

MINUTES

Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
Monday, April 27, 2020
7:00 P.M.

Meeting held electronically via ZOOM

CALL TO ORDER –

Mayor Papaleo called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall.

SILENT PRAYER – FLAG SALUTE

STATEMENT –

Statement of Compliance with Open Public Meeting Act: This meeting complies with the Open Public Meeting Act by notification on December 20th of this location, date and time to the Ridgewood News and the Record and by posting of same on the municipal bulletin board and Borough Web Site and filing a notice of the same with the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL – Councilwoman Busteded, Councilman Chinigo, Councilman Gautier, Councilwoman Kaufman, Councilwoman Kinsella, Councilwoman Montisano-Koen and Mayor Papaleo were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Busteded, the minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular Meeting of April 13, 2020 were approved unanimously.

Congressman Josh Gottheimer spoke about Covid19 and the issues that have arisen from this pandemic emergency. He also spoke about small business support and resources to keep employees working.

Mayor Papaleo expressed his appreciation and thanked Congressman Gottheimer for taking the time to call in to the meeting and hopes that he will come to visit soon.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA –

On motion by Councilman Gautier, seconded by Councilwoman Kaufman to open public comments on any item on the agenda was unanimously approved.

There being no comments by the public, the motion by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, seconded by Councilwoman Kinsella to close public comments on any item on the agenda was unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES –

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Busteded, the following Appointments & Personnel changes were approved unanimously:

- The salary change of Eric Schultz, in the Department of Public Works from an annual Operator II, Step 5 salary of \$68,557.00 to Operator 1, Step 1 - \$73,075.00 effective April 6, 2020 was unanimously approved.
- The salary change of Anthony Naem, in the Department of Public Works from an annual Laborer II, Step II salary of \$43,851.00 to Laborer II, Step III - \$44,359.00 effective April 16, 2020 was approved unanimously.

ORDINANCES – 1st Reading

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #20-4 into the record.

Ordinance #20-4 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, CHAPTER 400, “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, ARTICLE IV “SCHEDULES”, 400-27 “SCHEDULE I: PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES”

On motion by Councilwoman Kinsella, seconded by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, the first reading of Ordinance #20-4 was approved unanimously as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE #20-4

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, CHAPTER 400, “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, ARTICLE IV “SCHEDULES”, 400-27 “SCHEDULE I: PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 400 “Vehicles and Traffic” of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of River Edge is hereby amended by the addition of the following new section as follows:

SECTION I: 400-27, Parking Prohibited at All Times be amended as follows:

<u>STREET</u>	<u>SIDES</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Bogert Road	Eastside	From a point 205 feet south of Howland Avenue to a point 100 feet north of Howland Avenue.
Bogert Road	Westside	From a point of 135 feet south of Howland Avenue to a point 100 feet north of Howland Avenue.

SECTION II:

All ordinances inconsistent with the provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies only.

SECTION III:

If any provision of this ordinance is found to be invalid, for any reason, by the final judgment of a

court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such portions shall not effect the remaining provisions of this ordinance, which shall be severable therefrom.

SECTION IV:

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

Thomas Papaleo, Mayor

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #20-5 into the record.

Ordinance #20-5 – CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC ACQUISITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$338,792 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE BOROUGH'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.

On motion by Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Chinigo, the first reading of Ordinance #20-5 was approved unanimously as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE #20-5

CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC ACQUISITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$338,792 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE BOROUGH'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.

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

Section 1. The Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to make the following public acquisitions and improvements in, by and for the Borough: (A) acquisition of various equipment for the use of the Police Department; (B) undertaking of various improvements to parks and recreation facilities; and (C) undertaking of various improvements to the River Edge Senior/ Community Center (supplemental funding). Said acquisitions and improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$338,792 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the acquisitions and improvements authorized and described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter

referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be raised from the Borough's Capital Improvement Fund, as hereinafter provided. The sum of \$338,792 is hereby appropriated from the Borough's Capital Improvement Fund to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 3. Said acquisitions and improvements are lawful capital improvements of the Borough having a period of usefulness of at least five (5) years. Said acquisitions and improvements shall be made as general improvements, no part of the cost of which shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 4. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this capital 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 5. This ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law.

Mayor Thomas Papaleo

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #20-6 into the record.

Ordinance #20-6 – BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, AND A NEW FIRE TRUCK (PARTIAL FUNDING) AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,295,655 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE VARIOUS GRANTS, 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 Councilwoman Kaufman, seconded by Councilman Gautier, the first reading of Ordinance #20-6 was approved unanimously as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE #20-6

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, AND A NEW FIRE TRUCK (PARTIAL FUNDING) AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF

NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,295,655 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE VARIOUS GRANTS, 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 make various public improvements and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new information technology equipment, new communication and signal systems equipment, and a new fire truck (partial funding) and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said Borough, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the down payment and the various grants appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Borough.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the grants hereinafter appropriated, and (3) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (5) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Resurfacing of Reservoir Avenue. It is hereby determined and stated that such road being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 241,200
Federal Grant Appropriated	\$ 180,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,915
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 58,285
Period of Usefulness	10 years

B. Supplemental funding for the undertaking of the School Safety Improvement

Project. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the sum of \$450,000 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 1837 adopted on June 15, 2015.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 110,250
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,250
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 105,000
Period of Usefulness	10 years

C. Undertaking of field renovations and installation of an irrigation system at Roosevelt Field.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 170,000
County Grant Appropriated	\$ 136,875
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,578
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 31,547
Period of Usefulness	15 years

D. Undertaking of the design phase for various park and recreation improvements.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 43,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,072
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 41,428
Period of Usefulness	15 years

E. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and new communication and signal systems equipment for the use of the Fire Department consisting of (i) self-contained breathing apparatus equipment and (ii) radio equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 48,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,286
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 45,714
Period of Usefulness	10 years

F. Undertaking of (i) the design phase for the resurfacing of Bogert Road (Section 5) and (ii) the 2020 Road Resurfacing and Improvement Program (including curbing and sidewalk improvements, where necessary) in, by and for the Borough, as set forth on a list prepared by the Borough Engineer and approved by the Borough Council and directed to be placed on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk and made available for public inspection during normal business hours. It is hereby determined and stated that (i) the Borough Council may, by resolution, amend the list referred to in clause (ii) of the preceding sentence from time to time within the appropriation made hereby and (ii) such roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 663,555
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 31,598
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 631,957
Period of Usefulness	10 years

G. Supplemental funding for the undertaking of various improvements to the River Edge Senior/Community Center. It is hereby determined and stated that the Borough has heretofore appropriated the aggregate sum of \$1,743,700 for such improvement pursuant to the following six ordinances: Ord. No. 1789 adopted on May 6, 2013; Ord. No. 1806 adopted on April 21, 2014 (as

amended by Ord. No. 1825 adopted on March 16, 2015); Ord. No. 1829 adopted on May 4, 2015; Ord. No. 1859 adopted on April 18, 2016; Ord. No. 17-12 adopted on May 1, 2017; and Ord. No. 18-10 adopted on April 23, 2018.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 200,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 9,524
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 190,476
Period of Usefulness	15 years

H. Undertaking of (i) various traffic and pedestrian safety improvements and equipment acquisitions and (ii) sidewalk and ADA ramp improvements at various locations.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 306,300
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 14,586
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 291,714
Period of Usefulness	10 years

I. Undertaking of the design phase for electrical system improvements at the Department of Public Works ("DPW") Garage.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 40,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,905
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 38,095
Period of Usefulness	15 years

J. Acquisition of new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, for the use of the DPW consisting of (i) a pickup truck and (ii) a mason dump truck.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 124,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,905
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 118,095
Period of Usefulness	5 years

K. Acquisition of new information technology equipment and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, for the use of the Police Department consisting of (i) mobile data terminals and (ii) SUVs.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 121,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,762
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 115,238
Period of Usefulness	5 years

L. Partial funding for the acquisition of a new rescue pumper fire engine, including original apparatus and equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 100,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 4,762
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 95,238
Period of Usefulness	10 years

M. Undertaking of (i) the Tree Planting Program and (ii) improvements to public buildings and property.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 127,850
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 6,089
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 121,761
Period of Usefulness	15 years
Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$2,295,655
Aggregate Grants Appropriated	\$ 316,875
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 94,232
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$1,884,548

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$509,155 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, 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 6. The sum of \$180,000 received or to be received as a grant from the Bergen County Community Development Program, pursuant to the Federal Housing and Community Development Act, is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the resurfacing of Reservoir Avenue authorized in Section 4.A hereof.

Section 7. The sum of \$136,875 received or to be received as a grant from the County of Bergen Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the Roosevelt Field improvements authorized in Section 4.C hereof.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$94,232, 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 purposes. The sum of \$94,232 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 9. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,884,548 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 10. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,884,548 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 11. 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 12. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 10.50 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 13. 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 \$1,884,548 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 14. Any funds received from private parties, 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 purposes (other than the Federal and County grants hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purposes, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 15. 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 16. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 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 or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 17. 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 18. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication

thereof after final passage.

Thomas Papaleo, Mayor

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #20-7 into the record.

Ordinance #20-7 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPROVEMENT OF BOGERT ROAD (SECTIONS 3 AND 4) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$509,200 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, 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 Councilwoman Kinsella, seconded by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, the first reading of Ordinance #20-7 was approved unanimously as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE #20-7

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPROVEMENT OF BOGERT ROAD (SECTIONS 3 AND 4) IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$509,200 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, 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 improve Bogert Road (Sections 3 and 4) in, by and for the Borough. Said improvements shall include road resurfacing, sidewalk, curb and driveway apron improvements, where necessary, and all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor, and shall be undertaken in accordance with plans and specifications prepared or to be prepared by the Borough Engineer and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto. Such plans and specifications are on file or shall be placed on file with the Borough Clerk and made available for public inspection during regular business hours. It is hereby determined and stated that said road being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 2. The sum of \$509,200 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Section 1 of this ordinance (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized by this ordinance. No down payment is required pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) because this ordinance involves projects to be funded by State grants. It is anticipated that grants in the aggregate amount of \$427,000 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (\$212,000 for Bogert Road (Section 3) and \$215,000 for Bogert Road (Section 4)) shall be received by the Borough to finance the cost of the

improvements described in Section 1 hereof. Said grant funds shall be applied as set forth in Section 9 hereof. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of the Borough, (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the Borough pursuant to the Local Bond Law, (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$509,200, (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$509,200, and (5) the cost of said purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$82,200, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of said 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 4. To finance said purpose, bonds of the Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$509,200 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 5. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of the Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$509,200 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 6. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, 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 notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of the Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes and to issue 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 7. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 8. 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 the Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of the Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$509,200 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 9. Any funds received from private parties, 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 said purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for said purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 10. 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 11. The Borough intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 12. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and 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 13. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Thomas Papaleo, Mayor

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated:

ORDINANCES – 2nd Reading

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk read the title of Ordinance #20-3 into the record.

Ordinance #20-3 – CALENDAR YEAR 2020 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

Ordinance #20-3 was introduced by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Busted and approved unanimously at the April 13, 2020 meeting as follows:

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE 20-3

CALENDAR YEAR 2020 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless

authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous years final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.16a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of River Edge in the County of Bergen finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2020 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous years final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 1.0% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$119,846.61 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of River Edge, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2020 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of River Edge shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.50%, amounting to \$419,463.14, and that the CY 2020 municipal budget for the Borough of River Edge be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Thomas Papaleo, Mayor

Dated:

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Busted to open the hearing on Ordinance #20-3 was unanimously approved.

There being no comments by the public, a motion by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, seconded by Councilwoman Kinsella to close the hearing on Ordinance #20-3 was unanimously approved.

On motion by Councilman Gautier, seconded by Councilwoman Kaufman to adopt Ordinance #20-3 was unanimously approved.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Land Use Board - February 19, 2020

RESOLUTIONS - By Consent

On motion by Councilwoman Busteded, seconded by Councilman Chinigo to approve resolution #20-115 through #20- 117 was unanimously approved.

#20-115 Authorize Clerk to Go to bid for 2019 CDBG Curb Replacement at Reservoir Avenue

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to go out for bid for the 2019 CDBG Curb Replacement at Reservoir Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has submitted plans and specifications for the project entitled 2019 CDBG Curb Replacement at Reservoir Avenue to the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge; and

WHEREAS, these plans and specifications have been reviewed by the Borough Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge desire to memorialize their approval of the plans and specifications and the design elements contained therein for the project entitled 2019 CDBG Curb Replacement at Reservoir Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for the project entitled 2019 CDBG Curb Replacement at Reservoir Avenue are hereby accepted and approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk be authorized to advertise in THE RECORD for the purpose of providing said service.

April 27, 2020

#20-116 Authorize Mayor to Sign Agreement with RWDSU, Local 108 Public Employee Division AFL-CIO Blue Collar Unit (DPW)

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has reached an agreement with the RWDSU, Local 108, Public Employee Division, Blue Collar Unit (DPW) for the years 2019 – 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said agreement.

April 27, 2020

#20-117 Authorize Clerk to Go Out to Bid for Veteran’s Memorial Park and Brookside Park’s Hard Surfaces

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge desires to go out to bid for “Hard Surfaces” for

Veteran's Memorial Park and Brookside Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorized to advertise in the Ridgewood News for the purpose of providing said service.

April 27, 2020

Councilwoman Kaufman read resolution #20-118 into the record.

On motion by Councilwoman Kaufman, seconded by Councilman Gautier to approve resolution #20-118 was unanimously approved.

#20-118 Payment of Bills

At a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, held on April 27, 2020.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge approve the following expenditures.

CURRENT FUND ACCOUNT	\$112,200.41
CAPITAL FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 3,637.50
GRANT FUND ACCOUNT	\$ 1,710.00
TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT	\$ 2,468.91
DEVELOPER'S ESCROW ACCOUNT	\$ 675.00
RECREATION ACCOUNT	\$ 5,893.01

April 27, 2020

NEW BUSINESS –

- Census Lawn Signs – Councilwoman Kinsella reported that she spoke with the County and submitted all receipts. We stand at a response rate of 72% and she would like to purchase bi-lingual lawn signs to be placed in major traffic areas such as Borough Hall, the Library, the apartments, etc.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

On motion by Councilwoman Busted, seconded by Councilman Chinigo to open for public comments was unanimously approved.

Lou Grasso-170 Lozier Terrace-wondered what the status is of the River Edge Run.

On motion by Councilwoman Kaufman, seconded by Councilwoman Kinsella to close for public comments was unanimously approved.

COUNCIL COMMENTS –

Councilman Chinigo- thanked Congressman Gottheimer and agreed that this is a very difficult time and it's important to listen to our officials.

Councilwoman Busteed-thanked Councilwoman Kinsella for working on the census and also thanked Congressman Gottheimer on behalf of District 5.

Councilman Gautier-said that he is pleased that they reached an agreement with the DPW and also thanked Congressman Gottheimer and all of our first responders.

Councilwoman Kaufman-thanked Congressman Gottheimer for his time and for providing important information. She also thanked first responders.

Councilwoman Montisano-Koen-thanked OEM for their work regarding residents at risk and also reported that there are food pantries open for families in need. Councilwoman Montisano-Koen has worked with Ron Starace identifying and reaching out to other organized groups in town to ensure there is ongoing communication on available food. She also thanked Ray Poerio for answering her many questions on the capital ordinance.

Councilwoman Kinsella-also thanked Congressman Gottheimer for the information as well as first responders and health care workers.

Mayor Papaleo-thanked all of the health care workers for all that they are doing as well as Congressman Gottheimer for all of his hard work. He also thanked our CFO, Borough Administrator and Finance Committee for their work on the budget, as well as OEM, Fire Department, Police Department, DPW, our employees including our Labor Attorney, Borough Attorney and Land Use Attorneys for all they do. He thanked Rob Costa our Borough Engineer for all of his efforts regarding the curb work on Bogert Road and Howland Avenue. The Mayor said that we have so much to be thankful for with our residents and employees.

ADJOURNMENT – 8:06 P.M.

On motion by Councilwoman Kinsella, seconded by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. was unanimously approved.

Mayor Thomas Papaleo

Attest:

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated: