

Approved, May 28, 2019
Municipal Building
Park Ridge, NJ

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
WORK SESSION
May 14, 2019
6:50 P.M.

Present: Councilmembers: Capilli, Epstein, Farinaro, Ferguson, Metzdorf, Mintz and Mayor Misciagna

Absent:

Also Present: Julie Falkenstern, BA
Magdalena Giandomenico, Borough Clerk
Durene Ayer, CFO
Dan Lee, Borough Engineer

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

Councilman Mintz made a motion to go into Closed Executive Session, and seconded by Councilman Metzdorf to confirm. Motion carried unanimously.

Opened Work Session adjourned to Closed Session at 6:50pm
Opened Work Session reconvened at 7:05pm

- I. **Street Smart:** Councilman Metzdorf discussed the Street Smart program which is NJ's first statewide pedestrian safety campaign to educate street safety. He discussed other towns who have started to participate and said he is trying to get in touch with the person organizing it and see how we can bring that to Park Ridge.
- II. **125 Year Anniversary:** Councilman Ferguson discussed getting wooden signs put up around the entrances in town and a discussion took place about having local businesses sponsor them, in honor of the 125 year anniversary.
- III. **Engineering Update:**
 - a. **Partial Road Program:** Dan discussed the bid results and award recommendation for Res. No. 019-143 - Awarding a Contract - 4 Clean-Up, Inc. - MA17 - MA18 Mill Rd & Various Road Improvements.
 - b. **Sulak Basketball Court:** an update was provided to the Mayor and Council about the time line for the project, with anticipated start date of May 28th. A discussion took place about a change in the furnishing and installing Tile Surface in lieu of Duracourt.

- i. Mayor Misciagna asked for Dan to look at the change difference in price and lead time for ordering and stated that the Utility department will be putting up two utility poles by the courts.
- c. **Football Field:** The design plans are in process of being drawn up. Permits which will be needed for wet lands can only be applied for after the design plans are in place. Usually it takes 3-6 months for the plans to be reviewed before permits are issued.
 - i. Councilman Farinaro stated that the Utility Board wanted to look into lights and poles around the field, updating the current ones would be close to \$400,000. One utility pole is currently scheduled to be moved when the project starts.

IV. **Utility Update:** Councilman Farinaro spoke about the \$115,000 budget short fall in the Electric Department due to the weather. A discussion took place about the rates and a comparison chart was reviewed.

Open Work Session adjourned to Closed Session at 7:50pm

On a motion made by Councilman Mintz and Seconded by Councilman Farinaro to confirm.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Magdalena Giandomenico