

NOVEMBER 28, 2017

The Caucus Meeting of 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 6:00 P.M. The following members were present at roll call: Council members: Passio, Kelly, Root, Laubenstein, Farrell & Ranieri. Absent: None; Present: Borough Engineer: Mark Basehore; Public Works Superintendent: Harry Wozunk, Solicitor Len Wood; Absent: Acting Borough Administrator/CFO Robert Law.

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

A motion was made by Laubenstein, seconded by Passio, authorizing the clerk to advertise for 2018 Professional Services RFP's. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos declared the clerk authorized to advertise for 2017 Professional Services.

Discussion of items to be on agenda for the 12/5/17 meeting:

A resolution authorizing an agreement with AWSCC for 2018 for shelter services at a yearly increase of \$600.00 was discussed. Also discussed was the possibility of an ordinance establishing the Emergency Management Coordinator functions. A discussion ensued regarding what positions within the borough were required to be part of our code.

Mayor & Council discussed the date for reorganization and the regulation of the placement of pods by residents within the borough.

Councilwoman Passio reported on the success of the Christmas Tree lighting and Fire Truck parade, the senior luncheon on December 13th and the sustainability award.

Councilman Ranieri wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and commented on the wonderful Christmas party. John also reported that the new CFO/Administrator would start on Monday and that he was getting ready to start the 2018 budget process.

Councilwoman Kelly reported on the Christmas party, new employee in the police department and the need for a new squad.

Councilman Laubenstein reported on the Christmas party and the success of the Facebook page.

Councilman Root stated that he enjoyed watching the parade on Facebook.

Councilman Farrell updated everyone on on-going road projects. Washington Avenue was now complete and Elm Avenue had been started.

Mayor Kappatos stated he was only at the Christmas party for a short time because he was ill. Mayor Kappatos stated how happy he was that all of council participates in borough activities

Road Superintendent Harry Wozunk reported on some appointments he would like made at the next meeting, the new leafer and that one of the older leafers had blown an engine.

Borough Solicitor Len Wood reported on Callie Court developments as well as some easements he was attempting to get for various sewer and stormwater issues.

Borough Engineer Mark Basehore reported on the completion of S. Oakland and Washington Avenues, a change order resolution he would need for the next meeting, parking lot closeout and that borough hall phase II permits had been issued. Mark also reported on the progress of the Deluxe Bakery project and the Caliber Collision project.

Councilman Ranieri had some questions for Solicitor Wood regarding solar panels.

Mayor Kappatos announced the retirement of two long term employees: Roberta Iaconelli, a 37 year employee and Anita Marta, a 26 year employee. Mayor Kappatos read the plaques which would be presented to them and stated that, per borough ordinance, they would each receive \$1,000 upon retirement.

Councilwoman Kelly left at 7:15 PM.

GOOD & WELFARE:

Ken Brooks, 811 Hirsch Avenue: Mr. Brooks wanted to know if the problem with missing curbing would be solved and if there would ever be a boat ramp at the end of Hirsch Avenue. Mayor Kappatos stated he would look into this and directed Mr. Brooks to Councilman Farrell. Mr. Brooks also wanted to know what could be done about hunting behind his home.


Seeing no one else wishing to speak, a motion was made by Laubenstein, seconded by Passio to close the good and welfare portion of the meeting. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos declared the good and welfare portion closed.

There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council at this time a motion was made by Root and seconded by Laubenstein to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos declared the meeting adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Approved by:


Nick Kappatos, Mayor

Attest:


Joyce Pinto, Borough Clerk