

BOROUGH OF RAMSEY  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Council President Kilman read the opening statement and opened the meeting at 7:30pm and read the Open Public Meetings Notice.

ROLL CALL:

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

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

MAYOR'S REMARKS – MAYOR DEIRDRE DILLON

Reported she was appointing Niklaus Haas to the Planning Board to fill the unexpired term of David Torchin.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REMARKS – COUNCILMAN PETER KILMAN

No report

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION – COUNCILWOMAN VANESSA JACHZEL

No report – Executive Session - Personnel

PUBLIC SAFETY – COUNCILMAN HARRY WEBER

Announced the ceremony on Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at Fire House Subs in Mahwah, presenting the Ramsey PD and FD with grants for lifesaving equipment.

BUILDING, PLANNING AND ZONING – COUNCILMAN JOSEPH VERDONE

No report

UTILITIES, BUILDING & GROUNDS – COUNCILMAN PETER KILMAN

No report

PUBLIC & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS – COUNCILMAN WILLIAM J. JONES

Reported that the final preparation for the Independence Day event are under way.

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES – COUNCILMAN MICHAEL GUTWETTER

Noted that the Ramsey Board of Education recently adopted a resolution to support the implementation of the Profile of a Ramsey Graduate.

BOROUGH ATTORNEY - PETER A. SCANDARIATO

No report

BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR – BRUCE VOZEH

Reported on the Drug Free Map Zone Ordinance final adoption – It will establish drug free zones in the borough allowing for enhanced criminal penalties in those designated areas.

Shade Tree Contract Award – Two resolutions on the agenda. Prior to cancelling Rich’s Tree Service contract (unable to comply with their bid) work order one was already underway. In order to get the work done quotes were received to finish the work order with Chris Fix as low quote. We have that resolution on tonight’s meeting. The second resolution is to award a two year contract to Chris Fix Tree Care as low bidder for shade tree work.

Tax Collector Interlocal Agreement – Resolution on tonight for interlocal agreement with Saddle River. Saddle River is the lead agency and pays the salary and benefits to Linda Canavan. The cost to the borough is under \$5,000 annually.

The borough has recently completed CPR training with Steve Ahlstedt from OEM for interested employees and purchased two AEDs for borough hall. Employees completed AED training this week and the two AEDs will be mounted in borough hall on the first and second floors.

NJDEP LOI – Senior/Community Center Pool House Project – The borough received the approved letter earlier this month from NJDEP. DEP requested a couple minor notations to the wetlands survey and map from Dykstra Walker. Most of the building construction for this project does not require DEP permits so we will be reviewing the plans and probably phase the bidding for the construction work so that bids may be solicited over the summer.

#### 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.

George Bumiller, 39 Lakeview Terrace, Ramsey

Inquired about the packets sent to the governing body and discussed the agendas listed on the borough website. Asked Mayor Dillon to use the screens to make a presentation. Mayor Dillon did not allow it.

James Dolan, 463 Island Road, Ramsey

Discussed traffic calming on Island Road.

Allan Braggin, 25 Franklin Street, Ramsey

Discussed the use of electronic devices, updates on the Main Street streetscape project, a comment made by Administrator Vozech at a previous meeting and better capturing sound during special presentations.

Katherine Boswell, 235 Wyckoff Avenue, Ramsey

Discussed the possibility of new homes being built near her home and a possibly erecting a fence in her front yard. Mayor Dillon directed her to the Planning Board meeting as well as the Zoning Board of Adjustment regarding the fence variance.

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

Motion to adjourn work session by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Weber.

Minutes respectfully submitted,  
Meredith Bendian  
Meredith Bendian, RMC  
Borough Clerk