

MAY 28, 2013

The Caucus Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede was held on the above date in the meeting room of the Borough Hall, 24 N. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede, NJ. The meeting was called to order at 5:05 P.M. The following members were present at roll call: Mayor Kalvaitis. Council members: Kelly, Root, Passio, Kappatos, White & Moore; Present: Administrator Richard E. Wright, Jr.; Solicitor Leonard Wood, Esquire.

STATEMENT: Council President Kappatos the notice of this meeting pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act."

Administrator Richard Wright gave a power point presentation of the 2013 Municipal Budget.

RESOLUTION #13-83

**RESOLUTION THAT THE 2013 BUDGET
CAN BE READ BY TITLE ONLY
AT THE TIME OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8 provides that the budget be read by title only at the time of the public hearing if a resolution is passed by not less than a majority of the full governing body providing that at least one week prior to the date of hearing a complete copy of the approved budget as advertised has been posted in the Borough Hall and copies have been made available by the Clerk to persons requiring them; and

WHEREAS, these two conditions have been met;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the budget shall be read by title only.

BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE

A motion was made by Kelly, seconded by Passio the resolution be adopted. The motion carried Council President Kappatos declared the resolution adopted.

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Council President Kappatos declared this portion of the meeting open to the public . Seeing no one wishing to speak a motion was made by Moore, seconded by Passio that the public hearing be closed. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos declared the public hearing closed.

RESOLUTION #13-84

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE AND THE BOROUGH OF
BARRINGTON FOR PAYROLL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Runnemede, County of Camden, State of New Jersey feels it is in the best interest of the residents of the Borough of Runnemede to enter into a shared services agreement with the Borough of Barrington to provide payroll services to the employees of the Borough of Runnemede at a cost of \$10,000.00 per year beginning on June 1, 2013 to be prorated for 2013; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Runnemede, County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that the proper officials are authorized to execute such Interlocal Service Agreement for the same.

BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE

A motion was made by Kelly, seconded by Passio this resolution be approved. Administrator Richard Wright explained the shared services agreement with Barrington and how the payroll process would work. Councilman White and Councilwoman Kelly had several questions about the process. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Kappatos, Passio, Kelly, Moore, Root & White. Absent: None. Nays: None. Council President Kappatos declared the resolution adopted.

Council President Kappatos stated that it was now time to discuss items to be included on the agenda for 6/5/13.

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The approval of minutes and the public hearings of ordinance #13-08 were discussed.

Discussion about municipal court debt collection was discussed and the consensus was to move forward with this bid prepared by Solicitor Wood;

A discussion ensued regarding the shared services agreement with Bellmawr for police software. More information about the financial impact would be gathered before the resolution would be placed on the agenda.

A discussion ensued regarding the amendment of the police composition ordinance. Mayor Kalvaitis expressed her objection to being removed as the appropriate authority of the police department. Mayor Kalvaitis went further saying she had been removed from numerous committees and asked what she had done wrong that warranted her removal. Councilwoman Kelly explained that appointing the Business Administrator as the appropriate authority takes politics out of the position. Mayor Kalvaitis stated that she thought no one liked that the Police Chief sits in her office every morning telling her things. Council President Kappatos also explained about the part-time nature of the governing body and that the borough had hired a Business Administrator in 2010 so that he would be responsible for the day to day. Councilwoman Passio asked if this ordinance was necessary. Mayor Kalvaitis then stated that she was never told about this move. Councilwoman Kelly and Council President Kappatos stated that it had been discussed at the last meeting. Mayor Kalvaitis insisted that it was not. Mayor Kalvaitis also stated that she would be retaining her own attorney regarding this issue. Council President Kappatos stated that this ordinance would be on the June meeting agenda for first reading.

Mayor & Council also discussed an ordinance proposed for the next meeting to give a 2% raise(average of what other employees received) mandated statutorily to the clerk, collector, assessor and CFO. Council President asked the clerk to explain the ordinance which so states this requirement. Solicitor Len Wood concurred with the explanation the clerk gave of 40A:9-165.

Mayor & Council also discussed the passage of a "sustainable" resolution in order for the Green Team to advanced to the next level.

Mayor & Council also acknowledged the liquor license renewals, several property maintenance liens and an adjustment to sewer rentals to be placed on the June 5th agenda.

GOOD & WELFARE:

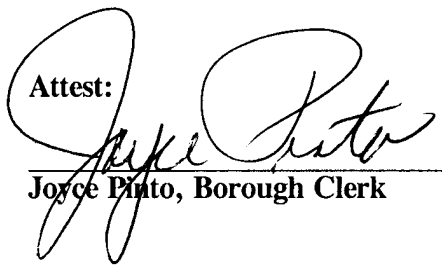
Seeing no one wishing to speak, a motion was made by White, seconded by Root, to close the good and welfare portion of the meeting. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos declared good and welfare closed.

There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council at this time a motion was made by White and seconded by Root to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos declared the meeting adjourned at 6:17 PM.

Approved by:


Nick Kappatos, Council President

Attest:


Joyce Pinto, Borough Clerk