

Approved, March 10, 2020  
Municipal Building  
Park Ridge, NJ  
January 1, 2020 – 2:00 P.M.

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

Retiring Borough of Westwood Mayor, John Birkner, led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Councilmember Metzdorf, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Farinaro, Councilmember Mintz, Council President Capilli, Mayor Misciagna

Absent:

Also Present: Julie Falkenstern, Borough Administrator  
Durene Ayer, Chief Financial Officer  
Bill Beattie, Director of Operations  
Magdalena Giandomenico, Borough Clerk  
Daniel C. Lee, Engineer – Neglia Engineering  
Joseph Madden, Police Chief  
Thomas Lepore, Fire Chief

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

**PUBLIC PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

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

*Upon recognition by the Mayor, the person shall proceed to the floor and give his/her name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records. Unless further time is granted by the Council, he/she shall limit his/her statement to five (5) minutes. Statements shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, without recognition by the Mayor.*

**Speaker:** *There was no one.*

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Misciagna asks if any Councilmember would like to have any resolution removed from the Consent Agenda and placed under New Business.

**Speaker:** *There was no one.*

Mayor Misciagna asks if any Council member would like to abstain from voting on any resolution on the Consent Agenda.

**Speaker:** *There was no one.*

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda (with the abstentions so noted).

A motion was made by Councilmember Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Mintz to confirm.

**AYES:** Councilmembers Metzdorf, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Mintz, Councilmember Farinaro, Council President Capilli

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE  
RESOLUTION NO. 019-311**

**SCHEDULE OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2020**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that all meetings of the Governing Body for the year 2020 shall be held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 53 Park Avenue, Park Ridge, in accordance with the following schedule.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that formal action may be taken at these meetings.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council will hold Closed/Executive Session Meetings at 6:45 p.m., followed by Agenda/Work Session meetings, prior to the start of each Public Meeting, in which no action will be taken.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to publish this Annual Notice in the official newspaper pursuant to the requirements of Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

**2020 MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETINGS**

**All public meetings are held on Tuesdays at 8:15 pm unless otherwise noted.**

**Public Meetings**

January 1 – Sine Die 2:00 PM

January 1 – Reorganization 2:15 PM

January 14

January 28

February 11

February 25

March 10

March 24

April 14

April 28

May 12

May 26

June 9

June 23

July 14

July 28

August 11

August 25

September 8

September 22

October 13

October 27

November 10

December 8

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**STATE TRAINING FEES Q4 2019**

**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 N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.19 payment of these fees must be made quarterly; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Chief Financial Officer has reviewed the documents and has certified there are sufficient funds available in Account No. 8-01-17-800-020; and

**WHEREAS**, \$1,865.00 in State Surcharge Fees has been collected for the period of October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Treasurer be and is hereby directed to draw a check in the amount of \$1,865.00 to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey.

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**CANCELLATION OF WATER and ELECTRIC UTILITY BALANCES**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A 40A:4-60 permits the cancellation of any unexpended balances of appropriations by resolution of the governing body prior to the end of the fiscal year; and,

**WHEREAS**, on December 31, 2019 there are appropriated funds in the 2019 Water Utility and Electric Utility Budgets that will be excess funds not committed or paid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Public Works of the Borough of Park Ridge has recommended to the Mayor and Council that the following unexpended balances be cancelled;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following unexpended and dedicated 2019 Water Utility and Electric Utility Budget Appropriations balances be cancelled and credited to the appropriate Water Utility and Electric Utility Fund Balances:

<b>Water Utility</b>	<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Amount Canceled</b>
Salary and Wages	05-2010-55-5011	\$ 25,000.00
Other Expenses	05-2010-55-5022	\$ 100,000.00
<b>Total Cancellation Amount</b>		<b>\$ 125,000.00</b>

<b>Electric Utility</b>	<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Amount Canceled</b>
Purchase of Current	07-2010-55-5042	\$ 500,000.00
<b>Total Cancellation Amount</b>		<b>\$ 500,000.00</b>

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**COMMUNICATIONS:**  
**NONE**

**OLD BUSINESS:**  
**NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS:**  
**NONE**

**REPORTS OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

**Councilmember Metzdorf:** I have nothing to report. Happy New Year!

**Councilmember Epstein:** I have nothing to report. Happy New Year!

**Councilmember Ferguson:** I have nothing to report. Happy New Year!

**Councilmember Farinaro:** I have nothing to report. Happy New Year!

**Councilmember Mintz:** I have nothing to report. Happy New Year!

**Council President Capilli:** I have nothing to report. Happy New Year!

**ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Councilmember Epstein and seconded by Councilmember Mintz to adjourn the Sine Die Meeting.

**Sine Die Meeting adjourned at 2:09 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,



Magdalena Giandomenico  
Borough Clerk