

**PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES**

The Public Meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council Chambers and called to order at 7:46 PM. Adequate notification was published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Montvale. Mayor Fyfe led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and roll call was taken.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to The Bergen Record and The Ridgewood News, informing the public of the time and place according to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

Also Present: Mayor Roger Fyfe; Borough Attorney, Joe Voytus; Administrator/Municipal Clerk, Maureen Iarossi-Alwan; and Deputy Municipal Clerk, Fran Scordo

ROLL CALL:

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| Councilmember Cudequest | Councilmember LaMonica |
| Councilmember Curry | Councilmember Lane |
| Councilmember Ghassali | Councilmember Talarico |

ORDINANCES:

INTRODUCTION: ORDINANCE NO. 2013-1369 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2012-1352 TO PROVIDE FOR AND DETERMINE THE RATE, AMOUNT AND METHOD OF PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO PERSONS HOLDING CERTAIN OFFICES AND POSITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF MONTVALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY
(public hearing 1/29/13)

A motion to Introduce Ordinance **2013-1369** for first reading was made by Councilmember Curry; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest; Clerk read by title only; Councilmember Lane made a motion that this ordinance be passed on first reading and advertised, in full, in The Ridgewood News; seconded by Councilmember Talarico - Roll call vote was taken – all ayes

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:

Agenda Items Only

Motion to open meeting to the public by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Lane - All ayes

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion to close meeting to the public by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - All ayes

MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC:

Agenda Items Only

MINUTES:

December 20, 2012

A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali – all ayes
Councilmember Talarico abstained

Sine Die January 2, 2013

A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico – all ayes

Re-Organization Meeting January 2, 2013

A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali – all ayes

Mayor Fyfe stated that being that the two officers are present, he would like to start with Resolution 35-2013

35-2013 Appointing / Permanent Montvale Police Officer / Brian Lamendola

WHEREAS, Brian Lamendola has successfully completed a twelve (12) month probationary period; and

WHEREAS, Chief Abrams has recommended Officer Lamendola for permanent appointment.

NOW, THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, New Jersey that Brian Lamendola is hereby permanently appointed to the Montvale Police Department, effective January 1, 2013.

Introduced by: Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Talarico - All ayes

36-2013 Appointing / Permanent Montvale Police Officer / Herminio Amado

WHEREAS, Herminio Amado has successfully completed a twelve (12) month probationary period; and

WHEREAS, Chief Abrams has recommended Officer Amado for permanent appointment.

NOW, THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, New Jersey that Herminio Amado is hereby permanently appointed to the Montvale Police Department, effective January 1, 2013.

Introduced by: Councilmember Talarico; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - All ayes

21-2013 Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #11-00002 / 1 Conrad Court

WHEREAS, a redemption has been made on Certificate #11-00002, Block 803, Lot 1, property in the name of Carol Tornello, 1 Conrad Court, Montvale; and,

WHEREAS, the lien holder, Michael G. Vesta has submitted the Tax Sale Certificate, signed for cancellation in the amount of \$12,904.58 which includes subsequent payments and penalties and an additional \$17,000 for premium totaling \$29,904.58; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized to Redeem Certificate #11-00002 and send payment of \$29,904.58 to Michael G. Vesta, 263 Rivervale Road, River Vale, NJ 07675

Introduced by: Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember LaMonica - All ayes

22-2013 Cancellation of Tax and Excess Sewer Overpayments or Delinquent Amounts Less than \$10.00

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17 allows for the cancellation of property tax and excess sewer overpayments or delinquent amounts in the amount of less than \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council may authorize the Tax Collector to process, without further action on their part, any cancellation of property tax and excess sewer overpayments or delinquencies of less than \$10.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the Tax Collector to cancel said property tax and excess sewer amounts as deemed necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector, Chief Finance Officer and the Municipal Auditor.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico - All ayes

23-2013 2013 Authorization to Execute Contract/Valley Health Medical Group /Alcohol and Drug Testing Services

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be authorized to execute a contract between Valley Health Medical Group, Valley Health WorkPlace Connection, 15 Essex Road, Suite 504, Paramus, NJ 07652 for the period of January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013 to coordinate CDL Random Drug and Alcohol Program and Testing.

Introduced by: Councilmember Talarico; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - All ayes

24-2013 Award Professional Service Contract / Borough Attorney / Boggia & Boggia

WHEREAS, the Borough of Montvale has a need to acquire Attorney Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5*; and,

WHEREAS, Boggia & Boggia, 71 Mt. Vernon Street, Ridgefield Park, NJ 07660 were appointed at the Re-organization Meeting of the Governing Body on January 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is for 1 year; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds; and,

WHEREAS, Philip Boggia, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that he has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Montvale in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Philip Boggia, Esq. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (*N.J.S.A. 40A:111 et seq.*) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the Contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale as follows:

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Montvale are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Contract with Boggia & Boggia.
2. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)* of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.
4. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Borough.

Introduced by: Councilmember Talarico; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali - All ayes

25-2013 Award Professional Service Contract / Borough Auditor / Lerch, Vinci & Higgins

WHEREAS, the Borough of Montvale has a need to acquire Auditor Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5*; and,

WHEREAS, Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP, 17-17 Route 208, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410 were appointed at the Re-organization Meeting of the Governing Body on January 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is for 1 year; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds; and,

WHEREAS, Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that he has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Montvale in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:111 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the Contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale as follows:

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Montvale are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Contract with Lerch, Vinci & Higgins

2. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

4. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Borough of Montvale.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - All ayes

26-2013 Award Professional Service Contract / Engineering Services / Maser Consulting P.A. Andrew R. Hipolit, P.E., PP., C.M.E.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Montvale has a need to acquire Engineering Services as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5*; and,

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting P.A., 200 Valley Road, Mount Arlington, NJ 07856 were appointed at the Re-organization Meeting of the Governing Body on January 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Andrew R. Hipolit, shall be designated as Principal In Charge for all services provided to the Borough of Montvale, and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is for 1 year; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds; and,

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that he has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Montvale in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Maser Consulting from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:111 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the Contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale as follows:

1. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Montvale are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Contract with Maser Consulting.

2. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

4. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Borough

Introduced by: Councilmember Talarico; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - All ayes

27-2013 Award Professional Service Contract / Borough Planner / Phillips, Preiss & Grygiel, LLC

WHEREAS, the Borough of Montvale has a need to acquire Municipal Planner as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5*; and,

WHEREAS, Phillips, Preiss & Grygiel, LLC were appointed at the Re-Organization Meeting of the Governing Body on January 2 2013; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Borough Council to appoint Richard P. Preiss of the planning firm of Phillips, Preiss & Grygiel, LLC, 33-41 Newark Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030 for planning services for the Borough for this period; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is for 1 year; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds; and,

WHEREAS, Phillips, Preiss & Grygiel, LLC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that he has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of Montvale in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Phillips, Preiss & Grygiel, LLC from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:111 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the Contract itself must be available for public inspection;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale as follows:

1. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

3. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Borough.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico - All ayes

28-2013 Awarding Service Contract / Agreement Tri-State Technical Services / Computers & Peripherals

WHEREAS, the Borough of Montvale requires professional computer services and an extended service agreement for the computers and peripherals for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS, section N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 of the Local Public Contracts Law, (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) exempts such professional services from competitive bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Montvale as follows:

That a contract for professional computer services for an Extended Service Agreement for Computers and Peripherals dated December 1, 2012 which is attached and made part of this resolution be awarded to Tri-State Technical Computer Services, Inc., of 442 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne, New

Jersey 07506 in the amount of \$7,645.00 for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013, as described in the Service Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has provided funds to be available subject to the adoption of the year 2013 Municipal Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be published in The Ridgewood News, be on file, available for public inspection, in the office of the Municipal Clerk, 12 Mercedes Drive, Montvale, NJ 07645.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali - All ayes

29-2013 Appointment of A Risk Management Consultant In Accordance With The Requirements Set Forth By The Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (BCMJIF) For The Borough Commencing January 1, 2013

WHEREAS, the Borough Of Montvale (hereinafter, the Municipality) is a member of the **Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (BCMJIF)** and the **Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (MEL)** collectively referred to as, the Funds, for property and casualty coverage's, which include property, general liability, crime, environmental, employee benefits liability, excess liability and workers compensation; and

WHEREAS, the bylaws of said Funds require the Municipality appoint a RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT to perform the various functions and professional services integral to the effective operation of the Municipality's Insurance Program and Loss Control efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fund Commissioners for the BCMJIF established a fee for such services equal to six percent (6%) of the Municipality's assessment, which expenditure represents reasonable compensation for the services required and is a part of the Municipal Assessment promulgated by the Fund's; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality has conducted a solicitation process to review and evaluate the credentials, services, performance and integrity of several professional firms experienced in these types of services; and

WHEREAS, the judgmental nature of the Risk Management Consultant's duties renders comparative bidding impractical;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council does hereby appoint **Professional Insurance Associates Inc.** as its Risk Management Consultant in accordance with the Fund's bylaws; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a Risk Management Consultant's Agreement and to cause a notice of this decision to be published in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-5 (1) (a) (i).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Professional Insurance Associates, 429 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey 07072.

Introduced by: Councilmember Ghassali; seconded by Councilmember Curry - All ayes

30-2013 A Resolution To Appoint A Health Benefits Consultant Relative To The Borough's Membership In The Bergen Municipal Employee Benefits Fund (BMED) Commencing January 1, 2013

WHEREAS, the **BOROUGH OF MONTVALE** (hereinafter, the Municipality) is a member of the **Bergen Municipal Employee Benefits Fund (BMED)** and the **Municipal Reinsurance Health Insurance Fund (MRHIF)** collectively referred to as, the Funds, for the Borough's Employee Health Benefits Program, which includes medical, prescription and dental coverage's; and

WHEREAS, the bylaws of said Funds require the Municipality appoint a HEALTH BENEFITS CONSULTANT to perform the various functions and professional services integral to the effective operation of the Municipality's Employee Health Benefits Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fund Commissioners for the BMED established a fee for such services equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the Municipality's assessment, which expenditure represents reasonable compensation for the services required and is a part of the Municipal Assessment promulgated by the Fund's; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality has conducted a solicitation process to review and evaluate the credentials, services, performance and integrity of several professional firms experienced in these types of services; and

WHEREAS, the judgmental nature of the Health Benefits Consulting duties and the fact the service will be performed by personnel authorized by law to practice a recognized profession that is regulated by law, renders comparative bidding impractical;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council does hereby appoint **PIA Security Programs Inc.** as its Health Benefits Consultant in accordance with the Fund's bylaws; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in accordance with past practice, the HEALTH BENEFITS CONSULTANT shall receive as compensation, one –percent (1%) of the Municipality's assessment, paid by the Fund, in accordance with the policies and procedures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a Health Benefits Consultant's Agreement and to cause a notice of this decision to be published in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-5 (1) (a) (i).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to PIA Security Programs, Inc., 429 Hackensack Street, Carlstadt, New Jersey 07072.

Introduced by: Councilmember Ghassali; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - All ayes

31-2013 Award Professional Service Contract / Website Improvements / Danori, LLC

WHEREAS, the Borough of Montvale has a need to acquire website improvements as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5*; and,

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Borough Council to award a professional service contract to Danori, LLC, 31 West Lincoln Street, Verona, NJ 07044, for improvements to the Borough's website in the amount not to exceed \$7,500; and

WHEREAS, any expenditures exceeding \$7,500 must be approved by Mayor and Council by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:111 et seq.) requires that the Resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the Contract itself must be available for public inspection;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale as follows:

1. This Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.

3. A Notice of this action shall be printed once in the official newspaper of the Borough.

Introduced by: Councilmember Talarico; seconded by Councilmember Lane - All ayes

32-2013 Authorizing Execution of Contract with the Bergen County Department of Health Services/Bloodborne Pathogen Compliance Program 2013

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale wishes to enter into a contract with the Bergen County Department of Health Services, 327 E. Ridgewood Avenue, Paramus, New Jersey 07652 to provide the mandated health services of a technical and professional nature for the Bloodborne Pathogen Compliance Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale that the professional service agreement for these services be and hereby are approved.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Introduced by: Councilmember ; seconded by Councilmember - All ayes

THIS HAS BEEN PULLED

33-2013 Authorize Contract Animal Control Services/Tyco

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of the Borough of Montvale has received a proposal from Tyco Animal Control Service, 1 Stout Lane, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ.

WHEREAS, said proposal has been reviewed and approved by the Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health recommends this contract with Tyco Animal Control Service based upon prior services provided; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Mayor and Council to provide funds in the year 2013 Budget for this contract, Other Expense Portion of the Animal Control Services Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale that the contract for Animal Control Services for 2013 be and is hereby awarded to Tyco Animal Control Service, 1 Stout Lane, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ pursuant to the terms and conditions and rates as outlined in the attached contract effective January 1, 2013, copy of which is attached to this resolution for the base amount of \$9,000.00 annually payable monthly with additional costs charged per the rates as outlined in the attached proposal.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico - All ayes

34-2013 Award Professional Service Contract Administrative Agent for the Borough consistent with N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.14 and to coordinate the affirmative marketing, review and approval of the sale and rental of affordable units in the Borough of Montvale/Piazza & Associates, Inc.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Montvale requires the services of an experienced, qualified agency to serve as Administrative Agent for the Borough consistent with N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.14 and to coordinate the affirmative marketing, review and approval of the sale and rental of affordable units in the Borough of Montvale, and the income qualification of the applicants who seek to reside in such units; and

WHEREAS, such services have previously been provided to the Borough by the Bergen County Housing Authority, which has advised the Borough that it will no longer be providing such services in connection with affordable rental units in the Borough and future sale units; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is in receipt of a proposal from Piazza & Associates, Inc., 216 Rockingham Row, Princeton Forrestal Village, Princeton, New Jersey 08540 to perform such services as is more particularly detailed in a document entitled, "Proposal Submitted To The Borough of Montvale, Bergen County, New Jersey, December 27, 2012; and

WHEREAS, said services constitute a professional service under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that funding is available for such services.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale that it does hereby approve the aforesaid proposal with Piazza & Associates, Inc. for a one (1) year period

in accordance with the draft Contract, provided that Piazza & Associates, Inc. submits documentation consistent with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-8 and 16 that it has not made a reportable contribution to any candidate for local office in Montvale or any political committee in the Borough; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Roger A. Fyfe and Borough Clerk/Administrator Maureen Iarossi-Alwan be and are hereby authorized to execute the Contract on behalf of the Borough.

Introduced by: Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - All ayes

BILLS: Municipal Clerk read the Bill Report.

Motion to pay bills by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Curry - All ayes

Councilmember Cudequest abstained on bill #00125 and also asked about a bill for Downes Tree Service for \$43,670 for Sandy tree removal; will the borough be reimbursed for a portion of the bill; the Mayor responded approximately 75 percent;

REPORT OF REVENUE: Municipal Clerk read the Report of Revenue

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilmember Curry

Board of Health

Voted on a 3 year contract with Fair Game Geese removal and the Board of Education will contribute \$1,500 towards bill; OEM representatives were in attendance to further discuss a better way to communicate with the residents during an emergency; successful rabies clinic, thank you to BOH members for this service and for Chris MdeWAY for taking pictures; Ann Tim was presented with a plaque for her 15 year volunteerism at the flu clinic, she is 98 years old;

Construction

Collected \$550,000 in fees for the year; new electrical inspector and added hours for the plumbing inspector has helped with back logged inspections; Property maintenance will be in full swing by the end of January

Recreation

Winter programs have started

Local Board of Education

Will be appointing new superintendent on Monday, January 14th; ongoing discussions about School #2

Councilmember Ghassali

DPW

First staff meeting; debris from Super storm Sandy will not be picked up by DPW

Administration

Scheduling budget meetings with department heads

Councilmember LaMonica

Access for All Committee

OEM will be a vital part of this committee; one of the important items in this program is to have residents with special services to register; now more than ever we realize it;

Seniors

Doing remarkably well under the leadership of Dick Voorhees; membership has increased substantially

Historic Preservation Committee

Have been in discussion with St Paul's Church located at the corner of Woodland Road and Grand Ave about the replacement of the front door to make it more historic looking

Chamber of Commerce

Mayor Fyfe will be the keynote speaker at next meeting

There is a Transit meeting scheduled to further discuss getting more mass transit to the Pascack Valley

Councilmember Lane

Fire Dept

18 Fire calls; 2 drills and 2 Chief calls; 280 calls for the year 2012; moving forward with discussions concerning the firehouse; there is a need to replace the "jaws of life" tool which is about 20 years old

Finance

Heading into budget season; encourage residents to come to budget meetings;

Councilmember Cudequest

Regional High School Board

At their re-organization meeting, they approved to have an unarmed security guard posted at Pascack Valley and Hills from 7:30-3:30 everyday

Environment Commission

Cancelled their first meeting

Councilmember Talarico

Police

Monthly report included in original minutes

Tri-Boro

Montvale logged: 34 calls; 582 miles; 39 hours; 136.5 crew hours

MAYOR

Library "

Thursday, January 31st at 7:30 an adult program "The Answer is Yes but First You Have to Ask"

A comedy trio that has performed previously at the library has asked to practice their routine at the senior center once a month for free to the public;

Reminder: Mayor's twitter account is @mayorfyfe

Also Mayor Fyfe added that he is now the Vice President of the Pascack Valley Mayor's Association

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Andrew Hipolit

Report/Update

No Report

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Joe Voytus, Esq.

Report/Update

No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilmember Curry asked for an update regarding repairing the tennis courts

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Schedule Budget Meeting
Council decided on January 22nd @ 6:00 p.m.

COMMUNICATION CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

HEARING OF CITIZENS WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Upon recognition by the Mayor, the person shall proceed to the floor and give his/her name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records. Unless further time is granted by the Council, he/she shall limit his/her statement to five (5) minutes. Statements shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, without recognition by the Mayor.

Motion to open meeting to the public by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember LaMonica - All ayes

Betsy Thomason, Park Ridge

Wanted to know the outcome of the DePiero public hearing that was held; Mayor Fyfe stated that it was not voted on and is being reviewed for reconsideration

Motion to close meeting to the public by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Talarico - All ayes

MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:

Mayor Fyfe stated that council needs to go back into Closed Session

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Public Meeting by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali - all ayes

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm

The next Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held January 29, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Budget Meeting January 22, 2012 at 6:00pm

Respectfully submitted, Fran Scordo, Deputy Municipal Clerk