

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**Council Chambers**  
**Monday, May 9, 2016**  
**8:00pm**

**CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

Council President Bromberg called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm in the Council Chambers located at 406 Rivervale Road, River Vale, New Jersey 07675.

**SALUTE TO FLAG**

Council President Bromberg asked all in attendance to rise and join him in a Salute to the Flag.

**SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT**

Council President Bromberg read the Sunshine Statement into the record, as follows:

*"In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meetings Law, notification of this meeting has been sent to all officially appointed Township newspapers and notice is posted at the Municipal Office."*

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman Criscuolo and Council President Bromberg were present. Councilwoman Sieg was absent.

**Also present:** Mayor Glen Jasionowski, Business Administrator Gennaro Rotella, Township Attorney Silvana Raso, Township Clerk, Karen Campanelli and Lisa Neyman with the Township Engineers office.

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**Mayor's Comments**

Mayor Jasionowski commented on a suggestion made by ex-Chief Jim Hanna to name the street next to the North Firehouse and Community Center after the long serving ex-Fire Chief Al Krauss, Jr. The Mayor reported that the Fire Department submitted a formal request for the road naming approved by their Department. Mayor Jasionowski continued that as long as there is no objection from the Council he will be officially be naming the portion of the roadway from Rivervale Road back to the Community Center Al Krauss Way.

The Council had no objections and the Mayor thanked Jim Hanna for bringing this to their attention.

The Mayor reported that 5 years ago the Township was promised funds for the Golf Course. He announced the good news that the money was being released to the Township. He reported that the Township will be receiving \$1.3 million from Green Acres and \$2.4 million from the County. He further explained that this money is long overdue and will be very helpful in next year's budget. The Mayor added that this money is in addition to the \$662,000 in grant funding already received.

Mayor Jasionowski next reported that he has authorized the administration to sell the property on Cedar Lane. The property is appraised at just under \$400,000 and will now become a ratable for the Township.

The Mayor concluded his report announcing that they have finally received the plaque for the Blundo Rock explaining that past Mayor Joe Blundo was instrumental in the acquisition of the Golf Course.

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**Recognition of the Pascack Valley Tribe**

***NJCDA State Champions Rec Varsity C Small Division***

Mayor Jasionowski commented that recently he received clips of the accomplishments of the Pascack Valley Tribe. The Mayor was amazed at the talent and athleticism the group. He also felt very strongly that he wanted the group to come in and be recognized for their outstanding achievements. The Mayor added that these incredibly talented young ladies represented the Pascack Valley very well.

The Mayor invited the Coaches come up and comment. Coach Christine Martinez thanked the Mayor and Council for recognizing the group and that she is very, very proud of the girls. Coach Martinez offered a brief history of the Tribe. She started the program three years ago and this is their first State Championship. Coach Martinez thanked all the girls for a great year, she next thanked Lauren and Megan the Junior Coaches and the parents for all their support.

Certificates of Recognition were distributed to the Pascack Valley Tribe as follows:

Julie Allmers, Carly Borges, Shannon Connolly, Nicole Criscuolo, Juliana Friend, Allison Garrett, Joyce Hahn, Lexi Hort, Alexandra Laessig, Rachel Mannasse, Isabella Marchese, Erica Masseria, Lauren Morrissey, Kara Moss, Alli Pessolano, Megan Sgroi, Mary Spillane, Lauren Van Horn, Sophie Ward

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**Council Comments**

Councilman Ben-Yishay commented that it is great to see so many wonderful and familiar faces. It is also a highlight of his night when they get to honor a Town group at a Council meeting.

Councilman Donovan echoed Councilman Ben-Yishay's comments. Councilman Donovan added that he always enjoys when the chambers are full to honor a group. Congratulations to all.

Councilman Criscuolo offered his congratulations. He added that his daughter is on the team and he understands the commitment and time the girls have put in. Councilman Criscuolo commended both the girls and their coaches for putting in a tremendous amount of time. He has coached many sports and explained that nothing compares to the amount of time these girls have put in.

Council President Bromberg offered congratulations to all on their accomplishment.

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Council President Bromberg requested a brief recess.

The meeting reconvened at 8:15pm Council President Bromberg requested a Roll Call.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman Criscuolo and Council President Bromberg were present. Councilwoman Sieg was absent.

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**Administrator’s Report**

Mr. Rotella had no report this evening.

**Engineer’s Report**

Ms. Neyman gave an update on the 2016 Cooperative Road Program. She reported that Westwood plans on awarding the contract at their meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup> and River Vale can award at the May 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. She next gave an update on the Rivervale Road Stabilization project explaining that on or about May 15<sup>th</sup> the contractor will be opening the northern section to traffic.

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**1<sup>st</sup> Hearing of the Public**

Motion by Councilman Criscuolo; second by Councilman Donovan to open the meeting to the public.

David Rice—539 Bernita Drive— Mr. Rice had questions regarding an article he read referencing a 4% tax increase; he was under the impression there was a 2% CAP.

Mr. Rotella responded that there are exclusions to the 2% CAP which include debt service and increases to both pension and health benefits. He further explained that the 2% CAP is strict with regard to the OE expenses. He also clarified that the increase does not include the local and regional schools nor the County.

There being no further questions or comments motion by Councilman Criscuolo; seconded by Councilman Ben-Yishay to close the meeting to the public.

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**RESOLUTIONS**

Motion by Councilman Donovan; seconded by Councilman Criscuolo to approve Resolutions #2016-117 through 122 as a Consent Agenda as follows:

**Resolution #2016-117**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MINUTES APRIL 25, 2016 REGULAR MEETING**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the minutes of the April 25, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Township Council are hereby approved.

**Resolution #2016-118**

**REFUND**

(Kids Volleyball Refund)

**WHEREAS**, the following resident has requested a refund of the Kids Volleyball registration fee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Treasurer has certified the availability of funds in the Recreation Account.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that said refund is approved and the Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a municipal check payable as follows:

Renee Raymond  
667 Rita Drive  
River Vale, NJ 07675

**\$ 70.00**

**Resolution #2016-119**

**RESOLUTION CONFIRMING CONTRACT WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a - WILFRED MACDONALD, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of River Vale, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of River Vale has the need on a timely basis to purchase the following piece of equipment utilizing State contracts;

- **(1) Kubota MX5800HST Utility Tractor (River Vale Country Club) \$26,450.00**

**and**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of River Vale intends to enter into contracts with a Referenced State Contract Vendor through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State contracts.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Township of River Vale authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase the above listed piece of equipment from those approved New Jersey State Contract vendors, pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the governing body of the Township of River Vale pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5 (b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Chief Financial Officer.

**Resolution #2016-120**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RAFFLE LICENSE FOR THE CENTER FOR HOPE & SAFETY**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following license to conduct an on Premises 50/50 raffle is issued to:

NAME:	Center for Hope & Safety Inc. 12 Overlook Avenue Rochelle Park, NJ 07662
LOCATION OF RAFFLE:	Edgewood Country Club 449 Rivervale Road River Vale, NJ 07675
DATE OF RAFFLE:	June 2, 2016 (11:00am – 8:00pm)
I.D. #:	180-4-29583
RAFFLE LICENSE:	RL 467

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said license shall be issued subject to all rules and regulations of the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission of the State of New Jersey.

**Resolution #2016-121**

**RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BID TO PURCHASE 2016 ELKHART SENIOR VAN**

**WHEREAS**, on May 5, 2016 the Township received several bids for the purchase of a an Elkhart Coach Senior Van for 14 Ambulatory with (2) Wheelchairs or 18 Ambulatory; and

**WHEREAS**, the one bid received was from Alliance Bus Group, Inc., 51 Kero Road, Carlstadt, New Jersey 07072 and has been reviewed and approved and is hereby accepted as the lowest responsible bidder at the price of

**Base Bid:   \$ 59,595.00**

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in an amount not to exceed \$59,595.00 in the Capital Account.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the bid from Alliance Bus Group, Inc. is accepted as the lowest responsible bidder. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute a Contract on behalf of the Township of River Vale for the purchase of an Elkhart Senior Van as described in the Bid Specifications.

**Resolution #2016-122**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP FOR SITE REMEDIATION SERVICES (330 RIVERVALE ROAD)**

**WHEREAS**, on January 11, 2016 the Township's Environmental Consultant, The Environmental Group, LLC submitted a proposal for site remediation services for property located at 330 Rivervale Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds in the Capital Account in an amount not to exceed \$ 275,000.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Mayor is hereby authorize to sign the contract with or The Environmental Group, LLC for site remediation services as described in the proposal.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman, Criscuolo and Council President Bromberg voted yes. Councilwoman Sieg was absent.

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There was no Ordinances for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading this evening.

Ordinances for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Public Hearing

**ORDINANCE #314-2016**

**Motion to Adopt:** Councilman Criscuolo



There being no further questions or comments from the public motion by Councilman Donovan; second by Councilman Ben-Yishay to close the meeting to the public.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilman Criscuolo; seconded by Councilman Ben-Yishay to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm.

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ATTEST:  
Karen Campanelli  
Township Clerk

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Council President  
Mark Bromberg