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The Caucus Meeting of 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 6:00 P.M. The following members were present at roll call: Council members: Passio, Kelly, Root, Farrell & Ranieri. Absent: Laubenstein; Present: Borough Engineer: Mark Basehore; Public Works Superintendent: Harry Wozunk, Solicitor Len Wood. Acting Borough Administrator/CFO Robert Law arrived at 6:35 PM.

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

ORDINANCE #17-07: Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Completion of Various Capital Improvements and the Acquisition of Various Capital Equipment in and For the Borough of Runnemede, County of Camden, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$1,337,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the Borough of Runnemede, County of Camden, New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Up to the Aggregate Principal Amount of Up to \$874,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection With the Foregoing.

A motion was made by Ranieri, seconded by Passio the ordinance be approved on first reading, advertised according to law, with a public hearing to be held on the 27th day of June, 2017. The motion carried. Mayor Kappatos requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Ranieri, Farrell, Passio, Kelly & Root. Nays: None. Absent: Laubenstein. Mayor Kappatos declared the ordinance adopted on first reading.

RESOLUTION #17-87

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ENGINEER TO PROCEED WITH SURVEY, DESIGN, BID DOCUMENTS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF ELM AVENUE & BROADWAY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Runnemede was awarded a NJDOT grand in the amount of \$208,000.00 for the reconstruction of Elm Avenue and Broadway; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of this project a survey, design and bid documents must be prepared by our engineer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the Borough hereby authorizes Bach Associates to proceed with the survey, design and bid documents.

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A motion was made by Kelly, seconded by Passio, the resolution be adopted. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Ranieri, Farrell, Root, Kelly & Passio. Absent: Laubenstein; Nays: None. Mayor Kappatos declared the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION #17-88A

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LOW BID FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF S. OAKLAND AVENUE & WASHINGTON AVENUES PHASE II, BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, bids were received on May 25, 2017 for the reconstruction of S. Oakland Avenue & Washington Avenues, Phase II; and

WHEREAS, six bids were received; and

WHEREAS, the low bid was received from Landberg Construction LLC. in the amount of a base bid of \$158,602.92, plus alternate bid #1 in the amount of \$68,386.30 for a total bid of \$226,989.22; and

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WHEREAS, the borough engineer has recommended acceptance of this bid; and

WHEREAS, the solicitor still has to review as to form and the CFO still has to certify funds for the project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Runnemede, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that it hereby accepts Landberg Construction LLC. bid in the amount of the base bid plus alternate #1 in the amount of \$226,989.22 for the reconstruction of S. Oakland & Washington Avenues, Phase II pending solicitor and CFO approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Landberg Construction LLC.

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A motion was made by Kelly, seconded by Passio, the resolution be adopted. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Ranieri, Farrell, Root, Kelly & Passio. Absent: Laubenstein; Nays: None. Mayor Kappatos declared the resolution adopted.

A resolution authorizing the use of a \$25,000 recreation grant to begin work on the VFW playground was read by title. It was subsequently discovered that this grant has not yet been awarded, thus the resolution cannot be adopted.

Discussion began regarding the items which would appear on the 6/7/17 agenda:

Two Fire Company raffle licenses; firefighter sidebar agreement; totally disabled vet resolution; HVAC maintenance contract with Bovio; public hearing ordinance 17-06 Harry Williams Building Fees; side-job police ordinance; salary ordinance for four non-contractual; agreement with FCR Camden LLC; bid results for S. Oakland & Washington Avenues-Phase II; VFW playground

RESOLUTION #17-88

**RESOLUTION REGARDING EMPLOYMENT
IN THE BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE,
COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, Richard E. Wright, Jr. has been employed with the Borough of Runnemede for a little over seven years as CFO/Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Richard E. Wright, Jr. has submitted a letter of resignation from his position as CFO/Administrator; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede, that they do hereby accept the resignation of Richard E. Wright, Jr. as CFO/Administrator effective July 1, 2017 using his remaining sick day until that time.

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A motion was made with regret by Kelly, seconded by Ranieri, the resolution be adopted. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Ranieri, Farrell, Root, Kelly & Passio. Absent: Laubenstein; Nays: None. Mayor Kappatos declared the resolution adopted.

Councilwoman Passio thanked everyone for their help and for attending the Memorial Day Celebration. Councilwoman Passio also read a letter from Sister Patrick thanking the Mayor and members of Council for coming to the school and presenting with a proclamation for her 80th birthday. Patty also reminded everyone about the upcoming concert on June 21st and the \$2,000 sustainability grant which the borough had received.

Councilman Ranieri recognized the members of Youth Mayor & Council in the audience and spoke about the bond ordinance just adopted on first reading.

Councilwoman Kelly reported on an open house to be held at New Beginnings on 6/17/17 at 2 PM. Councilwoman Kelly read a letter from the police chief in Magnolia thanking the Runnemede Police

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Department for their help during a domestic disturbance. Eleanor also read a letter from a Runnemede resident thanking the police and EMS for saving a loved one's life. Mrs. Kelly then reported on the various citations which would be handed out at the next council meeting.

Councilman Laubenstein was not present.

Councilman Farrell reported on the work being done at borough hall and the proposed LED sign.

Councilman Root reminded everyone that when there is a lot of rain, the grass grows and public works is not able to cut it every day. Mike also reported on the music playground apparatus being donated by the Rotary Club to be placed at Green Acres.

Superintendent of Public Works Harry Wozunk reported on the Memorial Day celebration and the upcoming clean-up and shredding event on June 10th.

Borough Solicitor Wood reported on an easement, Callie Court letter and upcoming negotiations with the GWU.

Borough Engineer Mark Baschore reviewed his written report, continued funding for the slip-lining project, Orchard Avenue progress, Deluxe Bakery curbing & borough hall projects. Mark also reported on the grant recently received for Elm & Broadway.

Acting CFO Robert Law reported on the bond ordinance introduced that evening.

GOOD & WELFARE:

This portion of the meeting was open to the public:

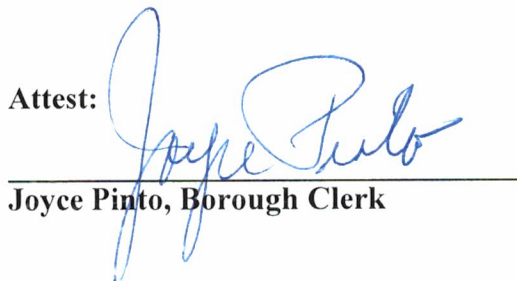
Seeing no one wishing to speak, a motion was made by Root, seconded by Farrell to close the good and welfare portion of the meeting. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos declare the good and welfare portion closed.

There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council at this time a motion was made by Passio and seconded by Kelly to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos declared the meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Approved by:


Nick Kappatos, Mayor

Attest:


Joyce Pinto, Borough Clerk