’s Run #341-5-40932 requesting permission to conduct RAFFLE for June 12, 2016 be approved and the requested license be issued.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 65

A Resolution –Authorizing the Issuance of Request for Qualifications for Professional Services

Whereas, as of January 1, 2006 the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play Law” enacted by the New Jersey State Legislature, became effective; and

Whereas, pursuant to the local public contracts law, contracts for the provision of professional services are not subject to competitive bidding, however, they are subject to the requirements of the above referenced law if the contract is anticipated to exceed \$17,500.00; and

Whereas, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1, et seq a municipality may not award a contract with a value in excess of \$17,500.00 to a business entity that has made a contribution within one (1) year of the date of the contract that is reportable by the recipient pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1, et seq to a municipal political party committee in that municipality if a member of that party is serving in elective public office when such contract is awarded or to any candidate committee of any person who is serving in an elective public office of the municipality when such contract is awarded, unless the contract is awarded under a “fair and open process”; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has determined that it would be in the best interests of the Township to make certain professional appointments pursuant to a “fair and open process”.

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 Township Attorney is authorized and directed to prepare a Legal Notice and Criteria for Submission of Qualifications for the following positions:
Municipal Public Defender
Labor Attorney
2. These requests for qualifications shall solicit submissions which shall be due at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2016.

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3. Appointments to this professional position shall be considered at the meeting scheduled for March 16, 2016.
4. The Criteria for selection shall be as permitted by the aforementioned Law and contracts shall be awarded on the basis most advantageous to the Township.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 66

A Resolution – Authorizing Memorandum of Agreement with Teamsters Local No. 97

Whereas, the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township of Rochelle Park and Teamsters Local 97 which represents employees in the Department of Public Works expired on December 31st, 2015; and

Whereas, Administrator Robert Davidson has been engaged in negotiations with Teamsters Local 97 for a successor agreement and has reported the status of these negotiations to the Township Committee; and

Whereas, Administrator Davidson has recommended a proposal to the Township Committee and, with the further recommendation of the Township Administrator, the Township Committee has agreed to accept this recommendation.

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 Mayor and the Township Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the Township of Rochelle Park, a collective bargaining agreement which shall confirm the Township's proposal for the settlement of a successor collective bargaining agreement with Teamster's Local 97.
2. The successor agreement shall be for a term of four years commencing on January 1, 2016 and ending on December 31st, 2019.
3. The Agreement shall provide for a 2% increase in base salary for any member during the four year term.
4. The Agreement shall further provide for a modification of the "standby time" provision of the Contract to provide for a payment of \$175.00 per week, 14 holidays at the rate of \$200.00 per week.
5. CDL License Reimbursement - not to exceed \$150.00 per year.

Now Therefore Be It Further Resolved that, except as set forth herein, the successor collective bargaining agreement shall, in all respects, be identical to the previous agreement; and

Be It Further Resolved that the within resolution is subject to receipt, review and further approval and final approval of the actual contract form by Administrator Davidson, the Township Committee and the Township Administrator;

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 and Teamsters Local No. 97.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 67

A Resolution – Authorizing Payment Pascack Valley Cooperative Pricing Program Lead Engineer

Whereas the Township of Rochelle Park anticipates undertaking their 2016 municipal improvement program through the Pascack Valley Cooperative Pricing program and

Whereas the Pascack Valley Cooperative Pricing program has named Christopher Statile PE as the 2016 "lead engineer" and

Whereas under the terms of the Pascack Valley Cooperative Pricing program each participating municipality must compensate the lead engineer for a lump sum amount of \$500.00,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Township hereby agrees to participate in the Pascack Valley Cooperative Pricing program , 2016 road program and

Be it further resolved that they hereby agree to compensate Christopher Statile PE the Pascack Valley Cooperative Pricing program lead engineer, the lump sum amount of \$500.00.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 68

A Resolution – Supporting the Pascack Valley Mayors Associations Opposition to the Health Benefits Study Commission

Whereas, the Governor created the New Jersey Pension and Health Benefits Study Commission which released a report dated February 24, 2015; and

Whereas, this report recommends merging all nine public employee pension funds in the State of New Jersey into one plan that would be merged into a new defined contribution plan (also known as a 457 plan); and

Whereas, local governments would have to pay an additional four percent for each employee in the proposed new plan as well as fund anew pensions liability for the two local pensions plans PERS and PFRS that would be frozen while the current retirees receive their benefit; and

Whereas, the report also recommends that the State of New Jersey transfer the responsibility for teacher pension payments to local school districts; and

Whereas, the report further recommends that the school districts absorb and make payment on an as yet undetermined portion over the \$80,000,000 unfunded liability for the Teachers' Pension Plan; and

Whereas, if these two recommendations related to the Teachers' Pension Plan are enacted, it will mean immediate property tax increase to cover these costs which are currently paid for by the State or future funding obligations of the State; and

Whereas, of the nine public employees pensions plans in the State of New Jersey, the seven established for State Employees will become insolvent within six to seventeen years; and

Whereas, there are two pensions plans that support local government employees, local PERS for municipal employees is solvent into perpetuity at current funding levels, local PFRS for police and firefighters is fully funding for the next forty years at current funding levels; and

Whereas, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Municipal Management Association (NJMMA), and the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) are in agreement that the two solvent local government pension plans should not be merged with the seven State pension plans that are on the road to insolvency.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Governing Body of the Township of Rochelle Park opposes the findings outlined in the Roadmap to Resolution Report dated February 24, 2015; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Governing Body of Rochelle Park urges all municipalities and schools in the State of New Jersey to review the cost and allocation estimates of pension liability for each one percent of payroll contribution report which was prepared by Professor Raphael J. Caprio, PhD. Date July, 2015 published by the Bloustein Local Government Research Center which can be found at the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/paxvpty>

Be It Also Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Governor, all State Legislators, all municipalities in Bergen County, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, and the Pascack Valley Mayors Association.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 69

A Resolution – Regarding Amending Open Public Records Act and Open Public Meetings Act S761 and 782

Whereas, Senate bills S781 and S782 are attempting to further revise our current OPRA and OPMA laws in the name of transparency, and

Whereas, is the position of the Township of Rochelle Park that the existing OPRA and OPMA laws already make municipalities transparent, and

Whereas, there comes a time when staffing and budget requirements are exhausted just to accommodate a select few people who bombard our municipalities with public record requests, and

Whereas, our websites are always updated to contain all the information required by law, our meeting minutes are online and available by the next meeting or as soon as reasonably possible; our agendas and budgets are online for the public; and

Whereas, under the existing laws OPRA fees are unreasonable for the amount of time and effort that must go into searching for “older” documents; it takes valuable time away from our staff- not only in the Clerk's Office- but also in many other departments that may be involved in the same request; and

Whereas, under the OPMA laws for Open Public Meetings, proposed changes will add secretarial expenses and additional reports to the cost of running subcommittee meetings; and

Whereas, subcommittee meetings are open to the public and rarely do people wish to come; and

Resolution #2016 – 69 cont.

Whereas, subcommittees are mostly volunteers along with representatives from the local governing body; to produce minutes in a formal fashion whether quarter or semiannually would be another unworkable mandate; and

Whereas, subcommittees keep notes and any formal actions or expenditures come back to the main governing body for approval anyway;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Township of Rochelle Park respectfully requests the New Jersey Senate and Assembly take no further action on Senate bills S761 and S782.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 70

A Resolution – Opposing SUEZ Water New Jersey Rate Increase

Whereas, the Township of Washington received a notice of filing of petition of Suez Water New Jersey Inc. for approval of an increase in rates for water service and other tariff changes from United Water by fax dated December 29, 2015; and

Whereas, the Company is requesting an overall increase in water revenues of \$29,485,322 or approximately 13.51% above the annual level of revenues for post-test year period ending June 30, 2016; and

Whereas, the notice further stated” If this proposal were to be adopted without modification a residential customer using 9CCF or 6,732 gallons of water per month will see his/her bill increase from 446.40 to \$54.66, and increase of \$8.36 per month, or approximately 18.05%; and

Whereas, these rates, if approved, would be an exorbitant increase and burden on our municipal budget and out tax payers afar exceeding the 2% mandated CAP on municipal government and would particularly onerous on the residential and business community in these most difficult economic environment; and

Now Therefore Be It Resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey request the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) to consider the hardship and impact on all government agencies, business and residents; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Township of Rochelle Park, urges BPU to reject this rate increase as exorbitant; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Township of Rochelle Park requests all surrounding municipalities in the Suez Water New Jersey Inc. service area to oppose this rate increase and contact the BPU to register their opposition on behalf of all residents and rate payers; and

Be It Further Resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Christie, State Legislators, BPU and surrounding municipalities.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 71

A Resolution – Authorizing Settlement of Real Property – LBL Associates, LLC

Whereas, a real property tax appeal has been filed in connection with the property described in this resolution; and

Whereas, appeals have been filed for numerous years, as detailed herein; and

Whereas, these matters have been reviewed and analyzed by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Appraiser, Robert McNerney; and

Whereas, multiple settlement discussions, meetings and court appearances have occurred and, as a result of the foregoing, a recommendation for a settlement has been made by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Appraiser; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the settlement described herein is in the best interest of the Municipality and the Township Committee has authorized this settlement; and

Whereas, proposed settlement has been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer who has determined that sufficient are available for all required refunds that will be made as a result of this settlement.

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 settlement of the real property tax appeals described in this resolution is hereby authorized.
2. The property owner, tax map identification, street address and docket numbers are as follows:
LBL Associates, LLC
Block: 102 Lot: 6
350 West Passaic Street

Resolution #2016 – 71 cont.

Docket Nos.: 005606-2010
005510-2011
0055848-2012
006879-2013

006857-2014
007567-2015
-2016

3. The terms, conditions and obligations of these settlements are as set forth on the attached Stipulations of Settlement which are specifically incorporated herein by reference.
4. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Stipulations of Settlement and process same for the entry of Tax Court Judgments.
5. The Tax Assessor is directed to amend Municipal records to reflect these settlements and the Tax Collector/Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to prepare the required refunds and refund resolution.
6. The refund checks, when prepared, should be made payable to the office of the attorney for the Plaintiff/Taxpayer as described in the attached Stipulation of Settlement.

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 Office of the Tax Assessor, Office of the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 72

A Resolution – Authorizing Settlement of Real Property – RP 340 Associates

Whereas, a real property tax appeal has been filed in connection with the property described in this resolution; and

Whereas, appeals have been filed for numerous years, as detailed herein; and

Whereas, these matters have been reviewed and analyzed by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Appraiser, Robert McNerney; and

Whereas, multiple settlement discussions, meetings and court appearances have occurred and, as a result of the foregoing, a recommendation for a settlement has been made by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Appraiser; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the settlement described herein is in the best interest of the Municipality and the Township Committee has authorized this settlement; and

Whereas, proposed settlement has been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer who has determined that sufficient are available for all required refunds that will be made as a result of this settlement.

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 settlement of the real property tax appeals described in this resolution is hereby authorized.
2. The property owner, tax map identification, street address and docket numbers are as follows:

RP 340 Associates

Block: 102 Lot: 7.01

336 West Passaic Street

**Docket Nos.: 005609-2010
004991-2011
005847-2012
006880-2013
007403-2014
007566-2015
-2016**

Resolution #2016 – 72 cont.

3. The terms, conditions and obligations of these settlements are as set forth on the attached Stipulations of Settlement which are specifically incorporated herein by reference.

4. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Stipulations of Settlement and process same for the entry of Tax Court Judgments.

5. The Tax Assessor is directed to amend Municipal records to reflect these settlements and the Tax Collector/Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to prepare the required refunds and refund resolution.

6. The refund checks, when prepared, should be made payable to the office of the attorney for the Plaintiff/Taxpayer as described in the attached Stipulation of Settlement.

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 Office of the Tax Assessor, Office of the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 73

A Resolution – Authorizing Settlement of Real Property – RP Corporate Center

Whereas, a real property tax appeal has been filed in connection with the property described in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, appeals have been filed for numerous years, as detailed herein; and

Whereas, these matters have been reviewed and analyzed by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Appraiser, Robert McNerney; and

Whereas, multiple settlement discussions, meetings and court appearances have occurred and, as a result of the foregoing, a recommendation for a settlement has been made by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Appraiser; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the settlement described herein is in the best interest of the Municipality and the Township Committee has authorized this settlement; and

Whereas, proposed settlement has been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer who has determined that sufficient are available for all required refunds that will be made as a result of this settlement.

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 settlement of the real property tax appeals described in this resolution is hereby authorized.
2. The property owner, tax map identification, street address and docket numbers are as follows:

RP Corporate Center
Block: 102 Lot: 7.02
336 West Passaic Street
Docket Nos.: 005600-2010
004990-2011
00744-2012
006882-2013
007409-2014
007565-2015
-2016

3. The terms, conditions and obligations of these settlements are as set forth on the attached Stipulations of Settlement which are specifically incorporated herein by reference.

4. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Stipulations of Settlement and process same for the entry of Tax Court Judgments.

5. The Tax Assessor is directed to amend Municipal records to reflect these settlements and the Tax Collector/Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to prepare the required refunds and refund resolution.

6. The refund checks, when prepared, should be made payable to the office of the attorney for the Plaintiff/Taxpayer as described in the attached Stipulation of Settlement.

Resolution #2016 – 73 cont.

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 Office of the Tax Assessor, Office of the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 74

A Resolution – Authorizing Settlement of Real Property Tax Appeal - Verizon New Jersey - 75 West Passaic Street

Whereas, a real property tax appeal has been filed in connection with the property described in this resolution; and

Whereas, appeals have been filed for numerous years, as detailed herein; and

Whereas, these matters have been reviewed and analyzed by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Appraiser, Robert McNerney; and

Whereas, multiple settlement discussions, meetings and court appearances have occurred and, as a result of the foregoing, a recommendation for a settlement has been made by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Appraiser; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the settlement described herein is in the best interest of the Municipality and the Township Committee has authorized this settlement; and

Whereas, proposed settlement has been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer who has determined that sufficient are available for all required refunds that will be made as a result of this settlement.

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 settlement of the real property tax appeals described in this resolution is hereby authorized.
2. The property owner, tax map identification, street address and docket numbers are as follows:
Verizon New Jersey, Inc.

75 West Passaic Street

Block: 84.01

Lot: 2.03

Docket Numbers:

007840-2012

008915-2013

003277-2014

007653-2015

3. The terms, conditions and obligations of these settlements are as set forth on the attached Stipulations of Settlement which are specifically incorporated herein by reference.

4. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Stipulations of Settlement and process same for the entry of Tax Court Judgments.

5. The Tax Assessor is directed to amend Municipal records to reflect these settlements and the Tax Collector/Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to prepare the required refunds and refund resolution.

6. The refund checks, when prepared, should be made payable to the office of the attorney for the Plaintiff/Taxpayer as described in the attached Stipulation of Settlement.

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 Office of the Tax Assessor, Office of the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 75

A Resolution – Authorizing Settlement of Real Property Tax Appeal - Verizon New Jersey –

Whereas, a real property tax appeal has been filed in connection with the property described in this resolution; and

Whereas, appeals have been filed for numerous years, as detailed herein; and

Resolution #2016 – 75 cont.

Whereas, these matters have been reviewed and analyzed by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Appraiser, Robert McNerney; and

Whereas, multiple settlement discussions, meetings and court appearances have occurred and, as a result of the foregoing, a recommendation for a settlement has been made by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Appraiser; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the settlement described herein is in the best interest of the Municipality and the Township Committee has authorized this settlement; and

Whereas, proposed settlement has been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer who has determined that sufficient are available for all required refunds that will be made as a result of this settlement.

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 settlement of the real property tax appeals described in this resolution is hereby authorized.
2. The property owner, tax map identification, street address and docket numbers are as follows:

Verizon New Jersey, Inc.

West Passaic Street

Block: 86

Lot: 2.06

Docket Numbers:

007847-2012

008926-2013

003192-2014

007650-2015

3. The terms, conditions and obligations of these settlements are as set forth on the attached Stipulations of Settlement which are specifically incorporated herein by reference.

4. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Stipulations of Settlement and process same for the entry of Tax Court Judgments.

5. The Tax Assessor is directed to amend Municipal records to reflect these settlements and the Tax Collector/Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to prepare the required refunds and refund resolution.

6. The refund checks, when prepared, should be made payable to the office of the attorney for the Plaintiff/Taxpayer as described in the attached Stipulation of Settlement.

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 Office of the Tax Assessor, Office of the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 76

A Resolution – Authorizing Settlement of Real Property Tax Appeal - Verizon New Jersey - AT&T Communications of New Jersey, LLP

Whereas, a real property tax appeal has been filed in connection with the property described in this resolution; and

Whereas, appeals have been filed for numerous years, as detailed herein; and

Whereas, these matters have been reviewed and analyzed by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Appraiser, Robert McNerney; and

Whereas, multiple settlement discussions, meetings and court appearances have occurred and, as a result of the foregoing, a recommendation for a settlement has been made by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Appraiser; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the settlement described herein is in the best interest of the Municipality and the Township Committee has authorized this settlement; and

Whereas, proposed settlement has been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer who has determined that sufficient are available for all required refunds that will be made as a result of this settlement.

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 settlement of the real property tax appeals described in this resolution is hereby authorized
2. The property owner, tax map identification, street address and docket numbers are as follows:
 AT&T Communications of New Jersey, LLP
 75 West Passaic Street
 Block: 84.01
 Lot: 2.01
 Docket Numbers:
 007611-2012
 008919-2013
 002843-2014
 000941-2015
3. The terms, conditions and obligations of these settlements are as set forth on the attached Stipulations of Settlement which are specifically incorporated herein by reference.
4. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Stipulations of Settlement and process same for the entry of Tax Court Judgments.
5. The Tax Assessor is directed to amend Municipal records to reflect these settlements and the Tax Collector/Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to prepare the required refunds and refund resolution.
6. The refund checks, when prepared, should be made payable to the office of the attorney for the Plaintiff/Taxpayer as described in the attached Stipulation of Settlement.

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 Office of the Tax Assessor, Office of the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 77

A Resolution – Authorizing Settlement of Real Property Tax Appeal - Rochelle Park Holding, LLC

Whereas, a real property tax appeal has been filed in connection with the property described in this resolution; and

Whereas, appeals have been filed for numerous years, as detailed herein; and

Whereas, these matters have been reviewed and analyzed by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Appraiser, Robert McNerney; and

Whereas, multiple settlement discussions, meetings and court appearances have occurred and, as a result of the foregoing, a recommendation for a settlement has been made by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Appraiser; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the settlement described herein is in the best interest of the Municipality and the Township Committee has authorized this settlement; and

Whereas, proposed settlement has been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer who has determined that sufficient are available for all required refunds that will be made as a result of this settlement.

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 settlement of the real property tax appeals described in this resolution is hereby authorized.
2. The property owner, tax map identification, street address and docket numbers are as follows:

Rochelle Park Holding, LLC
 Block: 19.02 Lot: 1
 96 Parkway
 Docket Nos: 010168-2012
 001244-2013
 000332-2014
 002779-2015

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3. The terms, conditions and obligations of these settlements are as set forth on the attached Stipulations of Settlement which are specifically incorporated herein by reference.
4. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Stipulations of Settlement and process same for the entry of Tax Court Judgments.
5. The Tax Assessor is directed to amend Municipal records to reflect these settlements and the Tax Collector/Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to prepare the required refunds and refund resolution.
7. The refund checks, when prepared, should be made payable to the office of the attorney for the Plaintiff/Taxpayer as described in the attached Stipulation of Settlement

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 Office of the Tax Assessor, Office of the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 78

A Resolution – Authorizing Settlement of Real Property Tax Appeal- SAC Realty, LLC

Whereas, a real property tax appeal has been filed in connection with the property described in this resolution; and

Whereas, appeals have been filed for numerous years, as detailed herein; and

Whereas, these matters have been reviewed and analyzed by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Tax Appeal Appraiser, Robert McNerney; and

Whereas, multiple settlement discussions, meetings and court appearances have occurred and, as a result of the foregoing, a recommendation for a settlement has been made by the Township Attorney, Tax Assessor and Appraiser; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the settlement described herein is in the best interest of the Municipality and the Township Committee has authorized this settlement; and

Whereas, proposed settlement has been reviewed by the Chief Financial Officer who has determined that sufficient are available for all required refunds that will be made as a result of this settlement.

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 settlement of the real property tax appeals described in this resolution is hereby authorized.

2. The property owner, tax map identification, street address and docket numbers are as follows:

SAC REALTY, LLC

Block: 18 Lot: 1

96 PARKWAY

Docket Nos.:

10174-2012

001243-2013

000333-2014

002778-2015

-2016

3. The terms, conditions and obligations of these settlements are as set forth on the attached Stipulations of Settlement which are specifically incorporated herein by reference.

4. The Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Stipulations of Settlement and process same for the entry of Tax Court Judgments.

5. The Tax Assessor is directed to amend Municipal records to reflect these settlements and the Tax Collector/Chief Financial Officer are hereby directed to prepare the required refunds and refund resolution.

6. The refund checks, when prepared, should be made payable to the office of the attorney for the Plaintiff/Taxpayer as described in the attached Stipulation of Settlement.

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.

Resolution # 2016-78 cont.

the Office of the Tax Assessor, Office of the Tax Collector, the Chief Financial Officer and the Township Attorney.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 79

A Resolution – Authorizing the Extension of 911 “PSAP” Interlocal Agreement with Paramus – 2016

Be It Resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that the “PSAP” Interlocal Service Agreement for 9 1 1 services be of Paramus.

Be It Further Resolved that the Township of Rochelle Park shall pay the Borough of Paramus a fee of \$.50 per qualified municipal resident plus the applicable percentage for Language Line Services for a total of \$2,845.00 for the year 2016.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 80

A Resolution – Authorizing the Hiring of Co-Directors of the Rochelle Park Recreation Summer Program

Whereas, the Township of Rochelle Park, through the Recreation Department, runs a summer program for the children of the Township of Rochelle Park; and

Whereas, the Recreation Committee and the Township Committee have recommended the hiring of one director and two assistant directors in order to supervise the program for the coming summer; and

Whereas, the following individuals have expressed an interest in acting as directors and assistant directors of the program:

1. Joseph A. Mocera of Pompton Plains, N.J. – Director
2. Kisty Csigi of Rochelle Park, N.J. – Co-Assistant Director
3. Randi M Schmidt of Rochelle Park, N.J. – Co-Assistant Director

And

Whereas, the Township Administrator has reviewed the resumes of these three individuals, has conducted interviews, and has determined, based upon his investigation, that they are qualified and competent for this position; and

Whereas, the Township Administrator has recommended the hiring of these three individuals at the rate to be determined by the Township’s Salary Ordinance.

Whereas, the Township Committee have also reviewed these applicants and have determined that they would be assets to the Township and the summer program.

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. Joseph A. Mocera of Lincoln Park be is hereby hired as Director of the Summer Day Camp in the Township of Rochelle Park. Kristy Csigi and Randi M. Schmidt of Rochelle Park are hired as Co-Assistant Directors;
2. These individuals shall be compensated at a rate to be determined by the Township’s Salary Ordinance.
3. This appointment is contingent upon certification by the Chief Financial Officer that sufficient funds are available for this purpose.
4. Camp starts on July 5, 2016 and runs through August 15, 2016; attendance is expected on all dates.
5. Director’s camp day hours are 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM.
6. Directors are expected to attend monthly Recreation meetings April through September.
7. Camp set-up time, including phone calls, are capped at 26 hours per annum for the Director and 16 hours per annum for Co-Assistant Directors.

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 Joseph A. Mocera, 17 Libby Avenue, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444; Kristy Csigi, 73 West Oldis Street, Rochelle Park, NJ 07662; Randi M. Schmidt, 61 Colling Avenue, Rochelle Park NJ 07662, the Recreation Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park and the Township Administrator.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2016 – 84

A Resolution – Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes - February 10, 2016

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 February 10, 2016 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 - February 10, 2016

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. Personnel – The Township Committee reviewed submissions for the positions of Public Defender and Labor Attorney. A decision was made to re-advertise for the solicitation of additional applicants. In addition, personnel issues within the Building Department/Planning Board were discussed together with the Building Inspector/Zoning Official.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

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

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

Resolution #2016 – 81

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption Ord. #1094 - 16 - To Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank

Be It Resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)” 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. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Kovalcik to open the hearing to the public. Motion carried on a voice vote – all present voting “Aye”.

No members of the public spoke.

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

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 present voting “Ayes”

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

Resolution #2016 – 82

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption Ord. #1095 - 16 - Amending Chapter 31 - Public Works Superintendent - Tenure

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 31 OF THE CODE OF THE

TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK ENTITLED “PUBLIC WORKS, SUPERINTENDENT OF” TO AUTHORIZE TENURE OF OFFICE” 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. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Hauser to open the hearing to the public. Motion carried on a voice vote – all present voting “Aye”.

No members of the public spoke.

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

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

Comm. Scarpa entered the meeting.

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

Resolution #2016 – 83

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption Ord. #1096 - 16 – Amending Redevelopment Plan

Be It Resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ROCHELLE AVE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A.40A:12A-7” 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. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Hauser 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. Valenzuela and seconded by Comm. Hauser 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. Hauser to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all voting “Ayes”

Committee’s/Administrator’s/Attorney’s/Clerk’s Reports

Comm. Hauser-Advised that he recently had the pleasure of visiting the Rochelle Park Police Department. He stated that he was able to speak with several officers and it was a great opportunity to tour the municipal facilities. He thanked Police Chief Flannelly for showing him around the department. He advised that there are several upcoming events being held at the library. He stated that Monday, February 22nd at 6:30 PM there is a family Lego event and Monday, February 29th at 1:00PM there is an adult coloring program. He encouraged residents to attend these events and visit the Townships library.

Comm. Valenzuela-Thanked the DPW Superintendent, James Schmunk, and the DPW employees for their hard work and efforts during the recent blizzard. He stated the streets in town looked fantastic compared to other towns.

Comm. Kovalcik- Stated that members of the Police Department have recently undergone training to utilize conductive energy devices (Tasers). He commented that the Police Chief has been working hard to ensure that the police vehicles are equipped with dashboard cameras. Currently two police vehicles have dashboard cameras already installed. He advised that by the end of the year all patrol vehicles will have dashboard cameras and all vehicle stops will be recorded. Kovalcik encouraged residents to view the Rochelle Park Police Departments Facebook page to check for important Township information.

Comm. Scarpa-Apologized for being late, as he was in attendance at an Annual membership drive for the Bergen County 200 Club. He commented that the 200 Club is a wonderful organization that supports families of fallen police, fire and EMS members

throughout Bergen County. He also thanked Mr. Schmunk and DPW employees for their hard work clearing the roadways during the recent snow storms. He advised that the American Legion will be hosting a pancake breakfast this Sunday from 8AM-11AM.

Mayor Kazimir- Stated that the Recreation Committee is looking forward to a successful Summer Camp Program. There has been a stable enrollment since creating an all-inclusive fee program. He commented that representatives of Saddle Brook, Hackensack and Maywoods' Recreation Department were in attendance at their last Recreation Board meeting. He advised that the towns are working together on several programs that will include enrollment of residents from each town so that enough children participate and the programs remain active.

Administrator Davidson- Stated that the chimneys at the Captain Tyson home on East Passaic Street have been reappointed and/or rebuilt and flashing has been installed. He stated that some additional repair work is currently being done to the roof. He advised residents that a donation of \$1,000 was received from a relative of the previous owner for the future rose garden. He commented that the family who donated the money did so in honor of their mother who loved to garden.

Municipal Clerk Kroll- No Report.

Attorney Rotolo- No Report.

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

Diane Verhasselt- 40 Forest Avenue- Asked the Township Committee about Resolution #2016-62, appointing Jeffrey Sureninan as Affordable Housing council. Attorney Rotolo stated that several municipalities throughout New Jersey have acquired Mr. Sureninan's office to challenge the States new Fair Housing guidelines.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Kroll
Municipal Clerk