

JANUARY 27, 2010

The Caucus Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede was held on the above date in the meeting room of the Borough Hall, 24 N. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede, NJ. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. The following members were present at roll call: Mayor Betteridge, Council members: Beatrice, Moore; Kappatos, Scaramuzzo, McCarthy, Kisielewski. Present: Jack Kennedy, Esquire, Borough Engineer, Mark Basehore.

STATEMENT: Mayor Betteridge read the notice of this meeting pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act."

The following issues were brought to the table for inclusion in the February 2, 2010 agenda:

Approval of Minutes;
Reports;
Communications;
Public Hearing of Bond Ordinance #10-01 & #10-02;
Council Committee Reports;
Resolution #10-19, #10-29 through #10-39;
First Reading of Ordinance #10-03 & #10-04;
Two Proclamations;
Payment of Bills.

Mayor Betteridge recognized Mike Avalone & Mike Smith our risk managers who gave an overview of their various roles in the JIF and the MEL.

Mayor Betteridge also gave the floor to Patrolman Sampolski who presented a very positive report on the role of the special police officers.

Mayor Betteridge recognized our Construction Code Official who introduced Keith Knight, our code enforcement officer. Keith expressed the need to take on more hours to get his job done.

RESOLUTION #10-36

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE TO CONDUCT A CLOSED SESSION
TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, PERSONNEL & LITIGATION**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede desires to discuss matters relating to contract negotiations, personnel & litigation and wish to do so in Closed Session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede that the governing body shall discuss matters pertaining to contract negotiations, personnel & litigation in the Borough of Runnemede at a Closed Session to be held on January 27, 2010 in the Borough Hall, 24 N. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede, NJ; and

The minutes of the Closed Session Meeting shall be kept, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act. The matters discussed at such meeting shall be disclosed to the public when the reason for discussing this matter privately no longer exists.

It is further determined that said Closed Session and matters to be discussed therein are matters as permitted under the Open Public Meetings Act.

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A motion was made by Beatrice, seconded by Scaramuzzo that the resolution be adopted. The motion carried.

The closed session ended at 8:26 PM and a motion was made and seconded to go back into open session.

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LIBRARY

Kenneth Virtue Assistant to the Treasurer-Library Volunteer-No Salary

ADMINISTRATION

CFO Search Committee

Mayor Betteridge
Councilwoman Scaramuzzo
Councilman Kappatos

PUBLIC WORKS/SEWER

Storm Water Management Coordinator John Gunn

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A motion was made by Beatrice, seconded by Moore the resolution be adopted. The motion carried and Mayor Betteridge requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Beatrice, Moore, Scaramuzzo, Kisielewski, McCarthy, Kappatos. Nays: None. Absent: None. Mayor Betteridge declared the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION # 10-19

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT
BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund each participating municipality must appoint a Risk Management Consultant to advise the participating municipality as to insurance coverage needs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede that Michael Smith of Conner Strong Companies, Inc. be and is hereby appointed as Risk Management Consultant and that Virginia Betteridge be and is hereby appointed as an alternate Risk Management Consultant for the Borough of Runnemede, which appointment shall be for one year commencing January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

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A heated discussion ensued as to this appointment. Councilman Kappatos wanted to table this resolution again. Several members of council, as well as the Mayor, questioned Councilman Kappatos as to his motives in not wanting to vote on this resolution. Councilman Kappatos stated that he thought there was a conflict having Conner Strong propose that one of their employees act as risk manager. Mayor Betteridge questioned Councilman Kappatos about his bringing a friend to the borough the night before for consideration as Risk Manager. Councilman Kappatos stated that he would vote no if this appointment came to a vote.

A motion was made by Beatrice, seconded by Kisielewski the resolution be adopted. The motion carried and Mayor Betteridge requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Beatrice, Moore, Scaramuzzo, Kisielewski. Nays: Kappatos. Absent: McCarthy. Mayor Betteridge declared the resolution adopted.

There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council at this time a motion was made by Moore and seconded by Kisielewski to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and Mayor Betteridge