

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Work Session, Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: April 27, 2015

Open Public Meetings Statement by Mayor Suarez

Work Session: 6:00 P.M. C.T.O.: Adjourn:

- Revisions to Pay to Play Ordinance

Mayor Suarez – Adjournment into closed Executive Session in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act”

Executive Session: 6:30 P.M. C.T.O.: Adjourn:

Public Session: 7:30 P.M. C.T.O.: Adjourn:

Pledge of Allegiance

Citizens Comment on Agenda:

Correspondence:

ROLL CALL-WORK SESSION

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ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION

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ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION

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Presentation of Certificates to Recreation Travel 7/8 Grade Basketball Team and Slocum Skewes 7/8 Grade Basketball Team

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2276 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 293 TO BE ENTITLED LIGHTNING RISK EMERGENCIES AS FOLLOWS”

Entertain motion to declare the time for the public hearing to be declared open

Public Hearing

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Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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Roll Call

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**PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA:**

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| 153-2015 | Councilman Acosta  | Appoint School Crossing Guard                                   |
| 154-2015 | Councilman Penabad | Environmental Commission Clean Up Day                           |
| 155-2015 | Councilman Acosta  | Hire DPW Seasonal Employee                                      |
| 156-2015 | Councilman Penabad | Exceed Bid Threshold-Police Vehicles                            |
| 157-2015 | Councilman Penabad | Approve REA Collective Bargaining Agreement                     |
| 158-2015 | Councilman Acosta  | Adopt Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan |
| 159-2015 | Mayor Suarez       | Proclamation-Municipal Clerks Week                              |
| 160-2015 | Mayor Suarez       | Proclamation-Autism Awareness Month                             |
| 161-2015 | Mayor Suarez       | Proclamation-National Volunteer Week                            |

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

RESOLUTIONS:

162-2015 Councilman Penabad Warrants

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

**Coin Toss Request:**

RMHS Junior Class

June 13, 2015

Rain Date: June 14, 2015

COMMENTS BY COUNCILMEN:

COMMENTS BY CITIZENS: (All speakers are limited to five minutes maximum per meeting)

Agenda subject to change as a result of matters not known at time of printing with the consent of the Mayor and Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Mayor Suarez

BE IT RESOLVED, that the regular public meeting be adjourned, and that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield shall meet in a closed Executive Session following a five minute recess at the termination of this meeting. The purpose of the Executive Session shall be to discuss the following matters:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Personnel matters in various departments of the Borough.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pending and Potential Litigation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Court Litigation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Potential real estate transactions in which the Borough may engage.

<b>COUNCIL VOTE</b>				
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Mayor Suarez				

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as soon as practicable discussion concerning

- \_\_\_\_\_ Personnel matters
- \_\_\_\_\_ Potential real estate transactions shall be disclosed to the public.
- \_\_\_\_\_ And that discussions with the Borough Attorney concerning litigation shall be disclosed when said litigation is terminated.

Adjournment to Closed Session. The Mayor and Council reserve the right to reconvene into Public Session, if necessary, to take action on Closed Session items.

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2276

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that an Ordinance entitled

“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 293 TO BE ENTITLED LIGHTNING RISK EMERGENCIES AS FOLLOWS”

introduced on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015, do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and she is authorized and directed to publish once, the aforesaid title, together with a notice of the date of its passage on final reading and approval thereof in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

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Castelli				
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Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 13, 2015

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2276

“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW ARTICLE VI OF CHAPTER 293 TO BE  
ENTITLED LIGHTNING RISK EMERGENCIES AS FOLLOWS”

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield determines that lightning strikes constitute a danger to the general public, especially in open areas such as fields and places of recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to adopt a lightning safety policy to provide for the safety and security of the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield as follows:

Section I:

There is hereby established by and within the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield a new Article, being Article VI of Chapter 293, Parks, said Article to be entitled “Lightning Risk Emergencies” as follows:

Section 293-20. Adoption of Lightning Safety Policy.

(a) The Borough hereby adopts a lightning safety policy as follows:

Whenever the Borough determines that there is a substantial risk of lightning strikes in the area, the Borough may declare a lightning risk emergency. In the event of the declaration of a lightning risk emergency, no person may occupy, utilize or be in any Borough owned field, recreation area, park, playground, pool or other open area until such time as the Borough declares that the lightning strike emergency is over.

(b) Automatic Warning System: The Borough intends to implement an automatic warning system for lightning risk emergencies to operate between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. seven days per week. The automatic warning system will engage by warning siren and/or strobe, and the triggering of this system shall automatically constitute the declaration of a lightning risk emergency.

(c) Upon the declaration of a lightning strike emergency, all persons are encouraged to seek shelter in safe areas, such as enclosed buildings, fully enclosed metal vehicles with hard

metal roofs and windows up, and low ground areas as a last resort, such as ditches and/or the bottom of a hill, assuming a crouched position to minimize body area so as to not lie flat.

(d) Areas to be avoided in the event of a lightning risk emergency are open fields, metal bleachers, fences, umbrellas, flagpoles, light poles, tall trees and pools of standing water.

#### Section 293-21. Determination of Lightning Risk Emergency.

(a) The Borough hereby determines its right to declare a lightning risk emergency when the Borough has determined, through any and all means it deems sound and acceptable, that there is a substantial risk of lightning strikes.

(b) Upon determination of a lightning risk emergency, any and all activities within Borough parks and recreation facilities, including but not limited to, the Ridgefield Municipal Pool, all municipal fields, recreation areas, courts, playgrounds and other open areas shall cease until notice that the lightning risk emergency is declared abated.

(c) The triggering of the automatic warning system which the Borough intends to implement, by way of siren and/or strobe, shall automatically determine a lightning risk emergency.

(d) A lightning risk emergency will be declared automatically by the triggering of the lightning detection system or, may also be declared by the Chief of Police, his designee, or the Director of the Office of Emergency Management.

#### Section 293-22. Familiarity with Lightning Safety Policy.

The following persons shall receive a copy of the within ordinance and be asked to familiarize themselves with the policies as follows:

(a) Any person or persons seeking issuance of a field use permit;

(b) Any person or persons serving as Ridgefield Recreation coaches, umpires, referees, coordinators, and all R.B.A.O. coaches.

(c) Any umpire, coach, coordinator or adult in charge of any recreation activity taking place on Borough field, recreation area or other property.

#### Section 293-23. Violations and Penalties.

Any person or persons found guilty of violating the within ordinance shall be subject of a fine of not less than \$75, but not to exceed \$500. In addition, if the violator has received a license or permit for the use of Borough facilities, the license or permit may be revoked by the Mayor and Council.

Section II. Repealer.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to said inconsistencies and conflicts.

Section III. Severability.

If any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, and each section and subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section IV. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Section V: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

ORDINANCE NO. 2277

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that an Ordinance entitled

“A CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$41,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR REPAIR OF CRACKED ROOF TRUSSES AT RIDGEFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER”

introduced on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015, do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and she is authorized and directed to publish once, the aforesaid title, together with a notice of the date of its passage on final reading and approval thereof in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
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Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 13, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

ORDINANCE NO. 2277

“A CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$41,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR REPAIR OF CRACKED ROOF TRUSSES AT RIDGEFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER”

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section1. The Borough of Ridgefield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, authorizes Design Services for Repair of Cracked Roof Trusses at Ridgefield Community Center to be funded from the source specified in Section 2 of the Ordinance.

Section2. The amount of \$41,000.00 is hereby appropriated for the purposes stated in Section 1 of the Ordinance and which amount was funded from the Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$41,000.00.

Section3. In connection with the purpose and the amount authorized in Sections 1 and 2 hereof, the Borough determines the purpose described in Section 1 hereof is not a Current Expense and is an improvement which the Borough of Ridgefield may lawfully make as a general improvement.

Section4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

Section5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon due passage and publication according to law.

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 153-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that

DAVID TRUNZO

be appointed as a School Crossing Guard for the 2014-2015 school year at the hourly rate of \$12.90.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Castelli				
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 154-2015

WHEREAS, in year 2014 the Borough of Ridgefield successfully sponsored its Tenth Annual Cleanup Day; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission of the Borough of Ridgefield has recommended that the tradition of an annual cleanup day be continued in year 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wishes to recognize the initiative and hard work of the Environmental Commission; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the community that a Eleventh Annual Cleanup Day be scheduled in the year 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield as follows:

1. Saturday, May 9, 2015 be, and hereby is, declared to be the Eleventh Annual Cleanup Day in the Borough of Ridgefield, rain or shine.
2. The Environmental Commission will take the lead in implementing the cleanup day. It is envisioned that teams of volunteers will be scheduled to collect trash and recyclables from various public areas, that residents be encouraged to remove litter from their properties and curb areas in front of their homes, and that local businesses are encouraged to clean up their properties, including parking lots and other surrounding areas.
3. The Borough hereby encourages all of its residents to work together in connection with the goal of the cleanup day in order to become better stewards of the earth, and to take pride in the community by making Ridgefield clean and green.

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

**COUNCIL VOTE**

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 155-2015

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council that

KEITH OLSON

be hired as a DPW Seasonal Employee effective immediately.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 156-2015

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield has entered into a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the State of New Jersey, Division of Purchase and Property; and

WHEREAS, Winner Ford, was awarded a State Contract Number 82925 for Police Patrol Vehicles for the period October 25, 2012 through October 24, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2) contains a bid threshold of \$36,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this threshold may be exceeded by Resolution for municipalities that are members of Cooperative Purchasing Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield will exceed \$36,000.00 for the purchase of Police Patrol Vehicles in the Calendar Year 2015:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to contract for the purchase of Police Patrol Vehicles from Winner Ford, through the New Jersey State Contract not to exceed \$53,002.00 without public bidding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for said purchases are certified from the Acquisition of Police Vehicles line item in the CY 2015 Municipal Budget

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

<b>COUNCIL VOTE</b>				
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Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 157-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Ridgefield Employees Association as attached is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with the Ridgefield Employees Association.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 158-2015

WHEREAS the Borough of Ridgefield has experienced natural hazards that result in public safety hazards and damage to private and public property;

WHEREAS the hazard mitigation planning process set forth by the State of New Jersey and the Federal Emergency Management Agency offers the opportunity to consider natural hazards and risks, and to identify mitigation actions to reduce future risk;

WHEREAS the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management is providing federal mitigation funds to support development of the mitigation plan;

WHEREAS a *Hazard Mitigation Plan* has been developed by the Mitigation Planning Committee;

WHEREAS the *Hazard Mitigation Plan* includes a prioritized list of mitigation actions including activities that, over time, will help minimize and reduce safety threats and damage to private and public property, and

WHEREAS the draft plan was provided to each participating jurisdiction and was posted on the County Office of Emergency Management's website so as to introduce the planning concept and to solicit questions and comments; and to present the Plan and request comments, as required by law, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Ridgefield:

1. The Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency on April 13, 2015 by the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Name of Municipality; minor revisions recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and/or the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management may be incorporated without further action.
2. The Borough of Ridgefield departments identified in the Plan are hereby directed to pursue implementation of the recommended high priority activities that are assigned to their departments.

3. Any action proposed by the Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion of the Borough of Ridgefield, and this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any such appropriations.
4. The Emergency Management Coordinator is designated to coordinate with other offices and shall periodically report on the activities, accomplishments, and progress, and shall prepare an annual progress report to be submitted to the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management. The status reports shall be submitted on a yearly basis by a predetermined date as agreed upon by all stakeholders.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 159-2015

WHEREAS, the Office of the Municipal Clerk, a time honored and vital part of local government exists throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Municipal Clerk is the oldest among public servants; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Municipal Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk serves as the information center on functions of local government and community.

WHEREAS, Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their state, provincial, county and international professional organizations.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor of the Borough of Ridgefield, do recognize the week of May 3 through May 9, 2015 as Municipal Clerks Week, and further extend appreciation to our Municipal Clerk, Linda Silvestri, and to all Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

<b>COUNCIL VOTE</b>				
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Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 160-2015

WHEREAS, Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) represents a broad group of disorders that vary widely from mild to severe, and is characterized by difficulty with social interaction, communication, severely limited interests and repetitive behaviors; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) studies have indicated that New Jersey has among the highest autism prevalence rates in the country; and

WHEREAS, the life long nature of ASD and other developmental disabilities require a variety of types of assistance at different points in an individual's life; and

WHEREAS, a variety of public and private organizations and agencies strive to provide quality care, support, or services to children and adults with ASD to enable them to live as independently as possible and to reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, each organization has a role, in identifying, assessing, or supporting people with ASD and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor of the Borough of Ridgefield, do hereby proclaim April Autism Awareness Month in the Borough of Ridgefield, and encourage our residents to become educated and informed about, programs, services, and opportunities to support individuals with autism.

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

<b>COUNCIL VOTE</b>				
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Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 161-2015

WHEREAS, the entire community can inspire, equip and mobilize people to take action that changes the world; and

WHEREAS, volunteers can connect with local community service opportunities through hundreds of community service organizations; and

WHEREAS, individuals and communities are at the center of social change, discovering their power to make a difference; and

WHEREAS, the giving of oneself in service to another empowers the giver and the recipient; and

WHEREAS, experience teaches us that government by itself cannot solve all of our nation's social problems; and

WHEREAS, our country's volunteer force of more than 63 million is a great treasure; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive nation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor, do hereby proclaim

April 12-18, 2015 National Volunteer Week

in the Borough of Ridgefield and urge my fellow citizens to volunteer in their respective communities. By volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can come together to make a difference.

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

**COUNCIL VOTE**

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Mayor Suarez				

The undersigned, being the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, New Jersey, and the person charged with the responsibility of maintaining financial records of said Borough in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:4-57 and the rules of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey adopted thereunder, does hereby certify that there are adequate funds available for the payment of the attached list of invoices, duly adopted by said Borough, and which said list indicates the specific line item of said budget to which expenditures shall be charged.

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Frank Berardo,  
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 162-2015

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling **\$2,336,608.78**  
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$1,237,860.44
TRUST	\$504,738.33
CAPITAL	\$590,103.94
POOL	\$3,898.27
DOG	\$7.80
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,336,608.78</b>

COUNCIL VOTE

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Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk