

MINUTES of the Special Meeting of the  
City Council of the City of Rye held in City Hall on  
December 7, 1998 at 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

STEVEN OTIS, Mayor  
CAROLYN C. CUNNINGHAM  
ROBERTA DOWNING  
ROBERT H. HUTCHINGS  
ROSAMOND LARR  
ARTHUR STAMPLEMAN  
KATHLEEN E. WALSH  
Councilmen

ABSENT: None

1. Roll Call

Mayor Otis called the meeting to order; a quorum was present to conduct official City business.

2. Review of Proposed 1999 Budget

The City Manager responded to questions posed by the Council regarding the proposed 1999 budget.

3. Budget Amendments

Councilman Stampleman made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Larr to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the 1999 Building and Vehicle  
Maintenance Internal Service Fund be amended as follows:

Locust Avenue Firehouse Improvements (Bond)  
Building Project be renamed the Firehouse  
Improvements (Bond) Building Project and that  
resources required be reduced from \$300,000 to  
\$200,000, reducing bonds as source of funding  
by a like amount,

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 1999 Capital Projects Fund be amended as follows:

Drainage Projects be increased by adding "5) Newberry Place and Van Buren Street Storm Drain Installation: This project provides for the installation of a new storm drain and catch basins which will tie into an existing storm drain located on Oakland Beach Avenue. There is currently no drainage along this street. In addition to the drain piping, several new catch basins will be installed. The estimated cost of this project is \$100,000, to be funded by bonds,"

and be it further

RESOLVED, that funding sources for the Capital Projects Fund be amended to add \$100,000 from general obligation bonds.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Cunningham, Downing, Hutchings, Larr, Stampleman and Walsh

NAYS:None

ABSENT: None

4. Financial and Budget Reports

Council members Downing and Stampleman requested that future financial reports use a consistent set of financial categories to facilitate monitoring and understanding financial trends.

5. Executive Session

At 8:35 p.m., Councilman Stampleman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hutchings, and unanimously carried to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel issues.

The Council reconvened at 10:10 p.m.

The Council held discussion on the work of, and compensation for, the City Manager and the Corporation Counsel. Discussion supported increasing compensation similar to increases recently approved for other city employees through collective bargaining, mediation, and arbitration procedures.

6. Resolution establishing the compensation of the City Manager.

On motion of Councilwoman Larr, seconded by Councilwoman Walsh, the Council considered granting the City Manager a performance bonus of \$8,000 for extraordinary performance during 1998, increasing the City Manager's salary by \$3,161 to \$125,000, effective January 1, 1999, and establishing a performance bonus not to exceed \$10,000 based upon performance evaluation by the City Council in December, 1999.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Cunningham, Downing, Hutchings, Larr,  
Stampleman and Walsh

NAYS:None

ABSENT: None

7. Resolution establishing the compensation of the Corporation Counsel.

On motion of Councilwoman Cunningham, seconded by Councilman Stampleman, the Council considered granting the Corporation Counsel a performance bonus of \$1,000 for extraordinary performance during 1998 and increasing the Corporation Counsel's salary by \$2,866 to \$74,516, effective January 1, 1999.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Cunningham, Downing, Hutchings, Larr,  
Stampleman and Walsh

NAYS:None

ABSENT: None

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Councilwoman Downing, seconded by Councilman Hutchings and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Frank J. Culross  
City Manager