

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: February 8, 2010

Open Public Meetings Statement by
Mayor Suarez

Public Session to Adjourn to C.T.O.: 6:35 P.M.
Executive Session: Adjourn: 6:36 P.M.

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

Executive Session: 6:30 P.M. C.T.O.: 6:36 P.M.
Adjourn: 7:30 P.M.

Public Session: 7:30 P.M. C.T.O.: 7:35 P.M.
Adjourn: 8:40 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation: Reverend Donald P. Sheehan,
St. Matthews Church-NOT PRESENT

Citizens Comment on Agenda: None

Correspondence:

ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mayor Suarez	X	
Lonzisero	X	
Todd	X	
Vincenz	X	
Severino	X	
Castelli		X
Acosta		X

ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mayor Suarez	X	
Lonzisero	X	
Todd	X	
Vincenz	X	
Severino	X	
Castelli		X
Acosta		X

96-2010 Mayor Suarez Appointment of Chief of Police

Swearing in of Chief of Police

97-2010 Councilman Lonzisero Promotion of Special Police Officers

Swearing in of Special Police Sergeants

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2118 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” TO UPDATE AND ADD APPROPRIATE FINES”

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

Public Hearing

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

Roll Call

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2119 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1661 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE FIXING FEES FOR PROGRAMS OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT”

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

Public Hearing

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

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2120 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 13 “CLAIMS” ARTICLE I “GENERAL PROVISIONS” SECTION 13-8 “PREPARATION OF CHECKS; SIGNING; DISTRIBUTION”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2121 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 355 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ENTITLED PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2122 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1661 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE FIXING FEES FOR PROGRAMS OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2123 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 390 “ZONING, DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION” SECTION 390-240.1 “WORK BY UTILITY COMPANIES” TO REQUIRE PERMITS”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA:

	Motion:	Second:
98-2010	Councilman Vincentz	Extend Due Date for Payment of Taxes
100-2010	Councilman Vincentz	Authorize 2010 Municipal Alliance Grant Application
101-2010	Mayor Suarez	Proclamation-Read Across America-NJ
102-2010	Councilman Vincentz	Authorize Grant Agreement with NJDEP-2009 Business Stimulus Fund Grant
104-2010	Councilman Vincentz	Salary Increase-M. Handschin

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Severino				
Castelli				
Acosta				
Mayor Suarez				

RESOLUTIONS:

99-2010 Councilman Vincentz Professional Service Agreement-Borough Attorney

103-2010	Councilman Vincentz	Professional Service Agreement-Tax Appeal Attorney
105-2010	Councilman Vincentz	Warrants
106-2010	Mayor Suarez	Oppose S-82
107-2010	Mayor & Council	Proclamation-Dating Violence Awareness & Prevention Month

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

Raffles License Application:

Special Olympics New Jersey 725 Slocum Avenue 50/50 April 16, 2010 – 5:30-11:00 pm	APPROVED
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Ridgefield Music Parents 555 Chestnut Street 50/50 May 6, 2010 – 7:30-11:00 pm	APPROVED
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Ridgefield Music Parents 555 Chestnut Street 50/50 May 19, 2010 – 7:30-11:00 pm	APPROVED
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St. Vartanantz Armenian Church 461 Bergen Boulevard Calendar Raffle April 4-June 20, 2010 – 1:00 pm	APPROVED
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St. Matthews Church 555 Prospect Avenue 50/50 February 28, 2010 – 1:15 pm	APPROVED
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St. Matthews Church 555 Prospect Avenue 50/50 March 28, 2010 – 1:15 pm	APPROVED
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Application for Special Permit for Social Affair:

Ridgefield PBA Local #330
725 Slocum Avenue
April 16, 2010 – 7:00-11:00 pm

APPROVED

Ridgefield Lions Club
725 Slocum Avenue
March 6, 2010 – 6:45-11:30 pm

APPROVED

COMMENTS BY COUNCILMEN:

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATOR:

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. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Mayor Anthony R. 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.

COUNCIL VOTE				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzifero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincenz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
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:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 96-2010

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor, with the consent of the Council, appoints

THOMAS GALLAGHER

as Chief of Police of the Ridgefield Police Department effective immediately.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

RESOLUTION NO. 97-2010

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended that several promotions be made within the Special Police ranks; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended that Special Police Officer Berger be promoted to Special Sergeant and Special Police Officer Fugnitti be promoted to Special Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, the Police Committee of the Mayor and Council has recommended to the Mayor and Council that those promotions be made;

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

1. Special Police Officer Daniel Berger be and hereby is promoted to the rank of Special Sergeant effective February 8, 2010.
2. Special Police Officer Daniel Fugnitti be and hereby is promoted to the rank of Special Sergeant effective February 8, 2010.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Lonisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2118

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” TO UPDATE AND ADD APPROPRIATE FINES”

introduced on the 25^h day of January, 2010 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
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting January 25, 2010

Presented by Councilman Lonisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2118

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 “VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC” TO UPDATE AND ADD APPROPRIATE FINES”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, being the governing body thereof, that Chapter 375 “Vehicles and Traffic”, of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

§ 375-5 No parking areas.

A. Parking is hereby prohibited on streets or parts thereof in the Borough of Ridgefield as follows:

...

(7) Reserved.

...

§ 375-8 Violations and penalties.

Any person found guilty of violating this article of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield shall be subject to a fine of \$28.00, subject to the discretion of the Judge. Due consideration shall be given to scheduled mandatory fines for comparable motor vehicle offenses pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:1-1 et seq.

§ 375-13 Vehicle operation.

No person shall operate a vehicle in the parking spaces maintained by the Borough of Ridgefield at the Municipal Building or the Board of Education Building except in the direction officially designated for the movement of traffic thereupon by appropriate signs and markings. Any person found guilty of violating this article shall be subject to a fine of \$45.00.

§ 375-14 Violations and penalties.

Notwithstanding the penalty listed in § 375-13, any person found guilty of violating this article of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield shall be subject to a fine of \$28.00, subject to the discretion of the Judge. Due consideration shall be given to scheduled mandatory fines for comparable motor vehicle offenses pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:1-1 et seq.

§ 375-19 Violations and penalties.

Any person found guilty of violating this article of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield shall be subject to a fine of \$28.00, subject to the discretion of the Judge. Due consideration shall be given to scheduled mandatory fines for comparable motor vehicle offenses pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:1-1 et seq.

§ 375-24 Violations and penalties.

A. Any person found guilty of violating this article of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield shall be subject to a fine of \$60.00, subject to the discretion of the Judge.

B. In the event of a continuing violation, each day shall constitute a separate offense.

§ 375-46 Violations and penalties.

Notwithstanding the penalty listed in § 375-43, any person found guilty of violating this article of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield shall be subject to a fine of \$28.00, subject to the discretion of the Judge. Due consideration shall be given to scheduled mandatory fines for comparable motor vehicle offenses pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:1-1 et seq.

§ 375-53 Violations and penalties.

Any person found guilty of violating this article of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield shall be subject to a fine of \$250.00, subject to the discretion of the Judge. Due consideration shall be given to scheduled mandatory fines for comparable motor vehicle offenses pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:1-1 et seq.

§ 375-56 Pavement markings.

No person shall park a vehicle in the parking place maintained by the Borough of Ridgefield at the Borough-owned property commonly known as the "Ridgefield Community Center" at any place other than in the spaces marked by appropriate lines on the pavement and shall keep all wheels of said vehicle within the area outlined by said lines. Any person found guilty of violating this article shall be subject to a fine of \$28.00.

§ 375-58 Violations and penalties.

Notwithstanding the penalty listed in § 375-56, any person found guilty of violating this article of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield shall be subject to a fine of \$45.00, subject to the discretion of the Judge. Due consideration shall be given to scheduled mandatory fines for comparable motor vehicle offenses pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:1-1 et seq.

§ 375-67 Violations and penalties.

A. Any vehicle parked on a street posted "Permit Parking Only" without a valid resident permit, visitor permit or business permit shall be subject to a parking fine of \$45.00 for each part of a twenty-four-hour period that said vehicle is parked in violation of this article. Persons in possession of visitor permits or business permits who misuse them are subject to revocation of the permit for up to one year and a fine of up to \$100.

B. Residents who park and are ticketed due to the resident's failure to display the proper parking sticker issued in accordance with Subsection D of § 375-61 herein are entitled to a one-time exemption of the fine set forth in § 375-67A, in the discretion of the Court, upon proof submitted to the Municipal Court of residency within the Borough at the time the ticket was issued. "Proof of residency" for purposes of this subsection shall be acceptable proof as determined within § 375-61D(2) herein. The aforementioned exemption shall apply one time, and any subsequent offenders will be fined accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2119

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1661 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE FIXING FEES FOR PROGRAMS OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT”

introduced on the 25^h day of January, 2010 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
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting January 25, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2119

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1661 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE
FIXING FEES FOR PROGRAMS OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that in the event a non-sport recreation program has not reached its full capacity, non-residents shall be allowed to participate in said program at the rate of 1 ½ times that of a resident with the exception of the Summer Playground and Rainy Day Camp programs.

Section II. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2120

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 13 “CLAIMS”
ARTICLE I “GENERAL PROVISIONS” SECTION 13-8 “PREPARATION OF CHECKS;
SIGNING; DISTRIBUTION”

introduced on the 8th of February, 2010, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a regular meeting to be held on the 25th day of February, 2010 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, in the Borough of Ridgefield, and that at such time and place, all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield said Ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading, and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2120

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 13 “CLAIMS”
ARTICLE I “GENERAL PROVISIONS” SECTION 13-8 “PREPARATION OF CHECKS;
SIGNING; DISTRIBUTION”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, being the governing body thereof, that Chapter 13 “Claims” Article I “General Provisions” Section 13-8 “Preparation of checks; signing; distribution” is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

§ 13-8 Preparation of checks; signing; distribution

After the Clerk has certified that the claims have been approved, the Clerk shall prepare the necessary checks for the payment thereof, which said checks shall be signed by the Mayor and the Borough Clerk and thereafter countersigned by the Treasurer or other Chief Financial Officer. In the event that the Mayor elects not to sign the checks or is not immediately available to provide a signature, the Council President shall sign in his place. After preparing checks for the payment of claims the Clerk shall record them in a proper book of account and thereafter mail or otherwise distribute the checks to the claimants. In the event of the absence of any of the above-named officials, those duly authorized by law to act in their absence shall sign the necessary checks.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2121

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 355 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ENTITLED PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS”

introduced on the 8th of February, 2010, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a regular meeting to be held on the 25th day of February, 2010 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, in the Borough of Ridgefield, and that at such time and place, all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield said Ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading, and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2121

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 355 OF THE CODE OF THE
BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ENTITLED PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS”

Section I: Section 355-22 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, entitled Fees, be and hereby is amended by making the changes set forth below:

SECTION 355-22 "FEES" shall be amended as follows:

	<u>Discount Period</u> <u>3/29/10-5/15/10</u>		<u>Regular Season</u> <u>5/16/10-9/6/10</u>
Family (Husband, Wife & unmarried children under 22	\$270.00	Family (Husband, Wife & unmarried children under 22)	\$300.00
Husband & Wife	\$240.00	Husband & Wife	\$270.00
Head of Household (Widow, Widower, Divorced, 1 Child \$15 per Additional Child	\$240.00	Head of Household (Widow, Widower, Divorced, 1 Child \$15 per Additional Child	\$270.00
Individual	\$170.00	Individual	\$195.00
Senior Citizen (62 or older)	\$ 95.00	Senior Citizen (62 or older)	\$120.00
Senior Citizen Husband & Wife	\$170.00	Senior Citizen Husband & Wife	\$220.00

A limited number of Non-Residents will be accepted into the Community Swimming Pool subject to being sponsored by a Resident Swim Pool Member. Resident pool members may only sponsor 1 non-resident pool membership per family. Rates will be as follows:

	<u>Discount Period</u> <u>3/29/10-5/15/10</u>		<u>Regular Season</u> <u>5/16/10-9/6/10</u>
Family (Husband, Wife & unmarried children under 22	\$495.00	Family (Husband, Wife & unmarried children under 22)	\$510.00
Husband & Wife	\$455.00	Husband & Wife	\$485.00
Head of Household (Widow,		Head of Household (Widow,	

Widower, Divorced, 1 Child \$15 per Additional Child	\$455.00	Widower, Divorced, 1 Child \$15 per Additional Child	\$485.00
Individual	\$275.00	Individual	\$295.00
Senior Citizen (62 or older)	\$225.00	Senior Citizen (62 or older)	\$240.00

Fees for non-resident Borough employees will be \$10.00 more than the current category pool Resident rate. Fees for non-resident volunteer members of the Ridgefield Fire Department or Ridgefield Ambulance Corps. will be the same as the Resident rate. Active military individuals who are residents of the Borough of Ridgefield and are home on leave can utilize the pool facilities at no fee with proof of active military id.

Swim Lessons will be offered on a limited basis at the following rates:

Resident Swim Pool Member \$20.00 for the first child and \$10.00 for each additional child
Resident Non-Pool Member \$50.00 for the first child and \$40.00 for each additional child
Non-Resident Swim Pool Member \$50.00 for the first child and \$40.00 for each additional child

Section II: Section 355-28.1 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, entitled Administration/Responsibilities, be and hereby is amended by making the changes set forth below:

SECTION 355-28.1 "ADMINISTRATION/RESPONSIBILITIES" shall be amended by adding the following language to B:

The Pool Director has the authority to advertise for pool membership when deemed necessary.

Section III: In all other respects, the terms and provisions of Article II of Chapter 355 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield are hereby ratified and affirmed.

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

Section V: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2122

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introduced on the 8th of February, 2010, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a regular meeting to be held on the 25th day of February, 2010 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, in the Borough of Ridgefield, and that at such time and place, all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield said Ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading, and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2122

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1661 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE
FIXING FEES FOR PROGRAMS OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that fee for
the following programs by and within the Borough be amended as follows:

Summer Camp (K-8 th grade)	\$80.00
Rainy Day Camp	\$60.00

In the event the Summer Camp Program has not reached its full capacity, Non-Residents
shall be allowed to participate in said program at the following fees:

Summer Camp (K-8 th grade) Non-Resident	\$200.00
Rainy Day Camp Non-Resident	\$60.00

Section II. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to
law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

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COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Todd

ORDINANCE NO. 2123

“AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 390 “ZONING, DEVELOPMENT AND
CONSTRUCTION” SECTION 390-240.1 “WORK BY UTILITY COMPANIES” TO
REQUIRE PERMITS”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, being the governing body thereof, that Chapter 390 “Zoning, Development and Construction” Section 390-240.1 “Work by utility companies” is hereby added as follows:

§ 390-240.1. Work by utility companies.

A) Permit required:

(1) No Utility Company or its agents, representatives, contractors and subcontractors shall prune or perform any other work whatsoever on any Borough owned tree for the purpose of line clearance, except in -non-emergency situations, (subject to Notification requirements set forth in Subsection A (2) hereinbelow), without first obtaining from the Office of the Building Code Enforcement Official a permit therefore. (See Subsection C violation and penalty hereof.)

(2) Any Utility Company or its agents may undertake emergency tree work to restore electrical service to prevent interruption of electrical, telephone, telegraph, cable television or other wire services. In such event, the utility shall notify Office of the Building Code Enforcement Official of said work within three (3) business days of its beginning or as soon as practically possible ("Notification").

(3) Such Notification shall be in writing and contain the location, by street address of any Borough tree that emergency tree work was performed.

B) Application for permit:

(1) Permit Procedure:

a. At least Seventy-Two (72) hours prior to the start of work in non emergency situations the Utility Company or its agents, representatives, contractors or subcontractors shall apply for .a Utility Company Pruning Permit from the Office of the Building Code Enforcement Official.

- b. Upon completion of the permit application the trees will be inspected by the Environmental Commission and/or the Borough Consulting Arborist/Certified Tree Expert.
- c. All pruning will be done in accordance with the pruning standards for Shade Trees as established by the "Best Management Practices - Utility Pruning of Trees" ANSI A300 Standard.
- d. No work may start until permit is approved and returned to the applicant and a meeting with a tree crew supervisor is conducted by the Environmental Commission and/or the Borough Consulting Arborist/Certified Tree Expert.
- e. In the event that an Environmental Commission member is not available, the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works (DPW) may approve this permit as outlined above.
- f. The Environmental Commission and/or the Borough Consulting Arborist/Certified Tree Expert may inspect the trees during and after the pruning.

C) Violations and penalties:

Any person violating any provision of this article or who fails to comply with the terms and provisions of any permit issued pursuant will result in the permit revocation, and shall, upon a conviction of this Section, be liable for a fine not to exceed \$1,500.00. Each day that a violation shall continue shall constitute a separate offense. For the purposes of this Section a person shall include a company, partnership or limited liability company of this state or any other jurisdiction.

Fines levied and recovered for noncompliance with any and all provisions of this Section shall be transmitted by the Court Clerk within 48 hours after the receipt thereof to the Collector of Taxes, who shall deposit all such funds within 48 hours after the receipt thereof to the credit of the Environmental Commission in its designated Shade Tree Fund account.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 98-2010

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54.4-67 permits the Mayor and Council of each municipality to fix the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes on or before the date when they would become delinquent; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield set forth said interest rate by Resolution 46-2010 at their January 7, 2010 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield was unable to mail its 1st Half 2010 property tax bills on or before December 1st as required by N.J.S.A. 54:4-66 due to a delay in the approval of the SFY2009/2010 municipal budget; and

WHEREAS, this delay will result in the late mailing of the 1st Half 2010 tax bills to Borough property owners;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the interest rate for the nonpayment of 1st Quarter 2010 property taxes shall be fixed at zero (0%) percent until March 1, 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if payment of the 1st Quarter 2010 property tax is not made on or before March 1, 2010, the time period set forth above, then the interest rate for nonpayment of the 1st Quarter 2010 property tax shall revert back to the original interest rate established in Resolution 46-2010 and shall be charged from the statutory payment date for 1st Quarter property taxes of February 1, 2010.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 99-2010

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield required the services of a Borough Attorney to undertake certain general legal services for the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the need for such specified professional services to be rendered or performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, is regulated by law within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., as amended; and

WHEREAS, the performance of such professional services requires knowledge of an advanced type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized training study, as distinguished from general academic instruction or apprenticeship and training; and

WHEREAS, said professional services cannot reasonably be described by written specifications; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield issued Requests for Qualifications for the services of an attorney to serve as Borough Attorney to be appointed as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq. and received responses thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Ridgefield determined and certified in writing that the value of the contract may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose and a Certificate of Availability has been filed by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Ridgefield with the Borough Clerk in accordance with the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-57 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.2; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 1-2010 Douglas F. Doyle, Esq. of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP was appointed as Borough Attorney for the calendar year 2010 pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in a professional services agreement which provided for a retainer fee of \$45,600.00 for the drafting of ordinances, resolutions, contracts and for contract review, drafting and review of bid specifications and for attendance at Borough Council Meetings and further provided for an hourly fee of \$100.00 for work performed by the Borough Attorney for unique and special services as may be requested by the Borough from time to time; and

WHEREAS, such appointment for Borough Attorney was made as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.1 et seq. by the Borough of Ridgefield; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A., 40A:11-1, et seq., as amended, Resolution 1-2010 was duly publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A., 40A:11-1, et seq., as amended, this Resolution must be publicly advertised.

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

1. The Borough Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, hereby authorizes and approves the Professional Services Contract to Douglas F. Doyle, Esq. of the firm of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, which Contract was appointed pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq., as Borough Attorney, in accordance with the terms of the Contract for Professional Services attached hereto; and

2. The Borough Administrator and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute, seal and deliver said attached Contract for Professional Services on behalf of and in the name of the Borough of Ridgefield; and

3. That the Determination of Value shall be placed on file with this Resolution; and

4. That a copy a Notice of this Resolution shall be published as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincenz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

**CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH
BOROUGH ATTORNEY**

THIS IS A CONTRACT for professional services by and between the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereinafter the "**BOROUGH**", and Douglas F. Doyle, Esq., of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, having offices at 500 Frank W. Burr Boulevard, Suite 31, Glenpointe Centre West, Teaneck, New Jersey, hereinafter the "**ATTORNEY**".

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield have appointed Douglas F. Doyle, Esq. as Borough Attorney for the calendar year 2010; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, the Mayor and Council have authorized the Mayor and Borough Clerk to enter into an Agreement with the **ATTORNEY** for professional services as Borough Attorney without competitive bid; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and appropriate that the parties enter into a formal contract to memorialize the rights, duties and obligations of the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED by and between the parties, in consideration for the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, as follows:

1. **ENGAGEMENT**: The **BOROUGH** hereby engages the **ATTORNEY** to serve as Borough Attorney for the calendar year 2010, or until his successor qualifies. The **ATTORNEY** hereby accepts such engagement and agrees to provide the services required under this Agreement.

2. **SCOPE OF SERVICES**: The **ATTORNEY** shall perform all appropriate legal services for the **BOROUGH**, including all matters which, in the reasonable opinion of the Mayor and Council, should be referred to the **ATTORNEY** and all matters which, by law, and/or tradition, should be referred to and handled by the **ATTORNEY**, including but not limited to all litigation and attendance at all regularly scheduled meetings of the Mayor and Council.

3. **PAYMENT FOR SERVICES**: The **BOROUGH** agrees to pay to the **ATTORNEY** for services rendered pursuant to this Agreement, the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$45,600.00) per annum payable bi-weekly or in other regular installments,.

4. **UNIQUE OR SPECIAL SERVICES**: Services of a unique or special nature or character, to be rendered by the **ATTORNEY**, shall require special compensation beyond that specified in Paragraph 3 above. Specifically, the following services which may or may not relate to litigation, including but not limited to litigation in the United States District Court, United States Court of Appeals, United States Supreme Court, Superior Court of the State of New Jersey, Appellate Division of the Superior Court of New Jersey or the New Jersey Supreme

Court, BCUA or Department of Environmental Protection or any other State of Federal Administrative agency, Municipal tax issues, Labor matters and advice, the issues before the Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC), Board of Health, land use issues including redevelopment and any derivative thereof, violation of ordinances and drafting of unique or non-routine ordinances, Labor and/or any Contractual issue(s) are deemed to be services of a unique or special nature or character under this Agreement. In the event that unique or special services are to be rendered by the **ATTORNEY** to the **BOROUGH**, the **ATTORNEY** shall be remunerated for these services at an hourly fee of One Hundred Dollars and no/100 (\$100.00) per hour.

5. INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS:

A. The parties to this Agreement agree to incorporate into same the mandatory language of Subsection 3.4(a) of the Regulations promulgated by the Department of the Treasury, pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time, and the **ATTORNEY** agrees to fully comply with the terms, provisions and obligations of said regulation, provided that said Subsection shall be applied subject to the terms of Subsection 3.4(d) of said regulations.

B. The parties to this Agreement agree to incorporate into same the mandatory language of Section 5.3 of the Regulations promulgated by the Department of the Treasury pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time and the **ATTORNEY** agrees to comply fully with the terms, provisions and obligations of said regulation.

6. Pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27), during the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

A. The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this non-discrimination clause.

B. The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation.

C. The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

D. The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with the regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time and the **Americans with Disabilities Act**.

E. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to attempt in good faith to employ minority and female workers consistent with the applicable county employment goals prescribed by N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time or in accordance with a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Affirmative Action Office pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

F. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing appropriate recruitment agencies in the area, including employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

G. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

H. The contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation, and conform with the applicable employment goals, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

I. The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Affirmative Action Office as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Affirmative Action Office for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 17:27), as may hereinafter be amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands and seals on the day and year affixed next to their respective signatures.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

Linda Prina
Borough Clerk

Gary Bonacci
Business Administrator

Date:

Date:

WITNESS:

Douglas F. Doyle, Esq.
DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP

Date:

Date:

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 100-2010

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield further recognizes that it is incumbent upon only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Bergen;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield recognize the following:

1. The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield does hereby authorize submission of an application for the Borough of Ridgefield Municipal Alliance grant for calendar year 2010 in the amount of \$10,356.00.
2. The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Mayor Suarez

Proclamation
RESOLUTION NO. 101-2010

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Borough of Ridgefield stand firmly committed to promoting reading as the catalyst for our students' future academic success, their preparation for America's jobs of the future, and their ability to compete in a global economy; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council has provided significant leadership in the area of community involvement in the education of our youth, grounded in the principle that educational investment is the key to the community's well-being and long-term quality of life; and

WHEREAS, NEA's Read Across America, a national celebration of reading, will be conducted on March 2, 2010, which would have been the 106th birthday of Theodor Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss; and

WHEREAS, Read Across America-NJ is being conducted statewide by the New Jersey Education Association, in partnership with the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Library Association, and their local affiliates across the state to promote reading and adult involvement in the education of our community's students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council calls on the citizens of the Borough of Ridgefield to assure that every child is in a safe place reading together with a caring adult on March 2, 2010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield enthusiastically endorses NEA's Read Across America and Read Across America-NJ and recommits our community to engage in programs and activities to make America's children the best readers in the world.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Prina, Acting Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 102-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Mayor Anthony R. Suarez be and hereby authorized to execute a Grant Agreement between the Borough of Ridgefield and the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$7,000.00 for 2009 Business Stimulus Fund Grant #PF10-194, tree planting.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 103-2010

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the attached Professional Service Agreement for Tax Appeal Counsel is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said Professional Service Agreement.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 104-2010

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Michael Handschin, Director of Office of Emergency Management be given a 3.5% salary increase effective January 1, 2010.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

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.

Joseph Luppino,
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 105-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling \$3,431,091.55
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$3,370,038.42
TRUST	\$19,802.93
CAPITAL	\$40,848.72
POOL	\$382.48
UNEMPLOYMENT FUND	\$19.00
TOTAL	\$3,431,091.55

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 106-2010

WHEREAS, S-82 and A-437 are intended to modify the “time of decision” rule, which currently allows municipalities to change the zoning regulations during the pendency of an application for development; and

WHEREAS, the bills would deem as complete the ordinances in effect at the time of an application and shall govern the review of that application, and any decision made following upon that review;

WHEREAS, “the time of decision rule” is a judicially recognized principal that decisions are to be made on the basis of laws, ordinances and regulations in effect at the time the decision is rendered not upon application; and

WHEREAS, courts have applied the “time of decision rule” to correct errors in zoning ordinances, thus giving local legislators the opportunity to correct legislative policy that had been found to be imperfectly expressed; and

WHEREAS, the “time of decision rule” has permitted a municipality to give additional legislative consideration to serious and substantial land use planning concerns that, for whatever reason, had not been previously addressed in the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, application and zoning changes require public discussion and hearings, and S-82/A-437 would permit developers to “beat the clock” by filing applications and freezing the ability of local officials to act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield in the County of Bergen in the State of New Jersey hereby urges our State Legislators to oppose A-4 and S-82, and any legislation which would eliminate the “time of decision” rule at the local level; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Senator Robert M. Gordon, Assemblywoman Joan M. Voss, Assemblywoman Connie Wagner, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities and the Office of the Governor.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincentz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Prina,
Acting Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 8, 2010

Presented by Mayor and Council

Proclamation
RESOLUTION NO. 107-2010

WHEREAS, dating violence is a reality for many youth, and an issue that many parents are unaware of; and

WHEREAS, 1 in 3 young people are affected by physical, sexual, or verbal dating violence, with 1 in 5 in a serious relationship reporting having been slapped, pushed, hit, threatened or coerced by a partner, and breakups can be a time of even greater risk even when a relationship was never physically abusive; and

WHEREAS, young people can choose better relationships when they understand that healthy relationships are based on respect and learn to identify early warning signs of an abusive relationship; and

WHEREAS, elimination of dating violence must be achieved through cooperation of individuals, organizations, and communities; and,

WHEREAS, Dating Violence Awareness & Prevention Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing dating violence and to show support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council do hereby proclaim the month of February, 2010, as Dating Violence Awareness & Prevention Month in the Borough of Ridgefield.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Prina, Acting Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzifero	X			
Todd	X			
Vincenz	X			
Severino	X			
Castelli				X
Acosta				X
Mayor Suarez				