

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
WORK SESSION

March 10, 2009
8:55 P.M.

Present: Acting Mayor Wells, Council members; Ciannella, Kane, Levinson, Viola and Maughan

Absent: Mayor Ruschman

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

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

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT

- Resolution needed for 3/24 meeting supporting participation in the **Sustainable New Jersey Municipal Certification Program**
 - Need to appoint a Municipal Agent responsible for completing the Municipal Registration
 - Council agrees to appoint Administrator
- **Web Site** – On Site training scheduled for afternoon of 3/19 and all day on 3/20 for publishers
 - Hoping to launch to the public end of April

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- **Finance Committee** –
 - Met last night, meeting again next week
 - Hopeful of staying within the CAP
 - Introduce the Budget at the 4/14 meeting and public hearing with adoption in May
 - Work in progress
 - Councilmember Maughan stated that the participation from the various groups has been very good
 - Collaborative effort by all
 - Many of the increases are outside of the Borough's control
 - Needs to have Auditor's review

- **CDBG –**
 - Last regional meeting in Washington Township
 - Approval was recommended for \$56,976 for ADA improvements to the Municipal Pool bathrooms
 - This would be in addition to the \$42,000 already received in 2008
- **Mill Pond Dam Rehabilitation –**
 - Plans and specs have been picked up by 16 contractors
 - Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting 3/17
 - Councilmember Maughan asked if this could be tied in with some of the ideas mentioned at the Vision Plan Committee meeting on Saturday
 - Council advised the plans and specs are for the Dam repair only
- **Senior Bus –**
 - Gene Vinci stated that the bus has been out of commission for approximately 1 week
 - Shared service with Montvale and Woodcliff Lake
 - Spoke with the Westwood Administrator who is loaning their extra bus
 - Montvale mechanic to assess condition of bus
 - Provides service 2 days a week to Park Ridge residents

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT

- **NJ Transit Lease –**
 - Modifications to be sent to Dave Vozza to discuss with JIF
- **Recycling Ordinance –**
 - Councilmember Levinson sent suggestions
 - Nothing from anyone else at this time
- **Parks and Recreation Ordinance –**
 - Council asks for Steve Hopper, Field Coordinator, to give his input on fees
 - Council discusses changes to ordinance before publication of introduction
 - **Council discussion that the term “resident” includes employees of the Borough**
- **Spring Valley Road Improvements -**
 - Easements will be needed
 - Cost of improvements and easements must be calculated
 - Gene Vinci stated that the engineer suggested meeting with the property owners regarding the easements
 - **Council advised Gene Vinci to contact the property owners and discuss with them the sidewalks proposed**

Public Work Session adjourned to Closed Session at 9:40 p.m.