

Municipal Building
Park Ridge, NJ
April 13, 2010 – 8:30 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge was called to order at the above time, place and date.

Mayor Ruschman led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmmember Hopper, Councilmember Viola, Councilmember Maughan, Councilmember Maguire, Council President Kane, Mayor Ruschman.
Absent: None
Also Present: Robert J. Mancinelli, Esq. Borough Attorney
Helene V. Fall, Borough Administrator
Kelley R. O'Donnell, Borough Clerk

Mayor Ruschman Reads Compliance Statement, as required by Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY

Mayor Ruschman advises that pursuant to NJSA 40A:16-11 he is in receipt of a letter from the Park Ridge Democratic County Committee dated March 29, 2010. The following names have been submitted for consideration:

Ann Kilmartin
Keith Misciagna
Michael Mintz

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to appoint Ann Kilmartin as Councilmember. A motion is made by Councilmember Maguire with no second. Mayor Ruschman expressed his disappointment and surprise as Mrs. Kilmartin would be a great asset to the Council with all her experience and expertise in finance, which we are in dire need of.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to appoint Keith Misciagna as Councilmember. A motion was made by Councilmember Maguire and seconded by Councilmember Viola to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper – yes, Councilmember Viola – yes, Councilmember Maughan – yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes, Council President Kane – yes.

Mayor Ruschman stated that unfortunately I believe Keith Misciagna is on vacation and he is not here this evening. The administering of his oath will have to take place at a later time. Mayor Ruschman congratulated him.

ROLL CALL:

The clerk called the roll as follows:

Mayor Ruschman, Councilmember Hopper, Councilmember Viola, Council President Kane, Councilmember Maughan, Councilmember Maguire.

AGENDA CHANGES

The clerk advised of the following changes:

Resolution #12 – Payment of Bills has been added to the agenda.
Resolution #11 – COAH Mediation Team has been tabled at this time.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Ruschman asks if anyone present wishes to be heard on any matter.

There was no one.

ORDINANCES – PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-009, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS TO FIFTH STREET, SECTION 2 AS A GENERAL IMPROVEMENT AND APPROPRIATING \$200,000 TO BE ENTIRELY FUNDED BY A GRANT UNDER THE NEW JERSEY TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND AUTHORITY ACT DISCRETIONARY AID PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010.

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2010 - 009, an ordinance authorizing improvements to Fifth Street, Section 2, as a General Improvement.

A motion was made by Councilmember Viola and seconded by Councilmember Hopper to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Clerk to read the ordinance by title:

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 2010-009**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING IMPROVEMENTS TO FIFTH STREET, SECTION 2 AS A GENERAL IMPROVEMENT AND APPROPRIATING \$200,000 TO BE ENTIRELY FUNDED BY A GRANT UNDER THE NEW JERSEY TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND AUTHORITY ACT DISCRETIONARY AID PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that:

SECTION 1. There is hereby authorized and appropriated the sum of \$200,000. The full sum of the appropriation is to be funded from the New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority Act for Fiscal Year 2010 pursuant to an award transmitted by letter dated October 14, 2009, from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, Commissioner.

SECTION 2. The purpose for which this appropriation is authorized is to make road, drainage and curbing improvements to a portion of Fifth Street, Section 2 as appropriate and other items which shall be part of the design plan prepared by the Engineer and approved by the Borough of Park Ridge.

SECTION 3. The appropriation hereby authorized shall be completely funded under the 1984 New Jersey Transportation Trust Fund Authority Act, as may be amended and no part shall be financed by bonds or notes of the Borough of Park Ridge.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency only.

SECTION 5. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect immediately following final passage, adoption and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Borough Administrator to give a brief description of this ordinance.

Ms. Fall: Explained that the Borough received a grant in the sum of \$200,000 and this ordinance was the mechanism to appropriate the money for use and we would participate in the Pascack Valley Cooperative for the project.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Clerk if she received any correspondence concerning the adoption of this ordinance to which Mrs. O'Donnell advised no.

Mayor Ruschman asked if anyone present wishes to be heard concerning the adoption of this ordinance.

Speaker: No one came forward.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to close the public hearing on this ordinance and that this ordinance be adopted and that notice of final passage be published in The Ridgewood News.

A motion was made by Councilmember Viola and seconded by Councilmember Maughan to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-010

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 28, MUNICIPAL POOL COMMISSION, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, NEW JERSEY.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2010 - 010, an ordinance amending Chapter 28, Municipal Pool Commission of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge, New Jersey

A motion was made by Councilmember Maughan and seconded by Councilmember Viola to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Clerk to read the ordinance by title:

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-010

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 28, MUNICIPAL POOL COMMISSION, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, NEW JERSEY.

WHEREAS, there exist in the Borough of Park Ridge a Municipal Pool Commission pursuant to Chapter 28 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge believe that the recommended changes will be in the best interest of the Borough and its citizens;

NOW, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that Chapter 28 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge be and is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION ONE:

Chapter 28-4 shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

28-4. Powers and duties.

The Commission is hereby authorized to:

- 1) Manage, operate and improve the existing swimming pool facility and, if the need arises, to conceive, plan, establish and construct additional swimming pool facilities on behalf of and for the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, subject to the approval and prior authorization thereof by the Mayor and Council;
- 2) Propose plans for the development and improvement of the facility;
- 3) Propose methods or arrangements for the proper maintenance and care of the facility;
- 4) Formulate proposed rules, regulations, fees and rental charges for the public use of the facility on an annual basis;
- 5) Submit all such plans, methods, arrangements, rules and regulations to the Borough Council for its consideration and action thereon;
- 6) Put into effect administrative and supervisory authority over such plans, methods, arrangements, fees and rental charges, rules and regulations as have been approved and authorized by the Borough Council.
- 7) The Commission shall prepare and submit to the Borough Chief Financial Officer its proposed budget for the operation of the facility during the next following calendar year no later than February 15th. The Borough Council shall have the plenary power to approve, disapprove, modify or revise such budget.
- 8) All purchases of supplies, equipment, construction work and services, other than employees' services, shall be made through the Office of the Borough Purchasing Agent.
- 9) The estimated cost of services or material furnished by Borough departments or Borough employees to the facility shall be charged to the Commission's budget so that the total cost of the facility to the Borough can be determined in accordance with standard municipal accounting procedures consistently applied.
- 10) All financial records of the Commission shall be kept and preserved in accordance with current law and standard municipal accounting practices consistently applied. Such records shall be deemed public records and shall be open to public inspection during reasonable business hours in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Records Act.
- 11) The Commission shall have full charge of the employment of all personnel whose services are required for the operation, maintenance and regulation of the facility, provided that provision for the payment of the compensation of such personnel shall have been made in the Commission's approved annual budget and in the annual salary ordinance of the Borough.
- 12) The Commission may, in its discretion, by resolution, delegate to a pool manager revocable employment powers, including the power to employ and to terminate employment of such personnel as may be included in the scope of the Commission's resolution.
- 13) By reason or the nature of the services to be rendered by the Commission's personnel, the provisions of the Borough's personnel policy with respect to holidays, hours of attendance and like matters not consistent with the operation of the facility shall not apply to such personnel; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be deemed to impair or modify the status, eligibility or any other right that may have heretofore or may hereafter become vested in any person as a Borough employee.

SECTION TWO:

Chapter 28-6 is hereby established as follows:

28-6. Powers Reserved.

All matters relating to the general supervision, control, operation, maintenance and regulation to the swimming pool facility not expressly delegated by this chapter to the Commission are hereby reserved by and to the Borough Council, including (by way of example and not by way of limitation of the generality of this reservation):

1. The establishment, promulgation, charge and collection of reasonable fees, rents and other charges for admission to and use and enjoyment of the facility and the recreational privileges, entertainment and other activities conducted thereon;
2. The power to make, alter, amend and repeal rules and regulations for the supervision, regulation and control of all activities carried on, sponsored, arranged and provided for in connection with the facility, and for the protection of person and property, and for the enforcement of such rules and regulations.

SECTION THREE: The Membership Fees for the year 2010 are as follows:

Type	Park Ridge <u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Resident</u>
Family (paid in full by May 29)	\$325	\$390
Family (paid after May 29)	\$345	\$410
Single (paid in full by May 29)	\$225	\$290
Single (paid after May 29)	\$245	\$310

The maximum number of family and single memberships for Non-Residents shall be 100 for each category. Non-Resident senior citizens are not eligible for free membership.

The Mayor and Council shall adopt a Resolution on an annual basis establishing the Membership Fees and authorization of memberships for Non-Residents on an annual basis.

SECTION FOUR: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency only.

SECTION FIVE: If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION SIX: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately following final passage, adoption and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Ruschman asks the Borough Attorney to give a brief description of this ordinance.

Mr. Mancinelli: Explained this was the second reading of proposed amendment to chapter 28; ordinance addressed reporting requirements for finances and would open membership to non-residents who are sponsored by Borough residents who are pool members.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Clerk if she has received any correspondence concerning the adoption of this ordinance. Mrs. O'Donnell advised none had been received.

Mayor Ruschman asked if anyone present wishes to be heard concerning the adoption of this ordinance.

George Heller – 80 Second Street – understands opening membership to non-residents. Questioned the sponsorship requirements and thinks it is an insult that people need to be sponsored, thinks that the rules and guidelines are sufficient.. Mayor Ruschman responded that the Pool Commission thought it would provide more safety, those joining as non-residents would be known by residents. Better environment. Better establishment of camaraderie for the new people coming in.

Catherine Hiner – 51 N. Fifth Street – resident for over 37 years. Concerned with increase in numbers of people. Parking is an issue. Seniors don't pay at this time and there are already non-resident Borough employees using the pool.

Terry Davis – 81 S. Third Street – thanks the Mayor and Councilmember Maguire for coming to the recent Pool Commission meeting. There was a group of 14 residents at that meeting who were against non-residents. Feels there could be a creative way to use the guest passes. Should explore raising the rates for residents. Feels the commission should have explored raising the rates for residents by \$50. Many would have been willing to pay to keep the pool the way it is.

Joe Di Rienzo – 172 Leach Avenue – Pleased to hear we have the sponsorship provision in the current version of the ordinance. Feels there are much more than 14 residents concerned about our children's safety and security. Agrees with pursuing other options. against allowing non-residents.

Gina Long – 87 Ridge Avenue – very concerned about allowing non-residents; has 3 small children; wanted to know if other options were considered. Feels the non-residents should have been charged much more than the residents as in other towns. Feels the pool is very crowded already. Feels it is unfair that the residents were not given more opportunity to have their say. Feels residents would have been willing to pay more money to limit the membership to residents only and they were never asked. Would have saved the people from being overcrowded.

Mayor Ruschman explained that the window to resolve this issue to ensure there was sufficient money to operate the pool was only three weeks. If not, the pool would not open for this season and families would have had to pay more than the increase being implemented this year. The proposal is to allow up to 100 non-resident subscribers – this is a one year trial and if does not work it can be changed.

David O’Sullivan – 252 Capri Terrace – asked if the Police Dept., Fire Dept., Board of Health have given their input on the proposed change to allow residents and whether the maximum capacity for the pool has been reviewed.

Denis Klein – 6 Colebrook Drive - asked why the membership was not addressed in September; would like to see fixed costs for residents on the pool membership. Suggested scheduling a meeting in September with the Mayor and Council and Pool Commission and to get input from the membership. Need representation on the Pool Commission of families with small kids. Mayor Ruschman stated that he doesn’t think there is anyone in the room that could deny that the Park Ridge Pool rates are considerably lower than surrounding communities.

Mayor Ruschman advised that any concerns or suggestions discussed tonight would be shared with the Pool Commission.

Mr. Mancinelli advised there is a provision in the proposed ordinance that the Pool’s proposed budget must be submitted to the Borough by February 15th; more stringent requirements as requested by the Auditor and CFO.

Regina Babcock – 32 West Park Avenue - asked why no member of the Pool Commission was here tonight. Feels they should be here.

George Heller – 80 Second Street – should recognize how nice our Pool is and the good job done by the Commission year after year.

Denise Mango – 90 Lawn Street – does not think the residents have been given enough time and the ordinance should not be passed. The non-resident charge is not high enough – in Hillsdale it is \$840 for a non-resident family of 2.

Mayor Ruschman asked if the resident would be in favor of a higher rate for non-residents to which Ms. Mango advised yes and reduce the number of non-residents allowed. Would rather pay \$50-100 more and have the pool opened and not have non-residents.

Councilmember Viola advised if the Council did not pass this tonight would be delayed until the next meeting.

Mr. Mancinelli advised that this ordinance has to be adopted in the whole.

Patricia Oslacky – 27 Tuxedo Avenue – opposed to opening the pool to non-residents. Should add \$65 to each existing resident membership. Questioned family size. If the pool is being opened to 100 nonresident families that could be 400 additional people. Mayor Ruschman stated that there was no distinction made for family size. Asked about police response for emergencies. Had heard there may be a reduction in the force.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to close the public hearing on this ordinance and that this ordinance be adopted and that notice of final passage be published in The Ridgewood News.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maguire and seconded by Councilmember Hopper to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-011

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 87; SUBDIVISION AND SITE PLAN REVIEW, SECTION 87-6 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, NEW JERSEY

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 2010-011, an Ordinance amending Chapter 87; Subdivision and Site Plan Review, Section 87-6 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge, New Jersey.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maughan and seconded by Councilmember Viola to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Clerk to read the Ordinance by title:

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-011

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 87; SUBDIVISION AND SITE PLAN REVIEW,
SECTION 87-6 OF THE CODE OF
THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the Planning Board of the Borough of Park Ridge has recommended that a fee be implemented to recoup the Borough's cost to update the tax map and/or the official map resulting from an approved subdivision or lot consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge believe that this action will be in the best interest of the Borough and its citizens;

NOW, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that Chapter 87 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge be and is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION ONE: § 87-6 shall be amended to provide a new subsection D as follows:

E. Fee for Tax Map Amendment resulting from Subdivision or Lot Consolidation

(1) Upon the approval of any minor or major subdivision or lot consolidation, the applicant shall pay to the Borough of Park Ridge a fee of \$250 per lot for the purpose of updating and amending the Borough Tax Map to reflect any necessary changes occasioned by such subdivision or lot consolidation.

SECTION TWO: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency only.

SECTION THREE: If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION FOUR: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately following final passage, adoption and publication as provided by law.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Borough Attorney to give a brief description of this ordinance.

Mr. Mancinelli: Explained this creates a new subsection and provides for who bears the cost of paying for map updates. Creates a fee of \$250 per applicant who receives a final approval for a subdivision, This would defray the cost the Borough incurs in having the tax maps updated.

Mayor Ruschman asked if anyone present wished to be heard concerning the introduction of this ordinance.

Speaker: No one.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to pass this ordinance on first reading by title and that it be published in full in the Ridgewood News with notice of Public Hearing to be held on April 27, 2010.

Councilmember Maguire commented that he thought there should be no difference between the fees charged for a minor subdivision versus a major subdivision since the cost the Borough incurs was the same. Councilmember Maguire feels that a distinction should be made in the cost for a lot line reconfiguration as opposed to a major subdivision. Mr. Mancinelli stated that the Land use Secretary and Tax Assessor had advised that the cost to the Borough was the same. Planning Board scheduled to discuss the following night.

A motion was made by Council President Kane and seconded by Councilmember Viola to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-012, AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 2010-012, an Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to establish a CAP Bank.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maughan and seconded by Council President Kane to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Clerk to read the Ordinance by title:

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2010-012**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2010
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Park Ridge in the County of Bergen finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2010 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$300,603 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2010 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Park Ridge shall, in accordance with

this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$300,603, and that the CY 2010 municipal budget for the Borough of Park Ridge be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Mayor Ruschman asked the CFO to give a brief description of this ordinance.

Ms. Ennis: Explained that the State of NJ imposes two caps for the development of municipal budgets – one is the cap on the total amount that taxes can be raised and the other is the cap on expenditures. This ordinance allows the Borough to “bank” the amount it does not use for the cap on expenditures in 2010.

Mayor Ruschman asked if anyone present wishes to be heard concerning the introduction of this ordinance.

Speaker: No one came forward.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to pass this ordinance on first reading by title and that it be published in full in the Ridgewood News with notice of Public Hearing to be held on April 27, 2010.

Councilmember Viola asked for clarification that this ordinance does not automatically allow expenditures. Mrs. Ennis confirmed that only the Council determines the budget – this gives the Council flexibility.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maughan and seconded by Council President Kane to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

INTRODUCTION OF 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Mayor Ruschman announced that the 2010 Municipal Budget was being introduced tonight, and asked Councilmember Maughan to present the budget for introduction.

Councilmember Maughan: Provided the following on behalf of the Finance Committee:

The 2010 cost to operate the Borough of Park Ridge is \$11,293,000 which is \$324,000 (2.8%) less than in 2009. This operating cost will be funded by \$8,100,000 in commercial and residential real estate taxes and \$3,200,000 in various rents and fees collected by the Borough. The Budget will principally fund \$5,400,000 in employee wages and benefit costs, \$1,400,000 in disposal and recycling fees, \$1,100,000 in debt service payments, and \$650,000 in Library costs and \$2,700,000 in an assortment of other costs.

The Borough’s revenues decreased significantly in 2010 primarily due to the economy. The Borough had nearly \$500,000 less in surplus funds available for use in this year’s budget since miscellaneous revenues declined sharply from 2009 due to the recession. Hotel tax revenues declined by over \$100,000 due to fewer visitors using local hotels. The Borough will also realize nearly \$100,000 in lower rental income in 2010 as well as nearly \$110,000 in lower interest income due to the combination of a smaller surplus balance and lower interest rates. Settlement of \$100,000 in long standing tax appeals also caused a decrease in Borough revenues.

The Borough also did well in holding down the rate of growth of its expenses. The Borough's 2010 expenses are \$11,293,000 which is \$324,000 lower than in 2009. We greatly benefitted from initiatives undertaken in 2009 which significantly reduced health care costs, lowered administrative costs by making the Borough Administrator position part time and eliminating certain one-time expenses incurred in 2009.

However, because of the significant revenue loss noted above, the Borough's 2010 municipal tax rate will increase to \$0.469 which will increase the municipal portion of your tax bill by \$155 on a house assessed at \$516,000.

Park Ridge, like other municipalities throughout New Jersey now faces a very difficult operating environment. The economy continues to be difficult which, as noted from the comments above, puts extreme, negative pressure on Borough revenues which are highly dependent on real estate taxes.

Since nearly 50% of the Borough's annual operating expenses are fixed, any revenue shortfalls has a negative impact on the taxpayer. Employee wage and benefit expenses, which basically make up the other 50% of the Borough's expenses, are semi-fixed since they represent payments for essential services like police and fire safety, road and sewer operations and our administrative office.

Employee health care costs, a large employee expense, have seen significant recent cost increases; and Borough employees will now be sharing a greater portion of this cost to keep down taxpayer expense.

There are also several important strategic issues that the Borough will need to carefully handle in the years ahead:

Debt service for outstanding bonds is now \$1,100,000 a year and is now the Borough's third largest expense. Park Ridge currently has the second largest amount of outstanding bonds of towns in the Pascack Valley. Future capital expenditures will need to be both justified and scrutinized to hold down future bonding costs to the taxpayer.

The Borough now faces resolution of several major tax appeals that have been ongoing for several years and whose adverse outcome, if so adjudicated, would negatively impact the Borough as they potentially could cost the Borough \$700,000 over the next few years. We are working through this process and will shortly implement a strategy to both fund the appeal payments and reduce their volume in the future.

The Borough has nearly an \$800,000 exposure for employee wages for past wages whose payment has been deferred to future periods. While this past practice has helped the Borough reduce the cost of previous budgets, it burdens all of us with higher future payouts that negatively impact future budgets. The Borough needs to minimize the growth of this practice and reduce the current outstanding amount of these deferrals.

Finally, the State of New Jersey is expected to mandate, effective in 2011, that future municipal tax increases not exceed 2.5% per year. This mandate will require that Park Ridge minimize the growth of its operating expenses in the future which will be made even more challenging by any tax appeal payments, future wage deferral payments and ongoing inflationary increases.

The Borough's Finance Committee will hold open public sessions on April 22 and April 28 to review the 2010 Budget.

Our financial situation, like all other towns, is currently under pressure and is in large part dependent on an economic turnaround. Our keen attention to ongoing expense details and our ability to forecast and manage future projects and events will enable all of us to better manage and plan our future.

Taxpayers should be comforted that we have skilled people and professionals to assist us in managing our financial future as well as dedicated employees who do a great job and are up to date on our financial constraints due to ongoing communications.

Mayor Ruschman asked the Borough Clerk to read the Budget Resolution.

Clerk: BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statement of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the local Budget of the Borough of Park Ridge, Bergen County, New Jersey for the year 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said budget be published in the Ridgewood News in the issue of May 14th, 2010, and that a hearing on the Budget will be held at the Municipal Building on May 25th, 2010 at 8:15 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to introduce the 2010 Municipal Budget and that the budget be published in the Ridgewood News with a Public Hearing to be held on May 25, 2010.

A Motion was made by Councilmember Maughan and seconded by Councilmember Hopper to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

AUTHORIZING TAX LEVY WAIVER

Mayor Ruschman advised that the Borough will be submitting an application to the Local Finance Board, and asked Ms. Ennis to explain.

Ms. Ennis Explained that we have onetime expenses this year – the special election, the emergency for legal expense from 2009 and charges to a prior year's ordinance all of which must be funded in 2010 amounted to \$175,000. The application to the Local Finance Board, if granted would allow the Borough to temporarily for one year raise an additional penny in the tax rate.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to authorize the submission of an application to the Local Finance Board for a Tax Levy Waiver.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maughan and seconded by Councilmember Hopper to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Ruschman asks if any Councilmember would like to have any resolution removed from the consent agenda and placed under New Business.

Speaker: No one came forward

Mayor Ruschman asks if any Council member would like to abstain from voting on any resolution on the consent agenda.

Speaker: None.

Mayor Ruschman asked for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Councilmember Maughan and seconded by Council President Kane to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola - yes, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-087
REFUND STATE COURT JUDGMENTS

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Court entered 2007 Judgments; and

WHEREAS, taxes are to be refunded for 2007 on the following properties:

		2007
	Michael I. Schneck I/T/F Robert & Florence Corsello 301 South Livingston Avenue Suite 105	
B103/L3	Livingston, NJ 07039	\$2,149.20
QC0228	Robert & Florence Corsello 228 Cambridge Oaks	

WHEREAS, the interest of 5% was waived by the Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Director of Finance/CFO refund the monies as requested by the Judgments.

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 010-088
REFUND STATE COURT JUDGMENTS

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Court entered 2008 Judgments; and

WHEREAS, taxes are to be refunded for 2008 on the following properties:

		2008
	Michael I. Schneck Trustee for Michael & Karen Feltman 301 South Livingston Ave., Ste.105	
B103/L3	Livingston, NJ 07039	\$1,294.33
QC0256	Michael P. & Karen Feltman 256 Forester Way	
	Harvey A. & Susan R. Fain 254 Forester Way	
B103/L3	Park Ridge, NJ 07656	\$1,723.30
QC0254	Harvey A. & Susan R. Fain 254 Forester Way	
	Brach Eichler LLC and Oritani Savings Bank 301 Eisenhower Parkway	
B601/L27	Roseland, NJ 07068	\$5,325.88
	Oritani Savings Bank 236 Grand Avenue	
	Michael I. Schneck Trustee for Barry Weiner 301 South Livingston Ave.,Ste.105	
B103/L3	Livingston, NJ 07039	\$1,337.04
QC0298	Barry Weiner	

298 Chelsea Manor

	Rosalyn & Martin Schwartz Trust 153 Ashley Place	
B103/L3	Park Ridge, NJ 07656	\$2,038.99
QC0153	Rosalyn & Martin Schwartz Trust 153 Ashley Place	
	Phillip & Susan Brussel 202 Bearwoods Road	
B103/L3	Park Ridge, NJ 07656	\$1,247.90
QC0202	Phillip & Susan Brussel 202 Bearwoods Road	
	Michael I. Schneck Trustee for James & Phyllis Russell 301 South Livingston Ave.,Ste.105	
B103/L3	Livingston, NJ 07039	\$1,331.47
QC0264	James & Phyllis Russell 264 Hampshire Ridge	

WHEREAS, the interest of 5% was waived by the Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Director of Finance/CFO refund the monies as requested by the Judgments.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 010-089**

**CONFIRMING SUBMISSION OF WORKFORCE REDUCTION PLAN TO
NEW JERSEY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council have implemented an immediate hiring freeze, effective March 16, 2010 for all positions; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council have implemented an immediate wage freeze, on March 16, 2010 for all non-union/exempt/managerial/executive employees retroactive to January 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Proposed Municipal Budget has been reviewed and the total appropriations are less than the 2009 Adopted Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council will continue to seek reductions to appropriations up until and through the final adoption of the 2010 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, even with the above steps implemented, it has been determined that in order to have the 2010 Proposed Municipal Budget be in compliance with the State mandated Tax Levy CAP, the Borough of Park Ridge must implement a Workforce Reduction Plan as reported by the Borough Administrator at the April 1, 2010 Special Budget Meeting and as presented in its preliminary form which consists of a combination of layoffs and reduction in work hours; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council authorized the Borough Administrator, at this April 1, 2010 meeting to submit said plan as soon as possible which plan was submitted on April 8, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that it hereby confirms the submission of the Workforce Reduction Plan, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4A:8-1.4 and the applicable State Statutes and Administrative Code to the New Jersey Civil Service Commission as the layoff/work hour reduction plan for the Borough of Park Ridge, as submitted on April 8, 2010 by the Borough Administrator.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator will continue to consult with the affected employees and unions to explore alternatives to layoffs/reduction in work hours up until the last possible date prior to the effective date of the layoffs/reduction in work hours to minimize the impact of the Plan.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 010-090**

**INCREASING BID THRESHOLD AND APPOINTING A QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT
PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:11-3a AND
NJAC 5:34-5 ET SEQ.**

WHEREAS, recent changes to the Local Public Contracts Law give local contracting units the ability to increase their bid threshold to \$29,000; and

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

WHEREAS, NJCA5:34-5 et seq. establishes the criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, William D. Beattie possesses the designation of Qualified Purchasing Agent as issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with NJAC 5:34-5 et seq.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen that it hereby desires to take advantage of the increased bid threshold and increase it to \$29,000;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governing body appoints William D. Beattie as the Qualified Purchasing Agent of the Borough of Park Ridge pursuant to the hereinbefore stated State law and Administrative Code to exercise the duties of purchasing agent with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility and accountability of the purchasing activity of the contracting unit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOVLVED that in accordance with NJAC 5:34-5.2 the Borough of Park Ridge is hereby authorized to forward a certified copy of this resolution and a copy of Mr. Beattie's certification to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION NO. 010-091

ADDITIONAL FEES – MARRIAGE LICENSES

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 618 was signed into law December 31, 1981, effective February 1, 1982; and

WHEREAS, this bill provided for charging an additional \$25.00 fee for marriage licenses to be used for programs for shelter for victims of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, payments to the Division of Youth and Family Services must be forwarded on a quarterly basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Treasurer send a check in the amount of \$150.00 to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey for the quarter ending 3/31/10.

RESOLUTION NO. 010-092

**APPROVE MEMBERSHIP OF VOLUNTEER FIRE
DEPARTMENT APPLICANT**

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Robert Ludwig has approved an application prepared by Matt J. Bruno, 29 Pascack Road, for the Park Ridge Volunteer Fire Department,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby approve the membership of Matt J. Bruno in the Park Ridge Volunteer Fire Department.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 010-093**

**AUTHORIZE PROVISIONAL PROMOTION
JAMES LEICHTNAM TO POSITION OF SUPERVISING LINE WORKER**

WHEREAS, by adoption of Resolution dated April 7, 2010 the Park Ridge Board of Public Works has recommended to the Park Ridge Mayor and Borough Council that James Leichtnam be provisionally promoted to the position of Supervising Line Worker subject to New Jersey Civil Service Commission’s testing procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that James Leichtnam be provisionally promoted to the position of Supervising Line Worker subject to New Jersey Civil Service Commission’s testing procedures effective April 19, 2010 subject to the New Jersey Civil Service Commission’s testing procedures and the mandatory ninety (90) day working test period following certification at the annual salary of \$87,461.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator be and is hereby authorized to submit the necessary paperwork to the New Jersey Civil Service Commission.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 010-094**

2010 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen in that the Borough of Park Ridge is expected to enter into contracts, commitments or payments prior to the 2010 Budget and no adequate provision has been made in the 2010 temporary budget for the aforesaid purposes; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for said purpose, and

WHEREAS, the total emergency temporary appropriation resolutions adopted in the year 2010 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A. 40A 4-20) including this resolution total \$5,213,312,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, (not less that two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20:

Emergency temporary appropriations be and the same are hereby made as follows:

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

Current Fund

100	Administration	
	Salaries & Wages	0
	Other expenses	2,000
101	Beautification Committee	-5,000
102	Vision Plan Committee	- 2,000
125	Mayor’s Special Committee	3,000
120	Municipal Clerk	
	Salaries & Wages	15,000
	Other expenses	15,000
130	Finance Administration	
	Salaries & Wages	35,000
	Other expenses	6,500
145	Collection of Taxes:	
	Salaries & Wages	0
	Other expenses	2,500
150	Assessment of Taxes:	
	Salaries & Wages	0
	Other expenses	2,000
155	Legal Services and Costs:	
	Other expenses	25,000
165	Engineering Services & costs:	
	Other expenses	4,000
180	Planning Board:	
	Salaries & Wages	0
	Other expenses	7,000
185	Zoning Board of Adjustment:	
	Salaries & Wages	5,500
	Other expenses	5,000
195	Construction Code Office:	
	Salaries & Wages	5,000

	Other expenses	0
196	Zoning Office	
	Salaries & Wages	0
	Other Expenses	0
198	Housing Task Force:	
	Salaries & Wages	2,500
	Other Expenses	500
211	Liability	- 38,000
212	BC Municipal Insurance Fund	103,000
220	Group medical/dental/disability insurance	450,000
240	Police	
	Salaries & Wages	290,000
	Other expenses:	50,000
243	Pistol Range	
	Salaries & Wages	- 1,000
	Other Expenses	6,000
245	Police Reserves	
	Other expenses	0
252	Emergency Management:	
	Other expenses:	0
255	Fire	
	Other expenses	15,000
265	Fire Prevention Bureau	
	Salaries & Wages	4,500
	Other expenses	1,000
261	Tri-Boro Safety Corp:	
	Salaries & Wages	0
	Other expenses	98,750
275	Municipal Prosecutor:	
	Salaries & Wages	1,000
290	Streets & Roads:	
	Salaries & wages	77,000
	Other expenses	60,000
300	Shade Tree Committee	- 1,000
301	Traffic Light Maintenance	0
303	Municipal Services	5,000
305	Garbage removal – contractual	90,000
308	Compactor	0
310	Public Buildings & Grounds:	
	Salaries & Wages	12,000
	Other expenses	16,000
315	Vehicle Maintenance:	
	Salaries & Wages	12,000
	Other expenses	15,000
330	Board of Health	
	Salaries & Wages	3,500
	Other expenses	23,000
345	Administration of Public Assistance:	
	Salaries & Wages	1,650
	Other expenses	0
361	Senior Citizen Van	0
368	PKRG:	
	Salaries & Wages	1,000
	Other expenses	300
370	Recreation Program:	
	Other expenses	1,000
390	Library	165,000
391	Library Support	20,000
420	Celebration of Public Events	2,000
430	Electricity	20,000
440	Telephone	9,000
445	Water	1,500
446	Gas	5,000
455	Sewer System:	
	Salaries & Wages	14,000
	Other expenses	4,000
456	Bergen County Sewer Authority	160,552
460	Gasoline	0
465	Garbage tipping fees	61,000
466	Recycling Tax	7,000
471	PERS	130,500
472	Social Security	8,000

475	PRFS		403,406
490	Municipal Court:		
	Salaries & Wages		8,000
	Other expenses		1,200
495	Public Defender:		
	Salaries & Wages		1,000
703	Municipal Alliance		
	Salaries & Wages		500
	Other expenses		5,500
901	Capital Improvement Fund		35,000
920	Bond-Principal	\$	240,000
930	Bond-Interest		172,000
935	BANS-Interest		<u>73,742</u>
	TOTAL:	\$	<u>2,973,100</u>

DEDICATED APPROPRIATIONS

Water Utility:

	Operating:		
	Salaries & Wages	\$	180,000
	Other expenses		315,000
	Group insurance plan for employees		70,000
	Capital Improvements:		
	Capital outlay		140,000
	Statutory Expenditures:		
	PERS		82,721
	Social Security		<u>12,000</u>
	Total:	\$	<u>799,721</u>

Electric Utility:

	Operating:		
	Purchase of current	\$	780,000
	Salaries & Wages		110,000
	Other expenses		140,000
	Group insurance plan for employees		55,000
	Capital Improvements:		
	Capital outlay		35,000
	Bond-Principal		100,000
	Bond-Interest		57,854
	Statutory Expenditures:		
	Contribution to:		
	PERS		82,637
	Social Security		<u>4,000</u>
	TOTAL:	\$	<u>\$1,364,491</u>

Swimming Pool Utility:

	Operating:		
	Salaries & Wages	\$	15,000
	Other expenses		55,000
	Statutory expenditures:		
	Contribution to Social Security System		<u>6,000</u>
	TOTAL:	\$	<u>76,000</u>

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
 RESOLUTION NO. 010-095**

**AUTHORIZE AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT CAVALUCCI CONSTRUCTION INC. TO MODIFY
 FIREHOUSE ELEVATOR SHAFT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge Firehouse was in need of an elevator to replace the existing malfunctioning elevator; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorized contracting with Cavalucci Construction Inc. by adoption of a resolution on August 25, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the original contract amount for this project was Eleven Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$11,800.00); and

WHEREAS, due to additional modifications and removal of steel as required by the New Jersey Elevator Subcode the total to complete this project is Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$16,600.00).

WHEREAS, the CFO has certified the additional funds of Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$4,800.00) is available for this project in account no. C-04-55-921-000-002.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge authorize the additional expenditure of Four Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$4,800.00).

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 010-096**

AUTHORIZE TAX OVERPAYMENT REFUND

WHEREAS, as a result of a duplicate payment in accordance to R.S. 54:4-21, there has resulted the overpayment of taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Borough Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to return the following 2010 tax overpayment:

BLOCK	LOT	NAME	AMOUNT
1604	3 C001B	Rosa P. Levy 1B So. Maple Avenue	\$3,412.50
103	3 C0318	Marie Pellicano Trustee 15B So. Maple Avenue	\$1,081.67

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 010-098**

PAYMENT OF BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following approved bills in the sum of \$3,404,038.77 and that the Mayor, Clerk and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants in payment of same.

PAYMENT OF BILLS April 13, 2010		
CAPITAL	SEE ATTACHED DETAIL	\$36,278.62
CURRENT FUND	SEE ATTACHED DETAIL	\$3,294,000.02
DOG ACCOUNT	SEE ATTACHED DETAIL	\$37.20
POOL	SEE ATTACHED DETAIL	\$4,745.00
MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE	SEE ATTACHED DETAIL	\$290.00
TRUST	SEE ATTACHED DETAIL	\$40,280.48
UNEMPLOYMENT	SEE ATTACHED DETAIL	\$0.00
COAH	SEE ATTACHED DETAIL	\$28,407.45
TOTAL		\$3,404,038.77

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04CAPITAL	CAPITAL			
1316	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	1,055.00	640
1317	04/13/10	CAVAL010 CAVALUCCI CONSTRUCTION, INC.	8,600.00	640
1318	04/13/10	LANDS010 LANDSCAPE SYSTEMS, INC.	11,000.00	640
1319	04/13/10	TMASS010 T&M ASSOCIATES	15,623.62	640

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21865	03/18/10	STATE020 STATE LINE FIRE & SAFETY, INC.	28.50		613
21866	03/24/10	BOROU061 BORO OF PARK RIDGE-PAYROLL	165,177.23		616
21867	04/06/10	BOROU061 BORO OF PARK RIDGE-PAYROLL	134,910.86		625
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21869	04/09/10	LINCO005 LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP	40,393.23		632
21870	04/13/10	UNUML010 UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	1,873.42		637
21871	04/13/10	AAAEM010 AAA EMERGENCY SUPPLY CO., INC.	519.00		638
21872	04/13/10	AGLWE010 AGL WELDING SUPPLY CO., INC.	1,003.00		638
21873	04/13/10	AMERI070 AMERICAN LEGION POST 153	2,000.00		638
21874	04/13/10	AMERI230 AMERICAN WEAR, INC.	652.80		638
21875	04/13/10	ANTHO020 ANTHONY MORGEN HEATING & AIR	4,705.45		638
21876	04/13/10	ATLAN010 ATLANTIC BUSINESS PRODUCT	431.61		638
21877	04/13/10	ATT00010 AT&T	649.22		638
21878	04/13/10	AWTEN010 AWT ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, IN	4,395.50		638
21879	04/13/10	AZZOL010 AZZOLINA & FEURY ENGINEERING	1,359.00		638
21880	04/13/10	BCCOM010 B & C COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	1,411.50		638
21881	04/13/10	BERGE110 BERGEN COUNTY TREASURER	5,952.14		638
21882	04/13/10	BERGE150 BERGEN COUNTY MUN JOINT INS. F	102,568.70		638
21883	04/13/10	BERGE210 BERGEN COUNTY PROSECUTORS OFFI	6,000.00		638
21884	04/13/10	BERGE260 BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHOR	142,774.00		638
21885	04/13/10	BERGE360 BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMP BENEFIT F	93,768.50		638
21886	04/13/10	BERGE410 BERGENFIELD FIRE TRAINING CTR,	160.00		638
21887	04/13/10	BOBRA010 BOB RAYOT TIRE SERVICE, LLC	57.95		638
21888	04/13/10	BOBST010 BOB'S TROPHY SHOP/BT SPECIALTI	23.50		638
21889	04/13/10	BOROU010 BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE	60.00		638
21890	04/13/10	BOROU040 BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE(UTILITY)	6,729.30		638
21891	04/13/10	BOROU050 BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE(BOROUGH)	8,093.09		638
21892	04/13/10	BOROU062 BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE-AGENCY	533,906.00		638
21893	04/13/10	BRAEN010 BRAEN STONE INDUSTRIES, INC.	625.67		638
21894	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	1,587.50		638
21895	04/13/10	BURGI010 BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC.	5,067.50		638
21896	04/13/10	CABLE010 CABLEVISION	149.80		638
21897	04/13/10	CAROL020 CAROL TYLER	785.00		638
21898	04/13/10	CSCMA010 CSC MANAGEMENT, INC.	1,485.00		638
21899	04/13/10	DANIE030 DANIEL J. KNOTHE	77.40		638
21900	04/13/10	DARE0010 D.A.R.E.	1,000.00		638
21901	04/13/10	DELGA010 DELGADO INTERPRETING SERVICE	330.00		638
21902	04/13/10	DRAEG010 DRAEGER SAFETY DIAGNOSTICS, IN	224.95		638
21903	04/13/10	DRAIN010 DRAINBUSTERS PLUMBING SOLUTION	2,400.00		638
21904	04/13/10	DURIE010 DURIE LAWNMOWER & EQUIPMENT	172.80		638
21905	04/13/10	FABER010 FABER BROTHERS CARPETS	142.00		638
21906	04/13/10	FDPRO010 F D PRODUCTS	228.75		638
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21908	04/13/10	GNEIL010 G. NEIL	74.90		638
21909	04/13/10	HECKL010 HECKLER & KOCH, INC.	702.00		638
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21969	04/13/10	SYMET010 SYMETRA LIFE INSURANCE CO/GROU	262.20		638
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21971	04/13/10	TCTA020 TCTA OF NEW JERSEY	75.00		638
21972	04/13/10	TEST0010 TESTOUT CORPORATION	518.19		638
21973	04/13/10	THETW010 THE 200 CLUB OF BERGEN COUNTY	250.00		638
21974	04/13/10	THEVO010 THE VOZZA AGENCY, INC.	10,354.00		638
21975	04/13/10	TILCO020 TILCON NEW YORK, INC.	500.00		638
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21978	04/13/10	TREAS050 TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	30.00		638
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21981	04/13/10	USPOS010 US POSTAL SERVICE(POSTAGE-BY-P	655.44		638
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21983	04/13/10	VERIZ020 VERIZON	8,849.17		638
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21985	04/13/10	VERIZ030 VERIZON WIRELESS	1,756.24		638
21986	04/13/10	WASTE010 WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NEW JERSEY	28,616.82		638
21987	04/13/10	WESTW020 WESTWOOD CAR WASH	210.00		638
21988	04/13/10	WILLI070 WILLIAM T. DIEDTRICH, JR.	169.50		638
21989	04/13/10	WNGRA010 W. W. GRAINGER, INC.	1,492.39		638
21990	04/13/10	ZZCHA001 ROBERT & LAUREL CHALEFF	15.00		638
21991	04/13/10	ZZDEU001 ANDY DEUTCH	11.35		638
21992	04/13/10	PARKR090 PARK RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION	1,801,391.00		639
21993	04/13/10	LUKOI010 LUKOIL	50.00		649
21994	04/13/10	PSEG0010 P S E & G	6,842.36		649
21995	04/13/10	RUBEN RUBENSTEIN, MEYERSON, FOX,	13,493.53		649

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2376	04/13/10	NEWJE007 NJ DEPT OF HEALTH	37.20		642

Checking Account Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Void	Amount Paid
Checks:	1	0	0.00	37.20
Direct Deposit:	0	0	0.00	0.00
Total:	1	0	0.00	37.20

Report Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Void	Amount Paid
Checks:	1	0	0.00	37.20
Direct Deposit:	0	0	0.00	0.00
Total:	1	0	0.00	37.20

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Range of Checking Accts: 09 SWIM UTILITY to 09 SWIM UTILITY Range of Check Dates: 03/16/10 to 04/13/10
Report Type: All Checks Report Format: Super Condensed Check Type: Computer: Y Manual: Y Dir Deposit: Y

Check #	Check Date	Vendor	Amount Paid	Reconciled/Void	Ref Number
09 SWIM UTILITY		SWIM UTILITY			
1092	04/13/10	JOHNC010 JOHN CRUM PRINTING, INC.	900.00		641
1093	04/13/10	JOSEP030 JOSEPH J. BRUNO, AIA	3,750.00		650
1094	04/13/10	NICOL010 NICOLE REPRODUCTIONS	95.00		650

Checking Account Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Void	Amount Paid
Checks:	3	0	0.00	4,745.00
Direct Deposit:	0	0	0.00	0.00
Total:	3	0	0.00	4,745.00

Report Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Void	Amount Paid
Checks:	3	0	0.00	4,745.00
Direct Deposit:	0	0	0.00	0.00
Total:	3	0	0.00	4,745.00

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Range of Checking Accts: MUN OPEN SPACE to MUN OPEN SPACE Range of Check Dates: 03/16/10 to 04/13/10
Report Type: All Checks Report Format: Super Condensed Check Type: Computer: Y Manual: Y Dir Deposit: Y

Check #	Check Date	Vendor	Amount Paid	Reconciled/Void	Ref Number
MUN OPEN SPACE		MUNICIPAL OPEN SPACE TRUST			
1016	04/13/10	Alignment Check		VOID	
1017	04/13/10	BURGI010 BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC.	290.00		646

Checking Account Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Void	Amount Paid
Checks:	1	1	0.00	290.00
Direct Deposit:	0	0	0.00	0.00
Total:	1	1	0.00	290.00

Report Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Void	Amount Paid
Checks:	1	1	0.00	290.00
Direct Deposit:	0	0	0.00	0.00
Total:	1	1	0.00	290.00

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Range of Checking Accts: 16ESCROW to 16ESCROW Range of Check Dates: 03/16/10 to 04/13/10
Report Type: All Checks Report Format: Super Condensed Check Type: Computer: Y Manual: Y Dir Deposit: Y

Check #	Check Date	Vendor	Amount Paid	Reconciled/Void	Ref Number
16ESCROW		ESCROW			
1201	03/24/10	ZZGAR001 MR. GARINO	337.50		634
1190	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	742.50		644
1202	04/13/10	ALLIE010 ALLIED OIL COMPANY	22,869.40		643
1203	04/13/10	ASFEN010 A&S FENCES	3,263.21		643
1204	04/13/10	AZZOL010 AZZOLINA & FEURY ENGINEERING	1,475.00		643
1205	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	0.00	04/13/10 VOID	0
1206	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	0.00	04/13/10 VOID	0
1207	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	0.00	04/13/10 VOID	0
1208	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	4,730.30	04/13/10 VOID	643
1209	04/13/10	DAVID060 DAVID CORSARO	650.00		643
1210	04/13/10	JOHNE020 JOHN E. TEN HOEVE, JR., ESQ.	609.50		643
1211	04/13/10	LANDS010 LANDSCAPE SYSTEMS, INC.	2,680.00		643
1212	04/13/10	MUNIC110 MUNICIPAL RECORD SERVICE	303.50		643
1213	04/13/10	NORTH070 NORTH JERSEY MEDIA GROUP	73.63		643
1214	04/13/10	SPORT004 SPORTCARE SFM	1,300.00		643
1215	04/13/10	WEATH010 WEATHER DECISION TECHNOLOGIES,	216.66		643
1216	04/13/10	ZZPRA001 PARK RIDGE ATHLETIC ASSOC	300.00		643
1217	04/13/10	ZZVIG001 MR. VIGANOLA	1,040.00		643
1218	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	0.00	04/13/10 VOID	0
1219	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	0.00	04/13/10 VOID	0
1220	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	0.00	04/13/10 VOID	0
1221	04/13/10	BROOK010 BROOKER ENGINEERING, P.L.L.C.	4,419.58		645

Checking Account Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Void	Amount Paid
checks:	15	7	4,730.30	40,280.48
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Total:	15	7	4,730.30	40,280.48

Report Totals	Paid	Void	Amount Void	Amount Paid
Checks:	15	7	4,730.30	40,280.48
Direct Deposit:	0	0	0.00	0.00
Total:	15	7	4,730.30	40,280.48

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

REPORTS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Councilmember Hopper: Has spoken to members of the Recreation Committee, PRAA and the Chamber of Commerce about Day Camp Program this summer. Can provide a program that is self supportive.

Councilmember Viola: Spoke about the dedication of the Park Ridge Fire Department during the month of March and the hundreds of hours in responses and drills, provided at no pay with no benefits. Thanked the Fire Chief. Thanked the Borough Administrator for the work on the Cascade Air System Grant. Spoke about how in 2009 he was the liaison to the Pool Commission and that the ordinance from earlier this evening was a difficult decision for the Commission but that the survival of the pool was at stake.

Council President Kane: Thanked everyone who came to speak about the ordinances on tonight's agenda; noted that the meeting was being filmed.

Councilmember Maughan: Reiterated that there will be public meetings on the budget on April 22nd and April 28th.

Councilmember Maguire: Reported that the Planning Board is currently working on the responses to the objectors to the COAH plan and is developing the Neighborhood Business District ordinance for the Park Avenue corridor as well as working on steep slope ordinance.

Reported that the Utility Board's project for the new roof on the garage is completed and the solar panels are scheduled to be installed. The energy audit had been completed. The Board is working on a net metering plan in the event the Borough has to buy back energy. The "minis" will be returned to BMW.

PKRG-TV is taping the Mayor and Council meetings as well as the budget information sessions. Need volunteers to man the cameras. On April 30th there will be a benefit for Tri-Boro Ambulance.

Councilmember Maguire encouraged everyone to get out and join the Pool this year.

Councilmember Misciagna: Thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to serve the residents of Park Ridge.

Mayor Ruschman: Spoke to the audience about a recent article in the newspaper which reported on the status of the stipends and wanted to be sure that information was correct with respect to his as he has always been honest. The newspaper reported that he was giving up his stipend in its entirety. He is giving up one-half – if he goes below a certain level would lose years of the service in the pension system. Wanted to be sure that everyone understood what he was receiving – he is giving up 50% of his stipend.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to approve the minutes as follows:

Closed and Work Session Minutes dated March 15, 2010
Councilmember Viola to abstain.

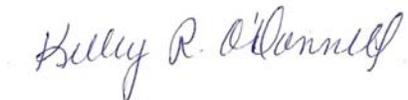
Closed and Work Session Minutes dated March 23, 2010

A motion was made by Councilmember Hopper and seconded by Council President Kane Maughan to confirm.

Roll Call: Councilmember Hopper - yes, Councilmember Viola – yes with the abstention as noted, Council President Kane - yes, Councilmember Maughan - yes, Councilmember Maguire – yes.

A motion was made by Maughan and seconded by Council President Kane to adjourn the regular Mayor and Council meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelley R. O'Donnell, RMC
Borough Clerk