

Approved June 25, 2019  
Municipal Building  
Park Ridge, NJ

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING**  
**WORK SESSION**  
**June 11, 2019**  
**6:53 P.M.**

Present: Councilmembers: Capilli, Epstein, Farinaro, Metzdorf, Mintz and Mayor  
Misciagna  
Absent: Ferguson  
Also Present: Julie Falkenstern, BA  
Magdalena Giandomenico, Borough Clerk  
Durene Ayer, CFO

**Mayor Misciagna read the compliance statement earlier as required by the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, and Chapter 231.**

**I. Finance Committee:**

- i. Budget Process: The Mayor and council reviewed the budget process from the preliminary stages of departmental submission and reviews, to the budget introductions and to the adoption of the final document. Communication between the introduction to the adoption, between the committee and the department heads, will be streamlined differently next year.
  1. Additional Police SVU: a discussion ensued about the original request from the Police Chief for two SVU's. Councilman Farinaro wondered what the life expectancy of those cars is since they are always running and what the month to month cycling out plan is for them.
  2. Mayor Misciagna spoke about meeting minutes being recorded during finance committee meetings and wanted to know what the cycling out schedule is for current fleet of police vehicles.
  3. Council President Capilli will get a 5 year police vehicle fleet rotation projection for the Mayor and Council to review from the Police Chief
    - a. Mayor and Council agreed to review the 5 year projection on rotating and maintaining the police vehicle fleet prior to discussing the purchase of a second vehicle in 2019.

**II. Borough Administrator Report:**

- a. Swim Club Membership Benefits: for the summer months, Peppercorn's is offering a 10% discount of the food purchased with a valid pool membership id.
- b. Social Affairs Permit: The Borough filed for a social affairs permit for the June 23<sup>rd</sup> charity Bike Run.
- c. Train Station: Joe Bruno provided a letter that he and is the only vendor available to do the windows within the State requirements. The windows with installation are approximately \$22,000. We are awaiting an estimate on painting.
- d. Summer Meeting Schedule: A discussion ensued as to what Council members are away during the summer during scheduled meeting dates. The second meeting of the Mayor and Council scheduled in July and August will be cancelled and if need an additional meeting will be scheduled throughout the remainder of the year.
- e. Employee BBQ: June 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 is the employee BBQ, which is funded from the money JIF awards the Borough safety committee.
- f. Deer Feeding: A discussion took place about an ordinance that restricts the feeding of wildlife. The Borough Administrator was instructed to speak to the Borough Attorney about drafting one.

**III. Utilities:**

- a. Councilman Farinaro discussed the 2019 electric and water billing expected versus actual numbers as they stand as of June 5, 2019.

**Open Work Session adjourned to Closed Session at 7:49pm**

On a motion made by Councilman Mintz and Seconded by Councilwoman Epstein to confirm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Magdalena Giandomenico