

An Executive Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge was called to order by Mayor Paul Sarlo at 7:15 PM on August 2, 2011 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 85 Humboldt Street Wood-Ridge, New Jersey.

**ROLLCALL:** Mayor: Paul A. Sarlo  
Dominick Azzolini  
Thomas Gonnella  
Catherine Cassidy  
Ezio Altamura  
Edward Marino  
Joseph DiMarco  
Borough Attorney: Paul S. Barbire  
Borough Engineer: Brian Intindola (absent)  
Borough Clerk: Diane Thornley  
Borough Admin: Chris Eilert

**SUNSHINE NOTICE:**

This meeting is being held in accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, and the notice requirements of the law have been met by appropriate notice being forwarded to The Record, The Herald News and Star Ledger setting forth the date, time and place of said meeting and by posting a copy of same on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

**Engineering:** Borough Administrator advised that 5<sup>th</sup> Street is done and that the project is moving along.

**General items to be discussed:**

1. 9-11 Ceremony and Blood Drive - Councilman Gonnella advised he will start preparing. He advised that the ceremony will be held on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM at Veterans Park. He will arrange for the Blood Mobile. He will send out letters out to the Parish Pastors and to the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.
2. Commuter Parking Ordinance 2007-1 - Police Chief will be surveying this matter.
3. Fire Prevention Week-October 2<sup>nd</sup>. At the Fire House they will be having Fire Truck rides.

**Resolutions:**

Resolution #123-2011 - Authorizing Mayor to Sign Contract-Pistol Range.

Resolution #124-2011 - Wood-Ridge Post Office suspend service

RESOLUTION #123-2011

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-2 et seq. authorizes contracting units to enter into Shared Service Agreements: and

**WHEREAS**, the Boroughs of Wood-Ridge and the Borough of Rutherford desire to enter into an agreement with each other for the use of the Pistol Range Facilities located in the Borough of Wood-Ridge; and

**WHEREAS**, the agreement document to be executed by the Borough of Wood-Ridge and the Borough of Rutherford for the purposes hereinabove described is annexed hereto and is made a part of this resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

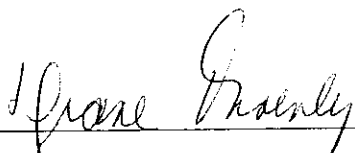
1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Wood-Ridge are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Contract with the Borough of Rutherford.

2. This contract is awarded pursuant to appropriate Law of the State of New Jersey specifically but not by way of limitation, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-2, et seq. as well as any other pertinent inter-local governmental statutes appertaining thereto.

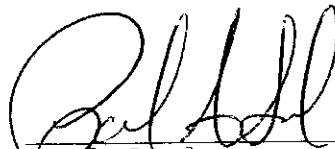
3. All Ordinances and/or Resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent with this Resolution shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately in accordance with appropriate law.

ATTEST:

  
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Diane Thomley  
Borough Clerk

  
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Paul Sarlo  
Mayor

Motion: Councilman Altamura, seconded by Councilman Azzolini moved the adoption of the above Resolution.

Rollcall: Azzolini yes, Gonnella yes, Cassidy yes, Altamura yes, Marino yes, DiMarco yes.

## EXECUTIVE MEETING, AUGUST 2, 2011

RESOLUTION NO.: 124-2011

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Postal Service has announced plans to possibly suspend services at its Wood-Ridge branch office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wood-Ridge post office serves an extremely vital function for the and its closing would have a profound impact on businesses throughout the municipality; and

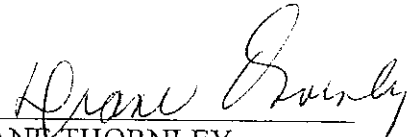
**WHEREAS**, the post office is within walking distance of most businesses throughout the municipality, and many businesses and individuals have post office boxes there where they receive their mail each day, and same is convenient for shoppers and businesses to mail packages, to purchase stamps, money orders, and other postal services; and

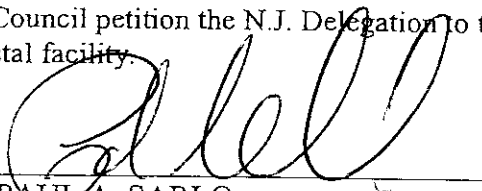
**WHEREAS**, it would be very disruptive for the post office to close, requiring businesses and individuals who currently use the facility to drive to a post office in another community where there are usually long lines and a shortage of parking spaces; and

**WHEREAS**, although the Postal Service has indicated that it may not be economically feasible to continue operating its Wood-Ridge branch, its closing will have an economic impact on the Borough of Wood-Ridge.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge opposes the closing of the branch post office in Wood-Ridge and urges the U.S. Postal Service to reconsider its decision to suspend services.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council petition the N.J. Delegation to the U.S. Congress to oppose the closure of the Wood-Ridge postal facility.

  
 DIANE THORNLEY  
 BOROUGH CLERK

  
 PAUL A. SARLO  
 MAYOR

Motion: Councilman Altamura, seconded by Councilman Azzolini moved the adoption of the above Resolution.

Rollcall: Azzolini yes, Gonnella yes, Cassidy yes, Altamura yes, Marino yes, DiMarco yes.

**Tax Appeals:** Borough Attorney said they are before the judge.

**Other Legal:** Westmont will probably be done in November.

Administrator Eilert: No report

Councilman Azzolini: No report

Councilman Gonnella: he spoke on the Bocce Court at Veterans Park; he would like to get a tournament going.

Councilwoman Cassidy: No report

Councilman Altamura: He recognized Mr. John Lanzante who passed away this week.

Councilman Marino: No report

Councilman DiMarco: No report

Mayor: No report

Seminar Approvals:

Kellie Romero, Principles of Tax Collection, Rutgers University, August 25th to September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at a cost of \$1,074.00

Borough Administrator advised this is for certification.

Motion: Councilwoman Cassidy, seconded by Councilman Marino moved to adopt the above Seminar Approval.

Rollcall: Azzolini yes, Gonnella yes, Cassidy yes, Altamura yes, Marino yes, DiMarco yes.

Outstanding Agenda Items:

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Sarlo declared the Hearing of Citizens to be open. Anyone wishing to speak please come to the microphone in front of the room and state your name and address. Please speak clearly into the microphone.

Mr. Richard Martinelli 216 Tenth St. - he questioned the under ground storage tank and \$10,000 to Hatch Mount company. Borough Administrator advised this is for the underground storage tanks at

the DPW. DEP came in and said we had two years to do the cleanup. This is under DEP regulations. Mr. Martinelli also questioned job titles. He wanted to know if they are all filled. Borough Administrator advised that the titles/positions are necessary.

Mr. Howard Killen Columbia Blvd. - he wanted to thank Paul Dahl and Susan Frattarelli for all their help in raising \$4,000 for the Alabama Relief Fund.

Mrs. Avril Genton 482 Innes Rd. - she questioned the house across the street from Borough Hall that had the pigeon problem, whether it was all cleaned up. She was advised that it was and that it is bank owned.

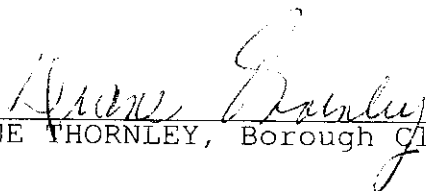
Seeing none and hearing none further, the Mayor declared the Hearing of Citizens closed.

Mayor Sarlo advised that in August he will be meeting with the Superintendent of Schools and the new Pastor at Assumption.

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Altamura seconded by Councilman Gonnella moved for adjournment. By unanimous vote of the members of the Council present, the Executive Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge held on August 2, 2011 was duly adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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DIANE THORNLEY, Borough Clerk