

**MINUTES OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST RUTHERFORD
MAYOR & COUNCIL
WORK MEETING HELD ON
JUNE 19, 2018
AT 117 STANLEY STREET**

WORK MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR CASSELLA AT 6:08PM. 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, 2018, 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
Lahullier	X	
Perry		X
Stallone	X	
Ravettine	X	
Cronk	X	
Sorbera	X	

Also present was Borough Clerk Danielle Lorenc, Attorney Randy Pearce in the absence of Attorney Gerald Salerno and Engineer Glenn Beckmeyer

Mayor Cassella stated that the hearing on the 2018 budget amendment was scheduled for 6:00PM. He asked for a motion to open the public hearing:

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

Mayor Cassella asked if any citizen wished to be heard on the 2018 budget amendment that was voted on last month.

No Response

Mayor Cassella asked for a motion to close the public hearing on the 2018 budget amendment:

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police/Court – Councilman Stallone

Councilman Stallone submitted the following requisitions for approval:

Endura LLC	\$ 2,517.00
Somes Uniforms	\$15,792.00
Relentless LLC	\$ 1,198.00
Badges Ex	\$ 2,859.00
SHI	\$73,500.00
SHI	\$ 7,250.00
MJA Promotions	\$ 2,170.00
Palisade Sales	\$ 2,402.00

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

Recreation – Councilman Cronk

Councilman Cronk submitted requisitions in the amount of \$4,492.00 for Summer Recreation trips:

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

Councilman Cronk submitted the following requisitions for approval:

Carl/ER Regional Board of Education	\$ 458,396.38
ER Board of Education	\$1,314,679.88

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

Fire Department/Squad/PW&UC – Councilman Lahullier

Councilman Lahullier submitted the following requisitions for approval:

Maverick Building	\$2,889.66
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Moved: Councilman Lahullier
Second: Councilman Stallone
Roll Call: All present voted aye

Lowes	\$2,708.20
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Moved: Councilman Lahullier
Second: Councilman Stallone
Roll Call: All present voted aye

Councilman Lahullier stated that Paul DeRosa obtained a quote to repair the stairs at the legion. The requisition could not be located at this time. He asked for approval to fix the stairs at a price not to exceed \$2,500:

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

Mayor Cassella submitted the name of John Brennan to serve as a temporary bus driver for the summer:

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

Mayor Cassella stated that after discussion with Paul DeRosa, there is a need for an on call mason for various jobs around town. He asked Attorney Pearce how the borough could do this. Attorney Pearce stated that if it is on an as needed basis then the borough does not need to go out to bid but if it is a regular expenditure then a bid would be needed.

Councilman Ravettine asked that Paul DeRosa get an hourly rate as to what people are charging.

Councilman Sorbera suggested getting prices for the borough hall and the legion at this time and then possibly add other projects into next year's budget.

Attorney's Report – Randy Pearce, Esq.

Attorney Pearce stated that he does not have a report however he met with Attorney Salerno and there are no urgent open issues at this time.

DPW/Recycling/Vehicle Maint – Councilman Ravettine

Councilman Ravettine stated that a few months ago the Council voted on a new hire for the DPW. Unfortunately he was offered another job. He would like to submit the name of another new hire for the DPW – Richard Vriesna. He will be hired as a labor and start at Step 1 of the pay scale:

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

Councilman Ravettine stated that police officers are being hired later on in the meeting. One of those candidates is a DPW laborer. He made a motion to have Paul DeRosa start interviewing new candidates ASAP:

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

Councilman Ravettine submitted a bill from Jesco in the amount of \$25,186.11 for the repair of the John Deere front loader:

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

Finance/Technology/Bldg Dept – Councilman Sorbera

Councilman Sorbera stated that he will send out an email next week regarding the purchase order/requisition process. He also has been working with the Clerk to get all the borough emails into compliance.

Engineer's Report – Glenn Beckmeyer

Engineer Beckmeyer discussed the following matters:

1. Carlton Avenue Project is moving along – the bid opening will be held on June 27 at 10AM
2. The Community Development grant application from 2014 for the Carlton Avenue project had to be redone as well as the resolutions
3. Letters of intent were submitted for two grants – Riggin Field turf replacement and 10 Morton Street. The application requests two appraisals for the 10 Morton Street application. Mr. McNerney needs to update the current appraisal to meet the current requirements at a cost of \$2,500. He is also asking for approval to obtain the 2nd appraisal at a cost not to exceed \$5,000:

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

4. DOT is currently offering others grants to municipalities that we may be eligible for. He needs a borough employee to go with him in order to be able to attend the meeting. He is taking Paul DeRosa with him.
5. He was asked to inspect Eros for a compliance review, as per the Council. He went last week and all items were cleared up except for one. On Union Avenue, corner of the building, there is a wooden platform and a lower platform. Part of that platform extends over the right away by 1ft 11in. He personally doesn't have an issued with it. The Council has previously granted him permission to encroach in the right of way and this areas is even shorter. Demetri, owner of Eros, stated that the platform was put in place to level everything and prevent tripping hazards. Mayor Cassella suggested that the Council approve the encroachment pending approval from the building department. The borough attorney will draw up an agreement. The Council agreed with this to let him have his liquor license however he will not use the platform until he has a CO and a signed agreement from the borough:

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

Mayor Cassella asked for a motion to adjourn the Work Meeting at 7:01PM:

Moved: Councilman Lahullier

Second: Councilman Cronk

Roll Call: All present voted aye

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danielle Lorenc". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'D' and 'L'.

Danielle Lorenc, RMC