

**TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 11, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Kritz called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO LEAD THOSE PRESENT IN THE SALUTE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE TO REMEMBER THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICES OF THE ARMED SERVICE MEMBERS WHO PROTECT OUR NATION AND THE FIRST RESPONDERS WHO PROTECT OUR NEIGHBORHOODS

Council President Kritz lead those present in the Flag Salute and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

Present were Councilman Friedlander, Councilwoman Noon, Councilman Sackett, Councilwoman Brookes, Councilman Salberg, Councilman Wojtowicz, Vice President Quinn, and President Kritz.

Also present were Mayor Joe Jackson, Township Clerk Everett Falt, Township Counsel, John Iacofano, Township Administrator, Pat Seger, the CFO, Lisa Palmeri, the Purchasing Agent, Bryan Coward, Police Chief, Martin McParland, and the Director of Recreation, Dave Dyer.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

President Kritz read the following statement into the record: “notice of this meeting was sent to the daily record and the star ledger, the official newspapers for the township of rockaway in compliance with public law 1975, chapter 231 (OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT). Additionally, notice was posted on the township website, the official bulletin boards of rockaway, and filed in the office of the township clerk”

APPROVAL OF MINUTE(S)

A. MAR 4 BUDGET HEARING MEETING MINUTES

Council President Kritz requested a motion adopt the March 4 Budget Hearing Minutes. Councilman Quinn made said motion, with Councilman Friedlander seconding. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call **AYE** **FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, R. BROOKES,
SALBERG, WOJTOWICZ, VP QUINN, PRESIDENT KRITZ**
 NAY **NONE**

With all ayes and no nays, the motion carried.

B. MARCH 28 TOWNSHIP COUNCL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

President Kritz requested a motion on the March 28 Regular Meeting Minutes. Councilman Friedlander made said motion, with Councilman Salberg seconding. President requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, PRESIDENT KRITZ
 ABSTAIN R. BROOKES, QUINN
 NAY NONE

With six ayes, two abstentions, and no nays, the motion carried.

**C. MAR 28 TOWNSHIP COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING
MINUTES**

President Kritz requested a motion on the March 28 Executive Session meeting minutes. Councilman Friedlander offered said motion, with Councilwoman Noon seconding. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, PRESIDENT KRITZ
 ABSTAIN R. BROOKES, QUINN
 NAY NONE

With six ayes, two abstentions, and no nays, the motion carried.

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION RE AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

Mayor Joe Jackson read a Proclamation into the record for Autism Awareness Month.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Council President Kritz opened the meeting to the public. Several residents came forward to address the Township Council.

ORDINANCE(S) FOR PUBLIC HEARING/FINAL ADOPTION

**D. O-23-09 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL
BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

President Kritz opened the public hearing on Ordinance 23-09. With no one coming forward the President closed the public hearing. President Kritz requested a motion to adopt Ordinance 23-09 following the public hearing. Vice President Quinn offered said motion, with Councilwoman Brookes offering the second. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, R. BROOKES, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, VP QUINN, PRESIDENT KRITZ
 NAY NONE

With all ayes and no nays, the motion carried.

E. O-23-12 BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$1,730,000, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,677,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP, FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS OR PURPOSES AUTHORIZED TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, FOR THE WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OF THE TOWNSHIP.

President Kritz opened the public hearing on Ordinance 23-12. With no one coming forward, the President closed the hearing. President Kritz requested a motion for Ordinance 23-12. Vice President Quinn offered said motion, with Councilman Friedlander offering the second. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, R. BROOKES, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, VP QUINN, PRESIDENT KRITZ
NAY NONE

With all ayes and no nays, the motion carried.

2023 BUDGET HEARING

Council President Kritz opened the public hearing for the 2023 Budget Hearing. He asked anyone wishing to come forward to do so by coming to the microphone. With no one coming forward, Council President Kritz closed the Public Hearing.

2023 BUDGET RESOLUTION(S)

F. R-23-80 RESOLUTION TO READ THE 2023 OPERATING BUDGET BY TITLE

President Kritz requested a motion to adopt Resolution 23-80. Vice President Quinn offered said motion, with Councilwoman Brookes seconding. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, R. BROOKES, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, VP QUINN, PRESIDENT KRITZ
NAY NONE

With all ayes and no nays, the motion carried.

G. R-23-61A A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROCKAWAY IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

President Kritz requested a motion to adopt Resolution 23-61A. Vice President Quinn offered said motion, with Councilwoman Brookes seconding. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, R. BROOKES, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, VP QUINN, PRESIDENT KRITZ
NAY NONE

With all ayes and no nays, the motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

H. R-23-81 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SENIOR CENTER BASEMENT RENOVATIONS TO AB CONTRACTING LLC IN THE TOTAL BID AMOUNT OF \$84,000

I. R-23-82 AMENDING RESOLUTION R-23-18, R-23-47 AND R-23-66 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF CERTAIN GOODS AND SERVICES THROUGH THE USE OF STATE, COUNTY AND REGIONAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACTS FOR THE YEAR 2023

J. R-23-83 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TAX SALE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 54:5-19

K. R-23-84 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH REALAUCTION.COM, LLC FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING MUNICIPAL TAX LIEN SALE FOR 2023 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 54:5-19.1

L. R-23-86 RESOLUTION, REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR QUEENS ROAD PHASE I WATER MAIN LINING PROJECT

President Kritz requested Resolution 23-85 be pulled from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately. With that said, President Kritz requested a motion on the Consent Agenda as amended. Vice President Quinn made said motion, with Councilman Salberg seconding. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, R. BROOKES, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, VP QUINN, PRESIDENT KRITZ
NAY NONE

With all ayes and no nays, the motion carried.

RESOLUTION(S) FOR SEPARATE VOTE:

M. R-23-85 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A VETERANS' AFFAIRS (VA) CENTER IN NORTHWEST NEW JERSEY

President Kritz requested a motion on Resolution 23-85. Vice President Quinn offered said motion, with Councilwoman Noon seconding. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, R. BROOKES, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, VP QUINN, PRESIDENT KRITZ
NAY NONE

With all ayes and no nays, the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION:

A. APPOINT FIRE DEPARTM MEMBER(S)

- i** KEITH POWER – COMPANY 1
- ii** DOMINIC SPADAFORA – COMPANY 4

President Kritz requested a motion to appoint the Fire Department Members. Vice President Quinn offered said motion, with Councilman Friedlander offering the second. President Kritz requested a roll call vote.

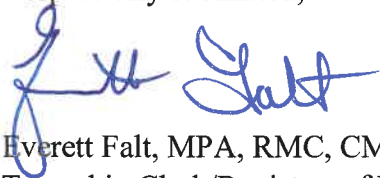
Roll Call AYE FRIEDLANDER, NOON, SACKETT, R. BROOKES, SALBERG,
WOJTOWICZ, VP QUINN, PRESIDENT KRITZ
 NAY NONE

With all ayes and no nays, the motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Council President Kritz requested to adjourn via acclimation with all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Everett Falt, MPA, RMC, CMC
Township Clerk/Registrar of Vital Statistics