

**MINUTES**  
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council  
Monday, January 22, 2018  
6:30 P.M.

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER –**

Mayor Mignone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall.

**STATEMENT –**

Mayor Mignone read the statement under the Sunshine Law and asked the Clerk to put it into the minutes. “Adequate Notice of this meeting has been made by sending notice on December 29, 2017 to THE RECORD NEWSPAPER, by positioning on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Borough Hall and filing a Notice of the same with the Municipal Clerk”.

**SILENT PRAYER – FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Mignone called for a moment of silent prayer and asked Police Chief Cariddi to lead the salute to the flag. The Mayor asked that we keep in our prayers Mary Gannon, long time Board of Health member, Craig Maiocchi, Fire Inspector and mother of Bob Costa, our Borough Engineer, Roselle Costa who recently passed away.

**ROLL CALL** – Councilman Bartelloni, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Chinigo, Councilwoman Davis, Councilman Papaleo and Mayor Mignone were present; Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

On motion by Councilwoman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni approving resolution #18-60 was unanimously approved.

#18-60 Resolution to Go Into Closed Session and Exclude Public

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain enumerated circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances will or presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the public shall be excluded from the January 22, 2018 regular meeting and discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matter:

<u>Closed Session</u> <u>Docket #</u>	<u>Item Title or Description</u>	<u>Statutory</u> <u>Reference</u>
18-1/22-1	Personnel – Police Department Matthew Piterski	N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(8)

2. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public within a reasonable time, the substance of which will be released after the Mayor and Council or the specific authorized public body has reviewed and specifically accepted the data.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

January 22, 2018

**MOTION TO SUSPEND REGULAR SESSION AND GO INTO CLOSED SESSION**

On motion by Councilwoman Busteed, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to suspend the regular meeting and go into closed session was unanimously approved.

**CLOSED SESSION TOPICS**

<b><u>Closed Session Docket #</u></b>	<b><u>Item Title or Description</u></b>	<b><u>Statutory Reference</u></b>
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**MOTION TO ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RESUME REGULAR MEETING – 6:45 P.M.**

On motion by Councilwoman Busteed, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to adjourn the closed session and resume the regular meeting was unanimously approved.

**ROLL CALL:** Councilman Bartelloni, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Chinigo, Councilwoman Davis and Councilman Papaleo and Mayor Mignone were present; Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Papaleo, the minutes of the Mayor and Council Sine Die Meeting and Reorganization Meeting of January 1, 2018 were approved unanimously.

**PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS –**

Mayor Mignone read the Proclamation Declaring January 28<sup>th</sup> – February 3<sup>rd</sup> as Catholic Schools Week into the record as follows:

***P R O C L A M A T I O N***

*WHEREAS, St. Peter Academy plays an important role in our community by furnishing our leaders of tomorrow with basic human, moral and spiritual foundations; and*

*WHEREAS, St. Peter Academy strengthens the community and nation by keeping viable the right to freedom of religion, under law; and*

*WHEREAS, St. Peter Academy is intended to fulfill the threefold purpose of message, community and service; and*

*WHEREAS, the NCEA (National Catholic Educational Association) has declared the week of January 28, 2018 through February 3, 2018 as Catholic Schools Week in the United States of America, with their theme being*

*“Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.”*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Edward J. Mignone, Mayor of the Borough of River Edge, in recognition thereof, do hereby proclaim:*

*January 28th through February 3, 2018 as:*

*Catholic Schools Week*

*IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Borough of River Edge to be affixed this*

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*Mayor Edward J. Mignone*

*Dated: January 22, 2018*

Mayor Mignone presented the proclamation to Principal Jim McCarthy and members of St. Peter's Academy Student Council.

Principal McCarthy-thanked the Mayor and Council for honoring them every year and introduced the members of the student council.

#### **OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA –**

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to open public comments on any item on the agenda was unanimously approved.

#### **CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA –**

There being no comments by the public, the motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to close public comments on any item on the agenda was unanimously approved.

#### **OPEN PUBLIC HEARING – OPEN SPACE, RECREATION, FARMLAND AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND ALLOCATION OF MONIES**

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to open public hearing – Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Allocation of Monies was approve unanimously.

Alan Negreann – had provided the Mayor and Council with a worksheet with prior years Open Space allocations. The purpose of this spreadsheet is to show them that there are some outstanding balances that entities have not taken advantage of this point in time or for projects that are still underway. For example, the Rec Commission has \$77,934.00 among a variety of years; 9/11 Memorial Gardens has \$1,200.00; DPW - \$7,550.00 primarily from 2017; Shade Tree Commission - \$13,621.95; Beautification - \$349.49, Cherry Blossom Park - \$9,526.00; Historic Commission - \$750.00 and Green Team \$1,479.62. There is also a category entitled “unauthorized” which means that these are funds in a particular year but the Council has not designated them by resolution for a particular purpose. At any time, the Council may utilize these unauthorized funds which total \$23,491.94. The total reserved and unauthorized is about \$135,904.31. With that said, he also has up on the screen a tally of what's available this year for the estimated 2018 Municipal Open Space Tax which should bring in \$145,910.81. He has listed the unauthorized amounts and did sub-totals of available funds in the amount of \$169,402.75. Keeping in mind that any of the reserved funds from prior years may be reallocated if they desire, by resolution.

Alan Negreann stated that the Open Space Requests for 2018 are as follows:

9/11 Memorial Gardens - \$6,450.00 for the maintenance of the gardens.

Beautification Committee - \$5,500.00 for decorative pots along Kinderkamack Road, maintenance of gardens at the Library, 140 Kinderkamack Road and Memorial Park sign, mulch, soil and additional plantings at Cherry Blossom Park.

Department of Public Works - \$9,500.00 for park maintenance.

Green Team –Total request - \$3,000.00. \$1,000.00 for Farmer's Market advertising, \$1,000.00 for planting, fencing and supplies for the Community Garden and \$1,000.00 for new projects, handouts and a Sustainable Jersey Banner. He offered the opinion that while the Community Garden could be supported under Open Space, the Farmer's Market and new projects that are undefined at this point would be better in the operating fund rather than Open Space.

Recreation Commission- Total request - \$156,719.00. \$11,820.00 for Park Maintenance; \$24,509.00 for Field Maintenance; \$60,390.00 for Maintenance & Field Projects and \$60,000.00 for Roosevelt Dugout renovation. Alan Negreann explained that some of these are considered a match with a County Open Space grant and he has provide them with a copy of the application page as well as the engineering estimates so they can see the application information and the match that would be required.

Shade Tree Commission – Total Request - \$19,285.00. \$5,000.00 for summer help, \$10,585.00 for tree planting, \$3,500.00 for mulch arboretum and \$200.00 for gypsum.

Alan Negreann-stated that the total requests are \$200,454.00 so we have more requests than we have funding at this point unless they re-cast something that has been reserved in the past.

Mayor Mignone-asked if the totals include old money that groups haven't used?

Alan Negreann-said no, it's completely separate from the new request amount this year.

Councilman Papaleo-asked for the total amount for the old money?

Councilman Bartelloni-said approximately \$135,000.00.

Councilman Papaleo-said that if you take out the \$23,000 then we have approximately \$112,000 that is not part of the \$169,000 which brings it up to \$270,000 or \$280,000 and asked if that is correct?

Alan Negreann-said keep in mind that some of the reserved monies could be for projects in 2017 that they didn't get to but they will get to them this year. They need to make the determination whether some of the projects are in the works and would have to clarify before reallocation.

Jim Conway - 9/11 Memorial Gardens – said that their request this year is slightly larger than it has been in past years because they plan to do more gardening and less maintenance. After 10 years of gardening, there are parts of the garden that need to be refreshed and redone. The proposal from the vendor, Let It Grow who has been doing it all of these years, reflects this different focus. He would like to put the \$1,200 remaining from last year and reduce their request to \$5,250 bringing them to the total figure of \$6,450.00 that they actually need to accomplish their goal this year. He thanked the Mayor and Council for supporting the garden over the years and it's reflected very well in the community.

Mayor Mignone-asked Alan to earmark the \$1,200.00 for that purpose.

Alan Negreann-said that it's already reserved.

On motion by Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to allot \$5,250 of 2018 Open Space funds to 9/11 Memorial Gardens Committee was unanimously approved.

Liz Stewart, Chairperson & Jennifer Dougherty- Shade Tree Commission- said that their budget from last year has \$13,000 but they have an outstanding purchase order that may not be reflected in that amount so they may be closer to \$12,000. Jennifer Dougherty explained that they have a balance from last year because they mainly concentrated on the Emerald Ash Bore treatment and didn't do any plantings. Because there was money left over, they budgeted for approximately \$11,000 for Open Space planting, municipality street tree planting and park planting for this year. The summer watering help that they had last year worked out great and they would like to do it again this year so they are budgeting \$5,000 towards that cost. Liz Stewart said that they've noticed deer damage on some of the trees in the park so they are looking into putting some type of protection on existing trees which may result in less tree plantings.

Councilman Papaleo-said there was talk whether the summer help was a duplicate job and asked if anyone had looked into that?

Liz Stewart-said that it was not a duplicate on their end and that park trees would come from the main budget and they would need a different budget for street trees.

Councilman Bartelloni-noticed that they're budgeting \$14.00 per hour and feels that it might be prudent to raise it to \$15.00 in case the legislators raise the minimum wage.

Liz Stewart-thought that they should keep it at \$5,000 because they were actually under that amount last year because the person took a few vacation days.

Councilman Bartelloni-questioned mulching the arboretum trees because he knows that they're in the area where we're hoping to start construction and feels that it might not be worthwhile to spend the \$3,500 on something that may not stay there.

Liz Stewart-feels that if they are going to stay there it's more important to do it but if they're not going to stay obviously it's not a good idea. She said that she can't answer that because she hasn't received an updated plan.

Mayor Mignone-explained that they're expecting an updated plan this week.

Liz Stewart-explained that there are trees along the tennis courts and around the Library that still need mulching.

Mayor Mignone-stated that for DPW, typically we take the \$9,400 from the operating budget and put it here and the \$7,000 that is left, he asked if that is earmarked for something else or can we deduct that.....

Alan Negreann-said that usually they spend everything but he would have to ask John why he has that money left. He may have placed orders that haven't been paid out so he'll have to follow up on that.

Michele Cariddi-Beautification Committee-said that she was not aware that they had \$300 left over from last year and asked if a committee can carryover Open Space money from one year to the next?

Alan Negreann-replied, yes the \$300 is still open for Beautification's purposes.

Michele Cariddi-would it stay until next year?

Alan Negreann-explained that it would be up to the Mayor and Council to decide whether to cancel, leave it be or reallocate it to another purpose.

Michele Cariddi-asked if the \$9,000 for Cherry Blossom Park is for maintenance on the park for DPW?

Alan Negreann-stated that \$1,175.00 was for the development or some type of improvement of the park itself and the rest was for maintenance.

Councilman Bartelloni-felt that the \$8,315.00 balance should go into Recreation's budget because it's for a park.

Alan Negreann-explained that the \$8,000 may have to do with the drainage that was done over there.

Mayor Mignone-thought that if that's the case, it should have been paid months ago.

Alan Negreann-stated that we initially allocated \$29,000 for the whole drainage situation and probably was done with less cost than we thought.

Michele Cariddi-said that she's requesting \$5,500 of Open Space funding and had provided the Mayor and Council with the breakdown.

Carlo Rebosio, Recreation Commission-explained the breakdown for park maintenance totaling \$11,820; Field Maintenance - \$24,509.00 includes spring field maintenance for the 7 fields, clay, stabilizer/conditions and sprinkler system for Little League, KBG and Memorial Gardens. \$60,390 for renovations to the basketball courts at Brookside Park and basketball & hockey courts at Memorial Park would come from 2017 County Open Space Funds and a match for the difference; \$60,000 for Roosevelt School field dugout renovations.

Mayor Mignone-asked Mr. Rebosio what the total cost would be for the renovations to both basketball courts at the two parks?

Councilman Bartelloni-thought it was \$127,080.

Carlo Rebosio-asked if this would be for the match?

Alan Negreann-stated that at the bottom of the Recreation Commission submission, it notes that a balance \$21,068.93 would be available from the 2015 Open Space which could be reallocated by the Council to use towards the match.

Mayor Mignone-stated that he thinks that's a good idea because he's not sure that we would get \$60,000 from the County this year and if they're going to do the project we'll have to supplement.

Mayor Mignone-asked if we have these duplicated in the capital budget as well?

Councilman Bartelloni-stated that the only one that's left in capital is the Roosevelt dugout.

Carlo Rebosio-said that initially they put it in as a capital request but there was discussion to move it to Open Space.

Councilman Bartelloni-said that they took the resurfacing projects out of capital and put them into Open Space and left the Roosevelt dugout renovation in capital.

Mayor Mignone-thinks it's better to leave it there so we don't have to use the money because we don't know when the project will begin and the impact on the operating budget would be \$3,000 and if we take any one of these items, it could go more than that. It makes sense to remove the \$60,000 from here and keep it in capital. He feels that they should have everything covered by then.

Councilman Bartelloni-asked if there was \$77,000 from prior years?

Alan Negreann-replied yes but that included the \$21,000.

Councilman Bartelloni-it looks like there was 44 from 2016/2017 that already went to this resurfacing project?

Councilwoman Busted-said that nothing has been done with that project. She said that this has been an ongoing discussion for several years but nothing has been done.

Mayor Mignone-asked Alan to give a quick update if we move those amounts.

Alan Negreann-stated that we'd be at \$139,000.

Mayor Mignone-said he is trying to think of a swap because there's \$2,000 from the Green Team that is not eligible for operating.

Councilman Bartelloni-explained that Historic has asked for \$2,142 for their archivist this year.

Alan Negreann-replied yes, that is in our operating budget.

Mayor Mignone-asked if there's anything from DPW that can be moved into here to supplement the \$2,000-\$3,000 to offset the operating side.

Alan Negreann-said that one year he recommended that they pay salaries out of this line but they've grown comfortable with just these few items.

Mayor Mignone-said that we can approve this now and can always amend it if needed. Maybe when we start looking at the operating budget we can find something to offset some of that.

Councilman Bartelloni-asked if Environmental wanted anything?

Councilwoman Busted-replied, no.

## **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING – OPEN SPACE, RECREATION, FARMLAND AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND ALLOCATION OF MONIES**

On motion by Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to close public hearing – Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Allocation of Monies was approve unanimously.

Mayor Mignone-asked if we need a motion to approve the allocations for the next meeting?  
Alan Negreann-said that he will prepare resolutions for their consideration at the next meeting.

On motion by Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Chinigo to approve the allocations that they had previously identified was unanimously approved.

Councilman Bartelloni-asked for clarification on whether that includes moving the \$22,000 from 2015 for Recreation. He asked if the \$9,000 for Cherry Blossom should be reallocated to an actual entity.

Alan Negreann-said they could do that or leave it as unauthorized and then the money would be available when they saw fit.

On motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Davis to move the \$9,000 for Cherry Blossom Park to unauthorized.

Councilwoman Busted-suggested that the Rec Commission discuss whether there is an outstanding project related to that park and that the money before they move it to unauthorized. She suggested that they discuss it at their meeting next month and after that they can decide whether to move it or not.

Councilman Bartelloni withdrew his motion to reallocate \$9,000 from Cherry Blossom Park to unauthorized, seconded by Councilman Papaleo was unanimously approved.

Alan Negreann-clarified Councilman Bartelloni's question regarding the \$21,000 from 2015 and said that it's still available to Recreation as part of a match or something else.

Councilman Bartelloni-just wants to make sure it's available for the match.

Mayor Mignone-said ultimately it depends on what we get from the County and what the bids amounts are and what we can cover.

#### **APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES –**

On motion by Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Chinigo, the hire of Samantha Helmrich as Camp Office Manager/First Aid at an annual salary of \$2,142.00, effective January 23, 2018 was approved unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni, the salary change of Marc Abate, Sergeant in the Police Department, from an annual salary of \$141,960.94 to \$144,589.85 due to an increase in longevity from 8% to 10% effective January 12, 2018 was approved unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, the resignation of Matthew Jung, Police Dispatcher, effective January 1, 2018 was approved unanimously.

On motion by Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni, the appointment of Steven Baxter to the Recreation Commission as Alternate #2 for a one-year term through 12/31/18 was approved unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, the hire of Kevin Joyce as Fire Inspector in the Fire Prevention Bureau at an hourly Step I "B Scale" rate of \$23.41, effective January 23, 2018 was approved unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, the salary change of Eric Phillips, Tree Trimmer II in the Department of Public Works from an annual salary of \$56,784.00 to \$57,184.00 due to an increase from Step III to Step IV, effective February 2, 2018 was approved unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Busted, the appointments of Kathy Caslin, Adam Facendola, Christina Gilmour, Stephanie Hartman, Claudia O'Neill, Stacy Stein and Elizabeth Oudens, as the Board of Health representative for one-year terms through 12/31/18 to the **Municipal Alliance**, effective January 23, 2018 were approved unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, the hire of Ryan P. Lacast, as Laborer in the Department of Public Works at an annual salary of \$30,939.00 with a one-year probationary period, effective January 23, 2018 was unanimously approved.

On motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, the hire of Benjamin Mullen as Laborer in the Department of Public Works at an annual salary of \$30,939.00 with a one-year probationary period, effective January 23, 2018 was unanimously approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE –**

- Report - Alan P. Negreann, Administrator/CFO  
Re: Damage to Public Property – 1/11/18
- Report - Alan P. Negreann, Administrator/CFO  
Re: Revenue Report

**MONTHLY REPORTS –**

- Library Board - January 2018
- Fire Prevention - October – December, 2017
- Shade Tree Commission - December 2017
- Tax Collector - December 2017

**ORDINANCES – 1<sup>ST</sup> READING –**

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #18-04 into the record as follows:

Ordinance #18-04 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ENGINEERING DESIGN PHASE OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF CURBS ON EXISTING SIDEWALKS AT PORTIONS OF RUTGERS PLACE AND OXFORD TERRACE (PHASE 3) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, A SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,800 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

On motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, Ordinance #18-04 was approved unanimously as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #18-04

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ENGINEERING DESIGN PHASE OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF CURBS ON EXISTING SIDEWALKS AT PORTIONS OF RUTGERS PLACE AND OXFORD TERRACE (PHASE 3) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, A SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$4,800 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to undertake the engineering design phase (hereinafter referred to as the "purpose" or the "improvement") of the construction and reconstruction of curbs on existing sidewalks beginning at the intersection of Rutgers Place and Bogert Road and proceeding (A) on the southern side of Rutgers Place approximately 1,000 linear feet to the intersection of Kinderkamack Road and Rutgers Place, and (B) continuing on the southerly curb line of Oxford Terrace approximately 200 linear feet along Lots 5 and 4 (partial) in Block 1301 on the Tax Map of the Borough (the "Tax Map"). The improvement shall be undertaken along and in front of the following described property locations as shown on the Tax Map:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lots</u>
1404	2.02, 1.02, 1.03, 1.04 (partial)
1301	5, 4 (partial)

It is hereby determined and stated that the construction phase of the project was authorized by Ordinance No. 17-28 adopted by the Borough Council on November 20, 2017.

Section 2. The sum of \$4,800 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this ordinance. Said sum so appropriated shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment made by this ordinance.

Section 3. The improvement shall be undertaken as a sidewalk improvement and the cost thereof not borne by the Borough shall be assessed in the following manner: an accurate account of the cost of the improvement shall be kept by an officer of the Borough and such cost shall be assessed upon the several properties fronting on the improvement in proportion to their respective frontage thereon pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 65 of Title 40 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey. The portion of such cost which shall not be so assessed shall be paid by the Borough as in the case of a general improvement which is to be paid for by general taxation.

Section 4. Before making said sidewalk improvement or awarding any contract for such sidewalk improvement, the Borough Clerk shall cause notice of the proposed sidewalk improvement to be given to the owner or owners of all real estate affected thereby. Such notice shall be served in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 65 of Title 40 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey, in particular Section 40:65-2 to Section 40:65-6, and the proof of service shall be filed with the officer of the Borough in charge of the records of tax liens of the Borough within 10 days after service thereof.

Section 5. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) one hundred percent (100%) of the cost of the improvement shall be assessed against the owners of the properties fronting on the improvement and (2) the Borough will not contribute any money to the cost of said improvement and (3) no sidewalk assessments for such improvement have been levied or confirmed and (4) such sidewalk assessments may be paid in five annual installments.

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the making of such improvement is not a current expense of said Borough, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$4,800, and (4) \$300 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$4,500, and (6) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$4,800, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$300, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$300 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 8. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$4,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 9. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$4,500 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 10. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and



shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of 10 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 12. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$4,500 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 13. Any funds received from the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 14. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 15. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds and notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 16. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 17. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

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Edward J. Mignone, Mayor

ATTEST

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk  
Dated:

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**ORDINANCE – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING –**

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #18-1 into the record as follows:

Ordinance #18-1 AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2018

Ordinance #18-1 was introduced by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilman Chinigo at the Reorganization Meeting on January 1, 2018 as follows:

ORDINANCE #18-1

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS  
AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN,  
AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2018

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge:

Section 1: The compensation for the full-time employees of the Department of Public Works shall be:

2018

<u>Department of Public Works</u>	<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
Mechanic I		\$76,760 - \$83,938
General Repairer I		\$74,143 - \$81,326
Equipment Operator I		\$69,422 - \$76,144
Tree Trimmer I		\$68,754 - \$75,411
Mechanic II		\$64,507 - \$70,465
General Repairer II		\$62,343 - \$68,313
Equipment Operator II		\$60,902 - \$68,557
Tree Trimmer II		\$55,980 - \$61,611
Laborer I		\$51,843 - \$58,584
Laborer II		\$30,939 - \$50,947

In addition to the salaries set forth above, all full time employees holding these positions listed herein shall have added to base pay the following percentage computed on the basis of the prevailing salary:

	<u>Date of Employment Pre 7/1/93</u>	<u>Date of Employment Post 7/1/93 – 12/31/10</u>
During:		
5 - 8 years of service	2%	\$ 480.00
9 - 12 years of service	4%	\$ 960.00
13 - 16 years of service	6%	\$ 1,440.00
17-20 years of service	8%	\$ 1,920.00
21 Plus years of service	10%	\$ 2,400.00

Section 2. Employees hired after January 1, 2011 shall not be entitled to Longevity Pay.

Section 3. In addition to the salaries set forth herein, Department of Public Works employees of the Borough of River Edge covered under the Collective Bargaining Agreement with Local 108, RWDSU, AFL-CIO Blue Collar Unit for the years January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018 shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in the Collective Bargaining Agreement with Local 108, RWDSU, AFL-CIO Blue Collar Unit for the years January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018.

Any difference in terms between the above Agreement and Ordinance, the Agreement will be deemed dispositive.

The employee compensation disclosure form shall be made part of any formal action taken by the local unit, but shall not be considered part of any contract or agreement.

Section 4. Compensation for the following part-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge for the year 2018 is hereby supplemented and amended as follows:

	<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
Bus/Van Driver	\$8.44 - \$18.74	
Recycling Caretaker/Litter Enf.	\$8.44 - \$20.60	

Section 5: The salaries, wages or compensation of all officers and employees shall be paid in twenty-four (24) installments, or upon presentation of duly executed vouchers as required by law.

Section 6: This ordinance shall take effect as of January 1, 2018 when passed and published as required by law.

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Edward Mignone, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk  
Dated:

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE – Ordinance #18-1**

On motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilman Chinigo, to open the public hearing on Ordinance #18-1 was unanimously approved.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE – Ordinance #18-1**

There being no comments by the public, the motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis to close the public hearing on Ordinance #18-1 was unanimously approved.

**ADOPTION – Ordinance #18-1**

On motion by Councilman Papaleo, seconded by Councilman Chinigo, the adoption of Ordinance #18-1 was unanimously approved.

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #18-2 into the record as follows:

Ordinance #18-2 AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2018 –

Ordinance #18-2 was introduced by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni at the Reorganization Meeting of January 1, 2018 was follows:

**BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #18-02**

**AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2018**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge:

Section 1: The compensation for the full-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge hired before October 1, 2007 for the year 2018 shall be as follows:

	<u>2018</u>	<u>Annually</u>
<u>POLICE</u>		
Lieutenant	\$129,093 - \$131,352	
Sergeant	\$119,531 - \$121,622	
Patrolman 1	\$110,677 - \$112,614	

The compensation for the full-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge hired on or after October 1, 2007 but before July 1, 2011 for the year 2018 shall be as follows:

2018  
Annually

Lieutenant	\$129,093 - \$131,352
Sergeant	\$119,531 - \$121,622
Patrolman 1	\$110,677 - \$112,614
Patrolman 2	\$100,458 - \$102,216
Patrolman 3	\$ 90,244 - \$ 91,823
Patrolman 4	\$ 80,028 - \$ 81,429
Patrolman 5	\$ 69,814 - \$ 71,035
Patrolman 6	\$ 59,599 - \$ 60,642
Patrolman Probationary (second 6 months)	\$ 49,384 - \$ 50,248
Patrolman Probationary (first 6 months)	\$ 39,170 - \$ 39,856

In addition to the salaries set forth above, all full time employees holding these positions listed herein shall have added to base pay the following percentage computed on the basis of the prevailing salary:

During:	5 - 8 years of service - 2%
	9 - 12 years of service - 4%
	13 - 16 years of service - 6%
	17 - 20 years of service - 8%
	21 Plus years of service-10%

The compensation for the full-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge hired on or after July 1, 2011 for the year 2018 shall be as follows:

Lieutenant 1	\$142,002 - \$144,487
Lieutenant 2 thru Lieutenant 5	\$139,420 - \$141,860
Lieutenant 6 thru Lieutenant 9	\$136,838 - \$139,233
Lieutenant 10 thru Lieutenant 13	\$134,256 - \$136,605
Lieutenant 14 thru Lieutenant 17	\$131,675 - \$133,979
Lieutenant 18 thru Lieutenant 19	\$129,093 - \$131,352
Sergeant 1	\$131,484 - \$133,785
Sergeant 2 thru Sergeant 5	\$129,093 - \$131,352
Sergeant 6 thru Sergeant 9	\$126,703 - \$128,920
Sergeant 10 thru Sergeant 13	\$124,312 - \$126,488
Sergeant 14 thru Sergeant 17	\$121,921 - \$124,055
Sergeant 18 thru Sergeant 19	\$119,531 - \$121,622
Patrol Officer 1	\$121,744 - \$123,875
Patrol Officer 2	\$120,515 - \$122,624
Patrol Officer 3	\$119,283 - \$121,371
Patrol Officer 4	\$118,055 - \$120,121
Patrol Officer 5	\$116,826 - \$118,870
Patrol Officer 6	\$115,596 - \$117,619
Patrol Officer 7	\$114,366 - \$116,367
Patrol Officer 8	\$113,136 - \$115,116
Patrol Officer 9	\$111,906 - \$113,864
Patrol Officer 10	\$110,677 - \$112,614
Patrol Officer 11	\$104,641 - \$106,472
Patrol Officer 12	\$ 96,380 - \$ 98,067
Patrol Officer 13	\$ 88,119 - \$ 89,661
Patrol Officer 14	\$ 79,858 - \$ 81,255
Patrol Officer 15	\$ 71,597 - \$ 72,850
Patrol Officer 16	\$ 63,335 - \$ 64,443
Patrol Officer 17	\$ 55,074 - \$ 56,038
Patrol Officer 18	\$ 46,813 - \$ 47,632
Patrol Officer Probationary (1 <sup>st</sup> year)	\$ 38,552 - \$ 39,226

Employees hired as Police Officers after July 1, 2011 shall not be entitled to longevity pay in addition to the salaries set above.

In addition to the salaries set forth above, Police Officers of the Borough of River Edge covered under the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the River Edge PBA, Local 201 and the River Edge Superior Officers Association January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018 shall have added to the base pay holidays.

Section 2. In addition to the salaries set forth herein, Police Offices of the Borough of River Edge covered under the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the River Edge Police Benevolent

Association Local 201, January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018 shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in the Collective Bargaining Agreement with River Edge PBA Local 201, January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018.

Any difference in terms between the above Agreement and Ordinance, the Agreement will be deemed dispositive.

Section 3. In addition to the salaries set forth herein, Police Officers of the Borough of River Edge covered under the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the River Edge Superior Officers Association, for the years January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018 shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the SOA, for the years January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018.

Any difference in terms between the above Agreement and Ordinance, the Agreement will be deemed dispositive.

The employee compensation disclosure form shall be made part of any formal action taken by the local unit, but shall not be considered part of any contract or agreement.

Section 4. The salaries, wages or compensation of all officers and employees shall be paid in twenty-four (24) installments, or upon presentation of duly executed vouchers as required by law.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect as of January 1, 2018 when passed and published as required by law.

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Edward Mignone, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk  
Dated:

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE – Ordinance #18-2**

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to open the public hearing on Ordinance #18-2 was unanimously approved.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE – Ordinance #18-2**

There being no comments by the public, the motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Chinigo to close the public hearing on Ordinance #18-2 was unanimously approved.

**ADOPTION – Ordinance #18-2**

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis the adoption of Ordinance #18-2 was unanimously approved.

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #18-3 into the record as follows:

Ordinance #18-3 AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2018 –

Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni introduced Ordinance #18-3 at the Reorganization Meeting of January 1, 2018 as follows:

**BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
ORDINANCE #18-3**

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2018

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge:

Section 1: The compensation for the full-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge for the year 2018 shall be as follows:

2018

<u>POLICE</u>	<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
Chief		\$ 100,000 - \$165,000
Secretary		\$ 25,000 - \$ 48,000
Police Dispatcher		\$ 22,300 - \$ 58,000
Records Clerk		\$ 16,150 - \$ 45,000
 <u>BOROUGH HALL</u>		
Mayor		\$ 1 - \$ 5,000
Each Council Person		\$ 1 - \$ 4,000
Borough Administrator		\$ 1 - \$ 25,000
Chief Financial Officer		\$ 52,000 - \$148,000
Borough Clerk		\$ 16,150 - \$ 73,000
Deputy Borough Clerk		\$ 16,150 - \$ 57,500
Registrar of Vital Statistics		\$ 1,400 - \$ 2,600
Election Official		\$ 350 - \$ 1,500
Accounts Supervisor		\$ 16,150 - \$ 66,800
Deputy Tax Collector		\$ 550 - \$ 2,100
Technical Assistant to Construction Official		\$ 16,150 - \$ 60,000
Court Administrator		\$ 16,150 - \$ 63,000
Director of Recreation		\$ 16,150 - \$ 54,500
 <u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS</u>		
Superintendent of Public Works		\$ 52,000 - \$143,000
General Foreperson		\$ 45,672 - \$102,950
Road Foreperson		\$ 39,444 - \$ 92,525
Office Manager/Administrative Assistant		\$ 16,150 - \$ 55,600
 <u>LIBRARY</u>		
Director		\$ 46,050 - \$110,000
Head of Circulation		\$ 25,000 - \$ 51,000
Youth Services		\$ 26,000 - \$ 60,200
Circulation Assistant		\$ 14,500 - \$ 38,800

Section 2. Longevity. In addition to the salaries set forth above, all full time employees holding these positions listed herein shall have added to base pay the following percentage computed on the basis of the prevailing salary:

Date of Employment Pre- 1/1/94

Date of Employment Post - 1/1/94 – 7/1/11

**During:**

**During:**

5 - 8 years of service - 2%  
9 -12 years of service - 4%  
13-16 years of service - 6%  
17-20 years of service - 8%  
21 Plus years of service-10%

5 - 8 years of service-2%-not to exceed \$480  
9 - 12 years of service-4%-not to exceed \$960  
13-16 years of service-6%-not to exceed \$1,440  
17-20 years of service-8%-not to exceed \$1,920  
21 Plus years of service-10%-not to exceed \$2,400

Section 3. Regular, full-time employees who have been hired after July 1, 2011 shall not be entitled to longevity payments in addition to their salary.

Section 4. Compensation for the following part-time positions and officers of the Borough of River Edge for the year 2018 is hereby supplemented and amended as follows:

<u>Hourly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
Assessor	\$16,650 - \$ 35,550
Construction Official	\$ 2,750 - \$ 16,450
Building & Sub-Code Officer	\$ 2,750 - \$ 11,225

Fire Code Sub-Code Officer		\$ 2,750 -\$ 11,225
Tax Collector		\$16,150 -\$ 58,150
Accounts Payable Clerk	\$8.44-\$23.50	\$16,150 -\$ 41,100
Payroll Clerk		\$16,150 -\$ 43,000
Accounts Receivable Clerk	\$8.44-\$23.50	
Zoning Officer		\$ 2,750 -\$ 15,300
Building Inspector		\$ 8,000 -\$ 15,300
Temporary Building Inspector	\$8.44-\$32.00	
Plumbing Sub-Code Officer.		\$ 2,750 -\$ 12,200
Electrical Sub-Code Officer		\$ 2,750 -\$ 12,200
Code Enforcer	\$8.44-\$28.00	
Emergency Management Coord.		\$ 2,750 -\$ 12,850
Deputy Emergency Mgmt.Coord.		\$ 100 -\$ 350
Fire Inspector	\$8.44-\$27.50	\$ 2,750 -\$ 3,700
Fire Official		\$ 8,550 -\$ 20,500
Assessor/Land Use Clerk	\$8.44-\$23.50	\$13,950 -\$ 33,550
Custodian/Borough Hall		\$13,950 -\$ 27,500
Camp Director(s)		\$ 1,000 -\$ 4,500
Assistant Camp Director		\$ 1,000 -\$ 3,300
Camp Office Manager		\$ 100 -\$ 2,200
Activities Coordinator		\$ 100 -\$ 1,500
Arts & Craft Leader		\$ 100 -\$ 1,900
Unit Leader(s)		\$ 100 -\$ 900
Assistant Unit Leaders		\$ 100 -\$ 750
Counselors		\$ 100 -\$ 650
Park Attendant	\$ 8.44-\$22.00	
School Crossing Guards	\$ 8.44-\$22.00	
Health Nurse		\$22,250 -\$ 46,500
Board of Health Secretary	\$ 8.44-\$24.00	
Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics	\$ 8.38-\$39.75	
Municipal Judge		\$11,100 -\$ 19,275
Prosecutor		\$ 3,300 -\$ 8,700
Bus/Van Driver	\$ 8.44-\$19.00	
Bus/Van Dispatchers	\$ 8.44-\$22.50	
Deputy Court Administrator	\$ 8.44-\$29.00	
Temp.Clerical Employees	\$ 8.44-\$23.50	
Court Officer	\$ 8.44-\$22.00	
Police Matron	\$ 8.44-\$22.00	
Police Dispatcher	\$ 8.44-\$23.50	
Clerk/Typist	\$ 8.44-\$23.50	
Recycling Caretaker/Litter Enf.	\$ 8.44-\$20.50	
Sewer Operator		\$ 600 - \$ 5,700
Extra Laborers	\$ 8.44-\$25.00	
Temporary Acting Superintendent Of Public Works	\$55.00-\$85.00	
Fire Prev./Fire Dept./Emerg. Management Clerk	\$ 8.44-\$23.50	
Library Page	\$ 8.44-\$12.25	
Reference/Technical Services Librarian	\$ 8.44-\$35.50	
Bookkeeper/Secretary	\$ 8.44-\$23.50	
Circulation Assistant	\$ 8.44-\$23.50	
Adult Services Librarian	\$ 8.44-\$32.00	
Court Cashier/Clerk/Data Entry Operator	\$ 8.44-\$29.00	
Tax Collection Clerk	\$ 8.44-\$23.50	
Assistant Tax Collector	\$ 8.44-\$25.00	
Code Inspector	\$ 8.44-\$28.00	
Temporary Court Administrator	\$ 8.44-\$39.75	
Municipal Certified Recycling Coordinator	\$ 8.44-\$28.50	
Historic Preservation Fund Certified Local Grant –Document Scanner	\$ 8.44-\$35.00	
Farmer’s Market Manager	\$ 8.44-\$23.50	

Section 5: The compensation for Judges who shall serve in the absence of the Municipal Court Judge, shall be paid whenever required, on a varying scale of ZERO to EIGHTY-FIVE dollars (\$0 - \$85.00) per hour, upon presentation of duly executed voucher as required by law.

Section 6: The compensation for Prosecutors who shall serve in the absence of the Municipal Prosecutor, shall be paid whenever required, on a varying scale of ZERO to EIGHTY-FIVE dollars (\$0 to \$85.00) per hour, upon presentation of duly executed voucher as required by law.

Section 7: In addition to the salaries set forth herein, non-contractual employees of the Borough of River Edge covered under this ordinance shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in the Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual adopted by Resolution #83-58, dated March 7, 1983 as amended.

Any difference in terms between the above Manual and Ordinance, the Manual will be deemed dispositive.

Section 8: In addition to the salaries set forth herein, the Borough Administrator of the Borough of River Edge covered under this ordinance shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in his contract as adopted by Resolution #90-70, dated May 7, 1990, and Ordinance #1348, adopted September 4, 2001.

Section 9: In addition to the salaries set forth herein, Library employees of the Borough of River Edge covered under this ordinance shall be entitled to those benefits as specified in the River Edge Free Public Library personnel policy.

Any difference in terms between the above policy and ordinance, the policy will be deemed dispositive.

The employee compensation disclosure form shall be made part of any formal action taken by the local unit, but shall not be considered part of any contract or agreement.

Section 10: The salaries, wages or compensation of all officers and employees shall be paid in twenty-four (24) installments, or upon presentation of duly executed vouchers as required by law.

Section 11: This ordinance shall take effect as of January 1, 2018 when passed and published as required by law.

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Edward Mignone, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk  
Dated:

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE – Ordinance #18-3**

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to open the public hearing on Ordinance #18-3 was unanimously approved.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE – Ordinance #18-3**

There being no comments by the public, the motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis to close the public hearing on Ordinance #18-3 was unanimously approved.

**ADOPTION – Ordinance #18-3**

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Chinigo, the adoption of Ordinance #18-3 was unanimously approved.

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**RESOLUTIONS - By Consent**



On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni, resolutions #18-61 through #18-68 and #18-70 through #18-73 were unanimously approved.

#18-61 Authorize Mayor to Sign the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification from the U. S. Department of Justice, Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering Section for the River Edge Police Department.

January 22, 2018

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#18-62 Change Order #1 Approval and Amendatory Contract to Joseph Smentkowski, Inc., 3 New York Avenue, Jersey City, NJ 07307 for Complete Solid Waste Collection Services

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.2 lists the requirements for all Change Orders; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge awarded a contract on October 2, 2017 via resolution #17-326 to Joseph Smentkowski, Inc. in the amount of \$311,500.00; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #1 has been submitted which will extend the solid waste pick-up service for an additional two (2) days, May 31<sup>st</sup> and September 1, 2018 beyond the period listed in the specifications for 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has issued a legal opinion indicating that a change order may be made for this purpose and in the amount requested; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-26-3050-100 of the Current Fund in the 2018 budget in the amount not to exceed \$2,600.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of River Edge shall enter into a written amendatory contract with Joseph Smentkowski, Inc., 3 New York Avenue, Jersey City, NJ 07307 for Change Order #1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the exact form of this amendatory contract shall be at the discretion of the Borough Attorney, the Mayor and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to execute said contract and Change Order #1.

January 22, 2018

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#18-63 Community Stewardship Incentive Program – Reforestation & Tree Planting Grant

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of approximately \$30,000.00 to fund the following project: Community Stewardship Incentive Program – Reforestation & Tree Planting Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Edward J. Mignone or the successor to the office of Mayor is authorized (a) to make application for such a grant, (b) if awarded, to execute a grant agreement with the State for a grant in an amount not less than \$30,000.00 and not more than \$30,000.00, and (c) to execute ( ) any amendments thereto (X) any amendments thereto which do not increase the Grantee's obligations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge authorizes and hereby agrees to leverage 33.33% of the total Project Amount, in compliance with the match requirements of the agreement. The availability of the match for such purposes, whether cash, services, or property, is hereby certified. 85.89% of the match will be made up of in-kind services (if allowed by grant program requirements and the agreement).

The Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable Federal, State, and municipal laws, rules and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to: Attention: Patricia Shapella, NJDEP – Division of Parks and Forestry, New Jersey Forest Service, Mail Code 501-04, P.O. Box 420, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420.

January 22, 2018

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#18-64 Enter Into Agreement with the County of Bergen for the Replacement of a Damaged 18” VCP Storm Sewer and a 10” Sanitary Sewer on Kinderkamack Road (From Webb Avenue to River Edge Road)

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge desires to construct a replacement of a damaged 18” VCP Storm Sewer and a 10” Sanitary Sewer on Kinderkamack Road (From Webb Avenue to River Edge Road; and

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen will pay for the replacement of a damaged 18” VCP Storm Sewer and a 10” Sanitary Sewer on Kinderkamack Road (From Webb Avenue to River Edge Road) ; and

WHEREAS, the Sewer Sub-Committee and Borough Engineer have recommended the entering into an Agreement with the County of Bergen which delineates the sharing of responsibilities for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement between the County of Bergen and the Borough of River Edge for the replacement of a damaged 18” VCP Storm Sewer and a 10” Sanitary Sewer on Kinderkamack Road (From Webb Avenue to River Edge Road) which has been described by the draft County of Bergen resolution dated 12/27/17 a copy of which is on file with the Borough Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to the County Executive, County of Bergen Engineer and Board of Chosen Freeholders.

January 22, 2018

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#18-65 Temporary Capital Budget

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge, New Jersey desires to establish the Temporary 2018 Capital Budget of said municipality by inserting thereon or correcting the items therein as shown on such budget for the following reasons:

Engineering Design Phase of the Construction and Reconstruction of Curbs on Existing Sidewalks at Portions of Rutgers Place and Oxford Terrace (Phase 3).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of River Edge as follows:

Section 1. The 2018 Temporary Capital Budget of the Borough of River Edge is hereby established by adding thereto a Schedule to read as follows:

Project #18-1  
CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE  
Projects Scheduled for 2018  
Method of Financing

<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Costs</u>	<u>Capital Improvement Fund</u>	<u>General Bonds</u>
Engineering Design Phase of the Construction and Reconstruction of Curbs on Existing Sidewalks at Portions of Rutgers Place and Oxford Terrace (Phase 3)	\$4,800.00	\$300.00	\$4,500.00

Section 2. The Borough Clerk is instructed to advertise this resolution as required by law.

January 22, 2018

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#18-66 Resolution Approving the Certification List of Volunteer Members of the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department Qualifying for Credit Under the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) for 2017

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge adopted Ordinance #1289 on May 7, 2000 which created the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-191 requires that the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department furnish the Mayor and Council with an annual certification list of all volunteer members who have qualified for credit under the award program for the previous year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that the Mayor and Council hereby approves the list of the volunteer members of the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department certified by the Chief of the Fire Department for the year 2017, a copy of which is on file with the Borough Clerk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be posted by the Chief of the Fire Department.

January 22, 2018

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#18-67 Resolution Approving the Certification List of Volunteer Members of the River Edge Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc. Qualifying for Credit Under the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP) for 2017

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge adopted Ordinance #1289 on May 7, 2000 which created the Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-191 requires that the River Edge Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc. furnish the Mayor and Council with an annual certification list of all members who have qualified for credit under the award program for the previous year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that the Mayor and Council hereby approves the list of the members of the River Edge Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc. certified by the Captain for the year 2017, a copy of which is on file with the Borough Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be posted by the Captain of the Ambulance Service.

January 22, 2018

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#18-68 Salary Resolution – DPW

BE IT RESOLVED that the following officers and employees of the Borough of River Edge be compensated for the year 2018 in accordance with Ordinance #18-1 effective January 1, 2018 as follows:

		<u>2018</u>	
		<u>Annual</u>	<u>Hourly</u>
<u>Department of Public Works</u>			
Mechanic I	Camera, W.	\$83,938	
Mechanic I	Stitz, P.	\$76,760 to 7/21	
	Stitz, P.	\$77,207 from 7/22	
General Repairer II	Tarpey, R.	\$68,313	
Equipment Operator I	Ader, S.	\$76,144	
Equipment Operator II	Schultz, E.	\$65,638 to 4/5	

Tree Trimmer I	Schultz, E.	\$67,667 from 4/6
	Morse, K.	\$72,367 to 11/4
	Morse, K.	\$74,093 from 11/5
Tree Trimmer II	Phillips, E.	\$56,784 to 2/1
	Phillips, E.	\$57,184 from 2/2
Laborer I	Duarte, J.	\$58,584
Laborer I	Gallagher, F.	\$58,584
Laborer I	Szczecina, M.	\$58,584
Laborer II	Dekker, T.	\$45,878 to 11/25
	Dekker, T.	\$46,385 from 11/26
Laborer II	Dekker, D.	\$44,865 to 6/22
	Dekker, D.	\$45,371 from 6/23
Laborer II	DeCarlo, J.	\$44,865 to 11/4
	DeCarlo, J.	\$45,371 from 11/5
Laborer II	Preziuso, A.	\$44,359 to 6/16
	Preziuso, A.	\$44,865 from 6/17
Laborer II	Tabor, C.	\$43,851 to 7/4
	Tabor, C.	\$44,359 from 7/5

### **Bus Department**

Bus/Van Driver	P/T Noone, J.	\$18.74
	P/T Quara, F.	\$18.74
	P/T Fonseca, V.	\$18.74
	P/T O'Boyle, K.	\$18.74

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the actions of the Chief Financial Officer, Accounts Supervisor and Payroll Clerk to pay these salaries and wages effective January 1, 2018 is hereby ratified.

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On motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Chinigo, resolution #18-69 was approved on the following roll call:

Councilman Bartelloni, Councilwoman Busteed, Councilman Chinigo and Councilman Papaleo voted yes; Councilwoman Davis abstained and Councilman Acquafredda was absent.

### **#18-69 Salary Resolution – Police**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following officers and employees of the Borough of River Edge be compensated for the year 2018 in accordance with Ordinance #18-2 effective January 1, 2018 as follows:

<u>Police Department</u>		<u>2018</u>
		<u>Annual</u>
Lieutenant	Walker, M.	\$131,352
Acting Lieutenant	Cheevers, C.	\$131,352
Sergeant	Abate, M.	\$121,622
Sergeant	Casey, C.	\$121,622
Sergeant	McGinty, M.	\$121,622
Sergeant	Starost, J.	\$121,622
Sergeant	Wilhelm, C.	\$121,622
Patrol Officer 1	DeYoung, M.	\$112,614
Patrol Officer 1	Griffith, D.	\$112,614
Patrol Officer 1	Lee, D.	\$112,614
Patrol Officer 1	Shouldis, M.	\$112,614
Patrol Officer 1	Varrecchia, M.	\$112,614
Patrol Officer 1	Zemaites, J.	\$112,614

Patrol Officer 14	Roman, A.	\$ 81,255 to 2/6
Patrol Officer 13	Roman, A.	\$ 89,661 from 2/7
Patrol Officer 14	Sanches, R.	\$ 81,255 to 2/6
Patrol Officer 13	Sanches, R.	\$ 89,661 from 2/7
Patrol Officer 15	Diamond, P.	\$ 72,850 to 7/22
Patrol Officer 14	Diamond, P.	\$ 81,255 from 7/23
Patrol Officer 16	Blue, E.	\$ 64,443 to 5/4
Patrol Officer 15	Blue, E.	\$ 72,850 from 5/5
Patrol Officer 16	Prisendorf, B.	\$ 64,443 to 11/2
Patrol Officer 15	Prisendorf, B.	\$ 72,850 from 11/3
Patrol Officer 17	Mulick, M.	\$ 56,038 to 12/7
Patrol Officer 16	Mulick, M.	\$ 64,443 from 12/8
Patrol Officer 18	Estevez, B.	\$ 47,632 to 9/6
Patrol Officer 17	Estevez, B.	\$ 56,038 from 9/7
Patrol Officer 18	Hamm, Z.	\$ 47,632 to 9/6
Patrol Officer 17	Hamm, Z.	\$ 56,038 from 9/7
Patrol Officer Probationary 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Litterio, R.	\$ 39,226
Patrol Officer Probationary 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Piterski, M.	\$ 39,226
Patrol Officer Probationary 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Staron, J.	\$ 39,226

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the actions of the Chief Financial Officer, Accounts Supervisor and Payroll Clerk to pay these salaries and wages effective January 1, 2018 is hereby ratified.

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#### #18-70 Salary Resolution – Non-Contractual

BE IT RESOLVED that the following officers and employees of the Borough of River Edge be compensated for the year 2018 in accordance with Ordinance #18-3 effective January 1, 2018 as follows:

		<u>2018</u>	
<u>Mayor and Council</u>		<u>Annual</u>	<u>Hourly</u>
Mayor	P/T Mignone, E .	\$ 5,000	
Councilman	P/T Acquafredda, V.	\$ 4,000	
Councilman	P/T Bartelloni, A.	\$ 4,000	
Councilwoman	P/T Busteed, E.	\$ 4,000	
Councilwoman	P/T Davis, M.	\$ 4,000	
Councilman	P/T Papaleo, T.	\$ 4,000	
<b>General Administration</b>			
Borough Administrator	Negreann, A.	\$ 23,097	
<b>Municipal Clerk</b>			
Borough Clerk	Evans, S.	\$ 71,557	
Deputy Borough Clerk	O'Connell, J.	\$ 56,849	
Clerk/Typist	P/T Byrne, C.		\$23.34
Clerk/Typist	P/T Kiely, C.		\$23.34
Clerk/Typist	P/T Martinez, J.		\$16.00
<b><u>Construction/Code Enforcement</u></b>			
Building Inspector	P/T Depkin, S.	\$ 13,378	
Construction Official	P/T Byrnes, R.	\$ 14,025	
Building Sub-Code Official	P/T Byrnes, R.	\$ 9,922	
Fire Sub-Code Official	P/T Byrnes, R.	\$ 8,618	
Plumbing Sub-Code/Inspector	P/T Herman, L.	\$ 12,011	
Fire Sub-Code/Inspector	P/T Herman, L.	\$ 3,714	
Electrical Sub-Code/Inspector	P/T Dalessio, M.	\$ 12,011	
Building Sub-Code Official	P/T Dalessio, M	\$ 3,714	
Technical Assistant	Shnaper, N.	\$ 59,075	

Clerk/Typist	P/T Capasso, A		\$22.16
<b><u>Other Code Enforcement Function</u></b>			
Zoning Officer	P/T Skerbetz, M.	\$ 15,276	
Property Maintenance Officer	P/T DeRosa, A		\$27.92
<b><u>Assessment of Taxes</u></b>			
Tax Assessor	P/T Anzevino, J.	\$ 26,340	
Clerk/Typist	P/T Alter, E.		\$16.00
<b><u>Financial Administration</u></b>			
Chief Financial Officer	Negreann, A.	\$144,246	
Accounts Supervisor/Deputy			
Tax Collector	Birnbaum, G.	\$ 66,074	
Payroll Clerk	P/T McDermott D.	\$ 42,625	
Accounts Payable Clerk	P/T		
Accounts Receivable Clerk	P/T Manzelli, T.		\$22.16
<b><u>Revenue Administration</u></b>			
Tax Collector	P/T Murphy, M.	\$ 47,796	
Tax Collection Clerk	P/T		
<b><u>Legal</u></b>			
Prosecutor	P/T Cimiluca, A.	\$ 8,500	
Substitute Prosecutor	P/T Ramundo, M.		\$85.00
<b><u>Land Use Board</u></b>			
Clerk/Typist	P/T Alter, E.		\$16.00
Recording Secretary	P/T		
<b><u>Library</u></b>			
Director	O'Connor, D.	\$108,887	
Youth Services	Guiliano, M.	\$ 57,293	
Circulation	Kane, D.	\$ 49,641	
Circulation	Cali, P.	\$ 37,985	
Reference Librarian	P/T Churley, M.		\$35.41
Adult Services	P/T Kelemen, J.		\$31.63
Bookkeeper/Secretary	P/T Walsh, M.		\$22.77
Asst. Child Room	P/T Kennedy, N.		\$16.20
Circulation Assistant	P/T Garcia, R.		\$16.20
Circ. Assist./Tech Services	P/T Davidson, J.		\$15.92
Circ. Assist./Tech Services	P/T Akdemir, A.		\$15.61
Circ. Assist.	P/T Murray, C.		\$15.61
Circ. Assist.	P/T Varon, J.		\$15.30
<b><u>Municipal Court</u></b>			
Court Officer	P/T Schmitt, J.		\$21.23
Municipal Judge	P/T Safro, B.	\$ 14,500	
Court Administrator	Patoray, N.	\$ 62,183	
Deputy Court Administrator	P/T Sulikowski, L.		\$21.05
Court Cashier/Clerk/Data			
Entry Operator	P/T Grimaldi, S.		\$28.84
<b><u>Health Department</u></b>			
Nurse	P/T Faustini, A.	\$ 37,379	
Secretary/Registrar of			
Vital Statistics	P/T Capasso, A.		\$23.97
Deputy Registrar of			
Vital Statistics	P/T Evans, S.		\$23.56
Farmers Market Manager	P/T Chape, N.		\$19.77
<b><u>Emergency Management</u></b>			
Coordinator	P/T Starace, R.	\$ 8,843	
Deputy Coordinator	P/T Heinzinger, S.	\$ 323	
Clerk/Typist	P/T Kiely, C.		\$23.34

**Fire Prevention**

Fire Official	P/T Silverman, A.	\$ 20,116	
Inspector	P/T Drew, W.		\$27.38
Inspector	P/T Leonardi, R.		\$25.99
Inspector	P/T DeVries, P.		\$25.99
Clerk/Typist	P/T Kiely, C.		\$23.34

**Fire Department**

Clerk/Typist	P/T Kiely, C.		\$23.34
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**Recreation**

Director

**Open Space**

Park Attendant	P/T DeSanctis, M.		\$19.83
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**Department of Public Works**

Superintendent	Lynch, J.	\$142,485	
Road Foreperson	Leishman, C.	\$ 89,981	
Road Foreperson	Stephen, R.	\$ 89,981	
Road Foreperson	Milito, J.	\$ 86,526	
Office Manager/Admin. Assist.	Hessman, L.	\$ 54,712	
Certified Recycling Coord.	Hessman, L.		\$28.00
Clerk/Typist	P/T Solimando, C.		\$22.16
Custodian	P/T Alvarez, F.	\$ 27,048	

**Bus Department**

Bus/Van Coordinator/Disp.	P/T Solimando, C.		\$22.16
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**Police Department**

Chief	Cariddi, T.	\$164,270	
Dispatcher	McDermott, E.	\$ 57,758	
Dispatcher	P/T Beattie, K.		\$23.08
Dispatcher	P/T Mauthe, J.		\$21.93
Dispatcher (sub)	P/T Mauthe Jr., J.		\$21.93
Secretary	Aiello, D.	\$ 47,219	
Records Clerk	Byrne, C.	\$ 38,214	
Crossing Guards	P/T Bounds, J.		\$21.23
	P/T Clark, W.		\$21.23
	P/T Del Prete, J.		\$21.23
	P/T Dondiego, R.		\$20.18
	P/T Gale, B.		\$21.23
	P/T Goldberg, M.		\$20.18
	P/T Henry, P.		\$21.23
	P/T Locantore, V.		\$21.23
	P/T Maugeri, J.		\$21.23
	P/T O'Donnell, J.		\$21.23
	P/T Sanders, W.		\$21.23
	P/T Tina, P.		\$20.18
	P/T Velten, J.		\$20.18
	P/T Biggar, E. (sub)		\$21.23
	P/T Paolillo, R. (sub)		\$21.23
	P/T DePaul, P. (sub)		\$20.18
	P/T Lau, C. (sub)		\$18.15
	P/T McShane, P. (sub)		\$20.18
	P/T Rappaport, F. (sub)		\$20.18
	P/T Schmitt, J. (sub)		\$21.23
	P/T Insinga, P. (sub)		\$16.00
	P/T Pacifico, J. (sub)		\$16.00
	P/T Payne, W. (sub)		\$16.00
	P/T Schweitzer, S. (sub)		\$16.00
Police Matron	P/T Walker, S.		\$21.23

**Sewer System**

Sewer Operator

P/T Pampaloni, J.

\$ 5,511

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#18-71 Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Authorize Mayor, Administrator/CFO and Fire Chief to Sign “Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program” Application

WHEREAS, FEMA is offering an “Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program” with a Federal share of 95% and a local cost share of 5% for communication equipment; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the overall cost to replace radio equipment in the River Edge Fire Department is \$400,000; and

WHEREAS, the Federal share is estimated at \$380,952.40 and the local cost share at \$19,047.60.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body hereby authorizes submission of an application for the above stated grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Administrator/CFO and Fire Chief are hereby authorized to sign the “Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program” application.

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#18-72 Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Authorize Mayor, Administrator/CFO and Fire Chief to Sign “Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program” Application

WHEREAS, FEMA is offering an “Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program” with a Federal share of 95% and a local cost share of 5% for the re-chassis and refurbishment of Rescue 1; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the overall cost to re-chassis and refurbish Rescue 1 in the River Edge Fire Department is \$525,000; and

WHEREAS, the Federal share is estimated at \$500,000.00 and the local cost share at \$25,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body hereby authorizes submission of an application for the above stated grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Administrator/CFO and Fire Chief are hereby authorized to sign the “Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program” application.

January 22, 2018

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#18-73 Resolution to Decline Application for Transitional Aid

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of River Edge shall not make application in 2018 for the Transitional Aid to Localities Program.

January 22, 2018

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Councilman Bartelloni read resolution #18-74 into the record.



On motion by Councilman Bartelloni, seconded by Councilman Chinigo to approve resolution #18-74 was unanimously approved.

#18-74 Payment of Bills

WHEREAS, vouchers for the payment of goods and services rendered to the Borough of River Edge have been received; and

WHEREAS, each bill has been checked by the receiving department, approved by the Chief Financial Officer and Borough Clerk and reviewed by the three members of the Finance Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that bills as listed now be confirmed for payment from the appropriate funds as follows:

CURRENT ACCOUNT	\$1,205,513.07
RECREATION ACCOUNT	\$ 436.30
TRUST OTHER DEVELOPERS ACCOUNT	\$ 1,018.75
TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT	\$ 14,191.02
OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT	\$ 4,200.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that claims read and approved by the Governing Body at a Council meeting will be dated the day after the reading of those claims and will appear on the following bill list at the next public meeting of the Mayor and Council at which time claims would be paid.

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**OPEN HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –**

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Bartelloni to open hearing of the public was approved unanimously.

Anne Marie Brown-574 Clarendon Court-cited Borough code 152-7 with regard to business noise. She asked who enforces the noise ordinance as stated because every night between 9:30 – 10:30 p.m. there are deliveries at the 7 Eleven on Kinderkamack Road.

Mayor Mignone-explained that it's enforced by our Property Maintenance Officer but in this case the resolution of approval prohibits them from receiving deliveries. To him, the bigger issue is that they comply with that rather than responding to the noise complaint. He feels that they have to approach it two-fold. He will speak with Mr. DeRosa and he will check on the issues of getting deliveries at that time and he will also speak with Mr. Sarlo and ask him to look into the original Planning Board approval and developer's agreement regarding hours for deliveries.

Anne Marie Brown-said that they've been receiving deliveries during these hours for at least a year now, which she has complained about, and there have been times where they have had trash pick-ups and deliveries at 3:00 a.m. even before being open 24 hours.

Mayor Mignone-said that should not be happening and they'll have to make sure that it is addressed.

Anne Marie Brown-said that this is why there is a greater concern now that there will be more deliveries happening in the middle of the night now that they are open 24 hours. She did complain last year that the refrigeration trucks do idle on average 20 minutes and there has been times where it happened for over 30 minutes. Mrs. Brown said that her home is very close and when sitting in her living room with the television on, you can still hear the refrigeration truck.

Mayor Mignone-said that's also a violation but doesn't know who would enforce that because it's harder to enforce. He will bring the issue up to the Police Department.

Councilwoman Busteed-asked "if Mrs. Brown hears this happening tonight, what does she do? Does she call the Police Department? What does she do to take an immediate action?"

Anne Marie Brown-said that she's done that before and the majority of the time they say there's nothing they can do about it.

Councilwoman Busteed- asked if that's true?

Mayor Mignone-replied yes, it is because the noise ordinance is difficult to enforce. They're allowed to be open after 8:00 and to say that you can't any sound louder than 5 decibels, which is a whisper,

or 55 which is very low is incompatible with the operations. That being said, what Mrs. Brown is talking about should not be happening.

Councilwoman Busted-asked if that was a matter for Mr. Sarlo to make sure that they're not in violation.

Mayor Mignone-said yes, Mr. Sarlo or he might ask Mr. Chewcaskie, the attorney for the Land Use Board to write a letter reminding them of their obligations under the approval and under the developers agreement. The Mayor asked Mrs. Brown to take notes of when things happen and they will ask Mr. DeRosa to take the appropriate enforcement action as he sees fit.

Lou Grasso-agrees that this should not be happening but as far as a decibel level for an adjacent properties cited in the ordinance, he isn't sure that Clarendon Court would be considered adjacent to that property.

Councilman Bartelloni-stated that it abuts the apartment complex that's behind it so in that sense it abuts a residential zone.

Mayor Mignone-said that it's an issue that needs to be addressed because we have the issue with garbage trucks where residents don't want the Borough's trucks operating before 8:00 which would not be productive or effective.

Councilman Chinigo-suggested we look at ordinances in other towns to see if they address it a little better than we do.

Tom Sarlo, Esq.-agreed that they need to take another look at the noise ordinance because 5 decibels is very low and hard to calculate.

Mayor Mignone-said that with a few cases that were heard in Municipal Court, the Judge did not rule on the ordinance but directed people not to come as early as they had been.

## **CLOSE HEARING OF THE PUBLIC –**

On motion by Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Papaleo to close hearing of the public was unanimously approved.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS –**

Councilman Papaleo-reported that he's met with the Shade Tree Commission, the Beautification Committee and John Lynch to discuss budgets. He had also spoken with them about what they would be presenting this evening for Open Space and feels that they are all working diligently and doing a great job. He congratulated St. Peter's on Catholic Schools Week and being named a Blue Ribbon School.

Councilman Bartelloni-said that they're underway with the budget and he continues to look at it often. The Mayor had directed him to work on an agreement between the Borough and the Board of Ed which he hopes to have completed by the next meeting for Tom Sarlo to review. Councilman Bartelloni met with Dylan Hanson who is working on our website, our email system and televising our meetings and it is his understanding that the email system will be up and running over the weekend. He reported that he is hoping to have a prototype of the new website this week and with regard to the Community Center, he spoke with the architect last week who told him that they will receive updated plans next week.

Councilman Bartelloni attended the retirement party for Bobbi Conway and said it was a great event enjoyed by all. He congratulated Bobbi on her retirement.

Councilwoman Busted-said unfortunately she was ill last week and was not able to attend the Recreation Commission meeting. She reported that they have reorganized and are moving along without a Director at this point and functioning very well. They were pleased with the hiring of the Camp Director and appointment of Steve Baxter to fill the alternate spot. With regard to the Environmental Protection Commission meeting the other night, Councilwoman Busted said that it was really wonderful to walk in the room and see a table full of members and is pleased that they've had good attendance and they're very positive. She thanked Laura Hoogstrate for taking the helm as she had big shoes to fill taking over for Greg Ogden. She reported that the River Clean-up will take place on May 12<sup>th</sup> and they are working on social media pages to promote their events and environmental awareness. They are actively engaging with the schools and they will be working with Cherry Hill and Roosevelt on environmental projects. Councilwoman Busted said that there was a question about the trees at the tree farm and when the County and/or the Borough of Paramus might be taking them.

Councilman Papaleo-stated that Michele Cariddi had spoken with someone at the County and has asked them directly if they are taking the trees and they told her they are. In addition, he had conversations with the Shade Tree Commission about taking some of the trees and planting them at various locations and they are willing to do that. He has spoken with John Lynch who has been in consultation with Beautification, Shade Tree and Rec to get this accomplished. He hopes that some of the mature trees will be used appropriately around town and the rest the County will take by this June.

Councilwoman Busted-thanked those who were appointed to the Municipal Alliance tonight and also thanked Marie Papaleo for agreeing to stay on as Chair until they reorganize and appoint a new Chair. She and the Mayor have talked about this opportunity to enhance what the Alliance has done in the past and looks forward to working with all of them.

Councilwoman Davis-reported that she met with Fire Chief George O'Connell and Bill Sanders, the Captain of REVAS to discuss budget items. She cut out a nice in depth article about SCORE that Carol Mah had submitted to the Town Newspaper and hopes that it will attract more people. She reported that the Farmer's Market Committee will be having a meeting the end of February or beginning of March. She attended the installation of Chief O'Connell and his officers where they presented her with a jacket as Fire Liaison. She also attended the REVAS installation dinner at the Brownstone as well as Bobbi Conway's retirement party at Humdingers. She wished Bobbi a long healthy and happy retirement and knows that she will make many memories with her new granddaughter.

Councilman Chinigo-began on a sad note and extended his deepest sympathy to Robert Costa and his family on the loss of his mother Roselle. He attended the installation of the new Fire Department Officers and congratulated Chief George O'Connell and all the new officers and volunteers who labor for the River Edge Fire Department. The training they undergo to become firefighters is incredibly time-consuming. He's looked into it and the work is dangerous and demanding and the time commitment once they are members of the department is extensive. And yet these individuals give of themselves, often foregoing time with family and friends for the good of their community without need or thought for compensation or recognition. This is the true meaning of altruism and each and member of the department should be commended and thanked. He also attended the installation dinner for REVAS, the ambulance corp. in town. Again, the work that all of these individuals do for our town, for the benefit of our citizens, is of great importance to us all and cannot be commended enough. On a personal note, the River Edge Ambulance Corp. helped to save my own fathers life, when he suffered a massive heart attack at home, in January 1985. His heart stopped and they resuscitated him and if it weren't for their valiant efforts, it is unlikely that I would be sitting here, praising them today. So he thanked them again. He was pleased to be invited and have attended the Eagle Scout ceremony of four young men who continue the tradition of excellence in River Edge Boy Scouts. As the father of a young man who is just beginning to discover the joys of scouting, I was happy to see the community, including our Congressman Josh Gottheimer and a number of other local leaders come together and honor these fine young men. The men's names are: John Cookson, Kyle Guinta, Matthew Haggerty and Jack Lobley. These young men do honor to their family, friends and your community and most of all to yourselves. He congratulated them again. With respect to the budget, the Mayor and Council and Citizens Budget Committee are now well-entrenched in the budget process. We have been meeting early Saturday mornings and are hard at work on preparing a budget that will serve our Borough in good stead over the coming year and where applicable, years. I bring this up only to remind our constituents that our meetings are open to the public and that we welcome the public's presence at all our meetings. Our next budget meeting is Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers. Saturday night many of us attended the retirement party in Bobbi Conway's honor. Bobbi has been an invaluable force for good in our town for more than three decades. She now rightfully revels in her retirement, as well she should, and in the company of her family and most especially her beautiful grandchild. Once again, I wish her good luck, in all that is ahead of her, and I hope that while she enjoys her retirement, she never strays too far from those of us here who care about her. I thank her for her tireless devotion to our town. And finally, on Wednesday an era come to an end. Joe Maugeri, Cherry Hill School's intrepid crossing guard, turn 95 and on that same date, he will be turning in his iconic STOP sign one last time. Mr. Maugeri is finally retiring. He spent two decades as a crossing guard, guarding the safety of our little ones as they walked to school. He first helped my family to cross Bogert Road in 2004, when my oldest daughter first started school. She graduates from High School this year. And he crossed my two youngest this morning as they grumpily made their ways to school. He has been a fixture in our lives and he will be sorely missed! But in addition to being a crossing guard, Joe is a hero. And if you don't mind I'd like to give you all just a snippet of his life. Joe Maugeri was born on January 24, 1923 and grew up in New York City in the Bronx. He attended Evander Childs High School and at age 18, joined the National Guard following the attack on Pearl Harbor. In 1942, he transferred from the National Guard to the Army. He was initially sent to the Florida Everglades for training in jungle warfare. Then, to England in 1943 to train for amphibious warfare and the invasion of France. As a member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Army, 1<sup>st</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Infantry Divisions, he was one of the first ashore at Omaha Beach in Normandy, France. He was reassigned to the new 3<sup>rd</sup> Army under General Patton and took part in the Breakout and Breakthrough. He took part in the Battle of the Bulge in the winter of 1944-1945 and was part of the Army of occupation until he returned home at the end of 1945. He met his wife, Anna Regina and married her on November 12, 1950. They had 2 children, Ann and Vincent. Although Ann passed away 3 years ago, her husband, children and their families all live in Bergen County, New Jersey. Vincent lives with his family in Florida. Joe has been keeping children safe at Cherry Hill School for more than 2 decades. He dedicated his life to his family, his country and his community. He was Commander of VFW Post 876 here in River Edge for many years and was active in Veterans affairs. He is also involved in civic and church-related volunteer duties for many years. Thanks Joe. Enjoy your retirement. Well deserved!

Mayor Mignone-echoed Councilwoman Busteed's comments regarding the Alliance and feels that with new members, we'll be able to expand what we're doing and get new programs this year. As far as the budget, we're moving along and this year is particularly challenging because we have salary issues,

expense issues and capital issues. But as we always do, we will get a legal budget that will be in the best interest of everyone in the Borough. He echoed everyone's sentiments about the installation of the Fire Chief and REVAS Captain and stated that Bill Sanders who is the Captain of REVAS was also installed as an officer in the River Department. The Mayor also congratulated the Eagle Scouts; John Cookson, Kyle Guinta, Matt Haggerty and Jack Loble and said that John and Matt's projects directly benefited the Borough and expressed the Borough's appreciation to them for choosing those projects. The Mayor thought it was an excellent ceremony and thanked Councilwoman Busteed for chairing it. The Mayor stated that Bobbi Conway's retirement party was well attended and she received well deserved tributes and Joe Maugeri told the Mayor that he expects everyone to be there on Wednesday.

The Mayor agreed with Councilman Chinigo's comments and said that Joe has positively influenced children in this town more than anyone else has and he looks forward to honoring him as well. Mayor Mignone had spoken with Councilwoman Davis in terms of the Chamber of Commerce and our Business Committee, regarding the change in the federal tax and the reduction in the deduction for local property taxes. He feels that it's a good time to start exploring other options and ways for residents to offset that increase. For several years there were two programs out there to promote the same concept in two different ways. One is called the property tax card and the other municipal estate card. He explained that the property tax card works like a Shop Rite or CVS card where you would get discounts at local vendors and those savings are transferred by account to the Borough as a direct offset of property taxes. The Mayor explained that the municipal estate card is different in that you would have to load the card every month such as a Starbucks or Dunkin Donuts card and use the card for local services. Also with that card, they have agreements with every major retailer and if you look online they have anywhere from Home Depot to Target and the rebates are different and sometimes it's product specific. There's been a few towns, mostly at the shore, that are using the card and he knows that a municipal card was started in Glen Rock last year and Ridgewood has implemented a municipal card this year. He looks forward to talking to those towns to see how successful it is. The problem we may have is that we don't have a critical mass of stores to get this going but he's thinking of broadening it to a possible tri-boro area, possibly to include Paramus. He was told that it's been done that way in a few other towns, so he looks forward to getting more information on that.

Councilwoman Davis-said that even if we extend it to the three towns, there aren't that many stores. She feels it would be more beneficial if we could get into Paramus.

Mayor Mignone-feels that it would encourage people to use local vendors if they could get a little bit of a benefit. In some cases, the examples they had given him was if one of the restaurants in town gives you 10% off your bill and you bring a family of 4 or more and you spend \$150.00, that \$15.00 comes directly off your taxes. With little bits and pieces, you can get up to a decent amount. He was told that there isn't much that the municipality has to do and in fact what they've told him about the municipal card which is a debit type of card, is actually permitted by federal law and they can implement it without the Borough's input. The Mayor doesn't feel that's likely to happen. The Mayor hopes to get some feedback and if it looks promising, we can bring them in and decide whether it's something they want to pursue. As far as the social media page of the Environmental Commission, he feels that it may help us as far as the stormwater compliance in terms of getting public information out.

**ADJOURNMENT – 8:08 P.M.**

On motion by Councilwoman Busteed, seconded by Councilman Chinigo to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. was unanimously approved.

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Mayor Edward J. Mignone

Attest:

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Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk  
Dated: