

**MINUTES
WORK SESSION**

The Work Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council Chambers and called to order at 10:25am. Adequate notification was published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Montvale. 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).

ROLL CALL:

Vacant	Councilmember LaMonica - absent
Councilmember Curry	Councilmember Lane
Councilmember Ghassali	Councilmember Talarico

Also present: Mayor Roger Fyfe; Borough Attorney, Phil Boggia; Administrator/Clerk, Maureen Iarossi-Alwan and Deputy Municipal Clerk, Fran Scordo

ERVU Discussion

Borough attorney gave an overview regarding the piping used on utility poles for religious reasons called ERUV. After a lengthy discussion between councilmember's and concerned residents, it was decided to send a letter to Rockland Electric and wait for a response.

Montvale Swim Club

Board members asked if the borough can help with some of the costs like landscaping maintenance, pool maintenance, utility cost as well as insurance coverage; approx cost \$15,000 per season;

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January 13, 2015

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

RESOLUTIONS:

34-2015 Setting Forth Recreational Programs/ Fees/Year 2015

WHEREAS, The Recreation Department hereby establishes the programs, times and fees for various programs; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Committee has recommended that the following fees, programs, and times be revised as described; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale that the following fees and programs and services be and are hereby established

TIME SCHEDULE FOR SKATING RINK:

8:00 a.m.	Until	10:00 a.m.	Roller/street Hockey
10:00 a.m.	Until	12:00 p.m.	Free Skate
12:00 p.m.	Until	2:00 p.m.	Roller/street Hockey

1. James Russo
2. Peter George

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Montvale the above listed individuals is hereby appointed Montvale TV Access Station Technicians effective January 13, 2015. The rate of pay for these positions are \$15.00 per hour and other conditions are outlined in his letter of employment.

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

36-2015 Appointment Qualified Purchasing Agent “QPA”/Christine Kalafut & Increasing the Bid Threshold

WHEREAS, the changes to the Local Public Contracts law gave local Contracting units the ability to increase their bid threshold up to \$36,000; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a permits an increase in the bid threshold if the Qualified Purchasing Agent is appointed as well as granted the authorization to negotiate and award such contracts below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 5:34-5 et seq. establishes the criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Montvale; and

WHEREAS, Christine Kalafut, Sr. Accountant, has achieved the necessary certification through the State of New Jersey to be appointed as the Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Montvale; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of an individual as a Qualified Purchasing Agent allows the Borough to raise the bid threshold to \$36,000; and

BE IT RESOLVED, Christine Kalafut is hereby appointed as Qualified Purchasing Agent for the Borough of Montvale; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Borough does hereby raise the bid threshold to \$36,000.00; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Municipal Clerk is authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Division of Local Government Services.

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

37-2015 Supporting Mutual Aid Plan And Rapid Deployment Force

WHEREAS, the Police Departments in Bergen County have a day-to-day responsibility provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order, and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officials also have a responsibility to provide for preparedness against natural emergencies such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, major storms, etc., man-made causes. Civil unrest, and civil disobedience such as riots, strikes jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, riots, terrorist incidents and bombings, state and national emergencies; and

WHEREAS, this plan is adopted in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1, N.J.S.A. 40A14-156.4 and N.J.S.A. APP. A: 9-40.6, and

WHEREAS, this plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of an emergency, riot or disorder, in

order to protect life and property, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park to participate in mutual aid plan and rapid deployment force in accordance with the plan as submitted by the Bergen County Chief’s Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale that the Police Department of the Borough of Montvale under the direction of the Chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chief’s Association to create an Interlocal services agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen in order to put into place the mutual aid plan and rapid deployment force, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County Prosecutor.

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

38-2015 Emergency Temporary Appropriations

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen with respect to certain budget appropriations and no adequate provision has been made in the 2015 temporary budget, and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of emergency temporary appropriations for said purpose; and

WHEREAS, the total emergency temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2015 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 (Chapter 96, P.L. 1951) including this resolution total:

Current Fund \$12,345.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20:

1. An emergency temporary appropriation be and the same is hereby made in the total amount of:

Current Fund \$12,345.00

2. That said emergency temporary appropriation (will be) provided in the 2015 budget;

3. That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

CURRENT FUND

Operations – Excluded from “CAPS”

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues

Municipal Alliance to Prevent Substance Abuse \$9,876.00

Municipal Alliance to Prevent Substance Abuse – Matching 2,469.00

\$12,345.00

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

BILLS: Municipal Clerk read the Bill Report

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

ATTORNEY REPORT:

Philip Boggia, Esq.

Report/Update

a. Discussion Mobile Retail Food Trucks Regulate/Change/To Ordinance

Postponed to next meeting

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Fyfe appointed Darlene Green to be a secondary designation for COAH - a motion by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali to appoint Ms. Green – all ayes

a. Filling Vacancy of Councilmember/Process

A meeting was scheduled for February 3rd at 6pm to meet all three candidates

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Montvale Swim Club Representatives/Discussion Montvale Swim Club

This was discuss at the beginning of the meeting

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.

A motion to open meeting to the public by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico – all ayes

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion to close meeting to the public by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Talarico – all ayes

Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Lane; seconded by Councilmember Ghassali – all ayes

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12.30pm

The next Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held February 10, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

Budget Meetings to be held at 6:00 p.m. on 2/10 and 2/24

Respectfully submitted, Fran Scordo, Deputy Municipal Clerk