

**MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST RUTHERFORD  
MAYOR & COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON  
MAY 6, 2020  
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE  
MEETING ID#817 3541 1912**

DUE TO THE CURRENT COVID-19 PANDEMIC THIS SPECIAL MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM TELEPHONE CONFERENCE. IT WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR LAHULLIER AT 6:02PM. FLAG SALUTE WAS HELD. THE FOLLOWING OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT WAS READ:

This meeting is a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Rutherford and is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting was transmitted to the two newspapers listed below on May 1, 2020, posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. 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.

*The Herald News*

*The Record*

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmember	Present	Absent
Stallone	X	
Ravettine	X	
Banca	X	
Cronk	X	
Alvarez	X	
Lorusso	X	

Also present was Borough Clerk Danielle Lorenc and Attorney Gerald Salerno

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Mayor Lahullier stated this meeting was being held for a vote on Resolution #61-2020 which was submitted for approval:

**RESOLUTION#61 -2020**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST  
RUTHERFORD EXTENDING GRACE PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF 2ND  
QUARTER 2020 TAXES TO JUNE 1, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor Philip D. Murphy issued Executive Order No. 103, which declared both a Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency in the State of New Jersey as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-66(a), second-quarter property taxes are due in the Borough of East Rutherford on May 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 28, 2020, Governor Murphy signed Executive Order No. 130, permitting municipalities with a calendar year budget cycle the ability to adopt a resolution to extend the grace period for the payment of second-quarter property taxes, concluding on a date no later than June 1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council recognizes the severe financial impact the COVID-19 outbreak has had upon its citizens and taxpayers making it difficult for many residents to meet the May 1, 2020 due date for timely payment of real property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to attempt to alleviate some of the financial hardships suffered by its residents and taxpayers, the Council is prepared to extend the grace period for the payment of second-quarter 2020 property taxes to June 1, 2020, in accordance with Executive Order 130; and .

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of East Rutherford, that that the grace period for the payment of second-quarter property taxes due in the Borough of East Rutherford is hereby extended until June 1, 2020. Any payments not received by the Borough by midnight on June 1, 2020, shall be charged interest from the State set due date of May 1, 2020; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the municipal clerk shall notify the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the adoption of this resolution by the Council, under authority of Executive Order 130 not later than the third business day following the adoption of the resolution.

Moved: Councilman Ravettine  
Second: Councilman Cronk  
Roll Call: All present voted aye

Mayor Lahullier asked for a motion to open the citizen's hearing:

Moved: Councilman Ravettine  
Second: Councilman Stallone  
Roll Call: All present voted aye

Mayor Lahullier asked if any citizen wished to be heard


Joel Brizzi (Uhland Street) asked the status of the town – with the delay in the tax money how are bills, etc being paid. He also questioned the status of the American Dream payment. Asked if the school board should be issuing the bonds with the uncertainty of American Dream. Are they postponing the school project?

Mayor Lahullier asked for a motion to close the citizen's hearing:

Moved: Councilman Ravettine  
Second: Councilwoman Banca  
Roll Call: All present voted aye

Mayor Lahullier asked for a motion to adjourn the special meeting at 6:11PM:

Moved: Councilman Stallone  
Second: Councilwoman Banca  
Roll Call: All present voted aye



Danielle Lorenc, RMC