

**MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST RUTHERFORD
MAYOR & COUNCIL
WORK MEETING HELD ON
NOVEMBER 21, 2017
AT 117 STANLEY STREET**

WORK MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR CASSELLA AT 6:06PM. FLAG SALUTE WAS HELD AND MAYOR CASSELLA READ 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 3, 2017, 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
Lahullier	X	
Perry	X	
Stallone	X	
Ravettine	X	
Cronk	X	
Sorbera	X	

Also present were Borough Clerk Danielle Lorenc, Attorney Gerald Salerno and Borough Engineer Glenn Beckmeyer

Mayor Cassella stated that there is a currently a revaluation in process and Neal Rubenstein of Realty Appraisal Services was present to update the Council. He stated that 80% of residential has been visited and 70% of the commercial. Once everything is complete notification letters will be mailed to all residents.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police/Court – Councilman Stallone

Councilman Stallone submitted the following requisitions for approval:

North East Distribution	\$9,015.31 (paid through DEA funding)
Office Business Systems	\$1,760.00
Steered Straight	\$1,500.00
Pro Sounds	\$ 400.00

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

Recreation – Councilman Cronk

Councilman Cronk submitted the following requisitions for approval:

Instant Verification	\$1,558.00
Recreation Football	\$2,341.70

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

ER Board of Education	\$1,314.679.92
Becton Regional Board of Education	\$ 458,396.42

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

Fire Dept/Squad – Councilman Lahullier
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No report for Work Meeting

Reported on the following:

1. Paving was finished for the Road Program. The contractor still needs to strip the roads and plant some trees
2. The next road program is ready to go out to bid. Just waiting for direction from the Council.
3. Waiting to hear from the County on the revised plans and agreement for the Carlton Avenue Project
4. Eros Café posted escrow for the inspection as requested by the Council. He will start to research next week and report back to the Council.
5. Submitted Resolution #146 to apply to for Community Development funding:

**RESOLUTION #146 - 2017
TO CONFIRM ENDORSEMENT OF
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$100,000.00 has been proposed by the Borough of East Rutherford for East Rutherford Senior Center Accessibility Upgrades in the municipality of East Rutherford; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Borough of East Rutherford; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of East Rutherford hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

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

DPW/Recycling/Vehicle Maintenance – Councilman Ravettine

No report for Work Meeting

Building & Grounds – Councilman Perry

No report for Work Meeting

Finance/Technology/Building Dept – Councilman Sorbera

Requested an Executive Session for Personnel

Attorney's Report – Gerald Salerno

Attorney Salerno is working with Engineer Beckmeyer on the agreement for the Carlton Avenue Road Project.

Attorney Salerno reminded the Council that there will be a Special Meeting on Monday at 6PM to discuss the COAH litigation.

Mayor Cassella asked for a motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:30PM for personnel, litigation, negotiation and tax appeals:

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 6:30p.m. on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 in Borough Hall to discuss the following matters:

1. Personnel
2. Litigation
3. Negotiation
4. Tax Appeals

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 Stallone
Second: Councilman Sorbera
Roll Call: All present voted aye

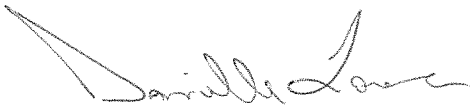
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Cassella asked for a motion to close the Executive Session at 7:40PM and reopen the Work Meeting:

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

Mayor Cassella asked for a motion to adjourn the Work Meeting at 7:41PM:

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Danielle Lorenc".

Danielle Lorenc, RMC