



**BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

MINUTES OF THE CAUCUS MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

DATE: May 8, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL:

Mayor	Joseph C. Parisi, Jr.
Councilman	Ramon Ferro
Councilwoman	Nora Jobson
Councilwoman	Gloria Oh
Councilwoman	Melanie Simon
Councilman	Ed Aversa

ABSENT AT ROLL CALL:

Council President	Joe Favaro
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ALSO PRESENT:

Municipal Attorney	E. Carter Corrison
Chief of Police	Michael Cioffi
Superintendent DPW	Mark Neville
Borough Engineer	Bernie Mirandi
Municipal Clerk	Lisette Duffy

MUNICIPAL CLERK STATED:

Adequate notice of this meeting was given to the press and posted as required. Date and time of these meetings was legally given as required by the "Open Public Meetings Act." This notice is on file with the Municipal Clerk and posted on the bulletin board. Minutes of this meeting will be made available to the public upon the completion of typing and proofreading.

On a motion by Councilwoman Simon, seconded by Councilwoman Jobson the Council went into closed session.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Councilpersons Ferro, Jobson, Oh, Simon, Aversa

NAYS:

RESOLUTION 13-67

Closed Session

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exists; and
WHEREAS the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

CLOSED SESSION:

- Personnel
 - Police
 - Building Department
- Litigation
 - Tax Appeal

Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the public be excluded from the meeting.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS ON APRIL 17, 2013

On a motion by Councilwoman Oh, seconded by Councilwoman Simon the Council came out of closed session.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Councilpersons Ferro, Jobson, Oh, Simon, Aversa

NAYS:

MAYOR PARISI STATED:

“IF ANYONE WISHES TO ADD ANY ADDITIONAL ITEMS OR COMMENT ON WHAT IS ON THE AGENDA, THEY MAY DO SO AT THIS TIME.”

The Mayor reviewed all items to be discussed at the regular meeting. Resolutions and the two Ordinances to be introduced were discussed in full.

The CFO informed the Council of the procedures for resolutions 68-70 and how it affects the budget.

After a brief discussion, all items were placed on the Regular Agenda.

There was an additional discussion on the introduction of the Dog – Bike Ordinance 13-02.

Councilwoman Jobson recommended a change in the size of the wheel base to be used at the park.

Councilwoman Simon stated the park is a safe environment for children to be allowed to play and we should be cautious of large bikes on the path. The Mayor was in favor of smaller wheels 24” wheel base instead of limiting it to an age.

Councilman Ferro suggested a line on the walking path for the small sized bicycles.

The Mayor expressed his concern with a small child holding a dog and having a larger dog come and attacking the child and or the dog. The Mayor recommended that all dogs be accompanied by an adult and leashed.

It was further agreed that the dogs would not be permitted on the fields, park or tennis courts.

Everyone was in agreement with the intent of the ordinance to be introduced. Subject to the changes, the Council can vote to introduce the bike – dog park ordinance.

On a separate note, Councilman Ferro suggested that for future police openings, we advertise that the applicant have gone through the police academy as a prerequisite.

MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS WERE PLACED ON THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR APPROVAL:

Closed Session, Caucus & Regular Minutes of April 17, 2013

THE FOLLOWING REPORTS WERE PLACED ON THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT REPORTS for April 2013:

Police Report	Statement of Cash in Banks and Investments
Court Report	Bill Lists
Construction Code Official Report	Analysis of Receipts Disbursements
Fire Report	Collector/Treasurer's Report

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE FOLLOWING WAS PLACED ON THE AGENDA:

- Steve Muhlstock, Esq – Tax Appeal

THE FOLLOWING VOUCHERS WERE SIGNED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR PAYMENT – CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD April 18, 2013 to May 8, 2013

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES WERE PLACED ON THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR APPROVAL:

RESOLUTIONS 2013:

68- Budget Introduction - *Public Hearing on June 12, 2013*

CONSENT AGENDA

- 69- Increase in Reserve for Uncollected Taxes Percentage
- 70- Self Budget Review
- 71- Deferred School Tax
- 72- Retirement of Lt. Tod J. Coletta
- 73- Retirement of Lt. James Rushworth
- 74- Retirement of Captain William LaRaia
- 75- Agreement for Police Chief Michael Cioffi
- 76- Hire P.O. Daniel G. O'Shea
- 77- Hire P.O. Marc I. Krapels
- 78- Hire Helen Keery as Part Time Backup Personnel
- 79- Advertise for DPW Part Time Help
- 80- Tax Appeal - 669 Summit Street

ORDINANCES 2013:

PUBLIC HEARING

03 - ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2012-16

INTRODUCTION and FIRST READING - PUBLIC HEARING on June 12, 2013

- 04 – CAP INDEX RATE ORDINANCE (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**
- 02 - AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER III, ENTITLED “POLICE REGULATIONS**

NEW BUSINESS:

PROCLAMATION: Reflections Award Recipients 2012-2013

NOT APPROVED

MAYOR PARISI STATED:

“IF THERE WAS ANY UNFINISHED BUSINESS AT THIS TIME

Seeing and Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Lisette M. Duffy- Acting Municipal Clerk, Administrator

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Lisette M. Duffy, Acting Municipal Clerk

Joseph C. Parisi, Jr. Mayor