

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**Council Chambers**  
**Monday, March 13, 2017**  
**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, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Bromberg were present. Councilman Criscuolo was absent.

**Also present:** Mayor Glen Jasionowski, Township Attorney Silvana Raso Business Administrator/CFO Gennaro Rotella, Township Engineer Chris Statile and Township Clerk Karen Campanelli.

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**RECOGNITION GIRL SCOUT SILVER AWARDS**

Council President Bromberg commented on the Girl Scout Silver Award noting that this is a very impressive accomplishment requiring 50 hours of service. Mayor Jasionowski commented how happy he is to see this so many people in attendance this evening to recognize this impressive achievement. The Mayor also encouraged the scouts to stay on this path. He explained that his daughter was a Girl Scout and when she applied to college the fact that she had earned her Gold Award was something that the colleges look at tremendously. He added that they are very proud of the girls as a community and as an Administration.

The Mayor next asked the Troop Leader, Natalie Rowan to say a few words about the girls. Ms. Rowan acknowledged all eight girls of Troop 499 who earned their Silver Award. Ms. Rowan is also extremely proud of their achievement which involved leadership, teamwork and creativity. She also gave a brief description of each project.

Mayor Jasionowski distributed the Certificates of Recognition to the Silver Award recipients.

Ashleigh Chang	Emily Moriarity
Jessica Flately	Jennifer Pulsiano
Juliana Friend	Gianna Rowe
Dani Menedez	Emily Zeman

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**Mayor's Comments**

Mayor Jasionowski commented that he really enjoys when they have an opportunity to recognize the young adults of our community. He next reported that they are expecting a massive snow storm; he has spoken to the department heads and they are prepared. The Mayor stated that they have also made some accommodations at the Community Center; setting up cots and food for the DPW when they are off shift and need a place to rest. He encouraged all to stay home tomorrow and allow the plows to clear the roads. Mayor Jasionowski also reported that Town Hall will be closed tomorrow.

**Council Comments**

Councilman Ben-Yishay commented that the Mayor has covered all the details regarding the storm.

Councilman Donovan congratulated the Scouts on their achievement; he was also very impressed by what a big group they are. Councilman Donovan added that they were looking at some of our future leaders; because they have learned how to be well rounded, well balanced and dedicated citizens.

Councilman Donovan was glad to hear that we are well prepared for the storm and encouraged all to be safe.

Councilwoman Sieg proudly congratulated the Silver Award Girl Scouts. She commented that it was nice to see such a large group of women this evening; who she agreed could be our future leaders. Councilwoman Sieg added that these young woman are also portraying themselves as great role models for the younger Girl Scouts. Councilwoman Sieg also encouraged everyone to be safe tomorrow and to stay home and off the roads.

Council President Bromberg echoed this evenings comments; adding that the parents are raising great kids who will become tomorrow’s future leaders. Council President Bromberg also commented on the storm noting that the Governor has pre-declared a State of Emergency and nonessential people should stay home.

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**Administrator’s Report**

Mr. Rotella reported they are introducing the budget this evening and he was very pleased with the budget process this year. He also reviewed the budget transfer resolution on this evening’s agenda.

**Engineer’s Report**

Mr. Statile reported that they are assisting the Administration in preparing the 2017 Road Program. He also reported that they will be discussing the Master Plan Ordinance changes during this evenings Work Session. He next reported that the Planning Board approved the Bear Brook application on Blauvelt which was Court sanctioned reducing the number of housing units from 5 to 4 along with other stipulations.

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

Motion by Councilman Donovan; second by Councilman Ben-Yishay to open the meeting to the public.

Richard Tax -630 Montview—Mr. Tax questioned the status of the Deer Committee. The Mayor responded that they are having their first non-Committee meeting which has been rescheduled for March 30<sup>th</sup>. Fish Game and Wildlife will be presenting; letting them know what they can and can’t do and effective remedies. The Mayor added that this is not a public meeting; and they have not yet decided who will be on the committee.

Councilman Donovan commented that he was coming home late from work on night and saw 7 deer in the Rite Aid parking lot.

There being no further questions or comments motion by Councilman Donovan; seconded by Councilwoman Sieg to close the meeting to the public.

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**RESOLUTIONS**

Motion by Councilman Ben-Yishay; seconded by Councilwoman Sieg to approve Resolution #2017-100 as follows:

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MINUTES FEBRUARY 27, 2017 REGULAR MEETING**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the minutes of the February 27, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Township Council are hereby approved.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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

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Motion by Councilwoman Sieg; seconded by Councilman Ben-Yishay to approve Resolutions #2017-99 through 2017-102 with the exception of 2017-100 as a Consent Agenda as follows:

**Resolution #2017-99**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MINUTES FEBRUARY 13, 2017 WORK SESSION**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the minutes of the February 13, 2017 Work Session of the Township Council are hereby approved.

**Resolution #2017-101**

**Re: Introduction of 2017 Budget**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following statements of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the local Budget of the Township of River Vale, Bergen County, New Jersey for the year 2017.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said budget be published in the Ridgewood News in the issue of March 17, 2017 and that a hearing on the Budget will be held at the Municipal Complex on April 17, 2016 at 8:00 o'clock (P.M.) or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

The Governing Body does hereby accept and introduce the Budget for the year 2017.

**Resolution #2017-102**

**RESOLUTION**  
**(TRANSFERS)**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need to make transfers in the 2016 Budget Appropriations Reserves, and there exists balances from which to make said transfers,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Chief Financial Officer hereby be authorized to make the following transfers to the 2016 Budget Appropriations Reserves.

**Inside CAP:**

**From:**

General Admin S&W	\$ 5,000.00
Finance S&W	\$ 2,500.00
Code Enforcement S&W	\$ 4,500.00
Group Health O&E	\$10,000.00
Police S&W	\$ 5,000.00
DPW S&W	\$20,000.00
Street Lights O&E	\$ 5,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$52,000.00</b>

**Inside CAP:**

**To:**

Accumulated Leave O&E	\$52,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$52,000.00</b>

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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

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**Ordinances for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

**Motion to Introduce: Councilwoman Sieg**

**Second: Councilman Donovan**

**ORDINANCE #321-2017**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #0-10-04 ADJUSTING AND DETERMINING MUNICIPAL CLASS POSITION TITLES AND SALARY RANGES FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows, until a subsequent salary ordinance is adopted:**

Section 1. The salary ranges per annum for the following officers and employees of the Township of River Vale in the Classified Service (staff) shall be as follows:

Administrative Assistant to Mayor and Admin	\$26,000 - \$32,019
Accounts Payable Clerk	\$30,000 - \$34,658
Animal Licensing Clerk	\$500 - \$2,000
Assistant Deputy OEM Director	\$500
Associate Director of Social & Cultural Affairs	\$3,000
Bookkeeper (Library)	\$38,500 - \$47,000
Building Inspector	\$6,500 - \$16,330
Business Administrator	\$30,000 - \$44,505
CCO Inspections (per inspection)	\$15.00 - \$25.00
Chief Financial Officer	\$75,000 - \$121,759
Chief of Police	\$120,000 - \$188,895
Children’s Services (Library)	\$45,000 - \$52,500
Circulation Clerk Library (hourly rate)	\$11.50 - \$25.00
Code Enforcement Officer (hourly rate)	\$15.00 - \$25.00
Construction Code Official	\$35,000 - \$56,382
Council Members	\$5,000
Deputy OEM Director	\$500
Director of Athletics	\$3,500 - \$7,000
Director of Emergency Management	\$6,000
Director of Law	\$3,100
Director of Public Works	\$75,000 - \$124,656
Director of Social & Cultural Affairs	\$5,000
Drug Alliance Coordinators (PV)	\$1,000 - \$5,000
Electrical Sub-Code Official	\$7,500 - \$18,818
Farmers Market Coordinator	\$1.00 - \$1,000
Fire Inspector	\$2,000 - \$3,213
Fire Official	\$5,000 - \$8,582
Fire Sub-Code Official	\$3,000 - \$6,000
Health Services Division Nurse	\$27.00 - \$32.11
Human Resources Coordinator	\$2500.00 - \$5,000
Information Technology Consultant	\$95.00
Joint Insurance Fund Coordinator	\$1.00
Land Use Administrator	\$5,000 - \$7,995
Land Use Administrator (hourly)	\$15.00 - \$20.00
Library Director	\$75,000 - \$96,000
Library Page (hourly rate)	\$8.38 - \$13.00

Library Programming Assistant (hourly rate)	\$11.50 - \$25.00
Mayor	\$7,000
Mayors Wellness Coordinator	\$5,000
Municipal Alliance Coordinator	\$1,000
Municipal Bond Council	\$100.00 - \$165.00
Municipal Court Administrator	\$40,000 - \$55,000
Municipal Court Bailiff	\$14.00 - \$20.00
Municipal Court Clerk (hourly rate)	\$14.00 - \$25.00
Municipal Court Interpreter (hourly rate)	\$30.00 - \$60.00
Municipal Court Judge	\$15,000 - \$19,870
Municipal Court Prosecutor	\$7,000 - \$9,646
Municipal Court Prosecutor (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$150.00
Municipal Planner (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$135.00
Municipal Planner Affordable Housing (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$135.00
Municipal Public Defender (rate per case)	\$75.00 - \$150.00
Municipal Tax Appeal Attorney (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$165.00
Municipal Recycling Coordinator	\$1,000 - \$3,000
Municipal Tax Assessor	\$15,000 - \$19,145
Municipal Tax Assessor Assistant	\$2,000 - \$3,060
Municipal Tax Collector	\$45,000 - \$54,315
Municipal Deputy Tax Collector	\$1.00 - \$5,000
Pesticide Licensed Professional	\$1,000
Planning Board Attorney	\$2,200
Planning Board Attorney (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$125.00
Planning Board Engineer	\$1,200
Planning Board Engineer (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$135.00
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	\$5,000 - \$12,000
Police Department Admin. Assistant	\$24,000 - \$46,920
Police Dispatcher	\$25,000 - \$50,506
Property Maintenance Officer	\$5,000 - \$7,800
Public Works Secretary	\$26,000 - \$37,271
Public Works Secretary (hourly rate)	\$12.00 - \$20.00
Public Works Sewer Inspector	\$5,000 - \$8,000
Records Management Consultant (hourly rate)	\$31.65
Reference Librarian	\$45,000 - \$62,500
Reference Librarian (hourly rate)	\$24.00 - \$35.00
Registrar Vital Statistics	\$7,687
School Crossing Guard (hourly rate)	\$16.00 - \$19.64
Secretary (hourly rate)	\$12.00 - \$25.00
Senior Circulation Clerk (Library)	\$30,000 - \$42,000
Snow Removal Coordinator	\$2,000 - \$5,000
Special Legal Counsel (hourly rate)	\$130.00 - \$165.00
Social Services Coordinator	\$5,000 - \$7,000
Summer Camp Directors	\$200 - \$7,000
Summer Camp Counselors (hourly rate)	\$8.38 - \$9.00
Technical Assistant	\$25,000 - \$40,003
Technology Librarian	\$45,000 - \$60,000
Township Attorney (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$140.00
Township Clerk	\$55,000 - \$75,312
Township Engineer (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$135.00
Township Van Driver (hourly rate)	\$12.00 - \$14.55
Township Webmaster	\$1,500 - \$3,500
Transcriptionist (hourly rate)	\$15.00 - \$30.00
Treasurer	\$50,000 - \$85,000
Zoning Board Attorney (hourly)	\$100.00 - \$125.00
Zoning Board of Adj. Engineer (hourly)	\$100.00 - \$135.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment Attorney	\$2,200
Zoning Official	\$3,000 - \$17,000

Section 2. The Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to determine the salary of each employee within each salary range annually, such determination and salary to be effective the first day of each calendar year beginning 2017.

Section 3. All employees shall be paid on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of every month as stipulated in the Township Personnel Manual except for changes required on account of calendar year requirements.

Section 4. All parts or ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistent parts, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize any salary decrease. This ordinance shall take effect after passage in the manner provided by law, except that any and all such salary increases shall in all respects be subject to any provisions of law.

Section 5. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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

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**Motion to Introduce: Councilman Donovan**

**Second: Councilman Ben-Yishay**

**ORDINANCE #322-2017**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A-4-45.14) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017**

**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 0.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a 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 Governing Body of the Township of River Vale in the County of Bergen finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2017 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body hereby determines that a 3.0% increase in the budget of said year, amounting to \$314,085 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body 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 Governing Body of the Township of River Vale, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2017 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of River Vale shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by up to 3.5%, amounting to \$366,432, and that the CY 2017 municipal budget for the Township of River Vale be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, 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

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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

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**Ordinances for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading & Public Hearing**

**Motion to Adopt:** Councilman Donovan

**Second:** Councilman Ben-Yishay

Motion by Councilwoman Sieg; seconded by Councilman Donovan to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #320-2017.

Bob Fortsch—511 Bernita Drive—Mr. Fortsch has been on the Zoning Board for approximately 15 years and recalled when he used to look forward to the meeting with a sense of excitement and interest. He has noticed that in the past year or so the meetings are lasting only 20 minutes. Mr. Fortsch feels it may be time and that River Vale would not be the first Town to combine boards.

There being no further questions or comments. Motion by Councilman Donovan; seconded by Councilwoman Sieg to close the Public Hearing on Ordinance #320-2017.

**Council Discussion Ordinance #320-2017**

Mayor Jasionowski commented that he was advised the Ordinance did not have to go the Boards for review before adoption; this was a question from a previous meeting.

Councilman Donovan commented that over the course of several years both Boards have gotten very slow because the Town has been developed and there is less availability to do these projects. He added that they have also struggled to find dedicated people willing to put the time in needed to serve. Councilman Donovan stated that he supports the ordinance. He further explained that this is a great move for the Town, will provide a better experience for the residents and limit legal fees.

Mayor Jasionowski explained that for the past 2 years they have been discussing this issue to determine if this is best for the Township.

Council President Bromberg commented that there was a lot of groundwork, discussion and research done on this topic. He added that none of the Towns that have combined their Boards have gone back nor has there been any opposition from the public. Council President Bromberg concluded that they are ready to move forward.

**ORDINANCE #320-2017**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN NEW JERSEY TO AMEND CHAPTER 142 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED, "LAND USE," TO DISSOLVE THE TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT AND TO ESTABLISH A JOINT PLANNING BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Land Use Law ("MLUL"), specifically, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-25c(1) permits governing bodies of each municipality, like the Township's Governing Body, to dissolve separate zoning boards of adjustment and planning boards and to establish a single board that is empowered to act pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-25 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70; and

**WHEREAS**, municipalities with fewer than 15,000 residents may dissolve their independent zoning boards of adjustment and planning board in order to establish a single board to exercise these powers authorized under N.J.S.A. 40:55D-25 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70, by ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the level of activity before the Zoning Board of Adjustment and before the Planning Board has decreased substantially over the past several years and is not anticipated to increase to a level which would require the existence of two separate and distinct Boards; and

**WHEREAS**, the dissolution of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board in favor of a newly created board to be known as a Joint Planning Board will reduce the expenses incurred by the Township in maintaining two separate and distinct Boards; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township’s Governing Body intends to dissolve the Township Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment and establish a new board to act within the powers granted to both previous boards, pursuant to the MLUL;

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that Chapter 142 is amended as follows:

**Section 1.**

**ARTICLE II  
PLANNING BOARD**

Article II of the Code, entitled, Planning Board, § 142 – 4 through § 142 – 13, is hereby deleted in its entirety and the Planning Board is hereby dissolved.

**ARTICLE III  
ZONING BOARD**

Article III of the Code, entitled, Zoning Board of Adjustment, § 142 – 14 through § 142 – 23, is hereby deleted in its entirety and the Zoning Board of Adjustment is hereby dissolved.

**Section 2.**

**ARTICLE II  
JOINT PLANNING BOARD**

**§142-4. Establishment; composition.**

- A. There is hereby established a new board which shall be known as the Joint Planning Board Board consisting of nine regular members and two alternate members. The regular membership shall consist of the following four classes:
  - (1) Class I: the Mayor.
  - (2) Class II: one of the officials of the municipality other than a member of the governing body, to be appointed by the Mayor.
  - (3) Class III: a member of the governing body, to be appointed by it.
  - (4) Class IV: six other citizens of the municipality, to be appointed by the Mayor. The members of Class IV shall hold no other municipal office, except that one may be a member of the Board of Education.
- B. The alternate members shall be appointed by the Mayor and shall be designated as “Alternate No. 1” and “Alternate No. 2.” Alternate members may participate in discussions of the proceedings but may not vote except in the absence or disqualification of a regular member of any class.

**§142-5. Terms.**

- A. The term of the Class I member shall correspond with his/her official tenure.
- B. The terms of the Class II and Class III members shall be for one year or shall terminate at the completion of their respective terms of office, whichever occurs first.
- C. The term of a Class IV member who is also a member of the Board of Education shall terminate whenever he/she is no longer a member of such other body or at the completion of his Class IV term, whichever occurs first.
- D. Members of the Joint Planning Board holding office on the effective date of this Part 1 shall continue in office until completion of their terms as provided by prior law.



- E. The terms of the first Class IV members appointed to the Joint Planning Board as reconstituted pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 291 (N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq.) shall be so determined that, to the greatest practicable extent, the expiration of such terms shall be distributed evenly over the first four years after their appointment and so that no more than two Class IV members are reappointed in any one calendar year, except as necessary to fill vacancies. The terms of all Class IV members appointed thereafter shall be for periods of four years.
- F. The terms of each alternate member shall be two years, except that the initial terms of Alternate No. 1 and Alternate No. 2 shall be one and two years, respectively. **[Amended 2-21-1980 by Ord. No. 0-3-80]**
- G. All terms shall commence on January 1 of the year in which the appointment is made. **[Added 2-21-1980 by Ord. No. 0-3-80]**

**§142-6. Vacancies.**

Vacancies in any class occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled by appointment as above provided for the unexpired term.

**§142-7. Organization.**

The Joint Planning Board shall elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman from the members of Class IV and select a Secretary who may be either a member of the Joint Planning Board or a municipal employee designated by it.

**§142-8. Attorney.**

There is hereby created the office of Joint Planning Board Attorney. The Board may annually appoint and fix the compensation or agree upon the rate of compensation of the Board Attorney, who shall be an attorney other than the Township Attorney.

**§142-9. Experts and staff. [Amended 10-19-1978 by Ord. No. 0-14-78]**

The Joint Planning Board may also employ or contract for the services of experts and other staff and services as it may deem necessary. The Board shall not, however, exceed, exclusive of gifts, grants or applicants' payment under § 142-33, the amount appropriated by the governing body for its use.

**§142-10. Powers and duties generally.**

The Joint Planning Board is authorized to adopt bylaws governing its procedures. It shall also have the following powers and duties:

- A. To act, pursuant to the powers granted to planning boards, by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-25.
- B. To make and adopt, and from time to time amend, a Master Plan for the physical development of the municipality, which Master Plan shall include the specific policy statement referred to in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-28d.
- C. To administer the provisions of Part 8, Subdivision of Land, and Part 6, Site Plan Review.
- D. To participate in the preparation and review of programs or plans required by state or federal law or regulations.
- E. To assemble data on a continuing basis as part of a continuous planning process.
- F. To prepare annually a program of municipal capital improvement projects projected over a term of six years, and amendments thereto, and to recommend the same to the governing body.
- G. To consider and report to the governing body, within 35 days after referral, on any proposed development regulation submitted to it and to pass upon other matters specifically referred to it by the governing body.
- H. To act, pursuant to the powers granted to boards of adjustment by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70, except that Class I and Class III members shall not participate in the consideration of applications for development which involve relief pursuant to subsection d. of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70.
- I. To grant conditional uses in accordance with the provisions of this Part 1.
- J. To perform such other advisory duties as are assigned to it by ordinance or resolution of the governing body for the aid and assistance of the governing body or other agencies or officers.
- K. To administer the provisions of Part 7, Soil Removal.
- L. To administer the provisions of ordinances and laws related to planned unit developments.
- M. To exercise such powers and duties as the Joint Planning Board may be given under Part 9, Zoning.

N. To administer the provisions of such other ordinances and laws as may require review, report or other action.

**§142-11. By-laws, rules and regulations.**

The Joint Planning Board is hereby authorized to adopt such bylaws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with this Part I as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions and purposes of this Part 1.

**§142-12. Administrative officer.**

For purposes of administration of this Part 1, the following officer is designated as administrative officer to the Joint Planning Board: the Clerk of the Joint Planning Board. Such officer shall have the powers and duties provided by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq. and by the ordinances of the Township of River Vale adopted pursuant thereto.

**ARTICLE III  
RESERVED**

**Section 3. References to Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment.**

All references to the Township Planning Board or the Zoning Board of Adjustment throughout this Chapter 142 are hereby amended to reference the Joint Planning Board.

**Section 4. Severability.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**Section 5. Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in a time and manner prescribed by law.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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

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**2nd Hearing of the Public**

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

Paul Hummel—Pascack Press—Mr. Hummel requested an overview of the proposed budget including the estimated home value and how much the tax rate increased.

Mayor Jasionowski responded that the proposed budget is an annual increase of \$83.00 on the average assessed home of \$592,000; this is an increase of 2.8% of the levy from last year.

Mr. Rotella added that the budget will be posted online and provided Mr. Hummel with a copy of the budget he had on hand.

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

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilwoman Sieg; second by Councilman Ben-Yishay to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm.

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ATTEST:  
Karen Campanelli, Township Clerk

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Council President  
Mark Bromberg