

BOROUGH OF RAMSEY
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, July 11, 2018

Council President Kilman read the opening statement.

Council President Kilman called the meeting to order at 7:57pm and lead the flag salute and read the Open Public Meetings Act notice.

I. ROLL CALL -

Present: Councilmembers Gutwetter, Jones, Kilman and Weber

Also Present: Borough Clerk Bendian, Borough Administrator Vozech, and Borough Attorney Scandariato

Absent: Mayor Dillon, Councilmembers Jachzel and Verdone

Council President Kilman asked for a moment of silence in memory of Nancy Collins, Karen Whitaker and Ken Paretti.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 06-27-18, WS 06-27-18

Motion to approve and file the minutes by Councilman Weber, seconded by Councilman Kilman. Carried

III. COMMUNICATIONS -

Motion to receive and file the communications by Councilman Gutwetter, seconded by Councilman Jones. Carried.

1. Lisa O'Donoghue, Volunteer, Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense
note received July 3, 2018, thanking the governing body for supporting Gun Violence Awareness in Ramsey
2. Randi Blunky, Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America
note received July 3, 2018, thanking the governing body for supporting Gun Violence Awareness in Ramsey making the community safer

IV. APPOINTMENTS –

V. CONSENT RESOLUTION

Motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Gutwetter

BE IT RESOLVED that the following resolutions herewith listed having been considered by the governing body of the Borough of Ramsey be and are hereby passed and approved:

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| 143-2018 | Resolution: | payment of vouchers |
| 144-2018 | Resolution: | ratifying the actions of the governing body for payroll number fourteen |
| 145-2018 | Resolution: | authorizing the borough administrator to pre-pay Ramsey Day vendors |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following applications and/or recommendations hereby be approved:

A. SPECIAL PERMITS:

Party Fair is requesting permission to hold their 25th annual sidewalk sale on Thursday, July 26 – Saturday, July 28, 2018 between the hours of 9:00 am and 9:00 pm.

PBA Local #155 is requesting permission to use Finch Park on Saturday, October 13, 2018 (raindate 10/14) between the hours of 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm for a food truck festival. They will be raising money for Tackle Kids Cancer.

Ramsey Public Education Foundation is requesting permission to hold their 6th annual 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, May 11, 2019 starting at 8:30 am.

B. BLOCK PARTY REQUESTS:

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jones, Kilman, Weber

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS - None

VII. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

A. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION – Councilwoman Vanessa Jachzel
Absent

B. PUBLIC SAFETY – Councilman Harry Weber
Extended condolences to the Paretto, Whitaker and Collins Families.

Thanked Fire House Subs for the generous donations of life saving equipment to the Police and Fire Departments, totaling \$38,000.

Thanked all of those involved in the successful Independence Day Celebration.

C. BUILDING, PLANNING & ZONING – Councilman Joseph Verdono
Absent

D. UTILITIES, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Councilman Peter Kilman
Thanked the Ramsey Board of Public Works for their hard work on the recent water main breaks and the Police for maintaining safety.

E. PUBLIC & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS – Councilman William Jones
Offered condolences to three Ramsey families, Whitaker, Collins and Paretto who recently lost loved ones and wished Dorothy Verdono a speedy recovery.

Thanked everyone involved with the Independence Day events. Starting with the Hometown Hero softball game with the support from the Bergen Highlands Rotary, Ramsey UNICO, Knights of Columbus and all of our emergency services and reported about a great night of events leading into a great show of fireworks.

Discussed Ramsey's discretionary spending on storm debris pick up and snow removal.

F. HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES – Councilman Michael Gutwetter
Offered condolences to the Whitaker, Collins and Paretto families and wished Dorothy Verdono a speedy recovery.

Attended the Hometown Hero softball game and remarked on what a great job Councilman Jones did emceeding.

G. MAYOR DEIRDRE DILLON

In Mayor Dillon's absence, Council President Kilman reported that the Mayor's thoughts and condolences are with the Whitaker, Collins and Paretto families for their losses.

H. BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR – Bruce Vozeh
Expressed his condolences to the Paretto, Whitaker and Collins families.

- I. BOROUGH ATTORNEY – Peter A. Scandariato, Esq.
Expressed his condolences to all the families who lost a loved one.

VII. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS (cont'd)

- J. BOROUGH CLERK – Meredith Bendian No comment

VIII. 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.

Allan Braggin, 25 Franklin Street, Ramsey

Discussed the borough's intended reimbursement from a storm earlier this year and the paper street behind St. Paul's School.

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

IX. ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES - None

X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES - None

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Weber. All in favor.
Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Meredith Bendian, RMC
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Borough Clerk