

BOROUGH OF RAMSEY
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MINUTES
Wednesday, April 11, 2018

Council President Kilman read the opening.

Council President Kilman opened the meeting at 7:33pm and read the Open Public Meetings Notice.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Dillon, Councilmembers Jachzel, Jones, Kilman and Verdone

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Clerk Bendian, Borough Administrator Vozech and Borough Attorney Scandariato

ABSENT: Councilmembers Gutwetter and Weber

MAYOR'S REMARKS – MAYOR DEIRDRE DILLON

Reported that the Board of Public Utilities is holding a meeting in Mahwah on Monday, April 16th to discuss the response to the recent storms and that Congressman Gottheimer's office is working with the Federal Highway Administration regarding the painting of the railway on Main Street. They are making progress.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REMARKS – COUNCILMAN PETER KILMAN

No report

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION – COUNCILWOMAN VANESSA JACHZEL

Reported that the budget public hearing continues tonight concluding with a vote on the budget.

PUBLIC SAFETY – COUNCILMAN HARRY WEBER

Absent

BUILDING, PLANNING AND ZONING – COUNCILMAN JOSEPH VERDONE

No report

UTILITIES, BUILDING & GROUNDS – COUNCILMAN PETER KILMAN

Reported that with storm cleanup continues and the DPW is out there doing a great job getting it done.

PUBLIC & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS – COUNCILMAN WILLIAM J. JONES

Reported that the Ramsey Journal is completed and should be delivered to mailboxes by the weekend and the planning for our Independence Day Celebration on July 7th is well underway.

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES – COUNCILMAN MICHAEL GUTWETTER

Absent

BOROUGH ATTORNEY - PETER A. SCANDARIATO

No report

BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR – BRUCE VOZEH

Explained that the budget public hearing continues tonight and a vote will be taken.

Reported that we received proposals for the disposal of mixed debris, grass and branches and will award a contract to Organic Recycling as the low quote.

The Ramsey Baseball and Softball Opening Day parade is Saturday, April 14th.

The curbside debris pick up continues and we will try to accelerate the process by getting some help from Roselle/Suburban.

NJDEP Storm water review online training requirement by the governing body is due in July.

Executive Session – Personnel – Contract Negotiations

BOROUGH CLERK -MEREDITH BENDIAN

No report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone wishing to address the governing body should, when recognized, step up to the microphone and give his or her name (spelling the last name) and address. Please speak in an audible tone for the record and address your comments to the Chair. There will be a five-minute time limit per speaker, unless reduced because of the volume of business on the agenda. No one, other than the person having the floor, will be permitted to enter into any discussion without recognition by the Chair.

Chance Parker, 11 Park Place, Ramsey

Discussed the water quality and the use of Conklin Park and read selections from the Borough Risk Manager, Frank Covelli's report.

Allan Braggin, 25 Franklin Street, Ramsey

Discussed Governor Murphy declaring the storm an emergency enabling towns to secure reimbursements and the award of contract for debris removal and the borough QPA's qualifications and bid requirements..

With no one else wishing to be heard, Council President Kilman closed public comment.

Motion to go into executive session by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Jachzel to discuss personnel and contract negotiations. All in favor. Carried.

Work session meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Meredith Bendian

Meredith Bendian, RMC

Borough Clerk