

Municipal Building
Park Ridge, NJ
January 8, 2008 – 8:45 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council was called to order by Mayor Ruschman at the above time, date and place. The Mayor led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor apologized to the audience for the delay in opening the Public Meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Ruschman, Council members Henning, Maughan, Levinson, Ciannella, Brouwer and Wells
Absent: None
Also Present: Kelley O'Donnell, Acting Borough Clerk
Gene Vinci, Borough Administrator
John D'Anton, Borough Attorney
Ann Kilmartin, CFO

AGENDA CHANGES

None.

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

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE TO THE FLOOR

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

Burton Hall – 98 North 5th Street

Welcome to everyone and Happy New Year. Checking on the status of the letter sent to the property owner on North 5th. John D'Anton stated the letter was sent six weeks ago. The Borough still has not received a response.

Expresses concerns about the FAA, and questioned if things were still in progress. Mr. Hall asked if we received the support from Senators Lautenberg & Menendez that we were hoping for. Mayor Ruschman stated that he felt Eminent Domain took over and that the Senators did not respond as hoped. Even the Port Authority changed their feelings on it and stated that they are in agreement with what the FAA wants to do.

Scott Montgomery – 230 Vittorio Court

Feels that the Board of Education is divided amongst themselves with regard to the idea of regionalization. Wanted to know if the Mayor and Council would work with the Board of Education in doing a survey to determine what the residents want. Mayor Ruschman stated that Councilmember Brouwer has been very active with the Board of Education. Mr. Montgomery asked if the Borough could provide a list of all residents.

Mrs. Kilmartin stated that the tax book is open on the counter. Council members Brouwer and Maughan are both liaisons to the School Board. Councilmember Brouwer stated that communication is most important. Mr. Montgomery stated that the survey would have to be received by the end of February for September Election or by the end of May for December Election.

Monique Bliss – 7 Marti Road

Asked if there was any way to encourage homeowners who live along main streets to shovel their sidewalks. She was concerned about mothers she saw pushing strollers in the street up Ridge Avenue because the sidewalks had not been shoveled. Mayor Ruschman stated that a letter had been sent to the homeowners stating that the sidewalks had to be shoveled within 18 hours of a snowstorm. The Borough is still working on a plan to aid those homeowners with special concerns. Thinks that a Menorah should be placed in Depot Square during the holidays. Mayor Ruschman will meet with the clergy in town to

discuss the Holiday celebrations. In the past the clergy did not want any Holiday symbols in Depot Square.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE 2008-01 AN ORDINANCE FOR ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to introduce on first reading by title Ordinance 2008-01, an ordinance for acquisition of certain real property.

A motion was made by Councilmember Levinson and seconded by Councilmember Brouwer to confirm. Motion carried unanimously.

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

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOT 10 IN BLOCK 1601 ALSO KNOWN AS 38 PARK AVENUE IN THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council were advised that the real property known as Lot 10 in Block 1601 also known as 38 Park Avenue was available for purchase; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorized the Mayor to execute a contract for the purchase of this property at a cost of One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000) subject to certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, the property consists of real property and improvements which are currently occupied by the United States Postal Service under written lease; and

WHEREAS, the conditions of the contract has been satisfied including a Phase I Environmental Assessment; and

WHEREAS, acquisition of this property shall further the public purpose for future open space, downtown planning and development and other related public purposes and uses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge as follows:

Section I

The Borough shall acquire at the cost of One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000) the property known as Lot 10 in Block 1601 also known as 38 Park Avenue which is more particularly described in the description attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The acquisition of this property is for the development of the downtown area, open space acquisition and other related uses for the Borough of Park Ridge.

Section II – Invalidity

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of this ordinance, but shall be confirmed in its effect to the section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered and all other provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section III – Severability

If any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance. The governing body of the Borough of Park Ridge declares that it would have passed the Ordinance and each section and subsection, thereof, irrespective of the facts that one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrased may be declared unconstitutional of invalid.

Section IV – Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law following final passage, adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

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

Speaker: There was no one.

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to pass this ordinance on first reading by title and that it be published in full in "The Record" with notice of public hearing to be held on February 12th.

A motion was made by Councilmember Brouwer and seconded by Councilmember Levinson. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSIONALS FOR BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to appoint:

Leggette, Berashears & Graham, Inc. 6 Arrow Road, Suite 103,
Ramsey, NJ 07446, as **Environmental Engineer**

Betts and Holt, LLP, 1333 H Street WS, West Tower 10th Floor,
Washington DC as **Special Rate Counsel**

Quad Three Group, 37 North Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA
18701 as **Rate Engineer**

John D'Anton, Esq., 67 Ramapo Valley Road, Suite 202, Mahwah, NJ
07430 as **Board Attorney**

A motion is made by Councilmember Ciannella and seconded by Councilmember Levinson to confirm. Motion carried unanimously.

BOROUGH PLANNER

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to appoint **Burgis Associates** as **Borough Planner** for the year 2008.

A motion is made by Councilmember Levinson and seconded by Councilmember Ciannella to confirm. Motion carried unanimously.

BOROUGH ENGINEER

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to appoint **Brooker Engineering** as **Borough Engineer** for the year 2008.

A motion is made by Councilmember Ciannella and seconded by Councilmember Wells to confirm. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to appoint **Keith Misciagna**, a member of the **Board of Public Works** to fill an unexpired term, said term expiring on December 31, 2009.

A motion is made by Councilmember Brouwer and seconded by Council President Henning to confirm. ROLL CALL: Ciannella – no, Brouwer – yes, Wells – no, Henning – yes, Maughan – abstain, Levinson – yes.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Ruschman states that under the resolution for the Payment of Monthly Bills the following Councilmembers will abstain from voting on the following payments:

Henning: Pascack Community Services; Levinson: SCI.

Mayor Ruschman asks if any Councilmember would like to have any resolution removed from the consent agenda and placed under New Business. There was none.

Mayor Ruschman asks for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda with the abstentions so noted:

A motion was made by Councilmember Levinson and seconded by Councilmember Wells to confirm. Motion carried unanimously with abstentions noted.

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 MONTHLY CHECK LIST - FUND NO 17
 Beginning Date: 01/01/2008 Ending Date: 01/31/2008

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016074	01/25/2008	728	BERGEN COUNTY PROSECUTORS OFFICE	VOID CHECK #16074	-6,000.00
017030	01/07/2008	69	UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE RCY NEWS	741.09
017032	01/08/2008	44	BOB'S TROPHY SHOP/ET SPECIALTIES	NAME PLATE BORO CLER	209.00
017033	01/08/2008	51	B & C COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	RECIEVIER WCL REPD	129.00
017034	01/18/2008	69	UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	VOID CHECK # 17034	-741.09
017034	01/08/2008	69	UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	POSTAGE RCY NEWSLETT	741.09
017035	01/08/2008	96	D & E UNIFORMS	UNIFORMS	846.90
017036	01/08/2008	100	JOHN J. D'ANTON, ESQ.	12/07 LEGAL SVC	4,924.17
017037	01/08/2008	147	AT&T	12/07 MONTHLY LL BIL	391.99
017038	01/08/2008	156	COMMERCE RISK CONTROL SERVICES	CDL RANDOM TESTS	628.00
017039	01/08/2008	157	TIRE MANAGEMENT LLC	TIRES RECYCLED	246.00
017040	01/08/2008	207	MOTOPHOTO OF PARK RIDGE	PHOTO SCANS	300.00
017041	01/08/2008	252	HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SUPPLY	ALMN SIGNS	19.00
017042	01/08/2008	311	TRIANGLE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC	RADIO INSTALL	135.00
017043	01/08/2008	317	CHEVROLET OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER	HUB ASY FRONT	79.95
017044	01/08/2008	333	KRELL LIGHTING	ELEC SUPPLIES	14.03
017045	01/08/2008	337	KAY PRINTING & ENVELOPE CO., INC.	FORMS	270.08
017046	01/08/2008	354	ON SITE APPARATUS SERVICES	MNTNC PRI/2/5/6	5,385.18
017047	01/08/2008	390	DAVE STERN, INC.	WHEEL/TIRE 97LOUVL	304.36
017048	01/08/2008	393	MONTVALE HARDWARE & SUPPLY	10/07 MISC SUPPLIES	540.68
017049	01/08/2008	425	VERIZON	12/07 MONTHLY BILLS	3,205.23
017050	01/08/2008	493	PASCACK VALLEY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION	4TH QTR SHARE EXP	261.33
017051	01/08/2008	501	PARK RIDGE VOL. FIREMEN'S ASSN, INC	REIMBURS EXPENSE	2,950.00
017052	01/08/2008	502	BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, ELEC DEPT	12/07 MONTHLY BILLS	7,215.03
017053	01/08/2008	580	STATE LINE FIRE & SAFETY, INC.	TOWN COUNCIL BADGE/W	374.40
017054	01/08/2008	587	OUR LADY OF MERCY INTERPAROCHIAL	8TH GRD GRADUATN	350.00
017055	01/08/2008	645	DURIE LAWNMOWER & EQUIPMENT	REPLACE THROTL CABL	39.95
017056	01/08/2008	688	SARJO INDUSTRIES, INC.	SMALL PARTS	165.09
017057	01/08/2008	689	NEW CONCEPT OFFICE SUPPLY	COFFEE CUPS/FLDRS	431.99
017058	01/08/2008	777	STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	OFFICE SUPPLIES	198.98
017059	01/08/2008	886	PASCACK COMMUNITY SERVICES	HOME VISIT 12/07/07	93.00
017060	01/08/2008	889	LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	INTERPRETATION	28.23
017061	01/08/2008	913	PARK RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL	SADD/STOP SMOKNG	1,009.00
017062	01/08/2008	940	PREMIER SUPPLIES	COFFE/OCF SUPPLIES	124.79
017063	01/08/2008	1091	INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL	CODE BOOKS	189.50
017064	01/08/2008	1151	GENE VINCI	12/07 CELL REIMBURSE	38.72
017065	01/08/2008	1163	CAROL TYLER	CONTRACT SVC 12/07	750.00
017066	01/08/2008	1167	ANTHONY MORGEN HEATING & AIR	AC REPAIRS PDHQ	852.45

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017067	01/08/2008	1274	VERIZON WIRELESS	12/07 MONTHLY BILL	823.22
017068	01/08/2008	1423	SHRED-IT NEWARK	SHERED TAPES	85.00
017069	01/08/2008	1492	NEW HORIZON COMMUNICATIONS CORP.	12/07 MONTHLY BILL	1,777.87
017070	01/08/2008	1512	MACO OFFICE SUPPLIES	BINDERS/FOLDERS	47.50
017071	01/08/2008	1572	STARNET DESIGN & LITHO, INC.	ANNUAL NEWSLTR	1,751.76
017072	01/08/2008	1589	A-V SERVICES, INC.	FORTBL PROJECTOR	1,272.00
017073	01/08/2008	1594	FIRE SAFETY MEDIA	BABYSITTING VIDEO	190.00
017074	01/08/2008	1596	THE CHOICE GAME	TEEN COMM	550.00
017075	01/08/2008	1989	LANDSCAPE SYSTEMS, INC.	SULAK FLD/BOROHAL	745.00
017076	01/08/2008	2069	COOPERATIVE COMMUNICATIONS INC	12/07 MONTHLY BILL	59.10
017077	01/08/2008	2193	VANWELL ELECTRONICS, INC.	FD HQ ALARM PNL	85.00
017078	01/08/2008	2224	SICOMAC DAIRY FOODS	12/07 DAIRY FDS BILL	81.20
017079	01/08/2008	2354	I.D.M. MEDICAL SUPPLY COMPANY	REFILL O2 CYL	195.75
017080	01/08/2008	2622	JOHNNY ON THE SPOT, INC.	FINAL ATKINS GLN FLD	52.54
017108	01/25/2008	728	BERGEN COUNTY PROSECUTORS OFFICE	MARS COMPUTER	6,000.00

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017026	01/02/2008	716	SALARIES AND WAGES	01/04/08 PAYROLL	142,095.74
017027	01/02/2008	725	AGENCY ACCOUNT	01/04/08 SS	6,629.16
017099	01/16/2008	716	SALARIES AND WAGES	1/18/08 PAYROLL	154,533.49
017110	01/30/2008	716	SALARIES AND WAGES	2/1/08 PAYROLL	142,441.66
017081	01/08/2008	51	B & C COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	RENEW SVR CONTRACT	840.00
017082	01/08/2008	102	INTERSTATE WASTE SERVICES OF	1/08 MUNICIPAL SVC	39,833.33
017083	01/08/2008	126	N. J. TRAFFIC OFFICERS ASSOCIATION	2008 MEMBERSHIP DUES	200.00
017084	01/08/2008	168	A. MONTEVERDI	COFFEE SUPPLIES	29.95
017085	01/08/2008	233	DE LAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL SERVICES	1/08 MONTHLY BILL	495.00
017086	01/08/2008	388	G.F.O.A. OF NEW JERSEY	MEMBERSHIP C.ENNIS	90.00
017087	01/08/2008	441	NJ STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES	2008 MEMBERSHIP	867.00
017088	01/08/2008	576	SYMETRA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	1/08 LIFE INSURANCE	134.55
017089	01/08/2008	580	STATE LINE FIRE & SAFETY, INC.	ROAD FLARES	729.95
017090	01/08/2008	670	THE VOZZA AGENCY, INC.	BOND RENEWAL A KILMA	565.00
017091	01/08/2008	754	ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS, INC.	08 RENEW SVC AGREEME	585.00
017092	01/08/2008	786	RUGGED OUTFITTERS, INC.	SAFETY BOOTS P.WAYNE	99.99
017093	01/08/2008	890	BERGEN MUNICIPAL EMP BENEFIT FUND	1/08 EMP GRP INS	88,624.00
017094	01/08/2008	1307	CHRISTOPHER R. PUGLIS	REIMBURSEMENT EXP	1,660.44
017095	01/08/2008	1992	TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	PERMIT FEE	350.00
017096	01/08/2008	2276	AVAYA, INC.	1/08 MONTHLY BILLING	466.02
017097	01/08/2008	2300	UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	1/08 DISABILITY INS	1,887.82
017101	01/16/2008	725	AGENCY ACCOUNT	1/18/08 SS	6,765.28
017102	01/18/2008	85	BOARD OF EDUCATION	1/08 BILLING	900,000.00
017103	01/09/2008	1064	TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	4TH QTR MARRIAGE LIC	250.00
017104	01/09/2008	1581	TREASURER STATE OF NEW JERSEY	4TH QTR BURIAL	270.00
017105	01/09/2008	1867	TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	4TH QTR CCO	1,991.00
017106	01/25/2008	24	BERGEN COUNTY MUN JOINT INS. FUND	1ST QTR 08 ASSESSMEN	44,081.98
017107	01/25/2008	635	BERGEN COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY	1ST QTR SVCS 2008	121,867.40
017109	01/25/2008	85	BOARD OF EDUCATION	01/31/08 BILLING	752,025.50
017112	01/30/2008	725	AGENCY ACCOUNT	2/1/08 SS	6,734.37

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	MONTHLY CHECK LIST - FUND NO 53.		
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001008	01/08/2008	51	B & C COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	CALLER ID LINE CARD	4,725.00
001010	01/22/2008	2917	BERGEN COUNTY SOIL	SUBMISSION FEE	550.00
001011	01/25/2008	1536	HANDI-LIFT, INC.	VERT PLATFORM LIFT	10,525.00
*** FUND TOTAL ***					15,800.00
*** GRAND TOTALS ***					3,180,780.34

RESOLUTIONS

STATE TRAINING FEE

WHEREAS, the State Bureau of Construction Code enforcement of the Department of Community Affairs instituted a State Training Fee that is based on the cubic feet volume of new construction; and

WHEREAS, the municipality collects these fees for the state and pursuant to NJAC 5:23-4.19 payment of these fees must be made quarterly; and

WHEREAS, \$1991.00 based upon 198,611 cubic feet of new construction and \$1,083,870.00 of construction in alterations has been collected for the period of October 1 through December 31, 2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Treasurer be and she is hereby directed to draw a check to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey.

APPROVE MEMBERSHIP IN FIRE RESERVE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Thomas Derienzo has approved an application prepared by David DiGregorio, 7 Oneto Court, for the Park Ridge Fire Reserve Program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby approved the membership of David DiGregorio in the Park Ridge Fire Reserve Program.

AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY OF BERGEN FOR 2008 PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the County of Bergen for the 2008 Public Health Services at a cost of \$38,711.00 as per the agreement.

ADDITIONAL FEES – BURIAL, REMOVAL AND TRANSIT PERMITS

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 4293 was signed into law on June 28, 2007, effective September 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, this bill provides for charging an additional \$10.00 fee for burial, removal and transit permits to fund the development, maintenance and deployment of the Electronic Death Registration System; and

WHEREAS, payments to the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services – Bureau of Vital Statistics and Registration/Burial Permit Fees 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 \$270.00 to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey, for the quarter ending December 31, 2007.

ADDITIONAL FEES – MARRIAGE LICENSES

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

WHEREAS, this bill provides for charging an additional \$25 fee for marriage licenses to be used for programs for shelters 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 \$250 to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey for the quarter ending December 31, 2007.

**RESTORATION OF MAJORITY RULE
FOR SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS**

WHEREAS, New Jersey Public School Districts face increasing budgetary challenges to maintain effective and high quality educational programs, and

WHEREAS, greater budgetary constraints (caps) imposed by recent legislation (Assembly Bill A 1 and formally known as P.L. 2007, c.62) force many school districts to present high quality educational programs to district voters by means of special questions, and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2007, c. 62 imposes an unprecedented 60% majority vote requirement for a special question to be successful and further declares that school districts have no right of appeal to the local municipality or the Commissioner of Education should such questions fail, and

WHEREAS, low voter turnout (often less than 15%) for school budgetary questions often means that success or failure is often based on very low margins, and

WHEREAS, this requirement violates all principles of majority rule and gives those persons who vote in the negative greater voice and control in their respective communities,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Park Ridge Board of Education requests its legislative representatives and Governor Jon Corzine to amend Chapter 62 to eliminate the provision of a super-majority (60%) vote for school district special questions and restore the principle of "one person, one vote" in the State of New Jersey, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to our local legislative representatives in the General Assembly and Senate, the Governor of the State of New Jersey, and to the New Jersey School Board's Association.

RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR FIRE TRUCK

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have previously authorized the place for public bid the purchase of a Heavy Duty Aerial Ladder Truck for to Park Ridge Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council received on December 27, 2007 one responsive bid from Pierce Manufacturing Inc. 2600 American Drive Appleton, WI 54912 in the amount of \$884,740.00 (Eight Hundred Eighty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars); and

WHEREAS, the members of the Park Ridge Fire Department have reviewed the bid specifications and have advised that they are technically complete and recommend the award of this bid; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has reviewed the bid response and advises that the Mayor and Council may award the bid to Pierce Manufacturing Inc. as it is the lowest qualified bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council based upon the advice of the Borough Attorney and the recommendation of the Park Ridge Fire Department believe is in the best interest to award this bid to purchase this vehicle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that they hereby award to Pierce Manufacturing Inc. the bid for the manufacturing and delivery of the Heavy Duty Aerial Ladder Truck for the Borough of Park Ridge Fire Department for a price not to exceed \$884,740.00 (Eight Hundred Eighty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute a contract approved as to form and substance by the Borough Attorney with Pierce Manufacturing Inc. for this purchase.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of this action shall be published in the local newspaper record within (10) days from the date hereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a true copy of this resolution be sent to Pierce Manufacturing Inc. within (10) days from date of the adoption of this resolution.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS OF GOVERNING BODY

Councilmember Ciannella

- The guys are continuing to pick up the leaves.

Councilmember Brouwer

- School Board meeting on January 7, 2008
 - Question and Answer session regarding the Feasibility Study
 - They are going through their options.
- School Board will hold a Public Meeting on January 14 in the Library.

- Has concerns on sidewalk clearing for the seniors and disabled within our community. Need to look at utilizing students and community service hours or forming a volunteer committee.

Councilmember Wells

- Reminded everyone that the Vision Committee meets the last Monday of the month, the County Planning representative will be there.
- Looking forward to working on the Safety Committee and Technology Committee Boards and involvement with Buildings and Grounds.
- Residents need to be responsible for clearing their sidewalks, if there are special concerns they need to contact the town.

Council President Henning

- Agrees that the sidewalks need to be cleared, but that as a community we need to help the seniors and disabled – community service hours a great idea.

Councilmember Maughan

- Just wanted to take a few moments to put the residents at ease. There has been a lot of press recently regarding communities in Florida having their investments frozen and inaccessible without prior notice. New Jersey is quite different than Florida, in that municipal investments are handled under the regulations called Local Fiscal Affairs Law. New Jersey has a New Jersey Class Program managed by MBIA. Park Ridge has their investments all with New Jersey Class System. Our investments are in state mandated and state safe investments.

Councilmember Levinson

- No report at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

A motion was made by Council President Henning and seconded by Councilmember Brouwer to adjourn the regular Mayor and Council meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

