

**MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST RUTHERFORD  
MAYOR & COUNCIL  
WORK MEETING HELD ON  
MARCH 15, 2016**

WORK MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR CASSELLA AT 5:37PM. 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 three newspapers listed below on January 4, 2016, 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*

*The Bergenite*

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmember	Present	Absent
Brizzi		X
Homaychak	X	
Lahullier	X	
Perry	X	
Stallone	X	
Ravettine	X	

Also present were Borough Clerk Danielle Lorenc, Attorney Richard Allen and Engineer Glenn Beckmeyer

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### RECREATION – COUNCILMAN STALLONE

Councilman Stallone stated that this past weekend a car window at the used car lot on Paterson Avenue was hit by a foul ball during a high school game at the field. It doesn't appear as if the netting is working. A discussion was held on whether the owner of the property should now take steps to prevent these things from happening. No claim has been filed as of yet by the property owner however the Clerk will put the insurance company on notice of the incident.

Rick Arango of Remington, Vernick and Arango stated that three quotes were received for the asbestos abatement at 116 Uhland Street. The lowest quote was from Lilich Corporation in the amount of \$14,200.00 and he recommends the award:

Moved: Councilman Ravettine  
Second: Councilman Stallone  
Roll Call: All Ayes

### COURT – COUNCILMAN RAVETTINE

Councilman Ravettine asked for an explanation on Resolution #50. A discussion was also held on the fines presented in Ordinance 2016-03. Mayor Cassella also said that Judge Savino reached out to Attorney Allen regarding illegal parking in which people get tickets however the former spouse lives out of tickets so they never get paid. An ordinance regarding those situations will also be introduced during the regular meeting.

Mayor Cassella stated that the County will no longer allow the health inspector to write summonses for unlicensed dogs. Mayor Cassella asked for a motion to authorize the Clerk, Danielle Lorenc, to be able to issue summonses for unlicensed dogs:

Moved: Councilman Lahullier  
Second: Councilman Ravettine  
Roll Call: All Ayes

Councilman Ravettine also suggested that the Board of Health look into putting in late fees for unlicensed dogs.

FIRE DEPT/SQUAD/PW&UC – COUNCILMAN LAHULLIER

Councilman Lahullier requested an Executive Session for personnel.

Councilman Lahullier stated that Engineer Beckmeyer went out for quotes on the upgrades to the HVAC system for the Council Chambers. Engineer Beckmeyer then reported that the low quote on the upgrades to the upstairs system only was from Excel Air, Inc. in the amount of \$34,900.00. Councilman Lahullier stated that the money is in the budget and asked for a motion to award the quote to Excel Air:

Moved: Councilman Lahullier  
Second: Councilman Stallone  
Roll Call: All Ayes

ENGINEER'S REPORT – GLENN BECKMEYER

Engineer Beckmeyer discussed the following:

1. Submitted the final application from Envirocon for the DPW Exhaust Project in the amount of \$6,497.00. This approval is contingent that he receives the maintenance bond as well as some minor punch list items:

Moved: Councilman Lahullier  
Second: Councilman Ravettine  
Roll Call: All Ayes

2. He met with Smith Sondy and they should be resuming the paving for the 2013 Road Program by approximately April 1<sup>st</sup> – weather permitting.
3. Discussed the Carlton Avenue Curb & Sidewalk Project. The County Engineer has approved the shared service agreement however it just now has to go to the Freeholders for approval.
4. The plans are completed for the 2015 Road Program and are awaiting for approval from Community Development before going out to bid.
5. Discussed the Open Space funding and the project concept for the McKenzie Field ADA Project. Councilman Ravettine asked how much this would cost the town and why the ramp was necessary in that location. Councilman Stallone asked if an ADA swing could be put in as part of the project.
6. Councilman Ravettine mentioned two areas in town in which the sidewalks are badly lifted.

FINANCE/DPW/TECHNOLOGY/BD OF ED – COUNCILMAN HOMAYCHAK

Councilman Homaychak stated that the Local Board of Education hired a permanent superintendent. The person is John Giancaspro and he starts on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE – COUNCILMAN PERRY

No Report

Mayor Cassella asked for a motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:35PM:

**EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the “Open Public Meetings Act” requires that a public body adopt a resolution at an open meeting before going into Closed Session to discuss a matter which excludes the public as permitted under Section 7b;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council will hold a closed meeting at 6:35 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 in Borough Hall to discuss the following matters:

1. Personnel
2. Contract Negotiations
3. Litigation

**WHEREAS**, minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Borough of East Rutherford that the public be excluded from this portion of the meeting.

Moved: Councilman Lahullier  
Second: Councilman Stallone  
Roll Call: All Ayes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Casella asked for a motion to close the Executive Session and reopen the work meeting at 7:15PM:

Moved: Councilman Ravettine  
Second: Councilman Stallone  
Roll Call: All Ayes

Mayor Cassella asked for a motion to adjourn the Work Meeting at 7:15PM:

Moved: Councilman Perry

Second: Councilman Homaychak

Roll Call: All Ayes

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Danielle Lorenc". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Danielle Lorenc, RMC