

**MINUTES OF THE SINE DIE MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ROCKLEIGH, HELD ON JANUARY 4, 2016 AT BOROUGH HALL, 26 ROCKLEIGH RD., ROCKLEIGH NJ AT 8 PM**

Mayor Robert Schaffer called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led the meeting with a flag salute.

**OPENING STATEMENT:**

Mayor Schaffer announced that the meeting of this date is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey and that adequate notice of same was given in writing to *The Record*, and that notice of same was also posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board as required.

The Borough Clerk called the Roll Call of the Mayor and Council:

**Present:** Mayor Schaffer, Councilwoman Bresnak, Councilman Cumiskey and Councilman Mender, Councilman Johnsen, and Councilman Pontone.

**Also Present:** Marcella Giampiccolo, Borough Clerk, Kunjesh Trivedi, CFO and Robert T. Regan, Esq., Borough Attorney

**Absent:** Councilwoman Ewald and Borough Administrator, William J. McGuire.

**MINUTE APPROVAL:**

Minutes from the December 1, 2014 Regular Meeting and Closed Session Meeting were presented for approval. A Motion was offered by Councilman Mender, seconded by Councilwoman Bresnak to accept the December 7, 2015 minutes as presented. All Councilmembers present voted in the affirmative to accept the Minutes as presented, except Councilman Pontone, who abstain from the vote. The Motion passed.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The tree committee reported an additional meeting will take place in early 2016. No other reports were discussed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

At this time the Mayor announced it was necessary to enter into Closed Session for the purposes of discussing the Shared Services Agreement for Health Services 2016. Mr. Regan read aloud the Closed Session resolution as follows:

**RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body wishes to discuss item relating to Shared Health Services Agreement with the County of Bergen for 2016;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council that at 7:38 p.m. on Monday, January 4, 2016 the Governing Body determined to exclude members of the public to discuss the aforesaid items; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the proceedings relative to the Closed Session may be made public as such time as the Governing Body determines the Borough's interests may not be adversely affected.

Motion offered by Councilman Pontone, seconded by Councilwoman Bresnak to enter into Closed Session. All Councilmembers present voted in the affirmative. The Motion passed.

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Upon returning to the regular meeting, the Mayor called for a motion for the following resolution.

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**BOROUGH OF ROCKLEIGH  
County of Bergen  
State of New Jersey**

**Re:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF BERGEN FOR THE PROVIDING OF ESSENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES OF A TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL NATURE BY THE BERGEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.

**WHEREAS**, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, *N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq.*, permits a municipality or governmental unit to enter into an agreement with another municipality or governmental unit to receive any services which the respective parties are empowered to provide or receive; and

**WHEREAS**, an Agreement has been prepared whereby the County of Bergen would provide the Borough of Rockleigh with essential public health services of a technical and professional nature by the Bergen County Department of Health Services, all as is more particularly detailed in said Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, said Agreement provides for a term of five (5) years commencing on January 1, 2016 and ending on December 31, 2020, provided however that the Agreement may be terminated by either party, with or without cause, upon one hundred twenty (120) days written notice; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement has been reviewed by the Mayor and Council, and the entering into same has been found to be in the best interest of the Borough.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Mayor Robert Schaffer and Borough Clerk Marcella Giampiccolo be and are hereby authorized to execute the aforesaid Agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of the Agreement, once executed by the respective parties, shall be filed with the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4b*; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of said Agreement shall be available for inspection at the Office of the Rockleigh Borough Clerk pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5b*.

**Dated: January 4, 2015**

Motion offered by Councilman Mender, seconded by Councilman Pontone to approve the resolution to enter into a Shared Services with the County of Bergen and Rockleigh for Health Services. The Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Bresnak, Johnsen, Mender, Cumiskey, Pontone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ewald

ABSTAIN: None

The Motion passed.

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The Engineering Year End Report prepared by Neglia Engineering Associates was acknowledged. No comments were offered other than the Mayor commenting to Gregory Polyniak (Engineer) seated in the audience on a good job.

The Municipal Court fines and Police Report were briefly discussed.

**FINANCIAL BUSINESS/PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:**

The December 31, 2015 Bill List was presented for discussion. A Motion was offered by Councilman Johnsen, seconded by Councilman Mender to approve the Bill List dated December 31, 2015, noting the claims and accounts amounting to \$13,930.60, is paid, and that checks be issued therefore, in accordance with established procedure, upon confirmation from the Borough Treasurer/CFO that sufficient monies are available to pay said obligations. No further discussion took place. The Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Bresnak, Cumiskey, Johnsen, Mender, Pontone

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Ewald

ABSTAIN: None

The Motion passed.

The meeting was opened to the public by a Motion offered by Councilman Pontone, seconded by Councilman Cumiskey. All Councilmembers present voted in the affirmative to open the

meeting to the public. The Motion passed. No public came forward. A Motion was offered by Councilman Cumiskey, seconded by Councilman Pontone and approved by all Councilmembers present voting in the affirmative to close the meeting to the public. The Motion passed.

Brief discussion took place regarding the Rockleigh Planning Board/Variance Review for 2015 by the Mayor, who provided a quick synopsis of the review by the Planning Board Attorney. No further comments were added.

No Attorney Report was provided.

As no further business came before the Governing Body, a Motion was offered by Councilman Cumiskey, seconded by Councilwoman Bresnak to adjourn the Sine Die meeting. All Councilmembers present voted in the affirmative and the meeting was adjourned. The Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,



Marcella Giampiccolo, RMC  
Borough Clerk