

**MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST RUTHERFORD
MAYOR & COUNCIL WORK MEETING HELD ON
FEBRUARY 18, 2020
AT ONE EVERETT PLACE**

WORK MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR LAHULLIER AT 6:07PM. FLAG SALUTE WAS HELD AND THE FOLLOWING OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT WAS READ:

This meeting is a Work 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 January 2, 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, Attorney Gerald Salerno and Engineer Glenn Beckmeyer

Department Heads Present:

Deputy Chief Phil Taormina
Frank Recanati
Paul DeRosa
Fire Chief Kevin Felten

Personnel/IT/Regional Board of Education – Councilman Alvarez

The website is evolving and doing well

Wants to start looking into digitalizing records

The Board of Education offered a presentation on mental health that was very good

The borough's website is in compliance with ADA

Finance/Bldg. Dept/Civic Affairs/Library – Councilman Lorusso

Met with Deputy Chief Taormina for discussion on a firearms upgrade

Library is negotiating a grant with the State for an expansion of the building

Asked Frank Recanati the status of the Paterson Avenue apartment complexes – Frank said they are not ready yet, so the inspections were cancelled

Attending a budget meeting on Friday

Civic Pride has various events planned for 2020

DPW/Vehicle Maint/Recycling/B&G – Councilman Ravettine

Paul DeRosa discussed the following:

1. HVAC at the Police Department is broken – it will be \$13,260.11 to replace a cracked part. Councilman Ravettine made a motion to approve the repair at a cost not to exceed \$13,260.11:
Moved: Councilman Ravettine
Second: Councilman Alvarez
Roll Call: All present voted aye
2. Soccer nets at Riggins Field need to be replaced – the cost would be \$4,919.65 – discussion was held on this purchase because the nets are used primarily by the high school. This was not approved for purchase
3. Engineer Beckmeyer said that the pole vault pad/equipment also needs to be replaced with the field renovation however the cost could range from \$12,000 to \$50,000. A discussion was held on the high school paying for this as well. This was not approved for purchase
4. Goal post and lighting pads are also in need of replacement. Total cost would be \$2,200. The Council agreed to this purchase

5. Needs to rent a lift in order to change lights at the Police Building. The cost would be \$200 for the day. This was approved
6. The generators need preventative maintenance – he prepared a spec on what is needed and will turn it over to Engineer Beckmeyer for review and to obtain prices
7. The recycling changes for the rest of the town starts on March 2nd
8. A discussion was held on the price quotes for the new carpet at the Civic Center. They would like to possibly include an area for a dance floor that is not carpeted. Paul will price out different options
9. Paul discussed a need for a new roof at the Civic Center. The price he received is in amount of \$46,000.00. Engineer Beckmeyer stated that this needs to go out to bid. Councilman Ravettine made a motion to authorize Engineer Beckmeyer to go out to bid for a new roof at the Civic Center:
Moved: Councilman Ravettine
Second: Councilman Alvarez
Roll Call: All present voted aye
10. Councilman Ravettine stated that we also need to start putting together pricing for American Dream so they can be billed for call out assists

Attorney's Report – Gerald Salerno

Each department will need to come up with a realistic assessment for costs relating to American Dream.

The handicap ordinance needs revisions. There are addresses in the current ordinance and he needs to know if those people still live at those addresses. Deputy Chief Taormina stated he will look into this

Working with the State Police and the Local Police regarding a drone ordinance. A draft was in the packets

Working with Frank Recanati regarding changes to the Zoning Ordinance that are needed

Working on the NJSEA outstanding payments

Requested an Executive Session for contract negotiations

Engineer's Report – Glenn Beckmeyer

Community Development has an issue with the grant application that was put in for the unisex ADA bathroom relocation. Glenn needs to either revise the application or withdraw the application for this year. He could either make one women's bathroom that is ADA compliant in the area of the current bathrooms but then he would have to build a men's bathroom elsewhere at the borough's expense or take a portion of the conference room away in order to make one large ADA bathroom in the same place but he is not sure if one bathroom is in compliance due to the room capacity. The Council asked that the check with the building department to see if one bathroom is ok for that floor. If so, he will revise the application. If not then he will withdraw the application.

Received a better price for the sewer cleanings for the road programs. National Water main came in under the approved \$29,000 price.

Has to submit a letter of intent for the Bergen County Open Space grant application. He asked for authorization to prepare and submit for the resurfacing of the turf at McKenzie Field:

Moved: Councilman Ravettine

Second: Councilman Cronk

Roll Call: All present voted aye

He was asked to get pricing for the paving of the Riggin Field Parking lot on Hackensack Street. With drainage, curbs, lights, paving the cost is approximately \$225,000. County approval would also be needed.

ER Board of Education/Access for All – Councilwoman Banca

No report

Fire Dept/Squad/Recreation – Councilman Cronk

The High School was informed that no metal spikes are allowed on Riggin Field

Fire Department requested that the hydrants be marked in the street. The DPW will do this

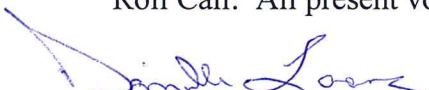
The Transplant Games are moving forward

Mayor Lahullier asked for a motion to adjourn the Work Meeting at 7:33PM:

Moved: Councilman Ravettine

Second: Councilman Cronk

Roll Call: All present voted aye



Danielle Lorenc, RMC