

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
MAOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
WORK SESSION

February 10, 2009
9:20 P.M.

Present: Mayor Ruschman, Council President Wells, Council members; Ciannella, Kane, Levinson, Viola and Maughan (via telephone)

Absent: None

Also Present: Kelley O'Donnell, Acting Borough Clerk
Gene Vinci, Borough Administrator
Robert Mancinelli, Borough Attorney
Colleen Ennis, CFO

Mayor Ruschman read the compliance statement earlier as required by the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT

- Distributed Thank You card received from Don Davies.

- Contact information for Governor's office. I still have not received
 - Mayor Ruschman
 - Council President Wells
 - Councilmember Kane
 - **Mayor Ruschman asked the Clerk to provide an additional sheet**
 - Council President Wells faxed the response back himself
 - Councilmember Kane will provide information

- **PRAA sponsor letter**
 - **Full page add - \$125.00 – Council agrees, Mayor's budget**

- **Field Use –**
 - Ordinance to be amended asap
 - Issues to address
 - Priority of Field Use
 - Proof of Residency
 - Alcohol consumption
 - Fees

- **Council asked for a recommendation from the Field Coordinator & Committee through Council Liaison**

- **Robert Mancinelli to draft**

- Distributed mock up of Web Site home page

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- **Grants –**
 - Train Station Pedestrian Improvements – received
 - \$200,000 Municipal Aid award announced for Fifth Street improvements
 - Project to be bid jointly with Pascack Valley towns as part of DOT program
 - Veteran's Park
 - Plans and Specs complete
 - Working on Boiler Plate bid specs
 - Senior Bus –
 - T & M submitted
 - Pool Safety – Drainage in pools
 - CDBG Meeting on 2/24 in Washington Twp. At 5:30 p.m. regarding 2009 grant applications
 - Councilmember Ciannella to attend with Gene Vinci

- **2009 Budget**
 - Gene Vinci and Colleen Ennis to meet with Auditor
 - Very difficult this year
 - Gene Vinci attended meeting with state officials
 - Stated if pension deferral not taken advantage of State will not allow municipalities to exceed the tax levy
 - Tax Levy cap – 4%
 - Appropriations cap – 2.5 – 3.5% (with adoption of ordinance)

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT

- **Recycling Ordinance – Enforcement is included**
 - Only amending those sections affected by new guidelines
 - **Gene Vinci to talk to Robert Mancinelli after speaking with BCUA**

- **Clothing Bin Ordinance**
 - Robert Mancinelli to look at other ordinances
 - Who will collect fees & penalties
 - **Robert Mancinelli to speak with Nick Saluzzi**
 - **Recommendations fees and penalties**
 - Will also check with zoning

Public work session adjourned to second closed session 9:49 p.m.