

## FEBRUARY 23, 2016

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, Root, Laubenstein, Farrell & Ranieri. Absent: Kelly; Present: Solicitor Wood; Borough Engineer: Mark Basehore.

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

The following issues were discussed for the upcoming meeting:

Public Hearings for Ordinance #16-01-Fees for Use of Field House & Ordinance #16-02-COLA Ordinance were discussed as well as resolutions cancelling tax balance after demolition, refunding a duplicate tax payment and adjusting sewer charges. Several raffle licenses would also be on agenda at the next meeting for approval.

Mayor & Council discussed adopting an ordinance regulating police side job fees and resolutions for 2015 transfer reserves and a resolution for emergency temporary appropriations.

Richard Wright, Business Administrator reviewed the finance resolutions he would like adopted at the next meeting. Mr. Wright also reviewed the budget time-line and his submission of the annual debt statement and financial statement to the state.

Borough Engineer, Mark Basehore reported that the Year 38 CDBG project description forms were due to be filed by March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mark reviewed his written report. A discussion ensued regarding allowing the public works department to do slip-lining as well as a discussion regarding the issues on Callie Court. Mark also reported on the problems with the Deluxe Bakery project.

Solicitor Wood reported that he attended a meeting with the representatives of the GWU.

Councilman Laubenstein reported progress.

Councilman Ranieri reported on financial issues and continued with a discussion about abandoned properties and what could be done about them.

Councilman Root reported that infield maintenance was being performed at the RYAA and at Runnemede Girl's Softball fields. Mike also reported that he was looking at repairing gutters as well as seeding and maintenance of ground around Harry Williams Building.

Councilman Farrell reported that he was still waiting to hear about the traffic light alterations at the Black Horse Pike and Clements Bridge Road and Evesham Road.

Councilwoman Passio reported that Youth Mayor & Council was coming up soon and a discussion ensued as to how to properly accept donations from businesses for any public event. Also Ms. Passio stated she would like a Green Team appointed.

Administrator Wright presented his Treasurer's Report for the period ending January 31<sup>st</sup>.

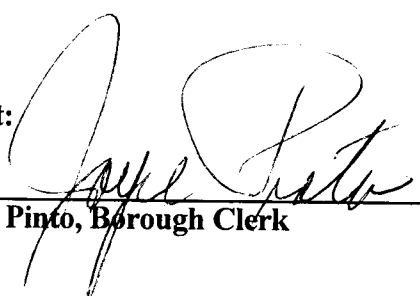
Public Works Superintendent Harry Wozunk presented a public works report. Harry advised Mayor & Council about new storm water regulations, ADA compliance issues, updating sanitary sewer system and a new function for the street sweeper.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, a motion was made by Passio, seconded by Laubenstein to close the good and welfare portion of the meeting. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos declared that portion of the meeting closed.


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There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council at this time a motion was made by Passio and seconded by Laubenstein to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Attest:

  
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Joyce Pinto, Borough Clerk

Approved by:

  
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Nick Kappatos, Mayor

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