

Public Session of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield was held on August 12, 2019 at 7:45 p.m. The meeting was held at the Ridgefield Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

Mayor Suarez stated that this meeting of the Mayor and Council is being conducted pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act; adequate notice of the meeting has been given by publishing notice in The Record. Furthermore, notice was posted in the Borough of Ridgefield Municipal Building.

Roll Call: Mayor Suarez, Councilman Castelli, Councilman Penabad, Councilman Shim, Councilman Jimenez, Councilman Kontolios, and Councilwoman Larkin are present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Mayor asked everyone to remain standing in memory of those that have passed away since the last meeting.

Citizens Comment on Agenda: NONE

Correspondence:

Letter from the Attorney General's Office in regards to OEM updates, letter from Senator Sarlo in regards to Route 46.

Approval of Minutes of July 22, 2019 Public Session Meeting - APPROVED

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2361 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE"

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

Public Hearing – No one came forward

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call:

Councilman Castelli	YES
Councilman Penabad	YES
Councilman Shim	YES
Councilman Jimenez	YES
Councilman Kontolios	YES
Councilwoman Larkin	YES

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2362 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 35 “FIRE DEPARTMENT” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call:

Councilman Castelli	YES
Councilman Penabad	YES
Councilman Shim	YES
Councilman Jimenez	YES
Councilman Kontolios	YES
Councilwoman Larkin	YES

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2363 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 29 “ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION” SUBSECTIONS 29-10 “COMMUNITY GARDENS” AND 29-11 “RIDGEFIELD NATURE CENTER” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call:

Councilman Castelli	YES
Councilman Penabad	YES
Councilman Shim	YES
Councilman Jimenez	YES
Councilman Kontolios	YES
Councilwoman Larkin	YES

CONSENT AGENDA:

219-2019	Councilman Jimenez	Corrective Action Plan
220-2019	Councilman Castelli	Municipal Alliance Grant Letter of Agreement
221-2019	Councilman Jimenez	Lien Redemption Cert 19-001
222-2019	Councilman Jimenez	Lien Redemption Cert 19-006
223-2019	Councilman Jimenez	Hire Temporary Employee –Sinclair
224-2019	Councilman Jimenez	Authorize Sale of Fire Engine Through Municibid
225-2019	Councilman Castelli	Amendment to Interlocal Services Agreement with Board of Education
226-2019	Councilman Shim	Developers Agreement-Jehovah’s Witnesses
227-2019	Councilman Castelli	Hire P/T DPW/Sanitation Employee-Lee
228-2019	Councilman Castelli	Appoint Special Police Officers
229-2019	Councilman Castelli	Appoint 2019/2020 School Crossing Guards

230-2019 Councilman Jimenez Notice of Intention to Award Contract Under the Houston-Galveston Area Counsel Procurement Service

Roll Call:

Councilman Castelli	YES	
Councilman Penabad	YES	
Councilman Shim	YES	
Councilman Jimenez	YES	
Councilman Kontolios	YES	
Councilwoman Larkin	YES	ABSTAIN 225

RESOLUTIONS:

231-2019 Councilman Jimenez Warrants

Roll Call:

Councilman Castelli	YES	
Councilman Penabad	YES	ABSTAIN 99176
Councilman Shim	YES	
Councilman Jimenez	YES	
Councilman Kontolios	YES	
Councilwoman Larkin	YES	ABSTAIN 99176

232-2019 Councilwoman Larkin Licensing Agreement with 730 Soccer Arena Inc.

Roll Call:

Councilman Castelli	YES	
Councilman Penabad	YES	
Councilman Shim	YES	
Councilman Jimenez	YES	
Councilman Kontolios	YES	
Councilwoman Larkin	YES	

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

The Mayor thanked the Police Department for Night Out Against Crime and stated it was a wonderful event.

The Mayor stated he would like to set up a meeting with the new Superintendent.

Application for a Raffles License:

Special Olympics New Jersey
Veterans Field
September 8, 2019 – 6 p.m.
50/50

APPROVED

COMMENTS BY COUNCILMEN:

Councilman Castelli wished everyone a good rest of the summer.

Councilman Kontolios thanked Councilman Jimenez and Councilwoman Larkin for attending the reopening of the Nature Center. He stated it is open to the public. He thanked Councilman Castelli for joining Company 2 when they gave the fire gear to Greece.

Councilman Shim stated the Korean government invited him to Korea.

Councilman Jimenez stated there were bad rumors about the Nature Center. He nominated the Mayor to be recognized at the League of Municipalities.

Councilwoman Larkin wished everyone a great rest of the summer. She stated the Last Splash will take place on September 7th and hopes everyone will be there.

COMMENTS BY CITIZENS: NONE

Meeting adjourned 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk