SPECIAL MEETING

MARCH 29, 2021

A Special Meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede was held on the above date remotely. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM. The following members were present at roll call: Mayor Kappatos; Council members: Farrell, Kelly, Ranieri, Laubenstein, Cepero & Passio; Absent: None;

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

Mr. Torpey presented the findings of the Sustainable Public Information & Engagement Tech Assessment.

Councilman Ranieri thanked Eleanor for all of her help.

Some items already being worked on were discussed: electric car, car charging station, use of environmental friendly cleaning products, electronic requisitions and contract signing.

Borough Clerk, Joyce Pinto, asked Mr. Torpey how to get residents to go to the borough's website for information and not to the gossip sites.

Short and long term solutions to improve public information were reviewed. Several suggestions for accomplishing this was to seek out civic facilitators, be proactive in getting volunteers to inform public, set up committees to promote businesses and cultural initiatives.

Mr. Torpey suggested looking for grants and other funding.

Councilman Ranieri stated that he was committed to implementing some these suggestions.

Mayor Kappatos stated that accomplishing these goals comes down to people and money.

Everyone thanked Mr. Torpey and pledged to continue working towards these goals.

GOOD & WELFARE:

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

There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Laubenstein, seconded by Passio to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and Mayor Kappatos declared the meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Approved by:

Nick Kappatos, Mayor

Attest:

Joyce Pinto, Borough Clerk