

**PUBLIC MEETING  
MINUTES**

The Public Meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in Council Chambers and called to order at 7:31PM. Adequate notification was published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Montvale. Master Sergeant Dieter Koelling led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and roll call was taken.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT**

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to The Bergen Record informing the public of the time and place according to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

Also Present: Mayor Mike Ghassali; Borough Attorney, Dave Lafferty; Administrator, Joe Voytus; Municipal Clerk, Fran Scordo

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilmember Arendacs  
Councilmember Cudequest  
Councilmember Koelling

Councilmember Lane - absent  
Councilmember Roche - absent  
Councilmember Russo-Vogelsang

**PROCLAMATION:**

Honoring January as Muslim Heritage Month

**ORDINANCES:**

None

**MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC:**

Agenda Items Only

*Motion to open meeting to the public by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling – all ayes*

No Public Comment

*Motion to close meeting to the public by Councilmember Koelling; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest – all ayes*

**MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC:**

Agenda Items Only

**MINUTES:**

**December 14, 2023**

*A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling – all ayes*

**December 29, 2023**

*A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling – all ayes*

**Sine Die January 1, 2024**

*A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Koelling; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - all ayes*

**Re-Organization January 1, 2024**

*A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling – all ayes*

**Budget Meeting January 8, 2024**

*A motion to accept minutes by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling – all ayes*

**CLOSED/EXECUTIVE MINUTES:**

None

**RESOLUTIONS: (CONSENT AGENDA\*)**

\*All items listed on a consent agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Borough Council and will be approved by a motion, seconded and a roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member(s) so request it, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

**44-2024 Mutual Aid Plan & Rapid Deployment Force Interlocal Service Agreement**

**WHEREAS**, the police departments in Bergen County have a day-to-day responsibility to provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order; and

**WHEREAS**, Law Enforcement Officials also have a responsibility to provide for preparedness against natural emergencies, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, major storms, etc., manmade causes, civil unrest, and civil disobedience such as riots, strikes, jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, ethnic disorders, riots, terrorist incidents and bombings, state and national emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association has proposed a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force to deal with these emergencies; and,

**WHEREAS**, this Plan is adopted in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.4 AND N.J.S.A. App A:9-40.6; and

**WHEREAS**, this Plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of an emergency, riot or disorder, in order to protect life and property; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale to participate in a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force in accordance with the plan submitted by the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale that the Police Department of the Borough of Montvale, under the direction of the Chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chiefs Association to create an Interlocal Services Agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen in order to put into place the Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Board of County Commissioners, the County Prosecutor, the County Chief of Police, and all Bergen County Municipalities.

**45-2024 A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Shared Service Agreement with the County of Bergen for Tree Removal Along County Roads**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Bergen, as part of the County's concept of providing shared services to local municipalities, cooperates with municipalities in removing dead or dying trees located within the public right-of-way along County roadways; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to aid Bergen County Municipalities in the removal of dead or dying trees, municipalities may send a written request under the County's tree removal program, and the County will determine if the requested tree falls within its removal criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, the County now requires that each municipality execute a Shared Service Agreement with the County concerning such services, which will cover a period of five (5) years; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to expedite such work, the Borough Council is desirous of authorizing the execution of a Shared Service Agreement with the County of Bergen.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body does hereby direct, authorize and empower the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute a Shared Service Agreement with the County of Bergen to facilitate the County removing dead or dying trees located in the public right-of-way along a County Road.

**46-2024 Authorize Release of Escrow – Jason Fraler – 13 Flintlock Road, Block 1301 – Lot 24.09**

**WHEREAS**, Jason Fraler has requested release of escrow posted for 13 Flintlock Road, Block 1301, Lot 24.09; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Engineer and other Borough professionals take no exception to the release; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale hereby release escrow to Jason Fraler in the amount of \$747.75; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Treasurer shall receive a copy of this resolution for processing.

**47-2024 Amending Resolution No. 231-2023 To Establish Recreational Fees for Year 2024**

**WHEREAS**, The Recreation Department hereby establishes the programs, times and fees for various programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Recreation Director has recommended that the following fees, programs, and times be revised as described; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale that the following fees and programs and services be and are hereby established

**TIME SCHEDULE FOR PICKLEBALL COURTS:**

Weekdays and Weekends:

8:00AM - Dusk

| <u>Program Name</u>           | <u>Session Length</u> | <u>Resident Fee</u> | <u>Non-Resident Fee</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>30+ Basketball</b>         | Sept-May              | \$75                | \$95                    |
|                               | Jan-May               | \$40                | \$60                    |
| <b>Adult Soccer</b>           | 10 weeks              | \$15                | \$20                    |
| <b>Golf Instruction</b>       | 6 weeks               | \$115               | \$135                   |
|                               | 8 weeks               | \$150               | \$170                   |
| <b>Pickleball Instruction</b> | 6 weeks               | \$120               | \$140                   |
|                               | 8 weeks               | \$160               | \$180                   |

**BOROUGH OF MONTVALE**
**JANUARY 11, 2024**

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| <b>Summer Camp: Grades 1-5</b>                                                                | 4 weeks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$450 per child<br>\$1350 family max  | \$500 per child<br>\$1500 family max |
| <b>Adventure Camp: Grades 6-7</b>                                                             | 4 weeks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$550 per child                       | \$610 per child                      |
| <b>Summer Camp Resident/Non-Resident</b>                                                      | \$30 Additional Fee after Registration Period. \$25 late charge for every 15 minutes a child is left under care after camp dismissal. Payment shall be made directly to the Camp Director or Asst. Director and turned over to the Borough of Montvale. Camp financial assistance fee amounts will be at the discretion of the Recreation Director. |                                       |                                      |
| <b><u>Program Name</u></b>                                                                    | <b><u>Session Length</u></b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b><u>Resident Fee</u></b>            | <b><u>Non-Resident Fee</u></b>       |
| <b>Extended Day Multisport Camp by TGA</b><br>During Summer Camp Weeks Only                   | 1 week (2:30-6:30pm)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | \$220                                 | \$250                                |
| <b>Multisport Camp by TGA</b><br>After Summer Camp Weeks Conclude and/or During School Breaks | 1 week (Half Day)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | \$245                                 | \$255                                |
|                                                                                               | 1 week (Full Day)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | \$295                                 | \$305                                |
|                                                                                               | 1 week (Full Day + After Care)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | \$375                                 | \$395                                |
| <b>The Way- The Art of Life</b>                                                               | 8 weeks (@ 2 classes per week)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | \$120                                 | \$180                                |
| <b>Tai Chi</b>                                                                                | 8 weeks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$80                                  | \$100                                |
| <b>Montvale Senior Club Tai Chi Discount:</b>                                                 | 8 weeks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$40                                  | \$40                                 |
| <b>Tennis Lessons</b>                                                                         | 6 weeks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$120                                 | \$150                                |
|                                                                                               | 8 weeks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$160                                 | \$200                                |
| <b>Tennis Badges</b>                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                       |                                      |
| Adult (Ages 18-61)                                                                            | March-December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | \$30                                  | \$60                                 |
| Child (Ages 17 & Younger)                                                                     | March-December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | \$10                                  | \$20                                 |
| Family Max                                                                                    | March-December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | \$50                                  | \$100                                |
| Seniors (Ages 62 & Up)                                                                        | March-December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Free                                  | \$10                                 |
|                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | \$10 Fee for Replacement Tennis Badge |                                      |
| <b>Basketball Badges</b>                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                       |                                      |
| Adult (Ages 18-61)                                                                            | Residents: Lifetime<br>Non-Residents: January-December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Free                                  | \$25                                 |

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| Child (Ages 17 & Younger)      | Residents: Lifetime<br>Non-Residents: January-December | Free                                     | \$15  |
| Seniors (Ages 62 & Older)      | Residents: Lifetime<br>Non-Residents: January-December | Free                                     | \$10  |
|                                |                                                        | \$5 Fee for Replacement Basketball Badge |       |
| <b>Pickleball Badges</b>       |                                                        |                                          |       |
| Adult (Ages 18-61)             | Residents: Lifetime<br>Non-Residents: January-December | Free                                     | \$25  |
| Child (Ages 17 & Younger)      | Residents: Lifetime<br>Non-Residents: January-December | Free                                     | \$15  |
| Seniors (Ages 62 & Older)      | Residents: Lifetime<br>Non-Residents: January-December | Free                                     | \$10  |
|                                |                                                        | \$5 Fee for Replacement Pickleball Badge |       |
| <b>Ultimate Frisbee</b>        | 6 weeks                                                | \$75                                     | \$95  |
|                                | 8 weeks                                                | \$100                                    | \$120 |
| <b>Volleyball- Adult</b>       | January-May                                            | \$240                                    | \$260 |
| <b>Volleyball- Girls</b>       | 10 weeks                                               | \$200                                    | \$220 |
| <b>Women's Softball- Adult</b> | April - August                                         | \$60                                     | \$70  |
| <b>Yoga</b>                    | 8 weeks                                                | \$80                                     | \$100 |
| <b>Yoga Mini Session</b>       | 4 weeks                                                | \$40                                     | \$100 |
| <b>Youth Theater</b>           | September-December                                     | \$10                                     | \$50  |

**WHEREAS**, Borough Owned Recreational Fields and Facilities shall be scheduled by the Borough of Montvale Field Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, Montvale Athletic League ("MAL"), Montvale Recreation and Pascack Hills High School shall have first priority field scheduling use and shall be provide a schedule to the Field Coordinator no later than February 1 and June 1 for the respective Spring and Fall seasons.

**WHEREAS**, MAL, Recreation, Pascack Hills High School and churches are exempt from payment of fees relating to field use.

| <b><u>Facilities</u></b>                                                   | <b><u>Fee</u></b>                      | <b><u>Resident Team/Corporation</u></b> | <b><u>Non-Resident Team/Corporation</u></b> |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>Ballfields:</b> Baseball or Softball (Memorial, Fieldstone or LaTrenta) | Per Hour Per Field<br>(2 hour minimum) | \$25                                    | \$50                                        |
| <b>Turf Fields:</b> Soccer or Lacrosse (Fieldstone)                        | Per 2 Hour Time Slot Per Field         | \$75 (full field)<br>\$50 (half field)  | \$150 (full field)<br>\$100 (half field)    |

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| <b>Basketball Courts:</b> (Memorial)                                                                                  | Per Hour: Court #2 Only | \$25  | \$50  |
| <b>Tennis Court Group Reservation</b><br>(Memorial or LaTrenta)<br>*Two court maximum reservation at any one location | Per Day                 | \$25  | \$50  |
| <b>Corporation Event Field Reservation</b><br>(1 scheduled day plus 2 rain dates)                                     | Per Day                 | \$200 | \$400 |

**Field and Facility Permit Regulations**

MAL endorsed programs in sports that are not offered by MAL, and which have Montvale residents participating, shall be charged the resident fee for field use.

**Resident Corporation:** Any company that owns or leases commercial within the borough.

**Non-Resident Corporation:** Any company that does not own or lease commercial space within the borough.

**Residential Team:** Any athletic team comprised of at least 75% of its roster with Montvale residents.

**Non-Residential Team:** Any team not having at least 75% of its roster filled with Montvale residents.

**Time Slot:** An uninterrupted 1 or 2 hour time period or any part thereof, that a field/facility is being used by an approved team.

**Corporate Fees:** Corporate fees paid to the borough for field use, whether Resident Corporation or Non-Resident Corporation, will entitle the user to 1 field reservation time slot and up to 2 additional time slots that are designated as "rain dates".

**Season:** Spring season will begin March 1 and end July 31. Fall season will begin August 1 and end December 31.

Field/Facility users who provide 7 days or more notice of changes in their scheduled use can receive a time credit if the scheduled hours are decreased. Any changes in field schedules without 7-day notice will not receive a time credit for unused field time. Time credits are only valid for the existing season and the following season.

**Lightning Detection Credit Policy:** If the lightning detector activates with less than 50% of scheduled time elapsed for that date, the organization shall receive a credit for that day's scheduled timeslot. If the lightning detector activates after 50% of the scheduled time has elapsed, no time credit will be granted.

Payment is required prior to use on all fields or no field use will be granted.

Once field use requests are received in full by February 1<sup>st</sup> for Spring season and June 1<sup>st</sup> for Fall season, field use will be established with the following order of preference:

1. Montvale Athletic League, Recreation and Pascack Hills High School
2. Resident: Not-For-Profit Entity
3. Resident: For Profit Entity
4. Non-Resident: Not-For-Profit Entity
5. Non-Resident: For-Profit Entity

**WHEREAS,** it is the Borough of Montvale's intention by the adoption of this resolution that if any prior established fee is in conflict with fee schedule the fees set forth in this fee schedule shall be the fees

charged and any conflicting prior fee is hereby superseded, repealed and replaced with the fees adopted pursuant to this resolution.

**48-2024 Cancellation of Outstanding Checks - Prior Years - Pascack Joint Municipal Court**

**WHEREAS**, there exists various outstanding checks from prior years drawn against certain accounts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Court Administrator provided a listing of outstanding checks that require cancellation (listing attached) from prior years.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to deposit these funds to the respective reserve or surplus account;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Municipal Court Administrator shall receive a copy of this resolution for record keeping; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale that the attached list of outstanding checks from prior years be cancelled;

**49-2024 Authorize Agreement Montvale Police Department - Park Ridge Pistol Range - Years 2024-2028**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Montvale and the Borough of Park Ridge have an Agreement wherein the Borough of Park Ridge has agreed to make their pistol range facility available to the Police Department of the Borough of Montvale, one day per week, for five years commencing 2024 - 2028, for the purpose of practice and qualifying their member for use of a fire arm for an annual fees charges as follows Year 2024 \$7,500.00, Year 2025 \$8,500.00, Year 2026 \$9,500.00, Year 2027 \$9,500.00 and Year 2028 \$9,500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Certified Municipal Finance Officer has certified that fund have been appropriated in the 2024 Police Department Budget which is attached to the original of this resolution; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby approve the Pistol Range Agreement between the Borough of Montvale and Borough of Park Ridge as hereby approved with the terms and conditions therein stated in the attached agreement.

**50-2024 Authorizing Expenditure - Montvale Home Improvement Program**

**WHEREAS**, Community Grants, Planning & Housing (CGP&H) provides Administrative Agent Services to the Borough of Montvale and serves as the Administrator of the Borough's Home Improvement Program; and,

**WHEREAS**, CGP&H has conducted the procurement process on behalf of the Borough of Montvale, pursuant to the duties and responsibilities outlined in their Professional Services Contract, for certain improvements in connection with the Borough of Montvale Home Improvement Program Case No. MTVA-2307, located at 32 Partridge Run, Montvale, NJ 07645, Block 1803, Lot 4 of the tax map of the Borough of Montvale; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has consented to the recommendation of award issued by CGP&H, and further recommends award by the governing body for tracking and accounts payable purposes.

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds have been appropriated and are available for this purpose in the Borough's Affordable Housing Trust Fund; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Montvale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby award a contract to A-Plus Construction Inc., with offices located at 18 Station Road, Lincoln Park, NJ 07035 in the amount not to exceed \$21,700.00 for the project Borough of Montvale Home Improvement Program Case No. MTVA-2307 located at 32 Partridge Run, Montvale, NJ 07645, Block 1803, Lot 4 of the tax map of the Borough of Montvale.

*Introduced by: Councilmember Koelling; seconded by Councilmember Cudequest - a roll call was taken - all ayes*

**BILLS:** Administrator read the Bill Report.

*Motion to pay bills by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling - all ayes*

**REPORT OF REVENUE:** Administrator read the Report of Revenue - December

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Councilmember Arendacs**

**DPW**

Crews did a fantastic job with the rain storm, shoutout to OEM and the Police department as well; make sure if you have a sump pump running, it is illegal to drain into the storm sewer. They are ready for the next storm.

**Engineering**

Smoke testing is scheduled for Valley View pump station, which will determine what is causing the issues.

**Councilmember Koelling**

**Police**

Monthly report included in original minutes; Snow tubing event on Jan 18<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm at CampGaw

**Planning Board**

Had their re-organization meeting; Bob Zitelli retired from the board; Sherwin Tsai will replace Bob; the master plan committee are continuing discussions.

**OEM**

At our first budget meeting, OEM budget was discussed; Joe Hughes was appointed as Deputy Commissioner.

**Joint Court Committee**

Held annual meeting to approve budgets and salaries.

**Councilmember Russo-Vogelsang**

**Local BOE**

At their re-organization meeting, sworn in Rachel Baskin and John Carvelli on their re-election and newly elected Dominic DiSalvo

**Councilmember Cudequest**

**BOH**

Had first meeting of the year, all contracts have been signed, will be continuing with the same agencies as in the past, NorthWest Bergen will do our health inspections, HARP for our nursing services, Tyco for animal control and Dr. Tracey Cohen will continue to be our veterinarian. After much consideration, the board along with NorthWest Bergen will hold the flu clinic, it is scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup>. Rabies clinic is scheduled for November 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Seniors**

Had their first meeting of the year, book club has started; bingo and pizza night is this Friday; a nurse from HARP attends the senior meetings on the first Monday and Thursday for blood pressure screenings.

**TV Access**

My Montvale next filming date is January 17<sup>th</sup>;

**Library**

Had a special reception to honor Daryl Lagerson, husband of Tammy King, board member, Daryl illustrated numerous children's picture books. His collection will remain in the library for a few weeks. 3 virtual adult programs are schedule for this month, go to website for more details.

**Mayor Ghassali**

Talking with a couple of perspective tenants; this afternoon met with 1<sup>st</sup> graders, Daisy troop; gave a tour of the building, also the Mayor showed them a map of all the countries that Montvale represents and one girl stated her parents are from Costa Rica, we will add Costa Rica's flag to the map and now we have 56 countries represented.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

Andrew Hipolit - absent  
Report/Update

**ATTORNEY REPORT:**

David Lafferty, Esq.  
Report/Update

The acquisition of Depiero's Farm is pending at the planning board; sale of 127 Summit Ave to Veolia, prepared the contract and it is in review.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

a. Discussion – Commercial Vehicles in Residential Zones

After a brief discussion, it was decided to form a committee of Councilmember Russo-Vogelsang, the code officials, administrator and attorney, to discuss changing the ordinance

**NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Discussion – Required Elected Officials Training – Frank Covelli (PIA) - Dates

The date of February 8<sup>th</sup> was decided.

**COMMUNICATION CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

**HEARING OF CITIZENS WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

Upon recognition by the Mayor, the person shall proceed to the floor and give his/her name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records. Unless further time is granted by the Council, he/she shall limit his/her statement to five (5) minutes. Statements shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, without recognition by the Mayor.

*Motion to open meeting to the public by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling  
- all ayes*

**Michael Greco – 71 Nottingham Court**

Mentioned about rental increases, a new management service raised his rent 10%; would like to know if the town can consider a rent control ordinance; the borough attorney stated that other towns do have a similar type of ordinance. All councilmembers agreed to have the borough attorney do some research.

*A motion to authorize the borough attorney to prepare an ordinance by Councilmember Cudequest;  
seconded by Councilmember Russo-Vogelsang – all ayes*

Zan Malik and Zaheera Khan, 63 Woodland Road

Thanked Mayor and Council for the resolution recognizing Muslims; Muslims have contributed many things to American Society. Thank you for being so welcoming.

*Motion to close meeting to the public by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling*  
*- all ayes*

**MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Motion to adjourn Public Meeting by Councilmember Cudequest; seconded by Councilmember Koelling*  
*- all ayes*

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm

Regular Workshop Meeting of the Mayor & Council to be held at 7:30pm on January 30, 2024

**Budget Meeting Dates - on Zoom Only**

January 22 @ 6:00 p.m.

January 29 @ 6:00 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted, Frances Scordo, Municipal Clerk**