

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, N.J.
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 4, 2015
5:30PM**

Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 5:30PM
Flag Salute; Moment of Silence

SUNSHINE LAW: This special meeting was called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. Notices of this meeting were sent to the *Record* and the *Ridgewood News* on July 28, 2015. In addition, copies of notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call: Council members Correa, Manna, Riquelme, Zamechansky-present
Council members Hayes and Morrell-absent
Mayor Kelly-present

Motion to accept agenda as presented: Councilman Manna
Second: Councilman Riquelme
All in favor.

General Order of Business:

RESOLUTION

#15-189 Solid Waste/Recycling-Rejection of Bids and Authorization for the Municipal Clerk to Readvertise for Bids

Councilman Manna stated that when the attorney for Galaxy spoke at a Council meeting, he said that when towns around us went out a second time, there was an increase of about 30% in the bid amounts. He is also skeptical that we will receive more bids than we received the first time. He asked for clarification. The Councilman also asked the administrator to reach out to other towns to see what their experience has been.

Mr. Perkins responded that some of Galaxy's statements are untrue. He also is not sure we won't get numbers that are less than the first bid. Also, if the number does come in high, we would be able to reject the bids and negotiate. There have been many significant issues with Galaxy.

Galaxy had agreed to hold the line on their prior contract price through September in hopes they would be awarded a new five year contract at the higher rate. Mr. Paster spoke to Galaxy's attorney today who said they would continue to service the account pending new bids and a contract award but at the rate of the new bid.

Councilwoman Zamechansky said that some towns have the residents pay separately for garbage pickup. She also has brought up the idea several times to buy our own trucks and add some extra guys to do garbage on our own.

Councilman Riquelme said you would have to consider insurance, gas and maintenance of equipment.

Councilwoman Correa said this would be a good time for the Finance Committee to do projections for future budgets.

There was nobody from the public present.

Motion to adopt #189: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Riquelme

Roll call vote: Council members Correa, Manna, Riquelme, Zamechansky-yes

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Riquelme

Second: Councilman Manna

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by

Susan Connelly, RMC

Municipal Clerk