

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, April 10, 2023
Council Chambers 7:30pm

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Council President Criscuolo called the meeting to order at 7:31pm.

SALUTE TO FLAG

Council President Criscuolo asked all in attendance to join him in a Salute to the Flag.

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

Council President Criscuolo 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."

ROLL CALL

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Criscuolo were present. Councilman Tolomeo was absent.

Also present: Business Administrator/CFO Gennaro Rotella, Township Attorney Silvana Raso, Township Engineer Lisa Neiman, and Township Clerk Karen Campanelli.

Council Comments

Councilman Ben-Yishay commented that it's great to have a full house this evening and see River Vale win another Super Bowl Championship. He recalled that he was in the football program for 6 years both as a coach and Treasurer. He added that it was 6 of the greatest years as he watched his two boys go through the program. Councilman Ben-Yishay congratulated the team, and he expects to see them next year.

Councilman Donovan also commented that it's great to have a full house and welcomed everyone. He offered his congratulations and recognized all the hard work and dedication of the Team, coaches, and parents.

Councilwoman Sieg welcomed everyone and it's a joy from them to celebrate this accomplishment. She complimented the coaches and parents and added her congratulations to the cheerleaders on being recognized.

Council President Criscuolo echoed the comments and offered his congratulations to the football team on an amazing year and tremendous accomplishment, and to the cheerleaders as well. He added that as a parent of both boys and girls that have moved their way through the River Vale sports programs, it is very nice to see the cheerleaders here this evening. Council President Criscuolo added that his daughter spent many years in cheer and she was a Captain in her senior year of High School. He noted that this is the biggest parent turnout for an event which is terrific.

Council President Criscuolo asked Head Coach Brett Rothenburger to come up and distribute the Certificates to the team.

Special Recognition BCJFL Junior Super Bowl Champions

Head Coach: Brett Rothenburger **Assistant Coaches:** Rich Kabobjian, Ryan Peterson, Anthony Risalvato, Keith Mulcare, Jim Haag, Adrian Puzio, Henry Vallejo, Gerry Mueller, Doug Lamere, Erik Knudsen

Junior Football Team

Bryan Valente, Luka Grskovic, Travis Prunk, Frankie Falco, CJ Pinto, Easton Garfinkel, Alessio DaCosta, Ryan Good, Aiden Biegel, Tyler Hurst, Frankie Spinelli, Johan Van Veen, AJ Katzman, Luke Costantino, Landon Moss Ryan McTigue, Chris Wells, Jake Baroan, Keegan D'Arduini, Joey DeSantis-Amin, Lucas Haag, RJ Kabobjian, Tyler Knudsen, Alex LaMere, David Martin, Drew Mueller, Braden Peterson, Jacob Offner, Keith Mulcare, Chase Puzio, Vinny Risalvato, Nick Romano, Jake Rothenburger, Mason Selvaggio, Nate Vallejo, Shane Zansitis, Ivan Zapata, Alexander Zavadenko

Junior Cheer

Coach Allie DeSantis Amin distributed the Certificates to the Junior Cheer Squad

Coaches: Suzanne & Moreda & Allie DeSantis Amin

Squad:

Sienna Moreda, Sophia Amin, Alexa Manna, Hope Falesto , Eva Porrazzo , Anna Brayton
Carly Gemmellaro, Evelyn Lowenfels , Kiera Dalton, Avery Kantor, Avery Sutter , Bria Boothe
Alexa Gallione, Quinn Martin , Ava Westscott, Molly Deutsch , Scarlett Pineda, Vienna Spezial

Coach Rothenburger extended his thanks to the Mayor and Council for including the Towns sports in this evening's meeting and it's so important to the kids to see the Town as a family.

Council President Criscuolo called for a brief recess at 7:46pm. The Council reconvened at 7:49pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Criscuolo were present. Councilman Tolomeo was absent.

Business Administrator Report

Mr. Rotella reported that they are introducing the Budget this evening. He added that he is very proud of how well the budget process went this year.

Township Engineer Report

Ms. Neiman reported that they are working on the DEP permit for the new storage building at the County Club. She next reported that they'll be receiving bids for the new sports lighting at Mark Lane on May 18th. Ms. Neiman reported that Chris met with the Library Director to discuss the Municipal Open Space Program Grant for 2023, the plan is to make improvements to the Library patio area.

Mr. Rotella added that Chris worked with PSE&G and secured \$646,000 for the Township to repave the roads where they did the gas main work. He added that the Township has already received a check and commended Chris for doing a great job negotiating with PSE&G.

Councilwoman Sieg questioned the status of the Veterans Memorial Park project. Ms. Neiman responded that they are finalizing the plans.

1st Hearing of the Public

Motion by Councilwoman Sieg; second by Councilman Donovan to open the meeting to the public.

There being no questions or comments from the public. Motion by Councilwoman Sieg; second by Councilman Donovan to close the hearing of the public.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Councilman Donovan; second by Councilwoman Sieg to approve Resolution #2023-109 as follows:

Resolution #2023-109

RESOLUTION APPROVING MINUTES MARCH 27, 2023, COUNCIL MEETING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the minutes of the March 27, 2023, Council meeting of the Township Council are hereby approved.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Donovan, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Criscuolo voted yes. Councilman Ben-Yishay abstained. Councilman Tolomeo was absent.

Motion by Councilman Ben-Yishay; second by Councilwoman Sieg to approve Resolutions #2023-110 through #2023-116 as a Consent Agenda as follows:

Resolution #2023-110

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 BECK PLACE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (INCREASE)

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2022, Green Valley Group, Inc., 180 Convent Road, Nanuet, New York submitted a proposal for the Beck Place Drainage Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, there was a change in the scope of work during this project requiring an additional 20 tons of rip rap for the project; and

WHEREAS, this change order results in an increase to the contract sum.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that Change Order No. 1 for the above-mentioned project be approved as follows:

Original Contract Sum	\$ 26,800.00
<u>Change Order #1 Increase</u>	<u>+ 2,300.00</u>
New Contract Sum	\$ 29,100.00

Resolution #2023-111

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 2022 RANGES FIELD BARRIER-FREE RESTROOM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (DECREASE)

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2022, the Township of River Vale awarded the Ranges Field Barrier-Free Restroom Improvements project to Nela Carpentry and Masonry; and

WHEREAS, there was a change during the project which resulted in a decrease to the contract sum.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that Change Order No. 1 for the above-mentioned project be approved as follows:

Original Contract Sum	\$ 64,000.00
<u>Change Order #1 Decrease</u>	<u>- 2,000.00</u>
New Contract Sum	\$ 62,000.00

Resolution #2023-112

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 2022 ROAD RESURFACING AND NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM (DECREASE)

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2022, the Township of River Vale awarded the 2022 Road Resurfacing and NJDOT Municipal Aid Program to D & L Paving Contractors Inc.; and

WHEREAS, there was a change during the project due to reduced usage of quantities, resulting in a decrease to the contract sum.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that Change Order No. 1 for the above-mentioned project be approved as follows:

Original Contract Sum	\$ 810,540.20
<u>Change Order #1 Decrease</u>	<u>- 25,733.59</u>
New Contract Sum	\$ 784,806.61

Resolution #2023-113

RESOLUTION

(Refund Zoning Permit Fee)

WHEREAS, resident John O'Donnell, the owner of 718 Wilson Court (Block 2101, Lot 241) had applied for a Zoning Permit required for an air-conditioning system; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. O'Donnell is a member of the River Vale Volunteer Ambulance Corps and is eligible for a waiver of permit fees up \$500 annually; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. O'Donnell's contractor inadvertently paid the permit fee and therefore Mr. O'Donnell is requesting a refund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the permit fee be refunded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Treasurer is hereby directed to issue a municipal check as follows:

Payable to:

"Van Natta Mechanical Corp"

Mailing Address:

25 Whitney Road

Mahwah, New Jersey 07430

Refund Amount: \$ 40.00

Resolution #2023-114

REFUND

(Golf Membership Fee)

WHEREAS, in December of 2022, Dr. Chuck Puglisi paid for his 2023 Golf Membership; and

WHEREAS, sadly Dr. Puglisi passed away and his wife Alexis Cooperman Puglisi has requested a refund of the 2023 Golf Membership fee; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified the availability of funds in the Golf Operating Account.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that said refund is approved and the Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a municipal check payable as follows:

Payable to:

Alexis Cooperman Puglisi

314 Maple Street

Englewood, NJ 07631

Refund Amount: \$3,400.00

Resolution #2023-115

RESOLUTION

INTRODUCTION OF 2023 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the local Budget of the Township of River Vale, Bergen County, New Jersey for the year 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said budget be published in the Ridgewood News in the issue of April 14, 2023, and that a hearing on the Budget will be held at the Municipal Complex on May 8, 2023, at 7:30 o'clock (P.M.) or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

The Governing Body does hereby accept and introduce the Budget for the year 2023.

Resolution #2023-116

**Resolution Authorizing Increase in Deferred School Taxes
for Regional High School Taxes**

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services requires that the Governing Body of any municipality which has Deferred School Taxes must authorize any increase in the deferral of any amounts, and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to increase Deferred School Taxes to an amount permitted under State statutes and to be effective on December 31, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body that the following Deferred School Taxes be hereby increased for the year ended December 31, 2022, as follows:

	Deferred Regional High School District Taxes
Amount Deferred December 31, 2022	\$4,657,136
Amount Deferred December 31, 2021	<u>4,457,136</u>
Amount of Increase	<u>\$ 200,000</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Governing Body that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Criscuolo voted yes. Councilman Tolomeo was absent.

Ordinances for 1st Reading

ORDINANCE #412-2023

Motion to Introduce: Councilman Donovan

Second: Councilwoman Sieg

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #0-10-04 ADJUSTING AND DETERMINING MUNICIPAL CLASS POSITION TITLES AND SALARY RANGES FOR OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows, until a subsequent salary ordinance is adopted:

Section 1. The salary ranges per annum for the following officers and employees of the Township of River Vale in the Classified Service (staff) shall be as follows:

Admin Assist / Communications Coordinator	\$ 45,000 - \$52,350
Assistant Business Administrator	\$15,000 - \$21,250
Accounts Payable Clerk	\$50,000 - \$60,200
Animal Licensing Clerk	\$500 - \$2,000
Assistant Deputy OEM Director	\$500 - \$1,500
Assistant Director of Social & Cultural Affairs	\$10,000
Bookkeeper (Library)	\$38,500 - \$50,000
Building Inspector	\$15,000 - \$32,000
Building Department Plan Review	\$30,000 - \$32,750
Building Department Secretary	\$35,000 - \$56,616
Building Department Secretary (Hourly)	\$20.00 - \$25.00
Building Department Systems Administrator	\$2,000 - \$5,100
Business Administrator	\$50,000 - \$60,000
CCO Inspections (per inspection)	\$25.00 - \$35.00
Chief Financial Officer	\$85,000 - \$154,550
Chief of Police	\$ 185,000 - \$244,000
Children’s Services (Library)	\$55,000 - \$65,000
Circulation Clerk Library (hourly rate)	\$15.00 - \$30.00
Code Enforcement Officer (hourly rate)	\$45.00 - \$85.00
Construction Code Official	\$55,000 - \$85,000
Construction Code Stipend	\$4,000 - \$14,050
Council Members	\$7,000
Deputy OEM Director	\$500 - \$1500
Director of Athletics	\$10,000 - \$15,300
Director of Emergency Management	\$12,000
Director of Law	\$3,200
Director of Public Works	\$85,000 - \$161,750
Director of Social & Cultural Affairs	\$12,000
Drug Alliance Coordinators (PV)	\$1,000 - \$7,500
Electrical Sub-Code Official	\$25,700
Farmers Market Coordinator	\$1.00 - \$2,500
Fire Inspector	\$8,000 - \$10,000
Fire Official	\$10,000 - \$15,300
Fire Prevention Administrative Assistant	\$3,000 - \$5,000

Fire Sub-Code Official	\$4,000 - \$13,000
Grants Coordinator	\$1,000
Human Resources Coordinator	\$10,000 - \$14,150
Information Technology Consultant	\$125.00
Joint Insurance Fund Coordinator	\$1.00
Land Use Administrator	\$15,000 - \$19,900
Land Use Administrator (hourly)	\$25.00 - \$45.00
Library Director	\$90,000 - \$110,000
Library Page (hourly rate)	\$ 15.00 - \$20.00
Library Programming Assistant (hourly rate)	\$15.00 - \$32.00
Mayor	\$9,000
Mayors Wellness Coordinator	\$2,500 - \$7,500
Municipal Alliance Coordinator	\$1,000
Municipal Architect	\$90.00 - \$150.00
Municipal Board of Health Secretary	\$500 - \$2,000
Municipal Bond Council	\$125.00 - \$175.00
Municipal Court Administrator	\$45,100 - \$61,850
Municipal Court Bailiff	\$25.00 - \$35.00
Municipal Court Clerk (hourly rate)	\$25.00 - \$35.00
Municipal Court Interpreter (hourly rate)	\$50.00 - \$150.00
Municipal Court Judge	\$17,500 - \$22,500
Municipal Court Prosecutor	\$9,000 - \$10,900
Municipal Court Prosecutor (hourly rate)	\$150.00 - \$180.00
Municipal Environmental Consultant	\$60.00 - \$225.00
Municipal Housing Liaison	\$1,000 - \$5,000
Municipal Planner (hourly rate)	\$110.00 - \$185.00
Municipal Planner Affordable Housing (hourly rate)	\$75.00 - \$175.00
Municipal Public Defender (rate per case)	\$150.00 - \$300.00
Municipal Tax Appeal Attorney (hourly rate)	\$135.00 - \$175.00
Municipal Recycling Coordinator	\$4,000 - \$6,367
Municipal Clean Communities Coordinator	\$5,000 - \$7,500
Municipal Tax Assessor	\$15,000 - \$22,200
Municipal Tax Assessor Assistant	\$2,000 - \$5,000
Municipal Tax Collector	\$60,000 - \$81,850
Municipal Deputy Tax Collector	\$2,000 - \$10,000
Municipal Tax Collector Clerk	\$2,000 - \$5,000

Pesticide Licensed Professional	\$2,000 - \$3,000
Planning Board Attorney	\$ 4,400
Planning Board Attorney (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$ 150.00
Planning Board Engineer	\$1,200
Planning Board Engineer (hourly rate)	\$115.00 - \$190.00
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	\$15,000 - \$19,500
Plumbing Inspector	\$7,500 - \$10,000
Police Department Admin. Assistant	\$45,000 - \$57,000
Police Captain	\$185,000 - \$205,850
Property Maintenance Officer	\$10,000 - \$20,400
Public Works Secretary	\$35,000 - \$46,100
Public Works Secretary (hourly rate)	\$25.00 - \$45.00
Public Works Sewer Inspector	\$4,000 - \$8,000
Qualified Purchasing Agent	\$2,122
Records Analyst (hourly rate)	\$20.00 – \$25.00
Reference Librarian	\$55,000 - \$65,000
Reference Librarian (hourly rate)	\$22.00 - \$39.00
Registrar Vital Statistics	\$5,000 - \$8,725
School Crossing Guard (hourly rate)	\$18.00 - \$25.00
Secretary (hourly rate)	\$20.00 - \$45.00
Senior Circulation Clerk (Library)	\$35,000 - \$45,000
Snow Removal Coordinator	\$2,000 - \$7,500
Special Legal Counsel (hourly rate)	\$135.00 - \$250.00
Social Services Coordinator	\$5,000 - \$10,000
Summer Camp Directors	\$200 - \$7,500
Summer Camp Counselors (hourly rate)	\$8.60 - \$18.00
Technical Assistant	\$45,000 - \$53,525
Technology Librarian	\$52,000 - \$65,000
Township Attorney (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$150.00
Township Clerk	\$85,000 - \$ 94,000
Township Engineer (hourly rate)	\$115.00 - \$190.00
Township Van Driver (hourly rate)	\$20.00 - \$25.000
Transcriptionist (hourly rate)	\$25.00 - \$75.00
Treasurer	\$70,000 - \$95,750
Vendor Billing Coordinator	\$4,000 - \$5,350
Zoning Official	\$3,000 - \$18,000

Section 2.The Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to determine the salary of each employee within each salary range annually, such determination and salary to be effective the first day of each calendar year beginning 2023.

Section 3.All employees shall be paid on the 15th and 30th of every month as stipulated in the Township Personnel Manual except for changes required on account of calendar year requirements.

Section 4.All parts or ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistent parts, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize any salary decrease. This ordinance shall take effect after passage in the manner provided by law, except that any and all such salary increases shall in all respects be subject to any provisions of law.

Section 5.If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

This Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in a time and manner prescribed by law.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Criscuolo voted yes. Councilman Tolomeo was absent.

ORDINANCE #413-2023

Motion to Introduce: Councilman Ben-Yishay

Second: Councilman Donovan

**TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
CALENDAR YEAR 2023 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED
THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A-4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% or the cost-of-living adjustment, whichever is less, unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, the cost-of-living adjustment for calendar year 2023 budgets is calculated at 2.5% pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of River Vale in the County of Bergen finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2023 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that a 1.0% increase in the budget of said year, amounting to \$118,030 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Township of River Vale, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that,

in the CY 2023 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of River Vale shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by up to 3.5%, amounting to \$413,105, and that the CY 2023 municipal budget for the Township of River Vale be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

This Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in a time and manner prescribed by law.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Criscuolo voted yes. Councilman Tolomeo was absent.

ORDINANCE #414-2023

Motion to Introduce: Councilman Donovan

Second: Councilman Sieg

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE AND APPROPRIATING \$1,444,381 THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,372,162 IN GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE TO FINANCE THE SAME

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY (NOT LESS THAN TWO-THIRDS OF all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The several improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Township of River Vale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Township"), as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriations made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$1,444,381, including the aggregate sum \$72,219 as the several down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments have been made available by virtue of provision in the capital improvement fund in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments or otherwise provided for hereunder, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$1,372,162 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of

the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

- (a) Purpose: Improvements to public buildings and properties, including, but not limited to, new roof at Town Hall, new roof at Library, lighting at Mark Lane Field, and upstairs office renovation for Department of Public Works, including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$497,200
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$472,340
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	15 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$24,860

- (b) Purpose: Acquisition of information technology and telecommunications equipment, including items with a unit cost less than \$5,000, including, but not limited to, radios and pagers for the River Vale Volunteer Ambulance Corps, radios and pagers for the Volunteer Fire Department and Ipads for the Department of Public Works, and including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$25,773
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$24,484
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	5 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$1,289

- (c) Purpose: Acquisition of equipment for the Township’s Volunteer Fire Department, including, but not limited to, firefighter personal protective equipment, SCBA bottles and hoses, nozzles, appliances and equipment, and including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$87,346
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$82,979
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	10 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$4,367

- (d) Purpose: Replace lighting on fire engine and rescue vehicle including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$9,097
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$8,642
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	5 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$455

- (e) Purpose: Acquisition of trailer and motor for Township's Volunteer Fire Department water rescue boat, including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$27,465
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$26,092
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	15 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$1,373

- (f) Purpose: Acquisition of vehicles (excluding passenger car and station wagon except alternative fuel automotive vehicles), including, but not limited to, plow and salter truck for the Department of Public Works and including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$302,500
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$287,375
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	5 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$15,125

- (g) Purpose: Reconstruction and resurfacing of various streets and roads in the Township to Class A standards, as provided in the Local Bond Law, as identified on a list on file in the office of the Township Clerk, and including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$495,000
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$470,250
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	20 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$24,750

- (h) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the several improvements or purposes is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(i) The estimated cost of the several improvements or purposes is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The capital budget or temporary capital budget, as applicable, of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. In the event of any such inconsistency and amendment, the resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget or temporary capital budget, as applicable, and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Township Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The several improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are improvements or purposes the Township may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the costs thereof have been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the several improvements or purposes, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, computed on the basis of the respective amounts or obligations authorized for each improvement or purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 14.07543 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Township Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$1,372,162, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$131,307 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement.

(e) The Township reasonably expects to commence acquisition and/or construction of the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, and to advance all or a portion of the costs in respect thereof, prior to the issuance of bonds or notes hereunder. To the extent such costs are advanced, the Township further reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures from the proceeds of the bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance, in an aggregate not to exceed the amount of bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof.

Section 7. Any grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the several improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 8. The full faith and credit of the Township is hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 9. The Township hereby covenants to take any action necessary or refrain from taking such action in order to preserve the exclusion from gross income of interest on the bonds and notes authorized hereunder which are issued as tax-exempt bonds as is or may be required under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder (the "Code"), including compliance with the Code with regard to the use, expenditure, investment, timely reporting and rebate of investment earnings as may be required thereunder.

Section 10. The chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 11. To the extent that any previous ordinance or resolution is inconsistent herewith or contradictory hereto, said ordinance or resolution is hereby repealed or amended to the extent necessary to make it consistent herewith.

Section 12. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Criscuolo voted yes. Councilman Tolomeo was absent.

There were no Ordinances for 2nd Reading this evening.

2nd Hearing of the Public

Motion by Councilman Ben-Yishay, second by Councilman Donovan to open the meeting to the public.

There being no questions or comments from the public. Motion by Councilwoman Sieg, second by Councilman Ben-Yishay to close the hearing of the public.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilman Ben-Yishay; second by Councilwoman Sieg to adjourn the meeting at 7:58pm.

Council President Paul Criscuolo

ATTEST:
Karen Campanelli, Township Clerk

