

MINUTES
Reorganization Meeting
Sunday, January 1, 2012
12:15pm

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The Township Clerk called the meeting to order a 12:15pm in the Council Chambers located at 406 Rivervale Road, River Vale, New Jersey.

SALUTE TO FLAG

The Township Clerk asked all in attendance to rise and join her in a Salute to the Flag.

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

The Township Clerk read the Sunshine Statement into the record, as follows:

"In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meetings Law, notification of this meeting has been sent to all officially appointed Township newspapers and notice is posted at the Municipal Office."

SWEARING IN OF JUDGE RICHARD GREENHALGH – Municipal Court Judge

The Mayor remarked on Judge Greenhalgh's 45 years of service with the town. He added that Judge Greenhalgh is the longest sitting Judge in Bergen County.

Mayor Joseph Blundo then administered the Oath of Office to Judge Richard Greenhalgh.

SWEARING IN OF 2012 OFFICIAL –

Judge Greenhalgh administered the Oath of Office to Paul Criscuolo. Councilman Criscuolo then took his seat on the dais.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT –

The Township Clerk asked for a Nomination of the Council President for the year 2012.

Motion by Councilman Matos; seconded by Councilwoman Sieg to nominate Councilman Glen Jasionowski as Council President.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Criscuolo, Councilman Bromberg, Councilman Matos and Councilwoman Sieg voted yes. Councilman Jasionowski abstained.

ELECTION OF THE COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT –

Council President Jasionowski asked for a Nomination of the Council for Vice President for the year 2012.

Motion by Councilwoman Sieg; seconded by Councilman Matos to nominate Councilman Mark Bromberg as Council Vice President.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Criscuolo, Councilman Matos, Councilwoman Sieg, and Council President Jasionowski voted yes. Councilman Bromberg abstained.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Councilman Matos; seconded by Councilman Bromberg to approve Resolution #2012-1 through #2012-45 on Consent Agenda, as follows:

Resolution #2012-01

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF 2012 FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU OFFICERS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Mayoral appointments to the Fire Prevention Bureau are hereby confirmed for the year 2012:

Fire Official	Gregory Goodell, Sr.
Fire Inspector	Gregory Goodell, Jr.

Resolution #2012-02

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS FOR 2012

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the appointments to the Board of Fire Department are hereby confirmed for the year 2012:

Board of Fire Department Officers for 2012

Rick Herburger –Chief
John Tobin –Deputy Chief

Jerry Marsh – Senior Captain
Gregory Goodell, Sr. – Captain
Thomas Shine – Lieutenant Ladder 59
Frank Lentino– Lieutenant Engine 56
James Miles – Lieutenant Engine 57
Steve Cannata – Lieutenant Rescue 54
Kellie Goodell – Lieutenant Engine 58

Resolution #2012-03

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING 2012 TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING DATES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Regular Meetings of the Township Council are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, except when a meeting date falls on a Township Holiday.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that those dates are as follows:

January 9 January 23	July 9 July 23
February 13 February 27	August 13 August 27
March 12 March 26	September 10 September 24
April 9 April 23	October 9 (Tuesday) October 22
May 14	November 12 November 26
June 11 June 25	December 10

Resolution #2012-04

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING 2012 OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the following are hereby designated as the official newspapers of the Township:

- **The Record**
- **The Ridgewood News**

Resolution #2012-05

RESOLUTION APPOINTING ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Township Clerk is hereby designated as the Assessment Search Officer in accordance with State Statutes.

Resolution #2012-06

RESOLUTION APPOINTING TAX SEARCH OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Township Tax Collector is hereby designated as the Tax Search Officer in accordance with State Statute.

Resolution #2012-07

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PENALTY INTEREST RATES FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 et seq., permits the governing body to fix that rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes, assessments or other municipal charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Township of River Vale that the rate of interest on unpaid taxes shall be eight percent (8%) per annum on the first One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars of delinquency and 18 percent per annum on any amount in excess of One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date of actual payment, provided that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made on or before the tenth calendar day following the date upon which the same became payable; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a grace period extending to the tenth day of each quarter in which taxes are payable be allowed, in which taxes may be paid without interest. If the tenth day of the above named quarters falls on a non-business day, however, one additional interest-free day will be allowed. After the grace period, interest will revert to the first day of the quarter in which the taxes were payable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in addition to the interest provided above, on all delinquencies in excess of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars and which are not paid prior to the end of the fiscal year, the Tax Collector shall also collect a penalty of six (6) percent of the amount of the delinquency in excess of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars.

Resolution #2012-08

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CANCELATION OF SMALL BALANCES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.01 provides that a municipality may authorize the processing of tax refunds of less than ten (\$10.00) dollars and the cancellation of tax delinquencies of less than ten (\$10.00).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Township of River Vale that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to process, without any further action on the part of the Governing Body, any property tax refund of less than (\$10.00) dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to process, without further action on the part of the Governing Body, the cancellation of any property tax delinquency of less than (\$10.00) dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Certified Copy of this Resolution be provided by the Township Clerk to the Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer.

Resolution #2012-09

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES FOR GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the depositories for the following accounts:

- **PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACCOUNTS**
- **TRUST ACCOUNTS**
- **SPECIAL ACCOUNTS**
- **ANIMAL LICENSE ACCOUNT**
- **CURRENT ACCOUNT**
- **CAPITAL ACCOUNT**
- **COAH ACCOUNT**

for the Township of River Vale shall be as follows:

**PNC BANK
TD BANK
MBIA Asset Management**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the custodian shall be the Township Treasurer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all disbursements shall be made by checks signed by the Mayor or Administrator, Township Clerk, and Treasurer, using either live or facsimile signatures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above noted shall affix their signatures to the Signature Certificates and that the seal of the municipality is thereto affixed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to file with said depositories a certified copy of this Resolution.

Resolution #2012-10

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORY FOR PAYROLL FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the township of River Vale that the following shall be the depositories for all the Payroll Funds for the Township of River Vale and the Custodian shall be the Township Treasurer.

TD Bank

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all disbursements shall be made by checks signed by the Treasurer as single signatory with live or facsimile signature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk, is hereby, directed to file with the aforesaid depository a certified copy of this Resolution.

Resolution #2012-11

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF TAX APPEALS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Tax Assessor and/or Tax Collector be, and hereby are, authorized to file Tax Appeals and/or Stipulations of Settlements with the Bergen County Board of Taxation for the purpose of correcting assessment errors in the 2012 tax roll.

Resolution #2012-12

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INVESTMENT OF SURPLUS FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that all moneys which may be on hand as surplus may be invested as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40:5-7.1 et. Seq., and that the Treasurer be authorized to make said investments in any designated depository bank located in the State of New Jersey.

Resolution #2012-13

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FUNDS TRANSFER AGREEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the following officers of this Corporation are hereby authorized to enter into a Funds Transfer Agreement with TD Bank (the "Bank") for the transfer of funds by wire from account(s) of this Corporation at the Bank to any other account with the Bank or to an account at another bank, such agreement to contain such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreeable to the Bank and such officers, the execution thereof by any such officer to constitute conclusive evidence of the exercise of the discretion herein conferred:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Gennaro Rotella	Chief Financial Officer
Lauren Roehrer	Tax Collector, Treasurer

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing officers are hereby authorized to appoint and/or delete, from time to time, in their sole discretion, officers and/or employees of, or other persons to act on behalf of, this Corporation, to receive personal identification numbers and codes used to authenticate, requests or orders for the transfer of funds for this Corporation or to initiate such transfers in accordance with the aforesaid agreement or to otherwise act in accordance with the aforesaid agreement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the authority conferred herein shall continue in full force and effect until written notice of its revocation shall be received by the Bank, if by first class U.S. mail at the following address: 1000 MacArthur Boulevard, Mahwah, New Jersey 07430 Attention: Manager, Funds Transfer Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of this Corporation are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any amendments, exhibits or schedules to the aforesaid agreement and any and all instruments, certificates and other documents, and to take all such other actions, as are necessary, advisable or appropriate to affect the foregoing resolutions.

Resolution #2012-14

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A FUNDS TRANSFER AGREEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the following officers of this Corporation are hereby authorized to enter into a Funds Transfer Agreement with PNC Bank (the "Bank") for the transfer of funds by wire from account(s) of this Corporation at the Bank to any other account with the Bank or to an account at another bank, such agreement to contain such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreeable to the Bank and such officers, the execution thereof by any such officer to constitute conclusive evidence of the exercise of the discretion herein conferred:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Gennaro Rotella	Chief Financial Officer
Lauren Roehrer	Tax Collector, Treasurer

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing officers are hereby authorized to appoint and\or delete, from time to time, in their sole discretion, officers and\or employees of, or other persons to act on behalf of, this Corporation, to receive personal identification numbers and codes used to authenticate, requests or orders for the transfer of funds for this Corporation or to initiate such transfers in accordance with the aforesaid agreement or to otherwise act in accordance with the aforesaid agreement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the authority conferred herein shall continue in full force and effect until written notice of its revocation shall be received by the Bank, if by first class U.S. mail at the following address: One Garrett Mountain, West Paterson, New Jersey 07424 Attention: Manager, Funds Transfer Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of this Corporation are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any amendments, exhibits or schedules to the aforesaid agreement and any and all instruments, certificates and other documents, and to take all such other actions, as are necessary

Resolution #2012-15

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8 in the Local bond Law of the State of New Jersey, bond anticipation notes of the Township of River Vale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Township") are hereby authorized to be issued in anticipation of the issuance of bonds of the

Township authorized by virtue of all bond ordinances heretofore adopted by the Township and pursuant to which bonds remain authorized but unissued.

The bond anticipation notes authorized by this resolution may be issued in the amounts and the denominations, not exceeding in the aggregate the amount of notes authorized pursuant to the ordinances as aforesaid, as may be determined from time to time by the Chief Financial Officer of the Township pursuant to this resolution.

Section 2. The following matters in connection with the notes are hereby determined:

(a) All notes issued hereunder shall mature at such time as may be determined by the chief financial officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date;

(b) All notes issued hereunder shall bear interest at such rate or rates as may be determined by the chief financial officer or treasurer;

(c) The notes shall be in the form determined by the chief financial officer and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive as to such determination; and

(d) Notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time for periods of not exceeding one year for the time period specified in, and in accordance with the provisions of, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8.

Section 3: The chief financial officer is hereby authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the notes not determined by this or a subsequent resolution and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive as to such determination.

Section 4: In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40a:2-28, the chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized and designated to sell the notes from time to time at public or private sale in such amounts as such officer may determine at not less than par and to deliver the same from time to time to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof and payment therefore.

Section 5. Any note issued pursuant to this resolution shall be a general obligation of the Township. The full faith and credit of the township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the notes and, unless otherwise paid, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be included in the Township's budget and tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 6: In accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:2-28, the chief financial officer is authorized and directed to report in writing to the governing body of the Township at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale of notes pursuant to this resolution is made, such report to include the principal amount, interest rate and maturities of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 7: All resolutions inconsistent herewith regarding the form or sale of bond anticipation notes heretofore adopted by the Township are hereby repealed to the extent of said inconsistency.

Section 8: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution #2012-16

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TOWN HALL PETTY CASH FUND

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that a Petty Cash Fund be established for the year 2012 for the Town Hall in the amount of \$ 300.00 and the custodian of said fund shall be the Chief Financial Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer draw a check on the Current Account Fund for the establishment of said Petty Cash Fund.

Resolution #2012-17

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CHANGE FUND FOR TOWN HALL

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to provide a \$100.00 Change fund for the Township Hall.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said fund shall be administered by the Chief Financial Officer.

Resolution #2012-18

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CHANGE FUND FOR THE VIOLATIONS BUREAU

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to provide a \$100.00 Change fund for the Violations Bureau said fund to be administered by the Municipal Court Administrator and Deputy Court Administrator.

Resolution #2012-19

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PETTY CASH FUND FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that a Petty Cash Fund be established for the year 2012 for the Department of Public Works in the amount of \$ 200.00 and the custodian of said fund shall be the Superintendent of Public Works.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer draw a check on the Current Account Fund for the establishment of said Petty Cash Fund.

Resolution #2012-20

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PETTY CASH FUND FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that a Petty Cash Fund be established for the year 2012 for the River Vale Police Department in the amount of \$ 200.00 and the custodian of said fund shall be the Chief of Police.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer draw a check on the Current Account Fund for the establishment of said Petty Cash Fund.

Resolution #2012-21

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PETTY CASH FUND FOR PET LICENSES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that a Petty Cash Fund be established for the year 2012 for the Clerk's Office for issuance of Pet Licenses in the amount of \$ 100.00 and the custodian of said fund shall be the Township Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer draw a check from the Animal Trust Account Fund for the establishment of said Petty Cash Fund.

Resolution #2012-22

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2012 TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey provides that the Governing Body of any municipality may make temporary appropriations to provide for any contracts, commitments or payments to be made between the beginning of the budget year and the adoption of the final budget (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19); and,

WHEREAS, the total amount of appropriations can not exceed twenty-six and one quarter percent (26.25%) of the total budget appropriations of the Township of River Vale for 2011 exclusive of any appropriations made for debt services and capital improvements,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following temporary budget for the Township of River Vale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, for the year 2012 be adopted by the Council of the Township of River Vale in the amount of \$3,423,423 for operations, \$1,039,000 for debt service and \$20,000 for capital improvements.

APPROPRIATIONS:	SALARY & WAGES	OTHER EXPENSE
General Administration	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 23,785.00
Mayor & Council	\$ 5,000.00	\$
Township Clerk	\$ 13,765.00	\$ 5,850.00
Financial Administration	\$ 45,100.00	\$ 6,750.00
Tax Revenue Administration	\$ 11,100.00	\$ 800.00
Tax Assessment	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 1,750.00
Department of Law	\$ 814.00	\$ 26,000.00
Engineering Services	\$	\$ 17,750.00
Planning Board	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,550.00
Zoning Board	\$ 1,365.00	\$ 450.00
Uniform Construction Code	\$ 34,200.00	\$ 1,550.00

Insurance – Liabilities	\$ 96,100.00
Insurance – Health	\$ 305,850.00
Insurance – Dental	\$ 4,500.00
Insurance – Unemployment	\$ 4,000.00
PERS	\$ 222,499.00
PFRS	\$ 675,245.00

APPROPRIATIONS:	SALARY & WAGES	OTHER EXPENSE
Police Department	\$ 752,150.00	\$ 26,150.00
Office of Emergency Management	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 650.00
Fire Department		\$ 21,550.00
Fire Prevention Bureau	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 49,300.00
Prosecutor’s Office	\$ 2,250.00	
Public Works Department	\$ 195,100.00	\$ 14,450.00
Director’s Office DPW	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 2,600.00
Snow and Ice Removal	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 28,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 18,550.00	\$ 11,300.00
Recycling		\$ 56,700.00
Buildings & Grounds		\$ 11,150.00
Health & Human Services	\$ 3,450.00	
Social Services	\$ 1,850.00	
Recreation	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 15,000.00
Dept of Social and Cultural Affairs	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 4,100.00
Library Contribution		\$ 184,000.00
Utilities		\$ 42,000.00
Street Lights		\$ 13,500.00
Telephone Charges		\$ 14,000.00
Gasoline		\$ 27,000.00
Solid Waste Disposal		\$ 200,000.00
Statutory Expenses – F.I.C.A.		\$ 92,700.00
Municipal Alliance Grant		\$ 3,400.00
Municipal Court	\$ 19,100.00	\$ 1,950.00
Public Defender		\$ 1,050.00
Interlocal County of Bergen Dog Warden		\$ 4,000.00
Interlocal County of Bergen Health Services		\$ 15,250.00
	\$1,185,194.00	\$2,238,229.00

<u>Debt Services:</u>	
Payment on Bond Principal	\$ 575,000.00
Interest on Bonds	\$ 379,000.00
Interest on Notes	\$ 85,000.00
	\$1,039,000.00

<u>Capital Improvements:</u>	\$ 20,000.00
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RESOLUTION
(GOLF COURSE UTILITY OPERATING)

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-20 provides that where contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to final adoption of the 2012 Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time provided.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body that the following temporary appropriations be made and a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his records:

Other Expenses	\$ 590,450.00
Debt Service	<u>150,000.00</u>
Total	\$740,450.00

Resolution #2012-24

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the re-appointment of Gennaro Rotella as Chief Financial Officer for a term of four (4) years expiring on December 31, 2015 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-25

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2008 the Township Council appointed Lauren Roehrer as the Certified Tax Collector for the Township of River Vale;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the re-appointment of Lauren Roehrer as Certified Tax Collector for a term of four (4) years expiring on December 31, 2015 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-26

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that Vincent Galasso be appointed as Municipal Prosecutor for a term of one (1) year expiring on December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-27

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL PUBLIC DEFENDER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that E. Michael Garrett be appointed as Municipal Public Defender for a term of one (1) year expiring on December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-28

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP AUDITOR

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the firm Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP be appointed as the Township Auditors for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-29

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP ENGINEER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that Christopher P. Statile, P.A. be appointed as the Township Engineer for a term of one (1) year expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-30

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF RISK MANAGER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the firm Eifert, French & Company be appointed as the Township Risk Managers for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-31

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP PLANNER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that Christopher P. Statile, P.A. be appointed as the Township Planner for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-32

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP COAH PLANNER

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the firm Kauker & Kauker, LLC be appointed as the Township COAH Planner for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-33

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP BOND COUNSEL

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP be appointed as the Township Bond Counsel for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-34

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick & Cole, LLP be appointed as the Township Tax Appeal Attorneys for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-35

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY TO SUPPORT AND ENDORSE THE FILING OF RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZE AND DESIGNATE THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SUBMIT SUCH GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L.1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grant may be made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations to Implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, the recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for such tonnage grants will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of the Township of River Vale to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Township of River Vale that River Vale hereby supports and endorses the submission of the annual recycling tonnage grant application for 2012, a copy of which is attached hereto, to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; and

FURTHERMORE, the Township hereby designates Richard Campanelli as the Recycling Coordinator for the year 2012 to ensure that the application is properly filed.

Resolution #2012-36

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING BOARD

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the appointments of following individuals to the Planning Board and their corresponding terms are hereby confirmed:

George Shalhoub - (4) year term expiring 12/31/15 (Vice-Chairman)
John Donovan - (4) year term expiring 12/31/15
Robert Menville - (1) year term expiring 12/31/12 (Mayor's Designee)
Peter Wayne - (1) year term expiring 12/31/12
John Morris - (2) year terming expiring 12/31/13 (Alternate #2)

Resolution #2012-37

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO THE PLANNING BOARD

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale confirming the appointment of Councilman Mark Bromberg as the Council Representative on the Planning Board for a one year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-38

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE 2012 APPOINTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BERGEN COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the appointment of Gennaro Rotella to serve as the Municipal Representative to the Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund for a term of one (1) year ending December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Executive Director of the Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

Resolution #2012-39

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Mayoral appointment of Rich McBride as the Mayor's Representative to the River Vale Library Board for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-40

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING COUNCIL'S APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale confirming the appointment of Councilwoman Denise Sieg as the Council Representative to the River Vale Library Board for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-41

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the appointment of Linda Glass as the Superintendent of Schools Representative to the River Vale Library Board for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-42

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD PRESIDENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the appointment of Thomas O'Brien as President to the River Vale Library Board for a four (4) year term expiring December 31, 2015 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-43

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD VICE PRESIDENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the appointment of Susan Laskin as Vice President to the River Vale Library Board for a four (4) year term expiring December 31, 2015 is hereby confirmed.

Resolution #2012-44

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF THE GREEN TEAM ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, the Green Team Advisory Board was established by resolution on May 24, 2010;

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the appointments of individuals to the Green Team Advisory Board for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012 are hereby confirmed.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Representative</u>
1. Joanne Allgor	Regular Member	Webmaster
2. Maria Blundo	Regular Member	Environmental Committee
3. Rich Campanelli	Regular Member	Superintendent of Public Works
4. Mark Ericksen	Regular Member	Environmental Committee
5. Ron Manke	Regular Member	Environmental Committee
6. Andrea Martins	Regular Member	Citizen Representative
7. Gennaro Rotella	Regular Member	Administrator/Chief Financial Officer
8. Ada Vassallo	Regular Member	Citizen Representative
9. Melanie Zeman	Regular Member	Citizen Representative

Resolution #2012-45

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the appointment of Richard Greenhalgh as the Township Municipal Court Judge for a term of three (3) years expiring December 31, 2014 is hereby confirmed.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Criscuolo, Councilman Matos, Councilman Bromberg, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Jasionowski voted yes.

MAYORS COMMENTS

The Mayor wished all a Happy New Year and offered his congratulations to all the new appointees and officers being sworn in today. He stated that whether or not you receive a small stipend or not your work is virtually volunteer. The amount of hours and sacrifice that you and your families give goes well beyond what you may earn; it's a 24-7 commitment for the entire family.

The Mayor added that the professionals being re-appointed today have in the past demonstrated to represent River Vale well. We support you and as long as we are honest and true to each other we will continue to have a fruitful relationship. The Mayor stated that he truly believes we are enjoying a "Golden Age" in River Vale. He explained that this has been accomplished by all the people on the dais, all those being sworn in and countless others who have worked together for the common good.

The Mayor stated that for 2012 we must continue to work together, compromise and to debate openly to ensure that all positions are heard. This time last year it was the Mayor's intention to slow things down and take a step back from major projects. However the best laid plans don't always work out. The completion of the Alexander turf field project was yet another example of what we can do when we work together.

The Mayor explained that he has the same slow down pledge for 2012. There are many areas the Mayor would like to focus on but today he outlined three. In 2012 the Mayor would like to see us maximize revenue opportunities at the golf course. The Town must also make a decision regarding our long term emergency dispatching plans. We will explore the possibility of a small regionalized shared services arrangement with four or five of our closest neighbors. The Township will also evaluate to continue doing our own dispatching with perhaps one town as a partner; in the past it has been Old Tappan. The Township will also take a look at the larger operations such as the Bergen County Dispatch Center. The Mayor stated that we need to and will resolve this issue due to the need for both equipment upgrades and a long term solution. We will seek input from the both EMS and the public.

Lastly, we are committed to a comprehensive study of the flooding issues that have plagued our riverside neighborhoods for the past several years. The Township has already partnered with the Pascack Valley to support a study that was issued in Westwood. Our participation was more symbolic as that study mainly focused on the flooding of the Pascack Brook which is not the cause of flooding in River Vale. River Vale is taking it a step further by having our Engineer do an evaluation our situation. The Township Engineer has submitted an outline detailing the actions he

would need to take to gain better insight of the causes and potential solutions to the problem. The Mayor cautioned that it will not be easy or quick and it may not provide the answers the people are hoping for. But we will be empowered by the information and some may be actionable and some not be. Mayor Blundo noted that people need to realize North Jersey received the most rain in 65 years. And while that's not the only factor it clearly was a factor considering what we experienced in 2011.

The Mayor concluded that these are not the only issues in 2012 but they are at the top of the list. If we work together we'll get them done and make progress. Mayor Blundo stated that he is looking forward to working with each and every one of you.

SWEARING IN OF FIRE CHIEF – Judge Greenhalgh swore in Rick Herburger as Fire Chief for 2012.

Swearing in of Board of Fire Department Officers for 2012—Judge Greenhalgh swore in the 2012 Officers.

- Rick Herburger– Chief
- John Tobin – Deputy Chief
- Jerry Marsh– Senior Captain
- Gregory Goodell, Sr. – Captain
- Thomas Shine – Lieutenant Ladder 59
- James Miles – Lieutenant Engine 57
- Frank Lentino – Lieutenant Engine 56
- Steve Cannata – Lieutenant Rescue 54
- Kellie Goodell – Lieutenant Engine 58

Swearing in of Fire Prevention Bureau Officers 2012—Judge Greenhalgh swore in both Gregory Goodell Sr. and Gregory Goodell, Jr.

- Gregory Goodell, Sr. – Fire Marshall
- Gregory Goodell, Jr. – Fire Inspector

Mayor and Council President presentation to 2011 Retiring Fire Chief Peter Wayne

The Mayor commented that throughout his years growing up in River Vale Pete Wayne was always very visible. He has always been very active in the community helping organize and support many different organizations that his children participated in. The Mayor added that during his 15 years in town government he realized how much more Pete did as the DPW Superintendent. And again Pete was always there even when he didn't have to be. The Mayor noted that he is also a vital member on the Planning Board and his insight and wisdom have proven invaluable.

The Mayor continued that this was Pete's 3rd term as Fire Chief. The Mayor can't thank Pete enough for the service he has given and continues to give River Vale. Mayor Blundo also mentioned Linda, Pete's wife who is also always there and very visible. Linda is an active member of the CERT team, the Ladies Auxiliary and numerous committees. The Mayor concluded that River Vale is a better place because they chose to make it their home.

SWEARING IN OF LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER:

Thomas O'Brien

The Mayor commented that Tom O'Brien is another one of those behind the scenes people. Tom runs the Library Board and oversees our wonderful institution. The Mayor receives a lot of great feedback on the wonderful job their doing and their work is appreciated.

SWEARING IN MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR

Vincent Galasso

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Motion by Councilman Matos; seconded by Councilman Bromberg to open the meeting to the public.

There being no questions or comments from the public; motion by Councilman Bromberg; seconded by Councilman Matos to close the meeting to the public.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilman Criscuolo; seconded by Councilman Matos to adjourn the meeting at 12:40pm.

Council President
Glen Jasionowski

ATTEST:
Karen Padva
Township Clerk

