

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, April 25, 2022
Council Chambers 7:30pm

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

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

SALUTE TO FLAG

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

SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

Council President Bromberg 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, Councilman Criscuolo, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Bromberg were present.

Also present: Township Attorney Silvana Raso, Township Engineer Christopher Statile and Township Clerk Karen Campanelli.

Council Comments

There were no Council comments this evening.

Engineer's Report

Mr. Statile reported that they are accepting the bid for the EMS Park project to replace the pavers which will be starting shortly. He next reported that the bid for the Driving Range Confinement Netting was over budget and is being rejected; he will speak to Gennaro regarding the budget for this project. He explained that the confinement netting is needed for the new Town House development at Meskers. Mr. Statile plans on speaking to the vendor to adjust the trajectory study and the height of the poles near the development.

He next reported that the new 24 unit affordable housing building at Meskers is going before the Planning Board in May. Mr. Statile reported that he is working with PSE&G on relocating some utility poles at the site of the new Public Safety Complex. SUEZ has paved Prospect Avenue and Sunnyhill Terrace; and will be paving Bailey, Whitenack and Alpine Circle in the coming months. He added that his staff is overseeing the paving.

Mr. Statile next reported that they received one (1) bid for the Mark Lane Pickle Ball Courts. The bid came in at \$319,000 and they have \$189,000. He explained that the sound blankets are approximately \$35,000 to \$40,000; he suggested trimming this item back and installing on only one side of the courts instead of three. Mr. Statile also suggested lowering the fence height to reduce the cost. Councilman Donovan asked if the bid is broken out; Mr. Statile responded yes the bid is itemized. Councilwoman Sieg suggested purchasing the sound blankets separately. Mr. Statile agreed and suggested the DPW install the sound blankets. Additionally, he may have the sound blankets listed as an alternate item in the bid specifications and have the base bid be just the courts.

Mr. Statile explained that the problem with Pickleball Courts is whether it's considered a paving contract or fencing contract. He added that Pickleball Courts like Tennis Courts must be paved very carefully and a regular road contractor doesn't want to pave a tennis court because the grading is critical. The contractor needs to have laser grading equipment on the paving machine for the project to be done properly. Council President Bromberg commented that the paving is the majority of the project; which Mr. Statile agreed. He will also drop the fencing down by two feet before they go out to bid again.

Council President Bromberg questioned the timeframe on using the grant funding and if we could defer the project till next year. Mr. Statile responded yes; you can go two to three years with Open Space funding; as long as you show you are making an effort to use the funds.

Gennaro Rotella joined the meeting at 7:40pm.

Mr. Statile reported that they also have to re-bid the confinement netting and poles project at the Golf Course. He explained that the materials have gotten very expensive; both the steel and concrete, and he doesn't expect the prices going down anytime soon. Mr. Rotella added that they have planned developments at the Meskers site; and if the netting doesn't go up the developments won't transpire.

Councilwoman Sieg asked about the status of the Veteran's Memorial Park. Mr. Statile responded that Christine; in his office, is working on the design.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Rotella reported that they had some positive and negative bids. He is working with Chris on how to make these projects work. Additionally, the cost of products and materials continue to increase. Mr. Rotella feels they can shave some of the costs on both the Pickleball Courts and Netting projects. He further reported on the lack of inventory and increasing costs of vehicles being purchased for the Township.

1st Hearing of the Public

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

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

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Councilman Donovan; second by Councilwoman Sieg to approve Resolution #2022-106 as follows:

Resolution #2022-106

RESOLUTION APPROVING MINUTES APRIL 11, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the minutes of the April 11, 2022 Regular meeting of the Township Council are hereby approved.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Motion by Councilman Ben-Yishay; second by Councilman Donovan to approve Resolutions #2022-107 through #2022-114 as a Consent Agenda as follows:

Resolution #2022-107

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACH ELECTRONIC PAYMENT SERVICES

FOR PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the Township Collector is recommending the implementation of ACH Electronic Payment Direct Withdrawal Services as an option and added benefit to residents when paying their property taxes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that as of May 1, 2022 the Township of River Vale Tax Department shall offer the option ACH Electronic Payment Direct Withdrawal Services to residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector.

Resolution #2022-108

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING VEHICLE PURCHASE FROM ALL AMERICAN FORD

WHEREAS, the Township of River Vale has the need on a timely basis to purchase the following vehicles for the Department of Public Works;

- **(2) 2022 Ford F-350 Pick-Up Trucks**

WHEREAS, the purchase price is

Vehicle Prices: \$ 59,705.00

\$ 59,290.00

TOTAL: \$ 118,995.00

WHEREAS, these vehicles are not in stock under State Contract vendors; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds are available in the Capital Account; and

WHEREAS, the Township of River Vale intends to enter into a Purchase contract with All American Ford, 375 Route 17 South, Paramus, New Jersey through this resolution and properly executed contracts.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of River Vale authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase the above listed vehicles from All American Ford.

Resolution #2022-109

RESOLUTION AWARDING THE EMERGENCY SERVICES PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2022 the Township received bids for the EMS Park Improvements project; and

WHEREAS, one bid received from Watch Us Grow Landscape & Design, 121 Woodland Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey has been reviewed and approved and is hereby accepted as the lowest responsible bidder at the price of

Base Bid: \$ 51,980.00

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available in an amount not to exceed \$ 51,980 in both the Capital Account and Public and Private Programs account.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the bid from Watch Us Grow Landscape & Design is accepted as the lowest responsible bidder. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and requested to execute a Contract on behalf of the Township of River Vale for the EMS Park Improvements Project as described in the Bid Specifications.

Resolution #2022-110

RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BID FOR LEASING OF 70 NEW QUIET GAS GOLF CARTS

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2022 the Township received several bids for the Leasing of 70 New Quiet Gas Golf Carts for the River Vale Country Club; and

WHEREAS, one bid was received the from Golf Car Specialties, 136 Washington Street, Gloucester City, New Jersey 08030 and said bid has been reviewed and approved and is hereby accepted as the lowest responsible bidder at the price of

70 New Leased Quiet Gas Golf Carts with GPS (4 Year Lease)

4 Year

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Per Year</u>	<u>Total</u>
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Golf Car Specialties – Yamaha	70	1,350.13	94,509.10	378,036.40
Maintenance	1	4,200.00	4,200.00	16,800.00

Alt. Bid “A” UTILITY CART – 4 YEAR LEASE

Golf Car Specialties – Yamaha	3	1,668.12	5,004.36	20,017.44
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Alt Bid “B” CAFÉ CART – 4 YEAR LEASE

Golf Car Specialties – Yamaha	1	3,873.36	3,873.36	15,493.44
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Grand Total Per Contract \$ 11,091.61 \$ 107,586.82 \$ 430,347.28

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the bid of Golf Car Specialties is accepted as the lowest responsible bidder. The Mayor and Township Clerk are here by authorized and requested to execute a Contract on behalf of the Township of River Vale for Leasing of 70 New Quiet Gas Golf Carts as described in the Bid Specification.

Resolution #2022-111

**RESOLUTION REJECTING AND AUTHORIZE RE-ADVERTISING BIDS FOR
THE MARK LANE PICKLE BALL COURTS**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2022 the Township of River Vale advertised bid specifications for the Mark Lane Pickle Ball Courts project in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, bid submissions where received on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 10:00am; and

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received from Sport-Tech Construction, 410 Route 22, Brewster, New York; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration has reviewed the submission and determined the bid from Sport-Tech Construction is over the cost estimate for said project and recommends rejecting the bid pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(a).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the one (1) bid received for the Mark Lane Pickle Ball Courts project is hereby rejected.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to re-advertise for bids for said project.

Resolution #2022-112

**RESOLUTION REJECTING AND AUTHORIZE RE-ADVERTISING BIDS FOR
THE RIVER VALE COUNTRY CLUB DRIVING RANGE POLES & NETTING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2022 the Township of River Vale advertised bid specifications for the River Vale Country Club Driving Range Poles & Netting Improvements project in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, bid submissions where received on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 11:30am; and

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received from Zenith Construction Services, Inc., 365 Thomas Boulevard, Orange, New Jersey; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration has reviewed the submission and determined the bid from Zenith Construction Services is over the cost estimate for said project and recommends rejecting the bid pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(a).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the one (1) bid received for the River Vale Country Club Driving Range Poles & Netting Improvements project is hereby rejected.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to re-advertise for bids for said project.

Resolution #2022-113

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 2022 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:

<u>S&W/Other Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 50,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 50,000.00

Resolution #2022-114

PAYMENT OF BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the Business Administrator is hereby authorized to pay the following claims:

CURRENT ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	426,759.90
RESERVE CURRENT ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	63,570.14
GOLF COURSE UTILITY OPERATING ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	116,650.48
RESERVE GOLF COURSE UTILITY OPERATING ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$	547.40
FEDERAL/STATE GRANT ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	8,407.67
ANIMAL TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	57.60
TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	33,823.65
RECREATION TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	1,588.25
PRIVATE DUTY TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	59,432.23
UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
HOUSING TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	287.50
JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
GOLF COURSE UTILITY CAPITAL ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	43,225.00
OPEN SPACE TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
CAPITAL ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	123,711.67
PLANNING BOARD TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	8,297.50
SPECIAL TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	15,573.50
ZONING BOARD TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
TOTAL CLAIMS TO BE PAID	\$	901,932.49

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of River Vale that the following claims have been paid by the Business Administrator prior to the Bill List Resolution in the following amounts:

CURRENT ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	4,505,230.85
RESERVE CURRENT ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	4,038.87
GOLF COURSE UTILITY OPERATING ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	229,614.75
RESERVE GOLF COURSE UTILITY OPERATING ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$	62.74
ACCUMULATED ABSENCES TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	107,249.02
ANIMAL TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
HOUSING TRUST claims in the amount of:		
RECREATION TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
PAYROLL AGENCY TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	1,255,353.66
PRIVATE DUTY TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
TAX SALE REDEMPTION TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
TAX SALE PREMIUM TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
GRANT TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
UCC CODE ENF TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
UTILITY CAPITAL ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
CAPITAL ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:	\$	41,797.74
PLANNING BOARD ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
SPECIAL TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
ZONING BOARD TRUST ACCOUNT claims in the amount of:		
TOTAL CLAIMS PAID	\$	6,143,347.63
 TOTAL BILL LIST RESOLUTION	 \$	 7,045,280.12

MANUAL DISBURSEMENTS
BILL LIST FOR April 25, 2022

3/30/202		
2	Transfer Payroll	\$ 461,274.60
4/14/202		
2	Transfer Payroll	\$ 327,955.54
 TOTAL STATUTORY ACCOUNT DISTRIBUTIONS		 \$ 789,230.14

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman Criscuolo, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Bromberg voted yes.

Ordinances for 1st Reading

ORDINANCE #399-2022

Motion to Introduce: Councilman Criscuolo

Second: Councilwoman Sieg

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE RIVER VALE COUNTRY CLUB GOLF COURSE IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP AND APPROPRIATING \$825,000 THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$825,000 IN 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 improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Township of River Vale, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Township"), as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof, there is hereby appropriated \$825,000. No down payment is required in connection with the improvement or purpose for which obligations are authorized as provided in Section 3 hereof as said purpose is deemed to be self-liquidating and the obligations authorized herein are deductible from the gross debt of the Township, as more fully explained in Section 6(f) of this bond ordinance.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$825,000 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. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for which the bonds are to be issued is driving range netting and the installation of a storage building at the River Vale Country Club Golf Course in the Township, and including all work and materials necessary therefor on incidental thereto.

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

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose 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 improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose the Township may lawfully undertake as a self-liquidating improvement of a municipal public utility, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is fifteen (15) 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 \$825,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$75,000 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 improvement or purpose 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.

(f) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Township solely for a purpose described in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h). The obligations authorized herein are to be issued for a purpose that is deemed to be self-liquidating pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-47(a) and are deductible from gross debt pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44(c).

Section 7. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement 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 real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 9. 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 10. 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 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

The foregoing bond ordinance is hereby approved.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman Criscuolo, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Bromberg voted yes.

ORDINANCE #400-2022

Motion to Introduce: Councilman Donovan

Second: Councilman Ben-Yishay

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 \$1,499,730 THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,364,742 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 \$1,499,730, including the aggregate sum of (a) \$60,000 in moneys now held by the Township and previously contributed by the Borough of Montvale for the purpose set forth in Section 3(e) of this bond ordinance, and (b) \$74,988 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 \$1,364,742 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: Department of Public Works site remediation, including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$187,000
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$177,650
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	15 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$9,350

- (b) Purpose: Acquisition of real property for Department of Public Works, including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$258,500
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$245,575
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	40 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$12,925

- (c) Purpose: Improvements to public buildings and properties, including, without limitation, installation of handicap doors for Community Center, replace garage doors at South Fire House, construction of catch basins and fencing at Upper Grove Field, including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$692,450
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$657,827
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	15 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$34,623

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

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$26,294
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$24,979
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	5 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$1,315

- (e) Purpose: Acquisition of vehicles (excluding passenger car and station wagon except alternative fuel automotive vehicles) for the Department of Public Works, including, but not limited to, two (2) pick-up trucks with plow and hook lift truck with plow and salter, and including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$275,000
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$201,250
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	5 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$13,750
<u>Montvale contribution:</u>	\$60,000

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

<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost:</u>	\$60,486
<u>Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:</u>	\$57,461
<u>Period or Average Period of Usefulness:</u>	10 years
<u>Amount of Down Payment:</u>	\$3,025

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

(h) 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 17.63 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 \$1,364,742, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$119,339 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.

The foregoing bond ordinance is hereby approved.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman Criscuolo, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Bromberg voted yes.

Ordinances for 2nd Reading and Public Hearing

ORDINANCE #396-2022

Motion to Adopt: Councilman Donovan

Second: Councilman Ben-Yishay

Motion by Councilman Criscuolo; second by Councilwoman Sieg to open the public hearing on Ordinance #396-2022.

There being no questions or comments for the public; motion by Councilman Criscuolo second by Councilwoman Sieg to close the public hearing on Ordinance #396-2022.

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH NEW CONCEPTS FOR LIVING, INC.

WHEREAS, the Township has decided to utilize the property it owns located at Block 701, Lot 8.03 (Meskers Site) (hereinafter referred to as the "**Property**") as a community residence for developmentally disabled persons; and

WHEREAS, New Concepts for Living, Inc. (hereinafter referred to "**New Concepts**") is a non-profit organization that owns, maintains and runs housing for developmentally disabled persons and submitted a proposal describing the development of said Property which will include a home for developmentally disabled persons (hereinafter referred to as the "**Project**"); and

WHEREAS, New Concepts and the Township desire to cooperate and work together in order that New Concepts may acquire, construct, mortgage, finance, lease, operate and manage for public benefit a facility within the Township made up of a maximum of six (6) very low income bedrooms that will be occupied by developmentally disabled adults, meeting the income and other restrictions of the Uniform Housing Affordability Controls (“UHAC” – N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1, et seq.) on the Property; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish the transfer of the Property to New Concepts and the development of the aforementioned facility on the Property by New Concepts, the Township and New Concepts have entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement which sets forth the rights and responsibilities of both the Township and New Concepts; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13 provides, in pertinent part, a municipality may sell any real property not needed for public use, by ordinance, to a private developer in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et al.; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the Township Council of the Township of River Vale in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey declares as follows:

1. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the Purchase and Sale Agreement with New Concepts for the nominal consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and any and all necessary or advisable documentation to effectuate the transfer of the Property to New Concepts pursuant to the terms and provisions of said Purchase and Sale Agreement; and
2. That such agreement shall require the construction of a New Jersey licensed and monitored facility consisting of a maximum of six (6) bedroom units to be occupied by developmentally disabled individuals who are at all times Medicaid eligible and qualified based on income, assets and disability. It is further expressly understood that the terms and provisions of the Purchase and Sale Agreement executed by and between the Township and New Concepts shall control such transfer and development.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman Criscuolo, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Bromberg voted yes.

ORDINANCE #397-2022

Motion to Adopt: Councilman Criscuolo

Second: Councilman Donovan

Motion by Councilman Ben-Yishay; second by Councilman Criscuolo to open the public hearing on Ordinance #397-2022.

There being no questions or comments for the public; motion by Councilman Criscuolo second by Councilman Donovan to close the public hearing on Ordinance #397-2022.

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	\$ 35,000 - \$ 51,350
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Assistant Business Administrator	\$10,000 - \$ 20,810
Accounts Payable Clerk	\$ 40,000 - \$ 59,010
Animal Licensing Clerk	\$500 - \$2,000
Assistant Deputy OEM Director	\$500 - \$1,500
Co- Director of Social & Cultural Affairs	\$ 7,000
Bookkeeper (Library)	\$38,500 - \$50,000
Building Inspector	\$15,000 - \$32,000
Building Department Secretary	\$25,000 - \$ 40,800
Building Department Secretary (Hourly)	\$15.00 - \$25.00
Building Department Systems Administrator	\$2,000 - \$5,000
Business Administrator	\$30,000 - \$ 58,375
CCO Inspections (per inspection)	\$15.00 - \$25.00
Chief Financial Officer	\$75,000 - \$ 134,450
Chief of Police	\$ 175,000 - \$ 235,670
Children's Services (Library)	\$52,000 - \$65,000
Circulation Clerk Library (hourly rate)	\$ 12.00 - \$28.00
Code Enforcement Officer (hourly rate)	\$15.00 - \$ 75.00
Construction Code Official	\$ 55,000 - \$ 85,000
Construction Code Stipend	\$8,000 - \$14,050
Council Members	\$7,000
Deputy OEM Director	\$500 - \$1500
Director of Athletics	\$3,500 - \$ 15,000
Director of Emergency Management	\$6,000
Director of Law	\$3,200
Director of Public Works	\$75,000 - \$ 158,550
Director of Social & Cultural Affairs	\$7,000
Drug Alliance Coordinators (PV)	\$1,000 - \$7,500
Electrical Sub-Code Official	\$25,175
Farmers Market Coordinator	\$1.00 - \$ 2,000
Fire Inspector	\$2,000 - \$ 3,575
Fire Official	\$5,000 - \$ 9,480
Fire Sub-Code Official	\$9,000 - \$ 13,000
Grants Coordinator	\$5,000 - \$ 15,625
Human Resources Coordinator	\$5,000 - \$ 13,850
Information Technology Consultant	\$ 110.00
Joint Insurance Fund Coordinator	\$1.00
Land Use Administrator	\$10,000 - \$ 18,504

Land Use Administrator (hourly)	\$15.00 - \$25.00
Library Director	\$85,000 - \$100,000
Library Page (hourly rate)	\$ 12.00 - \$15.00
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 - \$165.00
Municipal Court Administrator	\$45,100 - \$ 60,625
Municipal Court Bailiff	\$14.00 - \$20.00
Municipal Court Clerk (hourly rate)	\$14.00 - \$25.00
Municipal Court Interpreter (hourly rate)	\$30.00 - \$ 85.00
Municipal Court Judge	\$15,000 - \$ 22,000
Municipal Court Prosecutor	\$7,000 - \$ 10,650
Municipal Court Prosecutor (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$150.00
Municipal Environmental Consultant	\$65.00 - \$225.00
Municipal Housing Liaison	\$1,000 - \$5,000
Municipal Planner (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$ 180.00
Municipal Planner Affordable Housing (hourly rate)	\$70.00 - \$ 145.00
Municipal Public Defender (rate per case)	\$75.00 - \$150.00
Municipal Tax Appeal Attorney (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$175.00
Municipal Recycling Coordinator	\$1,000 - \$ 6,250
Municipal Tax Assessor	\$15,000 - \$ 21,750
Municipal Tax Assessor Assistant	\$2,000 - \$ 4,000
Municipal Tax Collector	\$ 50,000 - \$ 80,225
Municipal Deputy Tax Collector	\$1.00 - \$5,000
Pesticide Licensed Professional	\$1,000 - \$2,000
Planning Board Attorney	\$ 4,400
Planning Board Attorney (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$ 150.00
Planning Board Engineer	\$1,200
Planning Board Engineer (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$ 180.00
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	\$12,000 - \$ 18,750
Police Department Admin. Assistant	\$35,000 - \$ 55,800
Police Captain	\$150,000 - \$199,820

Property Maintenance Officer	\$5,000 - \$ 18,000
Public Works Secretary	\$ 35,000 - \$ 45,150
Public Works Secretary (hourly rate)	\$15.00 - \$ 25.00
Public Works Sewer Inspector	\$5,000 - \$8,000
Qualified Purchasing Agent	\$ 2,085
Records Analyst (hourly rate)	\$17.50 – \$ 22.00
Reference Librarian	\$52,000 - \$65,000
Reference Librarian (hourly rate)	\$18.00 - \$ 37.00
Registrar Vital Statistics	\$5,000 - \$ 8,550
School Crossing Guard (hourly rate)	\$18.00 - \$24.00
Secretary (hourly rate)	\$12.00 - \$25.00
Senior Circulation Clerk (Library)	\$35,000 - \$45,000
Snow Removal Coordinator	\$2,000 - \$7,500
Special Legal Counsel (hourly rate)	\$135.00 - \$ 185.00
Social Services Coordinator	\$5,000 - \$10,000
Summer Camp Directors	\$200 - \$7,500
Summer Camp Counselors (hourly rate)	\$8.60 - \$ 17.00
Technical Assistant	\$25,000 - \$ 52,475
Technology Librarian	\$52,000 - \$65,000
Township Attorney (hourly rate)	\$100.00 - \$ 150.00
Township Clerk	\$ 75,000 - \$ 93,850
Township Engineer (hourly rate)	\$60.00 - \$ 180.00
Township Van Driver (hourly rate)	\$17.00 - \$ 22.00
Transcriptionist (hourly rate)	\$15.00 - \$45.00
Treasurer	\$50,000 - \$ 93,850
Vendor Billing Coordinator	\$2,500 - \$ 5,200
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 2022.

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.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman Criscuolo, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Bromberg voted yes.

ORDINANCE #398-2022

Motion to Adopt: Councilman Donovan

Second: Councilman Criscuolo

Motion by Councilman Criscuolo; second by Councilwoman Sieg to open the public hearing on Ordinance #398-2022.

There being no questions or comments for the public; motion by Councilman Criscuolo second by Councilman Donovan to close the public hearing on Ordinance #398-2022.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIVER VALE, BERGEN COUNTY NEW JERSEY
TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE AND
ESTABLISH A CAP BANK**

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 2022 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 2022 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 \$109,493 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 2022 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 \$383,227, and that the CY 2022 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.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Councilman Ben-Yishay, Councilman Donovan, Councilman Criscuolo, Councilwoman Sieg and Council President Bromberg voted yes.

2nd Hearing of the Public

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

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

Council President Bromberg

ATTEST:

Karen Campanelli, Township Clerk

