

AGENDA
MAYOR & COUNCIL MEETING
September 27, 2022
8:00 P.M.

Mayor Misciagna calls meeting to order at:

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

ROLL CALL:

Present:
Absent:
Also Present:

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

SUSPEND THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mayor Misciagna calls for a motion to suspend the regular order of business to introduce the name of Mikhail Vlasov as a new Park Ridge Volunteer Fire Department Cadet Member

**PARK RIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
FIRE RESERVE PROGRAM
CADET FIREFIGHTER**

MIKHAIL VLASOV

AGENDA CHANGES

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:

ORDINANCES -- INTRODUCTION

NONE

ORDINANCES -- PUBLIC HEARING

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2022-015**

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "REQUIREMENTS OF BUSINESS OWNERS AND MULTIFAMILY UNIT OWNERS TO REGISTER ANNUALLY AND MAINTAIN CERTAIN LEVELS OF LIABILITY INSURANCE" OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2022-015, An Ordinance Establishing Requirements of Business Owners and Multifamily unit Owners.

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to confirm.

Roll Call:

Mayor Misciagna asks the **Borough Clerk** to read the Ordinance by title.

Borough Clerk: Ordinance No. 2022-015, An Ordinance Entitled "Requirements of Business Owners and Multifamily Unit Owners to Register Annually and Maintain Certain Level of Liability Insurance" of the Revised General Ordinance of the Borough of Park Ridge. Mayor Misciagna asks the **Borough Attorney** to give a brief description of this Ordinance.

Borough Attorney:

Mayor Misciagna asks if anyone wishes to be heard concerning the adoption of this Ordinance.

Speaker:

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to close the Public Hearing on this Ordinance and that it be adopted with notice of final passage to be published in The Bergen Record.

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to confirm.

Roll Call:

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:

Mayor Misciagna asks if any Councilmember would like to abstain from voting on any Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Speaker:

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

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to confirm.

Roll Call:

RESOLUTIONS:

- Res. No. 022-264 – Adoption of Corrective Action Plan for Annual Audit
- Res. No. 022-265 – Authorize Tax Payment Refund - Abdul
- Res. No. 022-266 – Authorization to Approve Cadet Member Mikhail Vlasov to Park Ridge Volunteer Fire Department Fire Reserve Program
- Res. No. 022-267 – Authorizing Taxi-Limo Owners License - William F. O'Neill
- Res. No. 022-268 – Resolution Designating \$4,650,000 Bond Anticipation Notes as Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligation
- Res. No. 022-269 – Payment of Bills - Utility
- Res. No. 022-270 – Payment of Bills - Borough

COMMUNICATIONS:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to approve the Minutes as follows:

Public Hearing Minutes Dated September 13, 2022
Work and Closed Session Minutes Dated September 13, 2022

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to confirm.

Roll Call:

REPORTS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Councilmember Fenwick:

Councilmember Ferguson:

Councilmember Cozzi:

Councilmember Capilli:

Councilmember Epstein:

Council President Metzdorf:

ADJOURN

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to adjourn the Regular Mayor and Council Meeting. Meeting adjourned at _____ P.M.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2022-015**

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “REQUIREMENTS OF BUSINESS OWNERS AND MULTIFAMILY UNIT OWNERS TO REGISTER ANNUALLY AND MAINTAIN CERTAIN LEVELS OF LIABILITY INSURANCE” OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey as follows:

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy signed into law S-1368 requiring all business owners and owners of multifamily rental units to maintain certain levels of liability insurance; and

WHEREAS, S-1368 also requires all business owners and owners of multifamily rental units to annually register a certificate of insurance with the municipality where the business or rental unit is located; and

WHEREAS, S-1368 authorized municipalities to charge a reasonable administrative fee for the certificate of insurance and a penalty for failing to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED as follows:

LIABILITY INSURANCE AND ANNUAL REGISTRATION.

A. The owner of a business or the owner of a rental unit or units shall maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and/or omissions in an amount of no less than \$500,000 for combined property damage and bodily injury to or death of one or more persons in any one accident or occurrence.

B. The owner of a multifamily home which is four or fewer units, one of which is owner occupied, shall maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and/or omissions in an amount of no less than \$300,000 for combined property damage and bodily injury to or death of one or more persons in any one accident or occurrence.

C. The owner of a business, owner of a rental unit or units and the owner of a multifamily home of four or fewer units, one of which is owner occupied, shall annually register a certificate of insurance with the municipality, earlier than February 1st of each year or within thirty (30) days of obtaining ownership of the property.

D. There shall be an annual administrative fee in the amount of \$25.00.

E. Failure to annually register a certificate of insurance on or before February 1st of each year shall result in a fine of \$500.00 which shall be collected through a summary proceeding pursuant to the “Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999”, P.L. 1999, c. 274 (C.2A-58-10, et seq.)

Severability All provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If for any reason, any provision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon final approval and publication, pursuant to law, and upon completion of all outstanding cases.

Adopted ___ / ___ / ___ on roll call vote as follows:

	Introduced	Seconded	AYES	NAYES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Capilli						
Cozzi						
Epstein						
Fenwick						
Ferguson						
Metzdorf						

APPROVED:

KEITH J. MISCIAGNA, MAYOR

Attest:

Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-264**

ADOPTION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR ANNUAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2021 was filed with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5 on September 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Findings and Recommendations," have signed the group affidavit form, and adopted the resolution of certification; and

WHEREAS, the CFO has filed the attached Corrective Action Plan pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A: 5; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5 requires the Governing Body to adopt by resolution the Corrective Action Plan within 60 days of receipt of audit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Corrective Action Plan is hereby approved.

Adopted ___ / ___ / ___ on roll call vote as follows:

	Introduced	Seconded	AYES	NAYES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Capilli						
Cozzi						
Epstein						
Fenwick						
Ferguson						
Metzdorf						

APPROVED:

KEITH J. MISCIAGNA, MAYOR

Attest:

Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-266**

**AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE CADET MEMBER OF
THE PARK RIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
APPLICANT -MIKHAIL VLASOV**

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Thomas Lepore has approved an application prepared by Mikhail Vlasov, located at 5 Colebrook Drive, Park Ridge, New Jersey for the Park Ridge Volunteer Fire Department; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby approve the membership of Mikhail Vlasov, in the Park Ridge Volunteer Fire Department as a Cadet Member in the Fire Reserve Program.

Adopted ___ / ___ / ___ on roll call vote as follows:

	Introduced	Seconded	AYES	NAYES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Capilli						
Cozzi						
Epstein						
Fenwick						
Ferguson						
Metzdorf						

APPROVED:

KEITH J. MISCIAGNA, MAYOR

Attest:

Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-267**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TAXI/ LIMO OWNERS
LICENSE**

WHEREAS, William F. O'Neill T/A Hampshire Ridge Executive Car Service LLC, has applied for a Limo/Taxi Owner's License and has paid the required fees; and

WHEREAS, the vehicle has been inspected and approved by Chief Joseph Madden; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the license be authorized for term ending December 31, 2023 subject to requirements of Chapter 91 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge.

License No. 22-01
2018 Cadillac Sedan
Serial # 2G6145S3XJ9127040

Adopted ___ / ___ / ___ on roll call vote as follows:

	Introduced	Seconded	AYES	NAYES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Capilli						
Cozzi						
Epstein						
Fenwick						
Ferguson						
Metzdorf						

APPROVED:

KEITH J. MISCIAGNA, MAYOR

Attest:

Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-268**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, DESIGNATING A \$4,650,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE, DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2022 AND PAYABLE APRIL 28, 2023, AS A "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATION" PURSUANT TO SECTION 265 (b) (3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Borough"), intends to issue a \$4,650,000 Bond Anticipation Note, dated September 28, 2022 and payable April 28, 2023 (the "Note"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to designate the Note as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" pursuant to Section 265 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Note is hereby designated as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" for the purpose of Section 265 (b) (3) of the Code.

SECTION 2. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the Note is not a "private activity bond" as defined in the Code and (2) the Borough and its subordinate entities, if any, do not reasonably anticipate issuing in excess of \$10 million of new money tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds) during the calendar year 2022.

SECTION 3. It is further determined and stated that the Borough has, as of the date hereof, issued the following tax-exempt obligations (other than the Note) during the calendar year 2022, viz:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Dated -Due</u>
\$6,716,000 BAN	4/29/22 -4/28/23

SECTION 4. The Borough will, to the best of its ability, attempt to comply with respect to the limitations on issuance of tax-exempt obligations pursuant to Section 265 (b) (3) of the Code; however, the Borough does not covenant to do so, and hereby expressly states that a covenant is not made hereby.

SECTION 5. The issuing officers of the Borough are hereby authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the original purchaser of the Note and to further provide such original purchaser with a certificate of obligations issued during the calendar year 2022 dated as of the date of delivery of the Note.

SECTION 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted ___ / ___ / ___ on roll call vote as follows:

	Introduced	Seconded	AYES	NAYES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Capilli						
Cozzi						
Epstein						
Fenwick						
Ferguson						
Metzdorf						

APPROVED:

KEITH J. MISCIAGNA, MAYOR

Attest:

Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-269**

PAYMENT OF BILLS - UTILITY

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that they are in receipt of the following Board of Public Works Utility bills in the sum of \$1,192,568.68 (bill list dated September 23, 2022) which was previously approved and authorized for payment by the Temporary Board of Public Works Chief Financial Officer have been approved and authorized for payment and that the Mayor, Borough Clerk and Borough Treasurer are, hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants in payment of same.

Adopted ___ / ___ / ___ on roll call vote as follows:

	Introduced	Seconded	AYES	NAYES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Capilli						
Cozzi						
Epstein						
Fenwick						
Ferguson						
Metzdorf						

APPROVED:

KEITH J. MISCIAGNA, MAYOR

Attest:

Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-270**

PAYMENT OF BILLS - BOROUGH

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following bills in the sum of \$2,763,653.32 (bill list dated September 23, 2022) has been approved and authorized for payment and that the Mayor, Borough Clerk and Temporary Borough Treasurer are, hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants in payment of same.

Adopted ___ / ___ / ___ on roll call vote as follows:

	Introduced	Seconded	AYES	NAYES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Capilli						
Cozzi						
Epstein						
Fenwick						
Ferguson						
Metzdorf						

APPROVED:

KEITH J. MISCIAGNA, MAYOR

Attest:

Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk