

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER
October 1, 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 – In Memory of Council Member Steven DiMartino’s mother, Grace DiMartino

Pledge of Allegiance

Proclamation: Borough Administrator Preusch read the following proclamation:
Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day – October 10, 2020

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	Absent

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 Florio.

September 3, 2020: Regular Meeting, Executive Meeting, Closed Session Meeting

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

RULE 3. BOROUGH CLERK’S REPORT

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

Landscaper Licenses	\$ 200.00
Copies	\$ 4.32
Garage Sales	\$ 14.00
200 Foot List	<u>\$ 60.00</u>
	\$ 278.32

The Borough Clerk's office issued 8 licenses for the month of September 2020; **\$21.60** was forwarded to the NJ department of Health for the Pilot Clinic and Animal Control Fund.

Proof of publications received:

- 1) Adoption #7 Salary Ordinance

The following reports were received and are on file for the month of September:

- 1) Police Report
- 2) DPW Report
- 3) Fire Department Report
- 4) Construction Report
- 5) Municipal Court Report

RULE 4. COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND BILLS

Communications: Public Hearing Notice: Borough of Mahwah Ordinance No. 1916 - Zoning
NWBUA Meeting Minutes – July 21, 2020
NWBUA Meeting Agenda - September 15, 2020

Approval of Bills: A motion by Council Member DiMartino, seconded by Council Member Durante to pay bills in amount of \$3,352,331.95 was unanimously approved and Mayor Minichetti declared bills approved for payment and ordered checks drawn.

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

RULE 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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 Ditkoff
Seconded by Council Member DiMartino

- *1. Resolution #98-20 Cancel Grant Balances
- *2. Resolution #99-20 Shared Services Agreement with Emerson DPW
- *3. Resolution #100-20 Participate in Electronic Tax Sale
- *4. Resolution #101-20 Chapter 159 Body Armor Grant
- *5. Resolution #102-20 Contract Award D&L Paving – Hidden Glen Rd.
- *6. Resolution #103-20 Authorization to Dispose of Police Department Property
- *7. Resolution #104-20 Redemption of Third-Party Lien Blk. 804 Lot 2
- *8. Resolution #105-20 Tax Overpayment Refund - Rong
- *9. Resolution #106-20 Tax Overpayment Refund - Tarizq

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

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

***Introduction of Ordinance #08-20**

An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance #07-20 Entitled "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 DiMartino

Roll Call Vote: AYES, Unanimous

RULE 7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Eric Friis, 4 Sparrowbush Road stated that the seventh graders in Cavallini School are reading Ghost Boys, which he felt was controversial in nature and perhaps not appropriate. He was advised that these concerns should be addressed with the Board of Education. Mr. Friis also addressed previous charges that were filed against an Upper Saddle River Police Officer in 2018, stating that the public was not made aware of this matter. He was informed that there was not a hearing in this case and it was not a matter that gave rise to the officer's dismissal.

RULE 8. ADJOURNMENT

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