

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER
May 6, 2021 6:30 p.m.**

*Meeting held via
teleconference due to
COVID19*

PRESENT: Mayor Minichetti, Council Members DiMartino, Ditkoff, Florio, Rotella, Borough Administrator Preusch, Borough Attorney Regan

ABSENT:

PRESIDING: Borough Administrator Preusch 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 15, 2020 by email in which the time, place and purpose of the meeting was set forth.

Memorial Day Parade: Fire Chief Arman Fardanesh explained that the parade will be a vehicle-only procession down West Saddle River Road from Coach Lane to include all emergency vehicles. There will be a brief ceremony at the Borough Hall in honor of Memorial Day with a guest speaker. Pastor Park will deliver both the invocation and benediction. Mrs. O'Bosky will sing the National anthem Council President Florio will preside over the celebration.

USRA National Night Out: The committee has decided not to hold this event in 2021.

Environmental Art Show: The Arts Amble is being sponsored by Creative Bergen and Sustainable Jersey the Environmental Committee and Green Team would like to participate in order to maintain Upper Saddle River's designation in "Sustainable Jersey". The Council discussed the parameters of Covid restrictions as it pertains to an art show. The Certificate of Liability must be submitted to the Borough. The event is planned for June 11-13, 2021 at Lion's Park.

Ware Road Plantings: Some residents on Ware Road have requested additional plantings in order to screen a recently-installed guardrail. The status of these plantings was discussed and it was decided that the DPW will install and maintain these plantings.

Dog Park- Lake Street & West Saddle River Road: Many trees were removed from this five-acre Open Space location and the Mayor and Council discussed how to best utilize this property. There is very limited parking due to a pipeline on the property; all were in agreement that the area would be mulched and additional trees would be planted.

Road Resurfacing Program- Ackerson Rd.: This roadway was not on the revised list of roadways to be resurfaced as part of the 2020-2021 road program. It will be added to the list and a resolution for a Change Order will be adopted at the June 3, 2021 meeting.

Solid Waste Cooperative Program: The County is offering a program whereby municipalities would be able reduce the cost of solid waste disposal. Upper Saddle River will not be participating as the Borough is currently in a five-year contract with Interstate Waste for disposal rates that are lower than the rates the County is offering.

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. Personnel
2. Contracts
3. Litigation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that at 7:11 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.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Joy C. Convertini, RMC