MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER OCTOBER 3, 2019 6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Minichetti, Council Members DiMartino & Ditkoff, Durante, Florio and Rotella; Borough Administrator Preusch and Attorney Regan

**ABSENT:** Council Member DeBerardine

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Minichetti called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and read the following statement:

**PUBLIC NOTICE:** Pursuant to the Open Sunshine Act P.L. 1975, c. 231, proper notice of this meeting has been provided by submitting appropriate notice to The Ridgewood News and The Record on December 18, 2019 by fax and mail in which the time, place and purpose of the meeting was set forth.

**Oktoberfest Update:** Oktoberfest will be held on October 12, 2019 (Rain date: October 13, 2019). Mayor Minichetti gave an update on the events and vendors that will be part of the Oktoberfest which will take place in Lion's Park. Crafts, pony rides, a petting zoo, vendor booths, yoga demonstrations and a magician are some of the events planned.

**Introduction of Fence Ordinance**: Ordinance 10-19 "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 150 of the Code of the Borough of Upper Saddle River Entitled "Zoning" was discussed and will be introduced at the Regular Meeting.

This amendment will provide for an increase of fence height from three to four feet, which will be beneficial to residents with corner lots.

## **RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Upper Saddle River Mayor and Council deem it necessary to discuss certain actions under Section 7b of the Open Public Meetings Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the discussions more specifically will involve:

- 1. Litigation
- 2. Personnel

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that at 6:43 p.m. the Mayor and Council deem it necessary to exclude the public from discussion; a motion was made and seconded to go into Closed Session.

The Executive Session resumed at 7:25pm.

**Cyber Security:** Council Member Rotella stated that municipalities are extremely vulnerable to cyber-attacks and measures should be in place to prevent this activity. This was discussed and, although there are technical controls in place to detect and prevent this activity, additional measures will be implemented moving forward.

<u>Hillside Avenue</u>: A proposed traffic study and an environmental study on the Hillside Avenue bridge location was discussed. A proposal will be presented shortly from the Borough Engineer; Mayor Minichetti stressed that she would like to expedite this matter as soon as possible.

**Private Pond Cleaning:** Due to the Toll Brother's construction, several residents within the Borough have experienced an overabundance of colloidal clay in their private ponds, making the water brown and unsightly. DEP permits must be obtained and the Bergen County Mosquito Commission may be able to do the work. The residents would be responsible for the disposal of the silt/clay matter once removed. The water does not pose a public safety concern but many residents have complained about the negative aesthetic impact on their properties.

<u>Old Stone Church Road Resurfacing:</u> A grant was awarded for this work but the DOT has requested that the application must be resubmitted. Work is scheduled to commence in the Spring of 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy C. Convertini, RMC Deputy Municipal Clerk