## **OCTOBER 29, 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 5:00 P.M. The following members were present at roll call: Mayor Kalvaitis. Council members: Root, Passio, Kappatos, Kelly & White; Absent: Moore; Present: Solicitor Len Wood, Esquire; Borough Engineer Mark Basehore.

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

Council President Kappatos stated that it was now time to discuss items to be included on the agenda for 11/6/13.

Council President Kapptos reviewed the bingo & raffle licenses, a tax refund resolution, a resolution adjusting sewer charges, a resolution approving a shared services agreement with the county for snow plowing, a resolution authorizing property maintenance liens and a resolution accepting a performance bond for MedExpress.

Administrator Richard Wright explained the resolution regarding the Municipal Alliance grant extension

Council President Kappatos explained the resolution authorizing the selling of Christmas trees by Anthony's Water Ice and the authorization required for the proper officials to sign Year XXXV CDBG Agreement.

Council President Kappatos reviewed the ordinance to vacate a portion of Dettmar Terrace. Councilman White wanted to know if the borough would be putting in sidewalks and driveway aprons and obtaining a survey for those individuals getting the vacated property. Nick reminded Ed that sidewalks were required only when properties were sold. Solicitor Wood explained the process of vacating a street. The solicitor then explained to Councilman White that the borough was not required to supply surveys and having surveys done could be quite costly.

Richard Wright, Administrator, reported on what the Public Works Department had accomplished during the past month. Rich also reminded everyone that 2014 budget time was approaching.

Councilwoman Passio reminded everyone about the Halloween Party on October 31st.

Councilman White asked about stop signs on South Oakland Avenue and about no parking signs near Phillips and Charles Avenues. Mark Basehore, Engineer, explained why an ordinance was not necessary. Councilman White also asked Councilwoman Passio about a statement she had made to a resident regarding speed bumps on Read Avenue. Pat stated that she did not know what he was talking about.

## GOOD & WELFARE:

Maria Panzarella, 12 S. Oakland Avenue: Ms. Panzarella asked about the RYAA receiving funds through the Municipal Alliance Grant as they had in the past. Richard Wright, Administrator, explained that the rules on how the grant money could be dispersed had been tightened up. Ms. Panzarella wanted to know how the money had been spent. Ms. Panzarella also directed a question to Councilman White about the upcoming election. Solicitor Wood stated that this was an inappropriate question for this venue.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, a motion was made by Passio, 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 Passio and seconded by Root to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos declared the meeting adjourned at 5:35 PM.

Attest:

Joyce Pinto, Borough Clerk

Approved by:

Nick Kappatos, Council President