

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE  
BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER  
November 7, 2019 8:00 p.m.**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Minichetti called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Moment of Silence - Pledge of Allegiance

**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.

**MADD Award Presentation to Police Officer Kevin McWilliams**

NJ MADD Volunteer Steven Benvenisti presented Police Officer Kevin McWilliams with the 2018 Distinguished Service Award for his diligence in apprehending drivers under the influence. Chief Rotella also commended Officer McWilliams for currently having the most arrests in the department.

**Recognition of Upper Saddle River's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by the Senate and General Assembly**

Mayor Minichetti stated that a Proclamation has been received in honor of the Borough's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**RULE 1. ROLL CALL**

Mayor	Joanne L. Minichetti	Present
Council Member	Roger DeBerardine	Present
Council Member	Steven DiMartino	Present
Council Member	Jonathan Ditkoff	Absent
Council Member	Vincent M. Durante	Absent
Council Member	Joanne Florio	Present
Council Member	Douglas Rotella	Present

**RULE 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, Executive Meeting and Closed Session of October 3, 2019 were delivered to all members of the governing body and posted on the bulletin board and were unanimously approved following a motion by Council Member DiMartino, seconded by Council Member Florio. Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**RULE 3. BOROUGH CLERK'S REPORT**

The Borough Clerk's office received the following fees for the month of October, 2019 and deposited them with the Collector/Treasurer:

Copies	1.65
Landscaper License	100.00
Road Opening	10.00
Garage Sales	22.00
Total	<b>\$133.65</b>

The Borough Clerk's office issued 2 licenses for the month of October; \$1.20 was forwarded to the NJ Department of Health for the Pilot Clinic and Animal Control Fund.

Proof of publications received:

- 1) Introduction of Ord. # 10-19 Amend Ch. 150 "Zoning" (Fences)
- 2) Synopsis of Audit Report

The following reports were received and are on file for the month of September:

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1) Police Report          | 4) Construction Report    |
| 2) DPW Report             | 5) Municipal Court Report |
| 3) Fire Department Report | 6) Library Report         |

#### **RULE 4. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND BILLS**

**Communications:** Resolution from Borough of Ramsey: Adoption of Master Plan & Planning Board Minor Site Plan Amendment; Township of Mahwah: Introduction of Zoning Ordinance & Adoption of Resolution 327-19; PERMA Risk Management Services, 2020 Proposed Budgets; NWBCUA Meeting Minutes 9/17/19, 2020 Introduced Budget, Notice of Special Mtg. Letter of appreciation from resident Ralph Soukis regarding USR DPW.

**Approval of Bills:** A motion by Council Member DeBerardine, seconded by Council Member DiMartino to pay bills in amount of \$5,500,587.11 was unanimously approved and Mayor Minichetti declared bills approved for payment and ordered checks drawn.

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous.

#### **RULE 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Public Hearing:** Ordinance # 10-19

#### **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 150 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER ENTITLED "ZONING" re: FENCES**

Resolution Offered by Council Member Rotella  
Seconded by Council Member DeBerardine

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** No one wished to be heard.

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

#### **RULE 6. NEW BUSINESS**

**Consent Agenda:**

All items listed hereunder are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Council and shall be so approved. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member or citizen so requests, in which case the item will be considered in its normal sequence.

<b>Resolution #110-19</b>	<b>Revision of USRFD By-Laws</b>
<b>Resolution #111-19</b>	<b>Bid Award Lake Road Culvert Project Tricon Enterprises</b>
<b>Resolution #112-19</b>	<b>Property Tax Overpayments</b>
<b>Resolution #113-19</b>	<b>Tax Appeal Settlement – Narayan</b>
<b>Resolution #114-19</b>	<b>Tax Appeal Settlement – Martucci</b>
<b>Resolution #115-19</b>	<b>Tax Appeal Settlement - Politis</b>
<b>Resolution #116-19</b>	<b>Tax Appeal Settlement – Asteris</b>
<b>Resolution #117-19</b>	<b>Public Auction for Sale of Sewer Allocation</b>
<b>Resolution #118-19</b>	<b>Appointment of PO Michael Riedel</b>
<b>Resolution #119-19</b>	<b>Appointment of CFO James A. Mangin</b>
<b>Resolution #120-19</b>	<b>Appointment of Tax Collector Frank J. Santora</b>
<b>Resolution #121-19</b>	<b>Transfer Resolution</b>

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** (Consent Agenda Items Only): No one wished to be heard.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda items offered by Council Member Florio  
 Seconded by Council Member DiMartino  
 Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

**Motion to accept the Best Practices Inventory as submitted on October 30, 2019**

A motion to approve offered by Council Member DeBerardine. Seconded by Council Member DiMartino  
 Voice Vote: All AYES

**RULE 7. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Eric Friis, 4 Sparrowbush Road addressed the issue of idling cars at the Upper Saddle River schools while waiting for students to be dismissed. He stated that the law is clear which prohibits idling for more than three minutes. He further stated that the exhaust fumes are a public health hazard. Chief Rotella stated that this law does not apply in this instance. Council Member Rotella stated that the Board of Education should consider sending a notice home to all students reminding parents to shut off their cars while waiting for their children.

**RULE 8. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn by Council Member DiMartino, seconded by Council Member Rotella was unanimously approved by all Council members present. (Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted,

Joy C. Convertini, RMC  
 Deputy Municipal Clerk