

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER
August 6, 2020 8:00 p.m.**

*Meeting held via video conferencing
due to public health crisis – Covid19*

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

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 19, 2019 by email in which the time, place and purpose of the meeting was set forth.

Moment of Silence – Pledge of Allegiance

RULE 1. ROLL CALL

Mayor	Joanne L. Minichetti	Present
Council Member	DeAnne DeFuccio	Present
Council Member	Steven DiMartino	Present
Council Member	Jonathan Ditkoff	Present
Council Member	Vincent M. Durante	Present
Council Member	Joanne Florio	Present
Council Member	Douglas Rotella	Present

RULE 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following minutes were delivered to all members of the governing body, posted on the bulletin board and were unanimously approved following a motion by Council Member Durante, seconded by Council Member DiMartino.

- July 2, 2020 Regular Meeting
- July 2, 2020 Executive Meeting
- July 2, 2020 Closed Session

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

RULE 3. BOROUGH CLERK’S REPORT

The Borough Clerk’s office received the following fees for the month of July 2020 and deposited them with the Collector/Treasurer:

Landscaper Licenses	\$100.00
Copies	\$ 6.50
Garage Sales	\$ 10.00
Total	\$116.50

The Borough Clerk’s office issued 7 licenses for the month of July 2020; **\$12.60** was forwarded to the NJ department of Health for the Pilot Clinic and Animal Control Fund.

Proof of publications received:

- 1) Adoption of Ordinance # 2 Prohibiting Short-Term Rentals in Upper Saddle River
- 2) Adoption of Ordinance # 3 Multi-Purpose Bond Ordinance \$1,269,000
- 3) Adoption of Ordinance # 4 Approving Standards for Sports Courts
- 4) Introduction of Ordinance #5 Bond Ordinance

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 | |

RULE 4. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND BILLS

Communications: NWBCUA: Meeting Minutes 6/16/2020,

Approval of Bills: A motion by Council Member DiMartino, seconded by Council Member Durante to pay bills in amount of \$2,005,351.95 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 #05-20

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT AND THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$666,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Resolution Offered by Council Member Durante
Seconded by Council Member DiMartino

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

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

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.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items offered by Council Member Rotella.
Seconded by Council Member DeFuccio.

- *1. Resolution #83-20 Referendum to Establish an Open Space Trust Fund
- *2. Resolution #84-20 Renewal of JIF Membership 2021
- *3. Resolution #85-20 Borough Engineer Authorization of Bond Reduction
- *4. Resolution #86-20 Authorizing Approval of Ground Lease Agreement
- *5. Resolution #87-20 Tax Appeal Settlement Blk. 601 Lot 1.01

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

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

***Introduction of Ordinance #06-20**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 98 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER ENTITLED, "PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS"

Motion made and seconded to remove Ordinance #06-20 from agenda.

***Introduction of Ordinance #07-20**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND "AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY"

Offered by Council Member Durante
Seconded by Council Member Rotella

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

RULE 7. PUBLIC COMMENT

RULE 8. ADJOURNMENT

Eric Friis, 4 Sparrowbush Road asked for clarification on Ordinance #7, the Salary Ordinance.

A motion to adjourn by was made, seconded and was unanimously approved by all Council members present.

A motion to immediately re-open the meeting was made, seconded and was unanimously approved by all Council members present.

Mr. Friis inquired about a five-acre property on 31 Hillside Avenue, which is mostly located in New York. He further stated that he would like to see this property preserved.

Mr. Friis stated that the subdivision on Pleasant Avenue has minimal erosion controls in place; the Borough Administrator will check into this.

Mr. Friis asked if the proposed sports complex at One Lake Street would be a public question so residents can provide their opinion on this project.

Sheryl Romano, 421 West Saddle River Road asked about the addition of 5G on a cell tower to be constructed at the Fire Department. She was informed that no application has been made for the construction of a tower at this location. She further stated the existing tower at the Police Department currently contains the maximum number of carriers permissible. If a carrier wished to be added, they would have to appear before the Planning Board.

A motion to adjourn by was made, seconded and was unanimously approved by all Council members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy C. Convertini, RMC, Municipal Clerk