

BOROUGH OF RAMSEY  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, March 27, 2019

BUDGET  
PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Dillon called the meeting to order at 7:31pm and asked Officer Rork to lead the flag salute. Mayor Dillon read the Open Public Meetings Act notice.

I. ROLL CALL -

Present: Mayor Dillon, Councilmembers Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone and Weber

Also Present: Borough Clerk Bendian, Borough Administrator Vozech and Borough Attorney Scandariato

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 02-27-19, WS 03-13-19

Motion by Councilman Weber, seconded by Councilman Jones. Councilman Gutwetter abstained from the 02-27-19 minutes and Councilman Jones abstained from the WS 03-13-19 minutes. Carried.

III. COMMUNICATIONS -

Motion by Councilman Weber, seconded by Councilman Jones. Mayor Dillon thanked Mr. Willcox for his service to the Zoning Board. Carried.

1. Alison Gordon, Administrative Assistant, Northwest Bergen County Utilities Authority, 30 Wyckoff Ave, Waldwick, NJ  
letter dated February 27, 2019, enclosing the 2019 meeting schedule
2. James Quimby, 106 Darlington Road, Ramsey, NJ  
letter dated March 7, 2019, thanking the borough for the major improvements in the snow removal procedure
3. Gordon Willcox, Ramsey Zoning Board of Adjustment member  
email informing of his resignation from the Zoning Board of Adjustment due to his moving out of town, with his last meeting on April 17

Mayor Dillon asked for a motion to go out of the regular order of business in order to hold the 2019 municipal budget hearing. Motion by Councilwoman Jachzel, seconded by Councilman Verdone. All in favor.

Motion to adopt the 2019 municipal budget by Councilwoman Jachzel, seconded by Councilman Jones.

#### Councilwoman Jachzel comments

Explained that this year's budget included a modest increase of 1.86% below the 2% state levy cap. It marks the ninth year in a row that the municipal tax increase is under 2% without utilizing any permitted exceptions. The total budget amount is \$24,521,391 which includes the state mandated library tax. Of the total amount \$17,162,556 will be collected in property taxes. That is \$329,000 more than was collected in 2018. The borough has kept the tax levy increase minimal while reducing the surplus utilization by \$625,000. This year's budget includes \$2.3 million in surplus from prior fiscal years to offset and reduce the property tax burden for our residents. The goal is to rebuild and regenerate that surplus to maintain those levels which allow the borough to maintain a stable property tax levy over time, as has been done over the last nine years. The borough continues to aggressively pay down debt including \$1.3 million in debt principal payments, approximately \$400,000 more than last year. The debt level is also under the \$10 million mark at the end of last year and the borough continues to put a high priority on its infrastructure. This year's investments will focus on the road resurfacing program, completing phase two of the Main Street Streetscape, completing the senior/community center pool house project, along with drainage and parking improvements to the property major equipment purchases for the DPW and Rescue Squad and installation of lightning detection and warning systems on our fields. Other items of note that affected this budget include increased mandated pension payments, reduced health benefit costs and the phasing out of compensation for accumulated unused sick leave time which we accomplished in the borough's last round of union contract negotiations. The borough remains in a very healthy financial position. The borough has the twelfth lowest municipal tax rate in Bergen County and the third lowest debt level in Northwest Bergen County. Municipal taxes are only 20% of your total property tax bill. The remainder is 68% to the Board of Education, 11% to the county and 1% mandated for the library. The governing body is proud of this budget and shows the continued delivery of high quality services to all of our residents as well as significant infrastructure improvements and maintenance, with a modest increase in costs. Thank you to Administrator Vozech and CFO Denise Bartalotta as well as to the Finance Committee and remaining council members and Mayor Dillon for their support.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing on the 2019 municipal budget.

Ken Fleishaker, 462 Airmount Avenue, Ramsey

Inquired about the line item for legal services. Administrator Vozech replied.

A Braggin, Ramsey, NJ

Discussed items in the budget including surplus, legal services, governing body stipends, computer and maintenance data services and revenue from the cell tower.

Not seeing anyone else wishing to be heard, Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing on the 2019 municipal budget.

Resolution: 083-2019 adoption of the 2019 municipal budget

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

#### IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Anyone wishing to address the governing body please step up to the microphone and give your name (spelling the last name) and address as a courtesy to all present. Please speak in an audible tone and address your comments to the Chair. There will be a five-minute time limit per speaker, unless reduced because of the volume of business on the agenda. Please note, public comment is your time. Out of respect and fairness to all present, there will be no interruptions or questions answered during your time. No time shall be ceded to anyone else and no time shall be saved for later use. Any responses may be given during the governing body's comments later in the meeting, or as directed by the Chair. The Borough Clerk is the official time keeper and will hold up a sign when you have 30 seconds remaining.

Susan Leung, 111 E. Oak Street, Ramsey

Inquired about the certified letter she received regarding the DEP permit at the proposed senior center location and her concern about future flooding and the entrance to the new pool house. Mayor Dillon, Administrator Vozech and Councilman Jones replied.

Ken Fleishaker, 462 Airmount Avenue, Ramsey

Discussed the salt that is discharged on his property during storms.

A Braggin, Ramsey

Discussed 83 Grant Street and parking on N. Central Avenue.

With no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Dillon closed public comment.

Mayor Dillon asked for a motion to go out of the regular order of business to make her appointments. Motion by Councilwoman Jachzel, seconded by Councilman Jones. All in favor. Carried.

Mayor Dillon asked for a motion to go out of the regular order of business to do the consent resolution. Motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Weber. All in favor. Carried.

V. ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 04-2019 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF RAMSEY, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR SALE OF PROPERTY WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SPECIFICALLY FOR SANITARY SEWER EASEMENT

Motion by Councilman Kilman, seconded by Councilman Verdone

BE IT RESOLVED THAT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: An Ordinance Authorizing the Borough of Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey to enter into an agreement for Sale of Property with the New Jersey Department of Transportation, Specifically for Sanitary Sewer Easement, final reading by title and that said ordinance be adopted by as an ordinance of the Borough of Ramsey

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is, directed to cause a copy of the title of said ordinance to be published in an official newspaper of the Borough in the manner provided by law together with notice of the date of introduction and adoption of said ordinance.

Councilman Kilman explained that this was recommended by the Board of Public Works who is seeking an easement through the NJ Department of Transportation property on Arrow Road at a nominal fee of \$1.00.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing for Ordinance 04-2019.

A.B. Braggin, Ramsey, NJ  
Inquired about the location of the easement.

With no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing on Ordinance 04-2019.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

V. ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING FOR FINAL CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES  
(cont'd)

ORDINANCE 05-2019 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RAMSEY, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AND MORE SPECIFICALLY SUBSECTION 4-7 ENTITLED PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS

Motion by Councilman Verdone, seconded by Councilman Jones

BE IT RESOLVED THAT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 4 of the Code of the Borough of Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey and more Specifically Subsection 4-7 entitled Peddlers and Solicitors, final reading by title and that said ordinance be adopted by as an ordinance of the Borough of Ramsey

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is, directed to cause a copy of the title of said ordinance to be published in an official newspaper of the Borough in the manner provided by law together with notice of the date of introduction and adoption of said ordinance.

Councilman Verdone explained that the purpose of this ordinance is to deter the use of peddling and soliciting to gain access to homes for criminal purposes and maintain the peace and comfort of Ramsey residents while balancing the opportunity for peddlers and solicitors to exercise their right to free speech.

Mayor Dillon opened the public hearing for Ordinance 05-2019.

A.B. Braggin, Ramsey

Asked about the inclusion and exclusion of groups included in the ordinance.

With no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Dillon closed the public hearing on Ordinance 05-2019.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

Councilman Jones stepped out and was not present for roll call.

VI. APPOINTMENTS

Done earlier in the agenda after a motion to go out of the regular order of business.

Mayor Dillon made the following appointment and swore him in after the consent resolution.

Samuel Englishman, Ramsey Fire Department, Junior Brigade

VII. CONSENT RESOLUTION

Done earlier in the agenda after a motion to go out of the regular order of business.

Motion by Councilwoman Jachzel, seconded by Councilman Jones

BE IT RESOLVED that the following resolutions herewith listed having been considered by the governing body of the Borough of Ramsey be and are hereby passed and approved:

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| 069-2019 | Resolution: | payment of vouchers   |
| 070-2019 | Resolution: | ratifying the actions of the governing body for payroll number six  |
| 071-2019 | Resolution: | approving the tax court judgment refund for Block 4301 Lot 11 in the amount of \$5,992.50   |
| 072-2019 | Resolution: | authorizing the tax court judgment refund for Block 3702 Lot 7 in the amount of \$28,289.39   |
| 073-2019 | Resolution: | authorizing the tax court judgment refund for Block 4901 Lot 1 in the amount of \$7,191.00  |
| 074-2019 | Resolution: | authorizing the tax court judgment for Block 4401 Lot 16.01 in the amount of \$4,749.00   |
| 075-2019 | Resolution: | authorizing the release of escrow in the amount of \$140.78 to Lempp, Gerhart and Rose as recommended by the Zoning Board of Adjustment   |
| 076-2019 | Resolution: | approving Board of Public Works recommendation for 2019 sewer rate increase of 1.84%  |
| 077-2019 | Resolution: | confirming the appointment Larry Scorzelli plumbing Inspector, effective March 4, 2019  |
| 078-2019 | Resolution: | amending resolution 038-2019 endorsing resolution for Housing Authority of Bergen County to reflect the dollar amount from \$450,000 to \$725,000   |
| 079-2019 | Resolution: | confirming the appointment of Peter J. Anastasio Jr. as the Deputy Court Administrator effective April 1, 2019  |
| 080-2019 | Resolution: | authorizing change order number three for MBT Contracting LLC in the amount of \$18,837.73 for excavation, backfill with additional stone and material for the Community/Senior Center and Pool House Project |

VII. CONSENT RESOLUTION (cont'd)

- 081-2019      Resolution:    confirming the appointment of Samuel Englishman to Ramsey Fire Department as a Junior Fire Brigade Member
- 082-2019      Resolution:    acknowledging the acquisition of Professional Insurance Associates, Inc. and PIA Security Programs, Inc. in accordance with the public contract for insurance consulting services for 2019
- 083-2019      Resolution:    adoption of the 2019 municipal budget (earlier in the meeting)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following applications and/or recommendations hereby be approved:

A.      SPECIAL PERMITS:

Ramsey VFW Post #12148 is requesting permission to collect funds from May 1-May 31, 2019 for veterans in front of the Ramsey Post Office, Brady's, Ramsey Hardware, Ramsey Gourmet, Ramsey Liquors, Walgreen's, Lotito's, B&G Bagels, Buono Bagels, La Gondola, Uncle Giuseppe's and Village Stationers, with prior permission from all store owners

Keller Williams is requesting permission to have a town wide garage sale on Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 9:00am-4:00 pm. Each resident will hold their sale at their respective home

Sprint for our Schools will take place on Saturday, May 11, 2019. Requesting permission to hang signs advertising the race: fifty lawn signs, one banner at the Ramsey High School tennis courts and signs in the local business windows

B.      BLOCK PARTY REQUEST

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

VIII. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS - None

## IX. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

- A. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION – Councilwoman Vanessa Jachzel  
Thanked and congratulated Sam Englishman on his appointment.

Discussed the two ordinances on tonight for introduction, a bond ordinance and a capital improvement ordinance.

Further explained surplus for anyone unsure of the purpose.

Introduced new Library Director Matt Latham, who was in the audience and congratulated the library on their successful Maker's Day, a new initiative, encouraging children to have more interests in the sciences.

- B. PUBLIC SAFETY – Councilman Harry Weber  
Thanked Councilwoman Jachzel, Administrator Vozeh and CFO Bartalotta and the entire Finance Committee for their work on the budget.

Congratulated Sam Englishman on being sworn in to the Fire Department as a junior brigade member.

Congratulated the Ramsey Police Department on achieving the Police Agency Reaccreditation Program.

RIFE wrapped up the Challenger Basketball season and will take a brief hiatus until softball season. This past weekend there was an event at Humdingers in Paramus. April 5<sup>th</sup> is Karaoke night and April 26<sup>th</sup> is Art Night

Environmental Commission – Annual Clean-Up day is scheduled for Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

Municipal Alliance – Two students attended the peer leadership conference and discussed the program at the last alliance meeting. April 6 is the LEAD Talent Show. Darryl Strawberry will be at the high school to talk about substance abuse on April 10th “After the Fire” Discussion about the survivors from the Seton Hall Fire from many years ago spoke about ways to avoid a situation like that. April 28<sup>th</sup> is the vaping presentation with Officer Beamon.

- C. BUILDING, PLANNING & ZONING – Councilman Joseph Verdone  
Reported that the Planning Board meeting scheduled for March 19 was cancelled.

Summer Camp registrations will be done online starting April 8<sup>th</sup> via Capture Point. The 2019 summer camp season is for boys and girls K-6.

Volleyball registrations are ongoing and the program started Friday, March 22.

The middle school wrestling program ended a very successful season with one of Ramsey's wrestlers coming in seventh in the state with a recognition banquet held Saturday, March 23rd at the Adorno Fathers.

Ramsey Seniors/Senior Center

Seniors completed filling 3000 Plastic Eggs with candy kisses for Ramsey's Annual Spring Egg Hunt to be held April 6 at Finch Park.

One hundred and ten seniors enjoyed a great day in NYC to see the Broadway Musical Cher on Wednesday, March 20th, with lunch at Tony DiNapoli's.

Bocce Ball starts April 8 and Pickleball starts Tuesday, April 9.

VFW Post 12148

As liaison to Ramsey Responds I was made aware of a son of a Ramsey resident who recently passed who wanted to donate a very little used professional size Pool Table. At first thought, it was to go to the Ramsey Senior Center; however, they decided to continue to use the table they have. It was then determined to donate it to the VFW Post. The table was placed in storage and will be installed at a later date.

At the March 26<sup>th</sup> Design Review Board meeting the following sign applications were reviewed and approved:

The MAX Challenge

An exercise and nutritional training facility located in Ramsey Square.

Poke Time

A new restaurant featuring Hawaiian style fast food where dish is fully customizable chunks of raw marinated fish (usually tuna) which is then tossed over rice and topped with vegetables. It is located in the Interstate Shopping Center.

- D. UTILITIES, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Councilman Peter Kilman  
Congratulated Councilwoman Jachzel and the Finance Committee on putting the together the budget.

Congratulated Sam Englishman on his appointment to the Fire Department.

Zoning Board of Adjustment – There were minor variances approved.

Board of Public Works – Discussed the arsenic treatment facilities for various wells. Crew Engineers continues to work with a new company to design the new arsenic treatment units.

- E. PUBLIC & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS – Councilman William Jones  
Welcomed Sam Englishman to the Fire Department and thank him for stepping up.

Discussed discretionary spending and thanked Councilwoman Jachzel for her leadership on the budget along with CFO Bartalotta and Administrator Vozech

Early bird pool sign up is underway. There are contingency plans in place if the pool house is not completed for opening weekend.

Discussed the new meeting format as well as pension contributions and no bid contract awards

- F. HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES – Councilman Michael Gutwetter  
Congratulated Sam Englishman on his appointment.

Announced the following events for the Board of Health:

Stigma Free Walk and Talk-a-thon at the Ramsey High School on May 1<sup>st</sup> .

CPR/AED classes on April 25<sup>th</sup> in council chambers in borough hall. Two classes offered.

April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Ramsey Library a lecture on Autism.

The Board of Health is still working on establishing fees for the places electing to sell vaping products.

Reported that the Board of Education is hosting a career day for sophomores and will also be screening “The Hunting Ground” which covers the subject of sexual assault on college campuses.

- G. MAYOR DEIRDRE DILLON

Congratulated Councilwoman Jachzel, Administrator Vozech and CFO Denise Bartalotta for putting together the budget and getting it adopted.

Discussed the installation of the additional sound deadening at the gun range at the Police and Fire Academy in Mahwah and is keeping in contact with Director Bloom.

Congratulated Sam Englishman on his appointment.

Announced that the recreational marijuana bill did not pass through the State Senate earlier this week and will come back up for a vote in May or September.

- H. BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR – Bruce Vozech – No comment

I. BOROUGH ATTORNEY – Peter A. Scandariato, Esq. – No comment

J. BOROUGH CLERK – Meredith Bendian

X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 06-2019 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF RAMSEY, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,500,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

Motion by Councilwoman Jachzel, seconded by Councilman Jones

BE IT RESOLVED that an ordinance entitled A Bond Ordinance to authorize the making of various public improvements and the acquisition of a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for the Borough of Ramsey, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, to appropriate the sum of \$1,500,000 to pay the cost thereof, to make a down payment, to authorize the issuance of bonds to finance such appropriation and to provide for the issuance of bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds, pass the first reading by title, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage and adoption at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019 at 7:30pm prevailing time or as soon after as the matter can be reached in the Municipal Building in said Borough and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is, instructed to publish in an official newspaper of the Borough in the manner provided by law, a copy of said ordinance together with notice of introduction thereof and notice when the same will be considered for final passage and adoption.

Councilwoman Jachzel explained that this bond ordinance is for three separate items, the resurfacing of Island Avenue and Island Road, a dump truck with a plow and a salter for the DPW and the borough's annual road resurfacing program.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (cont'd)

ORDINANCE 07-2019- ACQUISITION OF RESCUE SQUAD VEHICLE FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK AND EQUIPMENT FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF RAMSEY, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AND TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$150,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF

Motion by Councilwoman Jachzel, seconded by Councilman Weber

BE IT RESOLVED that an ordinance entitled Acquisition of Rescue Squad Vehicle from the Township of Teaneck and Equipment for Police Department in the Borough of Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey and to appropriate the sum of \$150,000 to pay the cost thereof, pass the first reading by title, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage and adoption at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on the 24th day of April, 2019 at 7:30pm prevailing time or as soon after as the matter can be reached in the Municipal Building in said Borough and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is, instructed to publish in an official newspaper of the Borough in the manner provided by law, a copy of said ordinance together with notice of introduction thereof and notice when the same will be considered for final passage and adoption.

Councilwoman Jachzel explained that this ordinance includes the purchase of a rescue squad heavy duty response vehicle from the Township of Teaneck and an upgrade for the Ramsey Police Department audio and video system for criminal investigations.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (cont'd)

ORDINANCE 08-2019 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RAMSEY, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AND MORE SPECIFICALLY SECTION 13-1.2 THEREOF ENTITLED FEE SCHEDULES

Motion by Councilwoman Jachzel, seconded by Councilman Gutwetter

BE IT RESOLVED that an ordinance entitled Amending Chapter 13 of the Code of the Borough of Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey and more specifically Section 13-1.2 thereof entitled Fee Schedules, pass the first reading by title, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage and adoption at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on the 24th day of April, 2019 at 7:30pm prevailing time or as soon after as the matter can be reached in the Municipal Building in said Borough and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is, instructed to publish in an official newspaper of the Borough in the manner provided by law, a copy of said ordinance together with notice of introduction thereof and notice when the same will be considered for final passage and adoption.

Councilman Verdone explained that this is ordinance modifies our code to be in compliance with the Uniform Construction Code. This is only a language modification with no change in fees.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (cont'd)

ORDINANCE 09-2019 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RAMSEY, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY SO AS TO ESTABLISH SECTION 4-15 ENTITLED PERMITTING CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS TO SOLICIT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

Motion by Councilman Verdone, seconded by Councilman Gutwetter

BE IT RESOLVED that an ordinance entitled An Ordinance Amending Chapter 4 of the Code of the Borough of Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey so as to establish Section 4-15 entitled Permitting Charitable Organizations to Solicit Contributions For Charitable Purposes in the Right-of-Way, pass the first reading by title, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage and adoption at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on the 24th day of April, 2019 at 7:30pmprevaling time or as soon after as the matter can be reached in the Municipal Building in said Borough and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is, instructed to publish in an official newspaper of the Borough in the manner provided by law, a copy of said ordinance together with notice of introduction thereof and notice when the same will be considered for final passage and adoption.

Councilman Verdone explained that ordinance establishes a new section 4-15 in order to require the permitting of charitable organizations to solicit contributions in the right of way in roads or highways.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (cont'd)

ORDINANCE 10-2019 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER X OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RAMSEY, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AND MORE SPECIFICALLY SECTION 10-23 SUBSECTION 10-23.6 ENTITLED COMPENSATION RANGES

Motion by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilwoman Jachzel.

BE IT RESOLVED that an ordinance entitled An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the Code of the Borough of Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey and more specifically Section 10-23, Subsection 10-23.6 entitled Compensation Ranges, pass the first reading by title, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage and adoption at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on the 24th day of April, 2019 at 7:30pm prevailing time or as soon after as the matter can be reached in the Municipal Building in said Borough and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is, instructed to publish in an official newspaper of the Borough in the manner provided by law, a copy of said ordinance together with notice of introduction thereof and notice when the same will be considered for final passage and adoption.

Councilman Jones explained that this salary ordinance is updated from time to time to be compliant with contractual obligations.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

X. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (cont'd)

ORDINANCE 11-2019 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RAMSEY, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AND MORE SPECIFICALLY SUBSECTION 19-2.1 THEREOF ENTITLED FEES FOR WATER USAGE

Motion by Councilman Kilman, seconded by Councilman Weber.

BE IT RESOLVED that an ordinance entitled An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19 of the Code of the Borough of Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey and more specifically Subsection 19-2.1, thereof entitled Fees for Water Usage, pass the first reading by title, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage and adoption at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019 at 7:30pm prevailing time or as soon after as the matter can be reached in the Municipal Building in said Borough and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is, instructed to publish in an official newspaper of the Borough in the manner provided by law, a copy of said ordinance together with notice of introduction thereof and notice when the same will be considered for final passage and adoption.

Councilman Kilman explained that this ordinance increases 2019 water rates by 1.86% based on the recommendation from the Board of Public Works.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:03pm to go into executive session to discuss potential litigation by Councilman Weber seconded by Councilman Jones. Borough Attorney Scandariato read the executive session resolution.

ROLL CALL:

YAY: Gutwetter, Jachzel, Jones, Kilman, Verdone, Weber

Meredith Bendian, RMC  
Borough Clerk