



**TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK
151 WEST PASSAIC STREET
ROCHELLE PARK, NEW JERSEY 07662
MINUTES – PUBLIC MEETING – September 17, 2014**

Call to Order at 7:20 PM

According to the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting of September 17, 2014 was advertised in the notice sent to the “Our Town”, posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on September 12, 2014 and on the Township’s web-site and has remained continuously posted as the required notice under the Statute and is being taped. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call: Comm. Kazimir
 Comm. Kovalcik -Absent
 Comm. Ouellette
 Comm. Scarpa-Absent
 Mayor Valenzuela

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Attorney Joseph Rotolo

Mayor Valenzuela asked that everyone remain standing for a moment of silence remembering those in the military.

A motion was offered by Comm. Ouellette and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to adopt the agenda as amended to include Resolution #2014-166. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting “Aye”.

Comm. Kovalcik entered the meeting at 7:25 PM

Comm. Scarpa entered the meeting at 7:40 PM

The following resolution was offered by Comm. Scarpa and seconded by Comm. Kovalcik and reads:

Resolution #CS-8B 2014

A Resolution – Authorizing Closed Session Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to exclude the public from a public meeting in certain circumstances, and

Whereas, the Rochelle Park Township Committee is of the opinion that such circumstances now exist.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, New Jersey that a Closed Session is hereby called at 7:25 PM on September 17, 2014 to discuss matters as permitted by law:

- _____ Matters, which by express provisions of Federal Law or state statute, shall be rendered confidential.
- _____ Matters in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
- _____ Matters, which if disclosed, would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy.
- _____ Collective bargaining agreements or negotiations therefore with public employees and/or their representatives.
- X _____ Matters involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates, or the investment of public funds where the disclosure could adversely affect the public interest.
- _____ Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law.
- _____ Pending or anticipated Litigation or contract negotiations in which the Township may become a party.
- _____ Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his or her ethical duties as lawyer.

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X Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination or employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation, promotions, or disciplinary action of any specific current or prospective public employee(s), unless all the individual(s)
Deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty or the suspension or loss of a license or permit of a party as a result of the actions of the party.

Be it further resolved that the matters so discussed will be disclosed to the public as soon as possible and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

A motion was offered by Comm. Scarpa and seconded by Comm. Kovalcik to close the closed session. Motion carried on a voice vote- all voting "Aye"

A motion was offered by Comm. Kovalcik and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting August 20, 2014. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting "Aye".

At the Work Session held on September 10, 2014 the following resolution was adopted - all voting "Aye".

Resolution #2014 – 151

A Resolution – Authorizing Review of Flood Maps - Township Engineer

Be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park that the Township Engineer be and is hereby authorized to review the preliminary 2014 Federal Emergency Management Agreement (FEMA) FIRM flood maps for a cost not to exceed \$2000.00.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Reports:

Health Department - August 2014

Municipal Court - August 2014

Building Department - August 2014

Mayor Valenzuela read a Proclamation declaring September 17, 2014 - September 23, 2014 Constitution Week in Rochelle Park. He urged everyone to read the Proclamation.

The Consent Agenda was offered by Comm. Kovalcik and seconded by Comm. Scarpa and reads:

Resolution #2014 – 152

A Resolution – Payment of Bills – September 2014

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, that the following bills be turned over to the Treasurer, and if found to be correct, be paid provided there is sufficient funds in the various accounts. (See Attached)

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2014 – 153

A Resolution – Authorizing the Issuance Raffle License #444-14 to Midland School #1 – PTA

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, State of New Jersey, that the application for Raffle License #444-14 as presented by the PTA MIDLAND SCHOOL #1 ID#427-5-37358 Requesting permission to conduct Off Premise Raffle for December 12, 2014 be Approved and the requested license be issued.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2014 - 154

A Resolution – Authorizing Hiring Electrical Inspector - Michael Dalessio

Whereas, the Township Committee has determined that the need exists for an Electrical Subcode Official to serve on a part time basis; and

Whereas, the Township Committee previously hired Michael Dalessio of Mahwah, New Jersey on an interim basis; and

Whereas, the Township Administrator has now recommended the hiring of Michael Dalessio to a full four-year term as electrical Subcode Official pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A 52:27d-126 and n.j.a.c. 5:23-3.16 ; and

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Whereas, Michael Dalessio possesses the required certifications and licenses in order to fulfill this position

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Michael Dalessio of Mahwah, New Jersey be and is hereby appointed Electrical Subcode Official for the township of Rochelle Park.
2. This appointment shall commence on August 1, 2014 and shall be for a period of four (4) years ending on July 31, 2018.
3. The salary for this position shall be \$6,120.00 per year which shall be prorated for the current year.
4. This appointment shall be on a part time basis with the hours to be determined and established by the Township Administrator in consultation with the Township Committee.
5. This appointment is conditioned upon satisfactory completion of a background check and all other employment requirements of the Township of Rochelle Park.

Now therefore be it further resolved that the township clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within resolution to Michael Dalessio of Mahwah, new jersey, the personnel department for the township of Rochelle Park and the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2014 –155

A Resolution - Appointing Nick Melfi - Zoning Official

Whereas, recently, the Zoning Official for the Township has accepted a full time position with the State of New Jersey and, as a result, has resigned his position as part time Zoning Official for the Township; and

Whereas, as a result of the foregoing, it has become necessary to appoint a replacement; and

Whereas, Nicholas Melfi, currently serves as Construction Official for the Township and also possesses the necessary skills and knowledge to perform the requirements of the position of Zoning Official; and

Whereas, Nicholas Melfi, has also performed these services for various other Municipalities; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has determined that it would be in the best interests of the Municipality to appoint Mr. Melfi to this position for the remainder of 2014

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Nicolas Melfi of Wallington, New Jersey be and is hereby appointed Zoning Official for the Township of Rochelle Park.
2. The term of this appointment shall be for the remainder of 2014 at which time this appointment will be reviewed.
3. This shall be a part time position without benefits and although there will be no set minimum hours to be served; he shall be required to perform all services required for this position.
4. Mr. Melfi will be paid sum of \$ 7,140 on an annual basis, pro rated for 2014, for performing these services.

Now therefore be it further resolved that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Nicholas Melfi, Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Rochelle Park, the Planning Board of the Township of Rochelle Park, the Township Administrator and to the Personnel Department of the Township of Rochelle Park.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution # 2014 – 156

A Resolution - Introduction Ord. #1077-14 - Amending 2014 Salary Ordinance

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AND DETERMINE THE SALARY OR RATE OF COMPENSATION OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK AND TO ESTABLISH A METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SUCH COMPENSATION FOR THE YEAR 2014” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on September 17, 2014 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached at the Municipal Complex, 151 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park, NJ 07662 and that at or such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning

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same and that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish and post said ordinance, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and the time and place when and where such ordinance will be considered for final passage.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2014 – 157

A Resolution – Hiring of School Crossing Guards 2014/2015

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, that the following be and is hereby appointed School Crossing Guard upon the recommendation of the Chief of Police at a salary as provided in the Salary Ordinance of the Township of Rochelle Park, September 2, 2014.

Edward Obermaier 12 Schlosser Drive Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Eloise Bolan 360 Concord Drive Maywood, N.J. 07607	Edna Salcedo 241 W. Passaic Street, 11B Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
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Antionette Borelli 86 Madison Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	William Cottrell 63 Oak Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Concetta Covino 39 North Drive Rochelle Park, NJ 07662
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Dave Mocera 44 Chestnut Street Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Thomas Sudol 44 Harvey Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Julio Marichal 67 South Drive Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
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Diane Leone 333 Rochelle Avenue Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	John Weeks 36 Schlosser Drive Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662	Connie Bianco 15 Dorothy Ave Rochelle Park, N.J. 07662
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Anthony Petruzzo
137 Central Ave
Lodi, NJ 07644

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2014 - 158

A Resolution – Authorizing Return of Maintenance Escrow/Performance Bond -
GES Groundwater & Environmental Services

Whereas, pursuant to Resolution 2014-112, the Township authorized installation of monitoring wells in the sidewalk of Rochelle Avenue near West Passaic Street; and

Whereas, this authorization was granted to Groundwater and Environmental Services, Inc. of Neptune, New Jersey; and

Whereas, as a condition of that authorization, GES was required to deposit a maintenance escrow in the amount of \$750.00 as well as engineering escrow in the amount of \$1,500.00; and

Whereas, GES has now advised the Municipality that the project for the monitoring well installation will not be performed and has therefore requested the return of the escrow payments; and

Whereas, it has been determined that the Township has not incurred any expenses which would have to be paid with the engineering escrow

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The maintenance escrow in the amount of \$750.00 and the Township engineer escrow in the amount of \$1,500.00, paid by Groundwater and Environmental Services, Inc. may be refunded to that company. .
2. These amounts may be refunded in view of the fact that the project will not be performed.
3. The refund of these payments are subject to confirmation by the Township Clerk that no costs have been incurred by the Municipality which would be paid through these escrows.

Now therefore be it further resolved that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to the Groundwater and Environmental Services, Inc. of Neptune, New Jersey, the Township Engineer and the Chief Financial Officer.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution #2014 –159

A Resolution - Authorizing Town Wide Garage Sale - Saturday October 11, 2014 with a Rain Date of Saturday October 18, 2014

Whereas, members of the community are interested in conducting a Township wide garage sale; and

Whereas, the Township Committee believes that such an event would be beneficial to the residents of the Municipality and would like to encourage participation in the same

Now therefore be it resolved by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, as follows:

A Township wide garage sale shall take place on October 11, 2014 with a rain date of October 18, 2014.

The Township Clerk shall make available, to all members of the community such signs which are generally distributed for individual garage sales.

The Township Administrator is authorized to arrange for dissemination of information regarding conducting this event by all means possible including the Township website. All residents of the Township of Rochelle Park are encouraged to participate in this event

Now therefore be it further resolved that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to all local newspapers, the Website Administrator and Township Administrator.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution # 2014 - 160

A Resolution - Introduction Ord. #1078-14 “Registration and Maintenance of Vacant/Abandoned Properties”

Be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE REGISTRATION AND MAINTENANCE OF VACANT/ABANDONED PROPERTIES” be and it is hereby introduced and passed on first reading and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on September 17, 2014 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached at the Municipal Complex, 151 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park, NJ 07662 and that at or such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same and that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish and post said ordinance, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and the time and place when and where such ordinance will be considered for final passage.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution # 2014 - 161

A Resolution – Authorizing Agreement for Municipal Debt Collection Program - Williams, Alexander & Associates, Inc.

Whereas, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2B:19-6 Municipal Courts have been authorized to enter into agreements with private companies for collection of outstanding fines and other penalties; and

Whereas, the award of such a contract may be made without the necessity of competitive bidding since, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A11-3 such a contract would not qualify as an Agreement which is subject to competitive bidding since, among other reasons, there is no cost to the municipality; and

Whereas, Williams, Alexander & Associates, Inc. of Wayne, New Jersey is a company which provides services for Municipal Courts for unpaid outstanding fines, costs, surcharges and other penalties; and

Whereas, Williams, Alexander & Associates, Inc. performs these services on behalf of numerous municipalities throughout the State of New Jersey; and

Whereas, the Township Committee has determined that it would be in the best interests of the Township to retain the services of this firm in an effort to collect these outstanding fines and other charges.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. An Agreement is hereby authorized with Williams, Alexander & Associates, Inc. of Wayne, New Jersey for a municipal debt collection program.
2. The Agreement shall be in accordance with the proposal received from Williams, Alexander & Associates, Inc. and in accordance with its presentation to the Township Committee on September 10, 2014.

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3. There shall be no cost whatsoever to the municipality.
4. This Agreement shall commence upon the adoption of this Resolution and shall continue until December 31, 2014 and shall be subject to annual renewal by the Township Committee.
5. The Agreement shall further provide that it may be terminated at any time with or without cause, by providing written notice to Williams, Alexander & Associates, Inc.
6. The Municipal Court Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to communicate with Williams, Alexander & Associates, Inc. in order to provide any and all information which may be necessary in order to facilitate the terms of the agreement.
7. The Township Clerk and Township Administrator are hereby authorized to execute any documents which may be necessary in order to effectuate the provisions of this Resolution and carry out the terms of the contract.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Williams, Alexander & Associates, Inc. the Municipal Court Administrator, the Township Attorney and the Township Auditor.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution # 2014 – 163

A Resolution - Rescinding Conditional Offer of Employment - Part Time Violations Clerk

Whereas, the Township Committee previously authorized a conditional offer of employment to NICOLE BELFIORE of Edison, New Jersey for the position of part time Violations Clerk; and

Whereas, as a result of developments which have occurred during the period of time since the adoption of that resolution and in view of the fact that this employee was a part time probationary employee, the Township Committee, upon the recommendation of the Township Administrator, has determined to rescind that conditional offer of employment

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the conditional offer of employment previously made to Nicole Belfiore for part time Violations Clerk be and is hereby rescinded and cancelled.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Nicole Belfiore of Edison, New Jersey, the Personnel Department of the Township of Rochelle Park, the Township Administrator and the Municipal Court Administrator.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution # 2014 - 164

A Resolution - Authorizing Professional Services Contract Accutech - Municipal Complex

Whereas, the Township has been engaged in a remedial action plan to address environmental concerns at the Rochelle Park Municipal Complex; and

Whereas, this project has been ongoing for a number of years; and

Whereas, AccuTech Environmental Services, Inc. has been the professional services engineering firm that has been retained by the Township to perform the services; and

Whereas, it now appears that the project is ready for closure; and

Whereas, AccuTech has provided a proposal for the completion of the final stage of the project and closure in accordance with the direction of the Department of Environmental Protection of the State of New Jersey.

Now therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A Contract be and is hereby awarded to AccuTech Environmental Services of Keyport, New Jersey in accordance with their proposal dated August 22, 2014
2. This Contract shall provide for the closure of the file and project in connection with the Municipal Complex and shall be in accordance with their proposal dated August 22, 2014.
3. The Contract shall be in an amount not to exceed \$1000 and the Township Administrator and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents which may be necessary in order to effectuate the provisions of this resolution.

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4. The award of this Contract is subject to confirmation by the Chief Financial Officer that sufficient funds exist for this purpose.

Now therefore be it further resolved that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to AccuTech Environmental Services, Inc. of Keyport, New Jersey and the Chief Financial Officer for the Township of Rochelle Park.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution # 2014 –165

A Resolution – Authorizing Release of Closed Session Minutes –
September 10, 2014

Whereas, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq.) certain issues may be discussed by the Township Committee in a session which excludes the public; and

Whereas, the aforementioned law requires that the minutes of said closed sessions be released as soon as practicable after the meeting and so long as the release of the minutes will not be adverse to the interests of the public and/or the Township; and

Whereas, pursuant to statute, the purpose of this Resolution is to disclose the information which was discussed in closed session on September 10, 2014 to the extent that said information can be disclosed without adversely affecting the Township or the public interest.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the attached closed session minutes may be released to the public in accordance with the requirements of New Jersey State Law; and

Be it further resolved, that any minutes which have not been released pursuant to this Resolution shall be reviewed periodically by the Township Attorney and further recommendation shall be made for the release of additional minutes as the release of same is deemed to be proper.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES - September 10, 2014

A motion was made for the Township Committee to go into closed or executive session to discuss matters of personnel, litigation and negotiations. The following represents the minutes of that closed session to the extent that those minutes may be released at this time:

1. OEM Issues – The Township Committee received a public safety presentation from the Office of Emergency Management regarding the handling of emergencies within the Township. In addition, a discussion was held regarding the potential for acquisition of property for construction of an Emergency Management Communications Center and/or headquarters.
2. Litigation – The Township Attorney reviewed, with the Township Committee, the status of the Appellate decision in Buonanno –vs - Elmwood Park matter as well as potential litigation and investigation regarding the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
3. Police Negotiations – The Township Administrator provided the Township Committee with an update regarding the status of police negotiation.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

Resolution # 2014 –166

A Resolution – Authorizing Conditional Offer of Employment to Nataly Serrano

Whereas, the need exists for the hiring of a part time Violations Clerk for the Rochelle Park Municipal Court as a recent vacancy; and

Whereas, Municipal Court Judge, and Municipal Court Administrator and Township Administrator have solicited resumes for filling this position, evaluated resumes and conducted initial interviews; and

Whereas, the result of the initial review of the applicants has resulted in a list of the three most qualified applicants which were interviewed by the Township Committee; and

Whereas, as a result of those interviews and evaluation of the background and credentials of the individuals, the Township Committee has selected one of the applicants in order to fill that position; and

Whereas, the candidate selected is Nataly Serrano of Paterson, New Jersey who possesses the background and experience to fulfill the obligations of this position; and

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Whereas, the Municipal Court Judge, Municipal Court Administrator and Township Administrator have all recommended the selection of this candidate.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. A conditional offer of employment is hereby extended to Nataly Serrano of Paterson, New Jersey for the position of part time Violations Clerk
2. This offer of employment is conditioned upon completion of all required background checks in accordance with the requirements of Municipal Ordinance.
3. The position will be on a part time basis not to exceed 25 hours per week.
4. Nataly Serrano will be hired on a probationary basis for a period of six months at which time further action of the Township Committee shall be required in order to convert the hiring to a permanent, part time position.
5. Nataly Serrano will be paid at the rate of \$15.00 per hour and the date of commencement of Ms. Serrano's employment shall be September 25, 2014.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved, that the Township Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Nataly Serrano, the Personnel Department of the Township of Rochelle Park, the Township Administrator and the Municipal Court Administrator

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

The following resolution was offered by Comm. Kovalcik and seconded by Comm. Scarpa and reads:

Resolution # 2014 -162

A Resolution –Hearing & Adoption Ord. #1076-14 Amending Chapter 172 - Towing

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Rochelle Park, Bergen County, New Jersey, that an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 172 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCHELLE PARK ENTITLED- TOWING” be and it is hereby passed upon second and final reading and that the Municipal Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to advertise the same according to law.

Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

A motion was offered by Comm. Kovalcik and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to open the hearing to the public. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting “Aye”.

No members of the public spoke.

A motion was offered by Comm. Ouellette and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to close the hearing to the public. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting “Aye”.

A motion was offered by Comm. Kovalcik and seconded by Comm. Scarpa to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried on a roll call vote – “Ayes” Kazimir, Kovalcik, Ouellette, Scarpa, Valenzuela

Committee's/Administrator's/Attorney's Reports-
Comm. Kovalcik- No Report

Comm. Scarpa - Asked for an update on the graffiti issue on Central Avenue. Administrator Davidson stated he spoke with Jim Schmunk, DPW Superintendent and he is currently awaiting response from the State. Comm. Scarpa suggested next time work is being done on this overpass that a member of the DPW be present. He suggested the DPW begin repainting it themselves.

Comm Kazimir- Stated the Townships Summer Camp Program was a huge success and the inclusion fee for all activities worked out well and was met with positive response.

A motion was offered by Comm. Kazimir and seconded by Mayor Valenzuela to appoint Yanko Hernando to the Rochelle Park Department as a junior member. Motion carried on a voice vote - all voting “Aye”.

Comm. Ouellette - No Report

Mayor Valenzuela - Reminded everyone the 5K run is September 28th. Father Bob from Sacred Heart Church is aware of the route. It will not have any impact on the scheduled church services. All personnel are in place for this event, hopefully it will continue to be a great success.

Administrator Davidson - Stated that he attended a meeting at the County regarding National Flood Insurance. With Township participation in this program, residents will receive a discount in their flood insurance from FEMA. Davidson advised that due to people "batting" towards the new back stops, they are already damaged. He is currently looking into replacements. The Administrator has spoken to Police Chief Flannelly, the President of Baseball and members of Recreation to try and rectify this problem. Davidson is currently working on funding for security cameras for this location. Mayor Valenzuela also suggested posting signs to deter future damage.

Municipal Clerk Kroll - No Report

Attorney Rotolo - No Report

A motion was offered by Comm. Scarpa and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to open the meeting to the public. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting "Aye".

Eileen Hodges - 58 Schlosser - Addressed the Township Committee regarding a recent article she had read implying that the Committee had no interest in keeping the library within the BCCLs system. She feels that BCCLs is a wonderful organization. Mayor Valenzuela advised that the Committee has done everything possible to stay in the BCCLs system. Comm. Ouellette, library liaison, explained that currently the library budget is \$160,000, BCCLs wants this amount increased to over \$300,000. This would hurt taxpayers. Comm. Kazimir stated that in the past year the library has significantly improved its lending. Members of the Committee explained that this is an association library and should not be held to standards of other Municipal libraries which are funded separately and at a much higher cost than the Rochelle Park library. Mayor Valenzuela suggested inviting Senator Gordon and the legislators to the meeting to readdress this issue.

Helene Reiner - 91 Parkway - Presented the Committee with a short video regarding strikers at 96 Parkway, directly across from her home. She stated that approximately 30 individuals are blowing whistles, banging drums and chanting all day. The strikers are blocking her driveway, clogging sidewalks and leaving propaganda on cubs. Comm. Ouellette suggested that noise officer, Roland Jacobsen be contacted to assess this situation. Mayor Valenzuela advised Police Chief Flannelly had been in contact with Union representatives. Comm. Scarpa suggested that Administrator Davidson and Chief Flannelly speak with the strikers in the morning.

A motion was offered by Comm. Scarpa and seconded by Comm. Ouellette to close the meeting to the public. Motion carried on a voice vote – all voting "Aye".

The following resolution was offered by Comm. Ouellette and seconded by Comm. Scarpa and reads:

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Attest: Elizabeth Kroll

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A motion was offered by Comm. Ouellette and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to open the meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote –all voting "Aye"

A motion was offered by Comm. Scarpa and seconded by Comm. Kazimir to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote –all voting "Aye"

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Kroll
Municipal Clerk