

Municipal Building
Park Ridge, NJ
April 28, 2015 – 8:15 pm

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 Maguire led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Bertini, Councilmember Hopper, Councilmember Oppelt, Councilmember Bosi, Councilmember Cangialosi, Council President Misciagna, Mayor Maguire

Absent: None

Also Present: John Ten Hoeve, Jr., Esq., Borough Attorney
Kelley O'Donnell, Borough Clerk/Administrator

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

AGENDA CHANGES

The following Resolutions are to be added to the Consent Agenda:

- # 015-123 – Authorizing the Award of Lightning Detection System
- #015-124 – Amending Resolution Authorizing the Planning Board to Undertake a Preliminary Investigation to Determine whether a Designated Area is in Need of Redevelopment
- #015-125 – Authorizing Agreement with Bears Nest Condominium Association for Reimbursements Under the Municipal Services Act
- #015 – 126 – Authorizing Change Order #2 – AJM Contractors Inc. – Mill Pond Phase II

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

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

There was no one.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION

None

ORDINANCES – PUBLIC HEARING

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2015-008**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 50-2 ENTITLED "FEES", OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, NEW JERSEY

Mayor Maguire asks for a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2015-008, An Ordinance Amending Section 50-2 Entitled "Fees" of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge, New Jersey.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bosi and seconded by Councilmember Cangialosi to confirm.

AYES: Councilmembers Bertini, Hopper, Oppelt, Bosi, Cangialosi,
Council President Misciagna

Mayor Maguire asks the Clerk to read the Ordinance by title:

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2015-008**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 50-2 ENTITLED "FEES", OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH
OF PARK RIDGE, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, Chapter 50 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge establishes regulations restricting with regard to the application of various provisions of Construction Codes within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Section 50-2 establishes fees to be charged as required by provisions of the Uniform Construction Code required to be paid to the State of New Jersey ; and

WHEREAS, the Code currently provides for the payment of specific state fees, fees that are changed periodically by the State of New Jersey requiring the Borough to repeatedly amend its Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to amend Section 50-2 to provide that required state fees will be charged ad fixed by the State of New Jersey,

NOW, THEREFORE, 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 50-2 entitled "Fees", of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge be and is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

SECTION ONE: Chapter 50-2 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"In order to provide for the certification and technical programs required by the Uniform Construction Code, the Borough shall collect, in addition to the fees specified above, a New Jersey State Permit surcharge fee for all construction based on value and volume in accordance with the latest amendments to the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code (N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.19). Said fees shall be remitted to the Bureau of Housing Inspection, Department of Community Affairs on a quarterly basis for the fiscal quarter ending September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30, and no later than one month next succeeding the end of the quarter for which it is due."

SECTION TWO: All other provisions of Chapter 50 shall remain unchanged.

SECTION THREE: **Severability.** The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. Should any section, paragraph, subparagraph, provision, sentence, or part hereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional, said finding shall not affect any other section, paragraph, subparagraph, provision, sentence, or part thereof and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

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

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

Mr. Ten Hoeve: It's an ordinance that simply allows us to incorporate fees that change from time to time for construction code costs that are established by the State so that we don't have to amend our ordinance - we can simply reference it and charge the fees that are allowed.

Mayor Maguire asks if anyone wishes to be heard concerning the adoption of this ordinance.

There was no one.

Mayor Maguire asks for a motion to close the Public Hearing on this ordinance and that it be adopted with notice of final passage to be published in The Ridgewood News.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bosi and seconded by Councilmember Cangialosi to confirm.

AYES: Councilmembers Bertini, Hopper, Oppelt, Bosi, Cangialosi,
Council President Misciagna

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

There was no one.

Mayor Maguire asks if any Councilmember would like to abstain from voting on any resolution on the consent agenda.

There was no one.

Mayor Maguire asks for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda.

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

AYES: Councilmembers Bertini, Hopper, Oppelt, Bosi, Cangialosi,
Council President Misciagna

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 112

**POLICE DEPARTMENT
UNIFORM PURCHASE AND MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE**

WHEREAS, by collective bargaining agreement, members of the Park Ridge Police Department are entitled to annual uniform purchase and maintenance allowances of \$1000.00 per member; and

WHEREAS, the first payment of \$500.00 is to be made with the first payroll following the adoption of the Municipal *Budget* and the second payment of \$500.00 is to be made with the first payroll of December; and

WHEREAS, appropriations for such expenditures are included in the 2015 Municipal Budget under Police Department, Uniforms 5-01-25-240-000-013.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following employees are entitled to said uniform allowance:

Police Department:
Lieutenant Nicholas Errico (3 mos)
Sergeant Peter Mauro
Sergeant Anthony DiBlasi
Sergeant James M. Babcock

Police Officers:

- Scott Laughton
- Scott Malloy
- Gregory Stalb
- Michael Babcock
- Christopher Puglis
- Daniel Hoffmann
- Todd Stowe
- John S. Szot
- John Gleason
- Gerald Powers
- Gregory Santangelo

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to make said payments according to the aforementioned schedule and to charge said allowances against departmental charge 5-01-25-240-013.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 113**

AUTHORIZE 2015 STIPEND PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the collective bargaining agreement between the Borough of Park Ridge and the Park Ridge Utility Employees Association provides for an annual stipend for those employees who obtain a W-1 Public Water Distribution system license, a T-1 Public Water Treatment license or a C-1 Public Wastewater Collection System license; and

WHEREAS, the collective bargaining agreement between the Borough of Park Ridge and the UPSEU Clerical Staff provides for an annual stipend for those employees who obtain certifications in their respective fields; and

WHEREAS, the collective bargaining agreement between the Borough of Park Ridge and the NJ State PBA, Local 206, Park Ridge Unit provides for an annual stipend to those employees in the Investigative Services Bureau; and

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 pay the following employees an annual stipend for having successfully completed the requirements for the following certifications:

<u>EMPLOYEE</u>	<u>LICENSE(S)</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
James R. Babcock	W-1, T-1	\$1,200
Daniel P. Boyle	W-2, C-2, T-1	\$1,800
Paul F. Neumann	W-2, C-2, T-1	\$1,800
Jay A. Ottens	C-1	\$ 600
Kenneth C. Reynolds	W-2, C-2, T-2	\$1,800
James Leichtnam	Lineman Cert. Troubleshooter Cert	\$2,000 \$ 500
Shane Geanoules	Lineman Cert	\$2,000
Slyvestre Jose	Lineman Cert	\$2,000
Martino Ippolito	Lineman Cert	\$2,000
Robert Murken	NEC Electrical Lic.	\$ 500
Jessica Mazzarella	Tax Collector	\$ 750
Elizabeth Maggio	BH Deputy Registrar	\$ 350
Elena Rega	CCO Tech Asst.	\$ 250
P.O. Michael Babcock	Detective	\$ 500

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 114**

**APPROVAL OF REQUEST
SOCIAL AFFAIR PERMIT – TOWN PICNIC**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that it hereby approves the following request:

- Social Affair Permit
- Recreation Committee – Town Picnic
- June 13th (Rain Date June 14th)
- Memorial Field

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 115**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 2015 FORD F-450 4WD REG CAB 141” WB 60”
CA XL
CONTRACT WITH APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDOR
WINNER FORD
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Programs for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor of Public Works has requested permission for the purchase of a 2015 Ford F-450 4WD REG CAB 141” WB 60” CA XL pursuant to State Contract #A88214 from Celebrity Ford D/B/A Beyer Ford of 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07936 as outlined in the attached quote dated April 24, 2015 for a total of \$ 48,761.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge wishes to purchase said vehicle from Celebrity Ford D/B/A Beyer Ford of 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ through this resolution and properly issued Purchase Order, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State Contract as follows; and

2015 Ford F-450 Mason Dump Truck with Options	\$48,761.00
Total Cost of Complete	\$ 48,761.00

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in Account No.C-04-55-944-100-004.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge authorizes the purchase of the above stated goods and services from Celebrity Ford D/B/A Beyer Ford pursuant to the above in the total amount of \$ 48,761.00.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 116**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 2016 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR UTILITY
AWD
CONTRACT WITH APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDOR
WINNER FORD
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Programs for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has requested permission for the purchase of a 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD pursuant to State Contract #A88728 from Winner Ford of 250 Haddonfield - Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 as outlined in the attached quote dated April 20, 2015 for a total of \$ 24,889.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge wishes to purchase said vehicle from Winner Ford, 250 Haddonfield - Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, NJ through this resolution and properly issued Purchase Order, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State Contract as follows; and

2016 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD	
Base Vehicle as per contract	\$ 23,069.00
Options	\$ 1,820.00
Total Cost of Complete Vehicle #1	\$ 24,889.00

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in Account No.C-04-55-944-100-001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge authorizes the purchase of the above stated goods and services from Winner Ford pursuant to the above in the total amount of \$ 24,889.00.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 117**

**Award of Contract for Colony Little League Field Rehabilitation
Landscape Systems, Inc.**

WHEREAS, PRAA has requested that the Mayor and Council consider rehabilitating and upgrading the little league field at Colony; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Field Coordinator agree with these improvements; and

WHEREAS, Peter Wayne, CPWM solicited proposals on behalf of the Borough for this work; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law allows for the award of a contract when the estimated value is less than \$21,000 and a minimum of two proposals have been received; and

WHEREAS, two proposals were received as listed below:

Landscape Systems, Inc.	\$ 5,630.00
Kindergan Landscaping	\$ 13,161.76

WHEREAS, Peter Wayne, CPWM has recommended that the Mayor and Council award the Contract for rehabilitation work at the Colony Little League Field to Landscape Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 56, Park Ridge, NJ 07656; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the funds are available in Trust Fund Account No. 7760316626.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Contract for rehabilitation to Colony Little League Field be awarded to Landscape Systems of Park Ridge, NJ in an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Dollars (\$ 5,630.00); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a true copy of this resolution shall be sent to Landscape Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 56, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 118**

A RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE’S CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES, EMPLOYEES, PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT COME INTO CONTACT WITH MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS

WHEREAS, it is the policy of Borough of Park Ridge to treat the public, employees, prospective employees, appointees, volunteers and contractors in a manner consistent with all applicable civil rights laws and regulations including, but not limited to the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 as subsequently amended, the New Jersey Law against Discrimination, the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Conscientious Employee Protection Act, and

WHEREAS, the governing body of Borough of Park Ridge has determined that certain procedures need to be established to accomplish this policy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ADOPTED by the governing body of the Borough of Park Ridge that:

Section 1: No official, employee, appointee or volunteer of the Borough of Park Ridge by whatever title known, or any entity that is in any way a part of the Borough of Park Ridge shall engage, either directly or indirectly in any act including the failure to act that constitutes discrimination, harassment or a violation of any person’s constitutional rights while such official, employee, appointee volunteer, or entity is engaged in or acting on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge’s business or using the facilities or property of the Borough of Park Ridge.

Section 2: The prohibitions and requirements of this resolution shall extend to any person or entity, including but not limited to any volunteer organization or inter-local organization, whether structured as a governmental entity or a private entity, that receives authorization or support in any way from the Borough of Park Ridge to provide services that otherwise could be performed by the Borough of Park Ridge.

Section 3: Discrimination, harassment and civil rights shall be defined for purposes of this resolution using the latest definitions contained in the applicable Federal and State laws concerning discrimination, harassment and civil rights.

Section 4: The Borough Administrator shall establish written procedures for any person to report alleged discrimination, harassment and violations of civil rights prohibited by this resolution. Such procedures shall include alternate ways to report a complaint so that the person making the complaint need not communicate with the alleged violator in the event the alleged violator would be the normal contact for such complaints.

Section 5: No person shall retaliate against any person who reports any alleged discrimination, harassment or violation of civil rights, provided however, that any person who reports alleged violations in bad faith shall be subject to appropriate discipline.

Section 6: The Borough Administrator shall establish written procedures that require all officials, employees, appointees and volunteers of the Borough of Park Ridge as well as all other entities subject to this resolution to periodically complete training concerning their duties, responsibilities and rights pursuant to this resolution.

Section 7: The Borough Administrator shall establish a system to monitor compliance and shall report at least annually to the governing body the results of the monitoring.

Section 8: At least annually, the Borough Administrator shall cause a summary of this resolution and the procedures established pursuant to this resolution to be communicated within the Borough of Park Ridge. This communication shall include a statement from the governing body expressing its unequivocal commitment to enforce this resolution. This summary shall also be posted on the Borough of Park Ridge’s web site.

Section 9: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Section 10: A copy of this resolution shall be provided to the official newspaper of the Borough of Park Ridge in order for the public to be made aware of this policy and the Borough of Park Ridge’s commitment to the implementation and enforcement of this policy.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 119**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF JET GAS, INC. FOR THE RECYCLING OF UNWANTED PROPANE TANKS

WHEREAS, the Borough has previously collected unwanted and discarded propane tanks from residents, disposing of same at a cost of \$5.00 per tank; and

WHEREAS, JET GAS, INC. has offered to accept and recycle unwanted propane tanks, picking up said cylinders from the Borough when requested, said service to be provided at no cost to the Borough as set forth in the attached April 17, 2015 proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to authorize JET GAS, INC. to pick up and recycle unwanted propane tanks in order to continue to provide this recycling service to Borough residents,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorize JET GAS, INC. to pick up and recycle unwanted propane tanks as set forth in the aforementioned April 17, 2015 proposal.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 120**

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BERGEN COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge,

1. The Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency on April 13, 2015 by the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Borough of Park Ridge; minor revisions recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and/o the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management me be incorporated without further action.
2. The Borough of Park Ridge departments identified in the Pan are hereby directed to pursue implementation of the recommended high priority activities that are assigned to their departments.
3. Any action proposed by the Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion of the Borough of Park Ridge, and this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any such appropriations.
4. The Emergency Management Coordinator is designated to coordinate with other offices and shall periodically report on the activities, accomplishments, and progress, and shall prepare an annual progress report to be submitted to the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management. The status reports shall be submitted on a yearly basis by a predetermined date as agreed upon by all stakeholders.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 121**

**AUTHORIZING VOUCHER NO. 4
Borough Hall Renovations
Catcord Construction Company, Inc.**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge awarded a contract to Catcord Construction Company, Inc. on October 14, 2014 for \$167,500.00 for the Borough Hall Renovations; and

WHEREAS, Catcord Construction Company, Inc. has requested payment for the work completed to date; and

WHEREAS, the Architect by way of letter dated April 19, 2015 a copy of which is attached, has certified that the work is completed as stated; and

Original Contract Amount	\$ 167,500.00
Change Order Amount	\$ 10,660.00
Amended Contract Amount	\$ 178,160.00
Work Completed to Date	\$ 166,900.00
5% retainage	\$ 8,345.00
Less Previously Paid	\$ 135,366.00
Amount due Contractor	\$ 23,189.00

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer had certified the funds are available in Account No. C- 04-55-941-600-001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to make payment of Voucher No. 4 to Catcord Construction in the amount of \$ 23,189.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that payment be processed with the May 12, 2015 Payment of Bills.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015- 122**

AUTHORIZE UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIM REIMBURSEMENT

WHEREAS, beginning in 1978 municipalities were required to set aside funds to reimburse the State of New Jersey for unemployment benefits paid to former employees or part time employees of that municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Unemployment and Disability Insurance of New Jersey Department of Labor and Industry had submitted a bill in the amount of \$726.13.00 as the borough share of unemployment claims made during the 1st Quarter of 2015; and

WHEREAS, the borough’s portion of said claim by employees is as follows:

EMPLOYEE	POSITION	PERIOD COVERED	AMOUNT
Joseph Felice	Crossing Guard	01/03/15	194.69
Lance Villa	Crossing Guard	01/03/15	236.00
Linda Strabone	Crossing Guard	01/03/15	284.00
Eugene Zanetti, Jr.	Finance	01/03/15	11.44
Total			\$726.13

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Borough Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to make said payment to the New Jersey Division of Unemployment and Disability Insurance.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015-123**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF LIGHTNING DETECTION SYSTEM CONTRACT TO EARTH NETWORKS, INC., AND THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO FUND SAID CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge is in need of a lightning detection system at Borough schools, parks and athletic fields; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Board of Education for the Borough of Park Ridge have entered into a tentative agreement with regard to the sharing of costs to be incurred in connection with the installation of said lightning system (to be formally memorialized in a shared services agreement to be executed by the Borough and Board of Education); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is authorized to enter into an agreement for the installation of said lightning detection system pursuant to a Registered Cooperative Pricing System (#11-BeCCP) through the County of Bergen with Earth Networks, Inc., a Corporation of the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a proposal for the installation of said lightning detection system from Earth Networks, Inc. for a total cost of \$52,675.00, together with an annual maintenance and operational fee in the sum of \$2,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education for the Borough of Park Ridge has agreed to pay \$22,575.00 of said total \$52,675.00 cost (with the Borough being responsible for the payment of the annual maintenance and operational fee); and

WHEREAS, the Borough believes that it is in the best interest of the residents of the Borough to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Board of Education and to award the aforementioned contract to Earth Networks, Inc., subject to the execution of said Interlocal Agreement,

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the funds are available in account no. C-04-55-944-300-001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes the award of a Contract with Earth Networks, Inc. for the installation of a lightning detection system in accordance with the proposal and costs referenced above, however, the award of said Contract is hereby expressly subject to and contingent upon the prior execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Board of Education of the Borough of Park Ridge, wherein the Board of Education agrees to be responsible for the payment of \$22,575.00 of said Contract costs.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 124**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLANNING BOARD TO
UNDERTAKE A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER A DESIGNATED
AREA IS AN AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge adopted Resolution No. 015-106 on April 14, 2015 authorizing the Planning Board of the Borough of Park Ridge to undertake a preliminary investigation as to whether an area consisting of Blocks 1801, 1802, and 1803, and Block 1516, Lot 2 should be considered for a redevelopment classification as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, said Resolution incorrectly designated Block 1803 as one of the Blocks to be included in said investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to amend said prior Resolution to reflect that only Blocks 1801, 1802, and Block 1516, Lot 2 be included in said investigation,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park that Resolution No. 015-106 adopted on April 14, 2015 be amended to provide that only Blocks 1801, 1802, and Block 1516, Lot 2 be included in the designation of the areas to be investigated by the Planning Board as an area in need of redevelopment.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 125**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH BEARS NEST CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION
FOR REIMBURSEMENTS UNDER THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES ACT**

WHEREAS, the Municipal Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40:67-23.2, et seq. and amendments thereto, provides that qualified, private communicates, as defined in the Act, are entitles to receive certain municipal services; and

WHEREAS, the Act further provides that in lieu of providing such municipal services the municipality shall have the option to financially reimburse the Association in an amount not to exceed the actual cost that would be incurred by the municipality if it provided the services directly; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and the Association have mutually agreed to providing reimbursement as opposed to providing the services directly; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and the Association have mutually agreed to a reimbursement rate for leaf and snow removal; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Association wish to enter into a multi-year agreement for the reimbursement of such costs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Borough enter into the attached agreement with the Bears Nest Condominium Association for 2015, 2016 and 2017; a copy of which is attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement for leaf and snow removal.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 015 – 126**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 2
AJM Contractors Inc.
Mill Pond Phase II**

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2014 the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge adopted Resolution Number 014-250 awarding a contract to AJM Contractors Inc. for the Mill Pond Phase II Improvements; and

WHEREAS, during work the Borough discovered that several changes to the specifications and project work were required by virtue of the discovery of various unforeseen conditions, specifically the following changes:

Change Order No. 2- Curb modifications increasing the costs by \$6,425.00,

WHEREAS, the project cannot be properly completed without the additional work required in the aforementioned change orders; and

WHEREAS, whereas the additional costs incurred by virtue of the aforementioned change orders will result in a new contract price total of \$245,275.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has recommended to the Mayor and Council that the Borough approve the requested change order as described above and as set forth in written change order request from the Contractor, copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the approval of the requested change order, together with any prior approved change orders, will not increase the cost of the project by more than twenty percent (20%) of the original contract price; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has provided the necessary Certificate of amended Certificate of Availability of Funds as listed in Account C-04-56-005-001-001 and C-04-56-006-001-003,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Change Order Numbered Two for the Contract with AJM Contractors, Inc. for the Mill Pond Phase II Improvements in the amount of \$6,425.00 is hereby authorized and that the Contract with AJM Contractors Inc. shall be amended to reflect said increase.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Maguire asks for a motion to declare May as “Mental Health Awareness Month” in Park Ridge.

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

AYES: Councilmembers Bertini, Hopper, Oppelt, Bosi, Cangialosi,
Council President Misciagna

REPORTS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Councilmember Cangialosi - Just a few things tonight. Starting with the schools – May 4th is their Budget Hearing – that is this upcoming Monday. I’ll be there. Aside from that, we have a few agreements in place with them on a few different things - one of which is the Lightning Detection System where at the next meeting we will be authorizing the Interlocal which is really important and time sensitive considering that our current system is non-operational and non-functional. This will ensure that the system will be in place in time and also with that we spoke to them – the turf field will be available for the fireworks at the town picnic, however, there will be some rules similar to last year – no food, no glass bottles, no juices, only water in plastic bottles, and no chairs this year but blankets and cushions will be allowed. However, if folks do want to have snacks or anything of the sort they can go up on the bleachers or they are more than welcome to go over to the practice field. We just want to make sure that we take care of the turf and don’t harm it so I know that was good. We want to get the message out on that. We are going to continue to push that out.

Moving on – we spoke briefly about the “Stigma-Free” tonight. Shelby Klein, who really has been leading it, has been doing a great job. We will be declaring May as “Mental Health Awareness Month” and also I know that she went out and got these green bracelets all made up that say “Stigma-Free Park Ridge.” She has spoken with the school and they have an agreement where they are going to be distributed to all the students. She is really doing a good job of getting the word out there.

Last thing I want to talk about briefly is grants. We recently hired a new Grants Manager and we have been fairly active on some grants that we’ve gone out with that are currently in process. I guess I won’t go into detail on the grants, but we are keeping our fingers crossed on that - but we need to be applying if we do want to win them so the good thing is that we do have a bunch of open opportunities currently out there and we are still going after more, so keep our fingers crossed that we receive some additional funding.

Mayor Maguire: Additional funding is always good – it is a lot of work obviously, and I’ve seen all the work that has been going into it, so in terms of applying for the grants, so thank you, Ryan.

Councilmember Bertini: I’ve been working a lot with and bringing these groups kind of intersecting the *Board of Health “Stigma-Free”* and *“Mayor’s Wellness”* and these three groups will be sharing a table at the picnic and there will be a lot of information for everyone. “Stigma-Free,” in addition to again, my compliments also to Shelby and the rest of effort team on the work they’re doing, but the “Stigma-Free” group sponsored through the County is a special program that certifies attendees in mental health first aid. It was extremely successful and they are thinking about doing another one in September. Also, the Board of Health and “Mayor’s Wellness” are sponsoring a series of seminars called *“Take Control of Your Health.”* It will be running on Monday afternoons from May 11th to June 22nd, Memorial Day exception - it is six sessions. We ran it a few years ago and it was hugely successful so we are happy to do another one. It is a program that was developed by Stanford University. It is open to anyone, whether you are in Park Ridge or not, who is suffering from a chronic disease like arthritis or diabetes or anything similar to that, as well as caregivers for people with those kinds of conditions. The Press Releases went out last week so we hope to see it in the paper this week, but even without that we have eight registrations already through word of mouth so we are very excited about that.

The *Weight Loss Challenge* is in full swing. Thank you, Mayor, and thank you, Ryan and Steve, for signing up. I hope the rest of you will consider it this week. We have nineteen registrants so far. People can still sign up for the rest of this week. The goal is to lose three pounds and to keep it off throughout the duration of the program and get weighed three times to demonstrate that you’ve done that.

Mayor Maguire: Just due notice there, June, when Ryan and I signed up the person signing us up said we were both very trim and fit. We were optimal weight and that we were candidates though to transition fat to muscle, so thank you, June.

Councilman Cangialosi: That would hurt a little more.

Mayor Maguire: Thank you, June.

Councilmember Bertini: Thank you.

Councilmember Bosi: Thank you, Mayor.

On the Library Board Front – just a reminder to our residents that the Library offers a variety of activities for both young and old and this year they have augmented their E-Book collections so they do have a lot of items for residents to get.

On the Utilities Front – many of our roads took a beating this year due to the weather and the Road Department is aggressively filling the potholes as quickly as possible. This year, something new that they've actually done is they are approaching it by zones similar to the way that they did the leaf collection in attacking the potholes as opposed to just going by a list of streets going from one side of town to the other side of town. So if they haven't gotten to you yet, they are getting to you, but it is basically the same zones as it was for the leaf collections. I would like to thank Pete Wayne and his group for their help in getting the grounds ready for the Easter Egg Hunt. We switched places and they scrambled to do that as well as getting the fields ready for Opening Day and I would like to thank them for their hard work.

On the Electric Front – as mentioned at the Budget Presentation by the Utility Board President, George Mehm, regarding a third substation, the Utility Board and Paul Longo have met with PSE&G regarding getting that process moving forward.

Water Utilities – also mentioned by George Mehm, we have identified two new parcels of land for possible well sites within Woodcliff Lake and we've reached out to Woodcliff Lake to let them know about these potential sites.

Finance Front – as reported at the 2015 Budget Presentation, the increase for 2015 is .9% which relates to a \$24.00 increase per year or \$2.00 a month to the average homeowners. And lastly, we are in the final stages of the interview process regarding the hiring of a new CFO. That is all we have, Mayor, thank you.

Mayor Maguire: Thank you, Rich. Obviously, I think the key item there is that we all notice the potholes and I certainly notice that they are rapidly being filled over the past week. I thank Pete Wayne for his job there especially the one on, I don't know who filled it, but the one on Park Avenue was filled and it needed to be filled so thank you.

Councilmember Oppelt – It is interesting while you are talking about potholes, I noticed they were doing the County roads and that is because of the County being a little bit overwhelmed, I guess with their own work, so a little bit of a pat on the back additionally to Pete for taking that on, especially the one in front of my house.

PKRG - was a busy month. We did the Opening Day Parade live broadcast. The crew seemed to have a good time doing it and I think it turned out o.k. We also recorded the ceremony later as the Mayor threw his arm out to throw the first ball out. We had a live broadcast for the Budget Presentation and I think that probably will be the last time we hear about the rate increase this year. In addition, they are doing an awful lot of recording of sporting events this time of year so the cameras are running regularly. New shows that we are going to be recording will be the Car Show this Saturday, I believe it is. We have the crew ready for that. The Memorial Day Service is at 9:00 a.m. on the 25th of May and then followed by the Parade which also will be a live broadcast done right out in front of the Borough Hall.

Shade Tree Committee - is pretty active. Plans are underway to continue the planting from last year. Our Budget calls for an aggressive planting season. We are going to continue along

Pascack Road as well as North Maple. The Community Forest Management Plan has been presented to the State and is currently under review. Hopefully, that blessing will come in soon and will assist us in some grants in line with Ryan's remarks. Last, but not least, the Garden Club is set for their planting and hopefully that will be completed before Memorial Day.

Councilmember Bertini: Bob, if I might add to that, I know Ned has been working on another program for PKRG about our Golden Age Social Club and I've seen some of the preliminary footage. I think it is going to be terrific.

Councilmember Oppelt: He is pretty good. Thank you.

Mayor Maguire: Thanks, Bob, and I know the Garden Club is eager to get out there now. The weather is finally warming up. I guess it has been too cold to plant flowers. Thank you.

Councilmember Hopper: Thank you, Mayor. Good evening, Katherine or public.

Recreation - This Saturday we do have a Car Show. Ray Mital has been the head of that. It is going quite well. We expect another big crowd. The Pool has been very helpful in accommodating our needs. June 13th which is coming very quickly is going to be our annual Town Picnic and Fireworks. A little bit of a change this year for food – we are going to have it set up very much like a street fair. We are going to have local businesses - so far we have three of the eateries in town – Marc's, Pesto and El Azteca – they are going to have different booths. We do have feelers out to a couple of other restaurants, but we just haven't gotten confirmation yet. It is a town event so we thought it was good to include the businesses in town and they are excited to be a part of it.

The Green Team had a recent "Tree Give-a-Way" and the Annual Bi-State Cleanup for the Spring which was very good. This year for the BCUA grants for the schools, they are targeting flower gardens for the schools so that is between the school and the Green Team – that was the recommendation that they came up with.

PRAA – the baseball and softball season is underway. They are excited about the new Lightning Detection System that is going in to have comfort of a reliable system that is updated. Sulak Field and Colony Fields are going to be going through improvements.

On the Pool Front – applications have gone out and many families are starting to return their applications so we've got that rolling in right now. We did receive new bids for the slide project which we'll be discussing at the May 4th Pool Meeting. The volleyball court is going to be going in within the next two or three weeks as well as the kids' playground equipment that is being updated and moved towards the kiddie pool. That is it.

Mayor Maguire: That is a lot. It is a fun time of year and I'm looking forward to the Car Show as usual and the Town Picnic. I know how much work goes into that and I guess we are adjusting as things change in terms of the food. Thank you, Steve.

Council President Misciagna: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. At the risk of sounding corny, I wanted to say that the best part of running for local office in Park Ridge has been knocking on doors and meeting people that you wouldn't normally meet. One of those individuals is a guy named Archie Harvey – great guy, sailor. I've met a lot of WWII heroes in our town and Archie was right up there among them. He is still alive but he had a scare and he sent a letter to the Police that I would like to read:

To Whom It May Concern:

Just a note to thank the Police Officers Chris Puglis and Pete Mauro who provided life-saving assistance to me on the afternoon of Tuesday, the 13th January, 2015. These two officers were professional, courteous, and I received the best possible care imaginable. I would also like to thank the 911 Dispatcher who was so vital in assuring a timely response took place.

The residents of Park Ridge are truly blessed to have a professional Police Department and I think that it is important to recognize individuals who exemplify the meaning of the

word “public servant.” Please extend them my most heartfelt gratitude and genuine respect for what they do on a daily basis.

Thank you again for all that you and your fellow officers do on a daily basis to insure the safety and well-being of the citizens of our great town.

*Sincerely,
Archibald Harvey, Jr.*

Not that it matters, but I just love Archie so it was nice to hear something good about Police in this day and age right now with everything that is going on around the country. It is good to see some good things happening and the Police being recognized for good deeds. With that being said, on May 29th is our Police Reserve Dinner. Our Police Reserves will be celebrating their 65th year. I didn't quite calculate how much money they saved us over the years by not having Police, but I'm sure it is in the millions of dollars so I hope they enjoy that evening. That same evening, Chief Witte will be celebrating his 40th year on the Reserves so he is probably responsible for a million dollars of savings himself so I wanted to congratulate him. Also, in May, the Chief tells me that we will be swearing in three new Reserves. We are also starting two things – we are actually in the final stages of replacing Lieutenant Errico, who retired. We are in the final stages of that and we will be starting the process for a new recruit sometime I think in July. That concludes my report.

Mayor Maguire: Thanks, Keith, and congratulations to Chief Witte on 40 years and we will have that proclamation on at our next meeting or the May 26th. We are all glad to hear that Archie is feeling better and again our Police Department does a great job. I was at the Dare Graduation the other day and they did a great job. The kids really responded to them and their efforts. I think they missed Katherine this year. Katherine wasn't at the Dare Graduation – but they loved having you there at the game you played that one year so thank you.

Councilmember Hopper: I forgot, I have one more thing. On the Access for All Committee – what I've done between the Fall and the Spring is actually with some scrap wood left over from decks and I spoke to the Building Inspector if there are decks that are being replaced and things like that, I've made them three elevated gardens because they are in wheelchairs down there and some flower pots so about the third week in May I've got sixth grade students coming down that need community service hours and the Bergen County master gardeners are coming down to help with planting as well. It is shaping up down there. We are trying to put the gardens back to Lehman Gardens.

Mayor Maguire: Very nice. Thank you, Steve.

Councilmember Cangialosi: Anyone who often goes to the middle of town by the train station will know what an awful state it is in and how the way NJ Transit takes care of it and maintains it is an absolute disgrace. They should be embarrassed of themselves as a public agency. Mayor, I know you, along with all the other area Mayors in the Pascack Valley, have been putting pressure on them because every single one of our train stations is in poor, poor condition. Aside from the fact that they are all mostly historic buildings and focal points of our communities, and then even now the pavers all around through the bad winter have been ripped up and they haven't even come by to clean them up. There are divots, holes all over the place. They have been notified. I've reached out to them as well. I've enlisted the help of Assemblywoman Schepisi. Basically, they have been telling us that there is nothing that they can do because it is not ADA compliant and they don't have the funds to make it ADA compliant, so I think this is a fight that the whole Pascack Valley is going to continue to push forward with especially as they are trying to hit everybody with a 9% raise while cutting services but not taking care of their own properties and unfortunately those properties are focal points of our communities. It really is unfortunate of how bad it looks and the liability it presents but they are not giving any solutions at this time so we are rolling up our sleeves and continuing to push forward is what we are going to have to do.

Mayor Maguire: Thank you, Ryan, and I know you speak for all the commuters in Park Ridge and you are doing a good job by the way.

Councilmember Cangialosi: I try not to be an angry commuter but it is hard.

Mayor Maguire: As a commuter advocate it is something that I personally am frustrated with and you saw the note that went between us and NJ Transit – I was optimistic in terms of the response we got back. They recognized the state that it is in. I have raised it to the Pascack Valley Mayors and invited them to attend the Pascack Valley Mayors' Association meeting. I am hopeful that they will come in with some measure that allows them to beautify and make it safe.

Councilmember Cangialosi: Any solution is a temporary stop gap solution. To actually address the situation they said that they would have to combine Park Ridge and Montvale stations and build a whole new station.

Mayor Maguire: And/or make an ADA compliant ramp.

Councilmember Cangialosi: No, they said that you're not allowed – Federal regulations don't allow ramps anymore. It has to be an elevator. I've been going in on this.

Mayor Maguire: So Pascack Valley may be getting elevators next. Thank you, Ryan, I'm frustrated with them. I did get a commitment out of them and they sent a crew out to look at it and we are waiting to get a report back from NJ Transit. I did want to mention that our Borough Hall renovations are progressing. We have new furniture in the last phase of our addition that went in this past week and we are hoping to wrap up the renovations by mid-May and move the folks back in there and try to get back to normalcy here.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Closed and Work Session Minutes Dated April 14, 2015

Public Hearing Minutes dated March 24, 2015

A motion was made by Council President Misciagna and seconded by Councilmember Bosi to confirm.

AYES: Councilmembers Bertini, Hopper, Oppelt, Bosi, Cangialosi,
Council President Misciagna

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council President Misciagna and seconded by Councilmember Bosi to adjourn the regular Mayor and Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelley R. O'Donnell, RMC
Borough Clerk/Administrator