



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

MINUTES – PUBLIC MEETING – June 15, 2011

Call to Order 7:30 PM

According to the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting of June 15, 2011 was advertised in the notice sent to the “Our Town” and “The Record” and posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 3, 2011 and has remained continuously posted as the required notice under the Statute and is being taped. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call: Comm. R. Davidson
 Comm. K. J. Kovalcik
 Comm. F. Valenzuela - Absent
 Comm. J. Ouellette
 Mayor J. Scarpa

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kathleen Cronin

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

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

A motion was offered by Comm. Ouellette and seconded by Comm. Davidson to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting held on May 18, 2011. Motion carried on a voice vote – all present voting “Aye”.

At the Work Session held on June 8th the following resolutions were adopted:
The following resolution was offered by Comm. Davidson and seconded by Comm. Ouellette and reads:

Resolution #2011 – 114

A Resolution Authorizing Increase in Emergency Contract

Whereas, pursuant to Resolution No. 2011-52, the Township Committee authorized an emergency contract with Loc Pump and Equipment, Inc. of South Hackensack, New Jersey; and

Whereas, said authorization was in connection with required repairs to the Sprout Brook Pump Station; and

Whereas, the aforesaid contract was authorized as an emergency since conditions, at the time, created a threat to the health, welfare and safety of the residents of the Township; and

Whereas, during the course of this project, it has been determined that additional services are required in furtherance of the objective to protect said health, safety and welfare; and

Whereas, the Township Engineer has recommended an increase in this Contract by an additional sum not to exceed four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) in order to allow additional recommended work to be performed; and

Whereas, the Township Engineer has certified that an exigency still exists which requires these additional services.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the emergency contract authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 2011-52 is hereby increased by an additional sum not to exceed four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) in accordance with the recommendation of the Township Engineer.

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, the Township Engineer, LOC Pump and Equipment, Inc., PO Box 2225, South Hackensack, New Jersey 07606 and the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

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

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

Resolution #2011 – 115

A Resolution Establishing Fees for Recreation Programs

Whereas, pursuant to the requirements of local ordinance, fees must be established for certain recreation programs

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 fees for the 2011 Summer Recreation Day Camp are hereby established as follows:
\$175.00 for first child
\$160.00 for the second child within the same family and for each additional child within the same family

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 Auditor, the Recreation Commission and the Office of the Township Administrator.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

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

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

Resolution #2011 – 116

A Resolution Authorizing Chestnut Street/Forest Place Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation – En-Tech Corp. \$32,595

Whereas on Wednesday, June 1, 2011 bids were received from the Chestnut Street/Forest Place Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation in Township of Rochelle Park; and

Whereas, two (2) bids were received, opened and read; and

Whereas the low bidder was EN-TECH Corporation, 91 Ruckman Road, Closter, New Jersey 07624 for the bid amount of \$32,595.00; and

Whereas, upon review of the bids submitted, the Township Engineer has recommended that the contract be awarded to EN-TECH Corporation, 91 Ruckman Road, Closter, New Jersey 07624; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the contract for the Chestnut Avenue/forest Place Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation in the Township of Rochelle Park be awarded to EN-TECH Corporation, 91 Ruckman Road, Closter, New Jersey 07624 for the bid amount of \$32,595.00.

Be it further resolved that the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the funds are available from General Capital Account in the amount not to exceed \$32,595.00.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

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

Presentations

200 Club – Mayor Scarpa read a plaque thanking the 200 Club for a donation of four defibrillators to the Fire Department at no cost to the tax payers of Rochelle Park.

Rochelle Park EMS – This plaque will be presented at the next meeting.

Dr. Joan Gimelli – Mayor Scarpa presented a plaque to Dr. Gimelli for her donation through her organization Companions for Animal Care, of oxygen masks for animals. Fire Chief Al Carroll thanked Ms. Gimelli for her donation stating that the masks will be kept on the fire trucks and used if needed.

Reports:

- Health Department - May 2011
- Municipal Court - May 2011
- Attendance Report - May 2011
- Building Department - May 2011

The Consent Agenda was offered by Comm. Davidson seconded by Comm. Ouellette and reads:

Resolution #2011 - 117

A Resolution – Payment of Bills – July 2011

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. (see attached)

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 118

A Resolution – Authorizing the Renewal of 2011/2012 Liquor Licenses

Whereas, the licensees as noted below have filed applications for renewal of their liquor licenses at premises noted; and

Whereas, all applications are in proper order, the license fees have been paid;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, New Jersey that the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized to issue renewal licenses as follows effective July 1, 2011

Plenary Retail Distribution – Fee \$1194.00

0254-44-006-004	Hometown Liquors LLC	192 Rochelle Avenue
0254-44-007-002	Glass Gardens Inc.	220-232 W. Passaic Street
0254-44-016-005	Mahershree Inc	332 Rochelle Avenue
0254-44-010-012	Askan Corp.	190 W. Passaic Street

Plenary Retail Consumption – Fee \$1790.00

0254-33-003-005	Outback/Metropolis Joint Venture	194-198 Route 17 N.
0254-33-009-006	MKT LLC	352 W. Passaic Street
0254-33-008-008	Rare Hospitality International Inc.	160 Route 17
0254-33-012-004	Nanni's	53 W. Passaic Street

Club License – Fee \$150

0254-31-018-001	R.P. Post 170 American Legion	33 W. Passaic Street
0254-31-019-001	Columbian Club of Rochelle Park	232 Rochelle Avenue

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 119

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 \$14.00 per hour effective July 5, 2011 through August 12, 2011.

Sara Mae Neary-Robert A10 Harvey Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Jaclyn Draney 38 Cedar Drive Rochelle Park, NJ 07662	Anthony Izzo 14 E. Fairmount Avenue Maywood, N.J. 07607
Brian Schneider 125 Howard Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Kristy Csigi 73 W. Oldis Street Rochelle Park, NJ 07662	John Monacchio 46 Crescent Street Rochelle Park, NJ 07662
Joseph Schider 22 Chestnut Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Nicole Sneyer 53 Oldis Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Gabrielle Crespo 147 Chestnut Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
George Gan 6 Hazley Court Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Nicole Schider 22 Chestnut Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Danny McCarthy 11 Oldis Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
Michael McCarthy 11 Oldis Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662		

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Alternate Counselors:

Jennifer Kubitz 144 Madison Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Caitlin Morris 68 Madison Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Sean Summerville 105 Madison Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
Alyssa Meli 27 North Drive Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Brendan Summerville 105 Madison Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Brian Kraljic 64 South Drive Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
Christina Foschini 9 Durand Place Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Jenna Pressey 201 Howard Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Kaleigh Benedict 18 Hobart Court Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
Kelly Schneider 125 Howard Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Brian Miastkowski 36 Susquehanna Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Andrew Kranich 26 Howard Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 120

A Resolution – Appointing Summer School Crossing Guards

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, that the following be and is hereby appointed School Crossing Guard upon the recommendation of the Chief of Police at a salary as provided in the Salary Ordinance of the Township of Rochelle Park, effective, July 5, 2011 to August 12, 2011.

Bertha Sneyer 53 Oldis Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Edward Obermaier 12 Schlosser Drive Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Eloise Bolan 360 Concord Drive Maywood, N.J. 07607
Antionette Borelli 86 Madison Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	William Cottrell 63 Oak Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Concetta Covino 39 North Drive Rochelle Park, NJ 07662
Edna Hobbs 241 W. Passaic Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Denise Courtney 16 Susquehanna Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	William Judge 169 Howard Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Diane Leone
333 Rochelle Avenue
Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 121

A Resolution – Introduction – Ord. #1036-11 – Amending Article XX Entitled “Signs”

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 SPECICALLY TO AMEND ARTICLE XX ENTITLED “SIGNS”**” 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 July 20, 2011 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached at the Municipal Complex, 151 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park, NJ 07662 and that at or such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same and that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish and post said ordinance, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and the time and place when and where such ordinance will be considered for final passage.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 –122

A Resolution – In Opposition to Senate Bill No. 1351 – Open Public Meetings Act

Whereas, Senate Bill No. 1351 (hereinafter referred to as S-1351) would amend the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq., to include many new requirements that are unnecessary to protect the public's interest in open and transparent government, and which would unduly burden municipalities; and,

Whereas, S-1351 would impose new procedural requirements on municipalities which will be time consuming and costly, at a time when municipalities are facing unprecedented financial constraints; and,

Whereas, S-1351 would impose new procedural requirements on municipalities that are impractical and wasteful, and which would result in longer meetings and less efficient governance; and,

Whereas, among the time consuming, costly, impractical and wasteful new requirements of S-1351 are the following:

- A. new requirements pertaining to subcommittees, including notice of subcommittee meetings and the preparation of minutes, which would, among other things, necessitate additional administrative support for all meetings of subcommittees so that minutes can be prepared; and,
- B. new requirement that agendas provide a description of all agenda items, including the names of the parties to and approximate dollar amounts of any contracts to be acted upon, which would increase preparation time for agendas; and,
- C. new requirement that agendas include estimated starting times for the public portion of the meeting and the portion of the meeting from which the public is to be excluded, though this information would be purely speculative and unreliable; and,
- D. new requirement that no public body be permitted to act upon or discuss a matter that is not listed on the agenda except in emergencies, which requirement would be impractical and unnecessarily inhibit the operations of municipal government, as it is often necessary for the effective and efficient administration of municipal governmental purposes to discuss or act on matters for which three business days' notice may not be possible; and this would effectively prevent discussion of items brought forward by the public; and,
- E. new requirement that a public body provide for public comment on emergency items that are added to a meeting agenda, adding unnecessary and time-consuming process to meetings; and,
- F. new requirement that a public body provide for public comment before taking final action on any matter at any meeting of at least three minutes per person, which requirement, as written, would result in an unworkable series of public comment periods on every action of the governing body, from appointments to resolutions to approval of minutes, thereby adding substantial time to every meeting of the public body; and,
- G. new requirement eliminating attorney-client privilege as a basis for excluding the public from a portion of the meeting, which will inhibit the public body's ability to obtain needed legal advice, which is contrary to the public interest; and,
- H. new requirement that public bodies be permitted to exclude the public from discussion of personnel matters only with the written consent of the potentially affected employee, thereby inhibiting the public body's ability to take necessary actions on personnel matters; and,
- I. new requirements for more extensive minutes of public body meetings, such as the inclusion of each member's stated reasons for his or her actions or vote, the identity of each member of the public who spoke and a summary of what was said, which shall cause the preparation of minutes to be more time consuming and costly; and,
- J. confusing new requirements pertaining to disclosure of recordings of meetings, including making recordings promptly available after meetings, and somehow incorporating such recordings with meeting minutes; and,
- K. new requirements that minutes would include electronic communications concerning public business among an effective majority of the members that occurred prior to a meeting, which would be an unworkable and ineffective imposition on municipalities, and would purport to make pre-meeting communications somehow become part of the meeting itself, an unprecedented expansion of the meeting concept; and,

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- L. new requirements for maintaining on the municipal website schedules of meetings, agendas, notices of emergency meetings, minutes, resolutions and ordinance to the extent not already set forth in the minutes, and closed meetings resolutions, for a period of at least five years, which would result in additional costs for posting and maintaining website information;

Whereas, there is no justifiable basis for the imposition of the burdensome and cost generative provisions of S-1351; and,

Whereas, portions of S-1351 place financial, time, manpower and other burdens on municipalities at a time when municipalities are constrained to layoff municipal employees, impose furloughs, and reduce departmental budgets so that municipalities can meet strict CAP requirements even when revenues are decreased and operating costs continue to climb; and,

Whereas, the cost generative provisions of S-1351 are unfunded mandates that violate the “State Mandate, State Pay” amendment to the New Jersey Constitution; and

Whereas, the current provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, coupled with the existing provisions of the Open Public Records Act, already provide adequate provisions to insure open and transparent government, the right of citizens for advance notice of public meetings, the right to attend public meetings, and access to government records while providing a proper balance between the public’s right to open government and the need to protect privacy interests and permit local government officials to deliberate on matters for which advance disclosure would be inimical to the public good; and

Whereas, most local government officials donate countless hours of public service with little or no compensation and are readily accessible to their local constituents within their communities; and

Whereas, the implied presumption of the proposed bill that stricter controls upon local government officials are necessary to prevent corruption and official misconduct is an insult to all of the dedicated and hard-working local public officials throughout the State of New Jersey and a disservice to the citizens of the State of New Jersey;

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, for the reasons stated above, do hereby opposes Senate Bill No. 1351 in its current form, and urge the New Jersey State Senate and Assembly to oppose this Bill; and,

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to State Senator Loretta Weinberg, State Senator Bob Gordon, State Senator Stephen Sweeney, the members of the Senate and Budget Appropriations Committee, the legislators of the 37th and 38th State Legislative District, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, and the Municipal Clerks’ Association of New Jersey.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 123

A Resolution – Authorizing Professional Services Contract - Rick Del Guercio of Appraisal Systems

Whereas, RICK DEL GUERCIO of Appraisal Systems is a professional Real Estate Appraiser regularly engaged in the practice of providing Appraisal Reports for municipalities in the defense of real property tax appeals; and

Whereas, RICK DEL GUERCIO was previously appointed by the Township of Rochelle Park in order to complete the recent revaluation; and

Whereas, the Township Committee previously determined that Appraisal Reports would only be prepared if needed; and

Whereas, the Township Attorney and Tax Assessor have evaluated the matter of Ratan Park, LLC for property located at 385 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park, New Jersey and have determined that there is a need for an Appraisal Report in order to adequately defend this case.

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. RICK DEL GUERCIO of Appraisal Systems be and is hereby authorized to prepare an Appraisal Report and perform all other necessary services in connection with the aforementioned Real Property Tax Appeal.
2. Mr. Del Guercio’s fee shall be between \$2,500.00 and \$5,000.00 based upon the specific fee proposal which shall be subject to the final review and confirmation by the Township Administrator together with \$100.00 per hour for actual court testimony.
3. This appointment is contingent upon certification, by the Chief Financial Officer, that sufficient funds exist for this purpose.

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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, Appraisal Systems, and Office of the Tax Assessor.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

Resolution #2011 – 124

A Resolution – Authorizing Hiring of Inspector – Fire Prevention – Lou Tosto

Be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen that **LOUIS TOSTO, Prospect Street, Lodi, N.J.** be appointed as a Fire Inspector for a term of one year commencing June 15, 2011 until December 31, 2011.

Attest: Virginia De Maria,

Resolution #2011 – 129

A Resolution – Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes – June 8, 2011

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 June 8, 2011 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.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES – June 8th, 2011

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. **Litigation** – The Township Attorney provided an update regarding pending litigation.
2. **Building Department** - The Construction Official provided a summary of enforcement proceedings against various property owners including property located at 8 Madison Avenue.
3. **Tax Appeals** – The Township Committee discussed litigations strategy as well as retaining expert witnesses in connection with various pending tax appeals. The Township Attorney was authorized to prepare a resolution authorizing the retention of an expert witness in connection with various matters.

Attest: Virginia De Maria

A motion was offered by Comm. Davidson and seconded by Comm. Ouellette to adopt the Consent Agenda. Motion carried on a roll call vote – all present voting “Aye”.

The following resolution was offered by Comm. Davidson and seconded by Comm. Ouellette and reads:

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Resolution #2011 –125

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption - Ord. #1032-11 – Parking of Commercial Vehicles on Commercial Property

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 185 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK, AND, SPECIFICALLY, TO ADD SECTION 185-103 (F) (5) IN CONNECTION WITH OVERNIGHT PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES ON COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**” 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: Virginia De Maria

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

No comments from the public

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

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

The following resolution was offered by Comm. Ouellette and seconded by Comm. Kvoalcik and reads:

Resolution #2011 –126

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption - Ord. #1033-11 – Amending the Provisions of the Township Code Entitled “Development Fees”

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 PROVISIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED “DEVELOPMENT FEES”**” 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: Virginia De Maria

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

No comments from the public

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

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

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

Resolution #2011 –127

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption Ord. #1034-11 – Amending Chapter 185 in Connection with Trash or Recycling Containers or Dumpsters

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 185 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK, AND, SPECIFICALLY, TO ADD SECTION 185-103 (m) IN CONNECTION WITH TRASH OR RECYCLING CONTAINERS OR DUMPSTERS**” 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: Virginia De Maria

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

No comments from the public

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

The following resolution was offered by Comm. Davidson and seconded by Comm. Ouellette and reads:

Resolution #2011 –128

A Resolution – Hearing & Adoption Ord. #1035-11 – Amending Chapter 36 Entitled “Recreation Committee” Use of Recreation Facilities

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 36 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK ENTITLED “RECREATION COMMITTEE: USE OF RECREATION FACILITIES”** 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: Virginia De Maria

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

No Comments from the Public

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

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

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

Comm. Kovalcik – Advised that the date had been set for the annual Summerfest Concert. It will be held on Thursday, August 18th at 7:30 PM at Midland School. The performing act will be the Mahoney Brothers presenting Beatlemania.

Comm. Davidson – DPW May Report – The DPW had swept the entire Township once in May. They removed 6 hazardous trees. On a budgetary note, Superintendent Jim Schmunk has been in contact with the Borough of Paramus to remove our sweeper dumping for \$35.00 per cubic yard. Nature’s Choice, the current company being used, is raising their rates significantly. He thanked the Jim for his efforts and for doing a great job.

Davidson then addressed comments made at a previous meeting regarding the issuing of summonses by the police. The CFO stated that summonses were significantly down from last year. After receiving a report from Chief Zavinsky and Captain Flannelly it showed that this was not the case. Davidson set the record straight regarding this previously misleading report. The Committeeman reported that interviews were being held for one police officer, replacing one who had left. 75 resumes had been received, 17 interviews held and the best 4 candidates would be interviewed tonight. He then advised that Officer Steve Zuretti has submitted his retirement letter. He will be retiring as of October 1, 2011 after 26 years on the force. Davidson wished him the best.

Comm. Ouellette – No report

Mayor Scarpa also addressed the inaccurate information regarding revenues being down in the Municipal Court. He was happy that this was not the case. Scarpa advised that the rescheduled movie night was Saturday, June 25th and the movie being shown was “Despicable Me”. Scarpa was happy to report that thru the Megan Nicole Kanka Foundation, Rochelle Park would be receiving \$3,500 of grant money to cover the cost of the background checks of any coaches and counselors who would be coming in contact with the children of Rochelle Park.

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

Kathleen Cronin – 53 Rochelle Avenue and Lynn Boyland – 58 Rochelle Avenue – Asked the status of 8 Madison Avenue, the illegal two family house. Attorney Rotolo advised that the owner of the property had met with Construction Code Official Bolan. An agreement between the Township of the owner had been reached and owner must comply with the terms of that agreement which included payments to satisfy the fines and making this house a single family dwelling. The Attorney will advise Mayor Scarpa the specific time schedule and he will advise the residents. Mrs. Cronin also addressed concerns in the Recreation Committee regarding miscommunications in the past. Mayor Scarpa advised that Mrs. Cronin should communicate her concerns to Administrator De Maria. Also it was agreed that the Carlock Field turf would be fluffed in early spring not to impact any recreation activities already scheduled.

Mayor Scarpa reminded everyone that final summer camp registration would be held on Wednesday, June 29th at 8:00 – 9:00 PM at Houghton Hall.

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

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

Closed Session:

Interviewing candidates for the position of Police Officer

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

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

A motion was offered by Comm. Davidson and seconded by Comm. Ouellette to appoint Christopher Rios of 23 Maple Street, Ridgefield Park NJ as a police officer beginning on the first step, with a six month review and one year probation effective July 1, 2011, pending a background check. Motion carried on a roll call vote- all present voting “Aye”.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia De Maria
Municipal Clerk